

# It's the British Empire, Stupid!

In modern legend, the global British Empire disappeared in the late 19th Century, or at least at the end of World War II. It was replaced by the two superpowers—the Soviet Union and the United States—and now, with the demise of the Soviet Union, with the “hyperpower” the United States.

A more dangerous delusion could not be held. For, as the LaRouche movement has documented extensively, especially in the 1994 to 1997 period,<sup>1</sup> the “new” British Empire has never been so powerful, nor so close to implementing its schemes for global chaos and destruction. This empire is not to be confused with the United Kingdom, nor even the British Monarchy per se. Its model is that of the older Venetian oligarchy, which functions as a financial oligarchic system of families, foundations, and other institutions dedicated to preserving their power in perpetuum, and destroying all systems and forces, most especially the nation-state, which stand in their way.

We summarily provide a review of three major areas of *ongoing* British imperial power here. First, there's the economic/financial role played by leading Anglo-Dutch financial institutions, who exercise an astonishingly substantial control over the physical necessities of life, such as food and energy. Second, there's the military role of British Imperial forces, both visible and invisible, regular and irregular. Third, there's the British Empire's cultural warfare apparatus, the most aggressive force for the destruction of pro-human scientific culture globally.

## The World's Largest Economic Power

“Now, that empire, which the British effectively control, except for dissident nations that don't like it, represents about one-fifth of the world's land area; it represents about 30% of the world's population. It controls 48-50% of the world's financial turnover, including the \$3.5 trillion a day derivatives turnover. It controls the majority of the world's international trade in what are called strategic metals, such as the metals that are required for most industry. It controls the majority of the international trade in petroleum.... These interests, the Anglo-Dutch-Swiss, Cargill et al. complex, control the majority of the international food trade, in a time of grave food crisis worldwide.”

That is how Lyndon LaRouche summarized the financial power of the British Empire back in March 1996. If anything,

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1. *The True Story Behind the Fall of the House of Windsor*, Reprints of *EIR*'s 1994-97 groundbreaking exposés, September 1997, available as EIR 97-004.

the share of world power wielded economically by the “Empire” has increased over the last 10 years.

Much of the control is, admittedly, not on the surface. It is exercised through the London Stock Exchange, through the London International Financial Futures Exchange, through the London Metal Exchange, and the International Petroleum Exchange. These are the institutions where the actual disposition of the physical assets being traded is determined, not to mention the layers upon layers of speculative financial instruments created, that are now in full collapse, and threatening to bring the physical economy down with it. Exemplary of the raw material control is the role of two corporations, Anglo-American and Rio Tinto Zinc, which controlled from 10 to 24% of the Western world's crucial minerals output in 1995.

## A British Military Empire

Those forced to admit British imperial power in the financial sphere, would surely object to the assertion that the Empire still wields enormous, often decisive military power today, as it did in launching World War I and II. Again, they would be wrong.

Her Majesty's military forces are not large, but they are strategically placed to control, and instigate, conflicts in dozens of sensitive locations throughout the world. Take the British role in the Iraq wars, for example, or in the Balkan disaster. Look at the disposition of British forces throughout the African continent, or Asia. From these locations the British have let loose with “intelligence,” or provocations, that have exacerbated local conflicts, even toward the point of threatening “superpower” confrontation.

Even more significant, as befits the Venetian “East India Company” nature of the modern British Empire, is the role of the “privatized” or irregular forces deployed globally. As *EIR*'s 1997 report *The True Story Behind the Fall of the House of Windsor* documents, and later *EIR* feature series further elaborated, London is the home base for dozens, if not hundreds, of private mercenary armies, some of them explicitly terrorist, others simply “contract” employees, who are deployed “in Her Majesty's Service” globally. Utilizing the longstanding ties which the imperial center has with different peoples and tribes around the world, London has created and manipulated ethnic groups, and even small armies, in its own strategic interest of destroying nation-states. It's not for nothing that many nations have dubbed London “Londonistan,” for its role in support of Khalistan, Balochistan, Kurdistan, and dozens more breakaway movements.

## Empire of the Mind

As *EIR*'s 1997 study emphasized, however, the most dangerous means of control exercised by the new British Empire is not financial, or military, but cultural. It is in this sphere that Britain's “invisible empire” takes the most prisoners of all. The empire works through various media.

Perhaps most ubiquitous is the use of the mass media, epit-



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*Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip, shown here on their 2007 visit to the United States, don't command the British Empire, but they are its fitting tools in spreading the evils of globalization and Malthusian genocide.*

omized by the British Broadcasting Company. BBC is by far the most widely disseminated broadcasting network globally, and it is heard in dozens of languages other than English. Touting a reputation as “objective,” the service’s political role on behalf of the Queen’s government, to which it is responsible, can be indicated by its role in such incidents as the misrepresentation and then “suicide” of Dr. David Kelly, critic of the Blair government’s lies against Iraq, in the summer of 2003.

More hidden, and equally nefarious, is the role of the British Empire through institutions of the United Nations, including the ever-expanding network of so-called non-governmental organizations. NGOs, chartered by the UN, are often run by wealthy families, and there is an astounding number of them in Great Britain itself (over half a million in 1996). But most destructive is the imperial ideology of the institution, which defines these advocates for “civil society” as ranking *above* governments, and as instruments for destroying governments which do not kowtow to their demands. One need only look at the role of the NGOs rampant in the countries of the former Soviet bloc to see the transparent anti-nation role they are crafted to play.

No account of the cultural warfare being run by the British

Empire against the human race would be complete without reference to its role in advancing the genocide movement associated with the World Wildlife Fund’s radical population control drive, and its spinoff, the Global Warming movement of today. While Lord Bertrand Russell and other representatives of the “old” British empire carried the flag for this ideology in the 19th Century, the flag was well taken up by Queen Elizabeth’s Royal Consort, Prince Philip and his son Charles, in the 20th and now 21st. The totally brutal, and false, idea behind this “environmentalism,” was exposed by Philip himself, when he told the Deutsche Press Agentur in August 1988 that “in the event that I am reincarnated, I would like to return as a deadly virus, in order to contribute something to solve overpopulation.”

That may seem extreme, but note that in our daily press, globally, headlines are given to the danger man represents to gorilla species (and others, even bugs!), even as *millions* of children die for lack of clean water, electricity, and sufficient food. British Malthusian ideology is indeed *controlling* our institutions, and behavior, without our even recognizing it.

It’s time to unleash those chains!

# The British Commonwealth



Source: *The True Story Behind The Fall of The House of Windsor*, EIR, 1997.

Country	Population	Land-area (km <sup>2</sup> )	Country	Population	Land-area (km <sup>2</sup> )	Country	Population	Land-area (km <sup>2</sup> )			
<b>Where Queen Elizabeth II is Sovereign:</b>											
1. Antigua and Barbuda	65,000	442	29. Lesotho	1,900,000	30,355	57. British Virgin Islands	16,108	153			
2. Australia	17,800,000	7,682,300	30. Malawi	9,500,000	118,484	58. Cayman Islands	29,700	259			
3. Bahamas	300,000	13,939	31. Malaysia	19,500,000	332,370	59. Channel Islands	142,975	311			
4. Barbados	300,000	431	32. Maldives	200,000	298	60. Falkland Islands and Dependencies	1,900	12,173			
5. Belize	200,000	22,965	33. Malta	400,000	316	61. Gibraltar	28,848	6			
6. United Kingdom	57,649,000	244,100	34. Mauritius	1,100,000	2,040	62. Hong Kong	5,800,000	1,077			
7. Canada	29,100,000	9,976,186	35. Mozambique	15,800,000	799,380	63. Isle of Man	69,788	572			
8. Grenada	100,000	344	36. Namibia	1,600,000	824,296	64. Montserrat	12,617	98			
9. Jamaica	2,500,000	11,424	37. Nauru	9,882	21	65. Pitcairn Island	65	5			
10. New Zealand	3,524,800	270,534	38. Nigeria	98,100,000	923,853	66. St. Helena and Dependencies	6,698	310			
11. Papua New Guinea	4,000,000	462,840	39. Pakistan	126,400,000	803,936	67. Turks and Caicos Islands	12,697	500			
12. St. Kitts and Nevis	40,000	262	40. Seychelles	100,000	453	<i>Australian:</i>					
13. St. Lucia	100,000	616	41. Sierra Leone	4,600,000	71,740	68. Coral Sea Islands Territory	0	5			
14. St. Vincent and the Grenadines	100,000	389	42. Singapore	2,792,000	639	69. Cocos Islands	597	50			
15. Solomon Islands	400,000	29,785	43. South Africa	47,966,000	1,317,365	70. Christmas Island	929	135			
16. Tuvalu	9,666	26	44. Sri Lanka	17,900,000	65,610	71. Heard Island and McDonald Islands	0	409			
<b>Where Elizabeth II is not formally sovereign:</b>											
17. Bangladesh	116,600,000	143,998	45. Swaziland	800,000	17,363	72. Norfolk Island	2,620	36			
18. Botswana	1,400,000	600,360	46. Tanzania	29,800,000	945,037	73. Ashmore and Cartier Islands	0	1			
19. Brunei Darussalam	300,000	5,765	47. Tonga	103,949	751	<i>New Zealand:</i>					
20. Cameroon	13,100,000	475,442	48. Trinidad and Tobago	1,300,000	5,128	74. Tokelau	1,600	10			
21. Cyprus	725,000	9,251	49. Uganda	19,800,000	236,880	75. Cook Islands	17,977	241			
22. Dominica	100,000	751	50. Vanuatu	200,000	14,763	76. Niue	1,751	259			
23. The Gambia	1,100,000	10,600	51. Western Samoa	200,000	2,831	<b>Total</b>					
24. Ghana	16,900,000	238,537	52. Zambia	9,100,000	752,618	<b>1,632,477,973</b>	<b>31,858,455</b>				
25. Guyana	800,000	214,969	53. Zimbabwe	11,200,000	390,308						
26. India	911,600,000	3,185,019	<b>Dependent territories of Britain, Australia, New Zealand:</b>								
27. Kenya	27,000,000	582,646	<i>British:</i>								
28. Kiribati	76,320	726	54. Anguilla	8,800	91						
			55. Bermuda	60,686	52						
			56. British Indian Ocean Territory	0	220						