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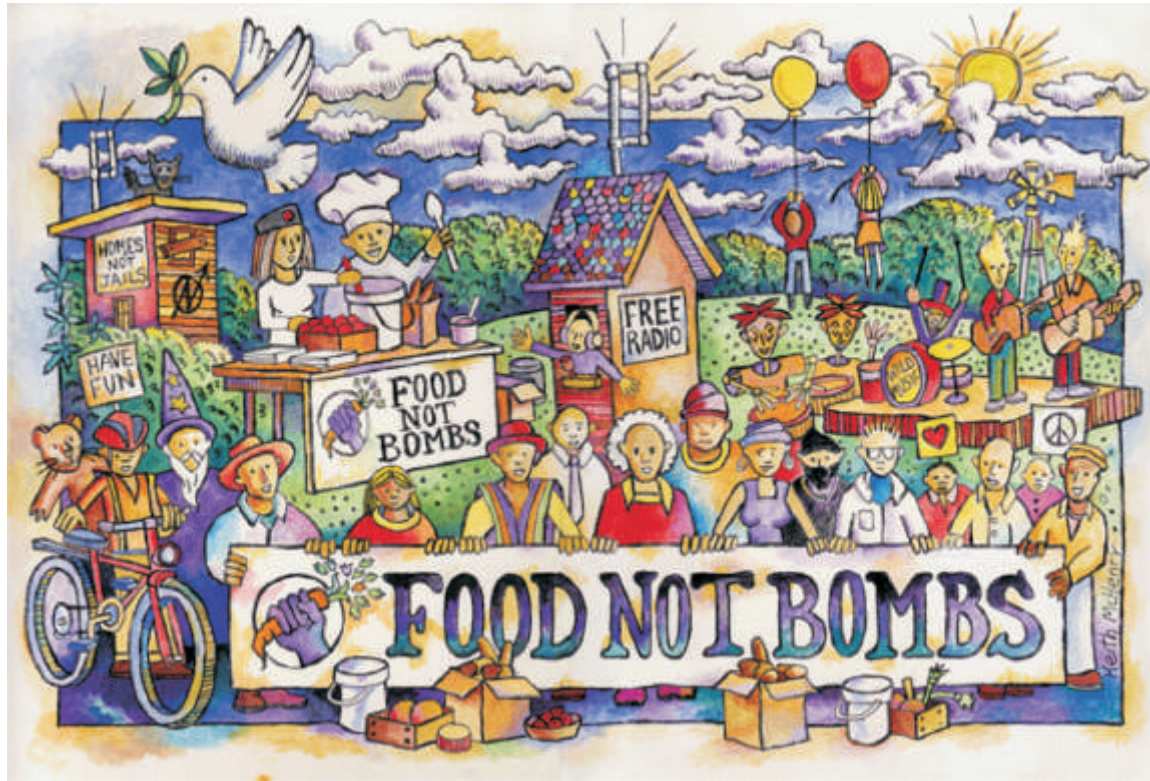
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In these pages you will come across Presidents, Professors, Pacifists, Poets, Priests, Pundits, Professionals, Planners and Politicians. They all have one thing in common: All of them have written from the heart and with hope.

We have deliberately deleted references and bibliographies, which some authors provided, because that is not necessarily the sign of scholarship but mediocrity. Another important reason why we kept these copious details out was it would have added atleast 100 more pages and we did not have enough funds. This book is a labour of love for us and we have put money from our pockets in bringing it out, since the promised funds never materialized.

In selecting articles, poems, reports, anecdotes, critical analysis, cartoons we have kept four things in mind: objectivity, wide perspective, common sense approach and service to humanity. As Leo Tolstoy aptly said: “The sole meaning of life is to serve humanity”. Also as 'Holistic Healer' by training and profession, we know that unless we diagnose the malady and speak the truth, the right treatment cannot be found, truth shall not prevail and healing will not take place.

In this important document, 'We, the Peaceloving People of the World', want to harp on 'Holistic Development' and balance the CNN or BBC-type history written by embedded journalists and give to the future, what we consider, an ideal People's Peace Manifesto to follow. So, if we are critical of USA and USrael, it is because, judged by their belligerent policies, we feel that these are essentially the only two real terrorists in the world and proven enemies of peace and prosperity. The crimes and murders committed by them far outweigh the holocaust which they have turned into a high decibel business leading to mutated memory of gore and sickness hindering our progress on the path of peace.

If you do not agree with what is contained in these pages, you are welcome to explore as to whether this is due to indoctrination you might have had, because you subscribe to some decadent dogma, ism or another erroneous belief (like the Church insisted that the Earth was flat when it is round, as Galileo proved) that would be your problem. We do not regret what we have compiled here and you need not be hesitant in reading this book, if you are the seeker of the truth. “Seek the truth and truth shall liberate you”.

Everyone in this book unequivocally believes that a World without Wars is desirable, possible and NOW is the time, for tomorrow may be too late.

My grateful thanks to all those who have contributed their precious thoughts in this monumental cornucopia of abundance for future.

Towards an awake world

Dr. Leo Rebello

FOREWORD

by Dr. Leo Rebello

*In purified state of natural mental health answers await, knowledge knocks,
awareness awakens, wisdom waits, and enlightenment exists.
Slow your breath, still your mind
Let your journey begin to Love and Light.*

We are moving through wondrous and challenging times and this book is a path breaking contribution dedicated to the future of humanity a world without capital punishment, without corruption, without caste system (260 million people are affected by it), without decadent religions, without poverty, without national boundaries, without cancerous capitalism a world without wars, a world without tears.

This book is in five parts. Part I contains 33 bold essays and incisive articles. Part II offers 40 uplifting poems. Part III is an assemblage of 33 special articles, news snippets, cartoons and tidbits personally selected by the compiler and appropriately placed to give a complete picture. Part IV lists 111 carefully selected NGOs that work for creating a peaceful and harmonious society - where man who is in fetters now will be liberated to fly high, in the limitless azure sky, without slavery of any kind. Part V The Last Word which contains 42 solutions for total change.

Through this monumental compendium emerges inspiring work done by dedicated people who are only driven by love and unity, care and concern, health and harmony for all of humanity. Here, superior ideas replace old hegemony of selfishness, manipulation, con and capriciousness with love, brotherhood, equality, fairness and justice. We discard arms, disastrous technology and force of any kind.

We say that the two Koreas should unite; we say all nations should forthwith ask USA to shut down 800 odd military bases, forthwith; we say that like the Berlin wall, the 300 kms long electrified Wall in Jerusalem should be demolished at once and the 51st State of USA called Israel, must be de-recognised, ere this sore thumb cocks a snook at the world's future. Jerusalem was destroyed once; this time unless checked it may eventually destroy the whole world. Before that let Jews vacate what is essentially Arab land and relocate themselves in USA, to save themselves and the holy Planet Earth.

More people are assaulted, maimed, scarred, weakened or killed in normal times through vaccines, carcinogens, narcotic and psychotropic substances, abortions, malnutrition, poverty, etc. This is the cold war of the most lethal kind in which licensed doctors play a sinister role along with the (p)harmaceuticals. This book therefore, also talks of Holistic Healing. To us 'Health is Supreme'. Consequently, we discard the compartmental approach of 'one-disease, one-organ' specialists of 'pseudo science' called Allopathy, which has killed more people in normal times than all the wars and terrorism casualties put together. We also expose the rackets like Vaccines, HIV/AIDS, Bird or Swine Flu, Ebola, Cancer, etc. Our Evolutionary slogans are: 'Health Care is Self Care', 'From AIDS Scare to AIDS Care', 'Health is in Your Hands', 'No Ills, No Pills and No Bills' and 'No Messing up with Earth's Environment and Ecology' with High Frequency Active Auroral Research Program [HAARP], Star Wars, etc.

Achieving the common desires of all people to live in peace and harmony with each other and nature are our goals. A world where future generations will know true prosperity allowing for all people's needs to be met, where we can live a life of dignity and respect for one another.

This bold book unfolds a roadmap of a 'Future of Possibilities'. It talks of a Global Village where people are not segregated on the basis of their colour, gender, creed or wealth, or discriminated and plundered on the basis of their gods, languages or beliefs, because '10 commandments' remain the same in all ages and in all societies. This book shows the way to replace 'selfish directors' of companies with 'responsible trustees' and 1:10 scale of sharing of wealth that will not create vast disparities and deprivation as in cancerous Capitalism.

The world's people do not even know what is going on behind their backs. For example, "The Useless Eaters" con-script written by some 300 morons, which talks of 'survival of the superior', is controlling the masses through various measures that spell doom for the humanity. Like a Lighthouse, this book warns not only of the evil forces but also sets out an 'alternative agenda' based on 'love and light'. A rainbow is made of seven colours - this book offers a rainbow answer to the world.

This copious collection of higher consciousness includes contributions, *inter alia*, from - Presidents Evo Morales (Bolivia), Fidel Castro (Cuba), Hugo Chavez (Venezuela), Barack Obama (USA) and Mahatma Gandhi's grandson Arun Gandhi, Catholic priest John Dear, Nobel Laureate Al Gore, US Congressman Dennis Kucinich, late King Abdullah and Charlie Chaplin, and scholars from practically all over the globe.

To make this book balanced, I tossed articles/essays received to a cross-section of peer reviewers. To some of the writers, I asked to recast their articles. Some articles, I outright rejected, not because I wanted to be politically correct, but because they did not gel well with the theme of the book a World without Wars.

I would like to acknowledge four scholars for helping me: Charles Mercieca from USA wrote to distinguished members of the IAEWP to contribute articles to this historic book and many responded by sending me their scholarly articles, essays or poems. Sigfried Tischler from Indonesia and Clinton Callahan, from Germany for peer reviewing a few articles. JM Pabular of the Philippines who collaborated with me in compiling the list of 111 organizations to some extent. Thanks are also due to my wife Kashmira Rebello, for proof reading and my son Robin Rebello, who enthusiastically designed this book.

World Without Wars will re-write the future of the world. In compiling this book my philosophy has been:

One shout in the mountains starts an avalanche.
One matchstick creates an inferno.
One leader changes the course of history
One Buddha, one Jesus, one Mohammed, one Mao.

So, if You (one man) stand up with Hope (one word), then Peace (one goal) is achievable.

Yours for a World without Wars



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STOP THE WARS NOW
-- An Introduction --
Dr. Leo Rebello

Soldiers are programmed to die for their countries.
How many of us are prepared to stand up for humanity?

“How is a world without wars possible? There have been wars throughout human history”.

True, but they were localized and there were well laid down rules. Armies assembled at about 9.00 AM, had appropriate lunch breaks, and war ended by 5.00 PM. Injured soldiers were tended to, dead were buried with respect. The rulers and soldiers slept in peace as attacks in the darkness of the night were prohibited. Those wars by 'the barbarians' did not affect the whole of humanity. Today, with technological advances, the 'new barbarians' with violent plans have developed weapons of mass destruction. They attack civilian targets with night vision cameras fitted onto remote controlled flying machines. The nuclear threat has posed grave danger to humanity; nay it may destroy the planet earth itself.

Military spending absorbs budgets that should go toward education, health, housing, and improving life. Wars and the arms build-up hurt our economies. Yet the arms industry makes sure this situation will continue. Hiding their greed behind theories that war is inevitable and necessary, they pressure governments and influence society to keep conflicts alive. And the world keeps buying, using, and experimenting with the weapons they build.

Today, instead of peace, conflicts of all kinds economic, ethnic, and religious are on the rise. Violence too is growing as competition and domination have become the driving social values. If we do not change direction, the future holds nothing but larger and more violent conflicts in every arena, all over the world.

It has been amply demonstrated that with only 10 percent of what is spent on arms we can end world hunger. Imagine if armies were banned (like Costa Rica did in 1948), if all American army bases (some 800 of them across the world) were shut down, if 10 million dollars daily doled out to “protect” Israel are stopped forthwith, and if full army budgets were diverted to improve people's lives instead of destruction, what a tremendous change this would bring to the world. We would indeed have 'Heaven on Earth'.

It is about time that 'We, the People of the World', stand up and say vociferously and unequivocally **STOP THE WARS NOW**. From 'Culture of Violence' to 'Culture of Non-Violence', let us turn a new leaf. For, there is no terrorism anywhere among people; terrorism starts with governance by the few of the few for the few.

“Kill the few then, before they kill all of us”. “Declare Jihad on the Jews”. This chorus is growing. The Ninja group of Japan, too, has issued a warning to the war mongers, the exploiters, the psychopaths, and the mafiosis, to mend their ways or face the consequences.

Vinoba Bhave, one of India's better known Gandhians, said “Change can happen in a society by any of the three methods *Katal* (killing), *Kanoon* (implementing the law) and *Karuna* (kindness). And the path of *Karuna* is the most powerful one”.

It is possible to launch a new intention, one that will change the direction of human history and open a truly peaceful and non-violent future. We are convinced that this is our responsibility as human beings. Given the direction things are moving in the world today, taking a stand against war is necessary, ethical, coherent and urgent.

We have freely taken this responsibility on our shoulders. We carry it forward together with all who reject violence and choose coexistence, shared development, real democracy, technology at the service of science, and science at the service of peace and the human being.

It is our task to denounce, isolate and pressurise the violent few so that they redirect their warlike policies and selfishness born out of insecurity and fear, in favour of human development in peace and safety for all.

"Imagination" wrote Albert Einstein "is more important than intelligence". Everything created on earth had to first be imagined by the human mind. World without wars is possible in our lifetime with imagination, innovation and vision. Eliminating wars means leaving sordid human history behind and taking a giant step forward in the evolution of our species. A world without wars is a proposal that opens the future and seeks to become reality in every corner of the planet, as violence gives way to dialogue.

The pyramid of power is actually the pyramid of manipulation. On top are the global elite. The base is divided into-banking, business, military, politics, education, media, religion, intelligence agencies, medicine and drug companies, illegal drug trade and organized crimes. This is the pyramid of power in which all mainstream institutions ultimately fuse into the same tiny elite. This allows their agenda to be orchestrated through all areas of society. As we dismantle this pyramid of power, we create a new paradigm of development.

As Joost van Steenis says in his essay, we need to create a new model of development by wresting powers from the hands of select few, whom he calls “elitepeople” and give it into the hands of “masspeople”. Actions must also have the purpose to change the mind of leaders in such a way that new wars will not be undertaken. But that will only happen when elitepeople will not be able to reap anymore the benefit of the elitist paradigm, cannot continue to live in the safe, quiet and privileged eliteworld.

In that selfish world everything revolves around money, the collateral damage to masses is regarded as unimportant.

Elites are hard-wired to lie, kill, cheat, steal, torture, manipulate, and generally inflict great suffering on other humans without feeling any remorse, in order to establish their own sense of security through domination.

Because of these people, we have not been able to achieve peace for long. As such, we have come to believe that true peace is a utopian dream; that violence is inevitable and, therefore, the best security is to envelope ourselves in a 'culture of violence'. If we live, breathe, think, act, speak and behave violently, and if our relationships with one another are based on adolescent self-interest and exploitation how can we build peace?

Then the important question is how to take charge of our lives? In the Last Word section of this book we have given several solutions based on the 'oughtopia' (what ought to be) principle. Our effort here is not limited to preventing war, but removing war from our lexicon, psyche, culture and also deleting it from the history.

We are accompanied in this aspiration by the voices of the thousands of war-ravaged generations that came before us. The echo of their voices still resounds throughout the world, wherever armed conflict leaves its sinister memorial to the dead, missing, disabled and displaced.

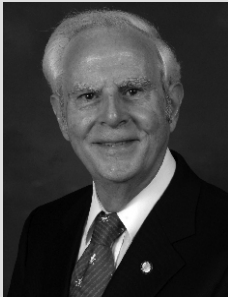
The moment has come for the voiceless to be heard! Out of anguished and urgent need, millions of human beings are crying out for an end to war and violence. We can bring an end to violence by uniting all the forces of pacifism and active nonviolence worldwide.

Thousands of years before any League of Nations or United Nations was thought of to avoid global strife, *Vedas* (sacred wisdom texts from 1500 BCE) gave the concept of *Vasudhaiv Kutumbakam* (a world family) based on the motto "*Loka samasta sukhina bhavantu*" (the well-being of all). India evolved this grand vision not by marching its armies and conquering the rest and offering peace; but by the inner-directed pursuit of universal values.

Victor Hugo said: "There is one thing stronger than all the armies in the world; and that is an idea whose time has come". The idea whose time has now come is the Earth Nations. Not SAARC, not G20, not European Parliament, not UNO -- nothing but People's World Parliament -- to end all atrocities, all inequalities, all injustices, all kinds of terrorism, and above all to end all wars.

HOW TO CREATE A WORLD WITHOUT WARS

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“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed it is the only thing that ever has”.

*Margaret Mead
US Anthropologist (1901-1978)*

Periodically, in human history, wars have been going on. But barring these aberrations due to machinations of mad men, there have been extended periods in history that were characterized by peace. For example, when Christ was born the whole world was at peace.

Speaking on this topic in his farewell speech, Dwight Eisenhower (34th President of USA) reminded the US government saying: “Remember that all people of all nations want peace, only their governments want wars.” He also remarked “the people in the world want peace so badly that their governments will have no choice but to give it to them.”

The tendency for most governments to solve their political differences through struggles and wars will have to stop abruptly; the sooner the better. At this stage of history, we have entered the nuclear age. This means that now the entire world is faced with annihilation where everyone will be a loser.

We all recall World War II. Germany lost the war; its economy collapsed and poor people were found everywhere. Great Britain won the war. Ironically, its economy too

collapsed and poor people were found everywhere. This so called winning nation also witnessed the collapse of the British Empire, on which the Sun never set, soon after.

Post World War II we witnessed the emergence of two super powers, the Soviet Union and the United States. As a result, the arms race started that was leading to World War III. Both nations put so much money on the manufacture of weapons and the build-up of the military that the entire civic economy was threatened. As a result, the Soviet Union collapsed in 1987 and many predicted that the collapse of the United States too was imminent.

After the break up of the Soviet Union, the United States could have embarked on a program of international disarmament and arms control and help achieve the UN objective of world peace. Instead, it continued with its phenomenal military build-up, with the manufacture and sales of unlimited weapons of mass destruction and with the continued preparation for an eventual World War III.

Two Ways of Solving a Problem

When we are faced with a problem we have two ways of approach to the involved problem's solution. One way lies in concentrating on the consequences and then figure out something by way of cleaning up the mess that follows. Another way would be to seek for the real source that caused the problem and take immediate steps to deal with that source in a way that the problem would not be repeated again. The reason why we have had so many wars, lies here. Responsible government officials feel challenged by the result or consequence of a specific action and they proceed to take immediate steps to counteract it.

They hardly ever seek the real reason behind the tragic event that took place so that they could procure the kind of remedies whereby the involved problem would never be repeated again. For example, when the twin towers were destroyed in New York on September 11, 2001, the United States government reacted by immediate retaliation. They simply would not take their time to figure out how and why it happened. They blamed Osama Bin Laden for hiding in Afghanistan and took steps immediately to invade this central Asian nation.

As though this was not enough, the United States wanted to demonstrate its machismo. This time the scapegoat was Saddam Hussein of Iraq who was accused of having weapons of mass destruction and of becoming a great threat to the United States. And we know the rest of the story. The United States, contrary to the opposition of the United Nations and disregarding the world opinion, proceeded to invade Iraq for the second time.

The Pope had warned that such an invasion would create animosity between Christians and Moslems, turn Iraq into a haven for terrorists and make the region out

of control. He also stressed that the best way to deal with terrorism was to go to its source. To this day, the United States never went to the real source of terrorism. Instead, it fabricated events and termed saner voices as statements made out of “jealousy for the democracy and freedom that Americans enjoy!”

Of course, this was very ridiculous to say the least since in the US there is only a façade of democracy. We need to keep in mind that this is a nation of plutocracy where the rich control the government with iron fist, through big corporations.

Exploitation of People

In several studies made by many NGOs, it was discovered that many people in the world were becoming increasingly tired and sick of their exploitation by colonialists and imperialists. We are all fully aware of how US big corporations try to infiltrate in as many nations as possible to exploit their natural resources, while leaving the natives in abject poverty and suffering from all kinds of maladies.

Hence, the source of the kind of terrorism we have been experiencing against such an imperialist nation as the United States and such a colonialist nation as the United Kingdom could be well understood. Briefly stated, the world at large cannot accept any longer its respective nations being exploited to their own detriment. To turn an insult into injury, a number of nations, above all the United States, resort to the military to get what they want by force - anything they feel that could not be obtained through diplomatic means. The people of the world at large do not view their military the way it is advertised.

The military is viewed the way it performs, since actions tend to speak louder than words. Judged by its actions on a global scale, the military has been described in some academic circles as “a terrorist organization sanctioned by the government.” The excuses a government brings to the contrary are viewed as pure lies, as elements of deceit. For example, what did the US military do following its invasion of Iraq? US soldiers have destroyed the infrastructure of many cities, leaving numerous people homeless. They massacred thousands of innocent Iraqis composed mostly of women, children, the elderly and the sick.

Besides, they left over half million children orphans having lost one or both of their parents. The life of such children will never be normal again. They have to live in pain with a trauma for the rest of their lives. As the Iraqis said repeatedly, the greatest problem they have is the presence of Americans.

When some humanitarian organizations visited Palestinian and Iraqi children, they asked them the following question: “What would you like to do when you grow up?” Without hesitation, 80% of them replied: “Killing Americans.” These were children between the ages of nine and eleven. When such children were asked to explain why

this was their goal in life, they were quick to reply: “Because Americans killed our fathers; they killed our mothers; they killed our brothers and sisters and they maimed several of our relatives and friends who live now with an arm or a leg amputated.”

Foreign Troops Unwelcome

Toward the end, the Iraqi children spoke of what they think would bring peace in their country. They said: “We want peace in our country by all means but for this to happen we want the Americans to leave the country the sooner the better. We just want them to leave us alone.” Of course, the military atrocities we have experienced by US troops and their European allies in both Afghanistan and Iraq are not something new.

It is quite curious for us to discover that in all of these struggles and wars no one was a winner but everyone ended up being a loser. In spite of this military fiasco, the nations of the world continue to manufacture, sell and purchase weapons and military equipment. They continue to rely on the military for their eventual security.

Former US Alabama Senator Howell Heflin was one of those in the US Congress who advocated and defended people's right to purchase and own guns, as they need. He explained this saying that the American people have a right for self-defense. In the event they are attacked, he added, they might not have time to call the police; they have to take care of their lives themselves.

One of his constituents once raised to him the following question: “Senator, suppose you are in the midst of an auditorium with 500 other people watching a stage show, what will make you and everyone in the auditorium feel more secure if you and each one of those present is carrying a loaded gun, or if neither you nor anyone of those present is carrying no gun at all?” He never answered that question to the end of his life. Needless to say, the answer was obvious but he would not put himself on the spot.

In view of what has been stated, we may begin to understand why the military has emerged to become the greatest stumbling block to peace. From a brief glance at the past 6,000 years of recorded history, the military was hardly ever used to promote peace. It was virtually used to promote struggles and wars, to massacre innocent people and to destroy people's homes, hospitals, schools as well as their places of worship, to plunder, destroy and cause immense bloodshed. Besides, the military has become a source of our air and water pollution and the tremendous amount of maladies that have developed as a result, which threaten human survival.

Liability of the Weapons Industry

Since we cannot imagine a military without weapons, those corporations that manufacture such lethal goods have increasingly become the greatest polluters of our planet. Unfortunately, the weapons industry, along with the promotion of struggles and wars, developed itself into a lucrative business. Government officials are bribed

with millions of dollars to support the spending of more and more money on these lethal instruments.

Organized groups, the mafia type, visit various global areas to find ways how to instigate the starting of civil wars and the pushing of nations to fight against each other. In spite of all that has been stated, we still can create a world without wars if we were to take the proper steps.

We are referring to the creation of a permanent world peace through the structure of a new global approach that is in the best interest of all people without exception. All we need to do is to adopt the right approaches while keeping in mind the universal welfare of all people without exception. We need to view each other as members of the same body known as humanity.

Politicians of the world must be concerned, first and foremost, with the welfare of all people not only of their respective nations but also around the world. This kind of reasoning leads to unity, peace, prosperity and harmony. It leads eventually to a world without wars. This was one of the secrets of Barack Obama in his campaign to become the US President. He said: "We are not democrats or republicans; we are not black, white, Asians or Latinos; we are all Americans who share the same country, the same opportunities and the same destiny."

Solution of all Problems

Socrates said some 2,500 years ago: "We can solve properly and effectively every problem we encounter without exception if we were to take the first step." What is this first step? "The first step is to bring the problem into the open for everyone to see because, unless people become aware of the problem, they will never do anything about it." Socrates added: "Once people become aware of the problem then they immediately begin to figure out how this may affect them in some way or another and once they see that clearly, then actions are taken and the problem is solved." We may now begin to realize why our politicians, who often tend to function like a mafia gang, try to lie to their constituents as to make them see things differently, not in true perspective. This explains why so many governments in history adopted strict censorship in the news media.

Everybody in the world knows that honesty is the best policy. If this is the case, it is in our best interest and that of all human beings around the world to expose corporate greed and selfish interests as well as governmental abuses of power. We need to bring to justice all those that have been responsible of genocidal crimes and to the infliction of untold suffering on so many innocent people through the destruction of their places of habitation along with their hospitals, markets, schools and places of worship.

We need to view as criminals all those who provide money for weapons to destroy the infrastructure of cities instead on food to feed the hungry and on medication to cure the poor who are sick. We need to jail all those who use the military for negative and destructive purposes without hesitation for they have proven to be mentally deficient, heartless and cruel.

Enemies of Peace

Yes, we can create a world without wars by all means without the slightest shadow of a doubt. In the first place, we need to get to the source that has inflicted so much suffering in this world. We need to deal with that source in bringing it under full control, swiftly. Here is a random list of the ***enemies of peace***. All these enemies of peace have one thing in common. They have no regard for human life at all, regardless of what they may say to the contrary.

1. Weapons Industry: The culprits here that need to be brought under control are the owners and share holders of the weapons industry. These tend to make millions of dollars almost without limit. There are also those who work at such industries under the pretext of "making a living." It is immoral to produce objects that are meant to kill human beings and also to destroy the infrastructure of cities. Like the Master Teacher of Nazareth said: "Do not do to others what you do not want others to do to you."

2. Wagers of Struggles and Wars: Those that usually wage struggles and wars are politicians who use the military for negative and destructive purposes. Many of these tend to become millionaires from such morally abusive actions. They tend to work maliciously under the patronage of Satan. We need perhaps to invoke the intercession of St. Michael who wiped out Satan and his adherents from heaven with the speed of light. We need to have all belligerent politicians removed from office. This is best done during time of elections.

3. Religious Fundamentalists: We find such groups in some of the major religions of the world. In Judaism we have the Zionists, in Christianity we have the Christian Fundamentalists, and in Islam we have the Jihadists. What do these religious fundamentalists have in common? They claim that God told them to wage wars against other people, to kill them mercilessly and to destroy the infrastructure of their cities! This is certainly not the God of Jesus Christ whom He described to be a Father of love and mercy.

4. Tunnel-Vision Clergymen: Several clergymen, in spite of being good at heart, have a tunnel-vision of spirituality. In good faith, they mislead people to their detriment. In the USA such tunnel-vision clergymen reveal themselves openly in political elections. They exhort people to vote for "pro-life" politicians who are also "pro-war" at the same time. Once elected these "pro-life" politicians take money away from the hungry and the poor and from the health care and education of children

to pass it to the weapons industries for the promotion of more wars, where tens of millions on a global scale are massacred.

5. Big Corporations: It has been verified by several humanitarian groups that big corporations in general have become the greatest polluters of our planet. They have been singled out as responsible for the pollution of our air and water, two vital elements that are very essential for human survival. The reason for this is always the same: greed and selfish interests. To make things worse, governments, like in the USA, tend to abdicate their responsibility to protect the health of their people and do hardly anything constructive to improve the situation.

6. Governmental Corruption: There may be hardly a nation without having experienced, at one time or another, corruption in its political leaders. Such leaders, at times, receive millions of dollars from foreign groups to help improve the lives of their people as well as the educational system of the involved nation. Instead, such leaders use such money for themselves while letting their people continue to suffer from deprivation of the necessities of Life. Just to mention a couple of examples, we have had President Sese Seko Mobutu of the former Zaire and President Robert Mugabe of Zimbabwe.

7. Military Operations: If we were to cast a rapid glance over the recorded history, we would discover that military operations were virtually always linked with the destruction of the infrastructure of nations and the endless massacre of innocent people. The military exists for the sole purpose to instigate and promote struggles and wars. Hence, such operations should be severely restricted. The objective of the military should be changed from one of destruction to one of construction.

To illustrate this by example, military ships could be used as floating hospitals to bring medical attention to the poorest nations on earth. Warplanes could be used to carry medical and educational equipment to nations in need, along with food for the hungry. The military personnel could be used to build bridges along the highways of nations, to construct and repair bridges, and to build modest residences for the homeless. Cuba took a step in this direction several years ago and people have benefited immensely.

Needless to say, the list of the enemies of peace may go on but these seven mentioned may be viewed among the principal ones. Of course, there are many positive and constructive steps that could be taken toward the creation of a world without wars. In the first place, we need to start with our schools at all levels of education covering kindergarten, elementary, secondary, college and university. The importance of peace education is vital since our children and students of today will be the leaders of our governments of tomorrow.

UNESCO's Preamble

Let us keep in mind the preamble of the United Nations, Educational, Scientific, and cultural Organization (UNESCO). It states: “Since wars begin in the minds of men it is in the minds of men that the defenses of peace should be constructed.” The good or bad ideas children receive now will be demonstrated in their actions as adults of our earthly community tomorrow. On this point Lenin said: “Give me a child until it is eight and it will be Bolshevik forever.”

We need to imbue in our children from early childhood with a good philosophy of peace by enabling them to find pride in the practice of virtue. It is nobler to give than to receive, to serve than to be served, to be patient than to be compulsive, to reveal courage rather than arrogance, and to promote peace instead of waging wars.

In addition, we all need to work together to procure for our children a better world where the concept of war would be remote. Thus, we need to take drastic steps to this end. These steps are not enlisted in any specific order.

Step 1: How can we deal with the weapons industry in a way as to force it change its product? For example, instead of manufacturing tanks for soldiers it may start to manufacture tractors for farmers. To this end, we need to convince those that work for such an industry to quit their job and get another job instead. Former Rear Admiral Gene La Rocque remarked on this point saying: “The weapons industry would then have to choose between remaining in business with a different product or simply fold up and go out of business.”

Step 2: How can we deal with those that make a lot of money from the promotion of struggles and wars? We need to find ways as to convince them that such money is cursed money since it is earned through the shedding of blood of numerous innocent people consisting mostly of children, women, the elderly and the sick. In the sphere of morality, when one person furnished another with a gun to kill, both are equally accused of murder and both will receive the same punishment, even the capital punishment.

Step 3: How can we deal with religious fundamentalists who claim that they wage wars and kill people mercilessly because God directed them to do so? We should think on what Socrates advised in this regard: *exposing their fallacious and wrong philosophy*. The Master Teacher of Nazareth confirmed that the god He knew was a God of Love and Mercy. He also rejected the eye for an eye and the tooth for a tooth philosophy, which is espoused by the military.

Step 4: How can we deal with clergymen who seem to neglect all of God's Ten Commandments except the one that says: “You should not kill?” In practice, they apply this commandment only to the killing of the unborn! As already stated, in time

of elections they encourage people to vote for pro-life politicians who are also pro-war. We need to expose their fallacious and wrong spiritual direction that they give. Our slogan may be: “Voting for a pro-life and anti-war politician yes, but voting for a pro-life and pro-war politician no.”

Step 5: How can we deal with executives of big corporations to convince them that it is in the best interest of everyone concerned to try to reduce considerably the hazards they emit to the very air we breathe and the water we drink? When we consider that such corporations are generally run by greedy and selfish people who are mostly egocentric, the only hope to bring them under control would be through governmental intervention or through the courts. If necessary we need to have people trained to boycott their lethal products, which they could change, if they want, to beneficial and constructive items.

Step 6: How can we deal with top government officials that are proven to be corrupt? This would be a tough job since such officials would try to make you believe they agree with you but, at the same time, they already have in mind not to do anything different. If people were to become properly organized they will surely find ways to have such corrupted officials removed from office, like Americans did in recent times when they ousted the Republicans from the US government and replaced them by Democrats almost overnight.

Step 7: How can we deal with crucial problems that emanate directly from the very presence of the military in so many countries all over the world? There are several practical steps that could be taken, regardless of the time it may take. We need to put pressure on every single government on earth, which has foreign military bases to have such bases closed without further delay.

We need to make it clear that while humanitarian and peace groups would be always welcome, the presence of the military would be always unwelcome for as long as the objective of the military would remain to wage wars.

In view of that has been stated, we may conclude that creating a world without wars is feasible, nay desirable. We need to be adamant in our determination to achieve this goal, which is the best legacy ever that we could give to our children, grandchildren and posterity. The achievement of a permanent world peace is, technically speaking, not difficult at all, since the seed of peace already exists in the heart of every human being, good and bad alike.

Nature of Peace

This means that peace cannot be imposed from the outside by any person or government, far less by the military. We have to nourish the seed of peace that we all have and simply pull it out from inside of us. This way we give peace a real healthy

birth with a chance to live indefinitely. That is why peace education could play a big role in this regard.

In the meantime, we should put pressure on our respective governments, to make sure that those who try to make money through the manufacture and indiscriminate sales of weapons, along with the promotion of struggles and wars, be viewed as criminals and be prosecuted for treason. At the same time, we should become highly suspicious of any government official who says that we need to prepare for war in order to retain peace. That faulty slogan has to change, because you cannot create peace with guns.

To create a world without wars is possible, because all people of all nations want peace. It is only a tiny minority that still wants wars. Unfortunately, the war-minded of this tiny minority has infiltrated a number of governments. Our job and challenge would consist in working as hard as we can to eventually find effective means to eradicate this war mentality from every government where it exists.

We may have a world without wars, sooner than later, if we were to get the habit of developing positive and constructive energy toward this end. It basically amounts to a combination of faith and prayer. Besides, we need to continue to work to bring the enemies of peace outlined above under control.



IN ANOTHER THREE YEARS THE WORLD WILL END?

If we stop star wars, dismantle nuclear power stations, diffuse stockpile of nuclear arsenal, stop this madness called atom smasher and dump the secret geophysical weapons, we will still be able to save our mother earth. I begin the New Revolution with this book. Are you with me? Otherwise, we have only three years left to self-destruct.

Dr. Leo Rebello

TO SAVE PLANET, END CAPITALISM

Bolivian President Evo Morales



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Dr. Leo Rebello's note: Karl Marx once said that capitalism produces its own gravediggers. Accordingly, capitalism is failing; the systems designed by the elites are failing. This is the time to strike for a dynamic change, for Holistic development. Wish Barack Obama and other world leaders could think clearly like our friend Evo Morales. In his 10 Commandments reproduced below lies our future.

Ten commandments of Evo Morales

- 1) Putting an end to the capitalist system.
- 2) Renouncing wars.
- 3) A world without imperialism or colonialism.
- 4) Right to water.
- 5) Development of clean energies.
- 6) Respect for Mother Earth.
- 7) Treat basic services as human rights.
- 8) Fighting inequalities.
- 9) Promoting diversity of cultures and economies.
- 10) Living well, not living better at the expense of others.

Bolivian President Evo Morales called a special press conference in New York on April 22, 2009. The United Nations general assembly had passed a motion put by Bolivia's radical, pro-poor government to make that day "International Mother Earth Day". Morales said the 21st century must be dedicated to stopping environmental destruction and climate change, because "we are strangling the planet -strangling ourselves".

Since his election in December 2005, Morales has stood out as one of the few world leaders prepared to argue for serious action towards a carbon-neutral economy. This is an essential move to prevent runaway climate change. Morales said it was necessary to recognise that, "We don't own the planet ... We belong to it. Mother Earth cannot be a piece of merchandise". In a November speech, he said bluntly: "Climate change has placed before all humankind a great choice: to continue in the ways of capitalism and death, or to start down the path of harmony with nature and respect for life. The Earth is far more important than the stock exchanges of Wall Street and the world".

Capitalist responses

Such arguments conflict sharply with the pro-corporate climate policies peddled by powerful First World governments. Capitalist responses to climate change keep failing because they look at environmental problems solely through the prism of the market system. They assume that environmental problems can be solved under capitalism by helping the market to place a price on the natural world.

The carbon-trading scheme proposed by the Australian government of Prime Minister Kevin Rudd is one example of this. Rudd promotes it despite the fact that the European carbon trading system has allowed emissions to increase. Making "carbon" a commodity that can be bought and sold will supposedly discourage pollution. Just establish the right price and pollution will become a loss-making activity, the capitalist pundits say.

At the same time, the potential profits to be made from sustainable investment will supposedly make corporate action on climate change the rational economic choice. In practice, these schemes are rigged from the start to protect the profits of the big polluters. Rudd's polluter-friendly emissions trading policy will certainly make some carbon speculators rich, but it won't cut emissions to safe levels.

Under Rudd's plan, the dirtiest industries will receive free permits and compensation worth close to \$9 billion. At the same time, they will be excused from meeting government targets for renewable energy.

In a speech last year, Morales slammed "capitalist logic, [which] promotes a paradox in which the sectors that have contributed the most to the deterioration of the environment are those that benefit most from climate change programs". He said: "The best mechanisms to confront the challenge of climate change are not market mechanisms, but conscious, motivated, and well-organised human beings endowed with an identity of their own".

Mother Earth is ill

Morales said the threat of climate change was worsening a general crisis of the Earth's

ecosystems: “Today our Mother Earth is ill. Since the start of the 21st century, we have had the hottest years of the past thousand years. Global warming is generating abrupt changes in the weather: the retreat of glaciers and the decrease of the polar ice caps; the increase of the sea level and the flooding of coastal areas, where approximately 60% of the world population live; the increase in the processes of desertification and the decrease of fresh water sources; a higher frequency in natural disasters that the communities of the earth suffer; the extinction of animal and plant species; and the spread of diseases in areas that, before, were free from those diseases”.

The capitalist economy's drive to ever-expanding production created a destructive and unsustainable relationship between human society and the natural world, Morales said.

“The thirst for profit without limits, of the capitalist system, is destroying the planet. Under capitalism, we are not human beings, but consumers. Under capitalism, Mother Earth does not exist. Instead, there are raw materials”.

This thirst for profit prevents pro-capitalist governments from responding rationally to the climate crisis - despite the immense scale of the threat.

As evidence, Morales cited the response of the US and European governments to the economic crisis. Although by November, they had “allocated [US]\$4100 billion to save the bankers from a financial crisis that they themselves have caused, programs on climate change [received] 313 times less, that is to say, only \$13 billion”.

The capitalist system “generates luxury, ostentation and waste for a few, while millions in the world die from hunger”. Dire poverty in the global South aggravated environmental problems and the unsustainable use of scarce resources, Morales said. Furthermore, “in the hands of capitalism everything becomes a commodity: water, soil, the human genome, ancestral cultures, justice, ethics, death ... and life itself”.

Beyond capitalism

Morales said capitalism could not solve the climate crisis, because “everything, absolutely everything, can be bought and sold under capitalism. And even climate change itself has become a business”.

Morales said humankind was capable of saving itself - if it moved beyond a system based on “the reign of competition, profits and rampant consumption of natural resources”. He added: “To save planet Earth, to save life and humanity, we are obliged to end the capitalist system. The grave effects of climate change, of the energy, food and financial crises, are not a product of human beings in general, but rather of the capitalist system as it is, inhuman, with its idea of unlimited industrial development”.

As part of the struggle for a better, more sustainable world, Morales argued for the elimination of agrofuels. These take food crops and turn them into fuel for cars, while people starve.

Western countries must also reduce unnecessary consumption, end subsidies for the fossil fuels industry, adopt far stronger targets for emission cuts and allow the transfer of environmental technology to poor nations.

Bound up with the fight for a safe climate was the need to end wars. “The people do not win in war”, Morales said in October 2008, “but only the imperial powers; the nations do not win, but rather the transnational corporations”.

Not only was warfare extremely environmentally destructive, but also “the trillions of millions of dollars used for war should be directed to repair and cure Mother Earth wounded by climate change”. The industrialised nations, largely responsible for climate change, must repay their “ecological debt” to the global South.

As an alternative to destructive capitalism, Morales proposed building a “*Communitarian Socialism*” for the 21st century. He has described this goal as “living well”, as opposed to the capitalist notion of “living better”.

“For us”, said Morales, “what has failed is the model of 'living better', of unlimited development, industrialisation without frontiers, of modernity that deprecates history, of increasing accumulation of goods at the expense of others and nature. For that we promote the idea of 'living well', in harmony with other human beings and with our Mother Earth”.

Henry Ford:

“I am convinced that nearly all wars are caused so that someone will profit and those who profited and those who are profiting now are the International Financiers, the Jews. Gather together the fifty most wealthy Jewish financiers, the men who create wars for their own profits, control them and you will put an end to it all.”

WHY IS PEACE ELUSIVE?

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For generations human beings around the world worked hard to attain peace but their efforts ended mostly in heart-breaking futility leading to pessimism and worse. There is a widespread belief now that peace is unattainable and that civilization is doomed to perish by violence. When peace appears to be won through violence it is very temporary because violence subjugates the opponent. When we seek to control someone through fear of punishment or violence or brutal force, that control remains only as long as the dominant force is able to exert fear. Since human beings realized in pre-historic times that they could survive in jungles only by using force they developed a whole “culture of violence” that gradually came to dominate every aspect of human life. Our language, our behavior, our relationships, our attitudes, in short almost everything about the human being is now conditioned by the “culture of violence.” Generations have now come to believe that violence is human nature and one just has to live with it. But violence is not human nature.

Why then is peace so illusive? Are humans incapable of living in peace? If I can say that I have understood Gandhiji's philosophy of *Satyagraha*, or nonviolence, then I would say the answer to that question lies in another question: What do we mean by Peace? Can it be said that a nation lives in peace because they are not at war with anyone? Yes, we have ended wars and attained a semblance of peace at various times in history. Most people point to the peace after World War II but let us not forget that while WWII was touted as the war to end all wars, the world has been involved in more than 300 wars since.

The problem is we have focused all our attention on “Physical Violence” and not enough on “Passive Violence” that all of us practice daily consciously and unconsciously. Physical is fighting, killing, murder, beating, rape and all the other acts of violence where physical force is used, while “passive” is the kind of violent acts where no force is used and yet what we do or don't do causes people to be hurt

directly or indirectly. These could be classified as discrimination, oppression, and greed, wasting resources, poverty, insensitivity and so on. Gandhiji would say it is “passive” violence that fuels the fire of “physical violence” so how can we put out the fire if we don't first cut off the fuel supply? Since we are all equally responsible in committing “passive” violence we have to acknowledge our weaknesses and bad behavior and then “become the change we wish to see in the world”.

If there is not much peace in the world, there is little or no peace within nations either. Human society everywhere is in turmoil and much of this is the result of the kind of capitalism we practice that leads to selfishness and greed. Parents want their children to succeed in life and success is measured by material possessions. We urge our children to get to the top by any means possible and thereby plant the first seeds of selfishness in children. Although we consider ourselves civilized we really practice Jungle Law: Survival of the Fittest. The economic and social imbalances that this causes in societies leads, inevitably, to increasing crime and unrest and violence. To combat this we enact harsher laws. Control through fear is the widely accepted ideology. Those who possess wealth live in fear of being robbed, mugged or killed while those who don't have anything must live in fear of the law and retribution. The stresses of living in fear and of economic domination have destroyed peace at home too. In most of the western countries divorce rates exceed 60 per cent while the more traditional eastern societies are rapidly catching up. In blended families it is the children who suffer the most. They become rebellious, loose respect for their parents and the effects of that kind of attitude is suffered by society. The question that arises is: If we cannot build peace within our homes and ourselves, how can we build peace in the world?

I am sure Gandhiji would say: **If True Peace is to be attained then nonviolence is the only way.** But, to attain this peace we must understand the depth and breadth of the nonviolence Gandhi talked about and practiced. He said nonviolence is not the opposite of violence or the absence of violence. Nor is violence simply the act of physical fighting or killing. There are aspects of violence that we don't know, have never explored and, therefore, cannot combat.

When I lived with my Grandfather in Sewagram Ashram in Wardha, Central India, as a 12 year old boy in 1946, he once made me go out and search for a little three-inch butt of a pencil that I had discarded on my way home from school. At that time I was surprised and annoyed that he made me search for something so useless in the dark. Why wouldn't he believe that a three-inch pencil is too small for anyone to use? However, when I found it and showed it to him he said it could still be used and demonstrated this by using it himself for at least the next two weeks. This was done not to demonstrate his miserliness but to demonstrate the need for frugality in our use of natural and man-made resources.

The lesson he taught me through this incident was that if we waste our resources, as we do every day, when we throw away perfectly good and useful things, we are committing violence against nature and, since wasting leads to over-consumption of resources, someone somewhere, lacking the means to buy scarce resources is forced to live in poverty and that is violence against humanity. This lesson was followed by an introspective exercise of building a genealogical tree of violence with two offshoots “Physical” and “Passive”. Every day before I went to bed I was required to analyze the day's events and experiences and put them down in the appropriate column. Fighting, killing, murders, rape, etc. would go under physical violence while waste, discrimination, teasing, name calling, stereotyping, disrespect etc went under passive violence. I found that passive violence was more insidious and much more widespread because often we don't even think of our action as being violent to anyone. A predictable materialistic response to this is that because we consume more, someone has to produce more and that provides jobs to people. This is one way of looking at the problem. However, the flip side of this argument is that only those who have the means consume more and those who have the wherewithal produce the goods. It still consigns a large segment of humanity to grovel in poverty and destitution. Prime examples of growing disparities are India and China, both with booming economies, producing for the wealthy nations of the world, yet only half of their enormous populations benefit from the economic boom. The other half is so deeply entrenched in poverty and ignorance that they have no hope of survival. The affluent nations of Europe and the United States have millions living in poverty but we dismiss them as “lazy”, “incompetent”, and “dregs” of society.

The result of this exercise was that in a few months I filled a wall in my room with examples of “passive” violence. Once I became aware of what passive violence is and how it hurts people I could take corrective measures but if we live in ignorance, as we do today, then we are unlikely to change our behavior. Later, my parents explained to me the connection between “Passive” violence and “Physical” violence. Since we commit passive violence consciously and unconsciously, all the time, victims of passive violence become angry and resort to physical violence to get justice which takes the form of crime in society and wars between nations. Clearly, therefore, passive violence is the fuel that ignites the fire of physical violence so, in order to put out the fire of physical violence we have to cut off the fuel supply. In other words, **we have to become the change we wish to see in society.**

Gandhiji was convinced that rampant anger was the spark that caused violence and, therefore, understanding anger and managing it effectively became the foundation of his practice of nonviolence. Anger is natural to human beings and is just as important as a fuse is to the electric circuit. If there is no fuse to break the electric circuit in a time of crisis then it could lead to havoc. In human beings anger is the fuse that tells us to stop and pay attention to the problem that caused the anger. Grandfather taught me that anger can be used intelligently as we use electricity intelligently for the good

of humanity. However, if we abuse electricity, the consequences could be as deadly as when we abuse anger and cause violence that leads to death and destruction. He taught me the importance of “thinking” nonviolently so that we can find nonviolent solutions to problems when we face them. Reacting abusively in anger when one is not in control of one's mind leads to violence, either physical or non-physical. One must learn to pause and regain control of one's mind to avoid saying or doing something that would lead to violence. Whenever I became angry I was taught to write the incident in an anger diary, not with the intention of pouring my anger into the book but with the intention of finding a nonviolent solution, and then make genuine efforts to achieve the goal. Consequently, the diary, over the years, became a valuable resource for nonviolent solutions instead of a constant reminder of the incident that caused anger.

To practice anger management and retain control of the mind it is important to do mental exercises. Just as we neglect teaching anger management we also neglect teaching mental exercises in the erroneous belief that education is adequate mental exercise.

In reality, education is not mental exercise. Education is the process of filling the mind with information and knowledge just as we feed our hunger with food. Neither of these acts, by themselves, can be regarded as enough. To be able to digest the food and strengthen the body we need physical exercise. In the same way, to be able to digest the knowledge and build a healthy mind we need mental exercise. The exercise I was taught is simple. I had to sit in a quiet room with no distractions of any kind. I placed a flower on the table in front of me and concentrated all my attention on that object for a minute and then closed my eyes and tried to keep the image of the flower in my mind. Just as in physical exercises, in the beginning I found that it was difficult to do. The moment I closed my eyes the image vanished. But persistence is the key in both physical and mental exercises. As the weeks went by I found I was able to keep the image for longer and longer and that I was gaining control of my mind. Within a few months I was able to keep out unnecessary thoughts and distractions from my mind at will. It helped me considerably in keeping my cool in moments of crisis.

The third lesson that Grandfather taught me was about relationships, also an integral part of his philosophy of nonviolence. If we have poor relationships at any level, interpersonal or international, it is bound to lead to conflicts and even violence. In materialistic societies around the world relationships are necessarily built on self-interest. Materialism thrives on exploitation and exploitation leads to all kinds of conflicts. To deal with these conflicts we have developed “conflict management” courses. It makes no sense to create a conflict first and then learn to manage it peacefully. What the philosophy of *satyagraha* stresses is learning to avoid conflicts by creating an atmosphere where one would not be in conflict with anyone. In creating and

managing conflicts the danger is that we reach a stage when these conflicts become progressively unmanageable and erupt into violence. In learning to avoid conflict we are required to build relationships based on respect, compassion, understanding, acceptance and appreciation where conflicts would be substantially minimized. Is this a pipe dream? I don't think so. There is substantial evidence to prove that human beings are capable of relationships that are based on mutual respect and understanding. These relationships have flourished over many years without conflict.

The problem is: materialism has made us selfish and this attitude is projected on our children when we exhort them to become successful in life by any means possible. The same attitude is also projected on to countries when we emphasize the need for nationalism and patriotism. In the prevailing culture of violence in which these beliefs are rooted, this attitude leads people to believe that we can isolate ourselves in our cocoon, protect our nation and national interests and not be concerned about the rest of the world. We believe that we can preserve the sanctity of our nation with weapons of mass destruction and not be concerned about the consequences on the world.

In the culture of nonviolence it is believed that all humans and therefore, by extension, all nations are interlinked, interconnected and inter-related. The security and welfare of any country, however strong and powerful it may be, is inexorably linked to the security and welfare of the rest of the world. Just as no nation can preserve its security by ignoring the world no family can ensure its security by ignoring the neighborhood in which they live. There is a limit to how far we can run in search of a safe nest. Thus, in the practice of nonviolence it is imperative that we broaden our vision of society and nation and learn to build mutually respecting societies with a greater degree of compassionate sharing.

I must explain what Gandhiji meant by “compassionate” sharing. The kind of concern that we show to the needy and the poor is motivated more by pity than by compassion. When we act out of pity we give the poor what they need on a platter. For instance, organizations and societies have run soup kitchens to feed the hungry for generations; in the same way individuals dole out charity periodically. Such actions are motivated by a desire to do good, it is easy and requires no commitment, just write out a cheque and mail it. The result is the poor become dependent on charity whether from the government or the individuals. Consequently, a population already oppressed by circumstances is further oppressed by the charity we give. When people are forced to live in any form of oppression the two things that they sacrifice are self-respect and self-confidence. The poor buy into the stereotypes that society creates that they are lazy; that they are incapable of doing anything and that they will forever remain dependent on society.

Gandhiji's concept, rooted in the ***Culture of Nonviolence***, speaks of people acting out of compassion, which means getting involved in trying to rebuild the self-respect

and self-confidence of the poor, and launching “constructive programs” designed to help the poor stand on their own feet and do things for themselves. Gandhiji called this “Trusteeship.”

In other words, what this means is that we must consider ourselves trustees of the talent that we possess instead of owners of the talent and, as trustees, we should be willing to use the talent, not so much the money, to help the poor realize their potential. This, of course, needs a great deal more commitment than writing a cheque. It means getting involved and spending more time and talent to bridge the gap between the rich and the poor, between the ignorant and the educated. The problem is when we try to resolve the problems of the poor we go with our own preconceived notions and try to fit the poor into this plan. Our approach usually is: “we know your problem and if you listen to us we will solve it for you.” The fact is, when working for the poor we need a great deal more humility than we possess. We have absolutely no idea what poverty means, what it is to live in ignorance, what it means to be homeless and destitute. If we don't know what their life is like how can we find solutions that will be helpful? The poor must become a part of the solution if they have been pushed into problems by the elites.

There are many more aspects of our life that we need to change if we really want to build lasting peace. Briefly, they are our concept of Justice and our parenting of children. Our justice system is based on revenge and punishment. It is quick to catch a criminal, give them a trial and punish them by sending them to prison. This attitude has its roots in the belief that the world is made up of “Good” people and “Bad” people. In reality all of us have the good and the bad in our psyches and that is why often-good people do bad things and bad people do good things. It all depends on the circumstances and the compulsions we face that make us do good or bad things. Being punished for this does not always make a person better especially if they have to come out of prison and face the same circumstances and compulsions once again. Besides, the emphasis on punishment in prison only makes people hardened criminals instead of enlightened citizens. If prisons were places of reformation rather than punishment, the results would be startlingly different. People would come out better citizens rather than chronic criminals.

The same concept of justice is carried into our homes. We punish our children for misbehavior and for the most part, like the criminals, they quietly suffer the punishment and make sure the next time they don't get caught. In a Culture of Nonviolence, Gandhiji said, punishment must be replaced by penance. The parents take the responsibility for not teaching their children well and through their penance they make the children realize their mistakes. Some may argue that this creates a “guilt complex” in the children. Without making a child feel guilty for the wrong it has done, the child will not realize the mistake it has made and that means the child will not learn the lesson that change is necessary. Of course the effect of penance on the child

is contingent upon the relationship between the parent and the child. If it is not based on mutual respect and love, a parent's penance will have no effect on the child.

You will notice that I offer no citations and really I have no proof that my grandfather said all of the things I have explained. In all humility I say that Gandhiji's philosophy, or any philosophy for that matter, can be approached in one of two ways the scholarly way or the intelligent way. This is not to belittle the motives of scholars but when we seek proof of everything we not only reduce the philosophy to a dogma but, in the process, we get trapped in what Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. once said “the paralyses of analyses.” In plain English: we work the philosophy to death. The intelligent way is to learn of the essence of the philosophy and use one's deductive logic to work out what did the person mean and how what was said centuries ago can be understood today. A philosophy needs to be kept vibrant and saved from becoming a dogma.

This paralysis of analysis has caused some scholars to view the philosophy of nonviolence as a “strategy” to be used when convenient. Gandhiji had said: “Nonviolence is not a jacket that you can put on today and discard tomorrow.” It is because we have used nonviolence only as a strategy that it has had limited success and when it has been successful it has not been lasting. India is a prime example of this. For Gandhiji's compatriots, nonviolence was a strategy of convenience. Once independence was achieved the leaders walked out on Gandhiji and virtually said India would no longer follow the philosophy of nonviolence. Consequently, India has become one of the most violent nations of the world and spends enormous resources on weapons of mass destruction. India today is not the country that Gandhiji envisioned. If one does not live the philosophy of nonviolence one cannot practice it effectively. Living in a Culture of Violence and attempting to practice nonviolence is like living in a paper house and hoping to be protected from hailstones.

My conclusion, therefore, is that if we try to apply a distorted philosophy of nonviolence, we are unlikely to meet success in ending wars in the world. If wars achieve peace, it is the peace of the graveyard. We need peace of brother-sisterhood and that can come only from love and respect and understanding. When people question whether nonviolence is relevant today I respond by asking them if love, respect and understanding are relevant today. If one can say they are not relevant Then civilization is in grave danger.

“THE EARTH IS BUT ONE COUNTRY....”
A Bahá'í vision of a world without war
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IN RECENT YEARS, perhaps the most significant phenomenon on the international scene has been the process of “globalization” the progressive “shrinking” of the world and an ever greater mixing of its people, cultures, and economies.

In countless books, news articles, and political speeches, the processes of globalization have been analyzed and reanalyzed. Some say it is a good thing; others say it is bad.

Those who defend globalization say it is bringing material prosperity to untold millions around the world, breaking down national, economic, and cultural barriers and helping to speed the process of peace building.

Critics say that the chaotic manner in which market forces have scaled up to the global level has unleashed a destructive whirlwind that exploits workers, impoverishes the poor at the expense of the rich, wreaks environmental destruction, and drives the most disaffected to acts of terrorism. They say that globalization's side effects are equally horrific, ranging from the spread of AIDS and drug abuse to the creation of a world monoculture that destroys local traditions and squelches diversity.

Either way, it is impossible to ignore the vast social, cultural, and political changes that stem from this process. Youth everywhere now seem to imbibe the same soft drinks, wear the same styles of clothing, and listen to the same type of music. Former global enemies now participate in joint peacekeeping missions. New patterns of emigration mean there are suddenly many more foreign faces and accents in every town and city.

For better or worse, human society is being dynamically reshaped in every land. And the ultimate trend is clear: we are witnessing nothing less than the emergence of a new civilization that is global in nature. More than 100 years ago, Bahá'u'lláh articulated this new reality when He said: “The earth is but one country, and mankind its citizens.”

The critical question facing humanity today is what sort of global civilization shall we have? Will it be dominated by a shallow materialism; in which people's highest aspirations seem simply to be surrounded by products bearing fashionable corporate trademarks while billions live in abject poverty? Will it be one in which the losers of the game must surrender their culture, their jobs, and the natural beauty of their environment so that others elsewhere may prosper? Will it be dominated by war and conflict?

Or is it possible for humanity to collectively seize control of its own destiny and to ensure that all that is best in human civilization is not lost? Is it possible to create a world in which material and scientific development is governed by ethical and spiritual principles that promote the prosperity and peaceful coexistence of all people everywhere?

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In other words, religion is the motive force in human history and will continue to set its direction and design. The progressive revelation of God's will to humanity through His Messengers has been responsible for the increasing integration of human society and its advancing civilization. The circle of human unity has widened successively from the tribe, to the city-state, to the nation-state.

Today, this process of integration is culminating in the development of a global civilization. Indeed, when viewed through the lens of Bahá'u'lláh's revelation, the history of the 20th century has been little more than a steady process of evolution albeit a painful one at times towards a new pattern for future society.

The collapse of the great 19th century colonial empires, the failed experiments with totalitarianism, fascism, and communism, and the increasing rejection of previously glorified concepts of racial superiority, masculine authority, and religious conceit have all cleared the ground for the changes that must come.

At the same time, scientific discoveries and new social insights during the last century have spurred many progressive social, economic, and cultural transformations, opening the door to the possibility of a future in which no one's material needs are unmet.

In the first years of this new century, the ongoing processes of globalization will undoubtedly continue to break down traditional barriers posed by outmoded and false concepts of race, class, or national superiority. And scientific and cultural changes that promise prosperity for all will surely continue to accelerate.

Moreover, Bahá'u'lláh warned that the dynamics of fusing the peoples of the world into one race and establishing a new civilization would be potentially cataclysmic. “The signs of impending convulsions and chaos can now be discerned, inasmuch as the prevailing Order appeareth to be lamentably defective,” He wrote. “Soon will the present-day order be rolled up and a new one spread out in its stead.”

In other words, the negative effects of this ongoing global revolution can be likened to the demolition of an old building in preparation for the erection of a new structure. Bahá'ís believe, however, that humanity's future will inevitably be a peaceful and prosperous one and that that day can be hastened if we begin to live in accord with the new spiritual laws and principles that govern our age.

These principles start with the recognition of our fundamental oneness in all spheres, which requires the end of all prejudices grounded in race, class, or nationality, and it mandates full equality between women and men. It also includes taking strong and meaningful steps to erase great disparities of wealth and poverty. In the recognition that all the world's religions are one, religious strife and intolerance will forever be put to rest.

At the personal level, the pattern for future society outlined by Bahá'u'lláh invokes the highest moral standards. People will be guided in all their interactions by the principles of trustworthiness, honesty, and courtesy. Selfless service to others will be the rule, and a general striving for excellence in all things will give new meaning to the concept of personal fulfillment. Widespread chastity and sobriety will help to end the spread of many diseases and much human suffering.

At the community level, Bahá'u'lláh calls for a reordering of priorities such that no one ever goes hungry, no family finds itself without shelter, and no child is deprived of an education. The institutions of society, whether at the local, regional, or national level, will put justice and the common good first, and the widespread understanding of humanity's spiritual reality will lead to ever greater levels of cooperation, learning, and discovery.

At the world level, Bahá'u'lláh called for the creation of new institutions capable of managing the coming global civilization. Specifically, the Bahá'í writings indicate, the world will ultimately be governed by a democratically elected world legislature, a world court, and a world executive, all backed by an international force capable of carrying out the collective will of the world's people.

In the 1930s, the specifics of this vision which comprise quite clearly the Bahá'í view on how we can usher in a world without wars was summarized by Shoghi Effendi, Bahá'u'lláh's great-grandson and then the Guardian of the Bahá'í Faith. He wrote:

“The unity of the human race, as envisaged by Bahá'u'lláh, implies the establishment of a world commonwealth in which all nations, races, creeds, and classes are closely and permanently united, and in which the autonomy of its state members and the personal freedom and initiative of the individuals that compose them are definitely and completely safeguarded. This commonwealth must, as far as we can visualize it, consist of a world legislature, whose members will, as the trustees of the whole of mankind, ultimately control the entire resources of all the component nations, and will enact such laws as shall be required to regulate the life, satisfy the needs, and adjust the relationships of all races and peoples.

“A world executive, backed by an international Force, will carry out the decisions arrived at, and apply the laws enacted by, this world legislature, and will safeguard the organic unity of the whole commonwealth. A world tribunal will adjudicate and deliver its compulsory and final verdict in all and any disputes that may arise between the various elements constituting this universal system.

“A mechanism of world inter-communication will be devised, embracing the whole planet, freed from national hindrances and restrictions, and functioning with marvelous swiftness and perfect regularity. A world metropolis will act as the nerve center of a world civilization, the focus towards which the unifying forces of life will converge and from which its energizing influences will radiate. A world language will either be invented or chosen from among the existing languages and will be taught in the schools of all the federated nations as an auxiliary to their mother tongue. A world script, a world literature, a uniform and universal system of currency, of weights and measures, will simplify and facilitate intercourse and understanding among the nations and races of mankind.

“In such a world society, science and religion, the two most potent forces in human life, will be reconciled, will cooperate, and will harmoniously develop. The press will, under such a system, while giving full scope to the expression of the diversified views and convictions of mankind, cease to be mischievously manipulated by vested interests, whether private or public, and will be liberated from the influence of contending governments and peoples. The economic resources of the world will be organized, its sources of raw materials will be tapped and fully utilized, its markets will be coordinated and developed, and the distribution of its products will be equitably regulated.

“National rivalries, hatreds, and intrigues will cease, and racial animosity and prejudice will be replaced by racial amity, understanding, and cooperation. The causes of religious strife will be permanently removed, economic barriers and restrictions will be completely abolished, and the inordinate distinction between classes will be obliterated. Destitution on the one hand, and gross accumulation of ownership on the other, will disappear. The enormous energy dissipated

and wasted on war, whether economic or political, will be consecrated to such ends as will extend the range of human inventions and technical development, to the increase of the productivity of mankind, to the extermination of disease, to the extension of scientific research, to the raising of the standard of physical health, to the sharpening and refinement of the human brain, to the exploitation of the unused and unsuspected resources of the planet, to the prolongation of human life, and to the furtherance of any other agency that can stimulate the intellectual, the moral, and spiritual life of the entire human race.

“A world federal system, ruling the whole earth and exercising unchallengeable authority over its unimaginably vast resources, blending and embodying the ideals of both the East and the West, liberated from the curse of war and its miseries, and bent on the exploitation of all the available sources of energy on the surface of the planet, a system in which Force is made the servant of Justice, whose life is sustained by its universal recognition of one God and by its allegiance to one common Revelation such is the goal towards which humanity, impelled by the unifying forces of life, is moving.”

Such a system, Bahá'ís understand will be characterized by the following elements:

Recognized and secure borders for all nations.

Freedom of movement and thought for all peoples.

A general disarmament.

establishment of a world federation of nations.

establishment of a world tribunal for the adjudication of international disputes.

The creation of an international military force capable of enforcing peace through principles of collective security.

A commitment to the protection of cultural diversity.

Far from prescribing a monstrous “big brother” at the world level, however, the Bahá'í teachings emphasize the importance of local autonomy and grassroots input. In the Bahá'í administrative order, with its freely elected governing councils and appointed advisors at local, regional, national, and international levels, there is a pattern for a system of governance that addresses problems at the global level without crushing local viewpoints and initiative. As well, the spiritual and social principles of the Bahá'í writings uphold the highest standard of human rights.

At all levels, the new institutions of the global society envisioned by Bahá'u'lláh will set justice as their main goal. “The best beloved of all things in My sight is Justice,” Bahá'u'lláh wrote. Bahá'ís are working towards the establishment of a world in which the governors of human society ensure that everyone receives just and equitable treatment; that basic needs for food, shelter, and dignity are met; and that lawbreakers receive swift and fair punishment. The widespread acceptance of Bahá'í principles of consultation and election procedures will bring into public life a new type of moral leader, one who puts the welfare of the whole community ahead of the interests of any particular party, ideology, tribe, or corporation and especially ahead of his or her own self-interest.

The acceptance of all these ideas and their realization in practiced by the world's people, Bahá'ís believe, is inevitable and will bring about nothing less than the Promised Day of all religions. It is synonymous with the vision set down by Isaiah in the Bible, of the time when the nations “shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks,... nor shall they learn war any more.” It is what Christians have prayed for throughout the centuries when they recite the Lord's Prayer, testifying to the coming of God's Kingdom: “Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.” It will be the fulfillment of the promise in the Qur'an that the light of God's justice will one day break over the entire earth and “Thou shall see in it no hollows or rising hills.”

Of course, many in society today promote similar principles and ideas. As noted earlier, Bahá'u'lláh's social teachings have in many ways become synonymous with the modern definition of a progressive society. And the emergence of global institutions like the United Nations offer humanity a starting point for the kind of global coordination needed in this new age.

Yet, if anything, the failed ideological experiments of the last century have shown that attempts to bring about greater coordination must be backed by moral principle and spiritual vision. Without a deep comprehension and recognition of humanity's spiritual reality, which is the real basis of human nature, the path ahead will surely be very difficult.

The development of society has been carefully guided by the great religious teachers of the past. The moral code of the Ten Commandments and the Golden Rule both of which find their expression in nearly every religious tradition exemplify those religious teachings and serve both as ethical guidelines and a summons to spiritual achievement. They have permeated human consciousness and restructured cultures everywhere. Even for the nonbeliever, the value of such teachings is evident.

The spiritual world is the source of those human qualities that engender unity and harmony, that lead to insight and understanding, and that make possible cooperative undertakings. Among such qualities are love, courage, vision, self-sacrifice, and humility. Essentially spiritual in nature, these qualities form the invisible yet essential foundation of human society.

In the past, spiritual teachings have been concerned primarily with individual actions or with the harmony of relatively small groups of people. Moral concern has likewise focused mostly on individual behavior: do not steal; do not lie; love your neighbor.

Today, our understanding of spirituality must embrace not only personal and group life, but also the collective progress of humanity as a whole. This is part of what has been promised in all of the world's scriptures. Indeed, it is only because the human

race has at last entered its age of maturity that age-old prophecies foretelling an era of peace and justice can now be fulfilled.

The essential message of Bahá'u'lláh is the call to unity; its audience, the entire world: “Let your vision be world-embracing, rather than confined to your own selves.” A century after His passing, this summons has begun to take visible shape in a community that represents a microcosm of the human race itself, a community that has established itself in every corner of the globe, a community that, unlike every other comparable movement, has resisted the perennial impulse to disintegrate into sects and subgroups, a community that is consciously creating a new pattern for a global civilization.

The emergence of the Bahá'í community offers persuasive evidence that humanity, in all its diversity, can learn to live and work as a single people in a global homeland. It represents, as well, a compelling argument for earnest and dispassionate examination of the claims of the extraordinary Figure whose spirit created and sustains it.

And, Bahá'ís believe, it is by understanding His vision that we can build a world without wars.



DELETE THE ELITE

- Joost van Steenis



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Dr. Leo Rebello's note: Here, Joost van Steenis discusses some simple concepts, which show a different road to equality. The author uses masspeople for masses, elitepersons for elites. The central theme of his paper is to 'simplicate' (word coined by me about a decade ago) rather than 'complicate' the issues. This is extracted from his recent book **From Chaos to Change Entering a New Era**.

Many problems urgently wait for an immediate solution. But it seems impossible to solve human problems. That will only happen when a new paradigm is accepted, a new way to look at the world is accepted.

More than nine million children die each year before they have reached the age of five. If these "greedy" kids are allowed to grow then "there will be food shortage" for those who "over eat". Hence, "these useless eaters" have to die. So the plan to control population works like this: periodically civilised nations shed crocodile's tears over their malnourishment deaths. But instead of sending food, they send medicines to save these 'sick' children. These medicines do two things help the (p)harmaceuticals to make profits and kill the children, as per the plan, without the world realizing the sinister design.

Each of four thousand and two hundred senior British bankers got in 2007 a bonus of more than one million euros. These bankers too are "greedy", they want to have money, more money and still more money and it is a riddle what they ever can do with so much money.

Dying children and bankers are two different kinds of people; they have a different

status. The kids do not have enough power to get food to survive, the bankers have an excess of power to get money they do not even need, to have a very luxurious life.

Our society is based on the dominating elitist paradigm of Money, Power and Elites. Accordingly, the elites plunder all the wealth, rule the world, and will continue to rule the world unless a total turn around takes place.

Two completely separated worlds exist, a safely prosperous, privileged and secluded elite world (what Hitler called *Übermensch*) and an often-harsh massworld. These two worlds are very far apart from each other: Five star hotels, private planes, huge mansions, a private serving staff, shopping in foreign countries for very expensive and exclusive items.

Greed and corruption are two sides of the same phenomenon. It is the consequence of this wrong thinking that makes everyone think money. Money has become the pivotal point in our society, not the well being of humans. Widespread corruption shows that everything is determined by money. Greedy, high-placed people want more money than they can spend in a thousand years. Do they want twenty houses, five aeroplanes, three yachts and forty cars? Do they want more and more very expensive gadgets and for what? These sick people who want ever more money decide over our lives. We live in a sad world.

From this "Animal Farm" concept of George Orwell, in which: "All animals are equal but some animals are more equal than others", we need to shift to the Karl Marx ideal of "From each according to his ability, to each according to his need".

Only then we will have a new humane world, only then the kids will have a chance to live to be healthy hundred, have a decent life, a good education, good jobs, nice living places and good medical treatment.

People should have the same status but that does not mean that all people are equal. Once you accept that all work from garbage removal and sewage cleaning, to office clerk and the CEO, the taxi driver and the plane driver, from a waitress in a hotel to a waitress in the airplane (who is called airhostess), from a Minister to a Judge and a bureaucrat to the President, all are engaged in different tasks to run the society smoothly, then as M.K. Gandhi advocates there will not be too much disparity in wages or incomes. "1:10 is the principle that Gandhi advocates, which means, if the lowest worker is getting one dollar salary per day, the highest, that is, the CEO of the company should not get more than 10 dollars. But look at the disparity in salaries" emphasizes my good friend Dr. Leo Rebello and advocates, "same job, same pay, same distance same fare, same facility, same rent, same education, same fee, same service, same reimbursement".

To make this happen, mass people must use different action methods. Protest is not enough. The elites hardly listen. People must not ask but demand and force. They should accompany their demands with actions that cannot be ignored by decision-makers. According to the new paradigm, People must stand central, not buildings, institutions or multinationals.

In discussions about what should happen to change society a paradigm shift is never mentioned. Activists limit themselves by striving for short-term results within the framework set by the elite. The War in Iraq should stop, wages must increase, pollution must be minimised. Sometimes demands agree with the elitist hidden goals and there seems to be Pyrrhic victory. But leaders do not listen when masspeople aspire for higher goals or solutions, as peace in the whole world, stopping of arms race, star wars, the end to poverty and depravity or exploitation of children, women, etc.

The demand for better leaders is also futile. All leaders are obedient to the *Mammon* and new leaders behave in about the same way as the old ones. The leaders who still think in money terms are not concerned about more than nine million kids that die each year. Of course some leaders are slightly better than the others, but the differences are not marked. After all they are not statesmen.

What about a better democracy? I don't understand why only Americans elect the American President when he has a big influence on the whole world? Even in democratic nations, elections only take place in a small section of society. In the industrial and financial sectors there are no elections, neither there are elections for the post of judges, or for the top army or the police bosses. Democracy is an extrapolation of an idea that in the far past was introduced in societies with limited number of people. To make it work in societies with millions of people, we need better model of democracy.

Many centuries ago the city-state of Athens had some kind of democracy. Ten percent of the population was allowed to participate in discussions. Women, children, slaves and resident foreigners who made up more than ninety percent of the population were excluded. Plato fixed the number of citizens who were allowed to participate in this kind of democracy in an ideal state at 5040 adult males. But around 400 B.C. the number of participating citizens was already 30.000 (in a city with more than 300.000 people).

In Athens most citizens were related to each other by blood, and family ties were very strong. As boys they grew up together in schools and as men they served side by side during times of war. They debated with each other in public assemblies, they elected each other as magistrates, and they cast their votes as jurors for or against fellow citizens. In this society all citizens were intimately and directly involved in politics,

justice, military service, religious ceremonies, intellectual discussions, athletics and artistic pursuits.

For Plato and Aristotle the only true criterion of the size of the city was that all citizens knew each other. The public world had to be joined with the private world. The ancient Greek democracy was created for a small number of people, a minority of all inhabitants.

More than two hundred years ago the Count De Montesquieu advanced his idea of democracy. Like the old Greeks he saw that democracy could solve conflicts in a relatively small group. Just before the French Revolution, France had about 25 million inhabitants and a leading group of around 100.000 people. When we exclude women and children the number of participants in the democratic system of De Montesquieu was about the same as in Athens.

Democracy does not work when too many people are involved. Humans are individualists who must work in small groups, so they can use their own autonomy and creativity that is overwhelmed in the big organisations. **[Editor's note:** In India, we have *Gram Panchayats* that is, elected village elders deciding the issues pertaining to their village. Sometime, the issues get polarized on caste or communal basis and run counter to progressive state policies and then the state has to intervene. For example, the village elders cannot decide to flog someone in public or stone the person to death as in Islamic countries. In India we have a civilised criminal procedure code and written Constitution. This example shows that numbers do not matter in a democratic functioning]

Mass organisations continue to exist even when the purpose of the organisation has been outlived. In the beginning of the twentieth century the Italian Roberto Michels advanced the Iron Law of Oligarchy. Big organisations inevitably change into organisations in which a few powerful people want to keep their privileged position. Masspeople should avoid being restricted by hierarchical mass organisations in which they are only a number on the memberships list.

When you are allowed to vote only once in four or five years, according to a schedule that the bureaucrats decide, you feel powerless, participation in elections is indeed going down. Common citizens do not have much influence on most decisions that are decided upon in back rooms. They only vote lesser of the two evils, as the political parties, which are the two sides of the same coin, foist both candidates in a two-party system on them. To become president of the USA you must have a lot of money at your disposal. Who becomes Member of Parliament is also decided by leaders (dealers) and not by the electorate. The people on the election list are dependent on leaders when they are not sufficiently obedient they get for the next elections, at the most, such a low place on the elections list that they will never be elected again.

Something else has to happen. According to the new paradigm people must stand central. Leaders as well as activists. Because mass organisations restrict the capabilities of individual masspeople there must be another solution. What elites are doing should not be allowed. The masses should draw their own plans and interfere wherever and whenever necessary.

These groups will have a more profound influence on society than going to the ballot boxes to elect people who hardly have contact with the electorate. Besides, directors of industry, leaders of (semi-) governmental institutions such as hospitals, army top brass, leaders of charity organisations or high civil servants are not elected and even hardly controlled by elected representatives. Temporary groups of interested masspeople can better control these people. In their actions masspeople must penetrate in the exclusive world of leaders. Only then it will be possible that mass and elite world will merge and a new world comes into being in which all people have the same status. This will put an end to Machiavellian methods of manipulations, deceit, bribery or violence used against masspeople. If, in this way the democratic principles were to reach at the grassroots, Machiavellian methods will reduce drastically and wars, hunger and poverty will be reduced to a large extent. Time is ripe to try something different to get a better world.

Many obstacles obstruct the road to a New Humane World. You can avoid most obstacles by going around them. But you cannot go around the biggest obstacle. The elitist paradigm must be replaced by the human paradigm that considers all people having the same status. One of the most important goals of any action should be the undermining of the 'Unholy Trinity' of Money, Power and Elites. We need to break through the walls that surround the region the elites have assigned to the masses.

For example, it is inhuman to propose to only halve in ten years the number of more than nine million kids that die each year before they are five. To deny anyone a decent life is inadmissible. I do not understand how someone can sincerely believe that the UN Millennium Goals are a step forward. Too much misery will continue to exist misery that stands in violent contrast to the comfortable life of people who discuss such ideas.

The problem of the division of masses in warring groups is caused by the invisible hand of the elites. In wars this division is obvious. Masses fight against each other because of what is decided in elitist circles. The Algerian War, the Vietnam War, the five Wars between India and Pakistan, the Balkan War and now the Iraq War and the Afghanistan War are only some of the many violent conflicts in our world. All these conflicts are driven by a short-term idea about more power and money for a small group. The world hardly changed after these wars were terminated. Masses only suffered, many were wounded or died and a devastated country was left behind. Japan is still afraid of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Vietnam still has land mines. Iraq lies

ruined, so is Afghanistan and Palestine. And now the elites have set their eyes on Iran, which will destroy the world.

The continuous violent conflicts between masspeople prove that all ideas to reduce the amount of violence have not been successful. The walls around the massworld that are the basic cause of this violence are not challenged. When these walls are not destroyed and when 'Unholy Trinity' of Money, Power and Elites is not undermined, misery will continue to exist and the next violent conflict is already on our doorstep Iran, North Korea, Russia, water wars etc. Many more masspeople will die, not the elitepersons.

Some obstacles, like confrontation with the police (who are there infact to protect law, but they always do the bidding of those who are at the top) is easy to avoid, just go around them and do not fight with the police as in violent demonstrations. However, there are certain obstacles that are difficult to tackle. Obstacles, such as, religion, nationalism, left-right contradiction, wars, all kinds of discrimination (based on colour, gender, caste), terrorism, media, tradition, tribal structures, etc.

All energy put in removing these obstacles leads to fighting between masspeople. Nearly all violence takes place in the massworld and is inflicted by masspeople on fellow-masspeople. In wars it is evident, masspeople from different countries fight each other and all casualties fall among the people. Near Verdun in France there is a cemetery and an ossuary with the remains of about hundred thousand soldiers who died in the First World War. Only one general is buried there. Politicians and elitepeople behind this general were never in any danger to die by hostile bullets. Nothing has changed since the Middle Ages when after a war soldiers of the losing party were slaughtered while the noble leaders sat together at a copious banquet to celebrate the end of the hostilities.

In most violence the invisible hand of money is involved. Religious strife, fights between demonstrators and the police, between rightists and leftists, hatred against new immigrants, racial differences, nationalistic and chauvinistic feelings etc. everything occurs in the massworld. All fighting, all casualties, all damage, all imaginary hate is restricted to the massworld. Elites have also some differences but they do not fight because they have the same goal, the extension and preservation of the privileged eliteworld.

Masspeople must avoid fighting each other. Thomas Kuhn wrote in his famous book “The Structure of Scientific Revolutions”, that “the man who first saw the exterior of the box from above, later sees its interior from below.” New ideas, new paradigms change the outlook of people. “During such revolutions scientists see new things when looking with familiar instruments in places they have looked before”. Revolutions change the mind of scientists, they inspire, they lead to new inventions,

and they bring science to a higher plane. That can also happen in the social world.

There are multitude of masspeople and only a few elitepeople. Infact, the ratio would be 99:1. But elites by their systematic controls reduce masses to non-entities in a vast world and make them so incapable for big actions. But masses should remember that elites are like fleas and declare a war on them. That one war will end all wars. Small actions can have a big effect.

The Theory of Chaos states that a small cause can have a big effect. There are many unknown minuscule movements you can never predict how the things will be tomorrow. Just as you never can predict what will happen when a multitude of small events can suddenly cause a huge change.

What should be the targets of our actions? The new paradigm is a guide and it says that humans must stand central. For example, a director decides to sack half the number of his workers. There may be a demonstration but in the present crisis, workers will anyhow be sacked. The same happens when wages are lowered, wrong laws are accepted, squatters' homes cleared or peaceful villages bombed. There maybe some actions but only temporary. A few days later the world goes on and decisions are accepted. The same people who did wrong are allowed to do wrong again.

I demonstrated against the Vietnam War and it did not help. The War was stopped for many reasons it was too expensive, the name of the USA was in jeopardy, fifty thousands American soldiers had been killed etc. But not because of the demonstrations or the millions of dead South-East Asians they did not count as humans. Money was the prime factor to stop the war in complete agreement with the elitist paradigm, which is why US is not withdrawing from Iraq inspite of change of guard.

The same kinds of people who started and stopped the Vietnam War are still leading. Actions should not have the purpose to stop the war but to target people who started and carried out the war. It did not happen and thus we have seen many other wars after the Vietnam War. Again many people in independent countries died. Hilary Clinton approved the invasion in Iraq and was in favour of bombing Iran. She has become the Secretary of State in the Obama government. Not much of a change for the man who promised change.

Actions must also have the purpose to change the mind of leaders in such a way that new wars will not be undertaken. But that will only happen when elitepeople will not be able to reap anymore the benefit of the elitist paradigm, cannot continue to live in the safe, quiet and privileged eliteworld. In that selfish world everything revolves around money, the collateral damage to masses is unimportant.

We masspeople have to do something to stop the misery, we cannot expect that the present leaders will do that, despite their often beautiful speeches.

I propose to intrude the eliteworld to put pressure on their leaders who do not wish to solve problems of masspeople. Individual elites must come under pressure, not the government or the Board of Directors. Neither dead objects as ministries, factories or ostentatious buildings. [**Editor's note:** Supporting the author's intention to intrude the eliteworld, I would suggest that the world must identify these manipulating elites and prevent them from grabbing powerful positions like the Presidents or Prime Ministers, President of World Bank, Director General of WHO, Secretary General of UNO, etc. Through the two very powerful weapons of non-violence and non-cooperation and partly by attacking those in powerful positions, we in India sent Englishmen packing home in 1947. The same successful strategy must be adopted to prevent elites from owning control on the monetary system, on natural resources, on medicines, on the mass media. Because, through all these instruments they manipulate to the detriment of the world and keep the multitude in abject penury, which is their design because they are at a lower level of spiritual evolution].

May it be dinned into readers' minds that elites benefit from their surplus of power by making an own privileged eliteworld. If this advantage would disappear, power would become useless; a New Humane Society will emerge.

The weapons masspeople use in the struggle against elites must differ from elite weapons. For tens of years the Palestinian-Israeli War has been a war between a strong army with modern weapons against an army of an impoverished nation with relatively inferior weapons. But weapons sale, nevertheless, benefits the weapon industry. When you stop buying their weapons to fight them, you do not fight them. You drain your resources. Long time engagement in wars is not to the advantage of the masspeople. Colonial wars have shown that even a local army armed with spears can conquer a foreign oppressor armed with sophisticated weapons. [**Editor's note:** M.K.Gandhi of India, Martin Luther King of USA and Nelson Mandela of South Africa, proved that one could usher in a change without engaging in a fight with the opponents with the same weapons. Martial art Judo teaches us to pull down the enemy with his own force, rather than push the opponent]

Elitist weapons are indiscriminate, they kill arbitrary, and they cause the euphemistic collateral damage. Masspeople must use their own weapons; carry out a kind of psychological warfare directed at small targets, one eliteperson for example. The goal is to disturb the life of elitepeople in such a way that they cannot use anymore the benefits only the elite get. Therefore masspeople have to go to places where the benefits are used and make a little chaos in the otherwise safe haven of eliteworld and all these other places where elitepersons spend their free time (and their excessive

money). They must harass the private living sphere of people who amass too much money at the cost of the life of masspeople. This action method is called Creative Disturbance.

About an English group that was recently arrested, a leading police officer said: “Most people would find this hard to believe, but with these people there was no financial imperative. It was all about the case.”

Why should you try to break through a fortified wall when the back doors are open? Why should you be active around a G8-meeting guarded by an army while better results can be reached by harassing G8-members unexpectedly in less guarded places?

Past actions did not bring a New Human Society closer because nobody knew what the inspiring idea was behind a New Society. Before, in and after the French Revolution the idea of Freedom, Equality and Brotherhood was not consequently applied. Therefore, leaders who still adhered to old ideas could demolish the new paradigm. After all past revolutions (French, Russian, Chinese, etc.), the renovation of society was turned around and societies came into being that were just like our society based on a paradigm in which Money was the pivotal point (together with Power and Elitepersons).

The leading idea must always be what we can do. Which elitepersons are important and what can we do to put them under pressure so they cannot continue to keep masspeople in their grip (for their own benefit). How can we make life in the exclusive eliteworld less agreeable?

Without independent actions, elitepeople continue to do what they did before. Without pressure, elitepeople do not change, they repeat the same mistakes again and again. They remain slaves of the elitist paradigm of money, money, money and power, power, power for the Happy Few. We must force the Happy Few to think of all humans.

Media, politicians, the powers that be, everything was suddenly concentrated on two hundred people that died in the 26/11/2008 terrorist attack on Mumbai. Two hundred people died. Terrible. Within a month Indian MPs unanimously approved tough anti-terror laws. But in the same India each day around five thousand children die before they have reached the age of five. That is happening since ages. No laws are approved to save the lives of two million kids that die or are killed every year. Are two hundred deaths more important than five thousand dead children? This is where, by active participation, the citizens can bring about a change. But right focus is needed.

Only masspeople can change the world. Masses are realizing that the present financial crisis is not caused by them but by too greedy elitepeople because of which

they have to suffer. Before the new upstarts use the crisis to get a bigger part of the cake, masspeople need to stop them and not pay for the greed of the top.

Is Humanity ready for the next higher leap? Are masspeople capable enough to take on these miniscule elitepersons and put humans at the centre of all decisions?

These very questions were asked when Western leaders had to decide if colonised people were ready to be independent. The answer was that those people must decide for themselves because colonisation (imprisonment) of people could not continue. Now the same answer has to be given. This continuation of subordination to elitist paradigm cannot be tolerated anymore. A new humane world has to emerge.

We masspeople do not know exactly what the future will bring. But it is certain that it cannot be worse than now. We must change our world.



I began revolution with 82 men. If I had to do it again, I will do it with 10 or 15 and absolute faith. It does not matter how small you are if you have faith and plan of action.

- Fidel Castro

ECONOMIC ANTIDOTE TO WAR?

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Can a new system of economics, one based on prosperity and production, solve not only the current financial chaos, but eliminate a major cause of human warfare?

The first system of economics, pure *laissez faire*, led to concentration of wealth, a class structure and slavery, debt and banking, and the type of ongoing warfare we see today. Many attempts have been made in an effort to correct the excesses of unrestrained capitalism. The lack of positive incentives, necessitating coercion and brute force--plus the absence of a price mechanism for informed economic calculation--doomed these systems to inefficiency and eventual failure.

As an alternative to warfare, some have approached the problem of economic hardship by going directly to the money. Printing un-backed paper money is one method that has been tried with bad results. What I'm getting at here is that there have been piecemeal economic attempts to tackle the basic problem (scarcity leading to war) that, if taken together, would approach a solution. But few have had the insight to realize that, with a crooked deck of cards, the house always wins.

If it's possible to amass vast sums of liquidity through interest-bearing debt instruments, financial derivatives, and un-backed speculation (e.g., short selling without the actual stock or commodity or the ability to produce or get it) there is going to be a massive centralization of wealth. Once all real assets have been purchased or otherwise encumbered by the wealthy financiers, there remains only one outlet: war production and the destruction of munitions and equipment to allow continued war production. (Production, sale and distribution of illicit drugs is another megaprofit area first discovered by the British, who learned to trade opium for Chinese tea. It is now directly tied to military activity, as in the cases of Afghanistan and Columbia.)

The United States, which is part of a financial empire governed from the City of London via New York, is currently the police agency. It wages aggressive war against upstarts who wish to abandon its debt-bearing currency (Iraq - Iran), interfere with its lucrative drug trade (Afghanistan), or commit other economic transgressions, such as interfering with the economic strangulation of target nations. My country is wholly in the thrall of these financial powers, and elections are largely pre-arranged spectacles. We must recognize that the financial power is stateless. If the U.S. collapses next year or later, one fact will remain: unless the system of getting money and using it changes worldwide, we are simply going to move the seat of power to another set of countries and the cycle of perpetual war and poverty is going to continue.

What about Israel? There is much attention given to the incredible power of its lobbying groups in the U.S. and Europe. But little attention is given as to why that mini-state is important enough to merit trillions of dollars of largesse and military aid. Geographically, it is a perfect candidate to stimulate warfare and, hence, the demand for vastly overpriced products of the "military-industrial complex" which effectively intercept wealth and prevent development in countries forced to purchase them. Israel has no legally defined borders and, in fact, most of its people favor incorporating the surrounding countries' lands as "Eretz" or greater Israel. The state is built on dubious religious claims and on land obtained through overstatement of population statistics in 1947 to the U.N.; the subsequent 1948 statehood mandate created conflict with the indigenous peoples, which continues to this day. (Israel did not "make the desert bloom" - it was already being farmed). Because of its location, conflict created in the Middle East can spread through Africa (as it is doing now) and throughout Eurasia and the Indian subcontinent.

The past 3500 years of human history have been characterized by wars caused largely by economic factors sometimes disguised as social or religious conflicts. Whether Assyria and Babylon, Rome, Spain and Portugal, the British Empire or Anglo-American Empire all grew by invading unarmed, culturally evolved, rich countries living in peace and harmony and imposing on them the debt, money and decadent legal systems.

The period from the Bretton-Woods agreement in 1944 to the present, the old colonial structure was replaced with pliant so-called democracies and "dollar imperialism". And the newbogy of "Communist menace" of the USSR and Red China paved the way for creation of the "military-industrial complex" to protect the markets and banking interests and eliminate pesky political forces that wanted real democracy. Today the finance and other costs of maintaining this empire are growing, and threatening to engulf the world in universal depression and war.

Since the inception of this post-world-war empire, the world has been in a state of perpetual war. Countless insurgencies and conflicts have dragged on for decades.

Wars like Korea, Vietnam, Iraq and Afghanistan are the norm. Weapons and money are poured into Israel to fund an insoluble conflict that increases demand for armaments produced just for that purpose and at very high cost and profit margins. And the empire continues to expand its military bases and outposts.

What's the source of the money to invest in arms production with exorbitant prices and cost overruns? How do we fund a foreign policy that actually creates demand for the products of wars? How is the government able to fund a vast web of military bases with a never-ending supply of debt instruments?

For the past 30 years, at least, the economic system producing the “fuel” to run this warlike empire can loosely be defined as Monetarism, also known as Neoliberalism. A hodgepodge of 18th and 19th century economic ideas, neoclassical economics, corporatism, *laissez faire* and debt capitalism temporarily advances the interests of populations on which it is employed by slashing taxes and regulation, eliminating tariffs, and creating “trickle down” economic benefits. For the wealthy financiers, the transitory “booms” produced are essential in producing vast pools of liquidity, often invested in war production, and in technology, capital equipment and vital raw materials that have both civilian and military uses. All the money grabbed by the financiers during this period through fraudulent financial instruments, speculation and the like must come from somewhere. So also must the \$14-trillion the U.S. has borrowed from around the world to fund the empire and its bases! And that “somewhere” is the pockets of the world's people-- who are plucked in the “bust” phase.

“Busts” like the present period happen because the largesse shown to rich taxpayers, including elimination of tariffs is financed with an exponentially growing debt load (due to compounding of interest). At some point, the debt service simply exceeds the amount of money in circulation available to service it. Unable to pay debts, debtors go bankrupt *en masse*. The Monetarist response is simply to switch to an “expansionist” money policy. This relief is temporary. Since the expansion is accomplished through issue of further debt instruments, such as T-bonds or T-bills in the U.S., the problem returns with a vengeance.

A review of President Obama’s recent proposed 2010 budget by Michel Chossudovsky in the 2nd March 2009 edition of his Global Research website terms it a “war budget” and states that it is an “austerity budget...the most drastic curtailment in public spending in American history.” He states that it largely protects only the interests of Wall St., defense contractors and oil companies, and that “The austerity measures hit all major Federal spending programs with the exception of Defense and the Middle East War”. Chossudovsky's analysis shows \$739.5-billion of a \$2.3-trillion budget will go to the military, including \$130-billion for the Afghanistan and Iraq wars and an additional \$75.5-billion to cover shortfalls in this year’s war allocation.

Chalmers Johnson's latest book Nemesis: The Last Days of the American Republic (New York: Metropolitan Books, 2007) places the new figure of US bases at 737 and he estimates the on-and-off-budget cost of maintaining this empire at close to \$1-trillion, excluding veterans' affairs, nuclear weapons programs, foreign military aid and Homeland Security.

How do these bases help control an empire? They first serve to intimidate. In many countries there is a balance of power among several or more factions. The mere presence of a significant military force that could potentially aid any of them allows considerable pressure to be brought on whomever is in power, as is the case today with Pakistani-occupied Kashmir and Pakistan in general. In poor countries, the bases are often a source of desperately needed employment and economic activity - and this (in itself) encourages compliance with American wishes by local authorities.

The bases help with plain old warfare. This function is best described by one of America's most decorated soldiers Major General Smedley Butler: “I spent most of my time as a high class muscle man for big business, for Wall St. and the bankers. In short, I was a racketeer, a gangster for capitalism...I helped make Haiti and Cuba a decent place for the National City Bank boys to collect revenues in. I helped in raping of half a dozen Central American republics for the benefit of Wall Street. I helped purify Nicaragua for the international banking house of Brown Bros. in 1902-1912. I brought light to the Dominican Republic for American sugar interests in 1916...In China in 1927 I helped see to it that Standard Oil went on its way unmolested. Looking back on it, I might have given Al Capone a few hints. The best he could do was operating his racket in three districts. I operated on three continents.”

Perfect tool for conflict: Monetarism, by promoting virtually limitless borrowing and deficit spending, is not just a vehicle for funding war production and financing costly wars and military occupations. When implemented in smaller, less industrialized countries it can itself create the climate for future conflicts. By its nature, as in the case of Mexico, Columbia, Iceland, Cambodia and Argentina, it leads to social upheavals in a relatively short time: (a) It causes chronic unemployment and bankruptcy through debt service and trade imbalances. (b) It creates speculative bubbles in real estate and commodities that harm the bulk of a population. (c) It makes the earnings of the bulk of a population inadequate to service basic living needs that it takes goods and services of real and intrinsic value and steals or co-opts that value through paper instruments, debts and, in some cases, depreciating paper currencies. (d) All this lead to growing indebtedness of the general population and consumer bankruptcy and destitution.

Chronic unemployment, a form of scarcity, contributes to conflict in two ways. Large numbers of jobless workers make tempting targets for governments to use in

war efforts. So much the better, politicians reason, if their numbers are reduced. In many areas, the unemployed threaten the social structure with civil war.

Seymour Melman has done outstanding work in establishing the social and economic costs of consumptive military and security spending on the U.S. economy, in his groundbreaking books *The Permanent War Economy* (Revised and updated, New York: Simon and Schuster, 1985) and *Profits without Production* (New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1983). On pg. 151 of *Profits* he summarizes: "...the combined Pentagon budgets of 1946-1981 represent a mass of resources equivalent to the cost of replacing just about all (94%) of everything manmade in the United States (excluding the land)...But when we take into account both the resources used by the military as well as the economic product forgone, then we must appreciate the social cost of the military economy, 1946-1981, as amounting to about twice the "reproducible assets" of the U.S. national wealth." In other words, a natural calamity would have to level everything in the U.S. twice and we would have to rebuild it both times to equal the amount wasted.

Economics, by its nature, deals with the allocation of scarce resources. If resources were unlimited, there would be little incentive to optimize production. War results, in most cases, when a nation or group attempts to seize vital resources by violent means. Monetarism produces real scarcity, although it creates localized gluts and speculative bubbles. Thus, it and the present war economy are inextricably connected.

Replacing Monetarism and the "permanent war economy" could be accomplished by firstly abolishing all interest-bearing debt related to agriculture and essential production (e.g., food products, fuels, clothing, and capital equipment) - and interest on all debt except for luxury items. Government further should guarantee agriculture-related debt and accept payment from farmers either in kind or money.

This brings us to the issue of money itself. No longer can money be issued into circulation by private or public banks on the basis of debt instruments. Nor can money simply be printed at will--defrauding the general population through inflation. In either case, the first recipients of new money banks and others that create debt instruments, derivatives, junk bonds as well as recipients of government largesse and arms contracts - get the full value of it. As this money travels through the economy, it becomes progressively less valuable with time (due to inflation) as it reaches the worker and average citizen. An example of this was the recent \$800-billion TARP bailout, where monies have yet to be found, let alone found in the hands of citizens.

A solution I envision is a sort of new mint. New money would be issued into circulation in exchange for real, created wealth - not paper assets. By rewarding

those efficiently producing what is most needed in the world - food, drinking water, clothing, housing, and basic medical care - a large and inexpensive supply of necessities could be realized. In itself, this would eliminate many conflicts. Since armaments and debt-bearing financial instruments are NOT encouraged by this system, much of the impetus for having wars should also disappear, i.e., the need to make large profits for a parasitical financial class and the need to dispose of large numbers of the unemployed and economically dislocated.

From War to Peace. Converting away from war production, from the standpoint of the average citizen, is not that big a deal. Defense industries are not that labor intensive and generally employ minimal numbers of highly qualified and paid workers.

It's estimated by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (Feb. 2009) that there are currently 145-million employed Americans. Woodrow Clark, writing in the *Journal of Business and Industrial Marketing*, estimates that about 5.1% of the U.S. workforce is employed in the military production/defense sector. This would represent only about 7.4-million total workers.

What does this represent in GDP? Currently, military spending represents only 4.1% of GDP vs. 37.8% in 1944. The impact of government spending here (as a percentage of GDP) is not impressive as it relates to jobs. In October 1984, Harper's Magazine reported that 21,000 defense jobs were created per \$1-billion of government spending vs. 25,000 for non-defense spending.

The Center for Economic and Policy Research (CEPR), Washington, D.C., released a report in May 2007 on the civilian impacts of increased military spending. Among its conclusions: that, after an initial demand stimulus, the effect of increased military spending turns negative around the sixth year. After 10 years of higher defense spending, there would be 464,000 fewer jobs than in the baseline scenario with lower defense spending.

"It is often believed that wars and military spending increases are good for the economy," comments Dean Baker, CEPR Director, "In fact, most economic models show that military spending diverts resources from productive uses, such as consumption and investment, and ultimately slows economic growth and reduces employment."

Mumford in *Technics and Civilization* summed up the problem faced in converting to a new war-free economic system the question of what to do with the fantastic (over) productivity of industrial technology:

"An army is a body of pure consumers...[plus it] is not merely a pure consumer but a negative producer...a thousand men mowed down by bullets are a demand more or less for a thousand new uniforms, a thousand more guns, a thousand more bayonets

and a thousand shells fired from cannons cannot be retrieved and used over again...Without the non-production of war, to balance accounts algebraically, the heightened capacities of machine production can be written off only in limited ways: an increase in foreign markets, an increase in population, an increase in mass purchasing power through drastic reduction of profits. When the first two dodges have been exhausted, war helps avert the last alternative, so terrible to the kept classes, so threatening to the whole system that supports them.”

Overproduction, in part, can be dealt with by environmental regulation and controls-nothing in the “production mint” scheme would preclude controls on environmental degradation, worker safety and the like.

Furthermore, increased production and falling prices would no longer be the same problem. Firstly, with interest-bearing debt eliminated, debt would not grow exponentially. As I proposed, farm debt would be payable in kind and similar arrangements could be made in other economic sectors where needed. Government could simply use surpluses to build up emergency stockpiles and to meet foreign aid and emergency aid commitments.

Citing “The Statistical Abstract of the U.S.”, 1990, pg. 463 and pg. 734, J.W. Smith notes, “Only about 3.3% of a nation's total wealth that is providing for consumer needs is industrial capital. With access to those tools (industrial capital) needy people can build the 96.7% of their wealth that is social capital (homes, roads, schools, stores, etc.)”. He adds, “We have calculated that a society can be well cared for...with as little as 14% of U.S. per capita industrial capacity” citing research that up to 30% of overall U.S. capacity (military and nonmilitary) is wasted. He concludes: “It would require only 14% of the money habitually spent on arms by the former NATO and Warsaw Pact countries to industrialize the world”.

Since military conflicts would no longer be profitable, there would be new motivation for ending or preventing them. Instead of conventional foreign aid (much of which is based on debt) the above “production mint” system could be expanded to less-developed nations - possibly by a new agency to replace the IMF - who could also exchange their produce directly for money. The aid agency could use some of the foodstuffs to feed local workers as “in kind” wages, eliminating the waste from costly processing and packaging and the energy expense of shipping food products out of and into underdeveloped areas. Monies provided to local producers could be used to make capital purchases from developed countries and to pay wages for development in their home countries.

Countries with agricultural surpluses could divert some of these as “in kind” payments (in lieu of money) to meet aid commitments. This would help reduce foreign-aid predation by middlemen and speculators, who currently skim off vast

amounts of what little is produced and exported by these nations, much like rats and other pests eat crops in the field.

The fuel for conflicts in many places around the world is the refugee camps, where millions hopelessly wait to be fed a bare subsistence diet. Imagine if the UN or other agencies provided training in building and other skills to these refugees and paid them a small salary for their work, along with food. Communal-plot farming opportunities could be provided for refugees to earn extra money in their spare time. In 5 or 10 years a refugee in such a situation might accumulate some capital as well as valuable skills -rather than being a continuing drain on the world community.

Amero? With the fantastic losses in dollar-denominated assets in the past year, we have witnessed a phenomenon where, since there are fewer dollars, the dollar has gone up somewhat. (My own estimate is that there is, including existing defaults, gross dollar-denominated indebtedness, debt securities, “paper” commodities, pensions and other unfunded liabilities of close to \$1-quadrillion worldwide). Since the dollar has been the primary world reserve currency, this is tantamount to a “great train robbery” of the world.

One proposal waiting in the wings is Amero for North America. Rumors abound about the new currency and there are even reports of it being printed up and sitting on pallets in the Netherlands.

Would Amero change the strategic situation relative to American hegemony and bases? Possibly not. Mexico may be fairly accommodating to U.S. wishes. The Canadians, however, seem dead set against the Amero but, once again, their government has proven accommodating to the U.S.

Both Canada and Mexico are major oil producers. This would ensure that there would be worldwide demand for the new currency, especially after energy supplies tighten again in 12 to 18 months.

The biggest change I see with the Amero as things stand now is that more austerity might be required from the U.S. But President Obama seems perfectly able to accomplish this while pursuing the hegemonistic goals of the previous G.W.Bush administration. A regressive national sales tax of as much as 30%--which I expect will be moved forward if the Amero becomes reality. (Such a tax, coupled with mandatory flu vaccines would lead to civil strife, hence the current ramp-up of plans for martial law in the U.S).

With something like \$1-trillion in dollar reserves, China might be the recipient of a large chunk of new Ameros. They'll doubtless use it to buy fuels and commodities, which might give North American economies a bounce. My guess is that China will

use a chunk for African development projects in a search for new markets for its manufacturing output. They can expect a military confrontation if they push too hard--the U.S. has already created its 'Africom Force' for war in the African theater.

In a nutshell, the financial interests are going to fight tooth and nail to avoid being constrained in ways described in this article. I expect they will use continued financial dislocation, food shortages (many U.S. farmers are not planting corn and wheat this spring because the commodity price is now way below the cost of production), and military force to this end.

Conclusion. To avoid world war and famine, a new economic system is going to have to encourage production of the things needed most in the world -- food, clothing, housing, clean drinking water and basic medical care. Removing money creation from financiers and linking it directly to production of needed products and services would go a long way toward:

1. Making the production of military hardware a low priority and a low profit sector.
2. Changing foreign policy to favor peace since wars would be far more costly and could not be paid for with borrowed money.
3. Preventing financial “busts” that lead to economic dislocation and conflict, thereby minimizing wars and the need for police and security apparatuses.
4. Providing positive incentives for socially desirable production goals, minimizing the need for coercive agencies and force.
5. Preventing the formation of huge pools of created money that cannot find useful employment because of the disparity between financial instruments and real goods.
6. Reducing class disparity and centralization of wealth.

In summation, I think Smedly Butler illustrates why it is imperative we make these changes to our economy sooner rather than later: “Yes, they are getting ready for another war. Why shouldn't they? It pays high dividends. But what does it profit the men who are killed? What does it profit their mothers and sisters, their wives and their sweethearts? What does it profit their children? What does it profit anyone except the very few to whom war means huge profits? Yes, and what does it profit the nation?... For a very few this racket, like bootlegging and other underworld rackets, brings fancy profits, but the cost of operation is always transferred to the people--who do not profit.”

African blood is not Black, Muslim blood is not Green, Jewish blood is not Blue, Hindu blood is not Saffron and European blood is not White. Blood is Red in everyone and Love is in every Heart - Dr. Leo Rebello

COME SEPTEMBER

- Arundhati Roy



This is a slightly edited version of the speech delivered by Arundhati Roy at Lensic Performing Arts Center, USA, on September 29, 2002. Roy is an Indian writer (in English) and activist who won the Booker Prize in 1997 for her novel, *The God of Small Things*, and in 2002, the Lannan Cultural Freedom Prize. She resides in Delhi.

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Just now, Howard Zinn, magical human being, asked me how do you decide what event or lecture you say yes or no to? And I said I think it's perhaps one out of fifty that I agree to do and I am very happy and proud to be doing this one for the Lannan Foundation.

I have so many things to say and I hope I don't take too long to say them to you. I'm a writer, and so I've actually written what I want to say, for two reasons. One, because I'm sure that you are much more interested in the way I write than in the way I speak. And, second, because the things I have to say are complicated, dangerous things in these dangerous times and I think we have to be very, very precise about what we're saying, how we say them and the language that we use. My talk today is called "Come September."

Writers imagine that they cull stories from the world. That it's actually the other way around. Stories cull writers from the world. Stories reveal themselves to us. They insist on being told. Fiction and nonfiction are only different techniques of story telling. For reasons that I don't fully understand, fiction dances out of me, and nonfiction is wrenched out by the aching, broken world I wake up to every morning.

The theme of much of what I write is the relationship between power and powerlessness and the endless, circular conflict they're engaged in. There can never be a single story. There are only ways of seeing. So when I tell a story, I tell it not as an ideologue who wants to pit one absolutist ideology against another, but as a storyteller who wants to share her way of seeing. My writing is about the paranoia and ruthlessness of power. About the physics of power. I believe that the accumulation of vast unfettered power by a State or a country, a corporation or an institution - regardless of ideology, results in excesses.

Living as millions of us do, in the shadow of the nuclear holocaust that the governments of India and Pakistan keep promising their brain-washed citizenry, and in the global neighborhood of the War against Terror, I find myself thinking a great deal about the relationship between Citizens and the State.

In India, those of us who have expressed views on Nuclear Bombs, Big Dams, Corporate Globalization and the rising threat of communal Hindu fascism - views that are at variance with the Indian Government's - are branded 'anti-national.' It's not an accurate description. Because an 'anti-national' is a person who is against his or her own nation and, by inference, is pro some other one. But it isn't necessary to be 'anti-national' to be deeply suspicious of all nationalism, to be anti-nationalism. Nationalism of one kind or another was the cause of most of the genocide of the twentieth century. Flags are bits of colored cloth that governments use first to shrink-wrap people's brains and then as ceremonial shrouds to bury the dead. When independent-thinking people (and here I do not include the corporate media) begin to rally under flags, when writers, painters, musicians, film makers suspend their judgment and blindly yoke their art to the service of the "Nation," it's time for all of us to sit up and worry. In India we saw it happen soon after the Nuclear tests in 1998 and during the Kargil War against Pakistan in 1999. In the U.S. we saw it during the Gulf War and we see it now during the "War Against Terror". That blizzard of Made-in-China American flags.

Recently, those who have criticized the actions of the U.S. government have been called "anti-American." The term "anti-American" is usually used by the American establishment to discredit and define its critics. Once someone is branded anti-American, the chances are that he or she will be judged before they are heard.

But what does the term "anti-American" mean? Does it mean you are opposed to freedom of speech? That you have a quarrel with giant sequoias? Does it mean that you don't admire the hundreds of thousands of American citizens who marched against nuclear weapons, or the thousands of war resisters who forced their government to withdraw from Vietnam? Does it mean that you hate all Americans?

There are many Americans who would be mortified to be associated with their government's policies. The most scholarly, scathing, incisive, hilarious critiques of the hypocrisy and the contradictions in U.S. government policy come from American citizens. When the rest of the world wants to know what the U.S. government is up to, we turn to Noam Chomsky, Edward Said, Howard Zinn, Ed Herman, Amy Goodman, Michael Albert, Chalmers Johnson, William Blum and Anthony Amove to tell us what's really going on.

Similarly, in India, not hundreds, but millions of us would be ashamed and offended if we were in any way implicated with the present Indian government's fascist

policies. It would be absurd to think that those who criticize the Indian government are "anti-Indian" - although the government itself never hesitates to take that line. It is dangerous to cede to the Indian government or the American government or anyone for that matter, the right to define what "India" or "America" are or ought to be.

To call someone "anti-American", indeed to be anti-American, (or for that matter, anti-Indian) is not just racist, it's a failure of the imagination. An inability to see the world in terms other than those the establishment has set out for you. If you're not a Bushie you're a Taliban. If you don't love us, you hate us. If you're not with us, you're with the terrorists.

Last year, like many others, I too made the mistake of scoffing at this post- September 11th rhetoric, dismissing it as foolish and arrogant. But I've realized it's not foolish at all. It's actually a canny recruitment drive for a misconceived, dangerous war. Everyday I'm taken aback at how many people believe that opposing the war in Afghanistan amounts to supporting terrorism, of voting for the Taliban. Now that the initial aim of the war - capturing Osama bin Laden (dead or alive) - seems to have run into bad weather, the goalposts have been moved. It's being made out that the whole point of the war was to topple the Taliban regime and liberate Afghan women from their burqas; we are being asked to believe that the U.S. marines are actually on a feminist mission. Think of it this way: in India there are some pretty reprehensible social practices against "untouchables", against Christians and Muslims, against women. Pakistan and Bangladesh have even worse ways of dealing with minority communities and women. Should they be bombed? Should Delhi, Islamabad and Dhaka be destroyed? Is it possible to bomb bigotry out of India? Can we bomb our way to a feminist paradise? Is that how women won the vote in the U.S? Or how slavery was abolished? Can we win redress for the genocide of the millions of Native Americans upon whose corpses the United States was founded by bombing Santa Fe?

None of us need anniversaries to remind us of what we cannot forget. So it's no more than co-incidence that I happen to be here, on American soil, in September - this month of dreadful anniversaries. Uppermost on everybody's mind of course, particularly here in America, is the horror of what has come to be known as 9/11. Nearly three thousand civilians lost their lives in that lethal terrorist strike. The grief is still deep. The rage still sharp. And a strange, deadly war is raging around the world. Yet, each person who has lost a loved one surely knows secretly, deeply, that no war, no act of revenge, no daisy-cutters dropped on someone else's loved ones or someone else's children will blunt the edges of their pain or bring their own loved ones back. War cannot avenge those who have died.

To fuel yet another war on Iraq, by cynically manipulating people's grief, is to cheapen and devalue grief, to drain it of meaning. What we are seeing now is a vulgar display of the business of grief, the commerce of grief, the pillaging of even the most

private human feelings for political purpose. It is a terrible, violent thing for a State to do to its people. Since we are talking of 9/11, it is time we said to Americans, "Welcome to the World"

Twenty-nine years ago, in Chile, on 9/11 1973, General Pinochet overthrew the democratically elected government of Salvador Allende in a CIA-backed coup. "Chile should not be allowed to go Marxist just because its people are irresponsible," said Henry Kissinger, Nobel Peace Laureate, then the U.S. Secretary of State.

After the coup President Allende was found dead inside the presidential palace. Whether he was killed or whether he killed himself, we'll never know. In the regime of terror that ensured, thousands of people were killed. Many more simply "disappeared". Firing squads conducted public executions. Concentration camps and torture chambers were opened across the country. The dead were buried in unmarked graves and mine shafts. For seventeen years the people of Chile lived in dread of the midnight knock, of routine "disappearances", of sudden arrest and torture. Chileans tell the story of how the musician Victor Jara had his hands cut off in front of a crowd in the Santiago stadium. Before they shot him, Pinochet's soldiers threw his guitar at him and mockingly asked him to play.

In 1999, following the arrest of General Pinochet in Britain, thousands of secret documents were declassified by the U.S. government. They contain unequivocal evidence of the CIA's involvement in the coup as well as the fact that the U.S. government had detailed information about the situation in Chile during General Pinochet's reign. Yet, Kissinger assured the general of his support: "In the United States as you know, we are sympathetic to what you're trying to do," he said. "We wish your government well."

Those of us who have only ever known life in a democracy, however flawed, would find it hard to imagine what living in a dictatorship and enduring the absolute loss of freedom means. It isn't just those who Pinochet murdered, but the lives he stole from the living that must be accounted for too.

Sadly, Chile was not the only country in South America to be singled out for the U.S. government's attentions. Guatemala, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Brazil, Peru, the Dominican Republic, Bolivia, Nicaragua, Honduras, Panama, El Salvador, Peru, Mexico and Colombia - they've all been the playground for covert - and overt - operations by the CIA. Hundreds of thousands of Latin Americans have been killed, tortured or have simply disappeared under the despotic regimes that were propped up in their countries. If this were not humiliation enough, the people of South America have had to bear the cross of being branded as people who are incapable of democracy - as if coups and massacres are somehow encrypted in their genes. This list does not, of course, include countries in Africa or Asia that suffered U.S.

military interventions - Vietnam, Korea, Indonesia, Laos, and Cambodia. For how many Septembers for decades together have millions of Asian people been bombed, and burned, and slaughtered? How many Septembers have gone by since August 1945, when hundreds of thousands of ordinary Japanese people were obliterated by the nuclear strikes in Hiroshima and Nagasaki? For how many Septembers have the thousands who had the misfortune of surviving those strikes endured that living hell that was visited on them, their unborn children, their children's children, on the earth, the sky, the water, the wind, and all the creatures that swim and walk and crawl and fly? Not far from here, in Albuquerque, is the National Atomic Museum where Fat Man and Little Boy (the nicknames for the bombs that were dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki) were available as souvenir earrings. Funky young people wore them. A massacre dangling in each ear.

September 11th has a tragic resonance in the Middle East, too. On the 11th of September 1922, ignoring Arab outrage, the British government proclaimed a mandate in Palestine, a follow-up to the 1917 Balfour Declaration which imperial Britain issued, with its army massed outside the gates of Gaza. The Balfour Declaration promised European Zionists a national home for Jewish people. (At the time, the Empire on which the Sun Never Set was free to snatch and bequeath national homes like a school bully distributes marbles).

How carelessly imperial power vivisected ancient civilizations. Palestine and Kashmir are imperial Britain's festering, blood-drenched gifts to the modern world. Both are fault lines in the raging international conflicts of today.

In 1937, Winston Churchill said of the Palestinians, I quote, "I do not agree that the dog in a manger has the final right to the manger even though he may have lain there for a very long time. I do not admit that right. I do not admit for instance, that a great wrong has been done to the Red Indians of America or the black people of Australia. I do not admit that a wrong has been done to these people by the fact that a stronger race, a higher-grade race, a more worldly wise race to put it that way, has come in and taken their place". That set the trend for the Israeli State's attitude towards the Palestinians. In 1969, Israeli Prime Minister Golda Meir said, "Palestinians do not exist". Her successor, Prime Minister Levi Eschol said, "What are Palestinians? When I came here (to Palestine), there were 250,000 non-Jews, mainly Arabs and Bedouins. It was a desert, more than underdeveloped". Prime Minister Menachem Begin called Palestinians "two-legged beasts". Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir called them "grasshoppers" who could be crushed. This is the language of Heads of State, not the words of ordinary people.

In 1947, the U.N. formally partitioned Palestine and allotted 55 per cent of Palestine's land to the Zionists. Within a year, they had captured 76 per cent. On the 14th of May 1948 the State of Israel was declared. Minutes after the declaration, the United States

recognized Israel. The West Bank was annexed by Jordan. The Gaza strip came under Egyptian military control, and formally Palestine ceased to exist except in the minds and hearts of the hundreds of thousands of Palestinian people who became refugees. In 1967, Israel occupied the West Bank and the Gaza strip.

Over the decades there have been uprisings, wars, and intifadas. Tens of thousands have lost their lives. Accords and treaties have been signed. Cease-fires declared and violated. But the bloodshed doesn't end. Palestine still remains illegally occupied. Its people live in inhuman conditions, in virtual Bantustans, where they are subjected to collective punishments, twenty-four hour curfews, where they are humiliated and brutalized on a daily basis. They never know when their homes will be demolished, when their children will be shot, when their precious trees will be cut, when their roads will be closed, when they will be allowed to walk down to the market to buy food and medicine. And when they will not. They live with no semblance of dignity. With not much hope in sight. They have no control over their lands, their security, their movement, their communication, their water supply. So when accords are signed, and words like "autonomy" and even "statehood" bandied about, it's always worth asking: What autonomy? What State? What sort of rights will its citizens have?

Young Palestinians who cannot control their anger turn themselves into human bombs and haunt Israel's streets and public places, blowing themselves up, killing ordinary people, injecting terror into daily life, and eventually hardening both societies' suspicion and mutual hatred of each other. Each bombing invites merciless reprisal and even more hardship on Palestinian people. But then suicide bombing is an act of individual despair, not a revolutionary tactic. Although Palestinian attacks strike terror into Israeli citizens, they provide the perfect cover for the Israeli government's daily incursions into Palestinian territory, the perfect excuse for old-fashioned, nineteenth-century colonialism, dressed up as a new fashioned, twenty-first century "war".

Israel's staunchest political and military ally is and always has been the U.S. The U.S. government has blocked, along with Israel, almost every U.N. resolution that sought a peaceful, equitable solution to the conflict. It has supported almost every war that Israel has fought. When Israel attacks Palestine, it is American missiles that smash through Palestinian homes. And every year Israel receives several billion dollars from the United States' taxpayers' money.

What lessons should we draw from this tragic conflict? Is it really impossible for Jewish people who suffered so cruelly to understand the vulnerability and the yearning of those whom they have displaced? Does extreme suffering always kindle cruelty? What hope does this leave the human race with? What will happen to the Palestinian people in the event of a victory? When a nation without a state eventually proclaims a state, what kind of state will it be? What horrors will be perpetrated under

its flag? Is it a separate state that we should be fighting for or, the rights to a life of liberty and dignity for everyone regardless of their ethnicity or religion?

Palestine was once a secular bulwark in the Middle East. But now the weak, undemocratic, by all accounts corrupt but avowedly nonsectarian P.L.O., is losing ground to Hamas, which espouses an overtly sectarian ideology and fights in the name of Islam. To quote from their manifesto: "we will be its soldiers and the firewood of its fire, which will burn the enemies".

The world is called upon to condemn suicide bombers. But can we ignore the long road they have journeyed on before they have arrived at this destination? September 11, 1922 to September 11, 2002 - eighty years is a long time to have been waging war. Is there some advice the world can give the people of Palestine? Should they just take Golda Meir's suggestion and make a real effort not to exist?

In another part of the Middle East, September 11 strikes a more recent cord. It was on the 11th of September 1990 that George Bush, Sr., then President of the U.S., made a speech to a joint session of Congress announcing his government's decision to go to war against Iraq.

The U.S. government says that Saddam Hussein is a war criminal, a cruel military despot who has committed genocide against his own people. That's a fairly accurate description of the man. In 1988, Saddam Hussein razed hundreds of villages in northern Iraq, used chemical weapons and machine guns to kill thousands of Kurdish people. Today we know that that same year the U.S. government provided him with \$500 million in subsidies to buy American farm products. The next year, after he had successfully completed his genocidal campaign, the U.S. government doubled its subsidy to \$1 billion. It also provided him with high quality germ seed for anthrax, and helicopters and dual-use material that could be used to manufacture chemical and biological weapons. So it turns out that while Saddam Hussein was carrying out his worst atrocities, the U.S. and the U.K. governments were his close allies.

So what changed? In 1990, Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait. His sin was not so much that he had committed an act of war, but that he had acted independently, without orders from his master. This display of independence was enough to upset the power equation in the Gulf. So it was decided that Saddam Hussein be exterminated, like a pet that has outlived its owner's affection.

The first Allied attack on Iraq took place on January '91. The world watched the prime-time war as it was played out on T.V. Tens of thousands of people were killed in a month of devastating bombing. What many do not know is that the war never ended then. The initial fury simmered down into the longest sustained air attack on a country since the Vietman War. Over the last decade American and British forces have fired

thousands of missiles and bombs on Iraq. In the decade of economic sanctions that followed the war, Iraqi civilians have been denied food, medicine, hospital equipment, ambulances, clean water - the basic essentials.

About half a million Iraqi children have died as a result of the sanctions. Of them, Madeleine Albright, then U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, famously said, "It's a very hard choice, but we think the price is worth it". "Moral equivalence" was the term that was used to denounce those of us who criticized the war on Afghanistan. Madeleine Albright cannot be accused of moral equivalence. What she said was just straightforward algebra.

A decade of bombing has not managed to dislodge Saddam Hussein, "the Beast of Baghdad". Now, almost 12 years on, President George Bush, Jr. has ratcheted up the rhetoric once again. He's proposing an all-out war whose goal is nothing short of a regime change. The New York Times says that the Bush administration is following, quote, "a meticulously planned strategy to persuade the public, the Congress, and the Allies of the need to confront the threat of Saddam Hussein".

Weapons inspectors have conflicting reports of the status of Iraq's weapons of mass destruction, and many have said clearly that its arsenal has been dismantled and that it does not have the capacity to build one. However, there is no confusion over the extent and range of America's arsenal of nuclear and chemical weapons. Would the U.S. government welcome weapons inspectors? Would the U.K.? Or Israel?

What if Iraq does have a nuclear weapon, does that justify a pre-emptive U.S. strike? The U.S. has the largest arsenal of nuclear weapons in the world and it's the only country in the world to have actually used them on civilian populations. If the U.S. is justified in launching a pre-emptive strike on Iraq, why, then any nuclear power is justified in carrying out a pre-emptive strike on any other. India could attack Pakistan, or the other way around. If the U.S. government develops a distaste for, say, the Indian Prime Minister, can it just "take him out" with a pre-emptive strike?

Recently the United States played an important part in forcing India and Pakistan back from the brink of war. Is it so hard for it to take its own advice? Who is guilty of feckless moralizing? Of preaching peace while it wages war? The U.S., which George Bush has called "the most peaceful nation on earth", has been at war with one country or another, every year for the last fifty.

Wars are never fought for altruistic reasons. They're usually fought for hegemony, for business. And then of course there's the business of war.

Protecting its control of the world's oil is fundamental to U.S. foreign policy. The U.S. government's recent military interventions in the Balkans and Central Asia have

to do with oil. Hamid Karzai, the puppet President of Afghanistan installed by the U.S., is said to be a former employee of Unocal, the American-based oil company. The U.S. government's paranoid patrolling of the Middle East is because it has two-thirds of the world's oil reserves. Oil keeps America's engines purring sweetly. Oil keeps the Free Market rolling. Whoever controls the world's oil, controls the world's market. And how do you control the oil?

After the 11th of September 2001 and the War Against Terror, the hidden hand and fist have had their cover blown - and we have a clear view now of America's other weapon - the Free Market - bearing down on the Developing World, with a clenched, unsmiling smile. 'The task that never ends' is America's perfect war, the perfect vehicle for the endless expansion of American imperialism. In Urdu, the word for Profit, is fayda. Al Qaida means The Word of God, The Law. So, in India, some of us call the War against Terror, Al Qaida versus Al Fayda The Word versus The Profit.

In the last ten years of unbridled Corporate Globalization, the world's total income has increased by an average of 2.5 percent a year. And yet the numbers of poor in the world has increased by 100 million. Of the top hundred biggest economies, 51 are corporations, not countries. The top one percent of the world has the same combined income as the bottom 57 percent and that disparity is growing. And now, under the spreading canopy of the War against Terror, this process is being hustled along. The men in suits are in an unseemly hurry. While bombs rain down on us, and cruise missiles skid across the skies, while nuclear weapons are stockpiled to make the world a safer place, contracts are being signed, patents are being registered, oil pipe lines are being laid, natural resources are being plundered, water is being privatized, and democracies are being undermined.

In a country like India, the "structural adjustment" end of the Corporate Globalization project is ripping through people's lives. "Development" projects, massive privatization, and labor "reforms" are pushing people off their lands and out of their jobs, resulting in a kind of barbaric dispossession that has few parallels in history. Across the world, as the "Free Market" brazenly protects Western markets and forces developing countries to lift their trade barriers, the poor are getting poorer and the rich richer. Civil unrest has begun to erupt in the global village. In countries like Argentina, Brazil, Mexico, Bolivia and India, the resistance movements against Corporate Globalization are growing. To contain them, governments are tightening their control. Protesters are being labeled "terrorists" and then being dealt with as such. But civil unrest does not only mean marches and demonstrations and protests against globalization. Unfortunately, it also means a desperate downward spiral into crime and chaos and all kinds of despair and disillusionment which as we know from history, gradually becomes a fertile breeding ground for terrible things cultural nationalism, religious bigotry, fascism and of course, terrorism. All these march arm-in-arm with corporate globalization.

What the Free Market undermines is not national sovereignty, but democracy. As the disparity between the rich and poor grows, the hidden fist has its work cut out for it. Multinational corporations on the prowl for "sweetheart deals" that yield enormous profits cannot push through those deals and administer those projects in developing countries without the active connivance of State machinery - the police, the courts, sometimes even the army. Today Corporate Globalization needs an international confederation of loyal, corrupt, preferably authoritarian governments in poorer countries to push through unpopular reforms and quell the mutinies. It needs a press that pretends to be free. It needs courts that pretend to dispense justice. It needs nuclear bombs, standing armies, sterner immigration laws, and watchful coastal patrols to make sure that it's only money, goods, patents, and services that are being globalized - not the free movement of people, not a respect for human rights, not international treaties on racial discrimination or chemical and nuclear weapons, or greenhouse gas emissions, climate change, or god forbid, justice. It's as though even a gesture towards international accountability would wreck the whole enterprise.

Close to one year after the War against Terror was officially flagged off in the ruins of Afghanistan, in country after country freedoms are being curtailed in the name of protecting freedom, civil liberties are being suspended in the name of protecting democracy. All kinds of dissent are being defined as "terrorism". All kinds of laws are being passed to deal with it. In India, in Pakistan, in Nigeria, in America, in all the Central Asian republics run by all manner of despots, and of course in Afghanistan under the U.S.-backed, Northern Alliance.

Meanwhile down at the mall there's a mid-season sale. Everything's discounted - oceans, rivers, oil, gene pools, fig wasps, flowers, childhoods, aluminum factories, phone companies, wisdom, wilderness, civil rights, eco-systems, air - all 4,600 million years of evolution. It's packed, sealed, tagged, valued and available off the rack. (No returns). As for justice - I'm told it's on offer too. You can get the best that money can buy. But, "The American Way of Life" is simply not sustainable. Because it doesn't acknowledge that there is a world beyond America.

Fortunately, power has a shelf life. When the time comes, maybe this mighty empire will, like others before it, overreach itself and implode from within. It looks as though structural cracks have already appeared. As the War against Terror casts its net wider and wider, America's corporate heart is hemorrhaging. For all the endless, empty chatter about democracy, today the world is run by three of the most secretive institutions in the world: The International Monetary Fund, the World Bank, and the World Trade Organization, all three of which, in turn, are dominated by the U.S. Their decisions are made in secret. The people who head them are appointed behind closed doors. Nobody really knows anything about them, their politics, their beliefs, their intentions. Nobody elected them. Nobody said they could make decisions on

our behalf. A world run by a handful of greedy bankers and CEO's whom nobody elected can't possibly last.

Soviet-style communism failed, not because it was intrinsically evil but because it was flawed. It allowed too few people to usurp too much power. Twenty-first century market-capitalism, American style, will fail for the same reasons. Both are edifices constructed by the human intelligence, undone by human nature.

The time has come for us to change. Another world is possible, and together we have to make it, or perish.



Otto von Bismarck: "I fear the Jewish banks with their craftiness and tortuous tricks will entirely control the exuberant riches of America... The Jews will not hesitate to plunge the whole of Christendom into wars and chaos that the earth should become their inheritance."

GLOBALIZATION AND POVERTY

Dr. Leo Rebello

The problem of poverty could be solved on a permanent basis during our lifetime. In fact, we should feel all obligated to obliterate this problem entirely as not to leave it as a legacy for future generations. As the Romans used to say: *Satis est satis enough is enough*. This problem is now overdue.

United Nations Original Purpose: In 1945, the United Nations Organization was primarily launched to unite the world by removing poverty and illiteracy and by sharing the world's valuable resources among all people. Giving veto power to five countries was its nemesis. But as humanity grows in spirituality and development, progress is visibly taking place in many ways, addressing the world problems is easier today than it was, say, 50 years ago.

If we accept the Darwinian Theory, then the human race evolved from monkeys, though these ancestors of ours will NOT indulge in half the crimes that we commit against our own people, as this poem aptly puts it.

*Three monkeys sat in a Coconut tree.
Discussing things as they are said to be.
Said one to the others: "Now listen you two,
there's a certain rumor that can't be true,
that man descended from our noble race.*

*The very idea is a dire disgrace.
No monkey ever deserted his wife,
starved her baby and ruined her life.
And you have never known a mother monk
to leave her baby with others to bunk,
or pass them on from one to another.*

*And another thing.
You will never see a monk build a fence
'round a coconut tree and let the coconuts go waste.
If I were to put a fence around this tree,
starvation would force you to steal from me.*

*Here's another thing a monk won't do.
Go out at night and get on a stew.
Or use a gun or club or knife.
To take some other monkey's life.
Yes, man descended the ornery cuss.
But brother, he didn't descend from us.*

Poverty is a world problem and unbridled Globalization is further going to exacerbate this problem, unless we check the transnational corporations, some of which can buy over the sovereign nations. I am a Holistic Healer by profession and as such I would first like to identify the causes of poverty and accordingly lasting solutions, for hidden in every problem is the solution that we must look for. In order to understand properly the nature of poverty, let us proceed to enlist its causes.

1. *Leadership poverty.* This consists of nuclear weapons and the spread of nuclear capability, as well as the threat of nuclear war and of nuclear winter, which could result from the explosion of only 20 to 30 bombs.

2. *Political poverty.* There are other weapons of mass death and destruction that are being promoted by such countries as the USA and the UK. Both are trying to take these weapons into space in order to establish their supremacy to the detriment of others.

3. *Scientific poverty.* There is a dire need to safely dismantle nuclear weapons and obsolete nuclear power plants, since their radioactive elements last thousands of years.

4. *Management poverty.* Trillions of dollars are spent annually on war preparations, dominating civilian priorities, wasting money and resources, and subverting the world's scientific talents, instead of sharing the knowledge and resources.

5. *Economic poverty.* We are experiencing the imminent collapse of global financial infrastructure because of third world debt and distorted growth or deliberate sabotage of sustainable development.

6. *Planning poverty.* Rapid increase of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere from death of phytoplankton in the oceans due to ozone holes, burning fossil fuels, massive deforestation, and demineralization of soils, may result in cataclysmic climatic changes.

7. *Foresight poverty.* The universal haze, transnational air pollution, water pollution, acid rain and snow, and disasters like Tsunamis, Katrina, unprecedented floods in Mumbai (Bombay) - it is predicted that Mumbai may sink shortly and floods were the warning sign.

8. *Moral poverty.* There is a mal-distribution of world food supply, resulting in widespread malnutrition, amounting to widespread mental malfunction, endangering the human civilization itself. In Western countries people get sick and die prematurely due to over-eating, in third world countries they die due to malnutrition.

9. *Judgment poverty.* Worldwide use of harmful pesticides is entering into our food chain messing up with our lives and making pests more virulent. Genetically modified food is another danger with untold future ramifications.

10. *Intellectual poverty.* We are experiencing the disposal of great quantities of toxic wastes on the earth, in the water and in the air.

11. *Planning poverty.* Rapidity of technological changes is resulting in unemployment, social and community instabilities, unforeseen adverse ecological impacts; displacement of natural raw materials by synthetics is resulting in disruption of livelihoods of people.

12. *Leadership poverty.* Non regulation of MNCs which destroy governments, their economies and play havoc with people's lives by dumping marketing strategy, price wars and creating unnecessary demands and supply of spurious goods, corruption, et cetera.

13. *Social and Spiritual poverty.* We are being faced with restrictive trade practices, inflated tariffs, trade barriers, bio-piracies, vast disparities in wage levels, inequitable access to resources and markets, movement of industries to exploit people and facilities or to avoid restrictions, indiscriminate globalization benefiting few to the detriment of the multitude.

14. *Political poverty.* Deliberate spread of diseases like AIDS, SARS, Bird Flu, Cancers through PSYOPS, lethal vaccinations, as an ethnic cleansing or population control program, as per the blueprint entitled "The Useless Eaters".

15. *Cultural poverty.* This is fully experienced in Communalism, Casteism, Corruption, and Criminalisation of Politics as well as in ethnic, religious, racial and political intolerance and human rights violations on large scale in spite of civilized norms and protocols in place.

16. *Mental poverty.* Half the countries of the world are still **not** free. The remaining so-called democratic countries also do not adhere to democratic norms. Example, the USA is using the veto indiscriminately, attacking Iraq for plunder in spite of world opinion against it. Besides, the USA is continuing its illegal occupation of another country, destroying their historical culture and civilization by imposing its decadent culture and selfish agenda on others.

17. *Abusive poverty.* This consists of terrorism engineered by a few countries to keep its arms and drug industries going. May it also be noted that barring the United States and its allies Israel and the United Kingdom; the other so-called terrorists are only pawns in the hands of these mercenaries.

18. *Cliquish poverty.* We are encountered with difficulties for leaders of national governments to conceive of the kind of global political structure, which are required to solve world problems peacefully. This may be illustrated with the example of Turkey not being allowed to join European Union because it is a predominantly Muslim country. Likewise, SAARC countries have not made much progress in replicating the EU experiment of borderless world, one currency, etc. Funds are being wasted on military expansion, which is draining all possible funds that would have been used for the health care and education of the people.

19. *Dictatorial poverty.* This type of poverty consists of language barriers, world communication blocks, and America trying to capture and control free Internet

medium after capturing print and electronic media. Besides, America is using UNO as its personal fiefdom and the Private Ltd. Company called World Bank to deliberately destroy the world economy by mercenary loan structures and influencing or interfering in budget making exercises of various nations.

20. *Educational poverty.* This deals with general lack of well-informed and well-motivated people with humane and global outlook to cope adequately with inter-related problems of living peacefully on Earth.

As we have seen, all of these poverty problems emanate from the spiritual, mental, intellectual, leadership, political, Economic and Social Poverty in addition to others as enumerated above. These are the root causes of our downfall. We have degenerated from the lofty ideals to crass commercialization, from Vedic teachings of *Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam* to Life Boat Ethics and oil politics.

As it has already been stated, poverty is a global problem. Consequently, we need to have periodical dialogues in order to come up with practical and tangible solutions by finding a global solution to sustainable development.

Let me here outline some proposals to this end.

(a) Recognize that religions are decadent cults. They divide people rather than uniting them. Let us therefore adopt one *Global Religion called Humanism*.

(b) Animals in the jungle live in peace. Birds in the sky live in peace. Fishes in the ocean live in peace. We too should learn to live in peace. This may be referred to as *Global Understanding*.

(c) All human beings have the same fears, aspirations, same blood, and same needs. Therefore, do not discriminate on the basis of religion, caste, color, creed, country, poor or rich, male or female. This may be known as *Global Philosophy*.

(d) Teach your children **not** to use drugs, dogmas, and dangerous weapons. Teach them to say NO to joining the military or NO to invading other countries. If necessary, as parents you should challenge the laws of your country and recall the corrupt politicians. This is generally known as *Global Education*.

(e) Refuse to inoculate or vaccinate your children. That is the first rape you commit on their bodies and make their bodies and minds weak. Instead embrace Holistic Healing Modalities like Nature Cure, Yoga, Ayurveda, Siddha, Homeopathy, Acupuncture, and so on. We may call this *Global Health Consciousness*.

(f) Recognize that faith, love, peace, safety, good health, equality, justice and fair play are the *sine qua non* of our very existence. Money, riches, living in ghettos, national boundaries, force, arms, drugs, dogmas are all there to enslave and subjugate you. Discard them. We need to create this *Global Awareness*.

(g) Learn to live with dignity with heads held high, in unity and solidarity and work for safety and peace till you achieve it. We need to create this *Global Awakening* forthwith.

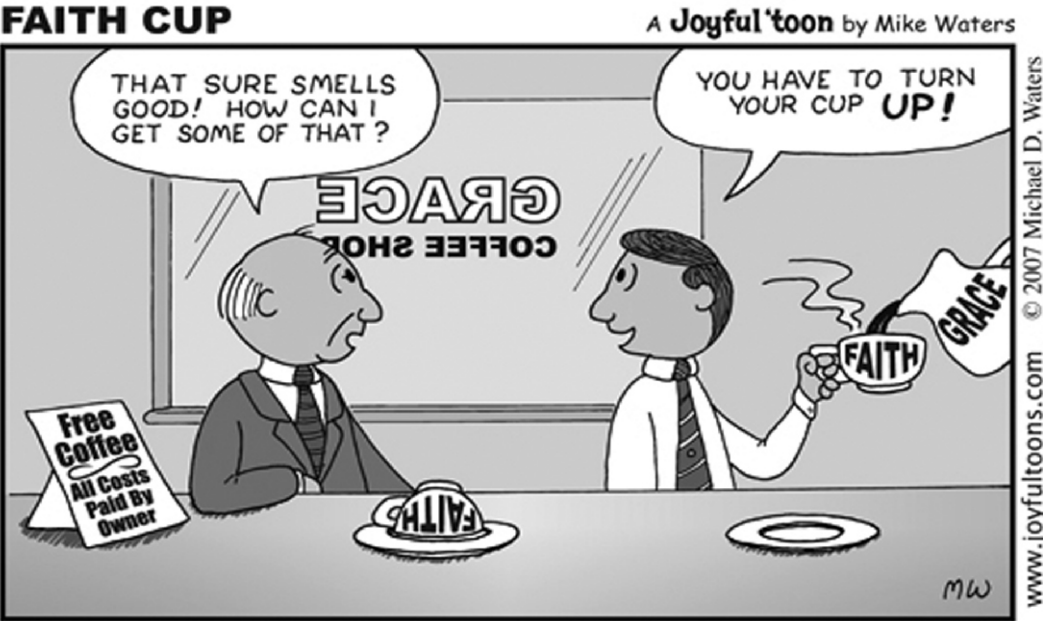
Let each one of us become a voice.

*I'd be but a voice
That I may sing the songs
That wing the souls of men
So that they rise from wrongs.*

*I'd be but a voice
To prophesy and warn
That men may shun the dark
And hearing, seek the morn.*

*I'd be but a voice
Repeating once again
The words of power and love
That greed and hurt restrain.*

*I'd be but a voice
Impersonal and just,
That those who doubt may hear,
And hearing, see and trust.*



RISE UP AGAINST THE EMPIRE

Hugo Chavez



Hugo Rafael Chávez Frías (1954 born) is the President of Venezuela. Chávez promotes participatory democracy, socialism and Latin American and Caribbean cooperation. A critic of neoliberalism, globalization, and US foreign policy, his goals are to combat disease, illiteracy, malnutrition, poverty, and other social ills. He supports alternative models of economic development, and advocates cooperation among the world's poor nations. In 2006 he was named one of Time magazine's 100 most influential people and the New Statesman placed him eleventh in the list of 'Heroes of our time'. This is the text of the address delivered by Hugo Chavez, to the United Nations, on Sept. 20, 2006 in which he berates the hegemonic pretensions of the American Empire placing at risk the very survival of the human race.

Representatives of the governments of the world, at the outset I would like to invite you to read Noam Chomsky's book 'Hegemony or Survival: The Imperialist Strategy of the United States' (shows it to all). It's an excellent book to help us understand what has been happening in the world throughout the 20th century, and what's happening now, and the greatest threat looming over our planet.

The hegemonic pretensions of the American empire are placing at risk the very survival of the human species. We continue to warn you about this danger and we appeal to the people of the United States and the world to halt this threat, which is like a sword hanging over our heads.

I think that the first people who should read this book are our brothers and sisters in the United States, because their threat is right in their own house. The devil came here yesterday. Right here. And it smells of sulfur still today. Yesterday, from this rostrum, the president of the United States, to whom I refer as the devil, came here, talking as if he owned the world. I think we could call a psychiatrist to analyze yesterday's statement made by him. As the spokesman of imperialism, he came to share his nostrums, to preserve the current pattern of domination, exploitation and pillage of the people of the world - the Devil's Recipe.

As Chomsky says here, the American empire is doing all it can to consolidate its system of domination. We cannot allow them to do that. We cannot allow world dictatorship to be consolidated. The world parent's statement - cynical, hypocritical, full of this imperial hypocrisy emanating from the need to control everything.

They say they want to impose their false democratic model of elites, imposed by weapons and bombs and firing weapons. What a strange democracy? Aristotle might not recognize it.

The president of the United States, said to us yesterday, and I'm quoting: "Anywhere you look, you hear extremists telling you to escape from poverty and recover your dignity through violence, terror and martyrdom". Wherever he looks, he sees extremists. He looks at your color, and he says, oh, there's an extremist. Evo Morales, the worthy president of Bolivia, looks like an extremist to him.

The imperialists see extremists everywhere. But the world is waking up. And people are standing up against American imperialism, who are shouting for equality, for respect, for the sovereignty of nations. Yes, you can call us extremists, but we are rising up against the empire, against the model of domination.

The president then said: "I have come to speak directly to the populations in the Middle East, to tell them that my country wants peace". Indeed people want peace. But, the government of the United States doesn't want peace. It wants to exploit its system of exploitation, of pillage, of hegemony through war.

See what's happening in Iraq. What happened in Lebanon? In Palestine? What's happened over the last 100 years in Latin America and in the world? And now new threats against Venezuela, against Iran?

He spoke to the people of Lebanon. Many of you, he said, have seen how your homes and communities were caught in the crossfire. How cynical can you get? What a capacity to lie shamefacedly. The bombs in Beirut with millimetric precision? This is crossfire? This is imperialist, fascist, assassin, genocidal, the empire and Israel firing on the people of Palestine and Lebanon. That is what happened.

The president of the United States came to talk to the people of the world. He came to say -- I brought some documents with me, because this morning I was reading some statements, and I see that he talked to the people of Afghanistan, the people of Lebanon, the people of Iran. And he addressed all these people directly.

And you can wonder, just as the president of the United States addresses those people of the world, what would those people of the world tell him if they were given the floor? What would they have to say? I think I have some inkling of what the oppressed people think. They would say, "Yankee imperialist, go home", if they were given the microphone and if they could speak with one voice to the American imperialists.

That is why, last year we came here to this same hall as we have been doing for the past eight years, and we said something that has now been confirmed - fully confirmed. I don't think anybody in this room could defend the system. Let's accept - let's be honest. The UN system, born after the World War II, collapsed. It's worthless. Oh, yes, it's good to bring us together once a year, see each other, make statements

and prepare all kinds of long documents, and listen to good speeches, like Abel's yesterday, or President Mullah's. There are a lot of speeches, and we've heard lots from the president of Sri Lanka, for instance, and the president of Chile.

But we, the assembly, have been turned into a merely deliberative organ. We have no power to make any impact on the terrible situation in the world. That is why Venezuela once again proposes, that we re-establish the United Nations.

Last year we made four modest proposals that we felt to be crucially important. We have to assume the responsibility - our heads of state, our ambassadors, our representatives, and we have to discuss it.

The first is expansion. The Security Council, both permanent and non-permanent categories, developing countries and LDCs must be given access as new permanent members. That's step one.

Second, effective methods to address and resolve world conflicts, transparent decisions. Point three, the immediate suppression -- and that is something everyone's calling for -- of the anti-democratic mechanism known as the veto, the veto on decisions of the Security Council. Let me give you a recent example. The immoral veto of the United States allowed the Israelis, with impunity, to destroy Lebanon. Right in front of all of us as we stood there watching, a resolution in the council was prevented.

Fourthly, we have to strengthen, as we've always said, the role and the powers of the secretary general of the United Nations.

Yesterday, the secretary general gave us his speech of farewell. And he recognized that over the last 10 years, things have just gotten more complicated; hunger, poverty, violence, human rights violations have just worsened. That is the tremendous consequence of the collapse of the United Nations system and American hegemonistic pretensions.

Venezuela a few years ago decided to wage this battle within the United Nations by recognizing the United Nations, as members of it that we are, and lending it our voice, our thinking.

Our voice is an independent voice to represent the dignity, the search for peace and the reformulation of the international system; to denounce persecution and aggression of hegemonistic forces on the planet.

This is how Venezuela has presented itself. Bolivar's home has sought a non-permanent seat on the Security Council.

Let's see. Well, there's been an open attack by the US government, an immoral attack, to try and prevent Venezuela from being freely elected to a post in the security council. The imperium is afraid of truth, is afraid of independent voices. It calls us extremists, when they are the extremists.

I would like to thank all the countries that have kindly announced their support for Venezuela, even though the ballot is a secret one and there's no need to announce things. But since the imperium has attacked, openly, they strengthened the convictions of many countries. And their support strengthens us.

Mercosur, as a bloc, has expressed its support. Venezuela, with Brazil, Argentina, Paraguay, Uruguay, is a full member of Mercosur. Many other Latin American countries, CARICOM, Bolivia have expressed their support for Venezuela. The full Arab League has voiced its support. I am immensely grateful to our Arab brothers, our Caribbean brothers, the African Union and countries such as Russia or China and many others for their support.

I thank you all warmly on behalf of Venezuela, on behalf of our people, and on behalf of the truth, because Venezuela, with a seat on the Security Council, will be expressing not only Venezuela's thoughts, but it will also be the voice of all the people of the world. We will defend dignity and truth.

I think there are reasons to be optimistic, because over and above the wars and the bombs and the aggressive and the preventive war and the destruction of entire people, one can see that a new era is dawning.

As Silvio Rodriguez says, the era is giving birth to a heart. There are alternative ways of thinking. There are young people who think differently. This chance is perceptible within the space of a mere decade. It was shown that the end of history was a totally false assumption, and the same was shown about Pax Americana and the establishment of the capitalist neo-liberal world. This system has been shown to generate mere poverty. Who believes in it now?

What we now have to do is define the future of the world. Dawn is breaking out all over. You can see it in Africa and Europe and Latin America and Oceania. I want to emphasize that optimistic vision. We have to strengthen ourselves, our awareness. We have to build a new and better world.

Venezuela joins that struggle, and that's why we are threatened. The US has already planned, financed and set in motion a coup in Venezuela, and it continues to support coup attempts in Venezuela and elsewhere.

President Michelle Bachelet reminded us just a moment ago of the horrendous

assassination of the former foreign minister, Orlando Letelier. I would just add one thing: In just a few days there will be 30th anniversary of the Cuban plane attack

in which 73 innocents died. And where is the biggest terrorist of this continent who took the responsibility for blowing up the plane? He spent a few years in jail in Venezuela. Thanks to CIA and then government officials, he was allowed to escape. He continues to live here in this country, protected by the government.

He was convicted. He confessed to his crime. Luis Posada Carriles is the name of that terrorist who is protected here. Other tremendously corrupt people who escaped from Venezuela are also living here under protection: a group that bombed various embassies that assassinated people during the coup. They kidnapped me and they were going to kill me, but I think God reached down and our people came out into the streets and the army too, and so I'm here today. Therefore, I accuse the American government of protecting terrorists and of having a completely cynical discourse.

We just came from Cuba very happily. Another era was born there. The Summit of the Nonaligned adopted a historic resolution. This is the outcome document that was adopted after open debate in the presence of more than 50 heads of state. Havana was the capital of the south for a few weeks, and we have now launched, once again, the group of the nonaligned with new momentum under the chairmanship of Fidel Castro. Please lend your good will to lend momentum to the Nonaligned Movement to prevent hegemony and further advances of imperialism.

We want ideas to save our planet from the imperialist threat. Hopefully, in not too long a time, we will see this new era, and for our children and our grandchildren a world of peace based on the fundamental principles of the United Nations, but a renewed United Nations.

Maybe we have to put the United Nations somewhere else; maybe a city of the south. We've proposed Venezuela because everything is manipulated in US. You know that my personal doctor had to stay in the plane. The chief of security had to be left in a locked plane. This is another abuse of power on the part of the Devil. It smells of sulfur here, but God is with us and I embrace you all. May God bless us all.

If the Nuremberg principles or laws were applied,
then every post-war American president would have been hanged.
- Noam Chomsky -

WAR AGAINST WOMEN AND CHILDREN

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I was born in Winston Green Prison, Birmingham, in 1943. When my mother was released from the prison, a judge ordered that I be kept at home with her, to help stabilize her. My mother was to me the wickedest woman on the planet. For 13 years I suffered beating, starvation, no education, being locked for days in a room whilst she was away. I had no voice. At the age of seven I jumped from the bedroom window so that I could end a terrible life. Sadly I lived. But the do-gooders or the judge were nowhere in sight to help me. I was one of the millions of children worldwide forced by Govts. to live a life that there are no words to explain, nor would any one understand the plight of such children, unless they have been through the same situation.

My tormentor left when I was thirteen and my father, who was a good man but totally influenced by her since the day he married her, suddenly gave me all the things a child should have - food, care and love. But most of all he allowed me freedom of speech. I then made a vow to myself; there will never be any one in this world to rule over my brain or me ever again. For this reason I have never once in my life taken drugs or alcohol, and no man, woman, politician or the government will ever tell me what to do.

At the age of 17, I left Leicester and went to London, from where I studied music for two years. After two years I traveled the world in Show Biz as a singer, and it was from here I got educated. During my world travels, I became aware of children's sufferings. In Ethiopia I came in contact with the 'spider people'. Not many have heard of them. Well here's how it is: from birth their limbs are tied so that they will grow into adults unable to walk. They struggle on two elbows and two knees and beg for a living. This is the reason their limbs are tied up from birth. But who gives a damn? As far as I am aware, nothing has changed in Ethiopia from 40 years ago.

In Africa it has been reported, that men with AIDS are having sex with baby girls, because they are told by the witch doctors that sex with babies will cure AIDS. What is the government doing? Precious little. In India, a gentle loving lady by the name of Mother Teresa made the world aware of the starving children of India. She opened orphanages and begged the world to help her. What she did was wonderful and her legacy has been

left behind for the children. What are the authorities doing? Precious little.

India is touted as one of the five largest economies in the world. But the street children and slum dwellers are still living in the middle of human waste and garbage, in poor sanitary conditions, urinating and defecating openly like animals. Surely there are many more poor people living a hand-to-mouth existence outside the big cities all over India. But it is the plight of the poor children of city-slums that is particularly gut wrenching, as graphically shown in the 8-Oscars winning film 'Slumdog Millionaire'.

It does not matter what part of the world we go to, children worldwide are being starved, raped, killed, sold into prostitution, cheap labour to work in factories, fields; bodies of babies used for medical research, kids used by paedophiles, kids taken from their families and fostered out or adopted. My God! Kids of the world are one of the biggest businesses, with fostering and adoption costs in courts running into billions of pounds. And there is so much more at stake, the whole issue of ill treatment to children worldwide is absolutely outrageous. These children have no voice.

So where are the governments to help protect the children of the world? Too busy making wars on each other and instigating internal skirmishes, turf wars, terrorism to push the arms sales. In some parts, these unending wars have created a new problem of child soldiers. These children, instead of going to school or playing with friends or with toys, are recruited into armies, given tough training, starved to discipline them, and given guns to kill. I wonder if this is a civilised world we talk of.

Let the children suffer. It's another way for the elites to bring down the population in numbers. The World Eugenics Society was formed, in 1933, with this single point programme in mind. It was stated, at the said meeting, that by the 21st Century the population must be brought down in the third world countries like Egypt, India, Africa, Brazil and China. "As per that Population Control plan, India has the highest deaths from AIDS judging by the deliberately inflated statistics to push for deadly carcinogens, when what children need is good diet and nutrition to fight malnutrition" says Dr. Leo Rebello, President AIDS Alternativa International. At one time, it was Africa, the media blared, that AIDS came from the monkeys. What bull, AIDS is and was man made, like all diseases are invented in the laboratories of the pharma mafia and everything is planned and programmed and revolves around world population and money.

Incidentally, at the said meeting of this World Eugenics society, there were two very prominent persons: one was Margaret Sanger who instigated all the family planning centres and was also involved in the Birth Pill brought out in the 60s; the other person was Dr Ernest Rudin who earlier trained the doctors in Hitler's camps. So, in the 60s the media gave great publicity that the birth pill was for freedom of women. In

essence, the only thing that has come from the birth pill is women's ill health, death and children born with disabilities and yes the population has also been brought down slightly, but at what costs? War on babies and mothers continues till date. “More children and women are killed in hospitals in normal times than all war casualties put together. This is the cold war no one talks of”, Dr. Leo Rebello puts it forcefully.

But children in India are lucky to some extent. For, unlike in the Western world, they are not taken away from their families by social services and the courts. Here, in England, grandparents have no rights, which is the same for fathers who have divorced and have no rights. But the money that is made from ‘No Rights’ runs into billions of pounds a year. So no law will be passed and children will continue to be maimed, killed, sexually abused in this loveless machinery consisting of adoption agents, solicitors, judges, social workers, probation officers, the doctors, nurses, counsellors and thousands of these professional people. But with a slight paradigm shift, if grandparents and dads had their rights to the children restored, the society will improve, crimes will go down, thefts and terrorism, murders and mayhem will reduce, there will be new creative pursuits to follow and peace and normalcy will return.

Women are the givers of life and without women there would be no world, but there is a war on women and their bodies, with hormones, birth pills, and many other drugs. This nicely hidden war, behind the façade of ‘scientific research and experiments’, is the War on Women and Children War to Control Population by cloning them. As long as mentally retarded politicians play the tune of the powers that be, this will go on.

I may not be there to see that world of robots taking charge of life and will do my best to prevent this happening, like **Kashmira Rebello** expresses so resolutely in her powerful poem below. For we are the women of the world and we will not allow men to mess up anymore.

*We are not robots like you.
We are also not small in numbers.
So don't toy with us.
And destroy this Green Planet
With your brown Martian mentality.
We are sewn together
in Love and Light
We have courage and vision
To outlast you, to oust you.
For we are not robots like you.*

REINVENTING WHAT IS POSSIBLE
- Clinton Callahan



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What can you do at the grass-roots level to sustain human life on Earth? This essay offers 4 life strategies, 5 thinking distinctions, and 16 evolutionary action steps for creating a world without war.

There is evidence to suggest that we are already too late to preserve modern civilization. Nations use financial and nuclear weapons to war over diminishing fossil fuels, water and food resources, while global warming rolls over the methane-hydrates tipping point. Misinformed billions stare helplessly into the jaws of starvation and social collapse.

What can you do to avoid going down with the ship? This involves real behavior change: Stop participating in a global economy of money. Participate instead in a local economy of kindness and human ingenuity. Empower the world village parliament so it is already functional while the imperial dinosaurs go gracefully extinct. Your first step in this direction would be to consciously choose from among four life-strategy options.

FOUR LIFE STRATEGIES TO CHOOSE FROM

STRATEGY 1. Continue your lifestyle as usual. Assume that political leaders have integrity and are responsibly figuring out how to take care of you. Most people will choose this option, largely by default, for the same reason that people still live in Chernobyl and Calcutta even though their health may suffer terribly. We have been raised as sheep. We were not given a rite of passage into adulthood. We have given our authority away to companies, governments, and religions. And we ignore the crushing finality of global warming. Strategy 1 is chosen by *sheeple*.

STRATEGY 2. Try to implement political and/or technical solutions so as to maintain modern-culture lifestyles. This is the choice of corporocratic elites in the patriarchal empire who do not understand that unlimited growth and American-style consumerism are unsustainable for 6.7 billion people in a closed ecological system such as a planet. Strategy 2 is chosen by imperialists.

STRATEGY 3. Seek beyond mainstream media (TV, magazines, newspapers) to learn what is actually going on, but react privately. Bunker yourself and your family in the wilderness with guns, food, water and seeds, thinking to protect yourself from the predictable super-storms, lowland flooding, droughts, famines, diseases, wars, and the disintegration of social order. Strategy 3 is chosen by survivalists.

STRATEGY 4. Face the coming changes with raw heart and soul and dedicate yourself to raising human consciousness through acts of nonviolent noncooperation with the unsustainable. Refuse to be enemies. Connect with others of diverse intelligence for creative collaboration. Use the laboratory of your own life to practice the soft skills of sustainable. The people, communities, projects, and ecovillages will become the seed crystals for sustainable cultures of the future. Strategy 4 is chosen by evolutionaries.

STRATEGY 1, 2 and 3 equate to global suicide. The experiment of burning fossil fuels in a frenzy of mindless over-consumption has already failed us. Human population is in *overshoot*; we consume two and a half times the carrying capacity of planet Earth. Survivalists assume they can tough it out in hidden fortifications, forgetting that this same *I win-you lose* survival game already failed us as nations, corporations and religions. Hierarchical organizations are easily taken over by psychopathic personalities who maximize profits with complete disregard for social and ecological damage. The greed and corruption of limited-liability companies and political or theocratic bureaucracies desecrates human dignity and blindly forces the extermination of life on Earth. There are no more slaves or resources to extort. We have reached the boringly predictable end of the empire.

STRATEGY 4 is at hand. A completely unexpected future of joy, reconciliation, appreciation, creative collaboration and abundance awaits us through new ways of thinking and relating. The inherent ingenuity of human hands, minds, hearts, and spirits. will help us in creating a world without war. The new thought maps will support us to take responsible actions with the clear-eyed vision of what is really going on, and the clear-hearted experience of what it is to live well.

What we have observed is that individual experimentation is crucial. Each effort that you make cuts totally new forms of consciousness that others can then more easily follow. It does not so much matter whether or not you achieve success. What matters is that you risk putting your heart and soul into authentic exploration and that you live your life impeccably on the basis of what you discover along the way. The new terms expand consciousness.

FIVE THINKING DISTINCTIONS FOR SAVING THE WORLD

DISTINCTION 1: YOUR BOX AND WAR

A world without war comes into existence through enacting possibilities that are not

now being implemented. Introspection reveals a wide variety of limiting conditions, including beliefs, prejudices, assumptions, opinions, conclusions, interpretations, meanings, attitudes, expectations, rules, old decisions, and so on. These habit patterns clamp together into a *Box* around you that shapes your identity.

Everyone has a Box. Call it ego, psychology, identity, worldview, comfort zone, belief system. The Box limits you. Therefore, Box Mechanics could be a subject of study beginning in elementary school. If you would like to avoid war, then make the following distinction. *I have a Box. But I am not my Box.*

To make war obsolete, hold the internal distinction between you and your Box. Be clear: *I have a Box, and I am not my Box. Neither are they their Box.* In the instant a conflict arises, notice that it is not *you* that has the conflict. It is *your Box* that has the conflict. And notice that your Box is not in conflict with the other person. Your Box is in conflict with *the other person's Box*. Your Box is an unconscious survival machine. Making and holding the Box distinction means that the Boxes can freak out and you don't have to do anything about it. You can remain in peace and equanimity. It is just Boxes doing *the Box thing*. Through making and holding the distinction between you and your Box you will never have a conflict again.

DISTINCTION 2: EVOLUTION OF THOUGHTMAPS

The Box is constructed out of *memes*. Memes are comparable to genes. Whereas genes are instructions for the design of your body, memes are instructions for the design of your mind.

Starting in this moment to create a world without wars means that starting in this moment you will be taking new actions. New actions come from new *thoughtmaps*. Viewing yourself as if you are your set of thoughtmaps forces you to defend your thoughtmaps as if you were defending your life. Recognizing that you have a Box but that you are not your Box permits you to shift from a *world full of war* paradigm to a *world without war* paradigm.

Paradigms of thought have changed before. For example, five hundred years ago evolutionaries began replacing their flat-world map with a round-world map. In doing so they opened up whole new dimensions of possibility, even though the planet itself did not change. That is because human beings do not interact with the world as it is. We interact through our *thoughtmaps* of the world. This means that by adopting a new thoughtmap, you experience a new world. This is the value of upgrading your thoughtmaps.

With upgraded thoughtmaps you may suddenly realize that you do not have to go to a job where you build nuclear weapons, clear-cut forests, or burn coal. It becomes no longer necessary to subjugate yourself to someone, begging them to share their

resources with you when you realize that *you* are the resource. You are not the victim; you are the creator. You do not need to seek permission to take your authority back and make new life choices. You can write your own *Declaration of Independence* from big government and withdraw your allegiance, retracting the franchise you gave someone to represent your vote. You cannot be represented by another. No one else can speak for you. They do not stand in your context or your life experience. They cannot deliver your same wisdom and intelligence.

New thoughtmaps ignite unquenchable clarity and inspiration for living in a world without war starting here and now. How does it work here and now? We don't already know. How can it be implemented now, in Africa, by Africans? In Germany by Germans? How does it work, each individual taking personal responsibility and functioning independently of the paradigms of money, big government and religion? No one already knows. It has not been done before. And we are doing it.

It is crucial to recognize that a world without war does not involve implementing a *method*. We are not looking for solutions. We are looking for a context a shift of consciousness to greater responsibility, more awareness, more profound interrelatedness. The new context permits you to more intelligently interact with the circumstances and create new results.

Solutions imply completeness, finality, stability, permanence. It will serve you as a creator of a world without war to find and replace your orientation towards *seeking solutions* with the capability of *seeking ongoing evolutionary relationships of exchange and transformation*, or in other words, developing your skills for *navigating space*. The concept of *finding solutions* is merely another mirage of the mind. On the other hand, making authentic connections with spaceholders of the new context builds a *system of influence* that promotes the emergence of a world without war.

DISTINCTION 3: WITHOUT A LIQUID STATE THERE IS NO CHANGE.

In the moment that you take a step towards upgrading thoughtmaps in your Box you may begin to feel a bit strange. Remember, the Box defines itself as your *defense strategy*. It manages the world for you. The Box is your *solution* to life, and it intends itself to be solid!

But life itself is a fluidic process, not solid at all. If the Box is going to continue being functional for you in a changing world then your Box itself must also change. Changing the shape of your solid Box would be like changing solid gold coins into a statue of a goddess. How would you do that?

One way would be to put the gold coins into a clay pot in a furnace and turn up the heat. At a certain temperature the gold *changes state* from solid to liquid. When the gold is liquid you take the pot out of the furnace and pour the liquid gold into a

goddess mold. Then you do nothing. The gold cools down all by itself. Pop off the mold, and *Voila!* A goddess statue!

In its previous form the gold was used as money. Now the gold has become sacred art. It is the same gold, but it has a new function because it has a new shape. To invert a common phrase: *function follows form*. Taking on a new shape creates the possibility of having new functionality.

This is also true of your Box. If you want new behavior your Box will need to have a new shape. The secret of a solid object taking on a new shape is the short time in between the two solid states, called the *liquid state*. If there is no liquid state there can be no change. A liquid state is required for solid elements to have the chance to rearrange themselves with each other.

Each of your four bodies, physical, intellectual, emotional and spiritual, experiences its own style of liquid states. Symptoms can include physical fevers, headache or diarrhea, intellectual forgetfulness or confusion, emotional crying, shouting, shaking or laughing, or spiritual states of ecstasy or existential angst. At first the Box has a tendency to try to avoid liquid states. With upgraded thoughtmaps, the Box uses liquid states as navigational aids, as in, *Ah, I am in a liquid state!* The discomfort becomes more tolerable or at least comprehensible when it is understood that this is the way to new capacities, perspectives, flexibilities and nonattachment.

It is interesting to consider what determines the new shape of your Box once you are in a liquid state. The Box's thoughtmaps reorder themselves during a liquid state according to the *morphogenetic fields* at work in the liquid-state space. This confirms the value of getting yourself into a safe training environment for upgrading your thoughtware. Certified *Possibility Trainers*, for example, determine which *Bright Principles* are called into a space. When consciously named, the Bright Principles, such as Integrity, Clarity, Possibility, Love, Transformation and Kindness, reorient your thoughtmaps during a liquid state like a magnetic field rearranges iron filings.

DISTINCTION 4: RESPONSIBLE ADULthood UNFOLDS THROUGH AUTHENTIC RITE OF PASSAGE.

A rite of passage is the activation process that empowers a person with the wisdom of responsibility and consequence. During childhood the Box learns to defend itself. At age fifteen the Box is designed to change its purpose, from child defensiveness to adult expansiveness. We assume that the shift happens automatically when we turn eighteen or twenty-one years of age, but it does not.

For 40,000 years human beings knew that a formidable rite of passage was required to initiate a man or woman into responsible adulthood. We seem to have forgotten. The result is that modern culture lacks responsible adults. Parents do not know what

being adult means. Adolescents in older bodies lead our governments, militaries, businesses, educational institutions, and religions. This explains why the annual international budget for promoting war was over US\$1,339,000,000,000.00 in 2007 and the annual international budget for promoting consciousness expansion in the same year was zero.

For example, modern leaders promote two thirds of the Earth's population to starve while the other third pays billions for liposuction to surgically remove extra globs of fat from their stomachs, waists and legs.

Modern leaders are so committed to child-level responsibility that they choose to fight each other over finite territory and resources rather than creatively collaborating to unfold the infinite beneficial potential of each human being.

You *do* need to fight, but the true battles are *internal*. Fight to pay attention and stay unhypnotized. Fight to take back your authority. Fight to keep the promises you make to your children and your partner. Fight to build the matrix upon which your consciousness can grow. Fight to make unusual efforts of generosity and kindness. Fight through your prejudices to forge critical connections that nurture the emergence of a world without war. Fight with fierce discipline and unquenchable commitment by your own authority, not at the whim of some politician or corporate executive! The noble fight *is in you*. This is where the archetypal warrior takes risky inspired actions. Modern wars are little boys with guns. It is time to grow up.

ADULT RESPONSIBILITY

Being adult includes a changed relationship to responsibility. No longer is responsibility a burden to be avoided as in the childish perspective. Adult responsibility is a new agreement between an individual and the universe after which the adult's life is about serving conscious Bright Principles greater than themselves.

An adult takes responsibility for attention, center, presence, purpose, outcome, space, time, energy, costs, feelings, thoughts, possibility, consequences, the Box, the greater community, and responsibility for responsibility. We do not know what most of this means because modern culture is not founded in adulthood we have not been taught. No one has shown us how. Not knowing about something does not protect us from that thing seriously affecting our lives.

The necessity for rite of passage may have been neglected by modern culture due to us not realizing that there is a difference of purpose between a traditional rite of passage and the kind of rite of passage needed today. This difference can now be explained.

TRADITIONAL VS. ARCHETYPAL RITE OF PASSAGE

The traditional rite of passage used by original cultures differs from the *archetypal*

rite of passage needed today by what is done with your *assemblage points*. Assemblage points are core reference frames around which you construct your Box.

The human mind is capable of adapting to such a stunning diversity of cultures that it should be clear that the original placement of assemblage points is completely arbitrary. Rearranging the position of an assemblage point can establish an entirely new framework of reality in which the Box can operate.

In a traditional rite of passage the assemblage points are withdrawn from their original (childhood) positions and repositioned so as to weld a person into complete identification with the tribe's longstanding customs and worldview. This strategy constrains new adults to think, feel, and behave strictly within the norms established by that particular culture. The new adults have no option but to continue doing things in ways the old culture has already proven sustainable for perhaps thousands of years, assuring the continued survival of the tribe.

In cultures that needed to change only gradually if at all, traditional rites of passage made sense. For 21st Century's hyper-evolving circumstances something completely different is required: *an archetypal rite of passage*.

An archetypal rite of passage does not weld your assemblage points into the local culture. Instead an archetypal rite of passage anchors your assemblage points into your own personal set of Bright Principles and high drama Archetypes: King, Warrior, Magician, Lover or Queen, Warrioreess, Sorceress, Lover forces of nature that are more powerful than culture. This procedure is well understood, but not by modern culture.

The difficulty of explaining *archetypal rite of passage* to someone in modern culture is that modern culture is patriarchal. Patriarchy promotes the patriarchy, not the transformation of the patriarchy. Any rite of passage created within a patriarchy will avoid noticing that *the patriarchy is itself irredeemably immature*.

No patriarchally-ordained rite of passage can lead to greater responsibility. This means that archetypal rite of passage must be sourced from outside the realm of patriarchy, in *archearchy*, where deep masculine and deep feminine archetypes reign in dynamic harmony. Archearchy is a new form of human society already being lived, for example, in Possibilica <www.possibilica.org>.

It is deceptive to assume that you can design and manage a rite of passage for yourself by yourself. This would be like trying to midwife your own birth. The suggestion is to undertake a rite of passage in close association with a guide.

A guide is someone more experienced and further along in their rite of passage than

you are. Since rites of passage are not sponsored by modern culture your guide will need to be someone with access to a greater context than modern culture.

The Law of Precession says that as soon as you start making authentic efforts the universe provides sideways coincidences to make your efforts more productive including providing the appropriate guide *when you are ready*.

DISTINCTION 5: THERE IS A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN LOW DRAMA AND HIGH DRAMA. Creating a world without war involves consciously generating acts of *high drama*. It is unlikely that anyone could effectively engage in high drama before they thoroughly understood their own unconscious commitments to creating *low drama*.

Low drama is any action designed to avoid responsibility. Low drama starts when someone takes on the role of *victim*, and uses that role to engage others in roles of *persecutor* and *rescuer*. Often within a short time the players in a low drama exchange roles, and in this way the low drama is assumed to be legitimate. For example, when the three buildings in New York City were destroyed in September 2001, America quickly changed roles from *victim* to become *persecutor* of Iraq, and then *rescuer*. But it is all low drama.

Low drama is so exciting and engaging it almost seems like life. *But low drama is not life. Low drama is low drama*. Only through internally distinguishing low drama from life can you avoid low drama.

The concept of Good vs. Bad is itself low drama. For example, the Catholic Church used Good vs. Bad to drive its Inquisitions for centuries, and to crush and dominate the original cultures of the Americas to steal their lands and their wealth. Other organized religions performed equivalent atrocities in the Middle East, Asia and Africa.

MEET YOUR GREMLIN

Low drama provides energetic fast-food for your *Gremlin*. *Gremlin* is the king or queen of your personal Shadow World. Everyone has a Gremlin and a Shadow World. It is essential to understand that *Gremlin is not bad or evil*. Gremlin is merely Gremlin, serving unconscious purposes, competing in *I win-you lose* games, taking irrational gambles, externalizing costs and ignoring consequences.

Any aspect of your Gremlin that you do not consciously own, owns you. The process of owning your Gremlin is an ongoing and indispensable aspect of your rite of passage into responsible adulthood. Again, since modern culture distinguishes neither low drama nor Gremlin, you must seek beyond the limits of modern culture to learn these things. It can be shocking to discover how thoroughly business, politics, military, religion, allopathic medicine, and entertainment have been usurped as Gremlin feasting grounds.

The ability to avoid low drama depends on developing your internal *low drama detector*. As your detector becomes more sensitive and accurate over time you will notice that ordinary daily behaviors such as complaining, blaming, resenting, justifying, being right, and making someone else wrong, plus many jokes and humor are all manifestations of war. Your low dramas make war. Persistently identifying your own war-making behaviors builds the basis upon which you can live in a world without war.

The result of owning your Gremlin is not that Gremlin is vanquished, but that Gremlin wears a short chain and sits at your feet the instant you command, *Sit!* Owning your Gremlin takes consistent discipline, perhaps forever, and will include putting your Gremlin on a regular weekly diet of specified Gremlin foods that you pre-approve, plus simultaneously giving your Gremlin *interesting* jobs to do, such as nonviolently noncooperating with nonsustainability to create a world without war starting now.

Since Gremlin has the ability to destroy any space at any time for no reason, Gremlin can be used for thinking in nonlinear directions, asking the unasked questions, bringing the background conversation into the foreground, reframing stories, staying unhooked from other people's Boxes and Gremlins, taking over and shifting the purpose of spaces from serving Shadow Principles to serving Bright Principles, and directly accessing imagination to reinvent reality so it contains whatever possibilities are wanted and needed to create a world without war. Such conscious use of Gremlin is called *high level fun*.

SIXTEEN EVOLUTIONARY ACTION STEPS FOR SAVING THE WORLD

You can now take the following steps that will save the world. No one can take these steps for you. Each one is an act of *satya graha*, nonviolent noncooperation with the unsustainable. Each one creates a world without war right now.

1. Accept that what you were taught in school and the ideas and perspectives promoted by mainstream culture all come from the level of consciousness that produces today's wars against humanity and nature.
2. Take steps to expand your consciousness. There are many different ways to submit your consciousness to the process of expansion: read certain books, watch particular films, travel in foreign cultures, go on pilgrimage, take trainings, practice new thoughtmaps. Since the expanding consciousness is neither understood nor supported by modern culture, mainstream media gives it negative connotations like *weird, strange, stupid, fringe, drug culture, hippy, dangerous, and worthless*. It can be useful to establish your own frame around expanding consciousness to mean *expand horizons, broaden perspectives, deepen experience, explore new territory, discovery, evolution, reinvention, transformation and high level fun*.

3. Change your relationship to adult responsibility. Adult responsibility is a new agreement between you and the universe, after which your life is about serving something greater than yourself. If you are responsible, then when you speak, the universe responds because you are the space through which the Bright Principles that you serve do their work in the world.

4. Take your center back. Stop giving your center away. Stop being adaptive (except as an act of conscious theater).

5. Take your authority back. Trust your perceptions, observations, conclusions, and your decisions to take action.

6. Detect exactly what stands between you and being a source of peace, love, safety and happiness. This is your Box. Distinguish between you and your Box. You have a Box. You are not your Box. The Box is each person's survival mechanism. If you think you are your Box then you will be hooked into automatic Box reactions and you will be blocked from being creative. If you separate the connection between you and your Box, even if the gap is only paper thin, the freedom of movement will liberate you from ever having a conflict again, because it is your Box that has the conflict. Not you.

7. Recognize that you have more than one voice in your head. Boxes have many personalities. In one situation you will perceive, think and feel one way. In a different situation you will perceive, think and feel in very a different way. Each "I" that speaks thinks it is the one and only real "I" and asserts that there are no other "I"s. You can easily see this in other people. It happens in you too. Learn to question yourself each time you think or say the word "I". Constantly ask, *Which "I" is speaking?* Don't hesitate to ask this question of others.

8. Internally distinguish between *beliefs* and *experience*. A belief is a Band-Aid covering over holes in the side of your Box where the authentic answer is *I don't know* (What happens after I die? What is God? What is a good life?). Any person could believe anything about anything. Beliefs have no relationship to reality. Treating beliefs as if they were something other than a Band-Aid to cover childhood fears will severely handicap any efforts you might make towards creating a world without war. Putting a belief over an *I don't know* Box hole, blocks access to the nothingness that a person needs as a resource for creating something out of nothing. Besides, it is simple to experience God. When you have the direct experience of God, why would you need a belief?

9. Learn to feel anger, sadness, fear and joy. Distinguish feelings from emotions. There are two kinds of emotions: 1. Incompletely expressed feelings from your own past, and 2. Inauthentic feelings that you adopt from authority figures, political systems, company brands or religions. Emotions arise and stick around for hours, days or weeks. Feelings arise, are used, and then vanish completely from your body within a few minutes. Learn to feel. This is tough work. Some of us have to do this because most of us won't. When systems collapse and people are forced to feel, it is

then that they will need your help. Use feelings clarity to navigate people through their fear (denial), anger (outrage), sadness (grief), and joy (acceptance) so they gain options besides war.

10. Engage a formal rite of passage to transition yourself from childhood into adulthood. This process will take years, and you will need to go beyond the limits of modern culture to do it. Do not look for a traditional rite of passage. This will not help you. What you need is a rite of passage that brings you solidly into your Archetypes and your Bright Principles. Learn to communicate, think, perceive, feel and create as a responsible adult. Learn to be your Bright Principles in action.

11. Recognize that human beings serve both conscious and unconscious purposes. When you are not aware of the purpose of your actions you are serving irresponsible Shadow Principles, creating low drama and feeding your Gremlin. When you are aware of the purpose of your actions you are serving responsible Bright Principles, creating high drama, and feeding the Evolutionary leader part of yourself. As an element of your rite of passage, go through the *Distilling Destiny Process* and the *Hidden Purpose Process* to discern the Bright and Shadow Principles at work in your life.

12. Build in yourself a *low drama detector*. Instantly identify low drama whenever you avoid responsibility through blaming, resenting, justifying, complaining, being right, making someone else wrong, rehearsing revenge, or making praising or critical comments in your mind. Also identify high drama, actions that *take* responsibility. High drama can be as simple as, *Please pass me the salt*, or as complex as convening a circle of powerful people for discovery speaking to build a system of influence for the emergence of sustainable culture and a world without war. Be sure to document what you discover.

13. Take responsibility for being the source of stories. The stories that start war are held together the same as all stories, with IS GLUE. The concept of IS is not found in nature; it is a product of the human mind. IS GLUE comes in many conjugations: *is, am, are, was, were, has, have, had, do, does, did*, etc., and also the *not* forms: *is not, am not, are not, was not, cannot*, and so on. All day and all night long you are IS GLUEing stories together: *The weather is too hot today. John is an idiot. This job is impossible. I do love to do this. I do hate to do this. I cannot continue. I am too tired. They are the enemy. They are my best friends.* On and on and on. You declare your stories to be true even though you just IS GLUED them together a moment before! You find small pieces of evidence to prove that your story *is* true, but you forget that the world is *rich in evidence*, plenty to support *any* story you want to make up. Take responsibility for being *the story maker*. Then you can learn to reinvent stories using IS GLUE DISSOLVER. One squirt and the old story splits in parts where the IS GLUE dissolves. Then you can IS GLUE completely new stories back together. Here is an example: *Everyone knows that creating a world without war is an overwhelming challenge.* The same evidence can be reinvented to support a very different story: *Creating a world without war is the greatest adventure of my life, and it is possible. In*

fact, we are doing it right now!

14. There is consciousness everywhere. What is scarce is the matrix for holding consciousness. Find ways to build the energetic matrix in yourself upon which consciousness can grow. This helps you navigate the unknown and be alive even in the liquid state. Life is flux. Surrender to not knowing. If the earth is not ours to buy, sell, consume or pollute, then how do we live? I don't know. A world without war does not come from the known. Neither does it come from solutions. Replace the pretension of having solutions with the habit of establishing responsible adult communication in creative relationships. Get with other people and do whatever it takes to just stop being part of the problem <www.just-stop.org>. Quit your job, especially if it is in military, weapons, uranium, fossil fuels (oil, gas, petroleum), transportation, mining, lumber, pharmaceutical, chemical, gene manipulation, big government, big religion, or limited liability companies. Then we support each other in our new lives.

15. Shift away from thinking within the context of money. Bankers want you to think and live your life in terms of money because bankers own money and *you do not*. You rent money from the bankers and pay the bankers interest. The bankers have trained you to believe that you *need money* to live. This is balderdash! Catch yourself whenever you are thinking that you need money to live. Reassess your life: if there was no money, what would you do? Be serious about this. Then start doing it. Money is not wealth. Money is a trap. Real wealth is human ingenuity and inspired teamwork. A group of people with no money but with creative collaboration can live far better than a group of people with lots of money who compete against each other.

16. Learn more about love. Modern culture only teaches about *ordinary love*, which is scarce and quickly transforms into war's hatred. Find out about *extraordinary love* which you source as a creative responsible adult wherever you are, and also about *archetypal love* which is what the universe is made of. There is so much to learn! Become a love researcher.

If you are moved by any of these ideas, begin a regular weekly meeting. *If you want a world without wars this week then start your meeting this week*. You do not have to be certified. You do not have to be an expert. You do not have to have answers. All you need is to bring people together in a safe space of dialog where they can speak vulnerably about creating a world without war and be heard by the others. What if you made this your life's work?

AS THE ARABS SEE THE JEWS
His Majesty King Abdullah

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This fascinating essay, written by King Hussein's grandfather King Abdullah, appeared in the United States six months before the 1948 Arab-Israeli War. In the article, King Abdullah disputes the mistaken view that Arab opposition to Zionism (and later the state of Israel) is because of longstanding religious or ethnic hatred. He notes that Jews and Muslims enjoyed a long history of peaceful coexistence in the Middle East, and that Jews have historically suffered far more at the hands of Christian Europe. Pointing to the tragedy of the holocaust that Jews suffered during World War II, the monarch asks why America and Europe are refusing to accept more than a token handful of Jewish immigrants and refugees. It is unfair, he argues, to make Palestine, which is innocent of anti-Semitism, pay for the crimes of Europe. King Abdullah also asks how Jews can claim a historic right to Palestine, when Arabs have been the overwhelming majority there for nearly 1300 uninterrupted years. The essay ends on an ominous note, warning of dire consequences if a peaceful solution cannot be found to protect the rights of the indigenous Arabs of Palestine.

I am especially delighted to address an American audience, for the tragic problem of Palestine will never be solved without American understanding, American sympathy and American support.

So many billions of words have been written about Palestine perhaps more than on any other subject in history that I hesitate to add to them. Yet I am compelled to do so, for I am reluctantly convinced that the world in general, and America in particular, knows almost nothing of the true case for the Arabs.

We Arabs follow, perhaps far more than you think, the press of America. We are frankly disturbed to find that for every word printed on the Arab side, a thousand are printed on the Zionist side. There are many reasons for this. You have many millions of Jewish citizens interested in this question. They are highly vocal and wise in the ways of publicity. There are few Arab citizens in America, and we are as yet unskilled in the technique of modern propaganda. The results have been alarming for us. In your press we see a horrible caricature and are told it is our true portrait. In all justice, we cannot let this pass by default.

Our case is quite simple: For nearly 2,000 years Palestine has been almost 100 per

cent Arab. It is still preponderantly Arab today, in spite of enormous Jewish immigration. But if this immigration continues we shall soon be outnumbered a minority in our home.

Palestine is a small and very poor country, about the size of your state of Vermont. Its Arab population is only about 1,200,000. Already we have had forced on us, against our will, some 600,000 Zionist Jews. We are threatened with many hundreds of thousands more. Our position is so simple and natural that we are amazed it should even be questioned. It is exactly the same position you in America take in regard to the unhappy European Jews. You are sorry for them, but you do not want them in your country.

We do not want them in ours, either. Not because they are Jews, but because they are foreigners. We would not want hundreds of thousands of foreigners in our country, be they Englishmen or Norwegians or Brazilians or whatever.

Think for a moment: In the last 25 years we have had one third of our entire population forced upon us. In America that would be the equivalent of 45,000,000 complete strangers admitted to your country, over your violent protest, since 1921. How would you have reacted to that?

Because of our perfectly natural dislike of being overwhelmed in our own homeland, we are called blind nationalists and heartless anti-Semites. This charge would be ludicrous were it not so dangerous. No people on earth have been less "anti-Semitic" than the Arabs. The persecution of the Jews has been confined almost entirely to the Christian nations of the West. Jews, themselves, will admit that never since the Great Dispersion did Jews develop so freely and reach such importance as in Spain when it was an Arab possession. With very minor exceptions, Jews have lived for many centuries in the Middle East, in complete peace and friendliness with their Arab neighbours.

Damascus, Baghdad, Beirut and other Arab centres have always contained large and prosperous Jewish colonies. Until the Zionist invasion of Palestine began, these Jews received the most generous treatment far, far better than in Christian Europe. Now, unhappily, for the first time in history, these Jews are beginning to feel the effects of Arab resistance to the Zionist assault. Most of them are as anxious as Arabs to stop it. Most of these Jews who have found happy homes among us resent, as we do, the coming of these strangers.

I was puzzled for a long time about the odd belief, which apparently persists in America that Palestine has somehow "always been a Jewish land." Recently an American I talked to cleared up this mystery. He pointed out that the only things most Americans know about Palestine are what they read in the Bible. It was a Jewish land

in those days, they reason, and they assume it has always remained so. Nothing could be farther from the truth. It is absurd to reach so far back into the mists of history to argue about who should have Palestine today, and I apologise for it. Yet the Jews do this, and I must reply to their "historic claim." I wonder if the world has ever seen a stranger sight than a group of people seriously pretending to claim a land because their ancestors lived there some 2,000 years ago! If you suggest that I am biased, I invite you to read any sound history of the period and verify the facts.

Such fragmentary records as we have indicate that the Jews were wandering nomads from Iraq who moved to southern Turkey, came south to Palestine, stayed there for a short time, and then passed on to Egypt, where they remained about 400 years. About 1300 BC (according to your calendar) they left Egypt and gradually conquered most but not all of the inhabitants of Palestine.

It is significant that the Philistines not the Jews gave their name to the country: "Palestine" is merely the Greek form of "Philistia." Only once, during the empire of David and Solomon, did the Jews ever control nearly but not all the land which is today Palestine. This empire lasted only 70 years, ending in 926 BC. Only 250 years later the Kingdom of Judah had shrunk to a small province around Jerusalem, barely a quarter of modern Palestine.

In 63 BC the Jews were conquered by Roman Pompey, and never again had even the vestige of independence. The Roman Emperor Hadrian finally wiped them out about 135 AD. He utterly destroyed Jerusalem, rebuilt it under another name, and for hundreds of years no Jew was permitted to enter it. A handful of Jews remained in Palestine but the vast majority were killed or scattered to other countries, in the Diaspora, or the Great Dispersion. From that time Palestine ceased to be a Jewish country, in any conceivable sense. This was 1,815 years ago, and yet the Jews solemnly pretend they still own Palestine! If such fantasy were allowed, how the map of the world would dance about!

Italians might claim England, which the Romans held so long. England might claim France, "homeland" of the conquering Normans. And the French Normans might claim Norway, where their ancestors originated. And incidentally, we Arabs might claim Spain, which we held for 700 years.

Many Mexicans might claim Spain, "homeland" of their forefathers. They might even claim Texas, which was Mexican until 100 years ago. And suppose the American Indians claimed the "homeland" of which they were the sole, native, and ancient occupants until only some 450 years ago! I am not being facetious. All these claims are just as valid or just as fantastic as the Jewish "historic connection" with Palestine. Most are more valid.

In any event, the great Moslem expansion about 650 AD finally settled things. It

dominated Palestine completely. From that day on, Palestine was solidly Arabic in population, language, and religion. When British armies entered the country during the last war, they found 500,000 Arabs and only 65,000 Jews.

If solid, uninterrupted Arab occupation for nearly 1,300 years does not make a country "Arab", what does? The Jews say, and rightly, that Palestine is the home of their religion. It is likewise the birthplace of Christianity, but would any Christian nation claim it on that account? In passing, let me say that the Christian Arabs and there are many hundreds of thousands of them in the Arab World are in absolute agreement with all other Arabs in opposing the Zionist invasion of Palestine.

May I also point out that Jerusalem is, after Mecca and Medina, the holiest place in Islam? In fact, in the early days of our religion, Moslems prayed toward Jerusalem instead of Mecca. The Jewish "religious claim" to Palestine is as absurd as the "historic claim." The Holy Places, sacred to three great religions, must be open to all, the monopoly of none. Let us not confuse religion and politics.

We are told that we are inhumane and heartless because do not accept with open arms the perhaps 200,000 Jews in Europe who suffered so frightfully under Nazi cruelty, and who even now almost three years after the war's end still languish in cold, depressing camps.

Let me underline several facts. The unimaginable persecution of the Jews was not done by the Arabs: it was done by a Christian nation in the West. The war which ruined Europe and made it almost impossible for these Jews to rehabilitate themselves was fought by the Christian nations of the West. The rich and empty portions of the earth belong, not to the Arabs, but to the Christian nations of the West.

And yet, to ease their consciences, these Christian nations of the West are asking Palestine a poor and tiny Moslem country of the East to accept the entire burden. "We have hurt these people terribly," cries the West to the East. "Won't you please take care of them for us?" We find neither logic nor justice in this. Are we therefore "cruel and heartless nationalists"?

We are a generous people: we are proud that "Arab hospitality" is a phrase famous throughout the world. We are a humane people: no one was shocked more than we by the Hitlerite terror. No one pities the present plight of the desperate European Jews more than we.

But we say that Palestine has already sheltered 600,000 refugees. We believe that is enough to expect of us even too much. We believe it is now the turn of the rest of the world to accept some of them. I will be entirely frank with you. There is one thing the Arab world simply cannot understand. Of all the nations of the earth, America is

most insistent that something be done for these suffering Jews of Europe. This feeling does credit to the humanity for which America is famous, and to that glorious inscription on your Statue of Liberty. And yet this same America the richest, greatest, most powerful nation the world has ever known refuses to accept more than a token handful of these same Jews herself!

I hope you will not think I am being bitter about this. I have tried hard to understand that mysterious paradox, and I confess I cannot. Nor can any other Arab.

Perhaps you have been informed that "the Jews in Europe want to go to no other place except Palestine".

This myth is one of the greatest propaganda triumphs of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, the organisation which promotes with fanatic zeal the emigration to Palestine. It is a subtle half-truth, thus doubly dangerous.

The astounding truth is that nobody on earth really knows where these unfortunate Jews really want to go!

You would think that in so grave a problem, the American, British, and other authorities responsible for the European Jews would have made a very careful survey, probably by vote, to find out where each Jew actually wants to go. Amazingly enough this has never been done! The Jewish Agency has prevented it.

Some time ago the American Military Governor in Germany was asked at a press conference how he was so certain that all Jews there wanted to go to Palestine. His answer was simple: "My Jewish advisors tell me so." He admitted no poll had ever been made. Preparations were indeed begun for one, but the Jewish Agency stepped in to stop it.

The truth is that the Jews in German camps are now subjected to a Zionist pressure campaign which learned much from the Nazi terror. It is dangerous for a Jew to say that he would rather go to some other country, not Palestine. Such dissenters have been severely beaten, and worse.

Not long ago, in Palestine, nearly 1,000 Austrian Jews informed the international refugee organisation that they would like to go back to Austria, and plans were made to repatriate them.

The Jewish Agency heard of this, and exerted enough political pressure to stop it. It would be bad propaganda for Zionism if Jews began leaving Palestine. The nearly 1,000 Austrians are still there, against their will.

The fact is that most of the European Jews are Western in culture and outlook, entirely urban in experience and habits. They cannot really have their hearts set on becoming pioneers in the barren, arid, cramped land, which is Palestine.

One thing, however, is undoubtedly true. As matters stand now, most refugee Jews in Europe would, indeed, vote for Palestine, simply because they know no other country will have them.

If you or I were given a choice between a near-prison camp for the rest of our lives or Palestine we would both choose Palestine, too. But open up any other alternative to them give them any other choice, and see what happens!

No poll, however, will be worth anything unless the nations of the earth are willing to open their doors just a little to the Jews. In other words, if in such a poll a Jew says he wants to go to Sweden, Sweden must be willing to accept him. If he votes for America, you must let him come in.

Any other kind of poll would be a farce. For the desperate Jew, this is no idle testing of opinion: this is a grave matter of life or death. Unless he is absolutely sure that his vote means something, he will always vote for Palestine, so as not to risk his bird in the hand for one in the bush.

In any event, Palestine can accept no more. The 65,000 Jews in Palestine in 1918 have jumped to 600,000 today. We Arabs have increased, too, but not by immigration. The Jews were then a mere 11 per cent of our population. Today they are one third of it.

The rate of increase has been terrifying. In a few more year sunless stopped now it will overwhelm us, and we shall be an important minority in our own home.

Surely the rest of the wide world is rich enough and generous enough to find a place for 200,000 Jews about one third the number that tiny, poor Palestine has already sheltered. For the rest of the world, it is hardly a drop in the bucket. For us it means national suicide.

We are sometimes told that since the Jews came to Palestine, the Arab standard of living has improved. This is a most complicated question. But let us even assume, for the sake of argument, that it is true. We would rather be a bit poorer, and masters of our own home. Is this unnatural?

The sorry story of the so-called "Balfour Declaration," which started Zionist immigration into Palestine, is too complicated to repeat here in detail. It is grounded in broken promises to the Arabs promises made in cold print which admit no denying.

We utterly deny its validity. We utterly deny the right of Great Britain to give away Arab land for a "national home" for an entirely foreign people.

Even the League of Nations sanction does not alter this. At the time, not a single Arab state was a member of the League. We were not allowed to say a word in our own defense.

I must point out, again in friendly frankness, that America was nearly as responsible as Britain for this Balfour Declaration. President Wilson approved it before it was issued, and the American Congress adopted it word for word in a joint resolution on 30th June, 1922.

In the 1920s, Arabs were annoyed and insulted by Zionist immigration, but not alarmed by it. It was steady, but fairly small, as even the Zionist founders thought it would remain. Indeed for some years, more Jews left Palestine than entered it in 1927 almost twice as many.

But two new factors, entirely unforeseen by Britain or the League or America or the most fervent Zionist, arose in the early thirties to raise the immigration to undreamed heights. One was the World Depression; the second the rise of Hitler.

In 1932, the year before Hitler came to power, only 9,500 Jews came to Palestine. We did not welcome them, but we were not afraid that, at that rate, our solid Arab majority would ever be in danger.

But the next year the year of Hitler it jumped to 30,000! In 1934 it was 42,000! In 1935 it reached 61,000! It was no longer the orderly arrival of idealist Zionists. Rather, all Europe was pouring its frightened Jews upon us. Then, at last, we, too, became frightened. We knew that unless this enormous influx stopped, we were, as Arabs, doomed in our Palestine homeland. And we have not changed our minds.

I have the impression that many Americans believe the trouble in Palestine is very remote from them, that America had little to do with it, and that your only interest now is that of a humane bystander. I believe that you do not realise how directly you are, as a nation, responsible in general for the whole Zionist move and specifically for the present terrorism. I call this to your attention because I am certain that if you realise your responsibility you will act fairly to admit it and assume it.

Quite aside from official American support for the "National Home" of the Balfour Declaration, the Zionist settlements in Palestine would have been almost impossible, on anything like the current scale, without American money. This was contributed by American Jewry in an idealistic effort to help their fellows. The motive was worthy: the results were disastrous. The contributions were by

private individuals, but they were almost entirely Americans, and, as a nation, only America can answer for it.

The present catastrophe may be laid almost entirely at your door. Your government, almost alone in the world, is insisting on the immediate admission of 100,000 more Jews into Palestine to be followed by countless additional ones. This will have the most frightful consequences in bloody chaos beyond anything ever hinted at in Palestine before.

It is your press and political leadership, almost alone in the world, who presses this demand. It is almost entirely American money which hires or buys the "refugee ships" that steam illegally toward Palestine: American money which pays their crews. The illegal immigration from Europe is arranged by the Jewish Agency, supported almost entirely by American funds. It is American dollars which support the terrorists, which buy the bullets and pistols that kill British soldiers your allies and Arab citizens your friends.

We in the Arab world were stunned to hear that you permit open advertisements in newspapers asking for money to finance these terrorists, to arm them openly and deliberately for murder. We could not believe this could really happen in the modern world. Now we must believe it: we have seen the advertisements with our own eyes. I point out these things because nothing less than complete frankness will be of use. The crisis is too stark for mere polite vagueness which means nothing.

I have the most complete confidence in the fair-mindedness and generosity of the American public. We Arabs ask no favours. We ask only that you know the full truth, not half of it. We ask only that when you judge the Palestine question, you put yourselves in our place.

What would your answer be if some outside agency told you that you must accept in America many millions of utter strangers in your midst enough to dominate your country merely because they insisted on going to America, and because their forefathers had once lived there some 2,000 years ago?

Our answer is the same.

And what would be your action if, in spite of your refusal, this outside agency began forcing them on you? Ours will be the same.

MANIFESTO FOR DEMOCRATIC REVOLT
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Vide this “Manifesto for Democratic Revolt”, I attempt to present a mechanism for change of the present human condition that is deteriorating due to a few selfish people who are out to plunder and destroy the world with their greed. As M.K.Gandhi said, “You must be the change you wish to see in the world”

1. Religions

Humans, like all animals, have instincts they let them act in systemically “correct” ways. As thinking animals, humans also have spirituality which lets them think in systemically flawless ways. Eons of cultural development have relegated instincts into the dark recesses of the sub-conscious; religion which we may well call a part of “culture” has similarly buried spirituality under mountains of apodictic dogma and banal, if not ridiculous, ritual. Religions arguably initially developed out of ever more rigidly structured mythological traditions. They developed into human endeavors to answer questions as to the <why> of existence and were turned into *control mechanisms of humanity* by the original kleptocrats (a.k.a. "priests"). When answers to questions regarding the <how> of existence did not tally anymore with religious dogma, the human mind conceived of oriental mon-*ism* and occidental mono-*theism*. Human ignorance simply called for an omnipotent entity onto which they could offload their inability to comprehend that which nature (maybe?) never intended to make intelligible. That oriental brains are "wired" differently let them conceive some 2,500 years ago what occidental theoretical physics has only discovered in the present: *all existence is an interference of energies* (this explains why everything apparently is connected with everything else).

Unable to perform this mental leap then, occidental minds came up with the concept of a single godhead. The believers were told by the makers of this single godhead, that it had acted as the "creator". This Creator (YHWH) was furthermore said to be of human "form" so as to “legitimize” man to become a creator (of things) himself.

All the bad in the present world follows from this “creativity” which lets man believe he were the “master of the world”. When we look at some of the perversions of religions, which turn them into more effective and more obvious control mechanisms of masses, then we realize that they have simply replaced spirituality with dependence on technology.

2. Science

Science we call the human endeavor to explain (more than often “away”) the creative principle that operates in nature - so as to be able to emulate it and in the process *to be able to control and change nature*. Western science and religion negate steadfastly that nature has a consciousness (and "will") and have by way of dogmatism obscured their ignorance of what they consider to be reality. They boldly replaced reality with “truths”. Remnants of the Cartesian World View (*world as a machine*), together with holdovers from the Newtonian world view (*action reaction*) mingle with the virtual haze of the Einsteinian World View (*everything is relative*) to signify the accomplishment of Judaisation/ Talmudisation of Western science (*making it the realm of people who consider themselves “chosen ”*).

Western science (and technology based on it) in essence are names given to activities and their products which enable man to cause nature to "produce" more and to devise ways and means to enable those who “have” to prevent others from "getting".

When the products of man became "better" than those of nature (more durable and of more utility), the wastes from production became non-metabolic as well; in that way the circularity of natural processes was inhibited. There are obviously two kinds of science: one that explains nature and the other one that spells out the cybernetics of man-made artifacts/ concepts. That this is not “public knowledge” lets elites “get away” with (literally) murder. Not the products of modern man characterize the present, but the wastes that follow from their making and use.

3. Politics

The administrators/ practitioners of religions and sciences realized that knowledge (of the spiritual and factual kind) meant power, which “drives” politics. The unholy trinity that rules the world in the present gained momentum already in times immemorial. The executioners of elitist schemes in politics, religion and science are responsible for the worst effects of human nature on humanity and nature. When the much vaunted catch-phrase of “separation of church and state” was invented during the period of enlightenment, this led to the disconnect of humanity and its innate spirituality and gave over-riding power to the beneficiaries/ perverters of the human need to “believe”.

It is a fact, that Chinese science had come up with gunpowder, compass, determination of longitude and the printing press (among many other inventions

and technologies) many centuries before "western" man. It is also a fact, that most of the "discoveries" which western seafarers are credited with commonly, had been already made by the Chinese earlier. It is now becoming known that the Renaissance was not a “homegrown” European achievement but rather the blossoming of seeds planted by Chinese explorer Zheng He in the early 15th century. He brought with him the Yongle Dadian an encyclopedic compendium of all the knowledge of the time. Gavin Menzies with his iconoclastic books “1421” and “1434” has utterly destroyed the myth of Western superiority and it is high time for the “West” to come to terms with the fact that the brief period of occidental world-domination is coming to a rapid close This is mainly due to cognitive and moral ineptitude of the controlling elites.

Why did the Chinese not turn into the "Masters of the Universe" in the 15th century? We will only ever come to understand this curious situation (failure?) if and when we know that during the Han-Dynasty “brakes” were put on human hubris. Those Chinese authors who bemoan the fact, that for nearly 2 millennia Confucianism has "hobbled" Chinese science do not realize that Confucian morality kept Chinese science from becoming the unethical enterprise it has become in the "West". Kuhn's paradigms (and the trans-gressions thereof) render post-modern Western science a “brainless”- albeit many-headed monster.

What holds for science has always governed Chinese politics. What has been peddled for times immemorial as the “Yellow Danger” is little more than the projection of occidental (parasitic) mentality on a totally alien (symbiotic) way of far-eastern thinking and acting.

4. Distributive Complicity / Retributive Loyalty

Western man entered into a deal with the "devil" (in the details, as long as they were knowable) and turned into the "Faustian Man". In order to "get away" with what he was doing, he turned the power of knowledge into political powers in emulation of Catholic priestly power acquired during the hearing of confessions. From this developed "distributed complicity" in the Faustian mind. Like with everything else, human nature also managed to commoditize the principle of respect and turned it into tolerance. Respect for nature and humanity turned into tolerance of misdeeds of others in order to ensure their tolerance of one's own misdeeds. The Yin to this Yang of human nature is here called "retributive loyalty". Confucianism operates in similar ways, does however not invoke any divine fiat it operates on clannish mutual support. Any superficial appreciation of this situation will find similarities with the *modus operandi* of the chosenites. The fact that there is a difference of three orders of magnitude in actual numbers of practicans involved, invalidates any such comparison.

The a-symmetries which emerged in the “West” from elitist sequestration of knowledge, power and resulting material wealth established present day reality. In

order to be able to restrain an ever growing, more materially affluent / mentally more agile mass of humanity, a number of filters were clipped before the cognitive apparatus of the sheeple:

5. Mandala - Cross - Arrow

All of human endeavor is due to man's "will"; his will is again strongly guided by his World View. In the beginning, World Views were, like all of nature, of a metabolic (or circular) kind- in accord with early mysticisms and religions. We can call it by the eastern concept of Mandala. Monism/ monotheism (the reduction of all things material or spiritual to a single cause) emerged from scientific thinking first in India. Subsequent developments make it unlikely that similar thoughts cropping up in the Middle East were an independent discovery; rather they were probably just copied. The outcome of such thinking - YHWH (Yahweh / Yehovah) became such a beastly (over-) lord, that the concept of "forgiveness" (the essence of the Christian heresy) took the world by storm. The concept of "sin" was fashioned into the cross onto which the consciousness of believers was nailed by clerical elites. To Buddhists karma (the age-old Hindu concept of causality of retribution better its avoidance) was an overriding rule already half a millennium earlier. The administrators of YHWH formalized oral traditions into the Talmud in order to regain (cement) rabbinical power over their flock and crucified the threat to their teachings. Materialistic and spiritualistic Hindu sects based on the <Upanishads> (Hindu secret writings/ teachings) tried to stem the loss of "market share" due to the emergence of Buddhism/ Jainism, just like the Hadiths (sayings traditionally attributed to the prophet Muhammed) were added to the Koran (to enable the priesthood to attain and exert control over the "flock"?).

When technology emerging from western science required man to be educated, this minimized the hold of religion over western man and let the "arrow of progress" take his life away from him. We should not so much worry about ever "making it into" paradise/ heaven, but rather get concerned about the effects of the <Holocide> unleashed by fundamentalist monotheists which will turn our material world into a veritable hell. The worst crime of all, the <Geocide> perpetrated by elites organized into Secret Societies is never ever even talked about. When the Christian cross was transmogrified into the Mammonist arrow, the concept of "collateral damage" was implanted in the mind of the masses so as to make it acceptable that elitist planing results in chipping of the masses.

6. Kali Yuga - The Time without Morals and Ethics

Modern times came to an end, when (in Hindu terms) the "kali-yuga", immoral and virtueless times, started. While "Victorian morality" was a mainly elitist phenomenon, the First World War saw the total breaking down of ethics on a global scale.

By that time, the new materialistic religion of "Darwinism / Evolution" which had

replaced the G-D concept with serendipity (to "explain" the inexplicable) had taken a firm hold of Western mankind. The great leap forward in science and technology since the 'Scientific/Industrial Revolution' had turned the world into a slaughterhouse set within a wasteland.

In recognition of the unsustainable nature of the political and military *modus operandi*, slaves and later colonies were "freed" and the "Cold War" replaced actual butchery with the threat of it. While Mutually Assured Destruction kept an uneasy truce between the nuclear powers, technologically lesser-advanced nations decimated each other "conventionally" so as to permit continuous profitability of the makers of weapons. The masses never noticed that they were enslaved with the concept of consumer credit, which permitted them to enjoy the fruits of tomorrow's labor already today, while "liberalism" turned the whole world into one big colony. People find themselves now inside another perverted mandala. Much like caged hamsters inside a wheel - where they remain transfixed on the same spot regardless of the speed at which they "run". The new *modus operandi* of the financial elite is best called: *Disaster Capitalism*, the ultimate perversion of Schumpeter's (metabolic) *constructive destruction* (of communal achievements) into (parasitic) *destructive creation* (of elitist profits).

7. "Who is not with us is against us..."

Like all fundamentalisms, the 'American Empire' concept requires supplanting consensual alliances with illegal unilateralism and all those not willing to condone this kind of action are declared 'evil'. The 'Clash of Civilizations', for many years drummed into western consciousness by genocidal maniacs has been initiated unilaterally and a 'Newtonian' reaction must be considered a systemic sequitur by logical thinkers. As long as this concept is propagated by the (new and truly) Evil Empire, any talk of peace is just dadaistic babble. That can also serve as a comment on the communication mode of the 42/43 President of the Union of Sadomasochist Amoralians.

A Buddhist/ Jain alternative to the Mammonist way of viewing the world, offering a non-violent, fair and equitable *modus vivendi* for mankind is maybe a viable alternative. The (largely invisible) *systemic terrorism* perpetrated on all the world by states and globalism (a.k.a. corporatism fascism) is causing *symptomatic terrorism* which makes "good copy" and sells weapons/ "security systems".

The world at large is making a distinction with regards of Americans which they themselves are incapable of; they are perplexed by the results of opinion polls which show that people still like "us" (them- as individuals) but abhor what "we" (they- as a nation) do. Americans need to be told, that "us" and "we" are not two entirely different entities, but simply a quantitative distinction (better: simply *fractals*). The pseudo-science of (mass-) psychology has sprung up to let elites channel personal spirituality and good will into mass hubris and genocidal wars.

8. Scientific Myopia and World Views - Common Bedfellows

Any review of "World Views" will show that they do not derive from scientific knowledge, but we realize with horror, that (present day) scientific method is largely controlled by World Views! Science deals with approximations of reality; scientists “sell” these approximations to the general public as if they were realities. Institutional science lives in permanent denial of the fact that formerly used methodology (“Baconian Scientific Method”) has been prevented from being adapted to new knowledge by paradigmatic encapsulation. The result of this is that academia and the general population are “dumbed down” with popularizations of “science” that describe little and explain less.

Whenever his ability to comprehend failed man the “creator”, he resorted to religion or simply ignored the facts that did not fit the dogma. From this emerged innumerable apocalyptic views of the "future". Some of those, from as disparate fields as politics and environmentalism to medicine and technology to "Peak Oil" and total meltdown of the financial system appear as materialized Judeo-Christian eschatology. The *hoi polloi* are conditioned to confuse cause and effect.

Politics, militarism and terrorism of the present, together posing as post-modern economy (here called Globalism) appear very much like baited traps for a returning "Messiah" to lead "chosenites" and their willing coalition partners into paradisaical bliss at the expense of humanity and Gaia.

9. Cognitive Dissonance and Intuitive Resonance

In order to understand the way that "popular consensus" regarding immoral, counter-productive and illogical concepts put forward by sociology, economy, politics and other fields is manufactured, we need to apply the concept of "*cognitive dissonance*". It enables people of all walks of life to disregard manifest reality in favor of beliefs held because of religious creeds, scientific paradigms or political persuasions. They in turn are reduced to the materialistic <more is better>.

Wanting to be ‘good’ we all are prey to ‘*intuitive resonance*’, and act in ‘*politically correct*’ ways without realizing, that we condone the unethical machinations of elites uncritically because of ignorance. The toxic concept of ‘consumer credit’ has pauperized the formerly affluent society to a degree that the bipolar world of political- and economic ‘isms’ of yesteryear has become the dichotomy of 'having' and ‘needing’. Because of elicited cognitive dissonance and construed intuitive resonance, mankind does not realize that ‘Globalism’ is shorthand for a socialist-/ fascist *modus operandi* for the elites and capitalist *modus vivendi* for the enslaved masses.

10. The Dumbing Down Machine

The conspiracy of churches, science and politics - here called the *Dumbing Down Machine*, uses shamelessly cognitive dissonance and intuitive resonance which

people have been sublimely infested with in such a fiendish way that they now believe that these operators of the common subconscious have been adapted as survival strategies in an ever more confusing world. At a time when communications technology and the internet deliver information in ever increasing amounts, many mistake intellectual garbage and subliminal messaging as "news". The general public is served up a menu of “infotainment”, garnished with “infomercials” that to all intents and purposes constitutes an extremely unbalanced mental diet harmful to most and lethal to many.

The global media are covering up the machinations of the military-industrial complex - considering the common ownership this does not come as a surprise. The most egregious cases of misrepresentation of facts, biased reporting and outright lies expose what really drives that which we usually call "history". The *opulent modus operandi* of the elites is only possible because of the miserable *modus vivendi* of the *de*-selected masses of sheeple that are enslaved by sacred oxymorons like “The Law”, “Demo-crazy” and “Free (Market) Economy”.

11. Divided We Stand

Religions, sciences and politics all work along the age-old Judaic principle which since Julius Caesar is called "*divide et impera*". This principle is applied on all levels to separate humans from their spiritual substrate - humanity. For a long time religious, ethnic and political differences were "used" to create the mayhem required to start off conflicts, which generate profits for elites from the misery of the masses. As Amschel Mayer (the founder of the Rothschild dynasty) was fond of saying: "*the best time to make money is when blood is flowing freely on the streets....*"

Since the end of WW II. a number of “regional unions” in terms of economical, military or/ and political cooperation have sprung up all over the world. Most of those include their former colonial “masters” or the New (Evil) Empire and are little else but cloaked neo-colonialism.

When manipulation of the American financial system caused a global stock-market crash and the collapse of the American Savings and Loans Banks, the western banking system called on their loans to the Communist countries and they tumbled like dominoes in 1989. With no more "enemy" the sole surviving superpower was in desperate need of a "*replacement monster*". Since the (still unexplained) atrocities of “9-11” the vilification of the Islamic World goes hand in glove with the protection-racket of Anti-Semitism. While the American Empire is collapsing, the deluded willing accomplices are seeking a “*new hero*”. As there seems to be no Achilles, will they gang up to serve Paris? The entire world finds itself in the kind of situation that Germany was in after the infamy of Versailles. Just like the German people then, all of humanity will be at the mercy of a 'messiah' who promises deliverance from the hardship imposed upon the masses by chosenite elites

12. In Arms They Trust

The "Washington Consensus", imposed upon the losers of the "Cold War" will have the same long-term effect as the "peace dictate of Versailles" after World War I and the "Nuremberg Laws after WW II." adding insult to injury will lead to global conflict and perpetuate the profits from manufacturing war material. Over 50% of the world's industrial production is arms related and there will never be a "peace dividend" for humanity, as that would cut into the dividends of the "gun smiths".

The "containment strategy" devised by the Truman administration was supplanted by Reagan's confrontational style and offense-oriented policies. G.W. Bush announced the strategy of preventing the rise of a challenging power and preemptive strikes against anybody wanting to achieve this aim. The first time around his election promise of "a more compassionate America" turned into "full spectrum dominance"; in 2004 he promised to "fight terrorism overseas" so as to ensure that Americans will tolerate to be terrorized at home by their government.

Nobody can predict how all this will play out - but the warnings are ominous! That George Soros and the mouthpieces of the Republican party were ditching G.W. Bush spelled disaster for his second presidency and the "American Empire" concept the biggest rats sensed that their ship was going down! The "attack on Iran" if and when it will be made by USrael will wipe both the biggest and the most effective parasite from the pages of history. What will be intended as an Iranian *kosher sausage* may well be the next *global Blutwurst*.

13. The Era of Phoney Wars

When Colin Powell announced in 2002 that "*we will bring democracy and Free Market Economy to the Arab World - if need be with atomic weapons*" he added another marked card into the deck: the wars on drugs and terrorism were just not generating enough "business" for the gun-smiths. There is one (one only!) lesson to be learned from the 2003 Iraq-"War": if and when the US government wants a war it gets a war. The US government does not rattle sabers- it un-sheaths them without any further ado.

All this to camouflage the fact that practically all major military conflicts of the last century were fought over oil and narcotic drugs. If America were to adopt European or Japanese efficiency standards, it would be totally independent of oil imports. Imagine an oil price of US \$ 10.00 per barrel (which were a realistic price for crude, were America not wasting probably more than it uses - forcing the global oil industry to overtax production capacity). If the use of drugs were de-criminalized (and sensibly controlled), agricultural production will again be profitable and would reduce the hunger in the world. The oil price hike in the New Millennium is as fictitious as is the value of the currency in which oil is still traded and when the US Dollar has gone the way of all human creations, there will be a peaceful respite for humanity. All signs at the time of writing are that the US \$ will be replaced by the

AMERO and that the role of Petro-Dollars will be assumed by a Petro-EURO or Gulf-DINAR which is rumored to be issued soon. As this will be just other fiat-currencies, the peaceful respite will be an ephemeral one. The AMERO will probably for quite some time be just a North-American medium facilitating internal trade. Unused American railroad-stock and the published future of the "Baltic Dry Index" herald hard times for the US of A. America has outsourced most productive capacity into "low-cost" regions and will poison itself with its gene-perverted agricultural produce. In late February 2009, as this is written, it would appear that also the days of the EURO are numbered the exposure to non-performing loans to former Eastern-Block nations is of such colossal proportions, that also this currency seems set to disappear under a mountain of newly printed snippets of colored paper.

Examining a long list of "un-saids" issues which are never touched upon by the Dumbing Down Machine (in order to maintain "political correctness") the Manifesto for Democratic Revolt makes it plain and obvious that the desperate situations of humanity and Gaia are caused by manipulations of economy and human minds.

14. Can Hegel be proven wrong?

Hegel is often quoted for saying that "*the only thing we can learn from history is that mankind does not learn from history*". That is where Hegel was wrong: because it is not mankind but elitist manipulation that does "make" history!

All revolutions to date have been hi-jacked and only proved James Burnham correct that revolutions only change the ruling elites. The blood of mankind spilled in the process was only "greasing the wheels". There are many calling at present for a "revolution to save the planet". All that any further revolution will do is bring the globe closer to the eschatological finale desired by the elite of the elites. Revolutions - axiomatically - are unlawful and unconstitutional and thus carry the seed of their own demise within them.

This is why it is argued here to learn from history and change tack: aware of the enormous power that we have as communities (despite our personal insignificance) being the electoral sovereign, we have to use this power to de-select the elites. This calls for awareness, communication and co-operation in solidarity.

All those who do not participate in democratic elections forgo the last right that they still have - to cast their vote! If everybody casts an *invalid* vote, then whoever is the numerical winner of the elections will have a mandate from his accomplices only (by definition a very small number). As the vast majority in this case had voted against any and all the "winners", they would in fact have no popular mandate. The Australian constitution proscribes for a "winner" a minimum of 7% of the popular

vote. Any number lower or close to this figure would trigger automatically a take-over by the people in the wake of such a 'Democratic Revolt'. Such an event were entirely legal and constitutional and would appear the only practicable way to stop the elites from dragging humanity into an ever accelerating vortex of greed and immorality.

15. The Dawn of the Age of post-Zionism / Globalization

The Information Age is beginning to expose “anti-Semitism” as oxymoronic “linguistic engineering”, a classic “protection racket” and a Weapon of Mass Deception. A brief review of the history of Zionism from the perspective of Systems Theory would suggest, that it “has had its time” and is bound to join the ever-increasing number of failed elitist concepts in the rubbish bin, which we commonly call “history”. Kevin MacDonald, one of the most astute commentators of chosenite behavior patterns notes that the “gloves are coming off” - the self-chosen will soon be regarded and treated as ordinary humans. What is the eventual fate of rabid dogs? Correct they are mercilessly put down after they have bitten too many victims!

Zionist scheming being one of the main driving forces of Globalism lets also this Weapon of Mass Destruction (of human culture and achievement) appear as a spent force. As there is nothing left to destroy (the post-modernist catch-phrase of “deconstruction” comes to mind as apt description of the *modus operandi* of Globalism) this veritable Holocaust is running out of fuel and the elites currently dancing a mad Hora on the cinders of previous common affluence will soon realize that they will have to either cease what they have been doing or leave the scene.

Until the present, the chosenites have been repeatedly expelled from countries (regions) that they had destroyed (or were in the process of destroying). With Globalism having started to eat its own children, chosenites find themselves in a unique situation: they have no place to go anymore which they have not yet wreaked havoc on! Maybe NASA could help them to find a place yet unspoilt by their scheming, to start all over again..... is that the reason for the frantic search of other planets in the Universe?

In a sense, we are witnessing a repetition of “history” just like Colonialism came to an end, when there were no more “white spots” on the global map, Globalism is at an end as there are no more regions not yet devastated by chosenite economic “slam dunk” and military “shock and awe”. They have thoroughly ruined the World.

The “New World Order” will soon be transposed into a “New Human Condition” we have to ask what kind of “collateral damage” we are willing to accept. The global economic downturn will reduce the American military behemoth into a whimpering economic pygmy when the fat dole cheque from its life-support system will fail to arrive in the premier state of USrael, this holocidal maniac will have to

accommodate with the owners of the land he squats on. Peace in the Middle East will be driven by American poverty just like its wars were only possible with the proceeds from American global carpet-bagging.

16. After the Democratic Revolt - Rule of Common Law

When Mahatma Gandhi (a covert Freemason and British Agent) incited a Democratic Revolt, he achieved the desired result - total refusal to cooperate with the British-freed India from foreign rule. Cut down by the bullets of an assassin in 1947, Gandhi could not implement his plan to decentralize all political processes and institutions and implement his plan of what decades later became a buzz-word: "Small Is Beautiful".

A similarly *peaceful, lawful, constitutional and orderly Democratic Revolt* as advocated here seems to be a prerequisite for Common Law ruling over humanity instead of elitist designs which effectively divide the populations of democratic states into masses without rights but plenty of obligations while the controlling elites have no obligations but are enjoying the “right” to do as they see fit.

To change this after the Democratic Revolt five major steps are suggested:

- (a) Reduce religious, political and economic organisation to the communal level. Governments have to implement hierarchically the will of the people.
- (b) Total demilitarization (no weapons- no war); there will be plenty of “scrap” to recycle to give Gaia (the living Earth) “a break”. Adopting highest efficiency standards and available technology/ search for alternatives - this will take a lot of “pressure” off Gaia.
- (c) Much smaller world population by way of raising standards of living (which is the only really effective contraceptive and reproductive disincentive) elevating Common Law above the laws made by elitist self interest.
- (d) Return economy to what the meaning of the Greek root-word implies; Industry has to be forced into metabolic ways and means of production. “Money” has to be turned from private interest into a common means to generate affluence.
- (e) Gaia has to be seen and treated as a real partner.

The New Human Condition will be possible only when hellish present as a *conditio sine qua non* for a paradisaical thereafter is rejected. The worst-off “believers” are those who consider “science” (better: *scientism*) as “for real” they are tricked in two ways:

1 - science only pretends to “know” the subject matter is in the *final analysis* simply unknowable. That Nobel-Prizes and other honors are bestowed on those who have mystified their subject matter to such an extent, that even the adept cannot “follow” them anymore, means little (if anything) *science is the echo off the wall of ignorance;*

2 - science has not now an universal aspect (did it ever?). It is pursued for and by elites. A barrister would simply mention “Apollo-Project ICBM's”, “Genetic Engineering Weapons of Mass Destruction, ask *cui bono* then rest his case!

My friend and mentor, micro-biologist and philosopher Pompeyo Andrade in far-off Ecuador alerted me to one of the most important “cultural” operators of mass-psychology: the ancient Greek concept of the Egregore: bad, satanic, inhumane the “other”. From early childhood, members of communities on all levels are “educated” to regard other people as alien, unworthy and, as the Talmudic religion preaches quite openly as a different species even. As omnivores, humans consider it a “natural” thing to kill for food. So why not kill for dominance?

Like in biology where every protagonist has its antagonist (from snake and mongoose to bacteria and microphages) also every new military technology has spurned human ingenuity to come up with an antidote. Because US President G.W. Bush decreed that the USA has the “sole right” to control space, Russian ingenuity came up with the means to pluck American satellites from the sky. That the first such event that hit the news was dubbed an “accident” to hide elitist perfidies ... or blunders. There will be other such “accidents” and then the world will be safe from American aggression from space at least. American aggression in air, water and on land will equally be met with strong resolve until America “behaves” like a normal country.

We have known for decades, that the combined nuclear arms inventories on Earth can kill every living thing on Earth hundreds of times over and one would have thought that the arms race would have been stopped in the knowledge of the systemic impossibility to ever “win” such a war. How many times can you kill some-thing? But No ever “better” (as in more lethal, more effective, more far reaching etc.) weaponry was invented. The latest “successes” of arms-technology are bombs that kill everything alive but leave inanimate objects intact, munitions that kill after initial contact by destroying all tissues without any way to stop the process, munitions that will alter the DNA of organisms, all of which goes to prove their sinister design to control the population by various methods.

As if this situation were not insidious enough it gets “better”: those who in the end get eradicated by these scientific discoveries have in fact financed the research! The deeper our questions dredge the abysmal “backyard” of the human condition, the more devastating the answers get: who paid for all the weapons that endanger all life on Earth? Was this all financed by some misanthropic zillionaire? Or some secret grouping? None of the like it was all paid for with the proceeds of the taxation fraud that all governments play on “their” people! It is like Cree Indian Dr. Buffy Sainte

Marie sang almost 50 years ago with her knife-sharp voice: '*... the orders come from here and there no more! They come from you and me and brothers can't you see this is not the way to put an end to war*'. Half a century and many American wars later we ask a similar question who pays for all this? Just as Buffy sang all these years ago it is you and me who pay for all the death and destruction!

But NO say you and me we never want that! We want peace, harmony, understanding and all that not war, not killing, not mayhem. We want to hear the shrill laughing of our children on the nicely trimmed lawn in the backyard not the agonizing whimper of the invalided veteran or the idiotic babble of his congenitally deformed offspring! All of that war-thing is because of some mad-men somewhere it's got nothing to do with us! We are peace-loving folk, intent on doing our own thing, putting our nose to the grindstone, paying our mortgage and contributing to our pension plan. War? That is something “others” do- we are not that kind. More than 10% of Americans live in abject poverty, while the American government pays uncountable amounts of money for its illegal wars of aggression and lavishes “aid” on Israel and so permits, condones and finances the Palestinian genocide, the Darfur genocide in short the De-Population Agenda (“Global 2000”) of whoever it was that came up with it during the Carter administration. It is curious to note, that “do-gooder” Jimmy Carter not only institutionalized the fraudulent Environmental Movement (he founded the EPA, a vote-catching gimmick that Richard Nixon had initially conceived...) but his purportedly humanist agenda did have a very pronounced sinister streak.

In Manifesto for Democratic Revolt, the Latin phrase “*dum possum volo*” keeps popping up. It means: *I want because I can*. It denotes the if that kind of reasoning is permitted “mechanical” aspect of Liberalism. It explains a lot and if only to thinking people.

When those who consider a “Green Card” a desirable item examine their wishes logically, then they will see that they want this item so as to be able to partake in the virtual benefits of American “culture”. What they never consider is the dour fact that American culture is based on a syllogism: if you are an “American” in America you have a nice life to be an “American” you have to be a White Anglo-Saxon if you are not a White Anglo-Saxon in America you are a slave. Hardly anybody *inside* America is aware of being a slave to chosenites; what wonder thus, that people who *all over the world* who have had their cognitive apparatus jammed with a fake picture of a fake “culture” by soap operas like “Dallas” and the chosenite trash from Hollywood - still want to get a Green Card? Just to have a chance to be “Survivors” in the struggle of the Masses against elitist machinations?

The undoing of the “outsourcing” has already begun Indian call-centers for multinational cost-savers may soon be a thing of the past. The present housing crisis

in the USofA undoes the 'American Dream' at alarming speed. What used to be a nightmare for the Rest of the World is becoming fast an American reality. Again an indeterminate article is used as this reality will not (so they hope) affect the American elites.

Nothing less than a DEMOCRATIC REVOLT will undo the glaring inequalities in the Land of the Proud and the Free (and everywhere else for that matter). As their financial freedom is a thing of the past their pride will soon turn into shame and dependency!

The election of Hussain Barack Obama or HBO to the American presidency can be seen as the outcome of an elitist tussle: John McCain, the remotely controlled puppet for the Military-Industrial Complex would, as new American president, have turned all of the Middle East into rubble. What would that have achieved? HBO however, as the remotely controlled puppet of Brzezinski et al. will continue the encirclement of Russia and precipitate another war in the Old World. America has profited handsomely two times from a Europe in ruins. Profit is what the controlling chosenite elites are after. In this we may see the real change that HBO will “bring” to a world that has set high hopes in him: he will change the battlefield.

The writing of the History of Peace may well have to be postponed yet again! In accordance with the First Law of Predictions by AC Clarke it is not postulated here that peace is impossible - as it isn't! But if peace should come, then it will be in a way which we have never even thought possible as per the Second Law of Predictions! It has to be feared that lasting peace on Earth will not come in a consensual way but rather as a sequitur of a war so devastating, that there is simply nothing left worth fighting over (and with)! Without forgiveness, there simply will be no peace.



MODELING RESTORATION STEPS TO CREATING A WORLD WITHOUT WARS

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Today we are becoming more and more aware that wars begin in the human mind, that wars are simply a ‘larger’ version of crime, especially on the side of the aggressor. Centuries of experience and modern psychology are teaching us that a cease-fire alone is not enough to create lasting peace. Every act of violence leaves victims with not only physical but also deep emotional scars. War is an accumulation of acts of violence and, therefore, long after the external destruction has been restored the internal scars still linger on.

When emotions of hate and resentment are not restored, they are the source of conflict or even wars in the future. Fifty years after the end of World War II the Women's Federation for World Peace started a unique initiative called the ‘Sisterhood Movement’ or ‘Bridge of Peace’ to end the resentments and hate accumulated during WW II and during other historical conflicts.

Through this new social technology, women who have the desire to create lasting peace and who have in mind the future world we bequeath our children and future generations, come together and unite as sisters crossing over the borderlines of enmity leaving the destructive past behind.

At such a Bridge Ceremony or Sisterhood Ceremony two women from two previously warring or enemy nations or ethnic groups come from either side of a symbolic bridge and, walking towards each other, choose to turn away from a history of conflict and misunderstanding.

Before meeting, they bow to each other moving towards respect and acceptance of one another. They then embrace, taking steps to forge a new partnership as ‘sisters’ working together to create a more peaceful world.

This public statement in a thoughtfully created environment complete with music, makes this moment really historical. Deep emotions are often evoked as participants squarely face the realisation of how much suffering and misunder- standing there has

been on both sides those of the ‘victors’ as well as the victims. Tears are common proof of the transforming experience that naturally flow from sincere taking of responsibility; new-found respect; deep regret at any role played by themselves or associated others that violated the other; and the making of a new commitment to another person in a meaningful environment. Tears also mark the deep happiness and new hope felt through these unions.

Resolving Emotional Tragedies of War

Over 200,000 sister-couples were first forged between Korean and Japanese women in 1994 restoring the deep wounds of 40 years of Japanese occupation that Korea suffered through before 1945. This was a seriously needed healing for some of the Korean "comfort women" and their families. Then in 1995 and 1996, 20,000 more sister-pairs were made in the USA between American and Japanese women, many who had put their lives back together after losing loved ones in the war.

Europe took on this idea and the first European Sisterhood

Conference took place between Austrian and Czech women in Vienna, April, 1995. Other countries followed this example. A Bridge of Peace was built between Germany and Poland, Germany and Russia; England and Ireland; Hungary and Slovakia; Japan and France; and Japan and England. The Bridges of Peace held in the UK and other European countries between different religions, contributed greatly to a better understanding and stronger community cohesion. Austria built the Bridge with six more neighbor countries. Among these, a Bridge Ceremony was held with ladies from Croatia and Bosnia shortly after their war had stopped. This became a most remarkable experience. At that time, a few days in the countryside of Austria where they received an open hearted "sister" became a substantial source of new hope!

What comes after these ceremonies? The Bridge of Peace is a very meaningful first step to forging partnerships for peace. How these relationships develop afterward vary greatly, according to the individuals, their proximity (or lack of) and many other circumstances. Sometimes the relationship that develops may be as simple as a pen-pal type of friendship. Often, over the years, sisters visit one another, start projects together or simply take

something back to their homes from this ceremony that they did not previously have - a model for "restoring," hurt, broken or violated relationships.

Four Key Elements of Restoring Relationships

This ceremony employs and underlines four main elements essential to establishing peaceful relationships:

1. Responsibility: We break the chains of victimization by first realizing that our resentments and anger are emotions that poison and debilitate ourselves and prohibit

us from entertaining any other kind of thoughts and actions than those that sustain the anger and relieve the reasons for resentment. Then, as we take the reins of responsibility and guide our thinking, speaking and actions beyond anger and resentment (the trademarks of a victim), we liberate ourselves from being a victim, even if our environment continues to seek to control our lives.

2. Respect: By recognizing the rights of the other, no matter who they are, we are able to open our minds up to the possibility of a solution. Without a foundation of respect, the only kind of relationship possible is that of "use and abuse" and so perpetuation of the cycle of conflict.

3. Regret & Renewal: A Personal Cease-fire: As we take responsibility we have the strength to see the things within ourselves that possibly our action led to the abuse of others. So as not to perpetuate conflict in our own lives, we need to hold a personal ‘cease-fire’ precipitated by self-awareness and honest assessment of our own actions.

4. Commitment: As we newly embrace our partner of peace, be they sister, spouse, friend or family member, we seal our personal commitment to one another and the task of self-development ahead.

Participants in the Ceremony therefore experience the transformational power of employing these "internal" skills. This potent model of restorative relationships is both an experience and a resource for those who experience it.

Protégées no longer, those who choose to utilize this new social technology take it with them to multiply this knowledge in their homes, their communities and even between nations.

As an individual actively chooses to understand restoration processes and initiate changes in themselves, their families and communities, so we are directly undermining the cycle of crime, conflict, resentment and justification for further crime and conflict. It is not enough to say, “No, this is wrong. Don’t fight. Don’t violate”. We have to show people how to do something that produces different, dramatic and real results that perpetuate cycles of healing, opportunity and development rather than crime and conflict.

As people explore and better understand the opportunities created by ‘restorational’ activities such as the Bridge of Peace, new doors open for individuals, their families and nations, that draw on our innate creativity rather than destructive reactions. Another key point is that participants of this initiative do not need any special training, degrees or education prior to participating in a ceremony - just a spark of awareness resulting in the willingness to personally contribute to a culture of peace and non-violence.

Addressing the Cause of Conflict in Domestic Violence, Crime and War

The Bridge of Peace continues today to be used where there are conflicts due to race and religion, ethnic difference, gender and generation differences. It is also, and most importantly, used to restore and strengthen humanity's most elemental social relationship - the marriage partnership that gives birth to, cradles and houses humanity in its various states ranging from primitive violence to enlightened interdependence.

Therefore, WFWP consistently seeks to address the issue of restoration at all levels including the need for the restoration of the most elemental (procreative) social relationship between man-woman, the health of which is a key to the health of all our social systems. WFWP focuses on the marriage partnership in its role as model and progenitor of “violence or interdependence” for the generations and social structures that follow.

Dr. Leo Rebello: To my mind this is a very effective social tool in the peace process. This fine experiment could very well be extended at the very top level. For example, if US first lady Michelle Obama were to meet say Ms. Saddam Hussein to understand her side and dress her wounds, what a palpable change it would bring to international diplomacy. Possibly, this may influence Ms Obama so much that she may start thinking for the world's children rather than only her two daughters; be able to influence her powerful husband to look at Iraq from a more humane angle and, perhaps, prevail on him to withdraw the US troops from Iraq forthwith. Wives of leaders do have the power to change the decisions of their husbands. The first ladies could take more active part in the peace process by bringing ‘heart management’ (of women) to ‘mind manipulation’ (of men).



WAR IS NOT 'CHANGE WE CAN BELIEVE IN'

- John Dear

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Dr. Leo Rebello's note: Here is a Catholic priest who lives his religion. In this article he expresses everything I believe about war and especially about the US war on the Afghan people. I nominated him for Peace Nobel in 2008. Obama says he believes in diversity. Let him read this book and work for change. Rather than only playing to the gallery with his rhetoric and becoming a pawn in the hands of powerful, let him listen to the world opinion and from a puny American President become a World Statesman.

President Obama's plans to send tens of thousands of more US soldiers to Afghanistan are a recipe for brewing a disaster. It will bring about the death of more children, yet do nothing to thwart terrorist attacks against us. One cannot fight terrorism by war because war itself is terrorism. The British, Soviets, and the Bush administration have unleashed violence already on the broken, desolate land -- and all have failed. Obama's soldiers will fare no better.

This is not “change we can believe in”. The plan smacks of musty, failed policy -- warmaking as an instinctive recourse, empire as usual. What we need is “nonviolent change we can believe in”. I propose the immediate removal of our troops and a massive inflow of aid to abolish poverty, illiteracy and disease. In Afghanistan and Iraq. War will fail to cut the roots of terrorism. Active peacemaking is the only solution.

You might expect such thoughts from me. But one can come to the same conclusions by other routes, even by the route of politics. Former senator George McGovern addressed Obama in a recent editorial in *The Washington Post*.

Please do not try to put Afghanistan aright with the US military. To send our troops out of Iraq and into Afghanistan would be a near-perfect example of going from the frying pan into the fire.... Military power is no solution to terrorism. The hatred of US policies in the Middle East--our occupation of Iraq, our backing for repressive regimes such as Egypt and Saudi Arabia, our support of Israel--that drives the terrorist impulse against us would better be resolved by ending our military presence throughout the arc of conflict. This means a prudent, carefully directed withdrawal of

our troops from Iraq, Afghanistan, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, and elsewhere. We also need to close down the imposing US military bases in this section of the globe, which do so little to expand our security and so much to stoke local resentment.

McGovern proposes instead that the US work with the UN World Food program and other agencies to provide a nutritious lunch every day for every school-age child in Afghanistan and other poor countries. This would be a minimum, as far as I'm concerned. We should also make restitution for every nation where we have ever killed a single child. Rabbi Michael Lerner writes that we need an entirely new economic structure at home, one that would lead to a new global Marshall plan for the elimination of global poverty.

South African Archbishop Desmond Tutu argues that the US should build thousands of schools in Afghanistan, Iraq and elsewhere. I would add hospitals, clinics, homes, and everything else that we've destroyed. "We will never win a war against terror as long as the conditions for poverty and injustice remain", he says. "Poverty breeds terrorism. So we should stop spending billions on weapons of destruction and instead feed the hungry people of the world. Then we'll stop terrorism".

It's the very theme taken up in the best-selling story of Greg Mortenson, *Three Cups of Tea*. An injured mountain climber, nursed to health by Pakistani locals, he departed for home having made them a promise out of gratitude - to raise the money to build the villagers a school. One school went up, then another - all told, 50 schools were raised in the desolate regions of Afghanistan and Pakistan. Mortenson has done more to end terrorism than the billions bled from US coffers to deploy troops and launch bombers.

Mortenson shows us a good blueprint for peace in Afghanistan. The most developed blueprint comes from "September 11 Families for Peaceful Tomorrows". They have composed a "primer for activists" which outlines a few unpopular truths. (www.peacefultomorrows.org).

1. U.S. and NATO occupation creates civilian casualties, angering Afghans.
2. Military occupation has hampered humanitarian aid and reconstruction efforts.
3. Afghan women continue to face violence and oppression under the occupation.
4. U.S. policy has empowered warlords, drug lords and the Taliban.
5. The occupation contributes to violence and destabilization for ordinary Afghans, including refugees.
6. NATO allies and military leaders are questioning the occupation.
7. U.S. troop casualties in Afghanistan are on the rise.
8. Afghans are calling for a negotiated end to the war.
9. Military escalation will only increase the violence, and potentially lead to a wider war involving nuclear-armed Pakistan.
10. Military occupation of Afghanistan does not curb terrorism

They propose eight recommendations for change:

1. Set a swift timetable for the withdrawal of US and NATO military forces, to be substituted by U.N. forces for short-term security.
2. Immediately cease air strikes on targets in Afghanistan and Pakistan.
3. Support negotiations between all parties involved in the conflict, including Afghan women leaders.
4. Reform humanitarian aid and reconstruction funding efforts to prioritize Afghan organizations over foreign contractors. Ensure that funded projects address the needs and requests of Afghans and are not simply pet projects of foreign donors.
5. Invest in long-term aid that increases self-reliance such as sustainable agriculture efforts.
6. Immediately discontinue the use of Provincial Reconstruction Teams, which are costly, inefficient, and have militarized the aid process.
7. Standardize, increase, and publicly document compensation to Afghan families and communities affected by US military actions.
8. Sign the treaty to ban cluster bombs, pay for cluster bomb and landmine cleanup in Afghanistan, and pledge never to use these weapons again.

The Obama Administration needs to hear this message and the world's cry for peace. One hears it from every quarter, from the new book, *Afghan Dreams: Young Voices of Afghanistan*, (Bloomsbury) to plans for a massive "Global March for Peace and Nonviolence", involving over a million people in 90 countries on six continents (see: www.worldmarchusa.net).

From every quarter, the message is clear: War is obsolete. War doesn't work. The days of war are over. We want nonviolent solutions for nonviolent breakthroughs to a new world of nonviolence.

"We've tried and tested every form of violence", **Lech Walesa** has said, "and not once in the entire course of human history has anything good or lasting come from it".

And from the **Dalai Lama**: "If we look at history, we find that in time, humanity's love of peace, justice and freedom always triumphs over cruelty and oppression. This is why I am such a fervent believer in nonviolence. Violence begets violence. Violence means only one thing: suffering. This small planet should be completely demilitarized".

As a Catholic, I add: war is not the way to follow Jesus. Indeed, Jesus says that whatever you do to the least of these, you do to me. In our wars, not only do we make Christ poor, hungry, homeless, sick and imprisoned, we kill him all over again.

So I urge us to resist the US government's plans for more war. Make phone calls, write letters, lobby, speak out, organize, march, pray, fast and protest for the end of US war on Afghanistan -- all of this toward a wider view: for a new culture of nonviolence.

WORLD NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT

- Rafael de la Rubia



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"The unleashed power of the atom has changed everything save our modes of thinking, and thus we drift toward unparalleled catastrophe".

- **Albert Einstein**

1. THE CONCEPT OF ALL OUT WAR

Nuclear terrorism exercised by countries in possession of these weapons was developed for an "all out war" that consists of developing powerful war industries to

(a) Destroy the economic, technological and cultural bases of the opponent's national power. (b) Exterminate their available human resource (people and communities) and (c) Destroy the maximum of their infrastructure. *All the above-mentioned in the shortest possible time.*

This nuisance began with the American civil war; it matured in Europe during the First World War and became the way of making war in the Second World War. It was this disintegration of human morality, this lust for blood that made the development of nuclear weapons possible and the decision of most of the high officials of the US government that the targets of the Atomic bombs would be cities with military facilities and "densely populated workers' hometowns". Civilians were thus a deliberate target. We should remember that the war between Japan and the US was not only a war for the empire, but as a war over oil. Then as now Oil guzzling by America has kept the wars in different regions of the world going.

2. THE COLD WAR

In July 1945 in Alamo Gordo, New Mexico, the army tested the A Bomb whilst President Harry Truman went to Potsdam to meet with his two war-time allies, the British Prime Minister, Winston Churchill and the chief of the Soviet Communist Party, Josef Stalin. During the discussion an assistant whispered into Truman's ear that the North American atomic test had been successful. With such weapons at their disposal, Truman no longer needed the Soviets to contain Germany. Truman's advisers also convinced him of using not one, but two atomic bombs in Japan. *Political post-war reason, not military ones, demanded such a decision - to impose*

the new "North American order". The Secretary of State James Byrnes was terrified by the thought that the Soviets would have an important role in the reconstruction of Europe in terms of what that could mean for North American investments and trade.

In terms of "all out war", the attacks with A bombs, US academics agree now that, there were essentially four reasons to go ahead with the bombings:

(1) To put an end to the war before the Soviet Union entered the fight, thereby gaining geo-political strategic advantages for the Cold War, as well as limiting Soviet influence in the north of China, Manchuria, Korea and even Japan.

(2) To send a message to Stalin that demonstrated the apocalyptic power of nuclear weapons and the US's will to use them, even against civilians.

(3) To help ensure Truman's re-election as president in 1948.

(4) As an act of vengeance.

In the course of the two years following the end of the war, high officials in Washington and London designed what became the Cold War; they used the media and rhetoric in a very ingenious way *to transform the true image of a mutilated USSR (The Soviet armed forces had defeated the Nazis at a cost of more than 20 millions dead and other 20 million wounded, 200 important Soviet cities destroyed, hundreds of burnt towns and razed fields during the German retreat, a Soviet army lacking in clothing and food) into an Evil Empire USSR, planning immediate aggression against Western Europe to later conquer - the rest of the world.*

3. POWER OF INTIMIDATION IN PUSHING FOR IMPERIAL ASPIRATION

The US, with an imperial aspiration that extends from Mexico to the Middle East and from Berlin to Bangkok, deploying an overwhelming conventional force in remote domains of the empire has implied significant challenges, just as we see today in the Iraqi war. Therefore, Washington has frequently seen the need to threaten a nuclear attack to maintain the control of their domains or to expand them. The fact that the US has used them, gives it a lot of power and credibility in its capacity to do so again. Nuclear weapons are the heart of US security system.

4. THE INDUSTRIAL MILITARY COMPLEX

During the first decade of the Cold War, the US held almost a complete sway in what concerns nuclear weapons. The United States expenditure in nuclear weapons has increased by 84% since 1995, reaching 40,000 million dollars. This budget maintains about 10,000 nuclear missiles, 2,000 of which are in a state of maximum alert. Nonetheless, US tell North Korea (supposedly in possession of two nuclear warheads) that its nuclear program "puts humanity in danger."

At the present time three big arms corporations (Lockheed Martin, Boeing, and Northrop Grumman), by means of their influence in all the offices of federal contracting, manage to get the biggest contracts in the so-called "Global War Against Terrorism". They also obtain contracts and earnings from Space Project to colonise the Moon and to send a manned mission to Mars that will spearhead a new arms race in space.

Rooted formally inside NATO, (the great State military-imperial locomotive of the US and its partners), they protect the conquering strategies of their multinational's spread through the whole dependent geography of Asia, Africa and Latin America. China, the United States, France, Great Britain and Russia, were until 1998 the only declared nuclear powers. In 1970, they signed the Non Proliferation Treaty, to legitimize the "club" as a democratic and pacifist entity. *All the countries of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) that have American nuclear missiles in their territory voted in favour of a UN resolution that demands the "reduction of non-strategic nuclear weapons"*. This is the "axis of evil".

5. US: THE TERRORIST STATE

On December 31 2002, the American War Department published a document called *Nuclear Posture Review* that claimed the need to produce "an effective device to penetrate the earth to allow underground objectives". After this the Senate repealed the prohibition to produce nuclear weapons in the US.

The idea of the Pentagon is to manufacture "small" nuclear weapons, with a power between 5% and 10% of that of Hiroshima's, designed to penetrate deeply into the earth and to blow up bunkers. US strategists want to have those smart weapons for a possible aggression against e.g. Iran or North Korea if relationships continue to deteriorate.

The Pentagon has a new nuclear doctrine that represents a direct threat to a large part of the world. The "Nuclear Posture Review" document maintains that the United States will use nuclear weapons first against a country that represents a serious threat, even if that country does not have nuclear weapons.

The document refers to seven nations as potential targets: North Korea, China, Iran, Iraq, Libya, Russia and Syria. In this way and in one sweep, the United States threatens two thirds of humanity and the two biggest countries in the world: China and Russia. (The document says that they could consider a nuclear attack in a confrontation over Taiwan). It seems the Pentagon did not consider that those two countries are officially part of its "war on terror". The Chinese government showed itself "deeply alarmed" by the document. But the circles of power in Washington remain unperturbed in front of world opinion or these reflections.

The document says that if Israel were to be attacked, the Pentagon would consider a nuclear response. Needless to say that Israel has plenty of nuclear weapons and that for decades it has been a threat to Iraq and other neighbours. Washington promoted the Non Proliferation Treaty and the treaty of prohibition of nuclear tests for decades because they helped preserve the monopoly of nuclear weapons in the hands of a few imperialistic countries. Now those agreements are no longer convenient: it doesn't want any limitation and believes that brute force is the best way to keep other countries in line.

Washington has declared "its hands will not be tied" by international treaties. It has withdrawn from the Kyoto global warming treaty. Then it announced it has suspended the 1972 Antiballistic Missiles Treaty, elaborated to stop the arms race. This new military doctrine hits hard on two other treaties: the one on prohibition of nuclear tests and the 1974 Non Proliferation Treaty.

This plan has weakened the non-proliferation system, encouraging other states to acquire nuclear weapons and widening the circumstances for their use. The document blurs the distinction between deterrence and warfare use by suggesting the development of new nuclear weapons. This strategy also contravenes the 1970 Nuclear Non Proliferation Treaty (NPT) that committed nuclear powers to the objective of final nuclear disarmament.

By seeing enemies everywhere the United States confirms the beliefs of those who want to create such dangers everywhere and by threatening them it creates and/or strengthens enemies everywhere. All this has set in motion Iran and North Korea's wheel of paranoia and it has fed China's fears regarding the United States' intentions. This posture has unleashed a new nuclear arms race in a dozen countries.

The United States has demonstrated clearly with the invasion of Iraq that it is openly in defiance of international law. Nor does it recognise the United Nations Charter, international treaties and agreements, the sovereignty of nations and furthermore, with its Fascist doctrine of preventative war they have reserved for themselves the right to declare who can have weapons of mass destruction and who should not have them. For example Pakistan and Israel can have those weapons, as long as North Korea and Iran do not.

The document points out at the beginning: "Weapons of mass destruction - nuclear, biological and chemical possessed by hostile states and terrorists represent one of the biggest challenges faced by US security". Notice that the text points out that these weapons represent a danger in hands of "hostile states and terrorists". Washington as we already observed reserves the right to decide on the benevolence or wickedness of each State, as well as who are the "good" terrorists and who are the "bad" terrorists.

6. INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AND OUTER SPACE.

The threat to security and to outer space is increased with the growth of Nuclear Weapons and the Arms Race. To demand strict compliance with the Non Proliferation Treaty to preserve “social and international order” is a right proclaimed in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Art.28.

Security is, indeed, a legitimate concern of the State, because it affects its independence, its sovereignty and its autonomy.

A malfunction of space weapons would affect not only security but it could also translate into a nuclear catastrophe. In the current nuclear age, the only possible security is that of the whole of humanity, not via the road of Technological and Military resources, but through political efforts that allow the maintenance of weapons outside space and to carry out Nuclear Disarmament.

Today about 433 nuclear reactors generate 17% of the world's electricity, and in 8 countries more than 40% of the electric power comes from nuclear sources. Due to this the International Atomic Energy Agency promotes the use of atomic energy with peaceful ends and it establishes norms of nuclear security and environmental protection.

Kinetic energy weapons - (electromagnetic weapons) produce actions on electrical and magnetic fields where certain materials, such as iron, are mutually attracted. Kinetic energy and directed energy weapons - are space weapons. Among kinetics weapons we can find rockets, electromagnetic weapons (railguns) and weapons of directed energy; lasers: chemicals, free electrons, x rays; radiofrequency weapons: weapons of rays of particles: rays of charged particles and rays of neutral particles. It would be necessary to guarantee that the use of these weapons in laboratories do not have a noxious effect on the security and the well being of society.

The corner-stone of the "regime of non-proliferation of nuclear weapons", is the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty. It is an international treaty whose objective is to impede dissemination of nuclear weapons and technologies, to promote cooperation in the peaceful use of nuclear energy and to achieve nuclear disarmament and total general disarmament. It is a binding instrument in the form of a multilateral treaty whose objective is the disarmament of States in possession of nuclear weapons. The Treaty was adopted by the United Nations in 1968 and became official in 1970. From that moment it has been the main element of the global system for nuclear non-proliferation. 188 States have adhered to the Treaty, including five owners of nuclear weapons (China, the United States, France, the United Kingdom and Russia). Only three countries of the 191 States that form, at present, the international community remains outside the treaty, being at the same time the only countries that have nuclear weapons that are not part of the NPT. These countries are India, Israel and Pakistan.

7. GLOBAL SITUATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS

Nuclear weapons are warfare devices that liberate great amounts of energy and have a high destructive and pollutant power over the environment and people. The emergence of the first atomic bomb marked a turning point in human history. From there onwards the human race had the possibility for the first time in all its history to totally self-destruct.

The current situation by country is as follows: Countries that manufacture nuclear weapons, continue with their development and store them: 10,500 in the USA, 20,000 in Russia, 185 in the United Kingdom, 450 in France, 200 in Israel, 30-50 in Pakistan, 30-40 in India and 400 in China.

Countries that are unofficially considered to be working to be able to manufacture a nuclear weapon: Libya, Egypt, Syria, Iran, and North Korea. Countries that possess the capacity to enrich uranium (one of the main elements to produce atomic weapons): USA, Russia, China, Holland, United Kingdom, Germany, France, Brazil and Japan. Recently Argentina announced its readiness to enrich uranium again in its nuclear plants.

It is necessary to highlight that these countries also have submarines and other ships with nuclear weapons deployed around the world. That is to say, that today any human being in any point of the world is exposed to an attack with a nuclear weapon.

8. CONSEQUENCES OF THE USE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN THE PAST.

From the creation of the A-Bomb and the first hydrogen bomb, some countries began to carry out tests with atomic explosions to be able to regulate and standardise their nuclear weapons. Initially these tests were carried out at ground level, but this brought unwanted consequences (acid rain, contamination, exposure to radioactivity, etc.)

The present data on nuclear tests is as follows: United States: 1,054 nuclear tests (Nevada, Marshall Islands, Alaska, Colorado, Mississippi, New Mexico, etc.) and two nuclear attacks (Hiroshima and Nagasaki). Soviet Union: between 715 and 969 detonations (Semipalatinsk, Novaya Zemlya, Kazajstan, Turkmenistan and Ukraine). France: 210 detonations (mainly in Algeria and in Polynesia). Great Britain: 45 nuclear explosions (21 in Australian territory, etc.). China: 45 detonations (23 atmospheric and 22 underground, in Lop Nur, Malan, Xinjiang). India: 5 or 6 detonations (Pokhran). Pakistan: 3 or 6 detonations (Chagai Hills).

9. PROJECTION ON THE CONSEQUENCES THAT THE USE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS WOULD HAVE AT THE PRESENT HISTORICAL MOMENT ON

WORLD POPULATION

The holders of nuclear weapons say they have protective systems in place in case of a nuclear attack. Even if this were true, that level of decision-making by people who permanently cause wars throughout the world does not constitute a guarantee for anybody. The decision of returning an attack or not it should happen in the first 10 minutes of the first attack. If to this pressure in response time, we add the psychological impact caused by an attack, the characteristic confusion of any critical moment and the political and personal pressures, the possibilities that somebody may decide with common sense decreases almost to zero. These conditions can cause a chain reaction in all countries with nuclear weapons and produce revenge catastrophe resulting in an almost total destruction of the human race. Those who survive an attack of this magnitude would have serious difficulties getting food and water. All the water, the soil and all the food affected by the explosion or the radioactive rain remain contaminated for a long time.

Human beings exposed to the explosion up to a radius of 13 km will receive burns over more than 25% of the body. If death does not happen in the first 30 days of exposure to radiation, any mature person has many possibilities to contract cancer up to several years after the explosion. Permanent genetic alterations that may affect several later generations not exposed to the explosion also take place. Another way that affects people directly is the lung damage caused by the abrupt increase in atmospheric pressure that takes place. There is also high risk from the *radioactive rain* since radioactive nuclei become absorbed into the food chain. This can be so for the foods ingested by people and by animals. The serious psychological damage taking place in the populations should be added to all this.

10. STRATEGY AND POSSIBLE ACTIONS OF THE HUMANIST MOVEMENT.
It seems possible and necessary that, as the Humanist Movement, we put our intention in generating a great world movement in favour of disarmament and peace. The central demands we outline for this great movement we want to set in motion are the following:

- 1. Total nuclear disarmament now
- 2. That all invading armies abandon occupied territories, and,
- 3. Progressive and proportional disarmament of conventional weapons of mass destruction (including biological and chemical ones) in all regions.

A relevant point regarding this conflict is the lack of knowledge that exists about this situation, among the masses, due to the disinformation promoted by governments, the banking system and the interests of the industrial military complex.

WORLD PEACE OR MASS DESTRUCTION
THE ONLY EFFECTIVE WAY FOR WORLD PEACE

- Horace Henderson



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The recent overwhelming worldwide approval of the treaty for an international war crimes court and the treaty to abolish land mines are the most important developments in international cooperation since the founding of the United Nations in 1945. At long last, it is evident that the people of the world are finally determined to do whatever is necessary to put an end to brutal wars that have decimated so many millions of human beings, and they are now demanding the mandatory enforcement of international law for the establishment and maintenance of human rights and world order. Most significantly, it also demonstrates that the great majority of human beings everywhere now recognize that some of their national sovereignty must be subjected to the application of the rule of international law if civilization is to be saved from a nuclear holocaust.

Thus the good news is that the majority of nations, as well as the United Nations itself, have also demonstrated their support for a Treaty (Convention) for the Peaceful Settlement of International Disputes. Moreover, the principles of such a treaty or convention have been approved by the World Peace Through Law Center in 1967, the International Law Association in 1974, the United Nations in 1982, the American Bar Association in 1984, and the Ministers of the Non-Aligned Nations in 1989. Furthermore, as part of the 1990-1999 UN Decade of International Law, the UN has called for action to promote 'means and methods for the peaceful settlement of international disputes between States, including resort to and full respect for the International Court of Justice.

For the first time in history, the majority of the nations of the world are now aware that the world has reached its most critical stage and that it's only choice is World Peace or Mass Destruction. Now, at last, the majority of mankind has finally recognized that this is the only effective means to make substantial progress in mankind's long and futile search for world peace. After centuries of horrific warfare,

which now threatens mass destruction, this historic opportunity must be seized when it is possible to gain the practical means for the fulfillment of mankind's most urgent imperative - the establishment and enforcement of world peace under the Rule of Law for the peaceful survival of mankind.

ACTION PLAN FOR THE WORLD UNION FEDERATION

OBJECTIVE: To obtain the support of the citizens, public and governmental leaders and officials in your community, state and country for the enactment of appropriate legislation for the transformation of the United Nations into the World Union Federation (WUF) to abolish armed conflict between nations and for the enforcement of international law for peace and security throughout the world.

ACTION PLAN: In order to accomplish the above objective, all World Peace Advocates are requested to organize local, state and national committees of volunteers to promote and coordinate the following actions:

(a) Email, phone, visit the leaders encouraging them to work with WUFED for the safety and security of their families, friends and fellowmen. **(b)** Emphasise on them everyone is against wars and everyone is for world peace! Talk up the WUFED with everyone you can meet or contact and ask them to do the same! Convince them that the next war will be a nuclear war with mass destruction and the Federation is the only reliable way to stop wars. Use your computer to make every possible contact and send this information everywhere you can.. If possible, make speeches, arrange for interviews, send letters and releases to newspapers, print and distribute cards and leaflets, circulate petitions (attached), place ads, participate in chat groups, query candidates for office, make announcements before civic, church, community and business groups, appear on TV and radio talk programs, and ask both citizens and students to help. **(c)** Contact all community and civic groups and ask for resolutions and proclamations as appeals to end the danger of wars and mass destruction. Proclaim World Peace Under the Rule of Law. Help organize rallies and/or demonstrations with NO MORE WARS and WORLD PEACE NOW - BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE as slogans. **(d)** Please keep WUFED@aol.com informed about your activities and let us know if we can help. As an all-volunteer citizen's campaign, we hope you will have success in obtaining the participation of as many more World Peace Advocates as needed to form Local, State and National Committees to organize and coordinate this Action Plan for a successful campaign in your community, state and nation.

RESOLUTION FOR PROCLAMATION FOR WUFED BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the United Nations (UN) shall be reformed into the World Union Federation (WUF) to which all countries with democratic government throughout the world shall be eligible for membership.

2. In accordance with established democratic principles, the WUF shall be governed by a World Assembly (WA) and a World Council (WC). Each member country of the WUF shall have one representative in the World Council and shall have weighted representation in the World Assembly based on an appropriate population and economic factor to be agreed upon by a 2/3rd majority of WUF members.

3. An appropriate constitution shall be adopted by the World Council and the World Assembly to establish the legislation and regulations for the accomplishment of the objectives for the creation and maintenance of a free world community of peace and prosperity for all peoples throughout the world.

4. A Convention for the Peaceful Settlement of International Disputes shall be enacted by the WUF and the mandatory jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice (ICJ) shall be recognized by all members of the WUF.

5. An appropriate basis for the financial assessments for members shall be established to support the WUF and its social, economic and military activities as approved by the World Council and the World Assembly..

6. Appropriate armed forces shall be established by the WUF sufficient to enforce international law for the maintenance of peace and security throughout the world.

7. The specialized agencies of the WUF shall be supported and adequately financed by its member nations to advance the alleviation of poverty, hunger, disease and illiteracy for the safety and welfare of all nations throughout the world.

Proposed by the Coalition for the World Union Federation.

(Send a copy to each of your national political representatives and officials).

PETITION

TO THE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS OF

Under the worldwide threat of nuclear, biological or chemical mass destruction by war or terrorism - We, the undersigned citizens and voters of the Community, State or Country of _____, do hereby petition our governmental officials to support and co-sponsor the proposed Resolution/Proclamation in support of the World Union Federation as the only effective means of establishing and enforcing world peace and security under international law and order.

MANIFESTO FOR WORLD UNION FEDERATION

WHEREAS, in consideration of the worldwide turmoil that pervades the world today and the fact that most of humanity is threatened with the awesome danger of mass destruction by nuclear, chemical or biological weapons or terrorism, it is apparent that world peace cannot be maintained and a nuclear holocaust cannot be avoided unless international law and order is established and enforced by the world community.

WHEREAS, the United Nations has been incapable of establishing and maintaining world peace because it has not been organized, authorized and equipped to enforce international law to maintain world peace and security.

In the proposed WORLD UNION FEDERATION there will be following nine unions based on geographical alignment. 1. European Union. 2. South American Union. 3. North American Union. 4. Central American Union. 5. Asian Union. 6. South East Asian Union 7. Middle East Union. 8. South Pacific Union and 9. African Union.



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THE CONSTITUTION OF UNITED DIVERSITY
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DECLARATION
The Constitution of United Diversity is a voluntary universal agreement of, by and for human beings everywhere which, by individual acceptance and in harmony with the natural laws of the universe, is hereby declared superior to all other governmental constructs.

PRIMARY GOALS
(A) To constitutionally protect each individual in their natural evolutionary process, (B) to constitutionally liberate individuals from all forms of subjugation and unwanted conditions, (C) to constitutionally enumerate and balance individual and collective rights for the highest good of all and, (D) to constitutionally protect a naturally healthy environment.

PREAMBLE
We individuals of earth do voluntarily proclaim and establish The Constitution of United Diversity to formalize and protect our inherent, intrinsic, , inborn, ingrained, instinctive, intuitive and inalienable natural rights of freewill throughout the world in support of peaceful and harmonious relations.

ARTICLE I - INDIVIDUAL PRE-EMINENCE AND SOVEREIGN FREEWILL
The adult individual shall have the following natural rights of protection: Section 1 - The right to be free of the initiation of physical force, coercion and fraud. Section 2 - The right to self-governance. Section 3 - The right to defend against environmental and physical harm. Section 4 - The right to own justly-acquired personal property. Section 5 - The right to freely travel, trade and associate with others. Section 6 - The right to freely express oneself on public issues. Section 7 - The right to participate equally and vote directly on public issues. Section 8 - The right to dissociate from any principle, policy, program, practice or person. Section 9 - The right to be free of human-contaminated air, water, soil and food. Section 10 - The right to equal access to public places and public/governmental information. Section 11 - The right to open, transparent settlement of differences.

ARTICLE II - HUMAN SERVICES

Voluntary establishment and operation of organizations, activities, facilities and enterprises for peaceful and life-enhancing purposes shall be protected.

ARTICLE III - COORDINATION

A global democratically-operated cooperative for coordination shall work without favoritism or bias for conversion of governmental entities into organizations, activities, facilities and enterprises that serve all rights herein.

ARTICLE IV - PROTECTION

A global democratically-operated cooperative for protection and adjudication or settlement of differences shall uphold The Constitution of United Diversity by application of reactive/defensive neutralizing physical strength to protect all rights herein.

ARTICLE V - The Constitution of United Diversity superposes all other local, regional, national, or other defined governmental constructs and by individual endorsement or acquiescence is hereby operative.

DON'T WORRY

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life?
- MATTHEW 6:26-27 NIV

SPIRIT AND STARDUST

- Dennis Kucinich



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Dr. Leo Rebello's Note: This article sent by Dennis Kucinich, for publication in this book, is based on his speech delivered at the Praxis Peace Institute Conference in Dubrovnik, Croatia on June 9, 2002. Here Dennis beautifully voices the possibility of translating the experience of unity and transcendence into action and change. When spiritual principles form the basis of active citizenship, positive changes can be brought about. The article can be summed up in four words: "there is still hope"..... that America will yet grow up and become a member of the family of nations.

As one studies the images of the Eagle Nebula, brought back by the Hubble Telescope from that place in deep space where stars are born, one can imagine the interplay of cosmic forces across space and time, of matter and spirit dancing to the music of the spheres, atop an infinite sea of numbers. Spirit merges with matter to sanctify the universe. Matter transcends to return to spirit. The interchangeability of matter and spirit means the starlit magic of the outermost life of our universe becomes the soul-light magic of the innermost life of our self. The energy of the stars becomes us. We become the energy of the stars. Stardust and spirit unite and we begin: One with the universe. Whole and holy. From one source, endless creative energy, bursting forth, kinetic, elemental. We, the earth, air, water and fire-source of nearly fifteen billion years of cosmic spiraling.

We begin as a perfect union of matter and spirit. We receive the blessings of the Eternal from sky and earth. In our outstretched hands we can feel the energy of the universe. We receive the blessings of the Eternal from water, which nourishes and

sanctifies life. We receive the blessings of the Eternal from the primal fire, the pulsating heart of creation. We experience the wonder of life multidimensional and transcendent. We extend our hands upwards and we are showered with abundance. We ask and we receive. A universe of plenty flows to us, through us. It is in us. We become filled with endless possibilities.

We need to remember where we came from; to know that we are one. To understand that we are of an undivided whole: race, color, nationality, creed, gender are beams of light, refracted through one great prism. We begin as perfect and journey through life to become more perfect in the singularity of “I” and in the multiplicity of “we”; a more perfect union of matter and spirit. -- This is human striving. This is where, in Shelley’s words”,...hope creates from its own wreck the thing it contemplates”.

This is what Browning spoke of: Our ‘reach exceeding [our] grasp’. This is a search for heaven within, a quest for our eternal home. In our soul’s Magnificat, we become conscious of the cosmos within us. We hear the music of peace, we hear the music of cooperation, and we hear music of love. We hear harmony, a celestial symphony. In our soul’s forgetting, we become unconscious of our cosmic birthright, plighted with disharmony, disunity, torn asunder from the stars in a disaster well-described by Matthew Arnold in Dover Beach: “...the world, which seems to lie before us like a land of dreams, so various, so beautiful, so new, hath really neither joy, nor love, nor light, nor certitude nor peace, nor help for pain. And we are here, as on a darkling plain, swept with confused alarms of struggle and flight, where ignorant armies clash by night”.

Today Dover Beach is upon the shores of the Potomac River in Washington, DC. Our leaders think the unthinkable and speak of the unspeakable inevitability of nuclear war; of a nuclear attack on New York city, of terrorist attacks throughout our nation; of war against Iraq using nuclear weapons; of biological and chemical weapon attacks on civilian populations; of catastrophic global climate change; of war in outer space.

When death (not life) becomes inevitable, we are presented with an opportunity for great clarity, for a great awakening, to rescue the human spirit from the arms of Morpheus through love, through compassion and through integrating spiritual vision and active citizenship to restore peace to our world. The moment that one world is about to end, a new world is about to begin. We need to remember where we came from. Because the path home is also the way to the future.

In the city I represent in the United States Congress, there is a memorial to Peace, named by its sculptor, Marshall Fredericks the "Fountain of Eternal Life." A figure rises from the flames, his gaze fixed to the stars, his hands positioned sextant-like, as if measuring the distance. Though flames of war from the millions of hearts and the dozens of places wherein it rages, may lick at our consciousness, our gaze must be

fixed upward to invoke universal principles of unity, of co-operation, of compassion, to infuse our world with peace, to ask for the active presence of peace, to expand our capacity to receive it and to express it in our everyday life. We must do this fearlessly and courageously and not breathe in the poison gas of terror. As we receive, so shall we give. As citizen-diplomats of the world, we send peace as conscious expression where ever, whenever and to whomever it is needed: to the Middle East, to the Israelis and the Palestinians, to the Pakistanis and the Indians, to Americans and Al-Qaeda, and to the people of Iraq, and to all those locked in deadly combat. And we fly to be with the bereft, with those on the brink, to listen compassionately, setting aside judgment and malice to become peacemakers, to intervene, to mediate, to bring ourselves back from the abyss, to bind up the world’s wounds.

As we aspire to universal brotherhood and sisterhood, we harken to the cry from the heart of the world and respond affirmatively to address through thought, word and deed conditions which give rise to conflict: Economic exploitation, empire building, political oppression, religious intolerance, poverty, disease, famine, homelessness, struggles over control of water, land, minerals, and oil. We realize that what affects anyone anywhere, affects everyone everywhere. As we help others to heal, we heal ourselves. Our vision of interconnectedness resonates with new networks of world citizens linking from numberless centers of energy, expressing the emergence of a new organic whole, seeking unity within and across national lines. New transnational web-based email and telecommunications systems transcend governments and carry within them the power of qualitative transformation of social and political structures and a new sense of creative intelligence. If governments and their leaders, bound by hierarchy and patriarchy, wedded to military might for legitimacy, fail to grasp the implications of an emerging world consciousness for cooperation, for peace and for sustainability, they may become irrelevant. As citizen-activists the world over merge, they can become an irresistible force to create peace and protect the planet. From here will come a new movement to abolish nuclear weapons and all weapons of mass destruction. From here will come the demand for sustainable communities, for new systems of energy, transportation and commerce. From here comes the future rushing in on us. How does one acquire the capacity for active citizenship? The opportunities exist every day. In Cleveland, citizens have interceded to keep schools and hospitals from closing down; to save industries which provide jobs; to protect neighborhood libraries from curtailment of service, to improve community policing; to meet racial, ethnic and religious intolerance openly and directly. Active citizenship begins with an envisioning of the desired outcome and a conscious application of spiritual principles. I have worked with the people in my own community. I have seen the dynamic of faith in self, faith in one’s ability to change things, faith in one’s ability to prevail against the odds through an appeal to the spirit of the world for help, through an appeal to the spirit of community for participation, through an appeal to the spirit of cooperation, which multiplies energy. I have seen citizens challenge condition without condemning anyone, while invoking principles of non-opposition

and inclusion of those who disagree.

I have seen groups of people overcome incredible odds as they become aware they are participating in a cause beyond self and sense the movement of the inexorable which comes from unity. When you feel this principle at work, when you see spiritual principles form the basis of active citizenship, you are reminded once again of the merging of stardust and spirit. There is creativity. There is magic. There is alchemy.

Citizens across the United States are now uniting in a great cause to establish a Department of Peace, seeking nothing less than the transformation of our society, to make non-violence an organizing principle, to make war archaic through creating a paradigm shift in our culture for human development, for economic and political justice and for violence control. Its work in violence control will be to support disarmament, treaties, peaceful coexistence and peaceful consensus building. Its focus on economic and political justice will examine and enhance resource distribution, human and economic rights and strengthen democratic values.

Domestically, the Department of Peace would address violence in the home, spousal abuse, child abuse, gangs, police-community relations conflicts and work with individuals and groups to achieve changes in attitudes that examine the mythologies of cherished world views, such as ‘violence is inevitable’ or ‘war is inevitable’. Thus it will help with the discovery of new selves and new paths toward peaceful consensus.

The Department of Peace will also address human development and the unique concerns of women and children. It will envision and seek to implement plans for peace education, not simply as a course of study, but as a template for all pursuits of knowledge within formal educational settings.

Violence is not inevitable. War is not inevitable. Non-violence and peace are inevitable. We can make of this world a gift of peace, which will confirm the presence of universal spirit in our lives. We can send into the future the gift, which will protect our children from fear, from harm, from destruction.

Carved inside the pediment that sits atop the marble columns is a sentinel at the entrance to the United States House of Representatives. Standing resolutely inside this “Apotheosis of Democracy” is a woman, a shield by her left side, with her outstretched right arm protecting a child happily sitting at her feet. The child holds the lamp of knowledge under the protection of this patroness. This wondrous sculpture by Paul Wayland Bartlett, is entitled “Peace Protecting Genius”. Not with nuclear arms, but with a loving maternal arm is the knowing child Genius shielded from harm. This is the promise of hope over fear. This is the promise of love, which overcomes all. This is the promise of faith, which overcomes doubt. This is the promise of light, which overcomes darkness. This is You.

FINDING INNER PEACE FOR MAKING PEACE WITH THE WORLD
- Tatjana Volkova



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When you make peace with yourself, you make peace with the world.
- Maha Ghosananda

Society in the 21st Century Crossroads

The world is changing every day and moment and we are creating our personal world daily. Currently economy and society is on crossroads giving way to Creative Economy, which is based on innovations and creativity.

There are four stages of economy development - in the beginning of human society the most important area of economy was agriculture in order to satisfy needs for food. Then industrial revolution in Great Britain gave way to the Industrial economy when production became the driving force of economic development. In the middle of 20th century the information became available in a great extent and the Knowledge economy is building the basis for further growth of economy. At the same time, at the end of the last century it became clear that knowledge itself doesn't create value, it is necessary to apply it either for creating new knowledge or new ideas, products, problem solutions, etc.

In the 21st century we are observing next level of economic development - Knowledge economy is giving path to Creative economy based on Innovations. It requires new skills and competencies, new thinking skills and changing behaviour habits. But it doesn't mean that all nation states are facing these challenges to the same extent. There are still countries where agriculture or production is still dominant in economy. There are countries that are building Knowledge economy. Most developed Western countries are those, which experience new challenges in economic and cultural development.

Growing Demand for Emotions, Feelings and Comfort

Having this historical excursus in economic development we could draw parallels to Maslow's pyramid of needs - at first, a person has to satisfy basic needs which are

essential for person's survival - for food, water, sleep, clothing, necessary consumer goods, etc. With their physical needs relatively satisfied, the individual's safety needs to take over and dominate their behavior. But as there are certain limits of demand for such products, with increasing level of welfare the demand for social needs appear and also self-esteem and self-actualization becomes more relevant. To satisfy needs of next levels the service sector becomes dominant and specific weight production in economy structure decreases.

We could observe such trends in economy of many countries currently. Even UK has announced that it has already become a service economy and position the country as Creative laboratory of the world. London is well positioned to provide essential requirements of the creative process - interaction, inspiration and face-to-face stimulation. Furthermore, London offers a diverse, multi-lingual workforce that allows cultural and creative communication on a global scale. At the centre of productivity revolution, London's creative industries are expanding both jobs and wealth, as it is indicated by London website.

There is a growing movement of creative cities and creative regions worldwide. More and more companies are looking for creative professionals. The driving industries in the Creative Economy becoming Creative Industries those which are based on intellectual property and copyrights like design, advertising, architecture, music, fashion, software, jewellery, performing arts, new media, etc. There are creative industries mapping exercises carried out in many countries - Australia, New Zealand, UK, Netherlands and many others. Creative industries are spreading around the globe in spite the world financial crisis.

The success of the three days sale of Magnificent collection of Yves Saint Laurent and Pierre Berge on 23 - 25th of February in 2009 in the situation when world is facing severe financial crisis set a world record for the valuable private collection sold at auction and was the highest grossing sale in Europe on record by setting multiple world records for Impressionists and Modern Art, 20th century Decorative Arts, Silver, Sculpture and Works of Art. According to the press release of Christies Auction, the art has risen above the current world financial crisis. "Buyers came from all corners of the globe after the popular tribute of thousands of visitors during the weekend prior the sale" Francois de Rignes, Vice President Christies France marked.

The investment in art is becoming more preferable in comparison with unsecured financial investments and investments in material goods. In a Creative Economy we are looking for different sources of happiness which could come from pieces of art, design, admirable architecture, music, literature, fashion, film, etc. in order to satisfy needs for self-esteem and self-actualization. Many of individuals are becoming creators ourselves. The creative professionals are in high demand and decline of traditional industries is observed. The self-actualization needs are related to

spontaneity, problem solving, lack of prejudice, acceptance of facts and creativity.

In a Creative economy there is a growing demand for emotions, feelings and comfort and respect by others. As higher level of education of individuals and accordingly welfare as faster there will be development towards next levels of economy development there will be more human progress. It has direct impact to willingness to live in peace, to create, and not to destroy what been created.

Creativity Requires Peace of Mind

The process of creation is coming from creating something out of nothing. This is related to our mindset, ability to create new ideas and later to turn them into the new products and pieces of art. For example this book Dr. Leo Rebello is working on for all of us. The energy of creativity is inside every of us and it is endless as sun. Only not everyone is able to relieve this energy as many external circumstances influence this process during our lives. At the same time we could create peace of mind as inner state and independent of external circumstances.

The peace of mind is a prerequisite for creating external peace. By creating peace in our inner world, we reflect it also to external world and affecting other people. Remez Sasson by answering to the question "What is a peace of mind" says that "it is a state of inner calmness and tranquility, together with a sense of freedom, when thoughts and worries cease, and there is no stress, strain or fear". Yoga teaches us that.

How we can find peace of mind, how to bring more peace of mind into our life and to relief our potential of creativity? "There is a wonderful mythical law of nature that the three things we crave most in life -- happiness, freedom, and peace of mind - are always attained by giving them to someone else". Peyton Conway March. The mind plays an important role in achieving every kind of success and goal, minor, everyday goals or major goals like helping to create peace on the world.

Driving Forces of Creative Economy: Technology, Tolerance, Talents

According to Richard Florida there are three main driving forces of Creative economy: technology, talents and tolerance. The winners in the Creative economy will be countries, which will create environment and conditions attractive to talents. Carbon tax is not one of them. There is no doubt that talents requires very tolerant environment regarding new ideas, new ways of doing things, new culture and tolerant to different colours of people.

Unfortunately, many regions and countries can't be positioned having high tolerance level. Interethnic conflicts, human rights violation, intolerance, nationalism and racism are, together with low eco-environmental awareness, main threats to stability of the present world and further economic growth. Globalization and growing multiculturalism in nation state societies bring these issues to the attention of many

policy makers as well as ordinary people.

What is a tolerance? Tolerance is the appreciation of diversity and the ability to live and let others live. Individuals by having peace of mind have higher ability to exercise "a fair and objective attitude towards those whose opinions, practices, religion, nationality and so on differ from one's own". As William Ury notes, "tolerance is not just agreeing with one another or remaining indifferent in the face of injustice, but rather showing respect for the essential humanity in every person."

There is a growing necessity to promote respect for differences and an appreciation of diversity worldwide. Families, schools, universities may play a crucial role in the process of fighting intolerance and racism and can foster the bottom-up policies for necessary social change.

Inner space creates tolerance

High level of inner space would enable us to stay peaceful anywhere, anytime and under all circumstances and being tolerant. "Individuals should continually focus on being tolerant of others in their daily lives. This involves consciously challenging the stereotypes and assumptions that they typically encounter in making decisions about others and/or working with others either in a social or a professional environment.

The media should use positive images to promote understanding and cultural sensitivity. The more groups and individuals are exposed to positive media messages about other cultures, the less they are likely to find faults with one another -- particularly those communities who have little access to the outside world and are susceptible to what the media tells".

Unfortunately, the positive journalism is not a leading stream in journalism. Somehow it is accepted by journalists that individuals are more interested in scandals and negative news. But in the Creative Economy the needs are changing to this issue as well. There are changes necessary to reconcile this attitude by all kind of mass media and to build more hope in society and to reduce fear, threats and not building hope for the future, which reduces also level of creativity in society and doesn't build trust among people.

There are so many positive news and ideas, which could be shared among people inviting for collaborative innovations and fostering positive change in the society. The Internet and open resources, social networks give us new tools to build better future.

I do hope that people worldwide are more and more willing find different sources, which give happiness, freedom and finally helping to keep peace of mind. And "when you make peace with yourself, you make peace with the world". -- Maha Ghosananda

EMERGENCE OF A PEACEFUL HUMANITY

- Wolfgang Fischer



Born in Heidelberg, Germany in 1951, traditional education in Euro-centric Christian environment, medical doctor since 1978, married 1989, two children, experience of life led him to question many of the concepts. He hopes to give a chance to the authenticity of united autonomy that is embedded in the interdependent and growing diversity of life to overcome the alienating monotony of manic aberration and human degeneration. Wolfgang intends to augment humane resonance within the given cosmic context for the benefit of an overall well being - finally allowing the emergence of the transformation of

the prevailing socio-political systems away from clinging to matter and subordinating powers (necrophilia) towards pacifying and safeguarding Love of Life (biophilia).
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Freedom of choice brings about a contingent dichotomy in human socialisation

Due to a shaping by the millennial tradition of patriarchy, its violence-prone societies and their effects the notion of civilisation for many people has a negative aura. Too much has been destroyed in the name of civilisation. That is why here the concept of civilisation is being confronted with the notion of humanisation. The conditions that provide for a successful humanisation are being specified as well as those factors that bring about the derailment of humanisation, the de-humanisation in form of an enslavement of humanity, of its transformation into servicemen, into robots that only function in the way desired by the system, finally losing their self-healing potentials, what again has social as well as ecological consequences.

This dichotomy is unique for the human being. It is a weak point of our species, though that flaw also bears new creative potentialities. The view presented in this paper, namely the social conditions shaped by patriarchy, stands as a consideration of a society where the absence of domination and the acknowledgement of non-violence, as a matter of principle, are able to ensure the natural learning process of individuation towards fully humane maturity and responsibility. Such a form of humanisation brings about ways of socialisation whose cultures and mode of life stand out by sensitive and flexible orientation thus concertedly keeping the golden mean. Yet, for the sake of the most beneficial interest, never comes up the idea to abandon the creative space of common well-being and enriching diversity.

Ways out of misery, decline and despair - building bridges to a harmonious world...

By living according to the principle of the Splendid Being after having learned to find the "just midway", the happy medium within the dualities that compose existence, by

walking the “The Path of the Just”, which is the equilibrium of union in diversity - by living well and fully and by enjoying existence just by letting go the bad habit to take seeming advantage from impairing, separating, destroying of balance and parity thus creating violence against equality, plurality and diversity.... Javier Lajo, Perú

Preface: Effect and deep meaning of words

In support of the emergence of a peaceful humanity it is ever so helpful to be precise. Accuracy in using concepts or words like patriarchy, matriarchy, anarchy or acrary helps to avoid confusion as well as it offers non-ambiguous perspectives. I find no better example than the one offered by the word anarchy. Its significance, strongly embedded in the collective subconscious, brings us images of an uncontrolled chaos where the only hope is to restore the order with a ruler that represents a central power. From this premise derive many of the forms of power known to human kind: patriarchy, hierarchy, monarchy, etc. The word anarchy does not come from the root “archos” - it comes from the deeper root “arché” which means origin, in the beginning, the womb, the principle.

A reinterpretation of the word anarchy then leads us to a reinterpretation of History; it changes, from having a significance embodied in the lack of a concrete figure - the ruler - to an (even worse) ignorance and conceptual emptiness as the original “an-arché” stands for without beginning. With regard to social concerns, this term obviously does not lead anywhere if we don't face, acknowledge and react to the real roots and causes of certain ecological and social conditions, especially if we are interested in change. Likewise, the discussion about patriarchy and matriarchy and their genuine meaning assumes unprecedented importance. Both terms per se have nothing in common with dominance. The significance of “patriarchy” is a worldview that considers the male principle, “the father” to be superior and the sole creative power. “Matriarchy” on the other hand refers to the understanding of the mother, the womb, nature as the origin of the fruits that will be. In the run of its dominance, the patriarchal way of life, as a mind-set and perception of reality, created an order founded upon monotheism, war against all and everything, technological progress at the cost of social and environmental integrity.

Now let us look at “acracy”. It means “without dominance”. A matriarchal society is then the quintessential acratic society, the non-violent society par excellence. Scientific investigation shows that 5000 to 7000 years earlier people organised solely in matriarchal ways. In these matriarchal societies the reality of the common well-being stays in the centre of all. Within these cultures, people learn to discern vital from arbitrary or even destructive objectives. As a matter of fact, these societies never developed those bellicose and divisive attitudes that today threaten the survival of humanity. Thus, the basic structure of matriarchy resembles not a pyramid, but a horizontal organisation, in which unity in diversity is the condition sine qua non for its own flourishing. Matriarchy proposes a way of living where social life is

determined by the everyday needs. The planet, life, as a timeless concept, always has depended and indeed keeps on depending on motherly copiousness.

Towards Peaceful Humanity and Splendid Being

Learning to understand the roots of the current crisis of humanity

A deep understanding of the current crisis of humanity and its roots is an inevitable step forward in order to surmount it with our best coping strategies. This time we have to get the whole picture, as the effects of mainstream civilisation's way of life are threatening the basic conditions of life. This purpose can't be completed without an utter transcendence and dissolution of all the ideological and religious dogmas that have limited our minds throughout human history. The liberation of our mental focus from exclusively self-serving conceptions enables a wider stock of authentic world views that can, in an effective way, shift our ability, motivation and action towards a creative conviviality on which humanity is dreaming since ages.

Which ideas and behaviour patterns until today do render the realisation of Global Peace impossible?

As long as egoism, nationalism and other separative self-conceptions prevail, the slavery of the inhabitants of these adopted mental frames will keep on being the direct consequence. A corollary to this is the disturbance of natural and creative balances through an exploitation scheme, typical of the patriarchal and nowadays capitalistic and socialistic systems. The so-called “democratic project of freedom” of these belief systems contradicts itself blatantly, inasmuch as their main organs - the clerical and political elites - behave in a parasitic way taking an endless advantage by means of a top-down doctrine. In this foul play, people surrender to the enslavement of their own minds. It does not need slave-drivers any more - as Kurt Tucholsky already said - to keep global societies on their corporate, destructive course.

These doctrines have anchored themselves - by way of a millennial tradition - deeply in the human mind in the form of basic assumptions, as for example nature is cruel and people are bad; "good and evil" are insurmountably natural; wars have ever been and therefore will persist for ever; one has to fight for one's luck etc. Such notions - still anywhere on the globe - are common today and they reveal an obsolete fundamentalism as expression of a yet deficient human maturity and its harmful impact on humanity's chances to survive.

Nature doesn't have a homicidal will; human society, in its violent facet, is prone to succumb to a homicidal drive for the sake of secondary interests like wealth or power. Cynicism is a human invention too. The alleged cruelty of nature is nothing but an erroneous interpretation of a creative order that stands for the well-being of the global whole of the planet and beyond. From the very beginning, entire Life would have been condemned to extinction, if the single members of nature would not genetically or instinctively be bound to follow the inherent laws that support natural

balances and have driven evolution to reach a preliminary peak with the rupture of these natural balances. We need to face the fact that this rupture is caused by a risky dichotomy that is a direct consequence of the emergence and subsequent predominance of violent and restless societies.

In contrast, the non-violent indigenous communities of the world prove - in this day and age - a deep and self-confident understanding of Nature. Before they, with the exception of few survivors, got slaughtered by the patriarchally (mis)driven civilisation, independent of time and place their warning reads: The way of life of "white man" destroys his own existence. Rooted in the interconnectedness of being and because of a deeply felt empathy they were and still are able to discern between pain and real joy, between self-sustaining realities and all-consuming illusions, between destruction and creativity. That is why by nature they rather reject perilous technical progress, whatsoever impressive it might be in favour of natural ways of life. They prefer to learn from nature "by a flexible bottom-up flow of information" and aim to copy nature rather than to destroy it. It can no longer be denied that the current crisis of modern civilisation is a mere consequence of its aberration, due to a cannibalistic and destructive conduct of life - from a personal level to the behaviour of social groups and nation states.

Why exactly did humanity get so close to the abyss of extinction?

With regard especially to Christianity another perverting mindset - the notion of "original sin" - deserves a closer look because of its (auto-)destructive consequences. Already during my childhood I could not understand that the bite into the apple of the tree of knowledge should be forbidden and should have fatal consequences. The act of enjoying the delicious apple could not have been the reason to be thrown out of paradise, because eating the apple, learning thus, striving for knowledge to reach wisdom, was exactly what was expected of me. Learning should be the foundation for the later chances in life. How can the grasp for knowledge be punishable, be sinful or criminal?

My answer is: Understanding and striving for know-how, learning thus, never can be wrong. Fatal consequences however can result from interacting with one's ambience. To illustrate my thesis I will describe two different options on how to deal with the gifts of life, the proverbial fruits of the tree of knowledge. Firstly, a way that irresponsibly separates itself from nature, breaking deliberately with the interconnectedness of all and ending up in the apocalyptic abyss of social, ecological and spiritual decline. Secondly, a way that - in constant and sensitive feedback between being and consciousness within the natural framework - is capable of taking an active part in a continuous and well-balanced development into future.

The perverted way

Any social orders that are based on domination and subordination aim against the

natural, creative, chaotic and diversifying organisation of evolution. Such orders achieve progress by threatening with punishment and by real use of violence on the one hand and by promising illusionary unlimited freedom on the other. Such a progress originates from human defective concepts that basically have been shaped by patriarchy. Such a progress grows on obstruction and diversion of vitality, the sound flow of living energy, and on destruction of natural diversity and cosmic integrity and unity, altering its sustaining pillars, the universal balances of dynamic and complementary polarities.

In the course of thousands of years, the violent support of the dominating hierarchic orders has solidified the ruling belief systems, rendering them intrinsic to human society in a way that, despite the past efforts of emancipation and enlightenment, for too many people they still remain as the everlasting status quo: without alternative, normal and allegedly natural. Obstruction and destruction of the actually underlying natural order are completely ignored by many people, and even approvingly accepted by others. Learning processes, intended by nature to teach awareness of an authentic reality, are being falsified in the interest of the perpetuation of this ruling order, while the art of adulteration is presented to be progressive policy. The orientation towards the achievement of an overall well-being is disregarded, ridiculed and sacrificed for the sake of the "guiltless" juicing of any attainable natural and human resource, at the expense of all its disproportioned outcome and disadvantages. Time and again any other alternative is being suppressed.

I insist that recognition of the urgency and overwhelming dimension of the global state of distress, caused by this noxious modus vivendi, gives to sentient people, at any time, reasons to break the laws and customs hostile to life. Again and again, scarred by the repetitiousness of History, people who oppose the perilous illusions of dominating orders and who do not want to betray life or nature are persecuted. However, if by the time this state of distress has reached its climax and their sound attitude hasn't succeeded, then it is certain that humanity will vanish.

Patriarchy - Dogmatic Science - Civilisation

- * Polarity is being used under the motto: divide et impera
- * Unlimited competition breaks with the natural inhibition to kill.
- * Supremacy of current world powers therefore is based on injustice and crime.
- * Since thousands of years patriarchal civilizations shape the way of life by domination.
- * Any mentality which promotes social inequality is incapable of maintaining creative balances.
- * That is why many cultures still tolerate open or hidden forms of misogyny, slavery and violence.
- * In blatant contrast to humanitarian promises the world is being downgraded by political hypocrisy.

* In the run of history industrialization has been paid by goods stolen from Nature and Indigenous People.

* General decline of Life and the narrowing of future perspectives are not at all natural, they are man-made

Resort: The natural way, evolution of being

The alternative way assumes that the individual earnings from the fruits of the tree of knowledge turns into collective property, just because of the pure intention to survive and the natural love for life - both of which maintain the well-being of the earthly environment: the Garden of Eden. The sooner an unadulterated and unrestricted experience springs in the individual life, the more will be the potential to learn through a sensitive bottom-up orientation that teaches the lesson of life at very low levels of pain and destruction. Life remains oriented, always flexible, at the intactness of the whole. By continuously considering the subsistence of everything, it is secured a sequential natural development and diversification of life, its possibilities, abilities and fruits in the abundance of the Garden of Eden.

If humanity is interested in survival, it must adopt a planetary culture able to continue the indigenous traditions through the promotion of an ecological and social behaviour that could avoid the damage to the environment. However, since the human race - in contrast to the vegetal and animal reigns - hasn't been endowed by the genetics or the instinct with a life-supporting behaviour, human beings have to learn an appropriate behaviour if they want to survive. That is why a conductual reeducation is an imperative need in order to reach this milestone. It would be indeed a second renaissance the achievement of a global culture that continues the tradition of genetic creativity while conserving the demiurgic principles that nourish it. This culture represents the very antithesis of today's consuming and destructive liberalistic way of life, fatally celebrated with the name of globalisation.

What are the mental prerequisites for the restoration of life's viability?

Social, ecological and spiritual constitution of the natural being

Nature is perfectly organized and develops according to its inherent creative totality. Everything in the cosmos is related for the benefit of its own well-being. The creative quality of this vital condition on the one hand materialises the increasing diversification of the physical structures and organisms within the outer world and, on the other hand, realises responsibly developing possibilities and abilities that constantly are reflected within the inner spiritual world and thus, by genuine experience, either confirm or disprove their viability within existence, the interplay and union of both realms. This way of life succeeds to stay in a happy medium. Only the free intention of humans brings imponderability into this context and can humiliate life up to its threatening destruction. In the context of the socio-political reality, shaped overwhelmingly by the history of patriarchy, it is love for life the only tool that can lead to a transformation of this cynical kind of reality into a different

reality, sensitively shaped by current needs. The direction of this transformation is heading towards true humanity; it is emancipatory and leads to humanisation from the local bottom to the global plane.

Beyond the approach of the outdated political theories and the religious postulates - that in their denial of individual divinity jeopardize life - , I propose a method that starts with a deep examination of the human psyche. Under this perspective, we must start with a deeply involved question: what are the enigmatic conditions and relations that instead of building awareness and responsibility for the given paradise on earth prefer to involve the popular readiness to create dreadful realities?

It became obvious to me that these conditions are all the cultural and spiritual orientations that, on the one hand, are experienced under influence of natural factors (climate, geology, cosmos) and, on the other, are created also as human factors (intention, freedom of making choices) that represent the basic parameters for individual development and, on a greater scale, the society's own. If in the lucky case this development happens along the lines of genuine orientation towards nature and its laws - whose aim is a life long learning process and experience of the individual with the full willingness of getting involved in cosmic reality - then these basic conditions remain to be of benefit for nature. They are matriarchal, indigenous, divine, creative, cooperative, complete and healthy, dedicated and limited to life. Life as such is liturgy full of glory and abundance.

To start with children is just fine

Peace on Earth is only a reachable destination if societies stop breaking their children and attend consciously to their gravest inadequacy: the systematic atrophy of their infancy. It is indeed a violent and outdated habit the way on which the extremely sentient children are just trained not to feel joy or to blind out the pain, hampering so what is meant to be the lesson of a genuine learning process. Thus they do not learn the two sides of experience: how satisfying safe options are and what error actually costs. It is a known fact that in the earliest stage of development (0 to 3 years old) parents, society, culture by means of educational bottom-up models are responsible to ensure that the children do not develop into the unaware defenceless adult victims of the deceitful reificational top-down maps of authoritarian traditions.

As long as children are shaped to sacrifice life to secondary interests, they hardly ever will reach the trustworthiness and safe accountability of humane maturity. Humanisation of society, empathetic ways of living, solidarity and peace are rendered impossible exactly at this point. That is why creative cultures acknowledge, as the uttermost requirement, the unlimited offer of a given space and opportunity for their children to experience life in an atmosphere free from fear and suspiciousness. Innocent curiosity keeps each child's mind open and sensitive so that, by respective unrestricted experience, he or she is allowed to remain centred on autonomous

maturation within the matrix of life. The respective neuronal verifying processes are associated with the relaxing and regenerating processes of dream and dormancy. This is why regular sleep is not at all extravagant. On the contrary, it is fundamental for any wholesome development, which quite naturally depends on alignment with the creative experience of evolution. Individual adjustment to an overall meaning and creativity is the vital signification that highlights the importance of meditation and other trance inducing methods and traditions. The eventual conjunction of the abilities of heart and brain in the growing child - in a coherent, gradual and playful fashion - is bound to evolve into an authentic, empathetic and well balanced mindfulness along with the power to love oneself and others. By learning, understanding and transcending reality - as it is with its multiple inner and outer facets - resonance between reason and feeling emerges and gives way to a full spectrum responsibility, face to face with the divine light of the creative forces of the universe.

Matriarchy - Indigenous Wisdom - Humanisation

- * God's (**good**) life is being shaped by the creative necessities of organic inter-connectedness of all being.
- * Polarity always is reciprocally complementing the Integrity of Diversity: The Union Of All or Creative Conviviality.
- * Councils of Wisdom, the wisest and oldest members of society, help to maintain the equilibrium between societies and Nature.
- * Joint co-operation, mutual understanding, creative flexibility and empathic mindfulness shape and support a genuine humane way of life.
- * Humane Culture in each generation helps to let emerge empathetic mindfulness during the process of individuation of their children.
- * Transcendent knowledge is being acquired by unadulterated experience at any stage of the individual learning process.
- * The genuine learning process leads to a natural self-understanding within the respective socio-ecological context.
- * Harmony is the consequence of global realisation of the sensitive togetherness of matriarchal ways of life.
- * Resonance within the Union of All entails Creativity of Natural Evolution.

Diversity becomes Harmony through Resonance

We, the human race, have come at last to reap the consequences of actions that, as having shown in this analysis, derive from the radical elementary disorientation disclosed by the mainstream social conceptions and projects: exponential growth of wealth and its delusional and fetishist nature; captivity within the web of tensions between good and evil - what was known as the battlefield of Kuruksetra in the Vedic Literature - and, finally, self-engulfment in the vicious circle of the nightmarish global treadmill. This could be the most daunting panorama that human race has faced, unless we generate solutions through the optimization of our behaviour towards dignity and respect for Life, in order to spare ourselves loss and destruction

whilst preparing a new beginning for future generations. By striving for the best possible authenticity and coherence within the underlying universal reality of Being, we create chances for resonance and alignment with the creative forces of universe. Once re-connected to creative spirits, we will be back on the safe track to a better future altogether with the rest of nature who, due to genetic bindings, has always been on that train. The gift especially given to humanity, our freedom of choice, eventually will be counter-balanced and safely hedged by a creative culture in continuation and tradition of genetic creativity. Once realised on the global plane, such cultures offer wholesomeness altogether with sanity and reason by perpetuating safety and planetary security in the ways of nature.

More and more people from the entire spectrum of social planes focus on this objective, which represents the emancipatory process of humanisation. In every day life this also means a confrontation with the harmful and destructive mountain of guilt - which, as pictured above, has been accumulated in history predominantly by "white-men" and no longer can be ignored without causing ever more destructive consequences for the social and ecological environment. This mountain of guilt - the all-pervasive symbol of innumerable man-made facts and conditions - needs to be acknowledged, transcended and actually dissolved in order to fulfill a concrete vision on what good life, peaceful society, global conviviality really look like and what needs to be done to make it all come real. This vision goes beyond nihilist modernity and unmasks its ignorant, criminal, obscene and, in a deep sense, suicidal fundament.

What needs to be done?

Stemming from an integral understanding and acknowledging of this exact picture of past and present, we clear the perspective on the earthly space of the Global Commons, the biblically mentioned paradise. By means of this clear perspective we clear the way for the rise of shame and the wish to compensate and not only to regret even on the side of the wrongdoers. From an actual compensation then evolves the desire for reconciliation and forgiving on the side of the victims and disadvantaged, which is another precondition to overcome the revenge of the desperate by the newly created situation, where confidence is being developed and hope is spread. From exactly this vision and understanding easily flows the Force of General Transformation and Healing.

It is a historical fact that individuals and communities, through the span of their lifetimes, in their learning and maturing processes, have attained the power to love within their respective creative cultures. It is the high time now to let this power develop within all cultures of humanity. If humanity wishes to present a harmonious ambience to the children, the adult world needs to prepare to waive violence from its options and to completely compensate social injustice and ecological imbalances in order to prepare the path towards genuine reconciliation

within the global family and nature. Resonant relations here are characterised by active listening and empathetic dialogue between people and by putting into practice acts whose mindful nature becomes the rule rather than the exception. Contrary to the deceitful slogan of the global ruling elites: There Is No Alternative, entirely different ways of social organisation will arise out of these conditions and will allow for the social dimension to align with natural ambience, its diversity, joy and abundance, thus making human life everywhere at any time worthwhile, safe and harmonious

Beyond patriarchy, capitalism and modernity there is and always has been the option of a splendid being. Epilogue: Bonds and ties that unslave

We all know well enough how “empires” keep their unity with the use of violence. Also well enough by now we know about the devastating long-term consequences brought on by those ways of social organisation based upon violence. However, only few people are just able to even imagine the possibility of a larger social cohesion, without the use of violence, without state, without all the patronizing and subordinating means of power, be them organised either in democratic or in tyrannic systems. The ultimately alienating effect is the same. People forget about their natural roots and self-supporting ways of life and become dependent on the system's requirements.

Take for example the capture of South America that is euphemized by the Spanish notion “conquista”, the conquest of America. Within a short range of time only a few fire armed Europeans savaged the entire continent, killed millions of people and replaced their non-violent cultures and self-supporting economies by the European way of life. The significant difference between “white-man's colonisations, holocausts and everlasting war” everywhere on the planet and natural catastrophes like earthquakes, volcanic eruptions and floods is not only the fact that the former have been man-made, but furthermore - in favour of the dominating economic system -, they do effect an unscrupulous exploitation to this day and not only in the early colonies. The exhausting effect of that exploitation not only targets the material conditions of Nature and people, but also minimizes the intrinsic potential to heal because of the vanquishers' callousness towards the assaulted victims' suffering, pain and, in countless cases, their death. This discrimination of the plain truth is systemic. It creates dissonance and brings about a generalised mental and emotional confusion. Consequently, the derailment of the balances that support life, if at all realised, is accepted as inevitable. It is now that the consequences are being globally experienced and paid.

Human alienation proves itself by the fact that most people do no longer realize cause and effect of the deteriorating situation and therefore do little against it. Without a sound orientation they rather blame illusionary scapegoats and succumb to xenophobia, racism, hypocrisy, victimism, addiction, angst and paranoia. The

resulting emotional constitution is a Martyr Complex that, enforced by respective religious assumptions and mainstream media fuelled fears, substantiates depression and slave alike subordination on the one side and overactive presumptuousness on the other. Both directions then solidify, worsening even more the underlying alienation.

Another important symptom of alienation shows up when people get lost in the pitfalls of "individualism". Modern individualism is being celebrated to such an excessive extend that most people simply do not realise that loneliness is the fatal consequence. Modern individualism, with its emphasis on "egoism", clearly stands against the high value of an autonomous individuality that recognises its interdependency within the cosmic context and has a share in its diversity. Too many people still hardly realize the obvious conflict between a falsely prioritised individualism and the dull conformity and monotony of the mainstream way of life as it is presented, via the system's media channels. Boredom and frustration then turn into sources for greed, crime and all the other well-known human weaknesses. Hence individualism is merely being used as a medium of the destructive policy divide et impera. In the former pages, it has been amply discussed that especially the human species depends entirely on a creative social context that still is missing. Only mutually satisfying social interrelations more likely will make possible the survival of a creative union of individuals, the "global human tribe". So why not dare to study courageously alternative ways of life that we know from history and that still exist beyond the mental frame of patriarchy's ultimate child called "modernity"?

What is the meaningful bond, what is the unifying tie in non-violent societies, for example, the Inkas? I believe this is the core question for human survival.

To-day, as never before, the urge of a mental and spiritual union and coherence of each one's world-views and narratives with Nature's conditions and ecological and social necessities becomes apparent; it gives substance to the emotional intelligence of human maturity that has the force to set free pacifying synergies and feelings of unity with a self-evident strength. Thus cohesion emerges without the need of violence, simple as that. Within such creative social conditions, cooperation means initiating joy and success, notions of classes and ownership are absent, the family in its role and responsibility is not confined exclusively to monogamy, harmonic cohesion within the "ayllus" - the basic units of the Andean society - is characterized by the mutual support and exchange within the entire confederation, service to the maintenance and continuity of the created world is satisfaction enough for the individual and the whole society up to its boundaries, as far as communication reaches and is being accepted.

Due to open communication, the free and all sided exchange of information

supports and maintains this unifying and empowering spirit (of love); if and when, by mental affirmation, this spirit is allowed to emerge and to be effective by corresponding behaviour and acting. The chaskis, the running messengers of the Tawantinsuyu were what the internet is today, though without the fatal ecological consequences of the latter. Economy at that time on the one hand focussed on the natural conditions and on the other on the necessities of the people. Technology took advantage of Nature as well as of human intelligence, cautiously respecting the balances of the reciprocal forces that complement each other always. What at those times had been possible, has become necessary today. It's precisely this compelling awakening what remains in darkness for the mainstream systems, namely the understanding of interrelations, the tradition of knowledge channeled through culture and adequate reactions to the indispensable changes that ensure success for the benefit of all. Laws or instruments of power are not needed within societies that organise themselves in egalitarian confederative ways. “Commons” become self-evident. “Minka” becomes the expression of life par excellence. Life remains autonomous, safe and secure within a creative space.



ACHIEVING WORLD PEACE

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The fundamental structure of a positive approach to achieving world peace is that it should be based upon ethical intent supported by a (sustainable) scientific logic base. Let us have a look at the worldview upholding the ancient *Greek Science for Ethical Ends*. By comparing it with the present day worldview it might be possible to upgrade the lost Greek science, in order to identify the nature of new and sustainable global world peace technologies.

Ancient science belonged to a vast melting pot of ideas that we call the Platonic tradition of Greek philosophy. Some Greek thinkers thought that the movement of celestial bodies generated a harmonic wisdom that we refer to as *The Music of the Spheres*. The philosopher Epicurus held that the movement of atoms also generated a divine harmonic wisdom into evolving human consciousness. This worldview was based upon a certain geometrical logic, which we call ‘sacred geometry’, found to exit within musical harmonics. The wisdom of the Greek ‘soul force’, responsible for ethical evolution, was held to be transmitted into human consciousness through harmonic resonance: An energy transfer - much like hitting a high note to shatter a wine glass across a room. The application of both harmonic, geometrical principles and physics principles became the basis of the lost *Science for Ethical Ends*.

Another global peace aspect of the 'lost' worldview: Plato wrote about matter as belonging to the process of universal chaos, in which the 'evil' of unformed matter, whatever that was, resided within the atom. The idea existed that if science neglected to develop a spiritual awareness of reality, to balance the mechanical description of the universe, then that evil would emerge to destroy civilization. This is the situation today, as the threats of world problems overshadow attempts to achieve global world peace. When we compare the ancient Greek worldview with our present scientific worldview we immediately find that they are (totally) hostile to one another. The

Greek ethics, or virtues, which linked the living process to the evolution of an infinite universe, were considered to be eternal; whereas our worldview insists that eventually all life in the universe must cease to exist. No matter what we do, the faster we develop our science, the greater the potential for destruction - all, in accordance with a logic that is devoid of the ancient Greek ethical virtues.

The worldview is governed by a Universal Heat Death Law, meaning that when all heat of the universe radiates away into cold space, it will be so cold that all life must be destroyed. Scientists were not at all concerned about this... it was calculated to occur several billion years into the future! The problem here is simple, if the ancient Greeks were right, then all our life science must be not only based upon false assumptions, but can only be about 'species in a state of extinction'. The Greek definition of 'good' was about learning how to evolve for the good of an infinite evolving universe - so that humans would avoid extinction.

When we use the computer to search for the Premier Law of all Science - we learn that it is called the Second Law of Thermodynamics, also known as the Universal Heat Death Law. Einstein wrote that it would never be refuted in our history; the famous scientist Sir Arthur Eddington called it the supreme metaphysical (spiritual) law of the entire universe. What then, of the ancient Greek warning, that if we developed such a science, we would arrive at a time when the unformed matter within the atom would be able to emerge and destroy us all? How did this rather clear warning predicting annihilation, come to be dismissed within the physics worldview of our times? Why did Sir Isaac Newton not write about the balancing physics' principles - to prevent such atomic destruction?

During the 5th Century, the custodian of the Platonic tradition of Greek philosophy was the great mathematician, Hypatia. She was murdered by rioting Christians in Alexandria in 415. Encyclopaedia Britannica tells us that not long after her death, Saint Augustine attempted to fuse that tradition of philosophy into the religion of the New Testament. Within his Confessions, Saint Augustine writes about the philosopher Plotinus' interpretation of Plato's evil of unformed matter within the atom. It can be considered that he interpreted that evil as being associated with female sexuality. The Christian Church, not only confused the issue of the Greek atomistic warning, but it burnt alive those that taught about it.

We know that Sir Isaac Newton did indeed consider that the universe was infinite. It has been discovered, among the unpublished papers he wrote, that the mechanical description of the universe was balanced by the ancient Greek particle movement principles. Newton, aware that within his century, the Christian Church had tortured and burnt alive the great scientist Giordano Bruno for teaching such ideas at Oxford University, simply did not publish them!

During the 14th Century, Saint Thomas Aquinas, known as the Doctor of Physics, wrote down his worldview in which the earth was at the centre of the universe and great (nonsensical) crystal spheres existed to account for God, angels, demons, heaven and hell. His “*Angel Physics*” worldview became the fixed worldview within universities for several centuries, in which the old idea of female sexuality remained a fundamental evil. That worldview was legally enforced countless numbers of women and children were ritualistically tortured and burnt. Nothing has changed. Now vaccines kill the women and children. And in wars they are the most vulnerable.

The point: A fixed worldview, based upon incorrect physics assumptions, can completely negate any attempts to develop a positive, logical approach to achieving world peace. Authors such as Edward Gibbons who wrote the book *The Rise and Fall of the Roman Empire*, considered that the murder of Hypatia in 415 marked the beginning of the Dark Ages. Only now are we emerging from that period!

Today, there are many (famous) scientists who argue that the 20th Century understanding of the Universal Heat Death Law, the second law of thermodynamics, has completely collapsed. For example, if the reader enters the words: **principle of creation acceleration of the global crisis ...** into the google search engine, then six essays entitled *The Principle of Creation and the Accelerating Global Crisis*, by the noted, Max Plank Institute's astrophysicist, Professor Peter Kafka, should appear. On page 54, a Chapter entitled *The Uselessness of the Second Law* can be noted. The very last paragraph of the essays, concludes, that when the ugliness of the global situation becomes worse, then we can be sure that the beautiful attractor is near. By upgrading the fundamental geometrical ethical logic of the ancient Greeks, we can understand what the beautiful attractor is and how it can be applied to the problem of achieving global world peace.

We know that the ancient *Greek Science for Ethical Ends* was based upon a geometrical logic that extended to infinity. The greatest mathematical discovery in history was made in 1980 by a scientist named Benoit Mandelbrot. This discovery was *Fractal Geometrical Logic*, and it extends to infinity. Furthermore, its precursor was the Greek geometrical logic that upheld the lost ethical science. The beautiful attractor, or strange beautiful attractor, as it is also called, is an amazing discovery. It has an incredible association with our understanding of ethics and aesthetics, which provides us with the very logic base that we need to achieve global world peace.

We all know that the word 'aesthetics' has something to do with the philosophy of artistic appreciation. The word actually refers to the translation of the ancient Greek ethical science into an incorrect 18th Century scientific format by the philosopher Immanuel Kant. The correction to Kant's work was written in 1840 by the mathematician Bernard Bolzano, within his *Theory of Science*. Recent reviews of his work, by such noted philosophers as Hamburg University's Professor Wolfgang

Kunne, declare it to be unsurpassed in the world literature, as a systematic sketch of logic. Other reviews note that Bolzano's correction to Kant's ethics includes a 'real' concept of infinity:

Another review demonstrates that Bolzano's work embraces the later discovery of fractal geometrical logic, in which is found the beautiful strange attractor which Professor Kafka wrote would help solve the global destruction crisis. The work of the famed Professor Gert Eilenberger independently corrected Kant's work, and by using fractal logic to advance the science of quantum biology, is “*convinced that the rationality of science, expanded properly, is the sole and all embracing source of cognition for mankind, the only religion of an enlightened future*”.

During the 18th Century, the horrific 'Angel Physics' worldview that had been entrenched within the Christian universities was used to persecute those who taught about an infinite universe. This worldview was relaced by the present fixed worldview, which also denies that the universe is infinite. Leonardo da Vinci, Descartes and Sir Francis Bacon were the principle figures that ushered us into the present mechanical (robotic) age.

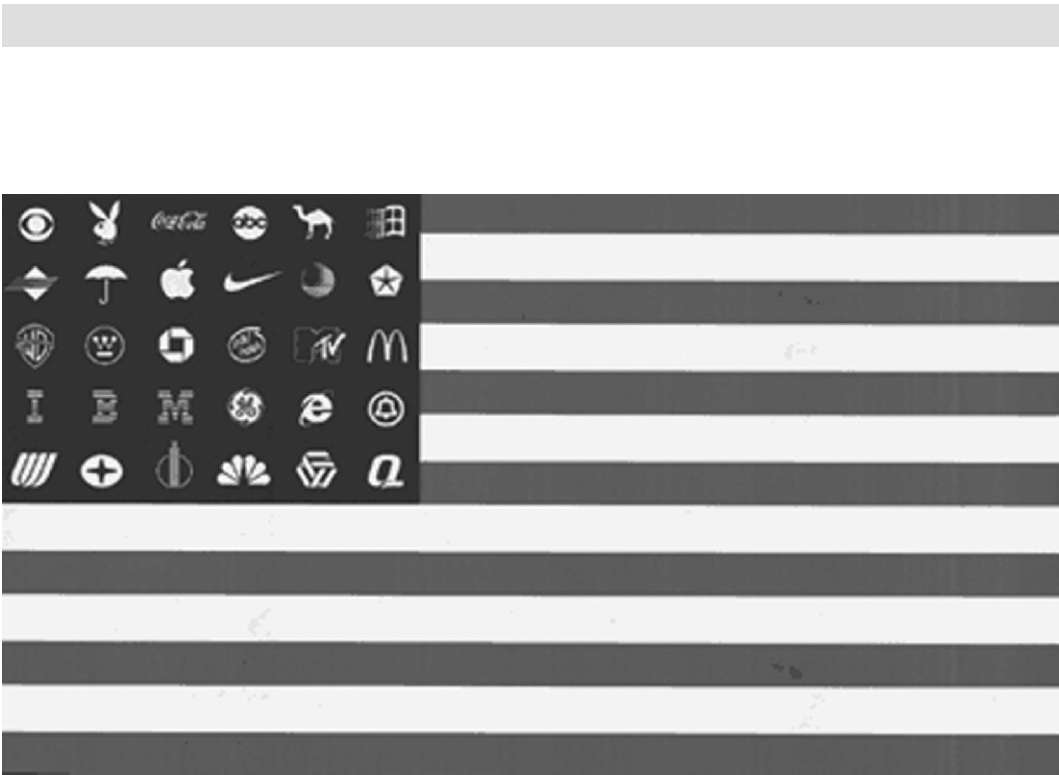
They all thought that the eye was the source of all knowledge. Sir Francis thought it would be for the betterment of a future global empire. Thomas Jefferson enshrined this '*all seeing eye*' concept into the Great Seal of America. Now, Plato had warned that the senses cannot know about the vital 'soul force' that those who adopted that idea would create an ignorant and misleading worldview. Recent discoveries demonstrate that the strange beautiful attractor influences ethical human evolution through energy vibrations - that the eye and our other senses cannot possibly perceive. Plato had been correct - only by using ethical geometrical logic could a beneficial worldview come into existence so the strange beautiful attractor has been 'located' as part of that world peace concept!

Recent cosmological discoveries of a vast energy field, has altered the basis of our fixed worldview - it has been named Quintessence in honour of the ancient Greek sciences. Quintessence is Aristotle's fifth element, incorrectly translated by Saint Thomas Aquinas into a false and fanciful worldview. In the very face of global crises, we are at last emerging from the Dark Ages! In our search to locate positive, ethical and logical guidelines to achieve global world peace, great scientists are working at the cutting edge of the strange beautiful attractor worldview. Who are they?

On the 8th of March 2006, Professor Julian Cribb, Editor of the R&D Review at the University of Sydney, had his *Higher Education* article '*The muzzling of science*' published on page 26 of the *Australian* Newspaper. Professor Cribb wrote that challenges to the fixed worldview were not tolerated by the stakeholders controlling global technological development. He compared this situation to that of a Third

World dictatorship, which compels us to follow a false worldview. The reader should note, that within this paper, the fixed worldview is not only challenged, but as well, the logic base upon which it has been constructed.

Efforts to achieve world peace can be considered to be almost futile, if linked to the work of those trapped within the present worldview. The good news is that the new worldview is “*busting loose*” all around the globe. World peace activists who come to understand this situation, will become the future heroes of a truly sustainable global world peace beyond the ability of the fixed worldview to imagine.



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GLOBAL VISION OF THE HOLY LAND

- Sami Awad



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I am very grateful to be with you today and I say: *El Salam Aleicum*. I ask you to say with me: *El Salam Aleicum*. This is the message I bring to you from Palestine today. It is not translated by: *Peace be with you*. The meaning is *May **the** Peace be with you*. When you walk into a family of a farmer, when you go to his house, and he is not able to go to his land, the first thing he will say is: *El Salam Aleicum*. When you go visit a family whose son has just been arrested by the Israeli army, the first thing they would tell you is: *El Salam aleicum*. When you visit a family whose child has just been killed by a settler, the first thing they will say: *El Salam Aleicum*. And this is the message from Palestine: *May the Peace be with you*.

It is an honour to be with you in Tamera. This is a pilgrimage for me that has taken two years to achieve. And I am very pleased to be here. When I first walked in here and have been walking in and around, the camp, the village, for a few days, I was immediately drifted back to the land where I come from, the Holy Land. And I was not drifted to this day or to this year, I was drifted to two thousand years ago. And I imagined a man who walked in the Holy Land two thousand years ago. Some people said he was crazy, some people still think he was crazy, and some people think he was the son of God.

And I imagined what he would say if he was in Tamera today. He would look at you and say: “Good job. You are on the right path. This is not the goal, maybe we should not seek the goal. But we are on the right path”. And he would be honoured to be here. But he would be here for a short time, because he knows, as you do, that there is more important work to do outside. And this is something that has been an honour to know in Tamera. It is not a community that has isolated itself. That has decided to live away from the problems and to run away from the problems. It is a community that has decided to be engaged, to be actively involved in seeking peace and justice around the world. So, as you are, this man would also be in Iraq, he would be in Lebanon, he

would be in Colombia, he would be in Sudan, he would be in Palestine and in Israel, working for peace and seeking peace and teaching peace. And I am honoured to be part of this community as well.

The wonderful thing about standing where I am now, it is not the fact that you have to listen to everything I say, and you do not have a choice. The wonderful thing, which many of you will miss, is the opportunity to see the faces in front of me. I see the faces of peace, I truly do. The faces of hope, the faces of justice, the faces of mercy, forgiveness, steadfastness, resiliency this is what I see. So I want to thank you all, because you have chosen to be warriors for peace, to be advocates for peace.

Imagine if we had more like us around the world. And we will. I believe we definitely will have. There will be more communities that will grow all across the world that will be very similar to this. They will not know us, but they will be very similar to us. And they will be spreading the same message. For five days now people have been asking me questions, and people maybe are expecting me to stand here with answers. And what I tell you is, I probably have more questions than you do.

What can we do in Palestine to end the occupation?

Everybody is asking: “Why, why why, why, why? Why is Israel doing this? Why is there war? Why is there conflict? Why is there murder? Why is the situation like this in Gaza?” - I think as a movement we have to reach the point where it no longer matters for us to ask the question of “Why?”. Its more important to ask the question of what can we do. And this has been the challenge for me, and this has been the challenge for us. The land where I come from is a land with many troubles. It is a land with many problems. But I believe that there are solutions. And there is an understanding. And if there was not a solution and there were not possibilities, I would not be here. I would not be working on what I am working, I would probably be a doctor or an engineer or a supermarket-owner or something. But no. The reason why I do what I do is because I believe there is hope. And I believe in a better future for the people of the Middle East.

I think one of the main issues of the Middle East and one of the most difficult problems is the way we have been looking at the conflict between the Palestinians and Israelis. We have put the conflict in a mindset, where we resemble it to what political theories and teachers try to explain to us and teach us, what a conflict should look like and what are the points of a conflict and how the conflict should be resolved. And since you all know about the Palestinian-Israeli conflict, you know about the issues. You talk about the issue of land, about the issue of border, you talk about the issue of settlements, you talk about the issue of Jerusalem, you talk about the issue of refugees. And for fifty years these are the issues that we have been talking about and repeated back and forth.

And people coming with initiatives and people coming with solutions we have the Geneva- Initiative, we have the Camp-David-Initiative, we have the Oslo-Initiative, we have the Ayalon-Nusseibeh-Initiative. Everybody just being creative in finding a solution based in what I feel are very wrong premises to truly resolving the conflict.

Four major points to understand the conflict

For me to understand the conflict and the way to resolve it, I see four major points, I say them quickly first and then focus on each one.

The first is, the understanding of fear second is the understanding of surplus power, the third is the understanding of structural violence and the fourth is the understanding of not just the concept of powerlessness but surplus powerlessness and this is a concept I learned from a very good friend, Michael Learner, a Rabbi from the US.

The first point is the understanding of fear. The issue of fear for me is at the heart of the conflict. It is not the fear of the Palestinians, it is the fear of the Jewish Israeli community. When there are debates and arguments with the Israelis about the conflict you discuss the issues and as a Palestinian I tell you very honestly I win the debate. There is international law that should be recognized, the Palestinian people have agreed politically to recognize the State of Israel and so on, there is an occupation, there is a military occupation that is illegal, the settlements are illegal, refugees should return to their homes, this is all international law and precedent.

But the debate very quickly changes to emotional arguments: Look what happened to us in Europe! Look what they did to us. And this is when our European friends and partners, when the Americans, the international world goes silent, allowing justification for this to continue in the name what happened in the holocaust. And for me this was very important to study and to learn because as Palestinians we can not just continue to say and claim that we have nothing to do with this, that we are the victims of the victims and so on. It is much more then this. I believe and I have learned to believe that both of us are direct victims of the Nazi oppression of the Jewish people. To reach this conclusion I had to go on my own pilgrimage. Last year I took the challenge and did a trip to Poland to visit Auschwitz and Birkenau. I was there with a group of peacemakers from around the world for ten days, living actually just outside of Birkenau and spending there twelve hours a day - at least. In prayers, in meditation, in reflection, in witnessing, in understanding, in smelling, in touching, feeling, seeing what happened decades ago in that place. And in many more places, too. I saw how this fear is real. It is real in the Israeli community. But I also witnessed how this fear is manipulated by many, and how politicians and religious leaders do take advantage of the fear in the hearts of the people to achieve their own political goals and agendas. I saw this not in Israel, I saw this in Auschwitz and Birkenau. There are many Israeli groups that come to Birkenau and many of them do come with the message of peace to teach their children, but the majority of the groups I saw there

are groups that bring young Israeli teenagers, put them into buses, drive them to Birkenau, give them Israeli flags and sing with them nationalistic songs. They explain to them the situation in a way we would not want it to be explained. It is not the issue of did it happen or not. It is the issue of what can we do to make sure this does not happen again.

I witnessed how one of such a group leader said to the group in a very angry voice: “Look what they did to us. They will continue to do this to us if we do not defend ourselves”. I am sorry I have to use this word because they used it. This man said: “They treated us like shit in Birkenau, they will continue treating us like shit and the Arabs want to treat us like shit. They want to burn us like what we were burnt here”. And this is the message that is being planted in the minds of many fifteen-, sixteen-year-old children. It is a very strong and very powerful message. It is taken back to Israel. Immediately after these young teenagers returned home they are put in the army and again this message is reiterated and pushed even more and more for three years. And one day they are given a machine gun and put at a checkpoint and said: “Deal with it!” *Deal with your fear, deal with your anger*. Imagine what these young soldiers are thinking after everything they have gone through in the last five years of their life. This is how fear is manipulated, this is how fear is presented, to many, not to all, but to many within the Israeli community.

This is very important: In order to reach and achieve a true peaceful vision in the Holy Land we have to address the issue of fear. So what I say to my Palestinian friends now is: "As Palestinians we have to make the initiation, we have to open the discussion with our Jewish neighbours to talk about the fear factor in their life, and how we can heal this fear factor all together." So this is the first point in talking about a new vision of the Middle East. We have to put this fear behind us, because all of us are suffering from this fear.

The second point is **the understanding of surplus power**. When we talk about negotiations we have to see why negotiations have failed between Palestinians and Israelis. It is because of the fact that the negotiations were not even.

There was too much a surplus of power on the Israeli side. It is not just the power of the nation. It is not just the power of the military. It is the power of a community that feels, there is no one there to stop them, no one there to control them. And this is what we as Palestinians have been negotiating with. A country, a government, a political system, a structure that has been ready and willing and able to violate international laws with, of course, the backing of the US government and, of course, UN resolutions not being implemented. And this is a very big issue for us. This is a major issue when it comes to resolving the peace process. That is why I for once say “no” to negotiations. Negotiations have failed between Palestinians and Israelis because we have not had this understanding of power. It is the absolute power within the Israeli

political structure that they feel, because the world is guilty enough not to say anything and afraid to be accused of being anti-Semitic or anti-Jewish or anti-Israeli. This power is now within the hands of Israel.

And there is another fear many people have: it is that ultimately this power might even lead to the self destruction of the State of Israel, because it is so much out of control.

The third point is **the understanding of structural violence**. Every day you hear the news and you read the reports, you hear about the violence of the military, the violence of the militants, the killing of innocents on both sides, Palestinians and Israelis, the murder and so on. It has become, I could even shamefully say as a Palestinian, it has become an issue of numbers: How many Palestinians were killed today? Every day I get messages on my mobile phone: Today's message: five Palestinians killed, one of them a child. So what? Yesterday there were twenty. Tomorrow there will be ten. Israelis or Palestinians. In a sense we have accustomed ourselves to living with the violence. And we have allowed this violence to become, as I say, structured violence, part of our daily living. We live with it. We get used to it. The violence that we as Palestinians face from the Israeli occupation is not just the violence of guns and the violence of bombs and shelling. I think this violence can easily be ended or at least easier ended than the other violence, which is the structure of the occupation. As Palestinians we encounter daily suffering. For example, for me to come here, - I live only a few miles away from Jerusalem - took me two and a half days. For the others who are here from Jerusalem it took them three and a half hours. The structure of violence surrounds our lives. Everything, every move we make, is one that has to be approved by the Israeli occupation, even when you talk about living in a Palestinian autonomy or a Palestinian authority now. When my daughter was born, I could not issue her a birth certificate unless I got it from the Israeli military, and this is under the Palestinian authority. If I want to travel, I have to get permission, not outside, even inside, between Palestinian areas. This is structural violence. Going from one place to the other, we have to stop at checkpoints. Ramallah would normally be half an hour drive away from where I live. The last time I travelled to Ramallah it took me eight hours. This is violence. The way the soldiers treat the Palestinians at the checkpoints - this is violence. In terms of personal experiences I could fill a list of this passive or structural violence that creates so much frustration and anger within the Palestinian community. And the only way we are able to reflect this is through violence, because the Palestinians so far are not open to the other option of nonviolence.

So this is the third point that we have to deal with. If Oslo would have been successful, I believe we would be at the same point where we are today. If Arafat would have been able to negotiate an agreement with Barak, we today would be where we are now. The violence would continue, because again it is not the issue of territory, it is

not the issue of borders, it is not the issue of which land to give and which to keep. It is the concept of a structure of violence that has been created by the Israeli military, by the Israeli government. I could even say, it is a structure of violence that presents one group of people as being a better group than the other. As being more human than the other. I would dare to say racism, and we face this, and we experience this, in Palestine every day. And this is something that we have to confront as well.

The fourth point is **the understanding of surplus powerlessness**. As I said this is a concept I learned from a Rabbi, Michael Learner, who lives in the US. As Palestinians we have reached the point where we are not just in the victim's mentality, we are not just powerless, but because we feel so powerless, we are increasing the amount of powerlessness we face and deal with every day. The biggest question in the Palestinian community is this: *Is this the worst time we are living in? Can it get worse than this?* And six months from now, people will say: *This has to be the worst time, it can't get worse than this...* And they will continue: *We wish the situation would go back to how it was six months ago.* And then a year from now they would wish it would go back to how it was six months from then. Nobody is doing anything to truly address the issues. We have become a society that is wonderful in blaming others, wonderful in pointing the finger, wonderful in saying: *Not my responsibility!*, wonderful in saying: *The world has forgotten us, and there is nothing we can do about this.*

Having a sense for powerlessness one can feel, by this language, by this talk, one increases this powerlessness in the own community. This is the point where we are today. This results in a complete loss of hope and we have seen this increase within the Palestinian community. There are more hopeless Palestinians than in any other time. There is no trust in the political process. There is no trust in our own leadership, be it the Hamas, the Palestinian Authority, the religious community, the NGO community, there is now lack of trust in all of this. And this again falls into the circle of how is this hopelessness reflected? Again through violence, again through more attacks, again through taking revenge, on our Israeli neighbours, for what they are doing to us, instead of addressing the question: *What can we do to stop this?*

And this what we are trying to do as an organisation, with many organisations. Do not think for one second that this is the work of Holy Land Trust or Sami Awad. This is the work of many Palestinian organisations that are truly trying to address this. And for us, what we believe in, is the need to empower people.

You empower people through nonviolence. The concept of nonviolence for me means one thing only: empowerment. You empower people to be actively involved, in making the right choices for their lives, in taking the right steps to get out of the difficulties and problems that they live in. As an organisation our dedication is not just to empower people to resist and to fight the occupation. It is very important for us

to also empower people to start asking the question: *What comes after the occupation?* To be liberated from the occupation does not automatically give you a democracy, believe me. I always tell Palestinians that the process of nation building is even going to be more difficult than the process to end the occupation. And that we already now need to work on building a strong democratic nation. If we are not involved as a people in the building of the nation, then others will take over that nation when it is liberated. And then we will have another middle-eastern regime, another dictatorship, that we have to again engage in a new fight to liberate ourselves from.

The only way to end the occupation is through nonviolence

Now what do we do as an organisation to do this work? For several years now, especially since the start of the second uprising, we have been engaged in nonviolence training and education in the Palestinian community. And we have seen the amount of requests for nonviolence training develop in an incredible way especially over the last two years.

Now, if nonviolence is increasing, it does not mean that violence is decreasing. While some of the silent majority in the Palestinian community are engaging and wanting to engage in nonviolence, the violence continues to grow. And those who call for violence continue to grow. And at the same time, as I said before, those who are becoming more and more hopeless continue to grow as well. And this is the problem that we are facing.

But I believe the only solution to the conflict between Palestine and Israel, the only way to end the occupation, is through nonviolence. Because nonviolence does not just empower the Palestinian community, it also empowers the Israelis. Nonviolence empowers the Israeli soldier when he puts down his gun and decides to be a *refusnik*. This is true power. This is what we need to see in the Israeli community.

We have done training in different parts of the West Bank. At the beginning we had six trainers who worked with us. Now we have over thirty trainers that work with Holy Land Trust, doing trainings all across the West Bank. And we give the option for people to engage in whatever forms of nonviolence they want. It becomes a holistic approach to living their life and we respect them for that. Some people think of it as a pragmatic strategic choice and we respect them for that- as long as they are doing it, and that's what we want.

We are now engaged in a programme to train villages as well in nonviolence. And I think, the work we are doing in villages is what has connected us as an organisation with Tamara. Palestinian villages are suffering greatly under Israeli occupation. They are being directly targeted by the occupation. Palestinian villages are located outside of the areas where the rest of us are confined as Palestinians in the walls, what I call

"open prison camps". And the way to get the villagers to move into the village is by pressuring them. So we're doing training in the villages, very extensive hard work training, and we are seeing how people become very empowered in a very short time. And I'll just give one example of a village where we did a training in. The village is located in the North of Ramallah. The inhabitants of this village came to us requesting a training because they had been having a very difficult time with Israeli-Jewish settlers, who used to come in and drive in their village, provoke the children to throw stones, and in a two year period twelve Palestinian children were killed in this one village. And they came to us saying: *We don't have weapons, we don't have resistors, militants, what can we do?*. So we trained 350 of the 2,500 inhabitants of this village in nonviolence. Immediately we saw the results. And this is truly the power of nonviolence.

Immediately you see the results! The people of the village developed a strategy to be able to stop the settlers from coming in again. And the strategy was a wonderful one: the women of the village decided to take charge, finally. The idea was that they would stand in the streets of the village anytime the settlers come in and prevent them from crossing into the village. So they did. When the settlers came and saw two-, three-, four-hundred women standing in the street as they were coming down from the mountain, they turned their cars and jeeps and went back.

A side effect of this training was a problem we had with the men. We started getting calls from the men in the village, saying: *What have you done to our women?* The feeling of empowerment that they received was also reflected in their homes. The women would stop the husband when he came to abuse a child or to violently respond to a child's behaviour or towards her. And we saw this in many examples but very apparent in this village. Because at the end, when they had elections in this village, for the first time it was a woman who won the village council.

So this is what we need to work on, because this is what gives me hope as a Palestinian. There are people in the Palestinian community who do want to engage in ways of resisting the occupation, an occupation that is not just, that it is not legitimate, that is not illegal. But there are ways to resist, there are ways that can achieve peace between us and our Israeli neighbours.

If I am asked to say what I seek, I want to talk about a vision, a global vision of the Holy Land. It is not the idea of having a Palestinian State. It is not the idea of a two state solution. It is not the idea of a political solution of the conflict. What do I seek? I seek one thing only, and I seek it through non-violence: this is the recognition of equality. And this is what non-violence does: It allows the other side to recognize your equal right to be on the same land. All the issues that I mentioned before are addressed through non-violence.

The issue of fear: there is no reason the Jewish community should have fear any more, when you engage in nonviolence, because nonviolence addresses the fear.

The issue of power: there is no reason to hide behind your power, to have surplus power, as a Jewish community, because nonviolence addresses the issue of power.

The issue of violence: The violent structure of the occupation will immediately collapse and end through nonviolence.

And the fourth point or surplus powerlessness: As a Palestinian community we will be empowered and we will be stronger because of the use of nonviolence.

This is what I seek: equality.

The Israeli community has to recognize my equal right to be on the same land. When Barak was negotiating peace with Arafat he talked about the generous offer. But a generous offer can only be made of something that belongs to you, that you give to the other for the sake of peace. And this is wrong. It is not about giving something that belongs to the Jewish people to the Palestinians for the sake of peace. It is recognizing that the Palestinians have rights and that Palestinians have been mistreated by the Israeli community.

I would like to end my presentation by going back to that crazy man two thousand years ago. One of the most powerful statements he said, and I believe it is at the heart of nonviolence, is a statement that many people ignore, but it is a statement he is very very famous for. He said: *Love your enemy*. Three words: Love your enemy! He did not say: *Become friends with your enemy*. He did not say: *Resolve your conflicts with your enemy!* You can resolve a conflict and each one goes his own way after that. He did not say: *Be kind to your enemy*. If you are kind to your enemy you give them what you want, or what you have to give them and then again each one goes his way. He did not say: *Reconcile with your enemy*. He said something much more powerful, he said: *Love your enemy!* To love somebody means becoming one with them and that is what he is asking us to do. When you become one you lose the other, your identity becomes one. You take care of your own because he becomes part of you. That is the message of loving your enemy. It is a strong message; it is a powerful message that this crazy guy talked about two thousand years ago. And I believe this is the message that we need today. We should reach a point where there is no Palestinian or Israeli, where there is no Swiss or German or French and so on, we should reach the point where we understand our humanity and love our humanity and this starts by loving ourselves first. You can only love others if you love yourself. And then loving your enemy, because when you love your enemy, you no longer have an enemy. Thank you very much, and blessings to you.

ARMS RACE IN SPACE

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The new arms race in space is shaping up to be the largest industrial project in Earth's history. To pay for this project, the aerospace industry has been lobbying Washington for a dedicated funding source. Budget allocations for missile defense Star Wars are only part of the huge sums of money redirected toward preparations for war in space.

Since World War II, hundreds of billions of dollars have been spent on Star Wars research and development. When Bill Clinton first came into office in 1993 he ceremoniously announced that Reagan's Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI), at that time funded at \$3.5 billion a year, was dead. Then he quietly created the Ballistic Missile Defense Organization (BMDO) and moved the \$3.5 billion into the new space weapons development organization. George Bush left office having changed the name to Missile Defense Agency (MDA) with an annual budget of \$10 billion..

Not counted in the MDA budget is the money that goes into space technology programs at the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO), National Security Agency (NSA), Department of Energy, NASA, and others. Conservative numbers indicate that the total military space technology annual budget runs in the neighborhood of \$75 billion per year.

From Research to Deployment

The Pentagon maintains that the Persian Gulf War in the early 1990s was the "first space war" where it was able to field test new technologies and begin implementing the doctrine of "full spectrum dominance." In the 2003 shock-and-awe invasion of

Iraq, 70% of the weapons used in the initial attack were directed to their targets via military space satellites. Today, terrestrial warfare is coordinated from space.

But there's a problem: If the United States can do all of this, so could another nation. Thus the Pentagon has for years been working to create the ability to "deny" others the use of space. According to the Air Force Space Command planning document Strategic Master Plan: FY06 and Beyond, "the ability to gain space superiority (the ability to exploit space while selectively disallowing it to adversaries) is critically important and maintaining space superiority is an essential prerequisite for success in modern warfare...Simply, we must be able to quickly subjugate any space capability any adversary can field while maintaining our own".

This threat to take out the space assets of other nations is leading to a new and dangerous stage in the space arms race. China's 2007 test of a rudimentary anti-satellite (ASAT) weapon was a warning to the United States that it won't allow any one country to be "Master of Space", as the Air Force Space Command logo reads. The United States responded in 2008, using the excuse of a falling satellite, to show the world it had the capability to knock out an object in space. In this case, the Navy fired a "missile defense" system from an Aegis destroyer into space and successfully hit the doomed satellite. This test also was a clear warning to Russia and China that the ship-based Aegis "missile defense" system had offensive capabilities and could be used as part of a growing US first-strike capability.

Space Race in Asia

Today, the United States and its allies Japan and South Korea are deploying Aegis destroyers to encircle China's coastline and put its small nuclear deterrent capability at risk. China also knows that the US Space Command has been annually war-gaming a first-strike attack on its nation. In a computer war game set in the year 2016, the United States launches the attack, using a system now under development called the military space plane. This weapon would have the capability to take off like an airplane, fly through space to the other side of the world in one hour, drop a devastating attack on China, and then return to home base. The Pentagon is selling this space plane to the Congress and the public as the successor to the outdated, and increasingly expensive, space shuttle.

The *International Herald Tribune* recently reported that Gen. Valentin Popovkin, former chief of Russia's space forces, said his country must develop ASAT weapons

technology as well. "We can't sit back and quietly watch others doing that, such work is being conducted in Russia," Popovkin was quoted as saying. Russia already has some "basic, key elements" of such weapons, Popovkin said.

During the tenures of both Clinton and the second Bush, Russia and China introduced to the UN General Assembly a resolution calling for a new treaty to ban weapons in space. The Prevention of an Arms Race in Space (PAROS) would outlaw all weapons in and through space, and close the barn door before the horse gets out. Sadly, the position of the United States has been consistent throughout both Democrat and Republican administrations: There are no weapons in space and thus no need for a new treaty. The United States claims that there is no problem.

The Problem with NASA

NASA was created as a civilian agency with a mission to do peaceful space exploration. But the growing influence of the military industrial complex has rubbed out the line between civilian and military programs.

When George W. Bush appointed former Secretary of the Navy Sean O'Keefe to head NASA in late 2001, the new space agency director announced that all NASA missions in the future would be "dual use." This meant that every NASA space launch would be both military and civilian at the same time. The military would ride the NASA Trojan horse and accelerate space weapons development without the public's knowledge. NASA would expand space nuclear power systems to help create new designs for weapons propulsion. Permanent, nuclear-powered bases on the moon and Mars would give the United States a leg up in the race for control of those planetary bodies. The international competition for resource extraction in space (helium-3 on the moon) is now full on.

NASA's job is to do the research and development, and then be ready to turn everything over to private corporate interests once the technology has been sorted out. The taxpayers will fund the technology investment program. The military will create the space weapons systems to ensure free corporate access to the space highways of the future. The aerospace industry is already making record profits from the ever-escalating cost of space technology systems. Virtually every system now under development is well over budget. Just one illustration is NASA's International Space Station. Originally slated to cost the taxpayers \$10 billion, the project has now grown to \$100 billion and is not yet finished.

High Ground in Space

A little-known congressional study from 1989 called *Military Space Forces: The Next 50 Years* spells out much of the Pentagon's plan for achieving dominance in space. The Air Force Association published the report in book form, and congressional leaders like Representatives Ike Skelton (D-MO) and John Spratt (D-SC), Senator John Glenn (D-OH) and now-Senator Bill Nelson (D-FL) signed the foreword.

In the book, congressional staffer John Collins reports: “Military space forces at the bottom of the Earth’s so-called gravity well are poorly positioned to accomplish offensive/defensive/deterrent missions, because great energy is needed to overcome gravity during launch. Forces at the top, on a space counterpart of ‘high ground’, could initiate action and detect, identify, track, intercept, or otherwise respond more rapidly to attacks”.

Collins goes on to propose to Congress that the United States needs bases on the moon, at the top of the “gravity well”, and on armed space stations on either side of the lunar surface. He writes, “Nature reserves decisive advantage for L4 and L5, two allegedly stable liberation points [on either side of the moon] that theoretically could dominate Earth and moon, because they look down both gravity wells. No other location is equally commanding”. Collins then concludes that, “Armed forces might lie in wait at that location to hijack rival shipments on return”. Space piracy is born.

Like the Pentagon, the defense industries also have a plan for space. They're working 50-75 years ahead of the rest of us. They understand the enormous costs involved. They are moving to secure a funding source and working to bring “reliable allies” into the program to help pay for Star Wars. They've learned to dress up key aspects of the program as defense, as in “missile defense”.

Space is the new military frontier. It's now up to the peace movement to understand the issue and help the public do so as well. Unless this costly and destabilizing new space arms race is stopped, life on Earth will become much more difficult. We must keep space for peace.

THE GREAT DICTATOR
Charlie Chaplin's Speech



"Speak - it is our only hope"
"Hope -

I'm sorry but I don't want to be an Emperor - that's not my business - I don't want to rule or conquer anyone.

I should like to help everyone if possible, Jew, gentile, black man, white. We all want to help one another, human beings are like that.

We all want to live by each other's happiness, not by each other's misery. We don't want to hate and despise one another. In this world there is room for everyone and the earth is rich and can provide for everyone.

The way of life can be free and beautiful. But we have lost the way Greed has poisoned men's souls - has barricaded the world with hate; has goose-stepped us into misery and bloodshed.

We have developed speed but we have shut ourselves in: machinery that gives abundance has left us in want. Our knowledge has made us cynical, our cleverness hard and unkind.

We think too much and feel too little: More than machinery we need humanity; More than cleverness we need kindness and gentleness. Without these qualities, life will be violent and all will be lost.

The aeroplane and the radio have brought us closer together. The very nature of these inventions cries out for the goodness in men, cries out for universal brotherhood for the unity of us all. Even now my voice is reaching millions throughout the world, millions of despairing men, women and little children, victims of a system that makes men torture and imprison innocent people. To those who can hear me I say “Do not despair”.

The misery that is now upon us is but the passing of greed, the bitterness of men who

fear the way of human progress: the hate of men will pass and dictators die and the power they took from the people, will return to the people and so long as men die [now] liberty will never perish. . .

Soldiers - don't give yourselves to brutes, men who despise you and enslave you - who regiment your lives, tell you what to do, what to think and what to feel, who drill you, diet you, treat you as cattle, as cannon fodder.

Don't give yourselves to these unnatural men, machine men, with machine minds and machine hearts. You are not machines. You are not cattle. You are men. You have the love of humanity in your hearts. You don't hate - only the unloved hate. Only the unloved and the unnatural. Soldiers - don't fight for slavery, they fight for liberty.

In the seventeenth chapter of Saint Luke it is written, “the kingdom of God is within man” - not one man, nor a group of men - but in all men - in you, the people.

You the people have the power, the power to create machines, the power to create happiness. You the people have the power to make life free and beautiful, to make this life a wonderful adventure. Then in the name of democracy let's use that power - let us all unite. Let us fight for a new world, a decent world that will give men a chance to work, that will give you the future and ripe old age and security. By the promise of these things, brutes have risen to power, but they lie. They do not fulfill their promise, they never will. Dictators free themselves but they enslave the people.

Now let us fight to fulfill that promise. Let us fight to free the world, to do away with national barriers, do away with greed, with hate and intolerance. Let us fight for a world of reason, a world where science and progress will lead to all men's happiness. Soldiers - in the name of democracy, let us all unite!

Look up! Look up! The clouds are lifting - the sun is breaking through. We are coming out of the darkness into the light. We are coming into a new world. A kind new world where men will rise above their hate and brutality.

The soul of man has been given wings - and at last he is beginning to fly. He is flying into the rainbow - into the light of hope - into the future, that glorious future that belongs to you, to me and to all of us. Look up. Look up.”

THE WORLD WE LIVE IN
by Dr. Leo Rebello

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Hunger and malnutrition: 19,000 children die each day from hunger. The granaries of the EU and North America are full but the Christian West insists the food must be paid for or the poor must die. Money is valued more than life.

Iraq: Over a million Iraqis have died since 1991 through the US led ‘sanctions’. Basic facilities have crumbled, Iraqi mothers have given birth to hideously deformed children (from the effects of the DU shells), etc but the sanctions go on. Recently, US Col John Warden admitted how the military had deliberately targeted civilian infrastructure in the full knowledge that this “*could lead to increased incidence of disease, if not epidemics*”. Since 1998, over 30,000 bombing sorties (by the US & its UK poodle) have flown over Iraq. Their bombs have killed hundreds of civilians, destroyed more facilities and polluted the environment further.

The American Hegemony: A report published recently by George Washington University, on the shenanigans of the US secret service and the CIA, calls the take over by Suharto of Indonesia thirty plus years ago as the blackest page in the history of the 20th century because the U.S. was directly responsible for the deaths of about a million Indonesians.

Don't forget that the so-called great country's white population was made up of convicts sent across from Britain. Yesterday's convicts and invaders are today's rulers of America. They manipulate everything - murder, mayhem, removing someone, installing Pinochet-type of people, passing sanctions against Saddam Hussain, taking Milesovic to the Hague Court, telling India’s Vajpayee to sit with war criminal Musharraf of Pakistan for discussion on Kashmir problem, not vacating military bases from Japan, Vietnam war, the Kuwait invasion, it is the American hegemony at its worst. When will the World Bully, who masquerades as world policeman, be sentenced for crime against humanity by the International Court of Justice based in Hague?

Israel: The barbarous treatment of Palestinians (daily insults, beatings, theft of water resources, extension of territory, etc) is well documented. The East Euro Jews are in charge, backed by the US with aid of \$10 million *daily*. An apartheid system is in place based on religion and race. The Ethiopian Jews too suffer massive discrimination and racism.

Western Drug Companies: A consortium of some 30 drug firms had decided to sue South Africa for its decision to make cheap drugs against AIDS. But public pressure

forced them to give in at the last moment. (UK's Tony Blair openly backed the 'intellectual property rights' of the companies). Thousands of Africans have been afflicted by AIDS, they say. But as with food for the hungry, profits come first. In any case, the victims are black and dispensable.

Russia and the Chechens: The Chechens, conquered by tsarist Russia, have revolted many times. In 1944 Stalin deported the entire Chechen population (500,000) to the frozen steppes of Central Asia. Chechenya declared itself independent in 1991. The Russians were humiliated in the 1995 Chechen war and vowed revenge. Basic facilities were destroyed in Iraqi style bombings. The capital Grozny was leveled and some thousands of Chechens were killed. The repression continues.

Torture Equipment: The US has long trained death squads in Latin America, supplied manuals on destabilisation techniques etc. According to Amnesty International (AI), the US in 1999 provided military training and aid (including torture equipment) to 49 countries, which used torture. When it comes to torture, the civilised British haven't been idle either. They have been making sophisticated devices for decades. In 1997, AI in its annual report said: “*British companies have organised the supply of electric shock equipment to countries where it is used for torture...*” There are 40 such countries.

In 1980, it was estimated that the money required to provide adequate food, water, education, health and housing for everyone in the world to be \$17 billion a year. It was a huge sum of money....about as much as the world spent then on arms every two weeks. Twenty years later, the arms budgets have sky-rocketed with poverty, diseases, inequality. When will the powers-that-be realize the simple aspirations of people and work for their fulfillment? We, the People of the World, demand a World Parliament, here and now, to bring peace and plenty on planet earth!

COMMON VALUES FROM DIFFERENT RELIGIONS

Inaugural Address delivered by Dr. Leo Rebello
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***Namaste* which means I bow to the god within you!**

I come from India, the nation where Hinduism, Buddhism, Jainism, and Sikhism were born; which is the second largest Muslim nation on Earth; where Christianity has existed for 2000 years; where the oldest Jewish synagogues and Jewish communities have resided since the Romans burnt their 2nd temple; where the Dalai Lama and the Tibetan government in exile has been residing for almost 50 years; where the *Zoroastrians* from Persia have thrived since being thrown out of their ancient homeland; where *Baha'Is* are not discriminated; where almost 10,000 MNCs and their foreign staff members mingle with Indians and eat with hand the exotic vegetarian food forgetting their white supremacy.

Namaste - I say to you in all reverence that rather than emphasizing how your religion is superior than the others, let us see the uniting features or common values in religions and unite in peace and brotherhood to usher in a World Without Wars, a World Without Borders, a World Without Hunger and a World Without Tears.

In 1950, the *Baha'I* proposed that 20th January be celebrated as the World Religion Day, promoting understanding and harmony between all religions. On this day, the world citizens believe that unity and equality cannot be established if we go on harping on the past hurts, but by concentrating on the future goals. World Religion Day emphasises common values in major religions, world as a single country, humanity as the citizenry and love as a common language.

The Eternal values common to all religions are: Truth is one. God is one. Love is ultimate. Universe is one. There is plenty in this universe for everyone's need, but not for everyone's greed. Our blood is one (Muslim blood is not green, Hindu blood is not saffron, Jewish blood is not blue, African blood is not black, and European blood is not white. Blood is red in everyone). Our hopes, fears, aspirations, longings are one. And the ultimate truth is that Religion divides people instead of uniting and uplifting. Too much time has been wasted and too many lives have been lost in fighting over religions. The most important need of our generation is to rise above our religions and extend the arm of friendship and unity for all the people. Through discussion come understanding, unity and peace.

Hinduism: is called *Vaidika Dharma* (of *Vedantic* origin) or *Sanatana Dharma* (that which is eternal). It is a way of life. About 5000 years old, 860 million followers live in India. It lays emphasis on: Truth, Godliness, and Respect for Parents, Teachers and

Guests; Kindness, Charity, Mercy, Abstinence from Evil Doing. *Pinde Pinde Brahmande* (in every atom there is universe), *Vasudhaiv Kutumbakam* (world is a family) are the profound messages of Hinduism.

Brahma, Vishnu and Mahesh (Hindu Trinity) becomes Father, Son and Holy Spirit (Christian Trinity); like Horus, Egypt 3000 BC, becomes Mithra of Persia in 1200 BC, Krishna of India in 900 BC and later Christ - all have common story ‘Sun God’.

Judaism: Concept of sin was given by Judaism. Sin means straying from the path of God. The famous 10 Commandments were propounded by Judaism. One God, Honour of parents and brethren. No killing, no stealing, no adultery, no false witnesses, no fighting with neighbours, etc

Islam: Submission, Surrender and Commitment. Lays emphasis on Prayer, Charity, Fasting during the *Ramzan* month. (Christians fast during Lent). Belief in one God, *Allah*. Belief in one Message. Belief in a judgment day (Christians and Jews too believe in judgment day and yet indulge in grave sins). Islam believes in God's omniscience. Founder Muhammad and *Qu'ran* gives the code of conduct. *Baha'u'llah*, one of the prophets, goes beyond this by saying “The earth is but one country, and mankind its citizens”.

Taoism: *Lao Tze*, the old master, founded it in 604 BC in China. Taoism talks of Life, Love, Light and Will. Produce, but do not possess. Act, do not expect. Enlarge, but do not control. Vital energy (*teh*) runs through human body and it manifests in human consciousness through love and reciprocity.

Zoroastrianism: Ten centuries before Christ, Zoroaster (whose mother too was virgin) taught: Good thoughts. Good words. Good deeds. They worship fire and consider their blood being pure and hence will not allow marriage outside their religion. They also do not allow conversion. Hence, they are now in “endangered category” with barely 100,000 Parsis all over the world, out of which 60,000 live in India.

Christianity: Christ spoke of God's love, mercy and man's brotherhood. Christ condemned the rich and the greedy. He gave hope to poor and the meek. Ten Commandments from the Old Testament are adopted. 'Love thy neighbour', 'love thy enemy', 'give another cheek' are original teachings of Jesus Christ for an ideal world. Worldwide, numerically, it is the number one religion. About 30 million Christians live in India.

Sikhism: Founder Guru Nanak wished to combine the best in Hinduism and Islam. One God *Sat Nam*. Righteousness, no idol worship or caste. *Guru* is needed to reach the god. Love, goodwill and understanding. Share what you earn with the less fortunate.

Jainism: Right belief. Right knowledge. Right conduct. *Ahimsa* (non violence). Non injury by thought, word or deed. Respect Life. The followers of this religion are strictly vegetarian.

Buddhism: Monastic religion. Founder Gautama Buddha. Eight-fold path leads a person to Nirvana. Right View, Right Resolve, Right Speech, Right Conduct, Right Livelihood, Right Effort, Right Recollection and Right Meditation. Eight million Buddhists in India.

Humanism: Humanism believes that orthodox religions are cancer of the human spirit, which is boundless. Humanism is the ultimate goal of an evolved civilization. Human being is central. No distinction or discrimination on the basis of caste, creed, gender, status, language, etc. One Human Race, Earth is one and everything therein is meant for Sharing... Goal: World Parliament, sans dividing walls and dogmas.

***Ekam Sat, viprah bahuda vadanti* truth is one, but sages call it by different names.**

To emphasise this further, let me recite to you my poem on Unity.

*When we ran from the towering inferno
of terrorism, we became one human race!*

*When the planes hit and the imposing buildings
fell, we ran in one direction towards safety!*

*When we prayed together and lit candles
we longed for hope and became one faith!*

*When millions observed silence, and thousands
protested against war, we spoke one language!*

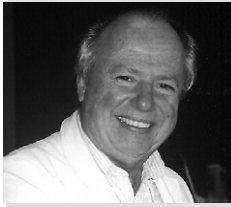
*When we volunteered and collected blood,
all religions mingled in our arteries and veins!*

*When guns were consigned to fire and hands
were joined in unity, poverty ended, tears vanished!*

*When leaders united with the commoners and
sang together 'World is One', peace returned!*

HUMAN RIGHTS: THE FOUNDATIONS OF WORLD LAW

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I believe that the One World which is emerging can come into existence only if a New Man comes into being - a man who has emerged from the archaic ties of blood and soil, and who feels himself a citizen of the world with loyalty to the human race and to life, a man who loves his country because he loves mankind, and whose judgement is not warped by tribal loyalties. -- Eric Fromm Beyond the Chains of Illusion

In human history, there have been periods when there is a collective response to new challenges and thus new ways of organizing thought and society. Most of the world's great religious and philosophical systems were formulated at about the same time 500 BC: Confucianism and Taoism in China, Hinduism-Buddhism-Jainism in India, Zarathustra in Persia, the Prophetic impulse in Judaism, Socrates-Plato-the mystery schools in Greece, and most likely but more difficult to date exactly, the Druid teachings among the Celts. Of course, there were later developments of these religious traditions: Christianity grew from Judaism, itself influenced by currents of thought from Greece and Asia; Islam grew from the meeting of Judaism and Christianity with the tribal religions of Arabia.

All these religions and philosophical teachings embodied elements found in the teachings and ethics of the tribal groups from which they arose. Confucius said that he was only the compiler of earlier writings. The ethics of the earlier tribal societies were not necessarily inferior, but they were limited to rules for interaction among members of that tribe or ethnic group. As Mo-Tzu, who with Confucius and Lao-Tzu are the basis of traditional Chinese thought, had already noted around 450 BC that "A thief loves his own family and does not love other families, hence he steals from other families in order to benefit his own family... Each feudal lord loves his own state and does not love other states, so he attacks other states in order to benefit his own state. The causes of all disturbances lie herein. It is always from want of equal love to all." The same insight has been stated more recently by the Russian-American sociologist Pitirim Sorokin in his 1954 book *The Ways and Power of Love*: "If unselfish love does not extend over the whole of mankind, if it is confined within one group, such an in-group altruism tends to generate an out-group antagonism. And the more intense and exclusive the in-group solidarity of its members, the more unavoidable are the

clashes between the group and the rest of humanity."

In tribal societies, when contact was made with an individual stranger, he was 'adopted' - that is, made a member of the tribe for the time he was there, given a fictional lineage which made the members of that family responsible for his behaviour. We have had the same pattern until recently in Africa where tribal structures have continued intact longer.

When society becomes more complex and contacts between tribes more frequent, it is not possible to 'adopt' every stranger one meets. Thus it is necessary to have a more universalistic ethic. You cannot treat everyone as if he were a member of your own family nor can you treat every stranger as a potential enemy.

By 500 BC, society in most parts of the world had grown in complexity. Communications and trade put very different types of people into contact. People began to compare ideas about nature because through travel they started to see natural sites, animals and plants to which they were not accustomed. They began to compare the different ways people governed themselves. Aristotle was the first to make a comparative study of constitutions. The earlier tribal ethics were no longer adequate to deal with the more socially complex situations. Thus there grew up philosophies that were to provide a more universalistic ethic a way to deal with everyone, not just those belonging to the same tribe. The social need for a new ethic was there, and individuals with insight recognizing the need formulated the religious philosophies that have served until today.

Now, the world finds itself roughly in a similar situation as in 500 BC. For the first time, there is a growing realization that all people on earth are in contact with each other through communications, trade, finance and power politics. The religions and philosophies that have served until now have become limited to a country or cultural zone. Confucianism and Taoism helped provide a common ethic for all the tribal groups of China but remained limited to the Chinese-influenced areas; Hinduism and Jainism remained Indian; *Zarathustra* became identified to the Persian world and then was largely absorbed by Islam; Greek thought remains part of the classic heritage of the West but has long disappeared as an independent religious philosophy; Judaism has remained largely an ethnic religion which never made an effort at conversion, and Buddhism remains largely colored by its Asian setting. Only the 'late starters' Christianity and Islam make claims of being universal faiths, and although there are efforts to overcome cultural biases, Christianity remains Western and Islam, Arab.

Likewise, government leaders still see the world in older structural terms as a collection of relatively independent and autonomous nation-states a guiding social framework, which had served humanity well for several hundred years after the end

of the European feudal wars. Today, that nation-state framework is not adequate. We already live in a world society bound through communications and economy to a common destiny.

Thus today there is a need for a universalistic ethic, one that englobes all of humanity. There is a need for new universal symbols a way in which people recognize that they are linked and in harmony with each other. There is a need for a new universal explanation of nature that will encompass all the new findings of science from the new knowledge of sub-atomic particles of energy to the vast reaches of the cosmos now known through astronomy's discoveries.

As Robert Muller, former Assistant Secretary-General of the United Nations and Honorary President of the Association of World Citizens wrote in his essay “The Right Not To Kill”. In every epoch of history there are a few exceptional human beings who are blessed with a correct vision of the place of the human person on earth and in the universe. **This vision is always basically the same:**

- * It recognizes the oneness and supremacy of the human family, irrespective of color, sex, creed, nation or any other distinctive characteristics.
- * It recognizes each individual human being as a unique miracle of divine origin, a cosmos of his own, never to be repeated again in all eternity.
- * It rejects all violence as being contrary to the sanctity and the uniqueness of life, and advocates love, tolerance, truth, cooperation and reverence for life as the only civilized means of achieving a peaceful and happy society.
- * It preaches love & care for our beautiful & so diverse planet in the fathomless universe.
- * It sees each human life and society as part of an eternal stream of time and ever ascending evolution.
- * It recognizes that the ultimate mysteries of life, time and the universe will forever escape the human mind and therefore bends in awe and humility before these mysteries and God.
- * It advocates gratitude & joy for the privilege of being admitted to the banquet of life.
- * It preaches hope, faith, optimism and a deep commitment to the moral and ethical virtues of peace and justice distilled over eons of time as the foundations for further human ascent.

This *élan* for further human ascent is what Albert Schweitzer called reverence for life. Robert Muller notes, “We must restore optimism and continue to sharpen our inborn instincts for life, for the positive, for self-preservation, for survival and human fulfilment at ever higher levels of consciousness. We must conquer the duality, the sombre, the bad, the negative, and the suicidal. These all contain dangerous self-finding processes of destruction. We must turn instead to the mysterious self-generating powers of hope, creative thinking, love, life affirmation and faith.” From his long experience in the United Nations, Muller stresses the UN both as a

symbol of human unity “the place of convergence of all human problems, dreams, aspirations and exertions” and as an active agent in articulating the world system of diagnosis, consultation, monitoring, prognosis and action “Behind the loud words and claims, there is the upsurge of a great tranquil, evolutionary wave towards the protection, survival and fulfilment of the human race on planet earth.”

A main function of the UN is to build bridges so that tensions and pressures, be they territorial claims, poverty, injustice, inequality or violations of human rights, are prevented from creating havoc. However values and attitudes must be 'incarnated' into institutions. Since the passage from love of the part to love of the whole will not take place in all persons at the same time, selfishness must be restrained through collective norms, social pressures and the availability of socially sanctioned force. The UN is the most universal institution and thus the focus of worldwide loyalties.

Of the collective norms, the clearest and those that touch the individual most directly is the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, proclaimed in Paris in December 1948. Within the framework of the rights set out in the Declaration, there has been a growth of human rights conventions and treaty bodies that monitor their application. Among the most important of these conventions are the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, and the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Human rights are universal because the subject of human rights is the universal world citizen and not the political citizen as defined by state citizenship. Human rights inaugurate a new kind of citizenship, the citizenship of humanity. Human rights gives people the sense that world law belongs to them.

In order to affirm these human rights, there has been a dynamic growth of NGOs dealing with human rights. NGOs have become indispensable to the human rights movement through their characteristic activities: monitoring, investigating and reporting, lobbying national governments and the United Nations, educating the public and coming to the defence of individuals when dealing with courts or intergovernmental bodies. NGOs are on the frontlines of building a new world society.

Dr. Leo Rebello's note: Beautiful essay right from the heart. But only when the Security Council is not manipulated and the five bullies do not hold the veto power, the UN will become the instrument of change. Presently, it is full of small-minded charlatans who break all civilised norms and prevent humanity living in peace and growing spiritually.

**REPORT ON INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON
GLOBAL CONFLICTS AND TERRORISM
HELD ON 22nd JANUARY 2007 IN PUNE, INDIA**

- Fayyaz Pathan, Editor, Agni Times Weekly.
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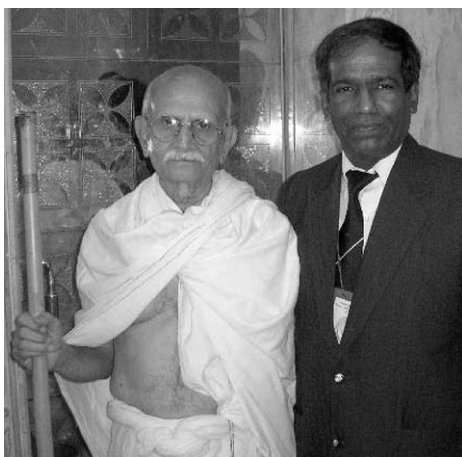
An International Conference on Global Conflicts and Terrorism was held at the Le Meridien Hotel in the historic city Pune, in India, in which over 400 participants from 60 countries participated. The conference was organised by the World Foundation on Reverence for All Life [WFRAL] and the meet was declared open by **Dada JP Vaswani**, the Pontiff of World Sindhis, a soft-spoken man who speaks only the language of love, by lighting a traditional lamp to dispel darkness.

The keynote speakers at the inaugural session consisted of: Dr. Leo Rebello, President of World Constitution and Parliament Association; Dr. R.A.Mashelkar, Director General (Retd), Central Institute for Science and Research; Dr. Mohan Dharia, former Commerce Minister and Dy. Chairman, Planning Commission of India; Dr. S.B.Mujumdar, President of Symbiosis International; Lt.Gen (Retd.) D.B.Shekatkar and Dr. John Veltheim of UK.

Mr. B.R.Malhotra, President of WFRAL, chaired the session at which septuagenarian Mohan Janghiani, the look-alike of Mahatma Gandhi was also present.

Dr. Leo Rebello's speech was the most powerful among all the speakers. Here are some snippets from his speech.

* World Disaster Clock has been set at 5 minutes to midnight and yet the world is sleeping. * 99.99% people of the Green Planet Earth are peace-loving, kind and good and only 0.01% people create conflicts and terrorism. * The only known terrorist in the world is the USA - From Hiroshima and Nagasaki to Vietnam, From Somalia to Russia, from Afganistan to Iraq, and next will be an attack on Iran. * The world must pass sanctions against America instead of dancing with disaster. * Poverty and inequalities, Malnutrition, Drugs, Arms of Destruction and Armies, Neocons and their agenda of New World Order are the root cause of Conflicts and Terrorism worldover.



Mohan Jhangiani, look-alike of M.K.Gandhi, with Dr. Leo Rebello at the conference.

Dr. Leo Rebello said when 60% people of the world do not have enough to eat, clothes to cover their bare bodies, shelter to rest their head and clean water to drink, talking of missiles and investing in arms and armies were wrong priorities. Poverty and Inequalities were there due to unequal distribution of wealth. Due to malnutrition millions have died and are dying daily. “Sanctions” he said, “was unjust and led to millions of deaths in poor countries”.

Dr. Leo Rebello is a world-renowned Holistic Healer. In last 30 years, he has trained and treated thousands, written several books and delivered lectures in 63 countries. When he talks he talks with experience, candour and from the heart.

“Drugs were the root cause of subjugation, control and elimination of people”, Dr. Rebello said and explained, “Millions have died due to drugs, committed suicides or murdered others under the influence of narcotic and psychotropic substances, psychedelic and mind-altering drugs”. “Vaccinations in particular”, he informed, “contained mercury, thimerosal, MSG, Aluminium and other deadly poisons and today, in India alone more than 40 lakhs children were suffering from Autism”. Dr. Rebello cautioned people about experiments of chips being implanted through these vaccines in the bodies of people. He also informed that he had not vaccinated his two sons (24 and 20) and they did not know anything beyond sweet pills of homeopathy.

Dr. Rebello, born in an orthodox Roman Catholic family with Goan parentage is married to Ms. Kashmira Rebello, a Parsi. He has not converted her nor christened his two sons. In their school and college admission forms he has entered Religion and Caste Not Applicable. The eminent humanist opined that religions were decadent cults, which enslaved people. **Religions/castes** lead to worst atrocities and conflict of civilisation. He gave a strong example of how religions divide. He said that Bush, with Bible in one hand and gun in another, in one go had not only invaded Iraq, but killed millions, destroyed and plundered that beautiful country for oil. “If oil was in any of the European/Christian countries like Spain”, Dr.Rebello asked, “Would the US have dared to invade it?” And the audience answered NO, thereby proving his premise. He said where religions ended true spirituality began.

He down heavily on Neocons and their NWO agenda and instruments of oppression like World Bank, WTO-GATT regime, WHO and UNO. Dr. Rebello said UNO was neither independent nor democratic. “As long as veto power continued with 5 bullies and the UN representatives were threatened, bribed and bought, UN has no meaning”. To save UN, Dr. Rebello suggested that its headquarters should be shifted from New York to India, an idea which he had mooted in 2000, or else he propounded that UN be replaced with the World Parliament as Global Problems needed Global Solutions.

Before concluding his bold speech, Dr.Rebello informed that Chinese military, barely a week ago, used a ground-based missile to hit and destroy one of its aging

satellites orbiting more than 500 miles into space, sending a strong message to US that it has a technology by which the American spy satellites can also be destroyed.

Dr. Leo Rebello concluded to tumultuous applause, “The root cause of Global Conflicts and Terrorism is America and its allies, who wish to colonise the space when the Green planet itself is being turned into brown. We need to concentrate on saving the green planet earth. That is our first and last priority”.

Another effective speaker was **Lt. Gen (Retd) D.B.Shekatkar**, who laced his brief speech with poetry and said that he in his military career had studied about 1200 terrorists and he was of the opinion that they were all people who were “like you and me”; but various inequalities, atrocities, and the state oppression had turned them into terrorists. Such terrorists, the General said, can easily be won over. The State must watch that it does not unleash terror on its people.

In the afternoon session **Dr. Jeff Knaebel** an American in Exile in India reinforced the views of Dr. Leo Rebello, namely, America is the most ruthless and decadent country with citizens having no freedom. “The US Government murdered close to three million human beings in Vietnam and Cambodia. Women and children living peacefully in huts of bamboo and straw were incinerated by napalm bombs rained down upon them from the sky. And I'll tell you this: in those days I was an accomplice to that murder because I was financing it with my income tax. Since then I have taken a few steps from the cowardice of subservience toward the courage of non-violence. I have yet miles to go and promises to keep. Promises to my own integrity”.

Mr. Knaebel who has now acquired Indian citizenship is married to **Ms Delia Maria**, who has a Ph.D. in Peace Studies, and both of them are engaged in social work in Pune. He presented his book ‘Experiments in Moral Sovereignty - Notes of An American Exile’ to Dr. Leo Rebello in appreciation for his free, fair and fearless stand on world problems.

Mrs. Kashmira Rebello, Special Educator and Waldorf Teacher too spoke briefly on Evolutionary Education, explaining the principles of stress-free Rudolf Steiner Method of Education for our future generation. Audience wanted to know more about ‘Nature versus Nurture’ (a phrase which she had used in her speech) from her. But there was no time, because there were far too many speakers who were all given 5 to 6 minutes to speak.

The Conference theme was good. The food was good being a five star hotel and the organisers had spent lavishly. But with that money important peace projects could have been supported opined one of the participants, **Mr. Behzad Amiri**, an Iranian exile in Pune. He requested Dr. Leo Rebello to help several Iranians who have sought refuge in India and elsewhere because of State Terrorism in Iran.



**AN OPEN LETTER TO
PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA OF USA**

**Dr. Mahathir Mohamad, the former Premier of
Malaysia wrote this Open Letter to President Obama
on January 1, 2009.**

Dear Mr. President,
I did not vote for you in the Presidential Election because I am Malaysian.

But I consider myself one of your constituents because what you do or say will affect me and my country as well.

I welcome your promise to change. Certainly your country, the United States of America need a lot of changes.

That is because America and Americans have become the best-hated people in the world. Even Europeans dislike your arrogance. Yet you were once admired and liked because you freed a lot of countries from conquest and subjugation.

It is the custom on New Year's day for people to make resolutions. You must have listed your good resolutions already. But may I politely suggest that you also resolve to do the following in pursuit of Change.

1) Stop killing people. The United States is too fond of killing people in order to achieve its objectives. You call it war, but today's wars are not about professional soldiers fighting and killing each other. It is about killing people, ordinary innocent people by the hundreds of thousands. Whole countries will be devastated.

War is primitive, the cavemen's way of dealing with a problem. Stop your arms build up and your planning for future wars.

2) Stop indiscriminate support of Israeli killers with your money and your weapons. The planes and the bombs killing the people of Gaza are from you.

3) Stop applying sanctions against countries, which cannot do the same against you.

In Iraq your sanctions killed 500,000 children through depriving them of medicine and food. Others were born deformed.

What have you achieved with this cruelty? Nothing except the hatred of the victims and right-thinking people.

4) Stop your scientists and researchers from inventing new and more diabolical weapons to kill more people more efficiently.

5) Stop your arms manufacturers from producing them. Stop your sales of arms to the world. It is blood money that you earn. It is un-Christian.

6) Stop trying to democratize all the countries of the world. Democracy may work for the United States but it does not always work for other countries.

Don't kill people because they are not democratic. Your crusade to democratize countries has killed more people than the authoritarian Governments, which you overthrew. And you have not succeeded anyway.

7) Stop the casinos, which you call financial institutions. Stop hedge funds, derivatives and currency trading. Stop banks from lending non-existent money by the billions.

Regulate and supervise your banks. Jail the miscreants who made profits from abusing the system.

8) Sign the Kyoto Protocol and other international agreements.

9) Show respect for the United Nations.

I have many other resolutions for change, which I think you should consider and undertake.

But I think you have enough on your plate for this 2009th year of the Christian Era.

If you can do only a few of what I suggest you will be remembered by the world as a great leader. Then the United States will again be the most admired nation. Your embassies will be able to take down the high fences and razor-wire coils that surround them.

May I wish you a Happy New Year and a great Presidency.

Yours sincerely,
Dr Mahathir bin Mohamad
(Former Prime Minister of Malaysia)

AN AGENDA FOR REAL CHANGE

From: Dr. Leo Rebello **To:** US President **Cc:** carter.library@nara.gov
Sent: Monday, February 23, 2009 5:53 PM
Subject: CDPAN AGENDA FOR REAL CHANGE from the World Citizen
Dr. Leo Rebello of Bombay, India

Dear President Barack Obama

A month ago, on two firm legs of Hope and Change you walked into the White House as the 44th President of the USA. But in the last one month that you are in powerful office nothing new has happened. Mrs. Hilary Clinton and your other key team members seem to be playing the same old card game.

American President indirectly is the President of the World. As such he wields considerable power to change the world. Like 5 nations holding veto in the UN is not proper, American President, like your predecessor unilaterally controlling the world to the benefit of the military industrial complex is also not proper. Mr. President, the world looks upto you with Hope to Change. **Therefore, I present to you an Agenda for Real Change to implement on behalf of the world.**

1. Withdraw American soldiers from Iraq, immediately.
2. Immediate ban on WMDs.
3. Open borders if not union of Canada, Mexico and USA.
4. Control (p)harma mafia, drug cartels, oil consumption and arms mafia.
5. No funding of Israel and control Jewish mafia from ruining America.
6. Withdrawal of Patriots Act.
7. No State interference in family matters.
8. Ban vaccinations and Chemo (the two population control sinister plans).
9. Health Care is Self Care. Hence the pharma mafia's hidden agenda of destroying Alternative Medicine under disguise should be stopped.
10. CDC, FDA should NOT play in the hands of Pharma Mafia.
11. Ban decadent CIA and other terrorist outfits operating within.
12. Nationalize World Bank, which is in the hands of private mercenary families.
13. Work on your promises with Trust, Goodness, Love and Caring.
14. Create employment and improve life and safety of people.
15. No bail out for business.
16. Instead transfer that huge fund to set up General Humanitarian Fund to cater to the poor of America and the world so that there will be global harmony and peace.

Best wishes for your success.
Dr. Leo Rebello
World Peace Envoy

SEEING OBAMA AS NORWEGIANS SEE HIM

- George Lakey

Published on Wednesday, July 8, 2009 by CommonDreams.org George Lakey, formerly Eugene Lang Visiting Professor for Issues in Social Change at Swarthmore College, is now directing a research project there. Author of seven books, he founded Training for Change. Glakey1@swarthmore.edu

I just returned from a research trip to Norway where the people I interviewed often brought up the topic of our new President. The first was Kristin Clemet, the director of a conservative think tank. "This spring on a delegation to Washington I was struck again," she said, "by how different the political spectrum is in Norway from your country. Here, Obama would be on the right wing." I checked her view with others – and all but one agreed. In Norwegian terms, our President's positions are very conservative.

When Norway hit a major financial crisis in the early '90s (from a real estate bubble and speculating banks), the Norwegians decided against bail-outs. Three of the biggest banks were simply taken by the government, their senior management fired, their stockholders sent packing. The government nursed the seized banks back to health over time while the economy made a quick recovery. The other troubled banks were left to declare bankruptcy or find new capital. Norway's action sent a clear message to the banks: mismanagement and greed don't pay. The result is that today its own financial sector is clean and only needs to deal with the impact of other countries' disasters. Norway's strategy was very far from Obama's bank-friendly game plan.

When Norwegian oil was discovered, the country decided not to risk putting their new treasure in private ownership. Norwegians were therefore able to lead the world in environmental responsibility and to avoid boom/bust impact on their seacoast cities. Most important, Norway has been stashing the oil profits in a public, socially responsible "Pension Fund" that will support the Norwegians' famously high living standard for many generations to come.

Half a century ago Norway already had a universal health care system that is simplicity itself. There's a single payer (the government) and minimum red tape, something like Medicare but for everyone and better. The entire political spectrum supports this. By contrast, Obama says he backs the failed U.S. private insurance scheme and his team is wobbling on his own modest proposal to add a public option.

So I would have to say to thoughtful Republicans: even if you don't like the Nordic blend of capitalism and socialism, with its virtual abolition of poverty, free university education, and enlightened environmentalism, you're only confusing the issue when you try to label the President with the "S"-word. You may think his policies are wrong, but in Norway even conservatives would say the Democrats and Obama don't go nearly far enough.

THE RIGHT-TO-LAUGH PARTY HUMANIFESTO

- Steve Bhaerman



Steve Bhaerman is an internationally known author, humorist, and workshop leader. For the past 20 years, he has written and performed as Swami Beyondananda. His “comedy disguised as wisdom” is “irreverently uplifting”. A political science major, Steve is the author of half a dozen books. He started an alternative high school in Washington, D.C. and co-founded Pathways Magazine in Ann Arbor, Michigan, in 1980, one of the first publications bringing together holistic health, personal growth, spirituality, and politics. He has founded the Right to Laugh Party and following manifesto is reprinted with his permission. www.wakeuplaughing.com

We believe that every human has the right to laugh, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness unless of course happiness is a warm gun, in which case some restrictions may apply.

We have the right and duty to laugh at our leaders, particularly those times when their actions are either seriously foolish or foolishly serious. We have the right to help them laugh with each other and at themselves, and if they are incapable of doing that, we have the right to laugh them out of power.

We have the right to laugh at the obscene foolishness of spending so much of our precious livelihood on weapons of deadlihood, and at the utter absurdity of doing the same things that haven't worked in the past and expecting them to work now and in the future.

We propose creating the office of Supreme Court Jester to encourage citizens to use the light of laughter to illuminate the shadow, especially in those poorly lit corridors of power. We seek to extend this Right to Laugh all across the globe, especially places where things just aren't funny.

We propose that the United Nations and all levels of government begin each session with the Hokey Pokey (dance). You put your whole self in - that is commitment. You pull your whole self out - that is detachment. You turn yourself around - and that is transformation and that's what it's all about.

We believe the problem is serious. But the solution is humorous. It's a scientific fact. The best way to overcome gravity is with levity. So all those who want to take a vow of levity please rise! Put your hand on your jocular vein, and recite the Right to Laugh Pledge: All for Fun and Fun for All.

Congratulations! You have now joined forces of the Pro-Laugh movement to raise the laugh force and increase the life expectancy on this amazing planet.

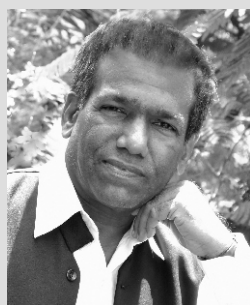
May we all wake up laughing, and leave laughter in our wake. For surely, the Farce is with us!

Declared and Absurdified by Swami Beyondananda

POETRY SECTION

WRITE POETRY TO HEAL THE SOUL OF THE WORLD

- Dr. Leo Rebello



Dr. Leo Rebello is a humanitarian poet *par excellence*. His poems and other creative writings exude warmth of love, embody sparks of societal unrest and enunciate a plan of action for societal change, as this compendium aptly reveals. Compassion and sensitivity are the need of the hour as the poet manifests these virtues with resilient verses. He has published three poetry anthologies (among forty books published so far) and his poems have appeared in magazines, poetry journals, worldwide.

Penning a poem is about observing the world within or around you. It is also claimed that writing poetry is good for your mental health, especially in a world full of turmoil and stress.

A new study has found that writing poems, no matter how 'bad' they may appear, helps the brain to cope with emotional turmoil and to reduce anxiety, fear and sadness the less vivid and descriptive the poem is, the better is the mental unloading.

According to Dr. Matthew Lieberman of California University, expressing one-self in print is “a sort of unintentional emotion regulation” as it inhibits parts of the brain linked to emotional turmoil, and increases activity in the region to do with self-control

In their study findings released on Valentine's Day 2009, the researchers proved the therapeutic powers of writing by scanning the brains of 30 people as they described distressing pictures. Dr. Lieberman and his team found that the act tended to reduce activity in the amygdala, that part of the brain, which deals with control of emotion and fear.

Anger is momentary madness. In our experiments too, we found, that poetry reading or writing regulates our distress and especially in the war zone, or to calm down those incarcerated in prisons, poetry writing has a profound calming effect on the agitated minds.

We have worked with hyperactive children. We have worked with children of disturbed families, those affected by riots and natural calamity and separated from parents, especially children whose parents are in jail or children who have been

abused. Making them recite poems or teaching them how to write poetry, we invariably found, has an instant calming effect on them, as poetry is the language of the soul, language of peace and language of the universe. Like in meditation you listen to the inner voice, poetry is another medium to find the god within you - poetry reading or writing leads to awakened consciousness. If poetry is accompanied by lilting music, then listeners experience subliminal bliss and communion with the universal mind, which is perfect.

We had a teacher who taught us Sanskrit through *slokas* (psalms) and laid the foundation for study of poetry, philosophy of life and wisdom of the universe.

The poems of great poets exude warmth of love, embody sparks of societal unrest and goad the readers to a plan of action. Hence, a Poet is called an unacknowledged legislator of mankind. The best examples of uplifting poetry are "Prayer for Peace" by St. Francis of Assisi, or "Don't Quit" by Anon, which have inspired millions from emotional abyss. Poetry lovers will also remember "The Impossible Dream" from La Mancha (Musical).

Like reverse osmosis, a method of extracting essentially pure, fresh water from salt water, Poetry brings out purity within you, by removing the pollution from your body, mind and the spirit. Poetry helps one to reminisce, retrace, re-vest, refresh and renew oneself.

In conclusion, poetry is an instrument of love and understanding, peace and harmony, hope and faith and all that is good and perfect. There are 40 uplifting poems (35 in this section, 5 in other parts). They should inspire you to start writing poetry to heal the soul of the world, and create a world without wars.

Let us begin with a sensitive Urdu poem of Sahir Ludhiyanwi (pen name) or Abdul Hayee (1921-80), who was a popular Urdu poet and Hindi lyricist and songwriter. He won the Filmfare Award twice, in 1964/1977, and the Padma Shri, in 1971. He is remembered as a poet (along with Kaifi Azmi), who brought Urdu literature to Indian cinemas. His poetry was full of depth, intensity and purity.

*Aye sharif insanon,
Khoon apna ho ya paraya ho, nasle Aadam ka khoon hai aakhir.
Jung magrib mein ho ki mashrik mein, Aman-E-Aalam ka khoon hai aakhir.
Bam Gharon per giren ki sarhadpar, rooh-e-taamir zakhm khati hai.
Khet apne jalen ya auron ke, jist phagun mein tilmilati hai.
Tank aage badhen ki peeche haten, kokh dharti ki baanjh hoti hai.
Fateh ka jashn ho ke haar ka sog, zindagi mayyoton pe roti hai.
Isliye aye shariff insanon, jang talti rahe to behtar hai.
Aap aur hum sabhi ke aangan mein shama jalti rahe to behtar hai.*

English translation by Dr. Leo Rebello

Oh Gentlemen,
Whether it is your blood, or someone else's - after all it is the blood of humanity.
Whether the war is fought in the east or west - it is peace messenger's blood after all.
Whether the bombs fall on homes or on the borders - our Soul is scarred.
Whether the fields burnt are ours or theirs - the loss is everyone's.
Whether tanks roll forward or backward - the earth is ravaged.
Whether it is the victory cry or cry of defeat, life cries over the dead.
Therefore, oh Gentlemen,
It is good if war can be avoided,
And if we keep candles burning in our gardens.

DR. LEO REBELLO’S POEMS

ONE WORLD
Dr. Leo Rebello

No boundary ever limits my country
No one is required as its sentry
One race, one colour, one religion
One hope, one ideal, one nation.

Black, yellow, red and white
Brothers all with combined might
Same human blood courses in vein
Same sensations comfort or pain.

Born of man, as men we live
We have only love to give
Friends we are, friends we'll die
May we be low, may we be high.

Let man deserve his full worth
And bring paradise on this earth
Shunning the nuclear madness
Let's create one world.

A PLEA FOR PEACE
Dr. Leo Rebello

Listen! Makers of Wars,
Starters of strife,
Devisers of taxes and punishments.
You, who fill barracks and prisons
with our life,
Send us to battles, exile, or to burn,
Who profit from stark famine
without heed,
devalue the little that we earn
and raise the cost of
everything we need.
Have you not had your fill
that you must bleed
and wring us wholly dry?
How shall the seed be sown
if you hear not our cry?
O give us peace, peace, peace....
Before the greater thunder rolls
O give us Peace!

From 'Travesty of Life' / 1985

LOVE BECAME THE CASUALTY
Dr. Leo Rebello

The white child,
The brown child,
The black child,
The red child,
The yellow child.

They all played, studied,
and ate together.

Only when they
grew up and
learnt to discriminate
each other,
Friendship turned
into hostility.
Love became the casualty.

In a neighbourhood
there was
a Christian child,
a Moslem child,
a Hindu child,
a Buddhist child,
a Sikh child.

They all played, studied
ate together and
grew up together.

Came the riots.
And these friends
who grew up together
became enemies.
Love became the casualty
once again.

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WHO AM I?
Dr. Leo Rebello

I worked with Noah to build the Ark,
collect the necessities to tide over the
great deluge and helped re-build
the seething world.

I also traveled with Moses
in the wilderness and heard
Jesus deliver sermons on the mount.

Not long ago I fled Tibet along
with the Dalai Lama and built
Dharamsala - a seat in exile.

I built the Tajmahal in Agra and
the Kutub Minar in Delhi,
the Sun temple at Konark and
world famous Khajuraho, Ajanta
and Ellora caves.

I fought along with Emperor Ashoka
and then embraced Buddhism for
I too felt remorse for shedding blood.

I traveled with Alexander conquering
the world and when he returned home
dejected, I decided to stay behind in the
Himalayas and found *Nirvana*.

Mohenjodaro and Harappan cities were
built by me, so was the Great Wall of
China, which can be seen from the Moon?

The leaning tower of Pisa,
the Sistine Chapel in Vatican,
the great pyramids of Egypt which hold
many secrets and WTC towers
in New York, which fell on 9/11,
the Kremlin and the Eiffel Tower.

Unending is the list of my contribution.
Like God, I am everywhere and yet nowhere.
Guess, who am I?

OH MOTHER, DO NOT DESPAIR
Dr. Leo Rebello

Oh Mother, do not despair.
Everything will be just and fair.
Your and my sons will not
be soldiers or Dr. Kill Dare!

Oh Mother, do not despair.
Our soldiers will take care
that the Guns are pointed at
those who create the nightmare.

Oh Mother, do not despair.
Everything will be just and fair.
Soon there will be a farewell
to Bush Jr and his tomaware.

Oh Mother, do not despair.
God has sent a message
Columbia's ruins indicate, that
there won't be a Star Warfare.

Oh Mother, do not despair.
A new leadership is emerging
A World Govt. is shaping
For you and for me to take care.



THE BATTLE
Dr. Leo Rebello

The Battle
Is raging inside me, inside everyone.
For truth versus falsity
For love versus hatred
For safety versus insanity
For self rule versus aggression
For plenty versus hunger
For freedom from slavery.

The Battle
Is raging inside me, inside everyone.
For One World to replace UNO
For Divine Light to replace darkness
For Happiness to all mankind
For Health for All
For Peace and not War
For Green Earth's survival against destruction.

The Battle
Is raging inside me, inside everyone.
For Heaven on Earth, Now
And not for Heaven after Death
For a Borderless world
For Armsless world
For Drugless world
For Crimeless world.

The Battle
Is raging inside me, inside everyone
For Humanity
Against two percent rascals who
Are manipulating everything.
And now the battle
Is becoming intense
As the Day of Judgement is near.

PRAYER FOR HEALTH
Dr. Leo Rebello

Heavenly Father
I call on you right now in a special way.
It is through your power that I was created.
Every breath I take, every morning I wake,
and every moment of every hour,
I live under your power.

Heavenly Father
Fill me with the healing power of your spirit.
Cast out anything that should not be in me.
Mend what is broken. Root out any unproductive cells.
Open blocked arteries or veins and rebuild damaged areas, if any.
Remove all inflammation and cleanse any infection.

Heavenly Father
Let the warmth of your healing love
Permeate my body, making it anew.
Cleanse my mind, and repair my bruised soul.
Let my body, mind and spirit,
Work in perfect union, as a Temple of God.

Heavenly Father
Restore me to full health,
So that I may serve you and other creations,
The rest of my life,
According to your will.
Amen, Amin, Om!



This poem was given by me to Mother Teresa in December 1999 [see photo above]. She recited it till she passed away.

SOMEDAY
Dr. Leo Rebello

Someday
We'll take off, just the two of us.
No kids, no pets, no worries.
We'll lie on a lonely beach.
And plan another Eternity together.

Someday
Mankind will rise above vile.
Cruelty will vanish along with fear.
Poverty, diseases, inequalities will end.
We'll create a 'World without Borders'.



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The two poems reproduced here are from her college scrapbook at least 35 years old. Wife of Dr. Leo Rebello.

CHANGE HISTORY
Kashmira Rebello

Change hate and you change history,
Solutions spring from love,
Carve for yourself an exciting destiny,
Turn to the power above.

When my soul did thirst
For an answer fresh and new,
Then my bitterness found wings
And away it flew.

Seeing the problems of society
I was tempted to drop out,
But escapism isn't the answer,
The new idea leaves no doubt.

The world is beautiful,
Temptations dark and deep.
But the future is Challenging,
So, don't ever fall asleep.

Change hate and you change history,
Solutions spring from love,
Carve for yourself an exciting destiny,
Turn to the power above.



SOLDIER RETURNS, WAR IS OVER
Kashmira Rebello

Corridors echo with your footsteps,
The house is alive once more.
Surprise to see you beside me again.
O Joy! My heart to the sky doth soar!

War is over, my soldier has returned home.
Waves of happiness flood my soul.
A powerful frame reveals your might,
But no more I'll allow you to go to fight.



MESSAGE & POEM FROM GABRIELLE SIMOND



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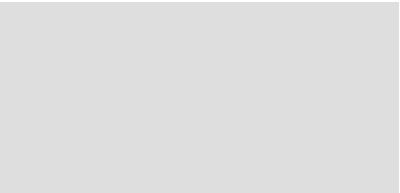
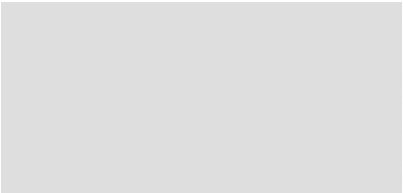
The Universal Circle of Ambassadors of Peace is the World Embassy of Peace, in which only poets of the world are admitted as Peace Ambassadors, since poets speak from the Heart. Consequently, poets always stand for peace. You are one of the shining Knights of Love and Peace in the Parnassian world.

A World without Wars is a wonderful idea. Thanks for presenting this unique gift to the world. A better world is possible and affordable to all people of goodwill as our hearts are united. All animals on earth love peace. I applaud your project and send my poem War and Peace for publication. Love and Light, **Gabrielle Simond**

WAR & PEACE!
Gabrielle Simond

Peace is:
A flower that we offer with tenderness
A smile that blossoms on the lips
A sun that shines every shade
A dove bearing the olive branch
A flame that burns bright
A melody that disarms the heart
A clear water frolic through the earth
A poem that rhymes with brotherhood
A hand that is stretched to welcome
Peace is simply Love.

The war is:
A thorn on the plant
A grin that spreads lies
A veiled moon hiding
A vulture that eats its prey
A fire which consumes every soul
A complaint that haunts the nights
A muddy water which stalls life
A promise that is not fulfilled
A hand that is mutilated by weapons
The war is simply a death dance.





AN AFFAIR WITH THE RAINBOW

Bina Joshi

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**I dedicate this poem to
Dr. Leo Rebello with reverence
for dreaming of a world without wars
for all of us**

A dream was lost in the sky
after having an affair with the rainbow.
I had seen it with my own eyes
like the sun viewing the sky.
I tried hard to seek the dream
in the midst of the stars...
Years have gone by,
but even now
the sweet memory of the mirage
is not lost.

Yet, I am worried
because a convoluted mind
has turned an Atom itself
into an Atom Bomb
that will destroy the world!

To all those mindless people
who unleash
hatred, hypocrisy, corruption,
deception, oppression, violence,
terrorism and wars
I would like to ask:

Has the abode of Dew any pin code?
Do the Oceans belong to any Nation?
Can they, with all their invention
create a soothing moonlight?

Do the birds of the air have passports?
Or apply for Visas before flying in
The limitless azure sky?
Is there any distance between
the Peace Seeker and the Supreme?

‘World without Wars’
Has rekindled my affair with the
Rainbow
That nothing is lost yet.

PEACE POEM Teresinka Pereira

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It does not matter
In what religion you believe
It does not matter
Even if you believe or not:
Think that personal
And world peace
Is the only way of survival:
The sooner, the better!
May peace be with you
Today and forever!

POEMS OF DR. H. TULSI



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HALL OF UNIVERSAL PEACE Tulsi Hanumanthu

This midnight bids farewell to parting year
Who then, on chariot Time, his seat vacates.
The New Year succeeds him as Charioteer:
To drive us on, he's waiting at our gates.

But ours the choice of paths and destinations:
The Charioteer obeys but our instructions.
We must, to reach the most coveted station
Of PEACE, choose roads sans obstructions.

Such routes are of Friendship, Love,
Compassion,
Justice, Pardon, Truth and Selflessness.
The dingy lanes of Greed, Envy, Passion,
And Conflict lead to woe and sleeplessness.

Let's ask the New Year, within time minimal
To drive us to a common rendezvous.
Let's there construct the Hall of Universal
Peace, each person laying a brick or two.

Every year, let's add a storey more;
Let its height increase step by step
Till, at last, the threshold of its door
Is face to face with our Heaven's doorstep.

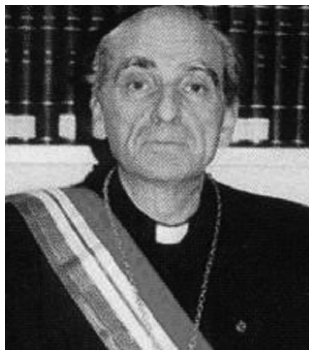
TO PEACE (A Shakespearan Sonnet) Tulsi Hanumanthu

O Peace! For ages haven't we invoked
Your grace by chanting your name ceaselessly?
We're sorely tired; our voices are choked:
Must you still evade us mercilessly?

What will you accept as our libation?
In vain we've offered you, at various stages,
Of Faith and Hope a sweet distillation.
'Labour' too failed to win you as 'wages'.

Ah! You're too precious to be won cheaply!
For you, costlier things we need to barter.
We must place, one by one, successively,
The rarest things at your holy altar-
These being Love, Sacrifice, Selflessness,
Compassion, Contentment and Generousness.





MAD PEOPLE IN POWER A Poem by Viktor Busa

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Give love to those
Who may be from the dark destiny,
The shocked people
With fear in their eyes and shaking bones,
Caused by the horrors and rivers of blood
Because of internecine wars
Of brothers against brothers.
Cain swearing at God,
Brings to the human heart
The perpetuation of hate,
And so much vengeance
Leaving innocent souls
And the earth in uproar
Inundated with tears of so many deaths.
The ephemeral peace,
Vanishes slowly in the fog of oblivion,
While the shout of pain roars in time
With the fall of the dead and the craziness
Of the mad people in power.

SINGING FOR PEACE June Boyce-Tillman

Can there be peace when the warlords rule?
Can there be love when the fists are clenched?
Can there be hope as the coffins fill?
Listen, struggle, understand.

CHORUS

We are committed to work for peace;
We are committed to work with love;
We are committed to work with hope,
Reconciling, mediating, understanding.

Can there be joy while the tears pour down?
Can we be gentle when crude violence reigns?
Can there be patience when the pain spears bite?
Listen, struggle, understand.

CHORUS

Can there be justice for the poor and weak?
Can there be caring for our rich dark earth?
Can there be sharing of the planet's wealth?
Listen, struggle, understand.

There are **27**
million slaves in
the world today...

...more than at any time in
human history



INSTEAD OF VENGEANCE By Taki Yuriko, Japan Translated by John Saxon

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The Hiroshima and Nagasaki bomb victims
Have not once in 62 years
Spoken of vengeance.
Nearly all say,
"Guilt overwhelms me
That only I remained alive
While my family, my friends
Melted instantly,
Or slowly writhed in agony",
Before falling silent.

Recently, painfully, they have spoken more:
"Let us be the last
To suffer such horrors.
Let no one experience this
Ever again".

On that day,
It was ten times hotter than the sun.
The bomb pressure
Flung a child into the air, then
Slammed him to the ground,
Crushed under 35 metric tons.

Even three kilometers away,
Faces melted and hair fell off.
Men and women became identical
As skin slid off their bodies
Like elbow-length ladies gloves.

The intense heat drove
Many into the river.
Their corpses became a raft
Reaching both banks.
A man trying to cross
Sank and disappeared.

Those left alive
Absorbed radiation
Producing chromosomal damage
That would pass on.
Bones crumbled,
White blood cell counts ran amok.

They say one in four
Considered suicide.

Make known their plight!
Hear the testimony
Of those who suffer
These invisible maladies!
Acknowledge those
Whose horrible conditions are
Revealed
Only in medical reports!

Let us face this
Not as a government issue,
But as a human issue.

The Nagasaki and Hiroshima bomb victims
Married and gave birth,
Passing their suffering on
To their children and grandchildren.

Yet every bereaved family
And every war victim
Hopes not for vengeance,
But that their fellow humans
Will never do such a thing
Ever again.



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PEACE & HARMONY Maria Cristina Azcona

A wonderful sunlight
Illuminates delusional lilies
And the air fills up with
Their orange pink melodies
Have lowness and highness
Made of passionate fire
A ballooned dawn enlightens
the golden butterflies in ballet.
Peace opens wings in the darkness
While a multicoloured rainbow
grows on the distant horizon instantly
Human souls have no fear
They find love and harmony
Embracing one to the other one
in a global hug with no shyness

CHILD FIRST Maria Cristina Azcona

There're many children who can't play
because starvation, drugs, hate & war
mutilate their brains and entire life.
Child, your future is in our hands.
We need to understand your needs first
although you don't complain
We need to know which is your sea,
which is your sand, your home and
your safe place to stand.
Child, your joy is our first command,
our thirst and our glory.
Before money, health and romance,
you ought to be our first priority.

MY SPIRIT Kazuyosi Ikeda

God bore all things in the world.
They are brethren and have hearts.
My harp, singing of their hearts,
Resounds the peace of the world.

CHANGE
Kazuyosi Ikeda
I make a hurried journey alone, lonely.
From the window of the train moving rapidly,
I see the various scenes whirl past in the world.
So vainly, dreamily change the things in the world.

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world over. I was his guest in
Japan in April 1999 and he
took me to Hiroshima and
Nagasaki, Mount Fuji,
Kyoto, Tokyo, Osaka, etc.
Here are his two poems.

WE ARE UNITED Dattatraya Saitawdekar



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We are united; on many times we are united.

In every challenging situation,
Whenever we face the enemy,
We are united, my whole country is united.

Else, we are split up into separate states,
Various parties, diverse groups,
Different religions and distinct castes.

Even so, we all, in our own party are united
Against the opposite party,
Own group against the opposite group,
Own religion against the other religion,
And all, in our own caste against the other.

Whenever, we quarrel with our neighbour,
All, in our family are united;
When we file a suite against our cousins,
We all brothers are united.
More powerful the enemy, more united we are.

Hence, I look forward to face an unknown,
Alien enemy, from the other world,
So as to unite the human race and this world.

TO UNDERSTAND

Pierre Fosséprez



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To understand rather than to compromise
To understand who you are, to understand who I am.
To understand this immensity that you carry within you.
This piece of infinite: your power and your glory.
To integrate God, Love, Peace and Light.
That you carry into the deepest of your heart.
Then you will know this amazement and this gratitude
Which carry my steps.

Then you will know no more fear, neither the doubt, nor death.
No more need to cheat, flee, drink or disbelieve,
or to judge, dominate or control.
Or to fear who I am, which is me within yourself,
In another form of expression, another dimension,
As it carries you, from the source of your heart.
Why to blame the other, which is only you under another glance?
Then you will know the Peace and the Plenitude of Silence.
You will be able to move this “C” which changes reaction to creation
And to become Creator in your turn,
Of a world of beauty and magnificence.
Coming from “It is” you will know “I Am”.
You will leave your ridiculous burdens there
and in your glance I will shine
Of all your bursts of laughter
Take my hand, I promise you!
Happiness is there, inside you...

FROM PAKISTAN WITH LOVE

Mohammed Bugi



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Oh sand dunes of the sea
what have you whispered to the earth
why Human beings fight among each other?
Why do they differentiate between
Sons of Adam?
Do they realise it's the same pain
that each mother goes through?
Loving the realities of life
when each child is born
she is always around to protect them
from the heat of evil eyes.

Then why there is so much blood
on the face of Human civilisation?
Why all the hatred of racial discrimination,
what's wrong in this self imposed set up?

Born to live a life to exist
food to eat water to drink,
where should I look in these fantasies
of the modern computer age of the new world order?
A fresh green branch of olive tree
in the beak of a white bird
flying to be free
High above Humanity----

A SONG FOR WORLD PEACE
Dr. M.K.Sherwani



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I am a citizen of the world. I am a citizen of the world.

Let me strive to bury the hate,
Let me change the human fate;
Let me reflect an amiable trait,
Let me become just and straight.

I am a citizen of the world. I am a citizen of the world.

Let me forget every caste and creed,
Let me belong to the human breed;
Let me sow a blissfully fertile seed,
Let me purify my soul of every greed.

I am a citizen of the world. I am a citizen of the world.

Let me bring together friends and foes,
Let me finish all worries and woes;
Let me free the world of its throes,
Let me spread amity with verse and prose.

I am a citizen of the world. I am a citizen of the world.

Let me silence the bullet and shell,
Let me ring a love and affection's bell;
Let me not be a judge of Heaven and Hell,
Let me imbibe and practice, what I tell.

I am a citizen of the world. I am a citizen of the world.

Let me make my conscience a supreme guide,
Let me not falter, and move from side to side;
Let me not bear the animal's heart and hide,
Let me become a symbol of global pride.

I am a citizen of the world. I am a citizen of the world.

OH THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD
Mustafa Kamal Sherwani

Oh the People of the World! Oh the People of the World!

Pause for a minute, to search your soul,
You have defaced it with a blackish hole;
Try to discover your holy and angelic role,
I entreat you to regain your pristine goal.

Oh the People of the World! Oh the People of the World!

Look at the Universe, and its Divine feature,
Look at the magic of its every creature;
Listen to the words of the Supreme Preacher,
Bow to His Commands: Don't be a teacher.

Oh the People of the World! Oh the People of the World!

The enthralling ocean, the magnificent sky,
Over your misdeeds, all have started to cry;
The human travails fail to make you shy,
Your ignorance thinks, you have risen high.

Oh the People of the World! Oh the People of the World!

The faith and boundary for which you fight,
The sense of envy which shows your might;
The greed and malice which make you bright,
You will perish: All will become a dark night.

Oh the People of the World! Oh the People of the World!

The prophecies are galore to predict your end,
The message, your evil intent is bound to send;
Your savagery continues with no virtuous blend,
You seek refuge in God for this heinous trend.

Oh the People of the World! Oh the People of the World!

Have mercy for this harried and anguished man,
Give him joy and pleasure, as much as you can;
The flames of wars, you are so happy to fan,
Will destroy you all within this very life span.

Oh the People of the World! Oh the People of the World!

TO AN AMERICAN SOLDIER FIGHTING IN IRAQ

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Your motherland made you jobless at first
Then engraved you in heart.
At last you became a narcotic man
Rock-n-roll and heroin freedom.
And it made you an assassin.
Now you are like a homeless wolf
wherever you are.
You are a pitiful man at the age of twenty.
Your bloody hands taste the smell of death.
At this time America is cutting a shroud
to Freedom Fairy.



STOP FIGHTING START LIVING Sonnet Mondal



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From the 'Heaven' the life sustaining precipitation,
God made the earth with a peaceful notion.
But the dream is flouted by present times
The devastating weapons are being made by nines.

USA, Russia, Iraq, Afghanistan,
India, China, Iran and Pakistan,
All are busy fighting with guns,
Millions are losing their near and dear ones;

Peace is the need of the hour,
Disturbances are filling the bower-
Crimes are rising like unseen towers,
Oh! God protect us with your blessing's shower.

Nations stop showing your individual might;
Do not let the bird of peace out of sight;
Come down from the rivalry height,
Stop the fight! Stop the fight!

A POEM FOR PALESTINE

Eye to Eye

Look into my eyes
And tell me what you see.
You don't see a damn thing,
'cause you can't possibly relate to me.

You're blinded by our differences.
My life makes no sense to you.
I'm the persecuted Palestinian.
You're the American red, white and blue.

Each day you wake in tranquillity,
No fears to cross your eyes.
Each day I wake in gratitude,
Thanking God He let me rise.

You worry about your education
And the bills you have to pay.
I worry about my vulnerable life
And if I'll survive another day.

Your biggest fear is getting ticketed
As you cruise your Cadillac.
My fear is that the tank that just left
Will turn around and come back.

American, do you realize,
That the taxes that you pay
Feed the forces that traumatize
My every living day?

The bulldozers and the tanks,
The gases and the guns,
The bombs that fall outside my door,
All due to American funds.

Yet do you know the truth
Of where your money goes?
Do you let your media deceive your mind?
Is this a truth that no one knows?

You blame me for defending myself
Against the ways of Zionists.
I'm terrorized in my own land
And I'm the terrorist?

You think you know all about terrorism
But you don't know it the way I do,
So let me define the term for you,
And teach you what you thought you knew.

I've known terrorism for quite some time,
Fifty-five years and more.
It's the fruitless garden uprooted in my yard.
It's the bulldozer in front of my door.

Terrorism breathes the air I breathe.
It's the checkpoint on my way to school.
It's the curfew that jails me in my own home,
And the penalties of breaking that curfew rule.

Terrorism is the robbery of my land,
And the torture of my mother,
The imprisonment of my innocent father,
The bullet in my baby brother.

So American, don't tell me you know about
The things I feel and see.
I'm terrorized in my own land
And the blame is put on me.

But I will not rest, I shall never settle
For the injustice my people endure.
Palestine is our land and there we'll remain
Until the day our homeland is secure.

And if that time shall never come,
Then we will never see a day of peace.
I will not be thrown from my own home,
Nor will my fight for justice cease.

And if I am killed, it will be in Filasteen
It's written on my every breath.
So in your own patriotic words,
Give me liberty or give me death.



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A WORLD WITHOUT TEARS

Give me liberty or give me death.

By African Brothers

Dr. Leo Rebello's Note: The following profound poem, slightly edited by me on November 5, 2003, when I retrieved it from old files, was originally composed by a group of brothers in South Africa, while serving a three-year sentence in detention centre for refusing military service. America is a Christian nation, or so it says. Can the American soldiers and the Christian priests in America take a cue from this poem and refuse to send their young to die in Iraq, Afghanistan, etc.? A good soldier defends, does not invade. To serve in the military and kill people is an abomination. **Say No to War** like the African brothers.

Just think of a world without tears,
Where a man can live for a million years, (Isa 33:24)
With never a grief, an ache or pain,
And never a thought of dying again. (Rev. 21:4)

Think of a world when a man plants a vine, (Mic 4:4)
He can sit in it's shade and happily dine.
He will live in the house his own hands have made,
And no one shall molest, or make him afraid. (Isa 65:21-22)

Think of a world without bloodshed or strife,
Where no man dare take another man's life, (Mic 4:3)
Where man unto man will unite in peace, (Isa 9:7)
And malice and hatred forever more will cease. (Luke 2:14)

Think of the Earth as a global paradise, (Isa 35:1,2)
Where mountain and desert will dazzle your eyes,
With beautiful flowers and shrubbery and trees,
With gay butterflies, songbirds and bees. (Isa 66:1; 60:13)

Think! Just as sure as God's Word is the Truth, (John 17:17)
A man shall return to the days of his youth,
His flesh shall become as the flesh of a child, (Matt 5:5)
And the words that he speaks will be cheerful and mild. (Job 33:25)

Think of a world where a lame man will leap,
From crag to crag like a deer or a sheep,
Where none will be deaf or none shall be blind,
And the dumb shall sing and speak forth his mind. (Isa 35:5,6)

Think of a world where each man is his brother, (Matt. 23:8)
Not esteeming himself above that of another. (Jer 31:34)
Where man unto man will be friend to friend, (John 15: 14)
In a world without tears that will never end. (Psalm 39:29)

Think of a world where the dead will have risen, (John 5:28)
From their silent tombs that held them in prison.
To forever live to love and caress, (Mark 5:35)
Their loved ones and friends in righteousness. (Luke 7: 11)

A world without tears is not just a dream,
As many a person might make it to seem. (Rev.21:5,6)
For just as sure as the Bible is true, (Heb.6:18)
A world without tears now lies before you.(Luke 21:28)

And since such a world before you now lies, (Luke 21:23)
Wouldn't you like to live in such a paradise? (Isa 65:17)
To share all the blessings that God has in store, (Ps. 72:7,8)
For all who would do His will evermore. (Matt 6:10)

Good news of the Kingdom is still being sung, (Matt 24:14)
Throughout every nation, kingdom and tongue,
And all who are thirsting for Truth are invited,
To join the New World Society and be united.(John 10:16)

In praising our God, our Savior and King, (Jer 10:10)
And giving him all that we have, everything,
That we might live throughout endless years, (2Pet 3:13, 14)
In a world without sorrow a world without tears (Isa 25:8)

A MOMENT OF SILENCE
BEFORE I BEGIN THIS POEM
Emmanuel Ortiz, 11 Sep 2002
<http://radicalagitator.blogspot.com>

Before I begin this poem, I'd like to ask you to join me

In a moment of silence

In honour of those who died in the World Trade Center and the Pentagon on 9/11

I would also like to ask you

To offer up a moment of silence

For all of those who have been harassed, imprisoned, disappeared,
tortured, raped, or killed in retaliation for those strikes,
For the victims in both Afghanistan and the US.

And if I could just add one more thing...

A full day of silence

For the tens of thousands of Palestinians who have died at the hands of
US-backed Israeli forces over decades of occupation.

Six months of silence for the million and-a-half Iraqi people, mostly children,
who have died of malnourishment or starvation as a result of an 11-year
US embargo against the country.

Before I begin this poem,

Two months of silence for the Blacks under Apartheid in South Africa,
Where homeland security made them aliens in their own country.

Nine months of silence for the dead in Hiroshima and Nagasaki,
Where death rained down and peeled back every layer of concrete, steel, earth and skin
And the survivors went on as if alive.

A year of silence for the millions of dead in Vietnam - a people, not a war - for those who
know a thing or two about the scent of burning fuel, their relatives' bones buried in it,
their babies born of it.

A year of silence for the dead in Cambodia and Laos, victims of a secret war
ssssshhhhh.... Say nothing ... we don't want them to learn that they are dead.

Two months of silence for the decades of dead in Colombia,
Whose names, like the corpses they once represented, have piled up and
slipped off our tongues.

Before I begin this poem.

An hour of silence for El Salvador ...

An afternoon of silence for Nicaragua ...

Two days of silence for the Guatemaltecos ...

None of whom ever knew a moment of peace in their living years. 45 seconds of silence
for the 45 dead at Acteal, Chiapas

25 years of silence for the hundred million Africans who found their graves far deeper in
the ocean than any building could poke into the sky. There will be no DNA testing or

dental records to identify their remains. And for those who were strung and swung from
the heights of sycamore trees in the south, the north, the east, and the west...

100 years of silence...

For the hundreds of millions of indigenous people from this half of right here,
Whose land and lives were stolen,

In postcard-perfect plots like Pine Ridge, Wounded Knee, Sand Creek, Fallen Timbers, or
the Trail of Tears. Names now reduced to innocuous magnetic poetry on the refrigerator
of our consciousness ...

So you want a moment of silence?

And we are all left speechless

Our tongues snatched from our mouths

Our eyes stapled shut

A moment of silence

And the poets have all been laid to rest

The drums disintegrating into dust.

Before I begin this poem,

You want a moment of silence

You mourn now as if the world will never be the same

And the rest of us hope to hell it won't be.

Not like it always has been.

Because this is not a 9/11 poem.

This is a 9/10 poem,

It is a 9/9 poem,

A 9/8 poem,

A 9/7 poem

This is a 1492 poem.

This is a poem about what causes poems like this to be written.

And if this is a 9/11 poem, then:

This is a September 11th poem for Chile, 1971.

This is a September 12th poem for Steven Biko in South Africa, 1977.

This is a September 13th poem for the brothers at Attica Prison, New York, 1971.

This is a September 14th poem for Somalia, 1992.

This is a poem for every date that falls to the ground in ashes

This is a poem for the 110 stories that were never told

The 110 stories that history chose not to write in textbooks

The 110 stories that CNN, BBC, The New York Times, and Newsweek ignored.

This is a poem for interrupting this program.

And still you want a moment of silence for your dead?

We could give you lifetimes of empty:

The unmarked graves

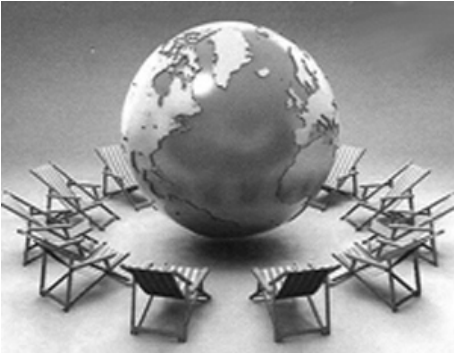
The lost languages
The uprooted trees and histories
The dead stares on the faces of nameless children
Before I start this poem we could be silent forever
Or just long enough to hunger,
For the dust to bury us
And you would still ask us
For more of our silence.

If you want a moment of silence
Then stop the oil pumps
Turn off the engines and the televisions
Sink the cruise ships
Crash the stock markets
Unplug the marquee lights,
Delete the instant messages,
Derail the trains, the light rail transit.

If you want a moment of silence,
put a brick through the window of Taco Bell,
And pay the workers for wages lost.
Tear down the liquor stores,
The townhouses, the White Houses, the jailhouses,
the Penthouses and the Playboys.
If you want a moment of silence,
Then take it
On Super Bowl Sunday,
The Fourth of July
During Dayton's 13 hour sale
Or the next time your white guilt fills the room where my beautiful
people have gathered.

You want a moment of silence
Then take it NOW,
Before this poem begins.
Here, in the echo of my voice,
In the pause between goosesteps of the second hand,
In the space between bodies in embrace,
Here is your silence.
Take it.
But take it all... Don't cut in line.
Let your silence begin at the beginning of crime.
But we, Tonight we will keep right on singing... For our dead.

A SPIRITUAL CONSPIRACY
Dr. Leo Rebello



On the surface of the world right now there is war and violence and things seem dark.
But calmly and quietly,
something else is happening underground.
An inner revolution is taking place
and many are being called to a higher light.
It is a silent revolution.
From the inside out. From the ground up.
It is a Global operation.
A Spiritual Conspiracy.
To replace the sinister conspiracy of
New World Order minions.
You won't see us on the TV
You won't read about us in print media
You won't hear about us on the radio.
We don't seek any glory.
We don't wear any uniform.
We carry no weapons.
We believe in non-violence.
Our skin colours may be different
Our sizes, styles and status may be different.
But we are one in our resolve -
No War, No War, No War.
We are resolutely working behind the scenes
in every country and culture of the world
Cities big and small, mountains and valleys,
in farms and villages, tribes and remote islands.
Since our vision is Common.
One Humanity.
You could pass by one of us on the street
and not even notice.
We remain behind the scenes.
It's of no concern to us who takes the final credit
But simply that the work gets done.
During the day many of us have normal jobs
But the selfless work that we do in free time,

to free others, is what counts.
We are slowly creating a new world
with the power of our minds and hearts.
We follow, with passion and joy
the orders from the Central Spiritual Intelligence,
not from the decadent CIA, KGB or Mossad.
Not for nothing some call us the Conscious Army.
We are dropping soft, secret Love bombs of
Poems ~ Hugs ~ Music ~ Photography ~
Movies ~ Kind words ~ Smiles ~ Prayer ~
Meditation ~ Dance ~ Social activism ~
Websites ~ Blogs ~ random acts of kindness...
We express ourselves in our own unique ways
with our own unique gifts and talents.
Be the change you want to see in the world
That is the motto that fills our hearts.
It is the only way real transformation takes place.
We know that quietly and humbly we have the
power of all the oceans combined.
Our work is slow and meticulous
It is not even visible at first glance
And yet with it the 'rusted' tectonic plates
shall be moved creating a new dawn.
Love is the new religion of the 21st century.
We discard the 'holy books' and 'holy wars'.
Our unity of purpose comes from
the intelligence of the heart;
Embedded in the timeless evolutionary pulse
of all human beings.
Be the change you want to see in the world.
Nobody else can do it for you.
If you like what we say here,
We welcome you to join us.
All are welcome. The door is wide open.
For ours is a Spiritual Conspiracy
To save the mother Earth and All.

IS THE INDIVIDUAL A SUBJECT OF INTERNATIONAL LAW?

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Everything has changed except our way of thinking.
Albert Einstein

This paper will examine a seminal legal question the answer to which can lead either to a final world war or finally, world peace.

Sixteen thousand megatons of destructive force is today available to the nuclear powers. Only three megatons were used during the entire six years of World War II. Only two hundred and fifty megatons is enough firepower to destroy all the large and medium-sized cities in the entire world.

Each single human being on planet earth has a nuclear 'gun' pointed directly at him or her; in other words, at humanity itself. Therefore, the relationship between the individual and humanity, in the latter half of the 20th century, has become dynamic, immediate, one-to-one, and what is even more revolutionary, organic.

The question therefore whether the individual is a subject of international law is crucial to the question of survival itself. For the nuclear 'gun' is controlled and condoned by the so-called sovereign nation states, each of which maintains the legal right to wage war with other states. We will examine briefly the paradox this presents both to the states themselves and to us as the (world's) people.

Another way of asking the title questions is: Do you and I have the inalienable right to live on planet earth? If so, is that right legitimate? P. 250

"We, the People", Human Rights & International Law

The Preamble of the United Charter, in its opening statement of purpose, claims that

"We, the Peoples of the united Nations determined. . .to reaffirm faith in fundamental human rights. . .and. . .to establish conditions under which justice and respect for. . .other sources of international law can be maintained. . .have resolved to combine our efforts to accomplish these aims".

Chapter I, Article I, defining further the UN's purposes and principles, once again in para.1 reaffirms the principle of 'international law' with regard to "adjustment of settlement of international disputes or situations which might lead to a breach of the peace..." In para.3 of the same article, again the "promotion and encouraging respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms for all" is enjoined in order "to achieve international co-operation..."

The General Assembly, according to Article 13(1), "shall initiate studies and make recommendations for the purpose of.... (a)encouraging the progressive development of international law and its codification".... and (b) "assisting in the realization of human rights and fundamental freedoms for all...."

Chapter IX, Art. 55 is even more explicit concerning the UN's obligation to human rights: "With a view to the creation of conditions of stability and well-being which are necessary for peaceful and friendly relations among nations based on respect for the principle of equal rights and self-determination of peoples, the United Nations shall promote (c) universal respect for, and observance of, human rights and fundamental freedoms for all without distinction as to race, sex, language, or religion". Art. 56 pledges "All Members....to take joint and separate action in cooperation with the Organization for the achievement of the purposes set forth in Article 55".

The Charter of the United Nations was signed on 26 June 1945, in San Francisco and came into force on 24 October 1945 therefore binding the 50 original nation-states and all subsequent Member-States to this successor to the League of Nations.

On December 6, 1949, the U.N. General Assembly unanimously endorsed Resolution 375(IV), "Declaration on Rights and Duties of States". Art. 14 stated that "Every State has the duty to conduct its relations with other States in accordance with international law and with the principles that the sovereignty of each State is subject to the supremacy of international law". P. 251

The Universal Declaration of Human Rights

On December 10, 1948, after two years of research by leading experts on human rights as the "Human Rights Commission", the Universal Declaration of Human Rights was proclaimed by the General Assembly as "a common standard of achievement for all peoples and all nations...."

Herein the principle of law was raised implicitly to a global status in the Preamble and Articles 15(2), 21(3) and 28, respectively: “Whereas...it is essential if man is not to be compelled to have recourse, as a last resort, to rebellion against tyranny and oppression that human rights should be protected by regime of law.... No one shall be arbitrarily deprived of his nationality nor denied the right to change his nationality”. Here the human right of both expatriation and choice of political allegiance is confirmed globally. “The will of the people shall be the basis of the authority of government...” (The ultimate sovereign on planet earth, humanity, is here implied as being the sanction, if its will is duly expressed, for the authority of a world government). “Everyone is entitled to a social and international order in which the rights and freedoms set forth in this Declaration can be fully realized”.

UN Admits Its Impotence To Act On Human Rights Violations

In direct contrast, however, to these affirmations of human rights and international law, at its first session in January, 1947, the Commission on Human Rights established a Sub-Committee on the Handling of Communications which later concluded in its first report (E/CN.4/14/Rev.2), para. 3, that “The Commission has no power to take any action in regard to any complaint regarding human rights”. This subsequently became Resolution 75(V) and though subject to review and increasing concern in succeeding years by the Economic and Social Council-- a reaffirmation of Res. 75(V) became Resolution 728F (XXVIII) of 30 July 1959 of the ECOSOC -- remains unmodified to date.

The question naturally supposes, if human rights are to be protected by “international law”, and if the Member-States of the United Nations are bound by their signatures to the UN Charter to that international law, yet the United Nations itself admits its impotence to deal with human rights violations, what body, if any, determines, executes and enforces international law to which the human in question can refer?

Let us first examine briefly the nation-state vis-a-vis human rights to gain further insight both of the main perpetrators of human rights violations and the protection or lack of it for fundamental human rights. P. 252

Human Rights and National Constitutions

Since the proclamation of the French “*Declaration des Droits et du Citoyen*” in 1789 and the ratification of the U.S. Bill of Rights in the same year, the juxtaposition of human rights and national constitutions has enjoyed an uncertain and often hazardous alliance.

The exigencies of “national security” on the whole, have, in the final analysis, always prevailed over human rights issues. Art. 2 of the United States Constitution, for example, defining the powers of the chief executive, provides a telling commentary on the dilemma of human rights within the national legal framework. The

discretionary powers conferred on the US president effectively separate him from all civic responsibility and accountability when speaking and acting as head of state.

Myriad examples from President Lincoln's abolition of habeas corpus prior to the Civil War, Franklin Roosevelt's Land-Lease program, Truman's unilateral decision to bomb Hiroshima and Nagasaki thereby unleashing the nuclear arms race, Kennedy's “Bay of Pigs” fiasco, Johnson's Tonkin Bay deception, Nixon's undeclared war in Cambodia, Carter's aborted attempt to rescue the US hostages in Iran, to Reagan's deployment and redeployment of Marines in Lebanon and CIA-supported insurgents against the Nicaraguan government, etc., decisions in which the US electorate had and have no part, illustrate vividly and often disastrously “the imperial presidency”.

The Supreme Court's Traditional Silence

The US Supreme Court has traditionally refused to curb the executive when he is acting as head of state. The doctrine therefore “Inter armes, silent legis” has dominated the U.S. Supreme Court since its founding. That is, in national concerns involving other nations, the High Court inclines totally to the executive branch even to declarations of war. “The judicial attitude is more than abstention”, wrote Arthur Miller, in *Presidential Power In A Nutshell* (West Publishing Co., 1977, p. 163); “...it verges at times upon courts being an arm of the executive when violence, foreign or domestic erupts”. “In times of declared war, particularly in the 20th century when wars have become planetary in extent, the President acts as a 'constitutional dictator'.... There is a tacit understanding that nothing-- literally nothing-- will be permitted to block winning the war. What is necessary, as determined by the executive, is done. Legal niceties are given little attention. National survival is the ultimate issue”. (Ibid., p. 169). The U.S. Supreme Court's judicial silence on international issues aptly illustrates the impotency of national law to implement fundamental human rights, which, by definition, require the protection of “a regime of (world) law”. P. 253

Yet since the UDHR's proclamation by the UN General Assembly, with some irony, 18 Member-States have incorporated it directly in their national Constitutions, some in the Preamble, others in the body directly. (Ref. 48 *Revue Internationale de Droit Penal*, Nos. 3 & 4, at 211, 1977).

"We, The People" In National Constitutions Are Sovereign

Virtually all national constitutions refer to 'the people' as either sovereign or the mandating authority for the constitution itself. To cite a few examples, the 1947 Japanese 'Showa' constitution begins traditionally with “We, the Japanese people...” and Chapter III, Art. 13, claims that “...Their right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness shall, to the extent it does not interfere with public welfare, be the supreme consideration in legislation and public affairs”. Further implicitly confirming these

individual human and inalienable rights, Article 9 states unequivocally that “...The right of belligerency of the state will not be recognized”.

The 1971 Bulgarian constitution likewise begins with “We, the citizens of the People's Republic of Bulgaria...” The 1974 “Instrument of Government” of Sweden states in Chapter 1, “The Basic Principles of the Constitution”, Art. 1, that “All public power in Sweden emanates from the people”. Likewise Article 1(1) of the Brazilian constitution affirms, “All power emanates from the people and is exercised in their name”. The Greek constitution of 1975 in Article 1(2) claims that “Popular sovereignty is the foundation of government” and that (3) “All powers are derived from the People and exist for the People and the Nation....”

The “Basic Rights” of the 1949 West German constitution in Article 1(1) refers to “The dignity of man” as “inviolable”. “To respect and protect it shall be the duty of all state authority”. Para. 2 then allies this human dignity with the protection of rights as follows: “The German people therefore acknowledge inviolable and inalienable human rights as the basis of every community, of peace and justice in the world”. The “Fundamental Principles” of the 1978 Portuguese constitution under Article 3(1), “Sovereignty and Legality” states, with equal firmness, “Sovereignty, one and indivisible, rests with the people, who shall exercise it in accordance with the forms laid down in the Constitution”.

The Preamble to the French Constitution of 1958 boldly asserts that “The French people hereby solemnly proclaim its attachment to the Rights of Man...” and in Title I, “On Sovereignty”, para. 4, affirms that “Its principle is government of the people, by the people and for the people”.

A comprehensive study of national constitutions reveals this fundamental similarity, that, without exception, they derive from “the people” and at least in theory are designed only to serve the sovereign people. P. 254

Anomaly: Human Rights versus National Security

The inclusion of inalienable human rights or the UDHR itself, however, in a national constitution presents the anomaly of positing the latter's exclusivity with the former's inclusivity. In other words, national law, being relative to a given state, therefore limited despite its implied claim of absolutism (not to mention eternity), fails to meet the challenge of universality implicit in the protection of “universal” human rights. It is thus that all national constitutions contain the caveat of “national security”, or “public order”, as conditions nullifying human rights guarantees of legal protection.

Patrick Henry's remark in 1787 that “The U.S. Constitution squints toward monarchy”, and latter-day charges by eminent American constitutional lawyers of “the imperial presidency” underline this duality enjoyed by all national constitutions

and therefore heads of state when human rights collide with so-called national security, the 20th century catch-all for their repression or outright violation, always with disastrous consequences for the citizenry.

Human Rights and International Due Process

Dean Acheson observed: “Law simply does not deal with...questions of ultimate power-- power that comes close to the sources of sovereignty.... No law can destroy the state creating the law. The survival of states is not a matter of law”. And herein lies the humanity's dilemma. For if the only source of law is the state, then “world” or “international” law is a chimera.

Why then does the United Nations, an association of sovereign states, refer continually to international law if indeed law stops at national frontiers? Further, we are obliged to ask, from what did states themselves originally derive since they were not always in legal existence? The answer becomes increasingly obvious as we backtrack historically to ever smaller human groups. Finally we arrive by sheer logic and necessity to the subject of law itself, the individual human and find, ironically, that he/she is likewise the object, that is, the promoter, the evaluator, and perennial evolver. “Government can be safely acknowledged a temporal blessing, because in terms of the power it wields, there is nothing inherent in it. Government is not an end in itself but a means to an end. Its authority is the free and revocable grant of the men who have promised conditionally to submit to it. Its origins, however ancient and august, are instruments that free men have built and free men can alter or even abolish”. Chief Justice Earl Warren, US Supreme Court. P. 255

National Attempts at World Peace Fail

Since 1899, international gatherings of national delegates have been trying to reach beyond their state frontiers to achieve peace amongst themselves. The latest effort is of course the United Nations. But since the states retain at all costs their claim to absolute sovereignty thereby neither recognizing the sovereign human nor the ultimate sovereignty, humanity, their efforts cannot but be vain and illusory.

The 35 national wars raging today as well as the preparation for a final nuclear holocaust bear out this excruciating denial of reality.

The First International Penal Code

The classic example of the national impotence to create the conditions of peace are the Nuremberg Principles formulated by the International Law Commission of Jurists, and incorporated into “international law” by a 1950 Resolution-- 488 48(v) 1950-- of the UN General Assembly. These Principles explicitly state that “any person who commits an act which constitutes a crime under international law is responsible therefor and liable to punishment”.

Principle I states that “crimes against peace, war crimes and crimes against humanity are punishable as crimes under international law”. Principle VI states that “complicity in the commission of these crimes is itself a crime under international law”. Principle IV states that “the fact that a person acted pursuant to orders from his Government or of a superior does not relieve him from responsibility under international law, provided a moral choice was in fact possible to him”. Principle VI states that “Complicity in the commission of these crimes is itself a crime under international law”.

“Crimes against peace” were defined as: (1) Planning, preparation, initiation or waging of a war of aggression or a war in violation of international treaties, agreements or assurances; (2) Participation in a common plan or conspiracy for the accomplishment of any of the acts mentioned under (1)”.

Here was a legal paradox. “International treaties, agreements or assurances” are the province of diplomacy totally outside popular control. How then can the national citizen be a party to violations of international treaties if he was not a party to the agreement? Yet the Nuremberg Principles apply only to individuals “under international law”.

It can be argued with telling logic that, based on the powers conferred on them by national constitutions as well as exigencies of the anarchic condition between states, the only national citizens enjoying an “international law” status are the very heads of state exercising discretionary powers beyond the internal civic network. P. 256

And if this position is correct, then most if not all present-day heads of state are war criminals under the terms of these Principles for, with notable exceptions such as Switzerland, Grenada and the Seychelles, all are either “planning, preparing, initiating or waging war”, one of the principal exports of the modern state.

On the other hand, as shown above, if the people are sovereign and individuals enjoy inalienable sovereign rights, as most if not all states claim in their very constitutions, even those asserting dictatorial powers, then the Nuremberg Principles confer on them international civic character thus rendering them responsible for the above crimes.

The Unique 9th Amendment

The U.S. Constitution, in the 9th Amendment, uniquely and with total confidence in democracy-- no doubt Tom Paine's influence-- refers to rights “retained by the people” without in fact enumerating them. As inalienable rights are by definition anterior to government itself and incidentally the courts, the U.S. Supreme Court, by virtue of this amendment, has no jurisdiction over rights “retained by the people” and further, defined by them.

"The Constitution of the state and the nation recognize unenumerated rights of natural endowment." Colorado Anti-Discrimination Comm. v. Case, 1902 380 P.2d 34, 151 Colo. 230

The legal and historic implications of this amendment for the American people faced with international anarchy leading inevitably to a nuclear holocaust, are profound and awesomely challenging.

In a writ for certiorari submitted to the Supreme Court, October term, 1981 by the author, the challenge was summed up as follows: "By elementary reasoning, if the people are sovereign, as inferred in both the Ninth and Tenth amendments, then they are sovereign not as 'Americans' or national citizens but as humans. It follows that the world's people, i.e., humankind as such, represents the ultimate and largest sovereignty of which the 'American' people are a part. As the national public order derives from the sovereignty of the people residing within the national community, so it must follow that a world public order can and must derive from the world's people residing in the world community. Then any social order which excludes the recognition of humankind itself as the ultimate sovereignty denies at the same time the essential sovereignty of the people from which it itself derived. Thus a national constitution can neither deny, inhibit or in any way limit the sovereignty of humankind itself." (Note 30, Petition for Certiorari to the United States Court of Appeals, No. 81-427, October Term 1981, U.S. Supreme Court: Garry Davis v. District Director, Immigration and Naturalization Service). P. 257

Natural Law vs. World Law

And so we arrive inevitably at natural law. “Let it be stated again that the generation that gave us the Articles of Confederation and the Constitution believed solidly in the doctrine of natural rights. They understood that the purpose of government was to protect men in their basic, natural rights, and they were sure that they could hold their own state governments to this end.”

Modern Constitutional Law, Chester J. Antieau, Vol. IV,
(1969) p. 676, The Lawyers Co-Operative Publishing Co.

Given the physical and social interdependency of the world community, like the silkworm in the cocoon developing into a butterfly through the process of metamorphosis, as single individuals we extend our innate and inalienable sovereignty throughout the natural world we inhabit thereby dynamically relating ourselves as humans to our world in toto.

This inexorable process follows, as exposed by the late Marshall McLuhan in “The Medium Is The Message”, lines of technical communication, which in turn enables social and then political intercourse.

Jurisprudence Breakthrough

Herein lies the crucial point and together with the recognition of humanity's sovereignty, inalienable human rights and the Nuremberg Principles represents a major breakthrough in jurisprudence. Protection by law against war becomes global means eliminating the war-making prerogative of all states just as they eliminated war-making between the communities they grouped. This historical process in turn involves the establishment of a sovereign world government responsive to democratic control.

The Cause of War

“Wars between groups of men forming social units”, wrote Emery Reves in *Anatomy of Peace* in 1945, “always take place when these units-- tribes, dynasties, churches, cities, nations-- exercise unrestricted sovereign power. Wars between these social units cease the moment sovereign power is transferred from them to a larger or higher unit”.

The precursor of the Nuclear Age tried to awaken us to the new shocking truth: The price of world peace was nationalism:

“As long as there are sovereign states possessing great power, war is inevitable. There is no salvation for civilization, or even the human race, other than the creation of a world government”. Albert Einstein, Letter to World Federalists, Stockholm Congress, 1949. P. 258

Thus the new international citizen, “recognized implicitly by international law by virtue of the above-mentioned instruments, is, ipso facto-- in the absence of international government-- both empowered and compelled by the necessity of sheer survival to form such a government as the sovereign human person directly concerned.

Mryes McDougal, in *Human Rights and World Public Order* (Yale University Press, 1980, p. 178), moreover minces no words as to the legitimacy of the individual in this historic task: "The notion that states are the only appropriate 'subjects' of international law is belied by all the contemporary facts...about participation in the global processes of effective power and authoritative decision. This notion, unknown to the founding fathers and deriving from certain parochial misconceptions of the late nineteenth century, lingers on to impede the protection of human rights merely because it sometimes serves the power purposes of the state elites. . . . Historically, the greatest difficulty concerning participation in the world constitutive process has been this exaggeration of the role of the nation-state as the principal subject of international law. Because of the overwhelming emphasis of the 'sovereignty' of nation-states, there has been a great reluctance to recognize other

participants in world social process as in fact active subjects of international law."

Responsible citizenship, therefore, under international law, is that citizenship, which, in englobing human rights by transnational yet sovereign institutions, can ensure survival by outlawing war as a tool of “foreign policy” between states, ensure survival by outlawing war as a tool of "foreign policy" between states.

"Any method of maintaining international peace today must eventually fail if it is not grounded on Justice under Law and the protection of the Individual under due process of law." *World Habeas Corpus*, Luis Kutner, 1968, p. 73.

If Humanity Is To Survive, The Answers Must Be Affirmative

The answer therefore to the title question of whether the individual is a subject of international law must be answered in the affirmative if both the human race and the individual are to survive. For survival in the nuclear age enjoins the categorical imperative of a "world public order" or world government and government itself, we have seen, derives always from the sovereign people.

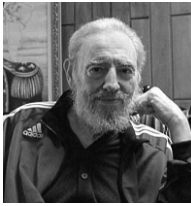
Tom Paine, the lightning rod of the three major revolutions of the 18th century, clarifies this overlooked yet revolutionary process: "It has been thought a considerable advance towards establishing the principle of freedom to say that government is a compact between those who govern and those who are governed; but this cannot be true, because it is putting the effect before the cause; for as men must have existed before government existed, there once was a time when government did not exist, and consequently there could originally exist no governors to form such a compact with. The fact therefore must be that the individuals themselves, each in his own personal and sovereign right, entered into a compact with each other to produce a government. . . ." P. 259

On the other hand, if states alone are international law subjects, then humankind is doomed to extinction through a final test of "strength" via nuclear arms between equally sovereign states.

As positive law itself, however, reflects and follows natural law, as members, one and all, of the human “global village”, born of a human womb, we arrive finally at the concept and actuality of a positive world citizenship transcending national citizenship as the sine qua non of world peace, human freedom and general as well as individual well-being and happiness.

PUT AN END TO APARTHEID, RACISM, XENOPHOBIA

Fidel Castro



Fidel Alejandro Castro Ruz (born August 13, 1926) is a Cuban politician, one of the primary leaders of the Cuban Revolution, the Prime Minister of Cuba from February 1959 to December 1976, and then the *President of the Council of State of Cuba* until his resignation from the office in February 2008. He is currently the First Secretary of the Communist Party of Cuba.

Dr. Leo Rebello: This is the text of keynote address delivered by Dr. Fidel Castro Ruz, President of the Republic of Cuba, at the World Conference against Apartheid, Racism and Xenophobia, on September 1, 2001, in which he predicted, inter alia, the present economic meltdown in USA and the world due to the insatiable greed of the manipulating few.

Cut to 1994: a non-racial, multi-party democracy came to power in South Africa (SA). Within two years, however, the African National Congress had prostrated before the market forces. The massive program of structural adjustment, privatization, and liberalization that followed only increased the disparities between the rich and the poor. The corporatization of basic services - electricity, water, and housing - has meant that 10 million in SA do not have adequate water or electricity. 2 million have been evicted from their homes. Some 3 millions have lost their jobs.

Cut to 2009: The same small white minority that ruled for 300 years is still in control. They continue to control the land, the farms, the factories, and the natural resources of that country. Brother Desmond Tutu gives nice speeches about Ubuntu etc. whereas Brother Nelson Mandela has willy-nilly joined the AIDS brigands. Barack Hussein Obama, first Black American, has occupied the most secured jail called the White House, with the help of Jews. Will the black, who voted him to power with “Hope” benefit? Louis Pasteur, on his deathbed disowned his germ theory (on which the whole edifice of modern medicine is built) being false. Let Madiba, in his final years, confess that the White Supremacists used him and boldly declare that SA discards this rotten western paradigm of development based on capitalism. Will he be allowed to do so, in his feeble state of mind and body, is the big question.

Racism, racial discrimination and xenophobia are not naturally instinctive reactions of the human beings but rather a social, cultural and political phenomenon born directly of wars, military conquests, slavery and the individual or collective exploitation of the weakest by the most powerful all along the history of human societies.

No one has the right to boycott this Conference, which tries to bring some sort of relief to the overwhelming majority of mankind afflicted by unbearable suffering and enormous injustice. Neither has anyone the right to set preconditions to this

conference or urge it to avoid the discussion of historical responsibility, fair compensation or the way we decide to rate the dreadful genocide perpetrated, at this very moment, against our Palestinian brothers by extreme right leaders who, in alliance with the hegemonic superpower. Cuba speaks of reparations, and supports this idea as an unavoidable moral duty to the victims of racism.

The irrefutable truth is that tens of millions of Africans were captured, sold like a commodity and sent beyond the Atlantic to work in slavery while 70 million indigenous people in that hemisphere perished as a result of the European conquest and colonization. The inhuman exploitation imposed on the peoples of three continents, including Asia, marked forever the destiny and lives of over 4.5 billion people living in the Third World today whose poverty, unemployment, illiteracy and health rates as well as their infant mortality, life expectancy and other calamities are certainly harrowing. They are the current victims of that atrocity which lasted centuries and the ones who clearly deserve compensation for the horrendous crimes perpetrated against their ancestors and peoples.

Actually, such a brutal exploitation did not end when many countries became independent, not even after the formal abolition of slavery. Right after independence, the main ideologists of the American Union that emerged when the 13 colonies got rid of the British domination at the end of the 18th century, advanced ideas and strategies unquestionably expansionist in nature. It was based on such ideas that the ancient white settlers of European descent, in their march to the West, forcibly occupied the lands in which Native-Americans had lived for thousands of years thus exterminating millions of them in the process. But, they did not stop at the boundaries of the former Spanish possessions; consequently Mexico, a Latin American country that had attained its independence in 1821, was stripped off millions of square kilometers of territory and invaluable natural resources. Meanwhile, in the increasingly powerful and expansionist nation born in North America, the obnoxious and inhumane slavery system stayed in place for almost a century after the famous Declaration of Independence of 1776 was issued, the same that proclaimed that all men were born free and equal.

After the purely formal slave emancipation, African-Americans were subjected during one hundred more years to the harshest racial discrimination, and many of its features and consequences still persist after almost four more decades of heroic struggles and the achievements of the 1960's, for which Martin Luther King, Jr., Malcolm X and other outstanding fighters gave their lives. Based on a purely racist rationale, the longest and most severe legal sentences are passed against African-Americans who in the wealthy American society are bound to live in dire poverty and with the lowest living standards. Likewise, what is left of the Native-American peoples, which were the first to inhabit a large portion of the current territory of the United States of America, remain under even worse conditions of discrimination and

neglect. Needless to mention the data on the social and economic situation of Africa where entire countries and even whole regions of Sub-Saharan Africa are in risk of extinction the result of an extremely complex combination of economic backwardness, excruciating poverty and grave diseases, both old and new, that have become a true scourge. And the situation is no less dramatic in numerous Asian countries.

On top of all this, there are the huge and unpayable debts, the disparate terms of trade, the ruinous prices of basic commodities, the demographic explosion, the neoliberal globalization and the climate changes that produce long draughts alternating with increasingly intensive rains and floods. It can be mathematically proven that such a predicament is unsustainable. The developed countries and their consumer societies, presently responsible for the accelerated and almost unstoppable destruction of the environment, have been the main beneficiaries of the conquest and colonization, of slavery, of the ruthless exploitation and the extermination of hundreds of millions of people born in the countries that today constitute the Third World. They have also reaped the benefits of the economic order imposed on humanity after two atrocious and devastating wars for a new division of the world and its markets, of the privileges granted to the United States and its allies in Bretton-Woods, and of the IMF and the international financial institutions exclusively created by them and for them. That rich and squandering world is in possession of the technical and financial resources necessary to pay what is due to mankind. The hegemonic superpower should also pay back its special debt to African-Americans, to Native-Americans living in reservations, and to the tens of millions of Latin American and Caribbean immigrants as well as others from poor nations, be they mulatto, yellow or black, but victims all of vicious discrimination and scorn. It is high time to put an end to the dramatic situation of the indigenous communities in our hemisphere. Their own awakening and struggles, and the universal admission of the monstrosity of the crime committed against them make it imperative. There are enough funds to save the world from the tragedy.

May the arms race and the weapon commerce that only bring devastation and death truly end. Let it be used for development a good part of the one trillion US dollars annually spent on the commercial advertising that creates false illusions and inaccessible consumer habits while releasing the venom that destroys the national cultures and identities. May the modest 0.7 percentage point of the Gross National Product promised as official development assistance be finally delivered. May the tax suggested by Nobel Prize Laureate James Tobin be imposed in a reasonable and effective way on the current speculative operations accounting for trillions of US dollars every 24 hours, then the United Nations, which cannot go on depending on meager, inadequate, and belated donations and charities, will have one trillion US dollars annually to save and develop the world. Mark my words! One trillion US dollars every year!

There are no few people in the world who can add, subtract, divide and multiply. This is not an overstatement! Given the seriousness and urgency of the existing problems, which have become a real hazard for the very survival of our specie on the planet, that is what would actually be needed before it is too late. Put an end to the ongoing genocide against the Palestinian people that is taking place while the world stares in amazement. May the basic right to life of that people, children and youth, be protected. May their right to peace and independence be respected; then, there will be nothing to fear from UN documents. I am aware that the need for some relief from the awful situation their countries are facing has led many friends from Africa and other regions to suggest the need for such prudence as would allow something to come out of this conference. I sympathize with them but I cannot renounce my convictions, as I feel that the more candid we are in telling the truth the more possibilities there will be to be heeded and respected.

There have been enough centuries of deception. I have only three other short questions based on realities that cannot be ignored. The capitalist, developed and wealthy countries today participate of the imperialist system born of capitalism itself and the economic order imposed on the world based on the philosophy of selfishness and the brutal competition between men, nations and groups of nations which in completely indifferent to any feelings of solidarity and honest international cooperation. They live under the misleading, irresponsible and hallucinating atmosphere of consumer societies. Thus, regardless the sincerity of their blind faith in such a system and the convictions of their most serious statesmen, I wonder: Will they be able to understand the grave problems of today's world which in its incoherent and uneven development is ruled by blind laws, by the huge power and the interests of the ever growing and increasingly uncontrollable and independent transnational corporations? Will they come to understand the impending universal chaos and rebellion? And, even if they wanted to, could they put an end to racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and other related issues, which are precisely the rest of them all? From my viewpoint we are on the verge of a huge economic, social and political global crisis. Let's try to build awareness about these realities and the alternatives will come up. History has shown that it is only from deep crisis that great solutions have emerged. The peoples' right to life and justice will definitely impose itself under a thousand different shapes. I believe in the mobilization and the struggle of the peoples! I believe in the idea of justice! I believe in truth! I believe in man!

WE WILL RISE, WE WILL ACT

Al Gore



This is the edited version of Mr. Al Gore's Nobel Peace Prize lecture, delivered in Oslo on 10th December 2007.

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Dr. Leo Rebello's Note: With just five percent of the world's population, the United States produces more than twenty percent of all greenhouse gas emissions. So, it is the USA which should limit greenhouse gases and build a clean energy economy to achieve a sustainable solution to our global climate crisis. May it also be noted, that there exists Secret Geophysical Weapons, strategically stationed in Alaska, Greenland, Norway, to create earthquakes, storms, hurricanes, typhoons, floods, fires, electrical and mechanical crashes and disasters (cars, planes, trains, ships etc.) and building and bridge collapses, killing millions of people. Al Gore does not say a word about all this.

Hopefully the world leaders will speak up when they meet in Copenhagen in December 2009 to discuss climate change once again. In the meantime, 'We, the People' place on record that these geopolitical blackmails and extortion must stop atonce; WMDs, DU, Star Wars, Chemtrails the root cause of global warming must stop, too. Part of Indonesia was destroyed by these engineered experiments. We will not allow Maldives or Andaman Islands to capsize or Himalayas or the Arctic ice to melt. If USA does not listen and give up its dangerous plans, the world must collectively boycott it. Show them how sanctions, which America uses on others, can boomerang.

One hundred and nineteen years ago, a wealthy inventor read his own obituary, mistakenly published years before his death. Wrongly believing the inventor had died, a newspaper printed a harsh judgment of his life's work, unfairly labeling him "The Merchant of Death" because of his invention dynamite. Shaken by this condemnation, the inventor made a fateful choice to serve the cause of peace. Seven years later, Alfred Nobel created this prize and the others that bear his name.

Seven years ago, I read my own political obituary in a judgment that seemed to me harsh and mistaken. But that unwelcome verdict also brought a precious if painful

gift: an opportunity to search for fresh new ways to serve my purpose.

We, the human species, are confronting a planetary emergency a threat to the survival of our civilization that is gathering ominous and destructive potential even as we gather here. But there is hopeful news as well: **we have the ability to solve this crisis** and avoid the worst of its consequences, if we act boldly, decisively and quickly.

However, despite a growing number of honorable exceptions, too many of the world's leaders are still best described in the words Winston Churchill applied to those who ignored Adolf Hitler's threat: "They go on in strange paradox, decided only to be undecided, resolved to be irresolute, adamant for drift, solid for fluidity, all powerful to be impotent."

So today, we dumped another 70 million tons of global-warming pollution into the thin shell of atmosphere surrounding our planet, as if it were an open sewer. And tomorrow, we will dump a slightly larger amount, with the cumulative concentrations now trapping more and more heat from the sun.

As a result, the earth has a fever. And the fever is rising. The experts have told us it is not a passing affliction that will heal by itself. We asked for a second opinion, a third, and a fourth. And the consistent conclusion, restated with increasing alarm, is that something basic is wrong. **We are what is wrong, and we must make it right.**

Last September 21, as the Northern Hemisphere tilted away from the sun, scientists reported with unprecedented distress that the North Polar ice cap is "falling off a cliff." One study estimated that it could be completely gone during summer in less than 22 years. Another new study, to be presented by U.S. Navy researchers later this week, warns it could happen in as little as 7 years.

In the last few months, it has been harder and harder to misinterpret the signs that our world is spinning out of kilter. Major cities in North and South America, Asia and Australia are nearly run out of water due to massive droughts and melting glaciers. Desperate farmers are losing their livelihoods. People in the frozen Arctic and on low-lying Pacific islands are planning evacuations of places they have long called home. Unprecedented wildfires have forced a half million people from their homes in one country and caused a national emergency that almost brought down the government in another. Climate refugees have migrated into areas already inhabited by people with different cultures, religions, and traditions, increasing the potential for conflict. Stronger storms in the Pacific and Atlantic have threatened whole cities. Massive flooding in South Asia, Mexico, and 18 countries in Africa has displaced millions. As temperature extremes have increased, tens of thousands have lost their lives. We are recklessly burning and clearing our forests and driving more and more

species into extinction. **The very web of life on which we depend is being ripped and frayed.**

We never intended to cause all this destruction, just as Alfred Nobel never intended that dynamite be used for waging war. He had hoped his invention would promote human progress. Indeed, without realizing it, we have begun to wage war on the earth itself. More than two decades ago, scientists calculated that nuclear war could throw so much debris and smoke into the air that it would block life-giving sunlight from our atmosphere, causing a "nuclear winter." Their eloquent warnings here in Oslo helped galvanize the world's resolve to halt the nuclear arms race.

Now science is warning us that if we do not quickly reduce the global warming pollution that is trapping so much of the heat our planet normally radiates back out of the atmosphere, we are in danger of creating a permanent "carbon summer."

As the American poet Robert Frost wrote, "Some say the world will end in fire; some say in ice". Either, he notes, "would suffice". But neither need be our fate. **It is time to make peace with the planet.**

We must quickly mobilize our civilization with the urgency and resolve that has previously been seen only when nations mobilized for war. These prior struggles for survival were won when leaders found words at the 11th hour that released a mighty surge of courage, hope and readiness to sacrifice for a protracted and mortal challenge.

Now comes the threat of climate crisis a threat that is real, rising, imminent, and universal. Once again, it is the 11th hour. The penalties for ignoring this challenge are immense and growing, and at some near point would be unsustainable and unrecoverable. For now we still have the power to choose our fate, and the remaining question is only this: Have we the will to act vigorously and in time, or will we remain imprisoned by a dangerous illusion?

Mahatma Gandhi awakened the largest democracy on earth and forged a shared resolve with what he called "Satyagraha" or "truth force". In every land, the truth once known has the power to set us free. Truth also has the power to unite us and bridge the distance between 'me' and 'we', creating the basis for common effort and shared responsibility.

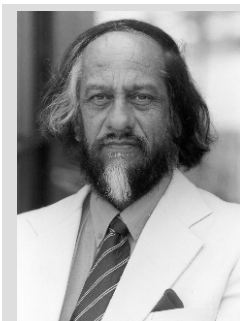
There is an African proverb that says, "If you want to go quickly, go alone. If you want to go far, go together". **We need to go far, quickly.** That means adopting principles, values, laws, and treaties that release creativity and initiative at every level of society in multifold responses originating concurrently and spontaneously. This new consciousness requires expanding the possibilities inherent in all humanity.

These are the last few years of decision, but they can be the first years of a bright and hopeful future if we do what we must. No one should believe a solution will be found without effort, without cost, without change. Let us acknowledge that if we wish to redeem squandered time and speak again with moral authority, then these are the hard truths: the way ahead is difficult. The outer boundary of what we currently believe to be feasible is still far short of what we actually must do. Moreover, between here and there, across the unknown, falls the shadow.

That is just another way of saying that we have to expand the boundaries of what is possible. In the words of the Spanish poet, Antonio Machado, "Pathwalker, there is no path. You must make the path as you walk". So let us renew it, and say together: "We have a purpose. We are many. For this purpose **we will rise, and we will act**".



'Food for Thought'



VOICE OF REASON AND WISDOM

R.K.Pachauri

Now read the edited version of Dr. R.K.Pachauri's Nobel Peace Prize lecture, delivered in Oslo on 10 December 2007. © Nobel Foundation. Dr. R.K.Pachauri was then the Chairman of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), in Geneva. He is now the Minister in PM Dr. Manmohan Singh's cabinet, in India.

As Chair of the IPCC, I am deeply privileged to present this lecture on the occasion of the Nobel Peace Prize being awarded to the IPCC. The IPCC produces key scientific material that is of the highest relevance to policymaking, and is agreed word-by-word by all governments.

The Panel was established in 1988 through a resolution of the UN General Assembly. One of its clauses was significant in having stated, "Noting with concern that the emerging evidence indicates that continued growth in atmospheric concentrations of "greenhouse" gases could produce global warming with an eventual rise in sea levels, the effects of which could be disastrous for mankind if timely steps are not taken at all levels". This means that almost two decades ago the UN was acutely conscious of the possibility of disaster consequent on climate change through increases in sea levels. Today we know much more, which provides greater substance to that concern.

This award being given to the IPCC, we believe goes fundamentally beyond a concern for the impacts of climate change on peace. This signal honour is, in our view, an acknowledgement of three important realities, which can be summed up as:

1. The power and promise of collective scientific endeavour.
2. The importance of the role of knowledge in shaping public policy.
3. The need for developing an effective rationale for timely and adequate action to avoid such threats in the future.

These three realities encircle an important truth that must guide global action involving the entire human race in the future. Coming as I do from India, where much of the earlier tradition and wisdom guides actions even in modern times, the philosophy of "*Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam*", which means the whole universe is one family, must dominate global efforts to protect the global commons. This principle is crucial to the maintenance of peace and order today as it would be increasingly in the years ahead.

Neglect in protecting our heritage of natural resources could prove extremely harmful for the human race and for all species that share common space on planet earth. Indeed, there are many lessons in human history which provide adequate warning about the chaos and destruction that could take place if we remain guilty of myopic indifference to the progressive erosion and decline of nature's resources. Much has been written, for instance, about the Maya civilization, which flourished during 250950 AD, but collapsed largely as a result of serious and prolonged drought. Some 4000 years ago a number of well-known Bronze Age civilizations, extending from the Mediterranean to the Indus Valley, also crumbled. Changes in climate have historically determined periods of peace as well as conflict. In recent years several groups have studied the link between climate and security. Climate changes lead to dramatic population migration, conflict, and war over water and other resources as well as a realignment of power among nations. Some also highlight the possibility of rising tensions between rich and poor nations, health problems caused particularly by water shortages, and crop failures as well as concerns over nuclear proliferation.

One of the most significant aspects of the impacts of climate change relates to the equity implications of changes that are occurring and are likely to occur in the future. In general, this impacts the poorest and the most vulnerable communities, and may actually see a decline in their economic condition, with a loss of livelihoods and opportunities to maintain even subsistence levels of existence.

Peace can be defined as security and the secure access to resources that are essential for living. Climate change will have several implications, as numerous adverse impacts are expected for some populations in terms of:

- Access to clean water,
- Access to sufficient food,
- Stable health conditions,
- Ecosystem resources,
- Security of settlements.

Climate change is expected to exacerbate current stresses on water resources. On a regional scale, mountain snowpack, glaciers, and small ice caps play a crucial role in fresh water availability. Widespread mass losses from glaciers and reductions in snow cover over recent decades are projected to accelerate throughout the 21st century, reducing water availability, hydropower potential, and the changing seasonality of flows in regions supplied by meltwater from major mountain ranges (e.g. Hindu-Kush, Himalaya, Andes), where more than one-sixth of the world's population currently lives. There is also high confidence that many semi-arid areas (e.g. the Mediterranean Basin, western United States, southern Africa, and northeastern Brazil) will suffer a decrease in water resources due to climate change. In Africa by 2020, between 75 and 250 million people are projected to be exposed to

increased water stress due to climate change.

The health status of millions of people is projected to be affected through, for example, increases in malnutrition; increased deaths, diseases, and injury due to extreme weather events; increased burden of diarrheal diseases; increased frequency of cardio-respiratory diseases due to higher concentrations of ground-level ozone in urban areas related to climate change; and the altered spatial distribution of some infectious diseases.

Climate change is likely to lead to some irreversible impacts on biodiversity. As far as security of human settlements is concerned, vulnerabilities to climate change are generally greater in certain high-risk locations, particularly coastal and riverine areas. Where extreme weather events become more intense or more frequent with climate change, the economic and social costs of those events will increase.

Some regions likely to be especially affected by climate change are the Arctic, Small islands, Asian and African mega-deltas, due to large populations and high exposure to sea level rise, storm surges, and river flooding.

The IPCC 4th Assessment Report concludes that vulnerable regions face multiple stresses that affect their exposure and sensitivity to various impacts as well as their capacity to adapt. These stresses arise from, for example, current climate hazards, poverty, and unequal access to resources, food insecurity, trends in economic globalization, conflict, and incidence of diseases.

Migration and movement of people is a particularly critical source of potential conflict. Migration, usually temporary and often from rural to urban areas, is a common response to calamities such as floods and famines.

Another issue of extreme concern is the finding that anthropogenic factors could lead to some impacts that are abrupt or irreversible, depending on the rate and magnitude of climate change. For instance, partial loss of ice sheets on polar land could imply metres of sea level rise, major changes in coastlines, and inundation of low-lying areas, with greatest effects in river deltas and low-lying islands.

Global average warming above about 4.5 °C relative to 198099 (about 5°C above pre-industrial) would imply: (a) Projected decreases of precipitation by up to 20% in many dry tropical and subtropical areas. (b) Expected mass loss of Greenland's ice leading to sea level rise up to 4 metres and flooding of shorelines on every continent. The implications of these changes, if they were to occur would be grave and disastrous. However, it is within the reach of human society to meet these threats. The impacts of climate change can be limited by suitable adaptation measures and

stringent mitigation of greenhouse gas emissions.

Societies have a long record of adapting to the impacts of weather and climate. But climate change poses novel risks often outside the range of experience, such as impacts related to drought, heat waves, accelerated glacier retreat, and hurricane intensity. These impacts will require adaptive responses such as investments in storm protection and water supply infrastructure, as well as community health services. Adaptation measures essential to reduce such vulnerability, are seldom undertaken in response to climate change alone but can be integrated within, for example, water resource management, coastal defense, and risk-reduction strategies. The global community needs to coordinate a far more proactive effort towards implementing adaptation measures in the most vulnerable communities and systems in the world.

Adaptation is essential to address the impacts resulting from the warming which is already unavoidable due to past emissions. But, adaptation alone is not expected to cope with all the projected effects of climate change, and especially not in the long run as most impacts increase in magnitude.

There is substantial potential for the mitigation of global greenhouse gas emissions over the coming decades that could offset the projected growth of global emissions or reduce emissions below current levels. There are multiple drivers for actions that reduce emissions of greenhouse gases, and they can produce multiple benefits at the local level in terms of economic development and poverty alleviation, employment, energy security, and local environmental protection.

Science tells us not only that the climate system is changing, but also that further warming and sea level rise is in store even if greenhouse gases were to be stabilized today. That is a consequence of the basic physics of the system. Social factors also contribute to our future, including the 'lock-in' due, for example, to today's power plants, transportation systems, and buildings, and their likely continuing emissions even as cleaner future infrastructure comes on line. So the challenge before us is not only a large one, it is also one in which every year of delay implies a commitment to greater climate change in the future.

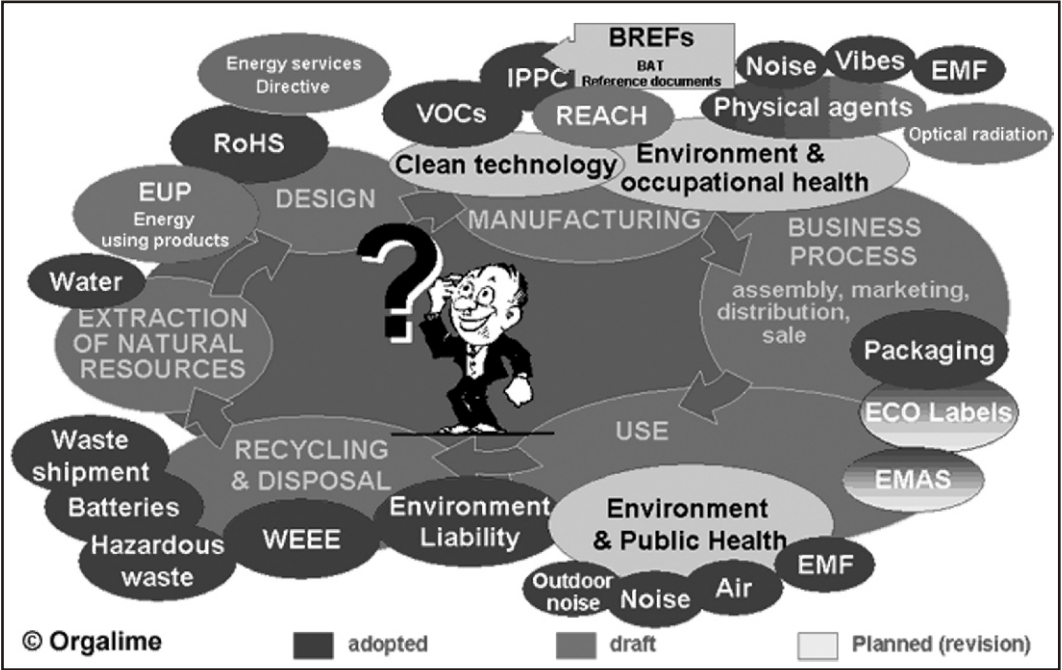
It would be relevant to recall the words of President Gayoom of the Maldives at the 42nd Session of the UN General Assembly on the 19 October 1987: "As for my own country, the Maldives, a mean sea level rise of 2 metres would suffice to virtually submerge the entire country of 1,190 small islands, most of which barely rise 2 metres above mean sea level. That would be the death of a nation. With a mere 1 metre rise also, a storm surge would be catastrophic, and possibly fatal to the nation".

On 22 September 1997, at the opening of the 13th session of the IPCC at Male, the

capital of the Maldives, President Gayoom reminded us of the threat to his country when he said, "Ten years ago, in April 1987, this very spot where we are gathered now, was under two feet of water, as unusually high waves inundated one third of Male, as well as the Male International Airport and several other islands of our archipelago". Hazards from the impacts of climate change are, therefore, a reality today in some parts of the world, and we cannot hide under global averages and the ability of affluent societies to deal with climate-related threats as opposed to the condition of vulnerable communities in poor regions of the globe.

The successive assessment reports published by the IPCC since 1990 demonstrate the progress of scientific knowledge about climate change and its consequences. As stated in the 4th Assessment Report, "warming of the climate system is unequivocal", and "most of the global average warming over the past 50 years is very likely due to anthropogenic greenhouse gases increases".

How climate change will affect peace is for others to determine, but we have provided scientific assessment of what could become a basis for conflict. When Mr. Willy Brandt spoke at the acceptance of the Nobel Peace Prize in 1971, he said, "We shall have to know more about the origins of conflicts. As I see it, next to reasonable politics, learning is in our world the true credible alternative to force". The question is whether we would support what Willy Brandt referred to as "reasonable politics". Will those responsible for decisions in the field of climate change at the global level listen to the voice of science and knowledge, which is now loud and clear?



GLOBAL WARMING IS A HOAX? - Albert John Willms



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Dr. Leo Rebello's Note: John's article reminds me of the building of St. Peters Basilica in Rome. In the 15 century, Pope Julius (and others) decided to build the biggest and best Basilica befitting the "Holy Roman Catholic Church". This of course, was a very costly exercise. In order to raise the necessary cash, priests in all of Europe would forgive sins for money. Every dastardly deed could be absolved for a considerable consideration. Then like now: Your sins are forgiven, but you must pay for "Carbon Credits".

When a well packaged web of lies has been fed gradually to the masses over several generations, the truth will seem utterly preposterous and its speaker a raving lunatic.
Dresden James

When it comes to the Global Warming debate, it has been mentioned consistently that the models used don't reflect 'normal' climate activities. Ok - I have to ask then, what is normal and who came up with it over what period of time? You see, when you take climate data from the past 100+ years, we see a different trend than if you were to take the data from 1978 on - when we were able to take atmospheric temps via satellite.

We have been led to believe that the Co2 levels in the atmosphere are a major factor in the 'climate change' that is happening right now, and that man is responsible for it. I do admit that Man has introduced some Co2 into the atmosphere, but our contribution is insignificant.

Take this cap and trade fiasco the powers that be (UN) is touting. It is another farce. Legislate a cap on Co2, then tax it. Here in British Columbia we already have a 'carbon tax' on our gasoline of about 5 cents a litre. Someone needs to explain to me how this would (a) reduce the carbon dioxide in the atmosphere and (b) have any effect on climate change. Has it lessened traffic? No. If anything there are more vehicles on the road today as there were a year ago. Think about what would happen when 1/4 of someone's daily income has to go to pay some tax that only accomplishes

the goal of lining the UN's pockets to further their agenda of total world control.

Trade in Carbon Credits. Another scheme to make pollution guilt free. Really, does it make any sense to allow businesses to buy their way out of making actual changes in the way they do things when the supposed agenda is to reduce pollution? Pay to have a tree planted and pollute some more. No worries about what is spewing out of the stack - we have bought our allotment of credits so we can do it without any guilt. How ridiculous is that? The only thing that carbon credits suggest is that there is no real concern about getting rid of this 'deadly greenhouse gas'. What is next? Taxing us because we breathe? If Co2 was as nasty as they make it out to be, Our Creator would have made us in such a way that we would not be exhaling it.

Science clearly shows that any rise in Co2 levels follows warming. Even the famous chart and the way it was presented by Mr. Gore in his movie, under careful study shows that rising Co2 levels follow the warming trend by as much as 800 years. Easy to prove with a can of carbonated beverage. Open a cold one and then open a warm one. Which one let off more Co2 when opened? You don't even need to do the experiment to know the answer. The truth is completely opposite of what we are being told.

In an article published in the UK Sunday Times, former editor of New Scientist, Nigel Calder stated, “When politicians and journalists declare that the science of global warming is settled, they show a regrettable ignorance about how science works”. He further stated that, “Twenty years ago, climate research became politicised in favour of one particular hypothesis”.

To extrapolate this with computer models programmed with data that is sympathetic to the 'man made' camp; will only reveal what that camp wants you to see. We also have to look at scale of charts as well. Different scale on the X and Y Axis reveal different curves and the only curve they present is the one that suits the cause. More distraction and skewing of facts to serve their purpose. And one thing that we find in science is that it proves itself wrong a lot.

Yes, there are many pollutants being spewed into our atmosphere. Vancouver BC, Canada has a very ugly yellow haze over it when viewed from across the Strait of Georgia. Is that good? No. Do we need to clean it up? Yes! Do we need to worry about the Co2 content? No. We don't. The other particulates and smog we are breathing are nasty to our health and we ought not to pollute. But when it comes to Co2, we have been lied to and sold a bill of goods that has no scientific basis. We need to tend and keep the garden like we are supposed to.

Global warming is a hoax, invented in 1988. Most environmentalists have no technical or scientific credentials whatsoever. Environmentalists claim that the

Earth's atmosphere is getting hotter. They claim that the polar icecaps and glaciers will melt and sea levels will rise over two hundred feet, flooding most coastal cities. What they do not realise is that iceberg displaces water equivalent to its total weight. So even if icebergs were to melt the ocean levels will not rise. Likewise, the icecaps are reducing in some parts and increasing in another. Thereby, the earth is maintaining its balance of axis disturbed by high-rise buildings and massive urbanisation. So, frankly speaking there is no need to panic.

Writing on this subject Tom Gremillion said in 2005: “They claim that many areas of the Earth will turn into deserts. They make all these claims but cannot substantiate. Parts of the polar icecap and glaciers are melting but other areas of the polar icecaps and glaciers are thickening. The environmentalists base their 'proof' of the existence of global warming on the melting areas but are strangely silent, even militant to the point of violence, if anyone mentions the areas that are thickening, and those thickening areas are many”.

Global mean temperatures are cyclical with the seasons as also with other normal cycles. They have been for the entire history of the Earth. Scientific data from ice cores, tree rings and other indicators of global mean temperatures prove this. Human activity has never been the cause of these global temperature swings as the global warming advocates claim.

The energy output of the Sun is far greater in one second than human activity could produce in a million years. The Earth rotates around the Sun. Its orbit is slightly elliptical. The energy reaching the Earth from the Sun varies slightly as the distance from the Sun to the Earth varies due to its elliptical orbit. The Sun activity increases and decreases with fluctuations in the solar flares emitted by the Sun. Differences in these fluctuation rates cause increases and decreases of solar energy hitting the Earth. This causes fluctuations in the global mean temperature of the Earth's atmosphere.

In 2004, the energy from massive solar flares bombarded the Earth with solar energy. This solar energy caused heating of the Earth's surface and atmosphere. Most of the energy of the solar flare eruptions dissipated into space. The amounts of energy ejected were massive, much greater than normal. The higher than usual amounts of energy that struck the Earth's atmosphere led to some heating of the atmosphere.

Then there is the eruption of volcanoes, such as Mt. St. Helens, ejecting dust and ash into the Earth's atmosphere. The amount of dust and ash in the atmosphere varies the amount of energy that can cause heating or cooling of the Earth's atmosphere. Volcanoes also eject the kind of compounds that environmentalists call greenhouse gases. A single eruption the size of the Mt. St. Helens eruption released more of these gases, dust and ash into the atmosphere than all such emissions by human activity. And there are numerous volcanic eruptions yearly.

It is the fluctuations of the Earth's orbit around the sun, volcanic eruptions, the emission of gases by oceans and trees, all natural occurrences, that cause rises and declines in global mean temperatures, i.e., “global warming” and “global cooling,” not ordinary human activity.

Therefore, those claiming that 'global warming' is real have an agenda other than saving the planet from human activity. Especially since satellite data taken over the past 25 years indicate no surface or atmospheric warming. If anything there has been a very slight cooling, of the order of 0.01 degree centigrade.

Co2 is generally a by-product of warming as seas warm and release gases, which leads to times of plenty as plants thrive and expand their ranges and provide more food for fauna, increasing biodiversity. By contrast, cooler periods are times of want, tracked in human history by wars for food, pestilence and famine.

Man is arrogant indeed if he feels he can influence weather, except on a very local basis, such as in urban heat islands, where much of the data has shown an increase in temperature, as cities grow and generate more heat. The atmosphere is not warming, the seas as a group are not warming, the Antarctic ice sheet has never been bigger or thicker, Greenland's ice sheet is thickening, the 160,000 glaciers are both advancing and retreating and Polar Bear populations have grown 5-fold since the 1970's.

“While imposing 'global warming' they cleverly avoid mentioning HAARP, Star Wars, Ozone Hole, Underground Nuclear Tests, Chemtrails which are the real reasons of global weather pattern change” opines Prof. Leo Rebello. For example, Environment Canada brags about spending \$3.7 billion in the last five years dealing with climate change almost all on propaganda trying to defend an indefensible scientific position while at the same time closing weather stations and failing to meet legislated pollution targets.

In his book 'The Structure of Scientific Revolutions' Thomas Kuhn has skillfully and briefly defined the scientific method, which people do not understand. He said: “A scientist makes certain assumptions and then produces a theory that is only as valid as the assumptions. The theory of Global Warming assumes that Co2 is an atmospheric greenhouse gas and as it increases temperatures rise. It was then theorized that since humans were producing more Co2 than before, the temperature would inevitably rise. The theory was accepted before testing had started, and effectively became a law”.

Does carbon dioxide harm the environment? We cannot eliminate all carbon dioxide because much carbon dioxide is needed to feed the chlorophyll in plants and trees, where it is converted into the oxygen you need to breathe in, which is then converted to carbon dioxide as you breathe out.

Most of the media articles you will see refer to reports issued by the IPCC. The IPCC is the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate change, a political body appointed by the United Nations (UN). Many of the 3,000 members of this panel are not scientists, but simply political appointees. The few real scientists on the panel have disputed the panel's findings but have been silenced by having their comments deleted from the reports.

More than 19,000 basic and applied American scientists, two-thirds with advanced degrees, have signed the Oregon Institute of Science and Medicine's Global Warming Petition, which says in part, “There is no convincing scientific evidence that human release of carbon dioxide, methane, or other greenhouse gases is causing or will, in the foreseeable future, cause catastrophic heating of the earth's atmosphere and disruption of the earth's climate”.

The solutions given for global cooling and global warming appear to be the same: population control, redistribution of wealth, and more government control. Analysis of global warming and global flooding indicates that they are based on selective partial evidence, rumors and steam-rolled propaganda by powerful antagonists with the agenda of changing our way of living.





POLLUTION: ROOT CAUSE OF WARS

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Dr. Leo Rebello's Note: In this paper, Dr. Uday Bhawalkar talks of Eco-Logic that is going to help environment, agriculture, water, energy, economy, health and innovation. Eco-Logic also helps us understand the root cause of crime, quarrels and wars, of negative human traits and also source of human creativity. This nano technology might help us in increasing the carrying capacity of the earth by tackling the challenges that we are facing today, thus ensuring supply of food, water, energy, clothing, housing, health, education and peace for all.

Polio, as we know, is caused by exposure to pesticides and not by the poliovirus. The Black Plague in Europe was also not caused by germs carried by rats. Humans were dying of something else - poor sanitation, polluted water etc. This paper gives the chemistry of war as also the solution. I have seen this Eco-chip work in Mumbai and Nasik. Wisdom makes life endurable. Biosanitizer is Nature's wisdom in a Chip. This could well be the find of the century.

Introduction: Wars are bigger version of quarrels. Both originate in angry minds. According to ancient Indian literature, six vices of mind are mentioned, viz. sex (*kaam*), anger (*krodha*), greed (*lobha*), arrogance (*mada*), temptation (*moha*) and jealousy (*matsar*). These appear to be listed in increasing order of mind pollution. Today, we should add one more vice that comes at much higher level of mind pollution. This vice is actual 'violence that leads to killing' (*hinsa*).

Polluted human body can easily precipitate quarrels leading to violence. It is found that animals that are kept at high stocking density (and hence exposed to higher amount of ammonia generated from their excretory products), show more violent behavior than those grown at low stocking density, kept on a healthy vegetated soil. Also it is a common experience that we feel fresh and become 'creative' after a 'bath with clean water'. We use water to flush pollution out of our body, to clean food etc. This function can be effective only to the extent our water source is clean.

Our water comes primarily through rain. Rain-washes the air through which it falls. Hence quality of water depends primarily on the quality of air. No wonder the rain quality has deteriorated over the past several years after fossil fuels were used in cold countries where plants show only seasonal growth. This rain quality spoilage has been in terms of acids that form when water dissolves the oxides of carbon, nitrogen and sulphur. Acid rain is less of a problem where natural biomass fuels are used by farmers. Now, after industrial use of fossil fuels, India is also trying to catch up with the pollution trend in advanced countries.

India is one country that had flourished rich civilization and culture, also material prosperity over a long period of history. We never attacked any other country and were always attacked by invaders coming from ecologically poor regions. We also pardoned them repeatedly and tried to be friendly with the invaders.

Methodology: This analysis is derived from Eco-Logic that facilitates selective de-learning and re-learning. De-learning of knowledge sold to us through commercial interests is first necessary before we decide to re-learn fresh concepts that are derived out of Eco-Logic, the logic of Nature. Eco-Logic is a grammar of Nature. Its mastery allows us to be connected to Nature and learn from her evolutionary experience of about 5 billion years.

Eco-Logic can be stated as: (a) Nature is well designed. (b) Every organism has a role. (c) Body structure and function is to facilitate its role. (d) Population of each organism is controlled by the task before the organism. (e) Organisms could be divided into two categories. They are either resource converters (K-selected) or waste controllers (r-selected). (f) K-selected organisms are hidden, quiet or pleasant, whereas the r-selected organisms are visible, highly mobile or unpleasant in their behaviour. (g) Pollution is an indication of waste of resources. (h) Pollution controllers (r-selected organisms) cause human suffering, to variable extent, to draw our attention to the waste and appeal for the preventive action. (i) The smaller the organism, the more productive it is. (j) Predator culls its prey selectively to remove defective young and ineffective old, thus increasing productivity of the prey. (k) Each niche (function station) has one organism with specific function and specific food. (l) If two organisms try to occupy the same niche, the more effective one gets selected. (m) Successful breeding is an indication that the organism is playing its role effectively. (n) Ecosystems are self-designed and self-improving. (o) They are self-controlled, aimed at resource conservation and sustainability. (p) Each organism gives an additional capability to the ecosystem. (q) Biodiversity, thus, improves the ecosystem performance. (r) Mother Earth behaves as a self-controlled ecosystem. (s) Even the abiotic components, such as lightening, storms, tornadoes, floods, droughts, global warming, ozone layer depletion, forest fires, earthquakes and volcanoes are corrective in action and contribute to the stability. (t) These unpleasant phenomena could be managed best by going to their root cause: the waste of resources by man.

Eco-Logic was developed through the following methodology: Spending 12 years in rural area, learning from Nature and farmers, after a B.Tech. in chemical engineering (1973) from IIT Bombay. Traveling internationally to participate in conferences, thus learning from scientists of diverse disciplines. Eco-Logic is an outcome of the multi-disciplinary Ph.D. thesis completed and submitted by the author in 1997, to the chemical engineering department of IIT Bombay. 3 Indian and 1 US patent.

Apart from the innovation (Soil BioTechnology) that emerged from author's work, the latter also recommended that the two polluting chemical industries, viz. chemical fertilizers and pesticides, be stopped because Nature wants us to use eco-logical alternatives. Incidentally, both these industries are meant to supply war machinery (ammunition and chemical weapons) and were sold to help the farmers after the second war was over.

Illusion of Chemical Fertilizers: Healthy soil that has earthworms, can supply all the required plant nutrients. This is how Indian agriculture has sustained over the past 10,000 years. Indian agriculture started losing its productivity gradually after the rain quality got deteriorated. Acidic rain started reducing the earthworm activity. Chemical fertilizers appeared on the scene when Indian soils were showing reduced productivity.

But these chemical fertilizers work by mining the soil organic matter, this mining is facilitated by increasing the nitrate levels in the soil, much beyond the genuine nitrogen-need of the plants. This mining produces the carbon dioxide, which is the most limiting plant nutrient. Increased crop production of so-called 'green revolution', thus, depends on mining of soil's carbon reserve. No wonder, this method of agriculture is hardly sustainable, as shown in Punjab, Haryana and other tracts where it was intensively promoted.

Intensive chemical agriculture also results in production of unhealthy food with residual nitrates. Such food gets spoiled readily and has to be consumed in large quantity because it is nutritionally inferior. It also creates higher craving for proteins (costly for Nature to produce).

Plants that are fed with chemical fertilizers also get higher pest attacks because pests are the natural mechanism to scavenge wasted nitrates. Sanitation pests such as cockroaches, ants, rats and mosquitoes, too, look for wasted nitrates.

Organic farming (that shuns chemical fertilizers and pesticides) was actively promoted during the first and second world wars and there are published reports in the medical journals that people became healthier due to consumption of organic food. Both health of body and mind, thus, depends upon the quality of food, water and air.

Folly of Pesticides: When chemical fertilizers are used, pest attack follows logically. If this is fought using chemical weapons, we end up using food that is contaminated with both nitrates and pesticide residues. Pests, themselves soon learn how to digest the toxic sprays and farmers are advised to switch to more potent sprays, which is not only unwise, but also costlier.

Sanitation Pests: It is well understood that these come in 'unclean' environment. Actually, they are scavengers of Nature and consume the dirt and help clean the environment. Trying to kill them using chemical weapons is an eco-crime.

Pests were branded evils only to promote sale of pesticides, which were originally the chemical weapons of the first and second world wars. The war machinery has to be kept alive for the next war, hence imaginary foes (pests) were created.

When the Soil BioTechnology and its upgraded version, the Biosanitizer Eco-chips are used, the farm productivity is found to be better than the chemical counterpart. Food quality is also superior. Sanitation pests are also rare. Men and animals consuming the rich organic food show healthy body and mind that alone can support rich culture.

It is wrong to assume that rats cause plague and mosquitoes cause malaria or dengue. These scavengers come to clean the land or aquatic system and in fact, fall sick when they get overloaded. The sickness comes logically to selected humans that are polluted. The best way is to keep our land and water ecosystems clean by using the most convenient and compact Biosanitizer Eco-chips.

Biosanitizer Eco-chip is 'ecology on a chip'. 100 mg of Biosanitizer eco-chip has the same capability as one acre of natural forest, of using inorganic nutrients (salts) and CO₂ as food and produce eco-resources (food/fuel and oxygen).

Inorganic pollution (N, P, sulphates, chlorides, sodium, heavy metals, etc.) get reduced through utilization as 'food for plants'. This action also needs import of CO₂ if it is not available in the system. This method of converting wastes into resources is common feature of Nature.

Biosanitizer, thus, can help us solve two burning problems: pollution due to saltwater and greenhouse gases. This reaction also uses 'warmth' as third raw material, thus producing natural cooling effect. This is sort of bio-refrigeration or bio-air-conditioning. These chips are insoluble in water and act as 'bio-catalyst'. They have stabilized plant enzymes that have a long life.

Large-scale Demonstrations: This technology has been demonstrated on large scale in India and 12 other countries in live projects that have created confidence through their successful long term operation of 5-15 years. The technology is simple to operate and maintain. It sustains itself, by converting pollution into resources. This technology has shown applications in the following areas: (a) Water treatment without use of chemicals and without producing any residue or pollutant. (b) Wastewater treatment without use of any machinery or electricity, without producing any residue or pollutant (greenhouse gases). (c) Organic solid wastes management,

without producing any residue or pollutant. (d) Air pollution control by treatment of fossil fuels. (e) Management of so-called natural disasters, these actually are the outcome of human interference. (f) Cleaning of human mind pollution, this is due to intake of polluted food, water and air. Increase in human mind pollution, in fact, leads to bad habits, quarrels and finally, wars.

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Conclusion: Healthy prosperous culture is based on healthy environment that provides the consumers with healthy food, water and air. This automatically promotes healthy ecosystem for growth, prosperity and culture. Current industrial culture is wasteful and hence unsustainable. Recession haunts such a system periodically. This creates further tension that leads to fear, insecurity, anger, and wars. It is time to understand how the Nature is eco-logically designed and follow her laws. Biosanitizer can build age-old Indian culture that showed sustainable existence over the past 10,000 years. We should not repeat the mistakes of others; in fact, should lead the world through eco-logical practices.



WAR ON YOUR HEALTH
Dr. Leo Rebello

“If the people let government decide what foods they eat and what medicines they take, their bodies will soon be in as sorry a state as are the souls of those who live under tyranny”.
- Thomas Jefferson

“I am convinced our modern world is crazier than we can possibly imagine” says Health Ranger Mike Adams of www.naturalnews.com. The following four recent examples proves him right: -

(a) The state of Minnesota orders a parent to poison her 13-year-old boy with chemotherapy because the court believes chemo is the only treatment for cancer that works (parental rights be damned). And the media goes along with it instead of questioning it.

(b) London-based epidemiologist Prof. Malcolm Law says that all those above 55 years be put on toxic blood pressure drugs, regardless of the health status of the person.

Richard McManus, from the University of Birmingham, and Jonathan Mant, from the University of Cambridge, back him. They said the findings supported the idea of giving everyone over a certain age a “polypill” - a drug that would include a statin to lower cholesterol as well as treatment for blood pressure. Law is one of the pioneers of the polypill, which he says would be an effective way to cut the number of heart attacks and strokes in the UK. <http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/health/8057850.stm> Now millions will be put on “polypill”.

(c) Massachusetts Senate passes a police state law that allows for mandatory vaccinations of all citizens and a \$1,000 / day fine for those who refuse to cooperate. It also legalizes health care “interrogations” of citizens, forced entry into their homes without a warrant, the on-site destruction of buildings or objects suspected of harboring the virus, the government kidnapping of family pets, “involuntary transportation” of people into quarantine camps and much more.

(d) Soy protein is contaminated with a toxic chemical solvent Hexane that's a byproduct of gasoline refining. Hexane is found in soy protein that's used in infant formula, protein bars, 'veggie' burgers and other soy products. Hexane is a lethal neurotoxin.

Klaus Ferlow, Master Herbalist, from Canada, and Pat Rattigan, Naturopath from UK, report that it is the same pattern there too. This confirms what David Icke says:

The World Health Organization is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Anglo-American-Swiss pharmaceutical cartel with its interlocking leadership. The WHO tells the world there is going to be an epidemic of something or other and its controllers, the pharmaceutical corporations, would provide the vaccine. But these vaccines are causing untold harm to the physical and spiritual well being of billions of people worldwide. They are in fact part of population control programme.

In the developing story about the military origin of the Swine Flu H1N1 virus, an Austrian investigative journalist filed a lawsuit in Vienna (in July 2009) against the companies (Baxter and Avir), which are preparing the vaccine against the resulting pandemic on the grounds that they are preparing a global genocide designed to substantially reduce the world's population.

Jane Burgermeister, who has documented evidence of the involvement of Austrian and US firms, has collected evidence that such an agenda is currently in the process of implementation. This sinister agenda goes back to the eugenicist history of, among others, the Rockefeller family, which today controls virtually 100% of the US bioengineering industry, as well as the UN / WHO.

As part of the Population Control Pogrom, various wars, in the name of Health, are waged against you. Like the carpet-bombing of Iraq, Afghanistan and Pakistan, vaccines, drugs, carcinogens, steroids, statins, anti-retrovirals, antibiotics, aspartame, fluoride and other chemicals are pumped into you to control the population. More people are killed in normal times, in hospitals by devils called doctors -- than all the war casualties put together.

Let us look at the World Health Organisation that was put in place, ostensibly, to protect our health. Today it has become a World Harm Organisation. From the WHO 2005 declaration: (excerpted) “Under special pandemic plans enacted around the world, in 2005, national governments are to be dissolved in the event of a pandemic emergency and replaced by special crisis committees, which take charge of the health and security infrastructure of a country, and which are answerable to the WHO and EU in Europe and to the WHO and UN in North America”.

Under the Model State Emergency Health Powers Act, upon the declaration of a “public health emergency” governors and public health officials would be empowered to:- * Force individuals suspected of harboring an “infectious disease” to undergo medical examinations.* Track and share an individual's personal health information, including genetic information. * Force persons to be vaccinated, treated, or quarantined for infectious diseases. * Mandate that all health care providers report all cases of persons who harbor any illness or health condition that may be caused by an epidemic or an infectious agent and might pose a “substantial risk” to a “significant number of people or cause a long-term disability.” (Note:

Neither “substantial risk” nor “significant number” are defined). * Force pharmacists to report any unusual or any increased prescription rates that may be caused by epidemic diseases. * Preempt existing state laws, rules and regulations, including those relating to privacy, medical licensure, and property rights.

* Control public and private property during a public health emergency, including pharmaceutical manufacturing plants, nursing homes, other health care facilities, and communications devices. * Mobilize all or any part of the “organized militia into service to the state to help enforce the state's orders.” Ration firearms, explosives, food, fuel and alcoholic beverages, among other commodities. * Impose fines and penalties to enforce their orders.

Simultaneously comes the news that “scientists are now claiming a breakthrough in finding a new way to create sperm, using stem cells from a 5-day old human male embryo”. This is being hailed as an amazing medical technology breakthrough that could help treat infertility.

But is there really a shortage of sperm in the world? In an age where overpopulation of the planet, they say, is already destroying our natural world and consuming non-renewable resources, it seems absurd to be spending time, money and effort coming up with a new way to create sperm.

The arrogance of medical scientists in this sperm scam is simply asinine. They are proud in having invented a way to artificially create sperm or artificially inseminate a woman. But after a hundred years of medical domination, they have yet to create a single cure for anything: Cancer, diabetes, heart disease, depression, Alzheimer's, kidney stones or a thousand other health conditions. They have not made anyone healthy, but by focusing on infertility technology, they can dream up new ways to bring yet more unhealthy customers into the world.

These 'sickos' who cannot think beyond insane profits, have also turned pregnancy (a natural phenomenon) into a disease -- evidenced by the way pregnant women are rushed into hospitals for all sorts of poking, prodding and blood testing. There is no willingness in modern medicine to simply let pregnancy, childbirth or fertility happen naturally. It's all about intervention and profits. As if 2.3 trillion dollar annual health budget was not enough, US President (Obama) wants to give another 1.6 trillion dollars so that every American can have access to this rotten medical system that cannot cure anything from common cold to cancers.

It is high time, says Robert Butts of <http://www.watercure2.org/> that we can solve any high profit problem by deprofitising the problem. But the septuagenarian committed to Water Cure and Salt Treatment, like several others, does not understand the cloak and dagger Laws of the Pharmaceutical Industry.

The governing principles of the medicine mafia

1. The laboratory and marketplace for the 'Pharmaceutical Industry' is the human body. Thus, maintaining and expanding diseases is a precondition for the growth of this industry. By last count, the medicine mafia has invented about 30,000 diseases.
2. 'Pharma' was artificially created and strategically developed over an entire century by the same investment groups that control the global petrochemical and chemical industries.
3. The huge profits of this industry are based on the patenting of new drugs. These patents essentially allow drug manufacturers to arbitrarily define the profits for their products.
4. A key strategy to accomplish this goal is the development of drugs that merely mask symptoms while avoiding the curing or elimination of diseases. This explains why most prescription drugs marketed today have no proven efficacy and merely target symptoms.
5. To further expand their market, the drug companies are continuously looking for new applications for the use of drugs they already market. For example, Bayer's pain pill Aspirin is now taken by over 50 million healthy US citizens under the illusion it will prevent heart attacks.
6. Another key strategy is to cause new diseases with drugs. While merely masking symptoms short term, most of the prescription drugs taken by millions of patients today cause a multitude of new diseases as a result of their known long-term side effects. For example, all cholesterol-lowering drugs currently on the market are known to increase the risk of developing cancer.
7. The known deadly side effects of prescription drugs are the fourth leading cause of death in the industrialized world, surpassed only by the number of deaths from heart attacks, cancer and strokes (Journal of the American Medical Association, April 15, 1998).
8. Prevention and root cause treatment of diseases decrease long-term profitability; therefore, they are avoided or even obstructed by this industry.
9. Vitamins and other effective natural health therapies that optimize cellular metabolism threaten the pharmaceutical “business with disease” because they target the cellular cause of today's most common diseases - and these natural substances cannot be patented.
10. To protect the strategic development of its investment business against the threat from effective, natural and non-patentable therapies, the pharmaceutical industry has over an entire century - used the most unscrupulous methods, such as:

(a) Withholding life-saving health information from millions of people; for example, Vitamin C is available in fruits, vegetables and herbs in plenty and it can prevent and cure cancers without any costly intervention.

(b) Discrediting natural health therapies. The most common way is through global PR campaigns organized by the Pharma-Cartel that spread lies about the alleged side effects of natural substances used for millennia. Or lies of homeopathy being placebo, etc.

(c) Banning by law the dissemination of information about natural health therapies. To that end, the pharma industry has placed its lobbyists in key political positions in key markets and leading drug export nations.

11. Pharma business is the biggest deception and fraud in human history. The product “health” promised by drug companies is not delivered. Instead, the “products” most often delivered are the opposite: new diseases and frequently, death of millions.

12. The survival of the pharma industry is dependent on the elimination by any means of effective natural health therapies. These traditional and natural therapies have become the treatment of choice for millions of people despite the combined economic, political and media opposition of the world's largest investment industry.

You see we are doing everything to help you is the usual refrain. Fluoridation, for example, gives you Germ Free Aqua Pura. Really? Let us look at this claim.

Fluoridation is a practice in which a relatively small number of people, with limited scientific qualifications, are intent on fluoridating drinking water supplies worldwide with very little to no understanding of fluoride's toxicology. [Www.FluorideAlert.Org](http://www.FluorideAlert.Org)

Global Consultation on Oral Health through Fluoride. The worldwide ambitions of this dental lobby was revealed in November 2006 when the WHO (supported with a lot of cash from the US as well as the sugar lobby), IADR (for whom the fluoridation practice represents the gravy train for dental research) and the FDI (funded by the toothpaste, sugar, pharmaceutical and chemical industries) organized the 'Global Consultation on Oral Health through Fluoride' in Geneva, 17-19 November 2006. These bodies (WHO, IADR and FDI) issued a declaration containing this preposterous phrase: “universal access to fluoride for dental health is a part of the basic human right to health”.

Fluoride was first used in the concentration camps of WW2 to keep the prisoners subdued and sterile. If you do not believe they mean to calm us all by this method, please consider the fact that moods altering medications or calmers, such as, Prozac, are around 94% fluoride.

The chemicals used to 'wash' the waste product from the fertilizer/aluminium/bomb

making industries are still in relevant quantities within this gunk when they add it to the water. Arsenic, silicon, mercury to name a few.

So consider, a very expensive to dispose of, toxic waste, is bought by our taxes to add to the water to help our teeth. We drink that water and absorb even more by washing in it, and more still by washing our skin with toiletries containing Sodium laurel sulphate (used to increase the absorption of medicines via the skin) and spill the rest into the rivers and lakes.

In the mean time, more and more people die of cancer, Alzheimer's, osteosarcoma etc, fertility is reduced lowering the birth rate. Someone who dies from smoking-induced cancer is listed as dying from cancer, not smoking. Someone who has fluoride induced cancer...cancer instead of fluoride poisoning. Laws have been made to protect the pharma and water companies from lawsuits for mishaps or damages.

Eleanore Dunn, Nutritionist, comments: “All these things lead to the destruction of the probiotics, the metabolizers in our bodies that make the elements bio-available. Every day we need a brand new supply. The use of chemicals, toxins, pharmaceuticals, especially antibiotics needs to stop before we loose the planet. Everything alive on the planet needs probiotics to survive. We need to focus on this issue since it is the root cause of all of the diseases. We need to clean the water with hydrogen peroxide since a virus, bacteria, pathogen or cancer cannot survive in a liquid oxygen environment. This is the cure for swine flu, cancer, AIDS, etc. and is so easy to prove scientifically. So, let us address the problem within a very short time available with us. Just have them test the rainwater for probiotics as they create our hydrogen peroxide, the immune system”.

Now since they say Swine Flu is raging, let us do quick calculations. Assuming you believe the vaccine works, it turns out you would have to vaccinate 200,000 people to prevent the death of just one person from swine flu. And vaccinating 200,000 people would probably result in the harm or death of several just from the vaccine side effects. But it will mean trillions of dollars of profit. Juggling further on the math on swine flu vaccine, it turns out you have a 40 times more chance of being struck by lightning than being saved by the swine flu vaccine.

If any further proof of 'pharma con' is required, this message received on 1st Sept. 2009, via email should put the nail in the coffin of the killer Pharma industry.

Hello! I am the author of the book "**The Medical Mafia**". Among the many topics mentioned in this volume, I was revealing the ineffectiveness and dangers of vaccination. At that time, I was a practicing physician in Quebec, Canada, under the name of **Ghislaine Lanctôt**, and the owner of numerous medical clinics. Because of my professional status, my words weighed significantly in the public eye. The

Medical Board's reaction was immediate and strong. Its leaders demanded that I resign as a physician. I answered that I would do so as long as they could prove that what I had written was false. The Medical Board replied with a call for my expulsion.

An 11-day trial followed (1995), where I appeared without any lawyer. The arguments rested mainly on vaccination. As I witnessed the disproportionate reaction of the Medical Board, I realized that, for the health establishment, the subject of vaccination was taboo. Unknowingly, I had opened a Pandora's box. I discovered that, despite official claims, vaccines have nothing to do with public health. Underneath the governmental stamp of approval, there are deep military, political and industrial interests.

Throughout the trial, the Medical Board brought many physicians as public health “experts”. During the cross-examination of one of these, Dr. Richard Massé, I used an episode from the March 11, 1979, 60 Minutes TV show from CBS, which was given to me privately by a supporter. This episode talked about the tragic and massive vaccination in USA during the 1976 swine flu outbreak. The answer made by the court president (judge) after viewing this episode is on page 70 of the book The Trial of the Medical Mafia.

None of the physicians who were present during the trial took this information seriously. Since this trial, these same physicians have continued their career in public health and now hold hon'ble positions. They are the very ones who are pushing the public toward a new worldwide epidemic. This A(H1N1) pandemic is concocted and orchestrated by the WHO, and serves the same military, political and industrial interests as those of 1976. Have these physicians lost their memory, or were they serving those interests right from the beginning?

I am emerging from a long silence on the subject of vaccination, because I feel that, this time, the stakes involved are huge. The consequences may spread much further than anticipated.

Here are the most important ones:

- * Compulsory inoculation of vaccines containing a deadly virus.
- * Massive and targeted reduction of the world population.
- * Through vaccines, possible introduction of tiny microchips for mind control.
- * Establishment of martial law and police state.
- * Activation of the concentration camps built to accommodate the rebellious.
- * Transfer of power from all nations to a single United Nations government.
- * Fulfillment of the .New World Order.

Take a look at the 1979 60 Minutes episode link below.

[Http://www.dailymotion.com/relevance/search/cbs+60+minutes%2C+swine+flu+.](http://www.dailymotion.com/relevance/search/cbs+60+minutes%2C+swine+flu+)

.It includes the governmental TV propaganda that was used in USA at the time to push the massive vaccination that followed.

See Page 70 of the book The Trial of the Medical Mafia by Ghislaine Lanctot at <http://www.jemesouvienstdequijesuis.com/english/images/dotconnector02ghis.pdf> “She has decided to take sanyas. She has given up her identity cards, bank accounts, insurance, driver's license and has decided to let her Canadian passport lapse and was just released from jail. I wonder how this 66-year old lady will survive. This is how Medicine Mafia operates” wrote Thomas Victor, an Indian-American Health Activist, to me, in Sept. 2009.

Louis Pasteur, originator of the “Germ Theory” of disease on which the concept of vaccines are predicated, recanted his entire theory on his death bed when he capitulated to his biggest critic, Antoine Beauchamp, by saying “The germ is nothing, the terrain is everything”. By “terrain” Pasteur was referring to the amount of dissolved oxygen in the body. Otto Warburg won the Nobel Prize in 1931 for his discovery that no virus, no pathogen can survive in an oxygen rich environment. This finding has been massively suppressed by the pharmaceutical industry, which is the biggest con of our times and yet it has the stranglehold of “religion” on the minds of even well educated people.

Virologist Bill Deagle, MD was approached by the CIA a few years ago wanting his help to develop a weaponized flu and weaponized vaccine for population control purposes. After pouring over their documents he refused to help them and at the risk to his life became a whistleblower. He has been working very hard via his website, radio shows, and articles to alert all Americans to refuse the coming mandatory “swine flu” vaccine. Jeff Rense interviewing Bill on www.youtube.com/watch?v=5

Codex Alimentarius will come into effect on the midnight of 31st December 2009, which will mean: Quality nutrients would be banned and only foods that were GMO, irradiated, hormone or antibiotic infused etc. would be available. Toxic chemicals presently banned would be allowed, and, of course, pharmaceuticals not touched at all.

Mahesh Bhatt, Indian filmmaker, adds a new dimension to the growing rage against GM food. In the film, Poison on the Platter, he says the health hazards of genetically modified food would dwarf all catastrophes like nuclear attack, floods, cyclones and the world wars. It is bioterrorism, he emphasizes, and it has the potential to wipe out life from the planet, in its entirety.

Harm from GM food is not a myth, says Bhatt as he portrays the havoc wrought by the GM food supplement L-Tryptophan on American Citizens. Jeffrey Smith, author of the highly acclaimed book Genetic Roulette, recounts it led to scores of deaths and thousands were taken ill by the time the source of the problem was discovered.

Dr Gregory Damato gives an idea about what GM food can do to us. He says that the recent scientific studies prove: (a) There is no increase in yield with GM. (b) Gene insertion has unintended cascading effects. (c) One gene insertion can have more than one uncontrolled effect. (d) Decrease in fertility, very serious and deep-rooted immunological changes, and allergies. (e) A single gene insertion caused uncontrolled changes in 1016 genes of mice under experimentation. (f) The after effects were more pronounced in the third generation. (g) Emergence of newly expressed proteins with allergenic potential.

To see how a Cold War on Your Health is going on, click on <http://video.google.com/videoplay?docid=5266884912495233634> which exposes the plan to exterminate over 1/2 of the world's population. This video informs that *Codex Alimentarius* (a huge bureaucratic monstrosity is a trade commission with no legal standing) was put to control the world through control of the food supply. It is a threat to the freedom of people to choose natural healing and alternative medicine and nutrition.

Dr. Leonard Horowitz <www.OxySilver.net> diagnoses the alleged Swine Flu vaccine emergency as a “shortage marketing” of disease and death strategy - a profitable ploy used by those “who have outrageously obvious connections to the Population Council, the preeminent organization directing global depopulation, as encouraged by Obama’s science czar, John Holdren”. Dr. Holdren is the co-author of the 1977 book, *Ecoscience*, which calls for massive global depopulation using sterilizing vaccinations.

Here are some telling quotes, which totally expose the mentally deranged, morally corrupt, spiritually compromised people and their preposterous plan to reduce world’s population to merely 500 million by the year 2012 because of their insatiable greed:- **Henry Kissinger**: “Depopulation should be the highest priority of foreign policy towards the third world, because the US economy will require large and increasing amounts of minerals from abroad, especially from less developed countries”. www.findsomequotes.com/.../Henry-Kissinger-New-York-Times-Oct-28-1973/ -

Here is how **Prince Philip**, Duke of Edinburgh, the husband of Queen Elizabeth II, exposes himself: “If I were reincarnated, I would wish to be returned to earth as a killer virus to lower the human population levels”.

Then we have the kingpin **David Rockefeller** leaving nothing to conjecture when he talks of reducing the world population: “War and famine would not do. Instead, diseases offered the most efficient and fastest way to kill the billions that must soon die if the population crisis is to be solved. AIDS is not an efficient killer because it is too slow. My favourite candidate for eliminating 90 percent of the world's population is airborne Ebola, because it is both highly lethal and it kills in days, instead of years.

We’ve got airborne diseases with 90 percent mortality in humans. For every one who survives, he will have to bury nine”. See: www.freedomspheoenix.com/depopulation-by-inoculation-part-1-motive-and-intent.htm

It was **David Icke**, who unfolded their sinister plan in The Biggest Secret, 1998: “The plan is to engineer events, real and staged, that will create enormous fear in the countdown years to 2012. This includes a plan to start a third world war, either by stimulating the Muslim world into a “Holy War” against the West, or by using the Chinese to cause global conflict. Maybe both”.

“One of the first duties of the physician is to educate the masses not to take medicine” said **Sir William Osler** (1840-1919, who is considered to be the father of modern medicine). In this comprehensive article (and other related articles in this book), I have made a strong case to avoid all chemical medicines, synthetic vitamins, artificial sweeteners, food additives, preservatives, dangerous vaccines, narcotic and psychotropic substances. We need to wake up to fight this war on our health, now, for tomorrow may be too late.

I conclude with what I had written in the year 2000. ALL-O-PATHETIC:
Allopathy has failed in everything. Infact, it has created more diseases due to over prescription (iatrogenic diseases). Here are some of the instances: **Cancer** - they have no answer. By the time they classify and sub-classify, the patient dies! Chemotherapy is the only line of treatment, which is worse than the disease. **Common Cold** - oh, it will take seven days with or without medicine! **Asthma** - take the pump and make it permanent. Wife may be divorced, but pump, no way! Pump will go with you in your coffin if you follow Allopathy. **Diabetes** - you have to live with it! Because diabetologists have to live too! **Parkinsonism** - we are working! **Muscular Dystrophy** - no solution in sight! **Migraine** - it is a headache we are still breaking our heads on! **Epilepsy** - let us remove part of the lobe! (Treatment worse than the disease). **Obesity** - liposuction (and also pocket suction!). **Piles** - chop them ten times without attending to the root cause: constipation. **Small boobs** - silicon implant (which shifts soon after the implant). **Acidity** - take antacids! (no advice on do's and don'ts of correct eating!). **Liver Problem** - you may continue drinking, we too drink freely at doctors conferences. **Gases** - oh, not again! We too get them! Tell them about *pawan-muktasan* and they ask what is it? Is it scientific to do exercise? Any research papers? **HIV/AIDS** - we’ve found the strains, not the virus as yet and we are working on vaccine! Ask them, have you heard of Veggie Vaccines, Homeopathic Vaccines and they look askance instead of educating themselves. I can give you hundreds of such examples of Allopathic failure. Presently, suffice it to affirm:

*Like formal education stunts the mental growth of a child;
Like religions stunt the spiritual growth of an individual;
Vaccinations and drugs stunt the growth of the wondrous human body.
Stay Free from this Unholy Trinity.*

PHARMAGEDDON
Pompeyo Andrade



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From: Pompeyo Andrade To: Dr. Leo Rebello
Sent: Monday, March 09, 2009 9:07 AM **Subject:** Re: WWW

Dear Dr. Rebello: Please receive my best greetings and admiration for your work.

I understand that you have embarked on a Quixotesque campaign in order to expose the Big Pharma. In my opinion they are only a part of the big 'High Finance' conspiracy, which includes the money creating mafia that has brought the world to this sorry state. The prospects for an early recovery are really bad. In the “Great Crisis” of 1866 in Germany, the small Jewish population living there at that time had managed to take control of 550 of the 642 banks. They decided it was time to cut liquidity, thus provoking a financial crisis that allowed them to buy cheap. In so doing they caused a depression, which lasted a decade. This has been duly reported by Jacques Perrot a chronicler of that time.

I just have read a report on MaxNews about the new buys of Mr. George Soros. The list is of about a hundred companies, including Petrobras from Brazil, Google and Yahoo. All the best companies.

It is possible that resolution of the crisis includes a new currency partially based in gold, since it is said that the Rothschilds have 100 thousand tons of the metal. (Central banks have 30 thousand tons, and the whole world may have 200 to 250 thousand tons) This will bring the whole world under the Jewish sway.

I am sure you have read the Civis Foundation's Report no.15 published in 1993 in Switzerland, in which Hans Ruesch exposes John D. Rockefeller fully.

The despairing thing is that the 40.000 Ph.Ds in Economics, the world has graduated, have been silent for decades about this incredible monopoly of the money masters. There are only a few exceptions like Frenchman Maurice Allais, Nobel 1988 Economics Prize winner.

In the same way, Medicine Doctors all over the world have accepted the Big Pharma ploys without hesitation. They know it is wrong, but they prefer to enter the system to survive. The dominion of these systems is something that is beyond understanding. It is based in cunning and inhumanity bred through millennia.

The email of President of Ecuador, Rafael Correa is: rafaalc@rafaelcorrea.com. He and President Hugo Chavez are presiding over a remarkable Health and Education revolution. In Venezuela they have the help of Cuban doctors and I understand coverage is being given to 90% of the population, after ten years of Chavez Socialism of the XXI century. Also in Ecuador, the same revolution has three years already and President Correa is going to be reelected for another term. Health and education have improved - but we have now the problem of oil price drop and decay of our agricultural exports. Hard times are ahead.

Identifying the way the Pharma monopolies are acting seems important. Right now new mergers of Merck with Schering or Johnson and Johnson taking Genetech seem to be on the way. The crisis is allowing the 'clever cats' to buy cheap as in former times.

Are Jews very influential in present-day India? Surely, they must be a remainder of happy colonial times. I am attaching an article entitled Pharmageddon - a poor attempt to describe the problem. Please see if you can use the material. I'm not a specialist in the subject. Feel free to edit and make the necessary corrections.

Regards, Dr. Pompeyo Andrade

On March 5, 2009, in his address to the Congress, US President Obama made the world know something that to the medical profession has been obvious for many years. He said that the government debt, or even the social service debt, were not as grave as the problem of the increasing medical costs for the American society. If one adds that these medical costs keep growing when the US GNP has been drastically falling in 2009 (minus 6%), then prospects are very dim. Right now, 2.5 trillions of a 13.5 GNP are spent in covering the medical costs.

While the financial-banking mafia was devaluing the US currency and forcing the depreciation of most currencies in the world, while this mafia was collecting interests way higher than the actual production growths causing inflation and misery to most of the people, the pharma mafia was increasing the costs of medicines. While the dollar devalued to a half during the last decade, the medicine costs raised three or four times. This inevitably leads to a fatal problem that has to be dealt with. The health care system is crippling the US ability to be competitive; it presents an unhealthy population who do not get any health care other than emergency services; it makes medical bills the leading cause of bankruptcy (30% of household bankruptcies); it ruins family budgets and takes money out of the marketplace. Americans have

allowed insurance companies to dream up an Orwellian nightmare system that denies basic services to forty million people while sternly warning that Single Payer will be “socialist”. If new life has to be breathed into the corpse of America, it needs to be through a complete revamp of the health insurance system. The US currently has a system where more than half of the health care dollars go to profit the Big Pharma and Insurance companies.

When a similar situation happened in the former Soviet Union, which was disrupted by the crisis of 1989, the pharma companies there were swallowed by the Western companies. By 1994, millions died as direct result of the economic crush, which aggravated malnutrition. The world depression that is now causing millions of people to lose their jobs will cause hundreds of millions of poor people to die because governments won't be able to spend enough money to cover the costs that the Big Pharmaceuticals extort.

Right now, most countries have been colonized by the big pharma, which have created incredible chains of distribution even in the poorest countries. Their medicines are priced exorbitantly, which the common man cannot afford. No local pharmaceutical companies are able to stand, since the big pharma have all the patents. They fight as a dog for a bone for each product that can be used as a generic medicine. All tricks are used, as when new products, with small variations, are patented again to replace the former ones. Some products are deliberately made to produce new diseases, because the big companies have other products at hand to replace them. Some companies deliberately increase the price of the medicine whose patent is into caducity, so that they can sell the new-patented product at a lower price. In this game the 'generic' is discredited.

The fact is that the present cost of health care in the US is 2.5 trillion out of a total GDP of 13.5 trillion, but while GDP will fall in 2009, probably more than 10%, medical bills will keep growing. They are run by a syndicate that gets 50% profits, according to some reports. This syndicate has created a tight net of relationships on the world at large. It is run by a pharma mafia that has established a monopoly in the US and Europe and is now all over the world. Their goals include the absolute influence on the main organizations that approve medicines and direct policies worldwide in regard to health and food issues. Their aim is to hold the world in a deathly grip of regulations, ordinances and monopolies that make it hard for any one to breathe any liberty for curing himself or feeding himself if it is not through the clearance of this world-wide monopoly.

In the same way that the financial organizations are run by the “High Finance”, organized by Jewish families who painfully constructed, through wars and deceit, their monetary-financial empires, using fractional banking, interest collection, and, lately, through the use of toxic financial instruments that have eroded and destroyed

the economy of the whole world, the pharma mafia has been building its medicine, food, genetic engineered seeds, and agrochemicals that have made the world hostage to a world monopoly of controlling international corporations, and world organizations of health and agriculture, whose aims are not the welfare of the people at large, but the profit, profit and more profit to them.

In the same way that the High Finance managed to deceive the people of the world through their infamous organizations like the World Bank and the IMF, telling them that they were working for their development and giving them false credits supposedly for their improvement, while making sure that these countries got indebted and broke and thus assuring their dependency on the rich countries and the profit of the corporations, the pharma mafia has been working for decades to assure the control of the production and distribution of medicines in order to guarantee high profits, with total disregard to the welfare of the people.

The present crisis has already made clear that the present financial-monetary system, that helps High Finance, has to go or has to be changed substantially. This same crisis should lead us to change regulations and the “Codex Alimentarius” and all sorts of nonsense that have allowed for the building of the pharma monopolies. If this pharma system is not changed substantially, the economic crisis will be followed by a real Armageddon of hunger and disease that will produce hundreds of millions of unnecessary deaths due to preventable diseases, simply because the necessary medicines are not available due to their costs and because the health systems of most of the poor countries can no longer afford them. The costs of medicines simply are too high already and with the economic crisis they will become unaffordable for most countries.

In the same way as the Fed system has created fiat money and has flooded the world with currency that has lost value thus producing the present crisis - banks forced credits in mortgages and all sorts of financing in order to use the extra money the Big Pharma has been busy producing tens of thousands of pharmaceuticals that have flooded the market. Doctors are cajoled into using these products through all sorts of incentives they are periodically herded into seminars, treated at plush hotels and pampered with good foods, gifted with costly souvenirs, and commissions, so they can prescribe unnecessary medicines to their patients. Misleading TV ads are deceiving the population, offering them life-saving medicines, when all along they are selling life-sapping medicines. Doctors do not know much about the chemicals they prescribe or the inter-relations of these chemicals once they are taken for years by the patients. Often, these same so-called life-saving medicines become hazardous or plain dangerous and are taken out of the market, but replaced with similar products. Doctors have stopped functioning in the service of patients, but work as sales representatives of the Big Pharma.

The Big Pharma at the same time has inflated the number of diseases to be treated. In the case of mental disorders, which were only a few hundred a few years ago, the number has jumped to thousands and are duly registered in the Manual of Psychiatric Syndromes. This is the most incredible outcome of using the “sales” approach to health problems the multiplication of the diseases; so that they can fit the continuous outflow of tranquilizer and psychotropic chemicals they produce. While people are persecuted and jailed by the millions for dealing with illegal drugs another dishonest scheme - the Big Pharma have managed to get over 100 million people hooked to these deleterious drugs, in the US and Europe alone. The use of tranquilizers, pain-killers and psychotropic chemicals has lead to what is known as “prescription addiction” producing a generation of zombie-like, addicted and, sometimes, useless people. But these Big Pharma malefactors have not been challenged or indicted for their delinquent actions.

In order to deal with the present economic crisis, governments are contemplating nationalizing the corrupt banks, writing new, stern regulations to prevent malfeasance and, even to create a new monetary world system. Same procedures should be undertaken in order to take down the incredible corrupt pharma system that has perverted the health systems and has made of the welfare of the people a motive for corrupt profiteering. This system has to be drastically changed before hundreds of millions will die. To that extent Dr. Leo Rebello's idea of replacing the pharma-beholden WHO with World Holistic Health Organisation attains significance. At present in the US Congress only two brave representatives (Dennis Kucinich and Ron Paul) have clearly spoken asking for the repealing of the Federal Reserve Bank System, imposed in 1913, which is responsible for the present economic crisis. No one so far has requested the repealing of the mass of regulations and laws that have allowed the Big Pharma monopolies and their criminal grip over the lives of the people.



Courtesy Dr. Leonard Horowitz

HEALTH CARE IN VENEZUELA AND USA

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Dr. Leo Rebello's note: This is an overview of how socialized medicine works in Venezuela, where people are happy as a result. As against that in USA, they have the Insurance dependent sickness industry that does not care a damn about its poor. The reason why US is perennially a pauper nation when it comes to humane ideas, and consequently always on the warpath. An apt case of bad workman quarreling with his tools.

The right to health care is guaranteed in the Venezuelan Constitution, which was written and ratified by the people in 1999. By implementing a state-funded social program called Barrio Adentro, or inside the barrio, free comprehensive health care is available to all Venezuelans. Beginning in June 2003 through a trade pact with Cuba, Venezuela began to bring Cuban doctors, medical technology, and medications into rural and urban communities, free of charge in exchange for low-cost oil. The 1.5 million dollars per year program expanded to provide a broad network of small neighborhood clinics, larger regional clinics, and hospitals, which aim to serve the entire Venezuelan population. Chavez has referred to this new health care system as the "democratization of health care" stating "health care has become a fundamental social right and the state will assume the principal role in the construction of a participatory system for national public health." In Venezuela, not only is health care a right, it is recognized as an essential for true participatory democracy.

Some of what characterizes this movement towards health care for all includes popular participation, preventative medicine, and evaluation of community health issues. Western medicine typically operates in a top-down fashion. Doctors treat symptoms, and often fail to evaluate the larger picture of community health issues or teach prevention. In a private for-profit system, there is little incentive to prevent costly illnesses. In Venezuela, however, Barrio Adentro began constructing clinics within neighborhoods where many had never been to a doctor. Through this program, a community can organize to receive funding to build a clinic and bring in doctors. The community is responsible for creating health committees, the members of which go door to door to assess the specific health issues of their community. Doctors who live in the communities also make house calls. People participate in the process of serving the health needs of the entire population.

The extensive health program is also being used to train a new generation of Venezuelan doctors. The training program takes place within the clinic system itself and relies heavily on experiential learning. The program seeks to build a new relationship between doctor and patient based on the values of service, solidarity and compassion. Doctors participating in the training program are coming from the communities they are learning in and serving, building on their intimate knowledge

of the communities to provide truly compassionate and personalized care. Using popular forums, medical professionals are able to respond to the needs of the community and offer education, treatment and consultation addressing unique public health issues.

Although the system began by focusing exclusively on preventative health, it has expanded to include emergency health services, mental health services, surgeries, cancer treatment, dental care, access to optometrists as well as free glasses and contact lenses, support systems for those with disabilities and their families, as well as access to a large variety of medical specialists. They have succeeded in taking an under-funded, corrupt public health care system and changing not only the quality and accessibility but also the mentality of those working there. Instead of a for-profit industry systematically denying access to large sectors of the population, health care in Venezuela is seen as a basic human right. No one is turned away, and no one is denied care. In Venezuela, they treat the whole person, not simply their illness, and money stays where it belongs- outside of the health care system.

During my time in Venezuela, I developed a cough that went on for three weeks and progressively worsened. Finally, after I had become incredibly congested and developed a fever, I decided to attend a Barrio Adentro clinic. Immediately, I was ushered into a small room where Carmen, a friendly Cuban doctor, began questioning me about my symptoms. She listened to my lungs and walked me over to another examination room where, again without waiting, I had x-rays taken. Afterwards, the technician walked me to a chair and apologized profusely that I had to wait for the x-rays to be developed, promising that it would take no more than five minutes. Sure enough, five minutes later he returned with both x-rays developed. Carmen studied the x-rays and informed me that I had pneumonia, showing me the telltale shadows. She sent me away with my x-rays, three medications to treat my pneumonia, congestion, and fever, and made me promise to come back if my conditioned failed to improve or worsened within three days.

I walked out of the clinic with a diagnosis and treatment within twenty-five minutes of entering, without paying a dime. There was no wait, no paperwork, and no questions about my ability to pay, my nationality, or whether, as a foreigner, I was entitled to free comprehensive health care. There was no monetary value connected with my physical well-being; the care I received was not contingent upon my ability to pay. I was treated with dignity, respect, and compassion, my illness was cured and I was able to continue with my journey in Venezuela.

This past year, a family friend was not so lucky. At the age of 56, she was going back to school and was uninsured. She came down with what she thought was a severe case of the flu, and as her condition worsened she decided not to see a doctor because of the cost. She died at home in bed, losing her life to a system that did not respect her basic human right to survive. Her death is not an isolated incident. Over 18,000 United States residents die every year because of their lack of prohibitively

expensive health insurance. The United States has the distinct honor of being the "only wealthy industrialized nation that does not ensure that all citizens have coverage". Instead, we have commodified the public health and wellbeing of those who live in the US, leaving them on their own to obtain insurance. Those whose jobs do not provide insurance, can't get enough hours to qualify for health care coverage through their workplace, are unemployed, or have "previously existing conditions" that exclude them from coverage are forced to choose between the potentially fatal decision of refusing medical care and accumulating medical bills that trap them in an inescapable cycle of debt. And sometimes, that decision is made for them. Doctors often ask that dreaded question; "do you have insurance?" before scheduling critical tests, procedures, or treatments. When the answer is no, treatments that were deemed necessary before are suddenly canceled as the ability to pay becomes more important than the patient's health.

It is estimated that there are over fifty million United States residents currently living without health insurance, a number that will skyrocket as unemployment rates increase and people lose their work-based health care coverage in this time of international financial crisis. Already this year, 7.5 million people have lost work-related coverage. Budget cuts for the state of Washington this year will remove over forty thousand people from Washington Basic Health, a subsidized program which already has a waiting list of seventeen thousand people. As I returned to the US from Venezuela, I was faced with the realization that as a society, the United States places a monetary value on life. That we make life and death judgments based on an individual's ability to pay. And that someone with the same condition I had recently recovered from had died because, according to our system, her life wasn't insured.

Many in the United States fear that people would abuse a free health care system, causing overcrowding and a compromised level of care. Others claim that a single payer system would limit the freedoms of both doctor and patient. These claims, propagated by the corporate media in the United States, are a hollow attempt to keep those in the US from organizing to demand single payer health care. Primary care and preventative medicine are seen as the first steps towards sustainable universal health care, keeping people out of costly hospital stays, tests, and treatments down the road. Socializing the costs of medicine keeps costs low by preventing expensive treatments and health problems. It is difficult to understand how much quality, free health care means until you find yourself in a position of vulnerability and need. I felt a sense of security traveling in Venezuela that I do not feel in the United States; in Venezuela, there is a safety net ready to catch you when you fall. People in the US must ask themselves, as a country, where our values lie and how we have not only let people slip through the cracks but worked to systematically exclude them. Do we believe that insurance corporations and the medical industrial complex should be profiting from denying care and keeping sick people from receiving treatment? Or do we believe that care should be separate from an individual's ability to pay? As a nation, we must embrace our humanity and value life over profits.

AGENDA FOR WORLD HEALTH REFORMS

- Dr. Leo Rebello

Www.healthwisdom.org

This was circulated in 2004 and the world response was very good. You may ask what this has got to do with the 'World without Wars' book. Well this is to stop the War on your Health that goes on behind your back. Infact more people are killed in normal times in hospitals than all the war casualties put together. That is called culling of the population. This is an answer or solution to that problem.

Friends: I have been following this Benveniste and Randi chain for some time. I am now intervening to put the discussion on proper track. Because, unless we know what we are saying and what we wish to do, it won't help much. I am changing the subject. It is not Benveniste and Randi anymore, it is WHHO (World Holistic Health Organisation) that we need to put up to replace the decadent and pharma-beholden WHO.

So, let us begin at the beginning.

1.. Martin talks of forming "Defence of Complementary and Alternative Practitioners" on "small scale". I would like to know "Complementary and Alternative to What"? Also, are we here for Protecting the Practitioners or Patients' rights? Can we take on the giant manipulators with "small scale" efforts? If we are not clear what we are talking then we won't make much headway. Remember, that our fight is with powerful manipulators. First you understand their *modus operandi* and only then you will know how to defeat the enemy. Piecemeal solutions won't help. Net discussions will not bring nett results.

2.. When someone talks of Alliance of Natural Health, first I would like to know who are connected with it? Is ANH a one-man initiative jumping on the bandwagon (like those hearse chasing lawyers of America who have messed up everything there) or is it a democratic set up? Is it a regional alliance or world alliance? If it is a world alliance, what is its hierarchy, the aims and objectives? Does ANH stand for drugless healing modalities like Naturopathy, Acupressure, Chiropractic, Osteopathy? Or does it also include Homeopathy, Ayurveda, Acupuncture, Siddha, Unani and other holistic healing modalities? Or is ANH the disguised spokesperson of Food Supplement Industry?

3.. Chris Gupta talks of dissolution of "the 39 Cancer Act". He adds that it would grab media attention too. Am I to assume that this particular Act is limited to America/Canada or is it being followed worldwide indirectly, like AIDS racket? Since Chris says it is his "personal baby" the least that he can do is explain the salient (mis) features of it, like: who passed this law and when, and how challenging it can

help set right things that are *ab initio* wrong. **Because chemotherapy is a treatment, which is worse than the disease** and there are no two opinions on it!

4.. How many on this list have lectured at or visited the WHO headquarters in Geneva and studied its (mal)functioning? Is it really the World HEALTH Organisation? Let me give brief background how WHO functions since I have visited it thrice and also addressed the Ministerial Conference on Health Futures in 1993. This gargantuan organisation has exactly two rooms set aside for Traditional and Natural Medicine (TNM) Department. In 1993, one Chinese lady, who knew nothing beyond Acupuncture and some Chinese herbs headed that department. She had a secretary and two assistants, limited budget and no one listening to her.

5.. For your information, world over 80% people believe in and depend on TNM for their health needs even today and yet WHO accords a very low priority to TNM, because WHO has been hijacked by the Pharma-cartel. According to me WHO is the Enemy No.1 of People's Health, like USA is the Terrorist no.1 of the world. By spreading falsehood, lies, WHO has killed more people in normal times than all the war casualties put together. Through its various arms and wings, WHO promotes Special Virus program of the CIA, creates panic worldwide in the name of SARS, Anthrax, manipulates laws through Codex, destroys economies of the world by pressurising Govts. to buy ARVs and other lethal drugs from mercenary pharma companies, makes iodization of salt compulsory for every one; instead of educating people on simple ORT, it concentrates on manufacturing and distributing ORT solutions produced by pharma mafia; through HDN net it continuously promotes the lie HIV=AIDS=Death (if ARVs is not taken) and those who challenge HIV ghost are hounded and dubbed as antagonists!!! In short, WHO has become a WHOre and moron medics are the administrators of that International Unfit Organisation.

6.. Hence, I propose, that either we take control of WHO or replace it with WHHO, that is World Holistic Health Organisation with following broad aims to :

- (a) Stop Fluoridation and Chlorination of Drinking Water.
- (b) Stop Genetically Modified foods.
- (c) Stop Cancer treatment based on Radiation, Chemotherapy and Surgery.
- (d) Stop grotesque compulsory Vaccinations which play havoc with human bodies.
- (e) Stop force-feeding of lethal drugs like ARVs to AIDS patients and other so-called life-saving drugs to patients, based on bogus trials and business motives.
- (f) Stop “Population Control Programs” of all kinds, and also Chemtrails.
- (g) Stop quarantine laws based on havoc principle and creating false alarm like SARS.
- (h) Recognise the “Right to Health” and “Right to Choose the Medicine” of one's choice. Right to Health is akin to Right to Life and Right to Health is not what CDC or WHO dictates.
- (i) Consequently, the Right to Propagate all systems of medicine.

(J) Govts of the World must NOT discriminate or organise against Traditional and Natural Medicines.

(k) Centres of Disease Control, which are nothing but the extension of sinister Population Control Program of the CIA must be abolished forthwith.

(l) Citizens refusing due to their informed, inherent or religious beliefs Chemical medicines must NOT be victimised, their children/wards should NOT be snatched away from them and they should not be allowed to be persecuted or prosecuted.

(m) Universities must be encouraged to teach, like in India, all systems of medicine.

(n) All Govt. and Municipal Hospitals must have all systems of medicines.

(o) Research grants should be given equally to all systems of medicine. For example: pseudo-science called Allopathy says that you have got to live with Diabetes, Asthma, Cancers, AIDS, etc. But Holistic Healing modalities do not think so. The word 're-research' actually means re-researching the old wisdom, not re-inventing the wheel.

(p) Likewise, grants should be made available to develop Homeo, Urine and Vegi-Vaccines, which are safer, cheaper and without side effect.

(q) One need not read the conclusions of double-blind, randomized, controlled clinical trials to know that massage works, that hydrotherapy is miraculous, that a colon cleanse, liver and kidney flush are life saving, that yoga helps, that fruits, vegetables and herbs are God-given, and *Nature Cure* is the ultimate healing modality.

(r) May it be noted that the present health delivery system is costly, urban-based, technology-oriented, heavily curative in its approach, dependency creating and massive fraud. Unless it is community-oriented, cheap, health restoring, without side effects, nothing is going to change.

(s) Therefore, in conclusion, Health Care is Self-Care. One need not take prescription from moron medics before eating, sleeping, walking, or talking! My Health is my Concern, like I am proud of my language, culture, religion, etc. Can you by law make Muslim eat pig or Hindu eat cow meat? Can you by law ask Muslim to pray in Church or vice versa? Then what right have the Govts of the world got to force on me and my children the deleterious chemicals prescribed by bogus medical science which is based on plagiarised premise of a thief called Louis Pasteur? How can you destroy 5000-year old perfect health sciences like Ayurveda, or age old wisdom of Natural healing?

7.. At the same time, the lawmakers should be made to realize that under the WTO-GATT regime, some low-ranking officials decide and make laws based on considerations other than human welfare and consequently such actions militate against the very tenets of good governance or democracy or against the sovereignty of the nation or self-determination.

8.. Pharma cartels have been buying everything including judges. The worst example of that is George Bush getting (s)elected in spite of half-a-million fewer votes. You cannot win with such manipulators by the present strategy or taking them up legally by employing some barrister whom some of you may know personally. That is like a housewife selecting a housemaid for temporary facilitation.

9. Some of you who make so much **uninformed** noise on the Net in the name of Health Freedom must also first define what health is. Does health mean taking synthetic Vitamins, or micro-nutrients, or food supplements or fads like decaffeinated coffee, sugarless sugar, tobacco less cigarette, saltless salt, diet coke, slim butter, etc. while gorging on dead and diseased meats, genetically modified foods, and drinking dead/radiated water?

10. Wake up folks, as a first step, let about 100 of us meet (may be here in India, or I am ready to fly to UK/USA) and brain-storm on what we wish to do to save our future and the future of our children and grand-children. It is the total environment which is at stake. It is our health which is being systematically ruined. It is genocide going on mass scale and we need to Arise, Awake and Act, NOW. The 100 should be **independent** doctors, nurses, educationists, legal experts, law makers, social scientists and journalists with clear vision. The emphasis is on 'Independent' and 'Clear Vision'.

11. I know Josef and Tamara on this list personally having met them at the Codex in 2002. I know many others on this d-list through earlier exchanges. I know that Tim Bolen is a Consumer Advocate and he has fought (like me with the Quackwatch nuts). **All seem dedicated persons who wish to do something concrete.** Some of you lack guidance and wider vision going by the discussion at hand. Some may be there to make money under disguise of health freedom. Therefore, let it be firmly noted that we cannot allow anyone in one way or the other connected with any industry (whether regular pharma cartel or vitamins or food supplement business), because then our entire focus changes. We then get caught in the cross fire of 'Natural' versus 'Chemical' kitsch.

12. I am ready to give a lead, because I have vast clinical, teaching and research experience in the field of Holistic Health. Written several books and delivered over 10,000 lectures in 63 countries. I also guide doctoral and post doctoral students and have consistently refused lucrative offers to make billions. I am dedicated to my patients and students. I am mostly vegetarian and teetotaler; I have **not** inoculated or vaccinated by two boys. I have achieved miraculous results like repairing broken bones without surgery, making quadriplegic get up and play, AIDS patients live without ARVs, I have given new life to MD patients, etc. My name has also been recommended by many for the Nobel, but only Americans and Jews are selected for that tainted award!!! :(You can see my letter of 12 December 1996 to the Nobel Foundation recommending them to split the Medicine Award into two: one for superior Traditional and Natural Medicine and one for the so-called Scientific Medicine. According to Nobel's Will it is possible. But corrupt medicine nobel committees have pawned their heads to pharma mafia like WHO has become a WHORE.

13. **So, that brings me to the last point --** we must have an International Award for Health, greater than the Nobel Prize without dirty politics, patterned on the Right Livelihood Awards and scrupulously ensure that these awards are not politicised and undeserving do not walk away with them by misguiding or window-dressing the records.

14. Are you ready folks? Or as the bard said, “only sound and fury signifying nothing” on the net?



HEALTH CARE IS SELF CARE

The present health system is top heavy, over-centralised, heavily curative in its approach, urban and elite-oriented, costly and dependency creating. Unless, it is community-based, people-oriented, economic, decentralized, democratic and participatory, we are afraid, the aim of the WHO to make available ‘Health for All by 2000 AD’ will remain only on paper. For as **Mrs. Indira Gandhi** rightly emphasized: “At present 97% of the world’s research is not relevant to us because it is earmarked for the priorities and to the induced appetites of technological leaders”. The opening paragraph of **Dr. Leo Rebello’s Editorial** entitled ‘Health Care is Self Care’ in **Amrit Manthan** (Journal devoted to Holistic Healing) in 1989.

PRESERVATION OF OUR PLANET

- Barack Obama



This is Barack Obama's address to the UN General Assembly in New York, on September 23, 2009, downloaded from the UN web. Barack Obama, the 44th President of the USA, was born Aug. 4, 1961, in Honolulu, Hawaii. At the time of his birth, Obama's parents were students at the EastWest Center of the University of Hawaii at Manoa. They separated when he was two years old and later divorced. Obama ran for the Illinois State Senate as a Democrat and was elected in 1996 from the south side neighborhood of Hyde Park. In the November 2004 general election, Obama received 70% votes. Obama met Michelle, in 1988 and they married on October 3, 1992. They have two daughters, Malia and Sasha. Email: info@barackobama.com

It is my honour to address you for the first time as the 44th President of the United States. I come before you, determined to act boldly and collectively on behalf of justice and prosperity at home and abroad.

I have been in office for just nine months, though some days it seems a lot longer. I took office at a time when many around the world had come to view America with scepticism and distrust. America has acted unilaterally, without regard for the interests of others. This has fed an almost reflexive anti-Americanism, which too often has served as an excuse for our collective inaction.

It is my deeply held belief that in the year 2009 - more than at any point in human history - the interests of nations and people are shared.

The religious convictions that we hold in our hearts can forge new bonds among people, or tear us apart. The technology we harness can light the path to peace, or forever darken it. The energy we use can sustain our planet, or destroy it. What happens to the hope of a single child - anywhere - can enrich our world, or impoverish it.

The time has come for the world to move in a new direction. We must embrace a new era of engagement based on mutual interests and mutual respect, and our work must begin now. We know the future will be forged by deeds and not simply words. Speeches alone will not solve our problems - it will take persistent action. So for those who question the character and cause of my nation, I ask you to look at the concrete actions that we have taken in just nine months.

On my first day in office, I prohibited - without exception or equivocation - the use of torture by the United States of America. I ordered the prison at Guantánamo Bay

closed, and we are doing the hard work of forging a framework to combat extremism within the rule of law. Every nation must know: America will live its values, and we will lead by example.

In Iraq, we are responsibly ending a war. We have removed American combat brigades from Iraqi cities, and set a deadline of next August to remove all of our combat brigades from Iraqi territory. And I have made clear that we will help Iraqis transition to full responsibility for their future, and keep our commitment to remove all American troops by the end of 2011.

I have outlined a comprehensive agenda to seek the goal of a world without nuclear weapons. In Moscow, the United States and Russia announced that we would pursue substantial reductions in our strategic warheads and launchers. At the conference on disarmament, we agreed on a work plan to negotiate an end to the production of fissile materials for nuclear weapons.

To confront climate change, we have invested \$80bn in clean energy. We have substantially increased our fuel-efficiency standards. We have provided new incentives for conservation, launched an energy partnership across the Americas, and moved from a bystander to a leader in international climate negotiations.

To overcome an economic crisis that touches every corner of the world, we worked with the G20 nations to forge a coordinated international response of over two trillion dollars in stimulus to bring the global economy back from the brink. We mobilised resources that helped prevent the crisis from spreading further to developing countries. And we joined with others to launch a \$20bn global food security initiative that will lend a hand to those who need it most, and help them build their own capacity.

We have also re-engaged the United Nations. We have paid our bills. We have joined the Human Rights Council. We have signed the convention on the rights of persons with disabilities. We have fully embraced the millennium development goals. And we address our priorities here, in this institution - for instance, through the Security Council meeting that I will chair tomorrow on nuclear non-proliferation and disarmament.

Genocide and mass atrocities. More and more nations with nuclear weapons. Melting ice caps and ravaged populations. Persistent poverty and pandemic disease. I say this not to sow fear, but to state a fact: the magnitude of our challenges has yet to be met by the measure of our action.

This body was founded on the belief that the nations of the world could solve their problems together. The cooperative effort of the whole world. Sadly, this body has often become a forum for sowing discord instead of forging common ground; a venue for playing politics and exploiting grievances rather than solving problems.

Responsibility and leadership in the 21st century demand more. In an era when our destiny is shared, power is no longer a zero sum game. No one nation can or should try to dominate another nation. No world order that elevates one nation or group of people over another will succeed. No balance of power among nations will hold. The traditional division between nations of the south and north makes no sense in an interconnected world. Nor do alignments of nations rooted in the cleavages of a long gone cold war.

The time has come to realise that the old habits and arguments are irrelevant to the challenges faced by our people. They lead nations to act in opposition to the very goals that they claim to pursue, and to vote - often in this body - against the interests of their own people.

They build up walls between us and the future that our people seek, and the time has come for those walls to come down. Together, we must build new coalitions that bridge old divides - coalitions of different faiths and creeds; of north and south, east and west; black, white, and brown.

The choice is ours. We can be remembered as a generation that chose to drag the arguments of the 20th century into the 21st; that put off hard choices, refused to look ahead, and failed to keep pace because we defined ourselves by what we were against instead of what we were for. Or, we can be a generation that chooses to see the shoreline beyond the rough waters ahead; that comes together to serve the common interests of human beings, and finally gives meaning to the promise embedded in the name given to this institution: the United Nations.

Today, I put forward four pillars that are fundamental to the future that we want for our children: non-proliferation and disarmament; the promotion of peace and security; the preservation of our planet; and a global economy that advances opportunity for all people.

First, we must stop the spread of nuclear weapons, and seek the goal of a world without them.

This institution was founded at the dawn of the atomic age, in part because man's capacity to kill had to be contained. For decades, we averted disaster, even under the shadow of a superpower standoff. But today, the threat of proliferation is growing in scope and complexity. If we fail to act, we will invite nuclear arms races in every region, and the prospect of wars and acts of terror on a scale that we can hardly imagine.

The next twelve months could be pivotal in determining whether this compact will be strengthened or will slowly dissolve.

America will keep our end of the bargain. We will pursue a new agreement with Russia to substantially reduce our strategic warheads and launchers. We will move

forward with ratification of the test ban treaty, and work with others to bring the Treaty into force so that nuclear testing is permanently prohibited. We will complete a nuclear posture review that opens the door to deeper cuts, and reduces the role of nuclear weapons. And we will call upon countries to begin negotiations in January on a treaty to end the production of fissile material for weapons. We must insist that the future not belong to fear.

That brings me to the second pillar for our future: the pursuit of peace.

The United Nations was born of the belief that the people of the world can live their lives, raise their families, and resolve their differences peacefully. And yet we know that in too many parts of the world, this ideal remains an abstraction. We can either accept that outcome as inevitable, and tolerate constant and crippling conflict. Or we can recognise that the yearning for peace is universal, and reassert our resolve to end conflicts around the world.

That effort must begin with an unshakeable determination that the murder of innocent men, women and children will never be tolerated. On this, there can be no dispute. The most powerful weapon in our arsenal is the hope of human beings - the belief that the future belongs to those who build, not destroy; the confidence that conflicts can end, and a new day begin.

I will also continue to seek a just and lasting peace between Israel, Palestine, and the Arab world. Yesterday, I had a constructive meeting with Prime Minister Netanyahu and President Abbas. We have made some progress. Palestinians have strengthened their efforts on security. Israelis have facilitated greater freedom of movement for the Palestinians. As a result of these efforts by both sides, the economy in the West Bank has begun to grow. But more progress is needed. We continue to call on Palestinians to end incitement against Israel, and we continue to emphasise that America does not accept the legitimacy of continued Israeli settlements.

The time has come to relaunch negotiations - without preconditions - that address the permanent-status issues: security for Israelis and Palestinians; borders, refugees and Jerusalem. **The goal is clear: two states living side by side in peace and security** - a Jewish state of Israel, with true security for all Israelis; and a viable, independent Palestinian state with contiguous territory that ends the occupation that began in 1967, and realises the potential of the Palestinian people. As we pursue this goal, we will also pursue peace between Israel and Lebanon, Israel and Syria, and a broader peace between Israel and its many neighbours. In pursuit of that goal, we will develop regional initiatives with multilateral participation, alongside bilateral negotiations.

I am not naive. I know this will be difficult. But all of us must decide whether we are serious about peace, or whether we only lend it lip-service. To break the old patterns - to break the cycle of insecurity and despair - all of us must say publicly what we would acknowledge in private.

Third, we must recognise that in the 21st century, there will be no peace unless we take responsibility for the preservation of our planet.

The danger posed by climate change cannot be denied, and our responsibility to meet it must not be deferred. If we continue down our current course, every member of this assembly will see irreversible changes within their borders. Our efforts to end conflicts will be eclipsed by wars over refugees and resources.

Development will be devastated by drought and famine. Land that human beings have lived on for millennia will disappear. Future generations will look back and wonder why we refused to act - why we failed to pass on intact the environment that was our inheritance.

That is why the days when America dragged its feet on this issue are over. We will move forward with investments to transform our energy economy, while providing incentives to make clean energy the profitable kind of energy. Those wealthy nations that did so much to damage the environment in the 20th century must accept our obligation to lead. But responsibility does not end there. Any effort that fails to help the poorest nations both adapt to the problems that climate change has already wrought - and travel a path of clean development - will not work.

It is hard to change something as fundamental as how we use energy. It's even harder to do so in the midst of a global recession. Certainly, it will be tempting to sit back and wait for others to move first. But we cannot make this journey unless we all move forward together. As we head into Copenhagen, let us resolve to focus on what each of us can do for the sake of our common future.

This leads me to the final pillar that must fortify our future: a global economy that advances opportunity for all people.

In Pittsburgh, we will work with the world's largest economies to chart a course for growth that is balanced and sustained. That means setting new rules of the road and strengthening regulation for all financial centres, so that we put an end to the greed, excess and abuse that led us into disaster, and prevent a crisis like this from ever happening again.

The changes that I have spoken about today will not be easy to make. And they will not be realised simply by leaders like us coming together in forums like this. For as in any assembly of members, real change can only come through the people we represent. That is why we must do the hard work to lay the groundwork for progress in our own capitals. That is where we will build the consensus to end conflicts and to harness technology for peaceful purposes; to change the way we use energy, and to promote growth that can be sustained and shared.

The people of the world want change. They will not long tolerate those who are on the wrong side of history. This assembly's Charter commits each of us, and I quote

“to reaffirm faith in fundamental human rights, in the dignity and worth of the human person, in the equal rights of men and women”.

Among those rights is the freedom to speak your mind and worship as you please; the promise of equality of the races, and the opportunity for women and girls to pursue their own potential; the ability of citizens to have a say in how you are governed, and to have confidence in the administration of justice. For just as no nation should be forced to accept the tyranny of another nation, no individual should be forced to accept the tyranny of their own government.

As an African-American, I will never forget that I would not be here today without the steady pursuit of a more perfect union in my country. That guides my belief that no matter how dark the day may seem, transformative change can be forged by those who choose the side of justice. And I pledge that America will always stand with those who stand up for their dignity and their rights - for the student who seeks to learn; the voter who demands to be heard; the innocent who longs to be free; and the oppressed who yearns to be equal.

Democracy cannot be imposed on any nation from the outside. Each society must search for its own path, and no path is perfect. Each country will pursue a path rooted in the culture of its people, and - in the past - America has too often been selective in its promotion of democracy.

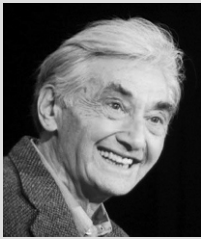
The United Nations was built by men and women from every corner of the world - from Africa and Asia; from Europe to the Americas. These architects of international cooperation had an idealism that was anything but naive - it was rooted in the hard-earned lessons of war and the wisdom that nations could advance their interests by acting together instead of splitting apart.

Now it falls to us - for this institution will be what we make of it. The United Nations does extraordinary good around the world in feeding the hungry, caring for the sick, and mending places that have been broken. But it also struggles to enforce its will, and to live up to the ideals of its founding.

Dr. Leo Rebello's note: There are several contradictions even in this edited version of President Obama's speech. For one, we do not believe in the two nation theory. Israel is the 51st State of USA. Period. The reason why USA spends about 10 million dollars on its security, daily. Israel has usurped 92% of poor Palestinian's land by chicanery, deceit and brute force, as per the Greater Israel plan. See page 298. Israel is the cancer that will destroy the world. I am reproducing Howard Zinn's commentary as the next chapter to balance Obama's window-dressed speech.

CHANGING OBAMA'S MILITARY MINDSET

Howard Zinn



Dr. Howard Zinn is the author of “A People’s History of the United States”, “Voices of a People's History” (with Anthony Arno), and “A Power Governments Cannot Suppress”. Credits to Alex Read and Matt Korn for transcribing Zinn’s talk of February 2 at the Busboys and Poets restaurant in Washington, D.C. Since it speaks frankly it is reproduced for posterity from The Progressive, 16/05/09.

We are citizens, and Obama is a politician. You might not like that word. But the fact is he's a politician. He's other things, too -- he's a very sensitive and intelligent and thoughtful and promising person. But he's a politician. If you're a citizen, you have to know the difference between them and you -- the difference between what they have to do and what you have to do. And there are things they don't have to do; if you make it clear to them they don't have to do it.

Politician First and Foremost: From the beginning, I liked Obama. But the first time it suddenly struck me that he was a politician was early on, when Joe Lieberman was running for the Democratic nomination for his Senate seat in 2006. Lieberman -- a war lover -- was running for the Democratic nomination, and his opponent was a man named Ned Lamont, who was the peace candidate. And Obama went to Connecticut to support Lieberman against Lamont.

It took me aback. So we must not be swept away into an unthinking and unquestioning acceptance of what Obama does. Our job is not to give him a blank cheque or simply be cheerleaders. It was good that we were cheerleaders while he was running for office, but it's not good to be cheerleaders now because we want the country to go beyond where it has been in the past. We want to make a clean break from what it has been in the past.

I had a teacher at Columbia University named Richard Hofstadter, who wrote a book called *The American Political Tradition*, and in it, he examined presidents from the Founding Fathers down through Franklin Roosevelt. There were liberals and conservatives, Republicans and Democrats. And there were differences between them. But he found that the so-called liberals were not as liberal as people thought and that the difference between the liberals and the conservatives, and between Republicans and Democrats, was not a polar difference. There was a common thread that ran through all American history, and all of the presidents followed this thread.

The thread consisted of two elements: one, nationalism; and two, capitalism. And Obama is not yet free of that powerful double heritage. We can see it in the policies that have been enunciated so far, even though he's been in office only a short

time. Some people might say, “Well, what do you expect?” And the answer is that we expect a lot.

People say, “What, are you a dreamer?” And the answer is, yes, we're dreamers. We want it all. We want a peaceful world. We want an egalitarian world. We don't want war. We don't want capitalism. We want a decent society. We better hold on to that dream --because if we don't, we'll sink closer and closer to this reality that we have, and that we don't want.

Be wary when you hear about the glories of the market system. The market system is what we've had. Let the market decide, they say. The government mustn't give people free health care; let the market decide. Which is what the market has been doing -- and that's why we have forty-eight million people without health care. The market has decided that. Leave things to the market, and there are two million people homeless. Leave things to the market, and there are millions and millions of people who can't pay their rent. Leave things to the market, and there are thirty-five million people who go hungry.

Putting People above Market: You can't leave it to the market. If you're facing an economic crisis like we're facing now, you can't do what was done in the past. You can't pour money into the upper levels of the country -- and into the banks and corporations --and hope that it somehow trickles down. What was one of the first things that happened when the Bush Administration saw that the economy was in trouble? A \$700 billion bailout, and who did we give the \$700 billion to? To the financial institutions that caused this crisis.

This was when the Presidential campaign was still going on, and it pained me to see Obama standing there, endorsing this huge bailout to the corporations. What Obama should have been saying was: Hey, wait a while. The banks aren't poverty stricken. The CEOs aren't poverty stricken. But there are people who are out of work. There are people who can't pay their mortgages. Let's take \$700 billion and give it directly to the people who need it. Let's take \$1 trillion; let's take \$2 trillion.

Let's take this money and give it directly to the people who need it. Give it to the people who have to pay their mortgages. Nobody should be evicted. Nobody should be left with their belongings out on the street. Obama wants to spend perhaps a trillion more on the banks. Like Bush, he's not giving it directly to homeowners. Unlike the Republicans, Obama also wants to spend \$800 billion for his economic stimulus plan. Which is good -- the idea of a stimulus is good. But if you look closely at the plan, too much of it goes through the market, through corporations.

It gives tax breaks to businesses, hoping that they'll hire people. No -- if people need jobs, you don't give money to the corporations, hoping that maybe jobs will be created. You give people work immediately. A lot of people don't know the history of the New Deal of the 1930s. Roosevelt took billions of dollars and said the

government was going to hire people. You're out of work? The government has a job for you.

As a result of this, lots of very wonderful work was done all over the country. Several million young people were put into the Civilian Conservation Corps. They went around the country, building bridges and roads and playgrounds, and doing remarkable things. The government created a federal arts program. It wasn't going to wait for the markets to decide that. The government set up a program and hired thousands of unemployed artists: playwrights, actors, musicians, painters, sculptors, and writers. What was the result?

The result was the production of 200,000 pieces of art. Today, around the country, there are thousands of murals painted by people in the WPA program. Plays were put on all over the country at very cheap prices, so that people who had never seen a play in their lives were able to afford to go. And that's just a glimmer of what could be done. The government has to represent the people's needs. The government can't give the job of representing the people's needs to corporations and the banks, because they don't care about the people's needs. They only care about profit.

Getting Out of Iraq: In the course of his campaign, Obama said something that struck me as very wise -- and when people say something very wise, you have to remember it, because they may not hold to it. You may have to remind them of that wise thing they said. Obama was talking about the war in Iraq, and he said, "It's not just that we have to get out of Iraq." He said "get out of Iraq," and we mustn't forget it. We must keep reminding him: Out of Iraq, out of Iraq, out of Iraq -- not next year, not two years from now, but out of Iraq now.

But listen to the second part, too. His whole sentence was: "It's not enough to get out of Iraq; we have to get out of the mindset that led us into Iraq." What is the mindset that got us into Iraq? It's the mindset that says force will do the trick. Violence, war, bombers will bring democracy and liberty to the people. It's the mindset that says America has some God-given right to invade other countries for their own benefit. We will bring civilization to the Mexicans in 1846. We will bring freedom to the Cubans in 1898. We will bring democracy to the Filipinos in 1900. You know how successful we've been at bringing democracy all over the world.

Obama has not gotten out of this militaristic missionary mindset. He talks about sending tens of thousands of more troops to Afghanistan. Obama is a very smart guy, and surely he must know some of the history. You don't have to know a lot to know the history of Afghanistan. For decades Western powers have imposed their will on Afghanistan by force: the English, the Russians, and now the Americans. What has been the result? The result has been a ruined country.

This is the mindset that sends 21,000 more troops to Afghanistan, and that says, as Obama has, that we've got to have a bigger military. My heart sank when Obama said

that. Why do we need a bigger military? We have an enormous military budget. Has Obama talked about cutting the military budget in half or some fraction? No. We have military bases all over the world. We have fourteen military bases on Okinawa alone. But the people don't really want us there. There have been huge demonstrations in Italy against the establishment of a U.S. military base. There have been big demonstrations in South Korea and in Okinawa.

One of the first acts of the Obama Administration was to send Predator missiles to bomb Pakistan. People died. The claim is, "Oh, we're very precise with our weapons. We have the latest equipment. We can target anywhere and hit just what we want."

This is the mindset of technological infatuation. Yes, they can actually decide that they're going to bomb this one house. But there's one problem: They don't know who's in the house. They can hit one car with a rocket from a great distance. Do they know who's in the car? No. And later -- after the bodies have been taken out of the car, after the bodies have been taken out of the house -- they tell you, "Well, there were three suspected terrorists in that house, and yes, there's seven other people killed, including two children, but we got the suspected terrorists."

Anonymity of Terrorists: But notice that the word is "suspected." The truth is they don't know who the terrorists are. So, yes, we have to get out of the mindset that got us into Iraq, but we've got to identify that mindset. And Obama has to be pulled by the people who elected him, by the people who are enthusiastic about him, to renounce that mindset. We're the ones who have to tell him, "No, you're on the wrong course with this militaristic idea of using force to accomplish things in the world. We won't accomplish anything that way, and we'll remain a hated country in the world."

Obama has talked about a vision for this country. You have to have a vision, and now I want to tell Obama what his vision should be. The vision should be of a nation that becomes liked all over the world. I won't even say loved -- it'll take a while to build up to that. A nation that is not feared, not disliked, not hated, as too often we are, but a nation that is looked upon as peaceful, because we've withdrawn our military bases from all these countries.

We don't need to spend the hundreds of billions of dollars on the military budget. Take all the money allocated to military bases and the military budget, and -- his is part of the emancipation -- you can use that money to give everybody free health care, to guarantee jobs to everybody who doesn't have a job, guaranteed payment of rent to everybody who can't pay their rent, build child care centers.

Let's use the money to help other people around the world, not to send bombers over there. When disasters take place, they need helicopters to transport people out of the floods and out of devastated areas. They need helicopters to save people's lives, and the helicopters are over in the Middle East, bombing and strafing people. What's required is a total turn around. We want a country that uses its resources, its wealth,

and its power to help people, not to hurt them. That's what we need.

Not only is Obama a politician. Worse, politicians surround him. And some of them he picked himself. He picked Hillary Clinton, he picked Lawrence Summers, and he picked people who show no sign of breaking from the past. We are citizens. We must not put ourselves in the position of looking at the world from their eyes and say, “Well, we have to compromise, we have to do this for political reasons.” No, we have to speak our minds.

This is the position that the abolitionists were in before the Civil War, and people said, “Well, you have to look at it from Lincoln's point of view.” Lincoln didn't believe that his first priority was abolishing slavery. But the anti-slavery movement did, and the abolitionists said, “We're not going to put ourselves in Lincoln's position. We are going to express our own position, and we are going to express it so powerfully that Lincoln will have to listen to us.”

And the anti-slavery movement grew large enough and powerful enough that Lincoln had to listen. That's how we got the Emancipation Proclamation and the Thirteenth and Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments. That's been the story of this country. Where progress has been made, wherever any kind of injustice has been overturned, it's been because people acted as citizens, and not as politicians. They didn't just moan. They worked, they acted, they organized, and they rioted if necessary to bring their situation to the attention of people in power. And that's what we have to do today.



**A GLOBAL PEACE MOVEMENT:
DEVELOPING A NEW GRASS-ROOTS PUBLIC MOVEMENT**

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The idea of world peace is not new. Liberal thinkers have been pondering such issues for a long time, but it is only today that we have the means to achieve them. The globalization phenomenon, rapid changes in the international communications technology, and the drastic expansion of the Internet has provided us a window of opportunity, as never before.

We can, and even do, network for global causes. The primary example is the global environmentalist movement of our own age, which happens to be a remarkable movement in its own right. But the global peace movement has not yet caught up to its potential.

Given the necessary scope of global citizen action, how can it achieve peace? This brings

us to the perplexing question of what is fundamentally required to bring it about. There are many reasons for the turmoil in our age, with feelings of alienation the foremost passion fueling this violence. A fundamental shift in the world at large would be needed to achieve world peace. We must change ourselves in drastic ways for that to happen. We must all recognize that the greatest sentiment fueling the extremist phenomenon is alienation with modernity, crass materialism.

A powerful sense of injustice, which includes social injustice also, is fueling resentment against Western culture and civilization, especially in the Muslim world and other parts of the developing world. The Muslim world is in a crisis of unimaginable proportions. Corruption, injustice, misrule, and lack of visionary leadership are wreaking havoc on these societies, and things are not that much better in other Asian, African, and Latin American societies. Capitalism and western hegemony have their downsides, so to speak. We cannot have world peace without justice for the deprived, the hapless, and the poorest of the poor and the wronged. Here we are talking of politics and not just varieties shades of economic deprivation. In the Islamic world present injustices are breeding resentment, alienation, frustration and radicalism. In some societies, like Pakistan, Afghanistan, Iraq, Egypt, Somalia, and Bangladesh all of the above are now present. However, the glaring issue for Muslims is political. Their political perceptions are what primarily fuelling radicalism in a way that history has never witnessed before.

The globalization phenomenon is making it easier for radicalism to spread all over

the world. Muslims, especially the romanticizing youth, are enraged as never before. They resent Western cowardice, duplicity, wrongful deployment of military force and the patronage of callous and corrupt governments ruling over them. The troubles are conveniently exported also as Muslims get politicized on the issues of Muslim helplessness, a lack of institutional mechanisms to voice their protests, and the culpability of their own leadership to Western powers. Muslim political issues have galvanized a strong minority to action and violent protest.

For example, injustices meted to Muslims in Palestine, Kashmir, southern Thailand, China, Iraq and erstwhile USSR are the primary causes of Islamic radicalism. It is a common perception that poverty breeds radicalism. It does not. Injustice does. Therefore, justice is the key to peace.

Perceptions shape reality in complex ways. For example, the West (read United States and NATO) have been spreading vast amounts of treasure, military force, and police action in the Muslim world to stop militancy, yet it is growing at an alarming rate. The Global War on Terror has an undue emphasis on the use of force to the detriment of other available nonviolent options.

There is not much push for solving intractable problems likely to cause anti-Western resentment in Muslim masses. There is an intellectual failure here. The Western powers are missing the forest for the trees. This myopic vision cannot work.

The simple fact is that without tolerance there can be no peace. Peace must first start inside each of us in order for us to create peace in the world. We see a total lack of tolerance towards other belief patterns, ideas and ways of life. It must be considered fundamental that without mutual tolerance there can be no peace.

We also have to network globally to achieve world peace one region at a time. For example, in the greater Middle East peace is indeed problematic. The question is why. We have been convinced that peace in the Middle East is beyond the governments in power in both the West and the Middle East itself. A very strong public pressure is needed to nudge the world's political leadership to quick action. Unfortunately, the global peace movement is now largely dormant. Therefore, an attempt has to be made to do something about it. The people must take it upon themselves to move in a networked fashion, in which thousands of local peace groups are meshed into a global alliance. As a loose network of shared ideas, this does not need a structure, and information is enough. The key is public involvement. Ordinary citizens must resolve to take the matter into their own hands. First, they have to realize the gravity of the situation. Enough is enough. We need to knock some sense into the minds of the world's leaders and especially the leadership of the Western world. The public must galvanize and rise to force the elected leadership to change course from needless military action to launch a strong global peace agenda.

How, and where, do we begin? The key is education. There is simply no alternative. The mindset of realpolitik needs to be changed. Certainly, this is no easy task. But where there is a will there is a way. Ordinary citizens need to rise up and grasp the opportunities that are available today. The cry for action beckons to all of us.

A worldwide education is needed to instill new values based on toleration of others, compassion for others, and foremost we must all begin to believe in humanity. The bane of the dominant modern Western civilization is a new level of selfishness, callousness, indifference and seclusion never seen before. Tragically, this is producing self-denial and ostrich-thinking. Western civilization cannot be stable, peaceful, and prosperous when its neighbors are living in hell. That cannot, and will not, happen. It is time we all realized the gravity of the situation. Although things are bad in many other parts of the world, it is the Muslim world that needs immediate attention as it is breeding the worst type of radicalism seen anytime in history. Things are bad in the Muslim world. There is no sense in denying it. In other parts of Africa and Latin America, and even Asia, things are not that good either.

We must begin to realize that immediate action is needed. The slogan of the environmental movement, think globally and act locally, is very apt for this situation. Muslim resentment has roots in sentiments of injustice. Let us begin to give justice where it is due. Strong public pressure on state administrations can yet save the day. The key is to network to achieve global peace. This is possible today. Given the infrastructure, we can do it.

Everyone must try to make a contribution in bringing peace in their own region. Another aspect is to change the individual and make him or her more conducive to the peace message. We must shed our garb of progress, and materialism for simplicity, sharing with others, compassion for the weak, and primarily love for all. Love is the prerequisite of peace. The essence of the global movement has to be love for humanity. We must instill new values in our youth that calls for massive retooling of our educational institutions, especially higher education. It must be considered fundamental that a new beginning can be made. Surely we all wish the world was a better place, but maybe one good heart at a time can change all the bad in the present world. It is for all the people to act on their beliefs. There is no other choice.

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GLOBAL PUBLIC TELEVISION: A GRASSROOTS PATH TO PEACE

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“Yes we can” - Barack Obama, 2008, USA

“...the better angels of our nature” - Abraham Lincoln, 1861, USA

In this article we will show how creative films of diverse human endeavours can transform people's ideas about their neighbors around the world, eroding the foundations of a culture of war. A noncommercial, nonprofit organization in the USA, called Living Earth Television, is working to establish a global network of broadcasters to do just that.

Sometimes the most powerful solutions to our problems are the simplest. The creation of global public television is one of those. Television programming may be blamed for harmful results - promoting mindless materialism and even copycat crimes, among others and rightly so. But video is itself a tool, and can also be a powerful force for world peace. And there is a broad movement afoot to use television for good.

Before exploring in more detail what such a global public television network might look like, it is important to explore some of the factors that will determine its success. The media is very central to creating the world that the authors of this book are imagining a world without wars. Although some of the initial thoughts in this article are about seemingly mundane things, the information is necessary as a foundation for building the concept of media that will free us spiritually and emotionally, and help us build that world.

A Model for Global Public Television

There are dozens of television networks worldwide that can be characterized as

public or noncommercial. Employed at these networks, as well as working independently, are thousands of talented communicators and artists creating local nonfiction programming. A global organization called INPUT, for International Public Television, convenes an annual gathering where producers and programmers from all over the world come together to screen and discuss their work. Locally, producers, writers, directors and others involved in media in many ways, dream of using their skills in the service of humanity, and look for ways to do that.

A few basic principles apply to the creation of a viable global public television system: (a) It must have editorial independence; (b) Program content must be carefully selected and sustainable; and (c) Financial support must come from sources that support broadcasting based on the system's programming philosophy.

Editorial independence cannot thrive with a major dependence on either government or corporate funding. Viable funding sources a truly critical piece of making this concept work in the real world must come from a broad and varied base. At the same time, content must be largely nonpolitical. While a network of this kind cannot cede control of content to governments, it must also be careful to avoid content that is harshly critical of government entities and policies. It must be television of, by and for the people of the world, people who are citizens of a variety of countries and regions worldwide, but who are seen in their role as members of universal humankind.

Media, Money and Editorial Control

Perhaps the most important principle of media is that (the source of) money determines content. If the purpose of media is to sell products, as it is on commercial television, then the intent is to draw the greatest number of viewers 'eyeballs,' as audience members are often called in American advertising. People are valued in commercial media as potential sources of money. And viewers, driven by basic properties of human nature, are most easily attracted by programming that is very entertaining and does not require much thought. This, of course, has led to program content that features beautiful faces and bodies, violent actions, and often irrational, rabid ranting. These things may be called entertainment or news, but their goal is attracting 'eyeballs,' and they are often not terribly concerned about how they do that.

There are ways of supporting programming that focuses on the quality and values of content. The main topic, following a short discussion of alternative financing, is what that programming might look like and how it can help to foster a peaceful, sustainable future for us all. There is an entire world of small, quiet, gentle stories of daily life, community and sustainability in communities around the globe. And these have the power to transform people's view of others, worldwide, into family and friends, rather than rivals and threats.

To clarify terminology: the words “television,” “video” and “media” are used more

or less interchangeably. Programming is delivered by many means, now including television, computers and even phones. The references in this article are simply to professionally produced video content that is seen by an audience, whether delivered by cable, satellite, broadband, DVD or any other system.

Alternative Financing of Media

In the USA, there is much talk now about the survival or death of news reporting. News so critical to the healthy functioning of society is affected by the same economic forces as other video and audio programming. The effect over the past decades has been an erosion of the quality of content, to the point where much so-called news is simply a corporate or government mouthpiece.

In order for news to survive in a form that is recognizable, legitimate, and useful, it must be financed by those who care about something more than making a profit. The integrity of reporting can easily be compromised when reporters and editors are warned not to offend sponsors, or that a particular political philosophy must drive the 'spin' on news.

Reliable information about our world is crucial to the public's ability to participate in the world in an informed and healthy way. News must be able to report those stories which some corporate or government entities might prefer that we do not hear. And documentary of the kind envisioned for a global public television network must be able to tell stories so innovatively that they will not only increase 'eyeballs,' but will have the capacity to transform the world in positive and life-affirming ways.

There are many financing models existing in the media world. In China, government-owned television stations are supplemented by independent and commercial productions. In Europe, government-operated networks are common, some funded by tax money and also by corporate underwriting. In the USA, the Public Broadcasting Service (PBS), receives a small amount of funding from the Congress, and brings in the great majority of its funding from corporate underwriters and voluntary contributions from viewers. LinkTV, an American national satellite network launched in 1999, is funded completely by non-governmental money foundation and corporate underwriting and voluntary viewer support.

So, perhaps we have a plan. It just might be workable, to create a global network of broadcasters that maintains editorial independence, and is sustained by support from foundations, government agencies, corporate underwriters, and a large pool of viewers.

Global Public TV The *Living Earth Television* Experiment

Living Earth Television (LETV), a noncommercial organization based near Chicago in the USA, is working towards creating a global public television network. LETV is connecting with people producing local nonfiction programming that highlights family, community, children, arts, spirituality, peacemaking, sustainability... and it is building bridges from producers to public broadcasters worldwide, where these

programs from all over the world can be broadcast in local languages.

The agenda at Living Earth Television is a humanistic one. It does not promote or endorse any specific political, religious, economic or social system, but rather aims at helping people everywhere understand the lives of their neighbors worldwide. Its programming features and celebrates the lives of ordinary people from regions around the globe.

Living Earth Television: The Vision

Television is a powerful medium. It can bring images and sounds to billions worldwide.

Now is the time for the emergence of an international public television network.

By bringing stories and images of ordinary people and their ways of life to an international audience, global public television can address the root causes of so much fear, violence, hatred and ignorance in the world. Willingness to resort to warfare can be addressed and largely prevented by simple exposure to one another's lives and cultures. With the opportunity to see the realities, and shed simplistic and hateful stereotypes, people can understand both the basic, shared humanity of people everywhere, and the fascinating varieties of cultural expression people have created to address life's common challenges and celebrate its joys.

Programs based on quiet, gentle stories of daily life that have the power to transform people's perceptions of other cultures, are shown at film festivals around the world. . With a relatively small amount of funding, we can launch a global network of video broadcasts, translating these programs into local languages for everyone to see. And these programs can carry us gently towards a future where warfare is unthinkable, and all our neighbors worldwide are regarded as family. Attitudes toward others can shift from fear and hatred, to curiosity, to appreciation, to caring.

Programming that focuses on functioning and healthy lives, communities and organizations, rather than violence, anger and strife, can transform the landscape. People can observe how others are addressing the problems they face. Models for sustainable living can be shared around the world.

Programming Strands on Living Earth Television

Living Earth Television features no politicians, athletes or professional entertainers. Its focus is on daily life as lived in the fascinating diversity of cultural and geographic settings around the world. Living Earth Television's seven programming strands or themes are:

- * *The Global Neighborhood* portrays individuals, families and communities from all over the world through the eyes of the members of each culture represented.
- * *The World of Children* shares the lives, games and activities, arts and music, food,

families and learning of the younger citizens of the world.

* *Earth Works* documents the accomplishments of individuals and organizations, local and international, who work to establish healthy, sustainable communities and to protect our natural world.

* *Arts and Artisans* showcases, from the perspective of the participants, the local and traditional music, crafts, theater and fine arts from cities, towns and villages around the globe.

* *Spiritual Practices* explores people's relationship to the sacred in their personal lives and in cultural contexts, and promotes understanding between different ideologies. * *Peace Makers* records the efforts and successes of people and organizations working to heal conflict and bring peace at every level, from neighborhoods to nations.

* *Bridges* shares the joys and challenges experienced by families who have their roots and ties in multiple cultures, enriching their lives through diversity.

Profits are secondary. The tremendous social and spiritual value of distributing these programs needs to be the end in itself. The world is ready for the Living Earth Television experiment. You can learn more about Living Earth Television at www.letv.org.

Dr. Leo Rebello's Note: Here is another successful experiment - Brasscheck TV. This brief report was received and edited by me on 31 Aug. 2009.

"**Brasscheck TV**" <www.brasschecktv.com> completes 3 years and in such a short time, their mailing list is 50,351 strong, only by word-of-mouth publicity without spending a nickel on advertising. From 2007 to 2009 they have served up 14,468,329 videos - all for free - to give you the other side of the story, the side the US news media relentlessly waters down, distorts, and even outright censors. Their videos help the members to:

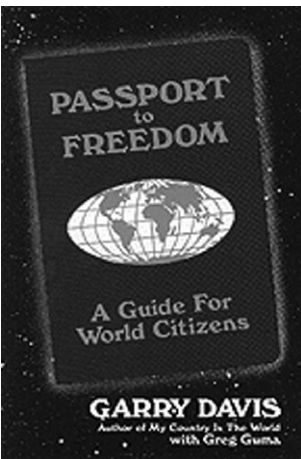
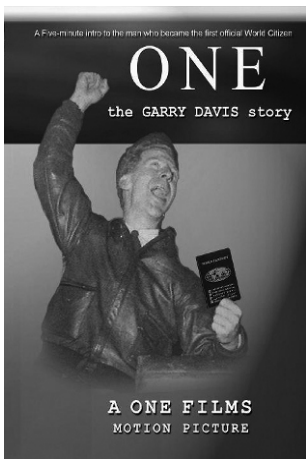
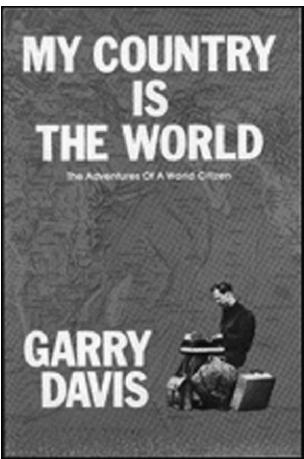
1. Become mentally independent from the herd, which the corporate-government-media complex is working overtime to mislead, rip off and exploit at every turn.
2. Suggest ideas for evasive action so that you can avoid becoming a victim of the corporate-government-media's endless scamming.
3. Provide with resources to educate themselves and the people in their circle about the nature of the forces that are aligned against normal people. It's a growing library of over 650 videos on a wide variety of topics, available free 24/7, indexed and searchable.

The Real Food Channel (<http://www.TheRealFoodChannel.com>), a brand new venture started in June 2009, is designed to give the members the "why" and "how" info they need to join the battle against this truly devilish enterprise.

If you think that the Pentagon/CIA propaganda is thick, the "food" industry makes their dissembling and manipulation seem like amateur hour. No one lies better or manipulates more than the "food" industry - and they're even bigger in dollars than the oil industry!

When we kick out the food "leg" of the corporate-government-media complex, we will be doing the whole corrupt structure some serious damage - and, at the same time, doing ourselves and the people we love a whole lot of good.

I like their closing line: “If you like what we're doing, let people know. If you don't, Fox News is on 24/7 and I'm sure they and their advertisers would love the extra business”.



Americans celebrate everything in a big way, including the Halloween's day, Oct. 31. This year on, they should concentrate on the real horrors of the world, namely:- Climate Change, Cutting of Trees without planting more, Trawling in the Seas and Oceans, Factory Farming for meat consumption, Desertification on the one hand and Icemelt on the other, Nuclear Contamination, Pesticides, Extinctions, Indiscriminate use of Plastic bags, road blocks and carbon monoxide due to four wheelers, WMDs, Star Wars, Vaccines, Aspartame, GMO, Steroids, Statins, Chemotherapy, etc.

– Dr. Leo Rebello

PRISON COUNTRY AMERICA

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The “world's most powerful democracy” has a higher percentage of its population behind bars than any other country in the world: more than China, more than Russia, more than any backwater dictatorship. Two million plus people, roughly 1 out of every 142 US residents are behind bars in the USA.

No one is bailing these prisoners out, as this gulag system is fantastically profitable for the companies that build and manage prisons...for the companies that supply them...for the prison guard unions...and for the state itself, which sells prison labour to private corporations for pennies on the dollar. For a unique perspective on inmates of American prisons check www.brasschecktv.com

As against that, \$700 billions bail out bill, like the Indo-US Nuclear deal, was passed in a great hurry subverting all democratic norms. Crowds protesting in the streets asking the Bush regime to halt this madness, 69% Americans saying a firm "No to Bail Out" in a nationwide survey, did not matter to the mad men at the helm of affairs in US, as an army brigade was in readiness to control the crowd. See www.informationclearinghouse.info

While inside, the politicians, whether Democrats or Republicans, placed their own self-interest as the highest priority rather than speaking out on this impropriety. Congressman Brad Sherman of California, told the House in a speech on 5th Oct., 2008 how several Congressional representatives were threatened with the prospect of all out martial law should they vote in opposition to the \$700 billion bailout of financial institutions. No American politician worth the salt, not even Barak Obama, the first Black presidential candidate, had the courage to say that just as the real cost of the \$500-billion Iraq War is closer to \$2 trillion, the real cost of the \$700 billion bailout will be about \$3 trillion.

This clearly shows how the US society is sharply divided between the "haves," who enjoy a monopoly on power and influence, and the "have-nots," who are alienated from the political process. 24.5 percent of all Americans earn \$9.60 or less; 10 percent of all Americans -15 million Americans- earn \$6.79 or less; 33.3 percent of African Americans and 39.3 of Hispanic workers earn poverty wages.

"Any subsidies eventually given to the monster banks of Wall Street will be as American as apple pie and obesity. The sums demanded may be unprecedented, but there is nothing new about the principle: corporate welfare is a consistent feature of advanced capitalism. Only one thing has changed: Congress has been forced to

confront its contradictions" says George Monbiot in an article entitled, "The Free Market Preachers Have Long Practised State Welfare For The Rich".

How this arm twisting decision will affect the dollar, the future economics and business of not only the US, but also of the countries dependant on USA, only time will tell.

Let us see what we could do with \$700 billion bail out in India.

Give 1000 million poor families of the world Rs.25,000 (approx 500 USD) each.

World poverty can be wiped out with that huge bad loan.

Buy 1000 million computers for those who cannot afford them.

Provide schooling for all the poor children of the world.

Having said that, let us revert to the central theme of this article, namely, Prison Country America and recount a few more instances to prove how this great country (which it never was) has become totally decadent.

(a) In USA, Chemotherapy (which itself is carcinogenic) is the official treatment. Doctors prescribing other safer and cheaper medicines or even Vitamin C (which two-times Nobel winner Linus Pauling recommended for cancer) are being jailed.

(b) Anti Retroviral Drugs for HIV/AIDS are being given even to children. Parents refusing to give these dangerous carcinogens to their children can be jailed, while their children can be shifted to government facility only to be informed that the child has died due to the disease, when the child in fact died due to separation from loved one, incarceration and iatrogenesis. Prescribe proper diet and nutrition, vitamins and micronutrients, homeopathy and herbs and the chances are that the doctor's license will be cancelled; s/he will be jailed along with the parents.

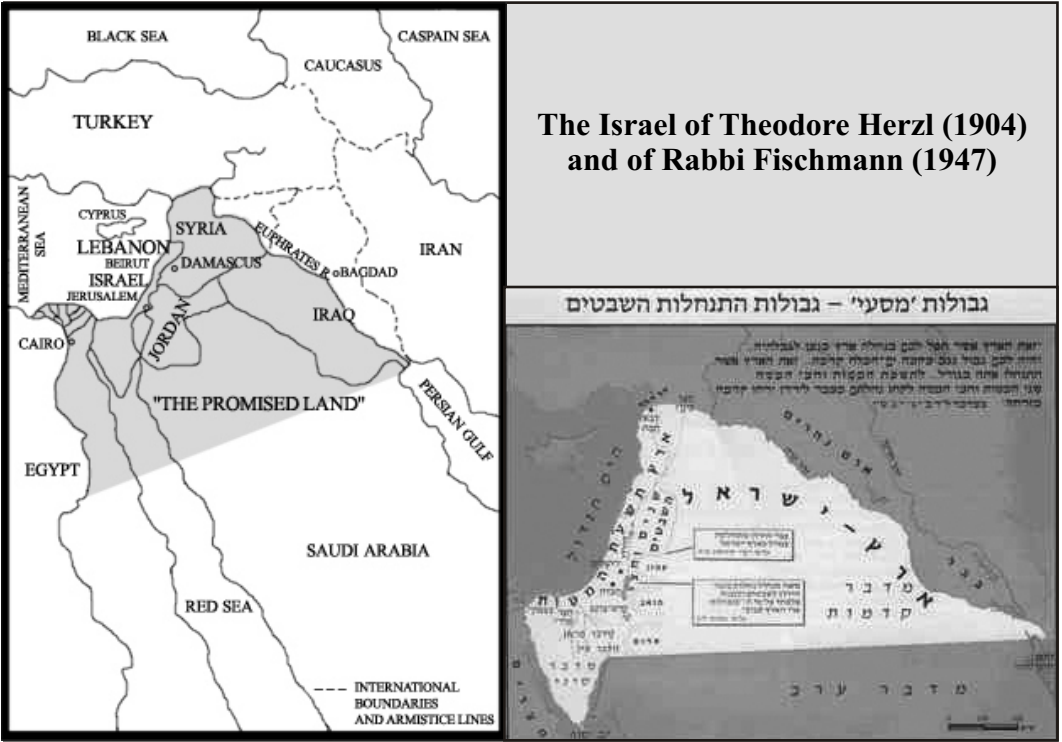
(c) Through its Special Virus program the CIA creates panic worldwide in the name of SARS, Anthrax, manipulates laws through WHO and Codex, destroys economies of the world by pressurising governments to buy ARTs and other lethal drugs from mercenary (p)harma companies, makes iodization of salt compulsory for every one; instead of educating people on simple ORT, it concentrates on manufacturing and distributing ORT solutions sold by medicine mafia; through HDN net it continuously promotes the lie HIV=AIDS=Death, and gives a free run to Monsanto for GM food, Aspartame, etc.

(d) The decadent State which cannot stop drugs, guns in schools, small girls being made pregnant, however, does not mind making dubious Vaccines mandatory, in the name of protecting citizens' health. Incidentally, there are now about 70 vaccines to protect your health. The writ of American mafia runs even in other countries. If you apply for Work Visa or Green Card, the American Consulates in India and other

countries force the Visa seekers to take Vaccines or reject their applications.

(e) Try telling American CDC that “Right to Health” is akin to “Right to Life” and “Right to Choose the Medicine” is my right like “Right to practice the Religion” or “Right to Food”. Try reasoning out with the CDC or the American Supreme Court that like you cannot ask Vegetarian Hindus to eat animal proteins, or Muslims to eat forbidden Pig meat, because they are “protein deficient” or 'Health Care is Self Care' and see what response you get in the world's Best Democracy.

(f) JF Kennedy who said that he would like to disband CIA, like MK Gandhi who said Congress should be disbanded, were killed. Not only the CIA continues, but also the Centre for Disease Control has become the extension centre of the sinister Population Control Program, like the Yale University (which is called Skull and Bones University) has the CIA office to monitor everything on the university campuses.



**HISTORY NEVER ENDS
I HATE TO BOTHER YOU
- Eduardo Galeano**

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In 1971, Eduardo Galeano wrote *The Open Veins of Latin America* and, in 1976, escaped death at the hands of CIA-financed Argentine death squads.

I'd like to share with you some questions--some flies that keep buzzing in my head.

Is justice right side up? Has world justice been frozen in an upside-down position? The shoe-thrower of Iraq, the man who hurled his shoes at Bush, was condemned to three years in prison. Doesn't he deserve, instead, a medal? Who is the terrorist? The hurler of shoes or their recipient? Is not the real terrorist the serial killer who, lying, fabricated the Iraq war, massacred a multitude, and legalized and ordered torture?

Who are the guilty ones--the people of Atenco, in Mexico, the indigenous Mapuches of Chile, the Kekchies of Guatemala, the landless peasants of Brazil - all being accused of the crime of terrorism for defending their right to their own land? If the earth is sacred, even if the law does not say so, aren't its defenders sacred too?

According to *Foreign Policy Magazine*, Somalia is the most dangerous place in the world. But who are the pirates? The starving people who attack ships or the speculators of Wall Street who spent years attacking the world and who are now rewarded with many millions of dollars for their pains? Why does the world reward its ransackers?

Why is justice a one-eyed blind woman? Wal-Mart, the most powerful corporation on earth, bans trade unions. McDonald's, too. Why do these corporations violate, with criminal impunity, international law? Is it because in this contemporary world of ours, work is valued as lower than trash and workers' rights are valued even less?

Who are the righteous and who are the villains? If international justice really exists, why are the powerful never judged? The masterminds of the worst butcheries are never sent to prison. Is it because it is these butchers themselves who hold the prison keys?

What makes the five nations with veto power in the United Nations inviolable? Is it of a divine origin, that veto power of theirs? Can you trust those who profit from war to guard the peace?

Is it fair that world peace is in the hands of the very five nations who are also the world's main producers of weapons? Without implying any disrespect to the drug runners, couldn't we refer to this arrangement as yet another example of organized crime?

Those who clamor, everywhere, for the death penalty are strangely silent about the owners of the world. Even worse, these clamorers forever complain about knife-wielding murderers, yet say nothing about missile-wielding arch-murderers.

And one asks oneself: Given that these self-righteous world owners are so enamored of killing, why pray don't they try to aim their murderous proclivities at social injustice? Is it a just world when, every minute, three million dollars are wasted on the military, while at the same time several children perish from hunger or curable disease? Against whom is the so-called international community armed to the teeth? Against poverty or against the poor?

Why don't the champions of capital punishment direct their ire at the values of the consumer society, values which pose a daily threat to public safety? Or doesn't, perhaps, the constant bombardment of advertising constitute an invitation to crime? Doesn't that bombardment numb millions and millions of unemployed or poorly paid youth, endlessly teaching them the lie that "to be = to have", that life derives its meaning from ownership of such things as cars or brand name shoes? Own, own, they keep saying, implying that he who has nothing is, himself, nothing.

Why isn't the death penalty applied to death itself? The world is organized in the service of death. Isn't it true that the military industrial complex manufactures death and devours the greater part of our resources as well as a good part of our energies? Yet the owners of the world only condemn violence when it is exercised by others. To extraterrestrials, if they existed, such monopoly of violence would appear inexplicable. It likewise appears insupportable to earth dwellers who, against all the available evidence, hope for survival: we humans are the only animals who specialize in mutual extermination, and who have developed a technology of destruction that is annihilating, coincidentally, our planet and all its inhabitants.

This technology sustains itself on fear. It is the fear of enemies that justifies the squandering of resources by the military and police. And speaking about implementing the death penalty, why don't we pass a death sentence on fear itself? Would it not behove us to end this universal dictatorship of the professional scaremongers? The sowers of panic condemn us to loneliness, keeping solidarity outside our reach: falsely teaching us that we live in a dog-eat-dog world; that he who can, must crush his fellows; that danger is lurking behind every neighbor. Watch out, they keep saying, be careful, this neighbor will steal from you, that other one will rape you, that baby carriage hides a Muslim bomb, and that woman who is watching

you--that innocent-looking neighbor of yours--will surely infect you with swine flu.

In this upside-down world, they are making us afraid of even the most elementary acts of justice and common sense. When President Evo Morales started to re-build Bolivia, so that his country with its indigenous majority will no longer feel shame facing a mirror, his actions provoked panic. Morales' challenge was indeed catastrophic from the traditional standpoint of the racist order, whose beneficiaries felt that theirs was the only possible option for Bolivia. It was Evo, they felt, who ushered in chaos and violence, and this alleged crime justified efforts to blow up national unity and break Bolivia into pieces. And when President Correa of Ecuador refused to pay the illegitimate debts of his country, the news caused terror in the financial world and Ecuador was threatened with dire punishment, for daring to set such a bad example. If the military dictatorships and roguish politicians have always been pampered by international banks, have we not already conditioned ourselves to accept it as our inevitable fate that the people must pay for the club that hits them and for the greed the plunders them?

But, have common sense and justice always been divorced from each other? Were not common sense and justice meant to walk hand in hand, intimately linked?

Then, why don't the mass media, in their dedication to the war against the scourge of drugs, ever divulge that it is Afghanistan which single-handedly satisfies just about all the heroin consumed in the world? Who rules Afghanistan? Is it not militarily occupied by a messianic country which conferred upon itself the mission of saving us all?

Nowadays the world is sad because fewer vehicles are sold. Could anyone deny that a decline in the number of automobiles is good for nature, seeing that she will end up with a bit less poison in her veins?

In El Salvador, Archbishop Oscar Arnulfo Romero found that justice, like a snake, only bites barefoot people. He died of gunshot wounds, for proclaiming that in his country the dispossessed were condemned from the very start, on the day of their birth.

Couldn't the outcome of the recent elections in El Salvador be viewed, in some ways, as a homage to Archbishop Romero and to the thousands who, like him, died fighting for right-side-up justice in this reign of injustice?

At times the narratives of History end badly, but she, History itself, never ends. When she says goodbye, she only says: I'll be back.

UNDERSTANDING AND TACKLING TERRORISM

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Terror and terrorism

Terror is “*extreme fear*”, and in The Guardian on August 14, 2006, Martin Jacques wrote that terror is “*the weapon of the impotent, the disenfranchised and the unorganized in the face of profound grievance*”. Thus, terrorists are people who work secretly to knowingly strike at innocent people to kill them and destroy property for the purpose of causing terror to justify their own political ends. Terrorism must be taken seriously because terrorists always try to cause maximum damage to soft targets. There can be no disagreement with Kofi Annan who said, “*Terrorism in all its forms and manifestations, committed by whomever, wherever and for whatever purposes, is unacceptable and can never be justified*”.

Violence and protest

Violence always begins in the mind, is the result of a conflict of interests, and may take verbal, economic or physical form. Violence thus occurs at individual and group levels. Reactions to violence can be immediate or delayed and may assume one or more different, often bizarre forms with completely different targets.

One shudders to think of the psychological effect of the extreme violence in present day Afghanistan and Iraq on Afghani and Iraqi children and its effects on society in their later years. But closer to home, the awful physical, social and economic violence against Dalits that India's “upper castes” have been inflicting for many generations and continue to do, are a similar matter for the most serious concern.

Violence of any sort, whether at an inter-personal level within or outside the family or at a social level, tends to breed more violence of the same or different sort, which then gets amplified in recurrent spirals of escalation. Violence against people who are weaker physically, socially or economically and unable to resist or protect

themselves, may be judged by some as more reprehensible than when it is directed against those who are capable of resistance or retaliation. But all violence is wrong.

Most often, when there is a conflict of interests, protest follows. Protest is resistance to some form of violence, and arises from actual or perceived loss or infringement of freedom, which is the power or the right to act, speak or believe as one wants, without hindrance or restraint. Freedom means different things to different sections of society - freedom from fear, from hate, from repression, from poverty, from illiteracy, from forced progress, or freedom to co-exist or be in control of one's own destiny. Threat to or denial of any of these (or other) freedoms are a form of violence, and result in protest. Protest may take several forms, such as persuasion, non-cooperation, non-violent intervention, positive action or militancy, in ascending order of intensity, but it is by no means necessary that protest should begin in that sequence.

Sometimes there is an identifiable cause for the violence, like economic or political or cultural (religion, caste, language, ethnicity, etc.) suppression, and at other times violence is a way of life, with the target or victim being chosen at random as in ordinary street crime or deliberately chosen as in communal violence. But in any case, violence and counter-violence cannot be justified in a civilized society.

Economic violence

WTO Agreements have resulted in a raw deal for countries that are economically weak. Its implications are nothing but legalized economic oppression of the weak by the powerful with the coerced consent of the weak, who are signatories. In almost all countries, as we know, it is the powerful and the wealthy that represent their countries in international fora and sign agreements and treaties. Even though they may nominally represent the people, as in a democracy, they do not represent the best interests of the poor within their country. The poor cannot possibly represent their own interests simply because, being poor and possibly just about literate, they cannot even begin to understand the issues and their implications, and cannot argue their cause. And therefore the need for good governance, social justice, universal education, upliftment of the poor, etc., all of which are in our Constitution, but somehow appear antithetical to the philosophy of the promoters of competition, market forces and trickle-down economics.

Thus the economic or social benefits of development do not equitably trickle down the socio-economic pyramid far enough or soon enough. This economic polarization causes frustration and a feeling of alienation and injustice. Extending the argument to the international arena, what the wealthy people in most countries are doing to the poor of their own country, is being done by the wealthy countries to the poor countries by means of the WTO Agreements. The current dispensation operates to severely limit or eliminate the poorest people's options for economically productive activities, and therefore constitutes economic violence.

Protest, militancy and terrorism

People who demand their rights or protest government's plans are usually ignored at first but later, if the protests become effective, police force is deployed even against peaceful, unarmed protesters to quell the legitimate protests. There are innumerable occasions when police has been ordered to baton-charge or open fire even on peaceful protesters, and this initiation of violence results in escalation in the levels and intensities of protest.

One may try to make a “Who's Who” of protesters. We begin with the activist who is concerned with equity, social justice, and welfare, environmental, civic and rights issues and is generally non-violent. The fundamentalist or extremist holds extreme views on socio-economic, political, cultural (language, ethnicity, etc.) or religious issues, and he informs and influences people to bring them to his persuasion. He plans and organizes programs and actions that are generally violence-oriented. The militant uses verbal or physical force to vehemently oppose policies, actions or ideas, and he may be simply a militant or else, an insurgent, a guerrilla or even a terrorist. The insurgent rises in armed revolt against the established order of government, while the guerrilla takes part in irregular fighting, typically against larger foreign military forces. As for the terrorist, he is in a special category, hated by all except his mentors and sponsors. He creates extreme fear among populations by threats or real strikes at “soft” civilian targets, with the aim of paralyzing normal public life, tying up the resources of government for security, and precipitating political and/or economic crises.

These are all protesters who are protesting in different ways, and it is clear that there is a significant difference between a militant and a terrorist all terrorists are militants but not all militants are terrorists. In the Indian context, militants and terrorists are being clubbed together and branded as “Islamic terrorist”, “Hindu terrorist”, etc.

There is a definite link between poverty and militancy or extremism as found by a study ordered by the Planning Commission of India. The Report of the Expert Group on “*Development issues to deal with causes of discontent, unrest and extremism*”, published in April 2008, shows close correlation between poverty and militancy or extremism. And the step from militancy to terrorism is not always large.

Poverty by itself may not cause terrorism, but economic violence (for example, forcible displacement of poor rural or tribal people for infrastructure developmental projects) by governments certainly causes disaffection. People who have been displaced for a mega-project and lost land and livelihood and suffered social dislocation, can never have a kindly attitude towards government(s) and their corrupt officials or the better-off sections of society that have benefited from their loss. In fact, they nurse an active animus towards society in general that can manifest as petty or organized crime, and can easily find expression as violence directed randomly.

Again, it is necessary to emphasize that this is not to justify such violence, just as economic violence by governments in the name of progress and development cannot be justified. Rather, this is to explain the causes and reasons for the growing levels of violence in society, terrorism being the worst manifestation. Without addressing its basic causes, no amount of force of any kind can stop militancy or terrorism. On the other hand, it is a good guess that indiscriminate or unrestrained police or military force only further justifies terrorism to the terrorists themselves.

Certainly, terrorism needs to be put down. But this must be done with the firm hand of society, by diagnosing the cause and then finding solutions. Like every question has an answer, every problem has a solution and the solution usually lies in free and fair dialogue. The harsh use of the bayonet, bullet and bomb of the police and military against the citizens, without positive delivery of equity and social justice using the political tools of consultation and consensus, may only serve to escalate the spiral of violence and terror. A prolonged period of years, even decades, of high levels of violence and terror, such as in Afghanistan and Iraq, have only succeeded in brutalizing an entire generation and further spreading the virus of terror.

Militancy in India

The militant Naxalites, People's War Group, etc., which may don a cloak of political ideology, are organized reactions to oppression of various sorts by powerful individuals or interests against weak individuals or groups. This reactive violence may be considered wrong in the sense that all violence causes harm to individuals, communities and society at large. Nobody perpetrates physical violence for its own sake unless insanity is involved; and the individuals in such militant groups are by no means insane. The causes for their militancy persists and a majority of people continues to get frustrated by the powerful, who govern without accountability, are callous towards suffering and are notoriously corrupt and self-serving. Militant groups claim that they have no option but to be violent with stick, knife, axe and gun for their survival.

Violent groups therefore need to be understood first and the causes for their physical violence removed. This is not to say that police forces are not required. Police forces are certainly required but in a defensive role, deployed to protect the public and public property from violent attacks, while simultaneously removing the basic causes of poverty and deprivation by providing social justice and equity. For sure, this calls for a change in the thinking and behaviour of the powerful people who control governments and their agencies.

Terror attacks, courage and some questions

When terrorists strike as they did in Mumbai on 26 November 2008, and on earlier occasions in India, the public feeling is a mix of outrage, anxiety, helplessness and disappointment with officials or government. But people, by and large, are not afraid of

terrorists. There has been no reduction in the numbers of people who frequent crowded urban areas as part of their business or other routine activities. No wife tells her husband not to go to work, or a mother her child not to go to school or college because there may be a terror attack. Parents are more fearful of their children being molested or kidnapped by local hoodlums than of becoming victims of terrorist attacks.

On asking a roadside vendor and daily wage labourer the question, the frank reply was that their survival depends upon their day-to-day, hand-to-mouth earnings at busy locations, and they are more fearful of a *bandh* called by some political party, since it means going hungry that day, than of a terror strike! Thus “terror” among the majority of ordinary citizens does not exist on a day-to-day basis. But the knee-jerk action of authorities and the irresponsible electronic media inadvertently help terrorists by giving them publicity and creating unnecessary panic.

Dealing with terrorism

Terrorism in India is mostly sourced from across our international borders. Such terrorism cannot be neglected, but it cannot be addressed by threatening or executing military “surgical strikes” on terrorist training camps across the border, mainly because of negative political fall-out and the possibility that it may develop into full-fledged war with its unacceptable nuclear risks. Such terrorism can and should be dealt with bilaterally through political (diplomatic) and economic carrots-and-sticks, and socially by encouraging people-to-people contacts and discussions. Also very important is diplomacy at international level through the use of United Nations platforms, rather than appearing to treat any single power as an arbiter.

There are basically two methods of dealing with terrorism with minimum disruption to civic life. First, government action to pep up and coordinate intelligence services so that attacks are defused or diffused by early warning and/or small-scale preemption. And second, government appointing dedicated forces to counter-attack terrorists. The first method is an acknowledged and essential one that is far cheaper in terms of lives and economic damage by preventing or minimizing an attack rather than reacting after the attack. It can be implemented by re-integrating and strengthening the existing intelligence machine without major re-structuring, along with introducing an element of public accountability. This will offer the richest security dividends at negligible financial cost. The second method is to increase the number of commando forces under Central and State government control. This is very expensive and inevitably at the cost of development. But far worse, it would play into the hands of terrorists, who wish to burden the economic system by money spent on “a commando on every street corner” and security checks for citizens. Commando units for rapid deployment are essential, but multiplying the number of such units will not provide better security.

It is more cost-effective to use the first method and sharpen State police vigilance and

communication systems to induct commando units rapidly to the scene of action. However, better State police vigilance is impossible without eliminating political interference, which in turn is impossible without implementing Police Reforms that are gathering dust for decades. Also, normal and special security forces diverted to “VIP” protection or for commercial activities like cricket matches and private industrial establishments, is obviously at the security and financial cost of the public at large. Priorities for security need to be defined and implemented.

Do stricter laws provide better security?

Past experience has shown that strict POTA-type laws do not work. Maharashtra has the MCOCA (Maharashtra Control of Organized Crime Act) in force, but it did not deter the highly motivated terrorists on their do-or-die Mumbai 26/11 mission. Of course, such laws may facilitate rapid prosecution, but have yielded very poor conviction rate, been misused to settle old scores, and objected to because innocents are coerced or tortured in police custody to make confessions. As stated by Lt Gen Harwant Singh in his article in “The Tribune” of 10/12/08, titled “What went wrong?”: *“To cover up shortcomings in investigative skills, there appear to be moves to bring back some of the draconian laws, though in a different garb. Such laws turn the Indian judicial system on its head and going by the past record of their application, it will lead to further alienation of sections of our society”*. Thus, simply gearing up the existing intelligence and protection system to better efficiency levels and eliminating political interference can ensure the best affordable security for ordinary citizens.

Bottom line

If terrorism is to be tackled systemically and systematically, there is no alternative to governments pepping up and coordinating the intelligence agencies at their command without seeking publicity, and addressing the most basic issues of social justice and equity in all spheres with sincerity and transparency. Neighbourhood watch and community policing is another answer that can be tried to advantage.

Franklin Delano Roosevelt, U.S. President:

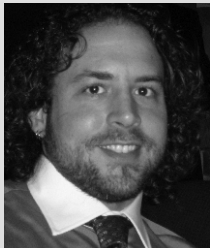
"The real truth of the matter is, as you and I know, that a financial element in the large centers has owned the Government ever since the days of Andrew Jackson" --1933.

James Warburg, Rothschild Banking Agent:

"We shall have world government whether or not you like it... by conquest or consent" --1950.

MODUS OPERANDI OF PEACE ORGANIZATIONS

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The expression *modus operandi* is a Latin phrase that means *way of operating*. It is generally based on established principles. A *peace organization* refers to any group of individuals that decides to work together wholeheartedly for the achievement of the same constructive goals and objectives. The word peace is derived from the Latin word “pax,” which is *a state of tranquility, freedom from war, cessation of hostilities, and harmony*.

Meaning of Peace

At <http://www.peaceloveandme.com/peacelanguage.html> you will find Peace translated in 145 languages. For example, *Aman* (Urdu), *Paco* (Esperanto), *Shanti* (Hindi), *Salam* (Arabic), *La Paz* (Spanish), *Paċi* (Maltese). Here are a few illustrations concerning the word Peace:

At peace.... living at peace, that is, in a peaceful state; this has been the inner ambition of every human being, consciously or unconsciously.

Breach of the peace.... violation of public tranquility; this breach between individuals and nations has caused conflicts that resulted in a tremendous amount of suffering on both regional and global scales.

To hold one's peace.... to suppress one's thoughts and be silent; St. Francis of Assisi once was going to say something good to the congregation but, instead, he remained silent and, as a result, many shed tears and were converted.

To make peace with another.... to reconcile with the other person; once we develop the habit to view the other person as the image and child of God, it would become easier for us to proceed toward reconciliation.

Peace establishment.... the reduced number of effective men in the army during time of peace; the idea that the military exists to bring about peace has proved to be fallacious.

Commission of peace.... appointment of justices of peace; the United Nations' International Court of Justice in Belgium is supposedly to be composed of such justices who are assumed to be imbued with inner peace.

When we refer to individuals as peaceable, it means we are referring to their character and disposition. A person is viewed as peaceful when there is a genuine love and concern for the welfare of all people, directly or indirectly, without exception. Ascetical writers tell us that the greatest gift that God could possibly give to humans is peace, which emanates from the inner self.

Peace Work in Operation

In this context let us discuss the *modus operandi* of peace organizations. We need to keep in mind the fact that an organization makes the word “peace” as a part of its name does not mean that such an organization is necessarily peaceful. We are all familiar with the traditional saying, *actions speak louder than words*. So rather than its philosophy its work is more important. For example, UN -- the aim is good, but implementation is not as per people's expectation.

For practical purposes, we may classify peace organizations into two general categories: non-profit and profit-making. Non-profit peace organizations are expected to be composed of volunteers who may come from every walk of life and profession. The majority of such members do make a living by having a regular job with an establishment or a company. They just volunteer their extra time in the evenings and/or on week-ends for humanitarian purposes.

In peace work what really counts is not the endorsement and moral support of well known figures in society. What really counts is the work that has already been performed with tangible results. An example of this would be the work carried out by the congregation of the well known Mother Teresa of Calcutta.

Mother Teresa concentrated on helping the poorest of the poor. When she visited Cuba, she was received by the head of State, President Fidel Castro, who greeted her with the words: “*Welcome! The whole of Cuba is yours. Whatever you need let us know and we will help you secure it*”. There seems to be an instinct in human nature of great admiration toward those who dedicate their services to people in need.

Style of Non-Profit Organizations

When Mother Teresa passed away, the Indian government decided to give her a state funeral same as that given to the head of state. Experience has demonstrated that those who genuinely work for peace, without seeking any remuneration whatsoever, often have most of the problems they encounter wither away. Briefly stated, members of a non-profit peace organization are primarily concerned with the real achievement of the peaceful goals and objectives they established in the first place.

Also, members of a non-profit peace organization do not seem to have time to play politics between themselves and to get entangled into bureaucratic procedures. Besides, they never seem to make money a condition for their good and much needed peace work. Once they decide that some project is of great importance to help alleviate human suffering, they will proceed to do it, to implement it by all means, without putting money as a condition. International Association of Educators for World Peace refers to this *modus operandi* as the principle of the three Z's. These three Z's consist of zero politics, zero bureaucracy and zero budget. Zero politics allows the members to concentrate on the positive and constructive results of their activities rather than on the person or persons in charge of one or more projects. This principle helps to do away completely with personality cults within the organization.

Zero bureaucracy gives members the opportunity to move forward with the proper and swift implementation of the organization's goals and objectives. This way a tremendous amount of time is saved since they do not have to go through a hierarchical procedure to seek for approval from others each time they have to perform essential peace activities. Zero budget does not mean that the organization ignores the importance of financial needs. It simply means that money is not put as a condition to proceed with the performance of vital peace activities in the community.

In a number of peace organizations, there is no centralized budget, that is, one financial source that would distribute money as needed on a global level. There is, instead, an independent financial source in each country where such an organization finds itself. This explains why such non-profit peace organizations may have countries which may require membership dues while other countries may not have such a requirement. This *modus operandi* is part of the so called zero budget principle.

Conspectus of Profit-Making Organizations

Profit-making peace organizations function, in general, pretty much like non-profit peace organizations in terms of goals and objectives. This means they also seek to make positive and constructive contributions to society. Usually, those that work for such organizations tend to work on a full time basis with an income that would enable them to pay their bills. Needless to say, the more they sell their product the more money comes in, which would make it easier for such organizations to develop branches with relative ease in other global areas.

Technically speaking, profit-making peace organizations may be viewed as business organizations. However, the only difference may lie in the product they deal with, which is always meant to promote or enhance peace within the individual, the community, the nation and the whole world, as a matter of fact. Most of their products consist of a variety of peace oriented literature, ranging from newspapers and journals to pamphlets and books. They may organize peace conferences both for

themselves and for a variety of other organizations.

Some of them have developed the speakers' bureau, which provides, for a fee, outstanding speakers for a variety of programs. They may also run shops with peace oriented products that people may purchase as an ornament in their houses. Needless to say, they may have, for their members, periodical peace conferences on a variety of topics of current national and international concern. Since several of those working in such organizations do so for their livelihood, money is always taken into consideration in all of their endeavors.

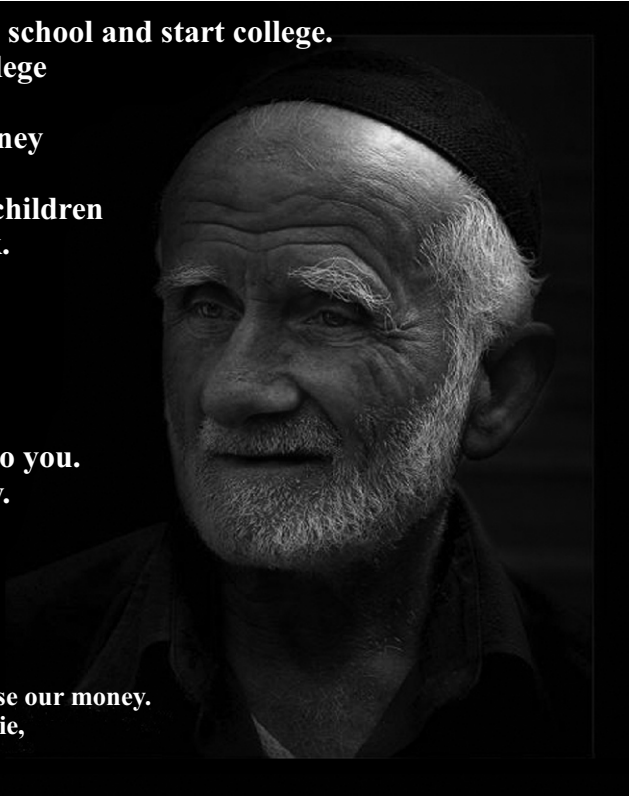
What is really important in peace organizations of any kind is to have members that are devoted to the cause of peace where love replaces hatred and where justice is given the opportunity to reign. May the tribe of peace makers grow and may peace prevail for all time. Amen.

**First, I was dying to finish my school and start college.
Then I was dying to finish college
and start working.
Then I was dying to make money
and have children.
And then I was dying for my children
to grow up, so that I can work.
Then I was dying to retire.
And now I am dying ...
And suddenly I realized
I forgot to live.**

**Please do not let this happen to you.
Live each day. Enjoy each day.**

.... Old Friend.

**To make money we lose our health,
and then to restore our health we lose our money.
We live as if we are never going to die,
And we die as if we never lived.**





THE WALL - Israel Shamir

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We watched Pink Floyd's *The Wall* in a small, bare and shabby cinema called *Semadar*, The Vine Blossom in the quaint German Colony of Jerusalem. Emptied of ethnic Germans by the Jews in 1948, it still preserves its old stone houses roofed with red tiles, gables with immured plaques quoting Psalms inscribed in Gothic script, ivy creeping up its masonry and the mysterious Templars' Cemetery beyond heavy gate.

Semadar, named after an expression in the Song of the Songs, was a favourite talkies' spot in our Paradise Lost, nostalgia-bewitched pre-war Palestine, when it was frequented by British officers, and the young cosmopolitan gang of the Holy City's best and brightest: Armenians, Greeks, Jews, Germans and native Palestinians. Many marriages crossing borders, religious affiliations and political passions were formed in its romantic small yard: a Sephardi Rabbi's daughter found herself a Scots flier, and a scion of noble Muslim Arab family met a perky Left-Zionist girl. *Semadar* has not changed; it survived our Fall, the Partition, to become a fixture of Amos Oz Jerusalem-based novels like fossil ice survives global warming.

Semadar remained a decent if rundown place for family outing in 1980s, the blessed days before video, TV and computers took over our free time, and we often went with the kids to the movies. However, the Wall was a flop. In the middle of the film, there is a horrifying shot of a mouth gaping to devour you, the spectator.

This scary boneless but teeth-filled mouth covered the whole screen towering above our heads. It was too much for our seven-year old son, and he rushed out with a piercing yell. But outside, the foyer was plastered by posters with the same gaping mouth! It took a few hours to calm him down, and this symbol of the Wall, the dreadful devouring mouth, remained buried deep in my memory.

It returned with a vengeance like a released spring today, when I ran into the Wall after a beautiful walk. For many hours we had driven and walked the soft Biblical hills of the Highlands, waded high green grass, picked purple lupines, crossed a brook still full of water, and of friendly full-faced and fully-dressed girls and boys

who splashed each other and us with youthful abandon, and passed by their parents in the nearby village of Anata who were preparing a picnic repast and called their cordial salaams. We greeted a monk going down from his cliff hermitage of St Chariton and received his blessing; chased away a flock of four or five shy gazelles with white-spotted crupper; lit a candle at a Byzantine image of the Madonna in Taybeh village church, where according to carefully preserved local lore Christ spent his last days before the Passion. We drunk their famous Taybeh draft beer in the Stones, an airy two-tiered café in urbane Ramallah, with a tweed-clad professor of philosophy from Bir Zeit university, a wryly-smiling architect, a lapsed Jew from England with an uncanny resemblance to the younger Noam Chomsky, and a ravishing dark beauty of a French-speaking Palestinian girl brought up in Tunisian exile and schooled in Paris.

As we drew towards the Shepherds' Fields, we run into the Wall. It cut into the tender Bethlehem countryside like a colossal devouring maw, and nature disappeared, marshmallow-like. Dozens of Caterpillars were tearing at the hills, uprooting fig trees and vines, crushing rocks for some monstrous Margarita. They demolished old peasant houses and medieval towers, and denuded the slopes walked by the Virgin. The Wall was built like a wide four-lane highway, flanked by 20-foot-high double steel mesh fences, topped with high tension wire, interspaced with cameras, sharpshooters' positions and a few gates. It was the most formidable prison camp perimeter fencing I have ever seen, and it skirted the village houses tightly, like a tippy tango dancer holds his partner.

The peasants looked through the mesh on their olive trees, still there, still in full modest bloom, but already separated, removed, unavailable. The peasants were locked in, as secure as in any jail, beyond this Wall. Their fields, their pastures, their springs of water were locked out. A gate was guarded by an Israeli soldier; it connected them to their livelihood, to their land, to their freedom to be opened or closed by army decision. Always looking for a profitable angle, the army instituted a two-dollar fee per person per time for opening the gate. If these Palestinians wish to dally with their olive trees, let them pay for the pleasure.

In some places the Wall was huge concrete construction, stealing away the landscape, the view, locking the villagers in an extended prison court. But the mesh wall was even worse by affording a tantalising sight of the land they once called theirs. The Wall runs for hundreds and hundreds of miles, surrounding villages, separating them from their land, and devouring the beautiful nature of Palestine.

This Wall was not a new invention. I have seen it before. Not far from the sacred Mount Carmel there was an Armenian village. It was settled by Armenian refugees fleeing the Kurds' fury in 1915. The always hospitable Palestinians helped them build their houses and leased them the land, for these Armenians were peasants from the



shores of the Lake Van. In 1948 their village became part of the Jewish state. The Jews did not kill them, did not expel them, they just surrounded the village with a Wall, and strangulated it. The living village lost its lands and was turned into a prison with one always guarded by the Jewish army gate. The Armenians lasted ten years. In 1950s the last Armenian sold his house for a song to the Jews and fled.

The Wall had a precursor: the system of 'for-Jews-only' highways. While even Haifa or Afula has no bypass road, every Arab village has a bypass: a broad highway encircling and limiting its development. Hundreds of

Palestinian houses were demolished, thousands of acres devastated while building the bypass grid by recipe borrowed from the Hitchhiker's Guide to Galaxy. It was done for no visible reason, as tiny Jewish settlements did not need this multi-billion investment for 'security purpose'. Moreover, newly-built roads were usually blocked by the army. Now, with the Wall rising higher and higher, the bypass network begins to make sense: it was Stage One of devastation and imprisonment.

The Wall will leave the olive groves in the hands of settlers, wrote ever-so-rational Uri Avneri. But the settlers do not need olives and do not intend to till the land. They prefer to torch the trees. The settlers are not the cause, but a rationalisation of the cause: desire to depopulate Palestine and kill its nature.

Could it be different? The presently implemented programme of victorious Zionism was portrayed in a 1930s essay, *The Iron Wall* by Vladimir Zhabotinsky. But the roots are deeper, for the Wall is the utmost manifestation of the Jewish spirit and it fits the Jewish state. There are dozens of words for 'wall' in Jewish tongues, probably as many as Eskimo have for 'snow'. Jews' sacred symbol is the Wailing Wall; their favourite street is Wall Street. The Egyptians, Babylonians, Christians and Muslims build vertical pyramids, towers, cathedrals to connect Heaven and Earth; but the self-deifying Jews need no Heaven or Earth, and the first thing they build from London to Minnesota - is *eruv*, a symbolic Wall to separate them from non-Jews. The only extant inscription from the Jewish Temple (destroyed forty years after Christ was tried in its Walls) is not the Decalogue, or Ten Commandments, or moral teachings, but a piece of a Wall with warning: "Goy, if you cross this Wall, you will have to blame yourself for your painful death".

The most important part of Jewish teaching is the maxim,



'build a Wall around the Torah'. It enhances every prohibition of the Law by a dozen of additional prohibitions. A Jew is forbidden to gather fruits on Sabbath, but 'the Wall' forbids also climbing a tree, lest one be tempted to gather its fruits. Well, what about fruitless birch or fir? It is banned for the same reason: this Saturday you will climb a birch, next Sabbath you will climb an apple tree, and in a month's time, you will pick an apple and commit a real transgression.

Sharon's Wall is a Wall around the Torah, for if you let a goy wander freely he will sooner or later be able to kill a Jew. Sharon's Wall is a Temple Wall, for a goy who crosses it will have to blame himself for the bullet of a sharpshooter. Sharon's Wall is a Wailing Wall for Palestinians, and it is the Wall Street for the Jewish building contractors. The commanding voice is that of Jacob, but the hands are the hands of Esau: the Wall is built by the sweat of impoverished Palestinian workers, guarded by Russians, paid for by Americans to jail their brothers.

The contractors are into a Bonanza, a remake of their previous endeavour, the fifty-foot-high Bar Lev Wall, constructed on the shores of Suez Canal in 1970s and demolished by the Soviet-made water cannons of the Egyptian Third Army of Marshal Sadat on October 6, 1973. The only part of the Wall that survived the 1973 war was the villas of the contractors.

This Wall is the real Roadmap of the Zionists, for when the Wall is completed, Palestine will be ruined and its happy dwellers turned into refugees. But the fate of Jews will not be enviable, either, for the Wall is everywhere. Every shop, every restaurant, every pub in once jolly Tel Aviv has its living Wall: a Russian or Ukrainian boy imported to guard it. For four dollar per hour they stop the bombers with their bodies and are buried beyond the cemetery Wall. We, Israelis, are frisked ten times a day, as we go to the shop, the office, to work or to have fun. There is no building you can enter without a search. Thus the Holy Land has become a high security prison for all its dwellers, Jews and non-Jews alike.

It could be predicted. The Jews weren't locked by evil strangers within the ghetto walls, wrote Vladimir Zhabotinsky, they chose it as foreigners in China chose to live in their separate settlements. Fifty years later, Israel Shahak made another valid observation: the walls of ghetto were breached from outside, by the state, while the Jews weren't keen to leave. The visible walls were breached, but the inner walls remained. The Jewish state is enactment of the paranoid Jewish fear and loathing of stranger, while the Cabal policies of Pentagon are another manifestation of the same fear and loathing on global scale.

Not only individuals, whole societies and cultures can be insane. This important discovery was made by an American social scientist Ruth Benedict, a close and admired friend of Margaret Mead and Franz Boas. Her *Patterns of Culture* (1934)

remains one of the most widely read books in the social sciences ever written. In this work, Ruth Benedict described different Native American cultures and characterized the Pueblo Indians as "placid and harmonious". She wrote of "the self-aggrandizing, megalomaniac character of the Kwakiutl", and proved that the Dobu Islanders were "paranoiac and mean spirited".

This last definition fits the Jews as culture to a boot. What was this Cabal-instigated obsessive search for WMD in Iraq if not a fit of paranoia, fear of a cheated goy with an axe? The State of Israel, the country of perennial body search, is the ultimate of paranoid societies, according to Ruth Benedict. The US is succumbing to the same disease under her present ruling clique of Leo Strauss' followers: it builds walls and disarms far away lands, as well as their own citizens, for the Jewish paranoia is extremely contagious.

It is useless to fight the Wall, as it was useless to fight the illegal settlements, as long you ignore the cause. 'The Wall is in the heart', *ubeliba homa*, sung the Jews as they conquered Jerusalem in 1967. The Wall is at the heart of the problem, and this is the Jewish state in Palestine. Young and not-so-young peace activists at the hilltops along the Wall still wave the slogan "Two States" at the bulldozers, though the bulldozers implement the dream of Two States, my nightmare: a Jewish state and a chain of reservations for the Goyim, the "Palestinian State". Whoever says, 'an Independent Palestinian State aside the Jewish state', turns a blind eye to the Wall. The Wall is an operation of separating the Siamese twins, and only the strongest one will survive it. Discussions of the Wall run into sand in Israel: vast majority of Israelis, from Labour to Likud, support it, while 'peace-loving' Israelis are the strongest supporters of the Devouring Maw.

The Wall mocks the innocent souls inflamed by the Roadmap, another doomed plan to separate the Twins. Sharon is not worried for it provides enough delays to complete the Wall, it puts the onus of peacekeeping on the Palestinian side, it gives him full freedom of action in exchange for some empty promises.

The peace activists hope to alter the course of the Wall a bit here and there. But it won't help, for the Wall will always separate people and their land. Wherever you put it, it will separate the refugees in Deheishe refugee camp from their houses ten miles away in Deir a-Sheik. It will separate the Christians of Taybeh from the Holy Sepulchre and the Muslims of Yassouf from al-Aqsa. It will separate the Jews from the holy sites. It will separate the Highlands peasants from their working places in Tel Aviv and Haifa.

Sharon's Wall, this unmitigated disaster, provides a rare opportunity to observe the true nature of the Jewish State, and to call for its dismantling. Not the Wall, silly! The Jewish State.

THE WORLD AND GERMANY

the way to an equal and respectful dialogue

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Dr. Leo Rebello's Note: Jews have taken more than a pound of flesh by shouting hoarse in the name of Holocaust of Jews. In this factoid, George Reiff gives an account of how Germany is being exploited even today. In 1944-45 Gen. Eisenhower was responsible for the killing of over a million German soldiers who were starved to death on a short stretch of the Rhine. The Red Cross has published its records. Google search the word *Rheinwiesenlager*. In publishing this and other articles in this book, I have applied the following yardstick: Question everything. Accept only if you find it to be true. Let truth be your authority

In a modern interconnected world, safety and peace depend more and more on social justice and understanding between the people. Enemies of yesterday are friends of today. Long standing atomic war threats dissolved overnight. Capitalism has forgiven Communism, former colonies have forgiven former colonialists. Black has forgiven White. A better window for open friendship between the nations has never been so possible like right now.

However, in all this positive development, one country has been morally left out from being a Republic even though it goes by the name of the Federal "Republic" of Germany.

Some facts: Germany still does not have a peace treaty with the former allies of World War II. Instead there exists a kind of memorandum of understanding, called 2+4 agreement since 1990, which serves as a fig leaf. It is, of course, no peace treaty according to international public law.

Discriminatory articles 57 and 103 of the UN Charter are still fully in force against Germany and Japan. Here we have a memorandum of understanding as well which

states that the articles should not be “considered” anymore. Only a complete abolition of both articles would put UNO “Paymasters No 2 and No 3” (Japan and Germany) in an equal position with the other 189 countries.

Within the FRG prerogative legislation emanating from SHAEF (Supreme Headquarter of the Allied Expeditionary Forces) has been incorporated into German law. So called Military Laws. Best example (among many others) for this: Military Law No. 67 under which the fiscal policies of the FRG are still governed and that 64 years after WW II!

In order to understand the FRG one must first understand the legal nature of the *Deutsches Reich* (best translation would be: German Realm). When we speak about the Deutsches Reich here, one must understand that we speak about the Weimar Republic and not about the 3rd Reich specifically which is underlined with strong negative current in the FRG due to the occurrences under National Socialist rule, despite the state with the name Deutsches Reich has been founded in 1871.

Most people would certainly believe that the *Deutsches Reich* perished after WW II. This is, however, not true as it had been artificially kept alive legally by the allies of WW II who just had the Regular German Army (*Wehrmacht*) unconditionally surrender on 8th of May 1945. It is noteworthy that the English, officially kept alive the Government of the German Realm (Deutsches Reich) in the city of Flensburg, Northern Germany till 23rd of May 1949. Afterwards, they imprisoned this government and on 23rd of May 1949 the Western Separate Vassal Protectorate “Federal Republic of Germany” was created by the allies by decreeing that the Germans had to convene in a “parliamentary council” under SHAEF Control and to “deliberate” a constitution which had to be endorsed by the SHAEF. The founding fathers of the Federal Republic of Germany were, however, no traitors but pragmatic people and superficially bowed to the wishes of the allies while not presenting a constitution but a provisional “basic law” which was supposed to be supplanted by a real constitution after Germany could decide her own fate in freedom again according to Article 146 Basic Law of the FRG. Because of the long legal existence of the FRG not many people would believe that the Deutsches Reich / German Realm legally still exists. The Federal Constitutional Court of the Federal "Republic" of Germany has, however, another view, which it expressed in its rulings 2BvL6/56, 2Bvf1/73 and 2BvR373/83. There the court states that the Deutsches Reich is still in existence in its borders from 31.12.1937.

Excerpt from sentence 2Bvf1/73: " ... it is held on to it (see BVerfG, 1956-08-17, 1 BvB 2/51, BVerfGE 5, 85 <126>) that the Deutsches Reich endured the break down in 1945 and neither perished with the capitulation nor with execution of foreign state rule through the Allies in Germany; it is still endowed with a judicial body but not able to act as a state due to the lack of organization. The FRG is not legal successor of

the Deutsches Reich, but as a state identically with the state "Deutsches Reich", however, in relation to its spatial expansion only partly identical..."

Excerpt from sentence 2Bvf1/73: "...*She (FRG) limits under public law her sovereign powers to the area of application of the Basic Law (see BVerfGE 3, 288 (319 f.); 6, 309 (338, 363)), feels, however, also responsible for the whole of Germany. With implementations of the FRG there was no founding of a new West German state but only a re-organization of a part of Germany.*"

The FRG does not have a Constitution (*Verfassung*) but a so-called Basic Law (*Grundgesetz*). The reason for this is that the founding fathers of the FRG had to organize a part of Germany anew under the occupation of the SHAEF. As they recognized the severity of a situation where foreign powers dictate the creation of German separate states, they did their utmost in order not to serve as a fig leaf. Therefore, they did not call the new law a constitution but a “basic law”. With this they laid the foundation for later generations of Germans to constitute a National Assembly according to Article 146 Basic Law (stating that the Basic Law renders itself invalid after the Germans give themselves in Freedom a Constitution) in order to determine a constitution according to the Free Will of the German People. However, sycophantic later governments, from 1990 on, did not follow the will of the founding fathers but held on to the provisional basic law, created under foreign occupation and laced with legal inconsistencies against Germany!

Other facts regarding the suzerain status of the FRG in regard to her former occupiers can be seen in various other inconsistencies:

The German people are not permitted to hold a referendum about becoming a province within the European Union and that by their own mainstream parties which are all controlled by supranational American based organizations like e.g. Bilderberg, Council for Foreign Relations (in Germany Atlantik Brücke e.V.).

It is still not permitted in Germany to introduce new scientific findings in the fields of history and archeology when connected to WW II and if those findings would reduce the number of victims of the Nazi regime. Scientists who do not comply will be punished up to 5 years in prison according to Criminal Code, law §130.

The German people are forced to endure continuous moral economic and military black mailing; how else could one explain that German soldiers are now for years under US command in Afghanistan in order to guard US interests there, despite the broad majority of citizens does not wish their soldiers there.

A German cannot be citizen of the FRG! In documents proving citizenship, FRG officials write “German” as citizenship, not citizen of FRG. This is all due to the

aforementioned artificial legal existence of the German Realm, though without organization. Through this legal construction, Germany is held in eternal unspeakable legal limbo. Such legal status may have applied the last time in history to Carthage after the 3rd Punic War.

Movie productions which explicitly picture Germans as monsters, are financed by the Federal Government of Germany: most recently Quentin Tarantino's “Inglorious Bastards” which has been supported financially by the State Secretary for Culture with 6.8 million Euros, whereas the province of Brandenburg threw in another 900.000 Euros.

Basic message of the movie is that everybody who wore a “Nazi uniform”, meaning also uniforms of youth and women's organizations and of the regular army, should either be killed and scalped or at least maimed by knifing a swastika into the fore head.

It is beyond belief how a peace and people loving government could possibly support such crude brutality with a total of 7.7 million Euros, equivalent to 13 million US Dollars?

Conclusions:

For the sake of legal equality not only of the peoples, religions and genders but also of the nations, it is necessary to give Germany back full sovereignty over her affairs. A beginning would be a real peace treaty, which actually deserves the name. Another token of respect and friendship of the international community would certainly be to remove Articles 53 and 107 from the UN Charter.

The solution in Germany itself must come from the German people. Therefore, **no votes** for the established parties anymore (CDU/CSU/SPD/GRUENE) who deliberately deprive their own people of their right to be equal among the nations and to have not only a nationality (German) but also a citizenship (Federal Republic of Germany) of their country.

There are enough democratic new parties existing who pledge to give Germany a National Assembly and a real Constitution. Deutsche Demokratische Partei, Freie Union, Republikaner, Bürger in Wut, for example.

A new German government must proceed at once with bilateral peace treaties with all major players involved in WW II.

With this all hidden and open reparations must end as FRG is 35% smaller than the German Realm (Deutsches Reich) as payment for the lost war a more than steep price already! Finally, the German Realm (Deutsches Reich) must be laid legally to rest and the reformed FRG must gather a National Assembly according to Article 146

of the Basic Law of Germany and give herself a decent, free constitution according to the will of the German people. This will end 64 years long charade and give Germany and the world a new perspective in mutual respect and friendship.

Finally, it is certainly advisable for all government bodies not to financially support any movies that incite to hatred, inferiority complexes or which are directed against good faith. Truth: artists deserve freedom to express themselves. Also true: government support should be reserved for the betterment of the human condition only.

Safety and peace are only obtained in a world where people can hold their nationality and their nation in loving regard. Only what the nations experience in themselves they can render to other nations.

Forgiveness and redemption are the way to a modern world with peace loving citizens blossoming. Such a world is a place for everybody, no matter which former sins have been committed. Future oriented modesty and openness is the key. It is time we introduced *Glasnost* or *Perestroika* in international politics and in the functioning of the United Nations Organization!



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Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam (The Earth is a Family), a Coalition for Comprehensive Democracy, is about furthering, strengthening and deepening 'democracy' simultaneously in economic, social, political, cultural, gender and ecological dimensions of life, from local to global levels.

Modern day dominant science, social and economic processes, and polity tend to fragment life, issues and people's ways of looking at them. Democracy has come to mean merely 'representative' political structures. Despite this dominant thrust of institutionalisation over the past 500 years, which has culminated in the present processes of monopolistic, hegemonic, and humanly disempowering globalisation, there is another perspective of democracy which is still widely espoused intellectually and intuitively. It is an idea about relationships being based on equality, mutuality and respect in individual interaction between family members, between communities, between human beings and the rest of nature, in the market, between genders, and the nation state, and between people across the nations. The challenge for all of us is to build politics around this perspective to channelize all institutions towards ever expanding and deepening democratisation.

People in South Asia have long cherished values which, in modern times, are best expressed under the rubric of 'universalism' and various dimensions of 'democracy'. Before the colonial interventions of the West, even when there were rulers of foreign origin, the participatory mode of governance from the grassroots to the top, devolution of political power at all levels, and cultural plurality were hallmarks of our social-political system. *Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam* has been part of our cultural sensibility since time immemorial. That is why our socio-cultural diversity is a source of strength and, in fact, the primary defining force behind our unbroken identity.

All epochal transformative moments in history are pregnant with two opposing possibilities - a new dawn or an era of darkness. What are the forces of darkness at this juncture?

Globally, an elusive 'Consumer Paradise' is being promised through the mass media and the market. There is a mad rush for this kind of globalism. Socio-political forces, whose world-views and dreams are anchored in a doctored view of history (such as Huntington's view on 'Clash of Civilisations'), are becoming victims of the prevailing social pathology of a 'mad-race syndrome'. Social identities are getting hardened and

becoming more and more competitive. These forces believe that they are engaged in a survival struggle, in which moderation finds little place as a democratic trait.

Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam's dimensions can be articulated as,

Empowerment of the *daridranarayan*, the 'last person' (Economic Democracy).

Ecological regeneration and people's control over natural resources (Ecological Democracy).

Ensuring human dignity (Social Democracy).

Strengthening plural co-existence (Cultural Democracy).

Deepening of democratic structures and institutions (Political Democracy).

Evolving gender relations based on mutuality, equality and respect (Gender Democracy)

The task of building true democracy today is inextricably linked to the global struggle to reform or replace capitalism without a readymade version of any ism. It is a project based on the perennial values of non-violence compassion, justice, equality and freedom and truth.

Many radical movements think that their responsibility is only towards a fundamental transfer of power in favour of the oppressed and marginalized. They feel no responsibility towards the larger whole while pursuing the cherished ideals. Moral renewal of individuals and institutions in society, with a sense of the larger whole, is the responsibility of all.

In a phase of phenomenal upsurge of democratic aspirations, new norms have to be agreed upon through a process of participatory dialogue even with the adversary, at various levels of human collectivities. One has to recognize the complementarity of each other's 'truth' and consciously avoid being judgmental regarding the other's viewpoint. The critical evaluation of other viewpoints has to be in an idiom which encourages moderation and introspective engagement on all sides. Such processes are unfolding and can consciously and actively be pursued today.

We espouse a three-fold method for democratisation. One is 'dialogue', basically to recognise the contours and the calling of our times. Dialogue at all levels, including with the adversary, is possible only if we believe in the willingness of the human spirit for struggle and self-sacrifice against injustice instead of believing in the conspiracy theory. The dialogue must consciously be across hierarchical structures at each level, incorporating the idiom and aspirations of the most marginalised. Constructive action to strengthen and promote modes of production and ways of life consonant with the various dimensions of democracy is the second aspect, which must be based on a participatory process at each level and across levels. Simultaneously, we have to fight the injustice. For this, multiple forms of non-violent political action are the only answer. One is conscientious civil disobedience, to use Gandhi's word, 'Satyagraha'.

NON KILLING SOCIETY

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Patriot of Humanity

Human beings indulge in over 300 types of violent actions, which support the hypothesis that they are the most destructive creatures on Earth. But from where have these negative traits come? And can we reclaim humane values by discarding values alien to original human spirit? This essay challenges you to think, be creative and act positive, all the time.

Earth dwellers by nature are peace-loving people. They are spiritually evolved ones since they were put in Heaven called Green Planet Earth. Let us therefore reject the *modus operandi* and *modus vivendi* of the Elites and re-learn to live without plunder, greed, murder and mayhem. We need to remember our innate nature of love and peace and re-jig into a culture of non-violence.

In Nonkilling Global Political Science, Glenn Paige (2005) raises the question of whether or not a nonkilling society is possible and what it would take to build such a society. He explains that a nonkilling society is a human community, smallest to largest, local to global, characterized by no killing of humans and no threats to kill; no weapons designed to kill humans and no justifications for using them; and no conditions of society depend upon threat or use of killing force for maintenance or change.

Nonkilling, to a large extent, depends upon childhood experiences, religious indoctrination, cultural context, education and political milieu. It would also depend upon the collective effort of members of the society, their expertise and special skills to contribute to the nonkilling paradigm. Language or communication plays a very big role. If we continuously use negative ideas, negative words, negative indoctrination, negative imagery based on negative history, we keep moving in a negative or vicious circle. On the other hand if we develop a positive attitude of love, compassion, brotherhood, understanding, caring and sharing, we move in the positive or virtuous circle. Therefore always be conscious of what words you use, what thoughts you nurture, what plans you make, what messages you convey and what actions you take.

For example, look at the 'Nonproliferation' Treaty signed in 1968 by the U.S., the then USSR, the UK and over 80 non-nuclear weapon states. It was a great step forward in human history. But because of the machinations it has remained on paper only.

Let us map the lexicon of violence that allows seeds of dissension and violence to grow. Here are some 'negative words' or 'violent expressions' to show how they influence our pattern of thinking and consequently, the behaviour, leading to degeneration.

Making a killing on the stock market or plunder, Economic war. Capital that is Cap It All means grab everything. Capitalism, therefore, is grabbing everything. It emerges from ignorance, selfishness, and insecurity of those who believe in it and poverty, subjugation and degeneration of others.

Stab in the back kill from behind. Cowards do that. Like US always invades, kills, plunders, and then builds all that is destroyed making profit all the way.

Instead, if they were to aim at enhancing communicatively constructive vocabulary, humanizing uses of languages and linguistic activism, for example, Peace Process, Peace Language, Peace Psychology, Peace Education, Peace Studies, Peaceful Coexistence, and Peaceful Development, America can still become the world leader from a world bully. Instead Jews who control everything in America keep talking of the Holocaust all the time, and exploit in the name of the dead, which becomes a blood business. Because of these spiritually inferior few, the good Americans suffer and the world suffers.

In a nonkilling society, language must play a pivotal role as a tool for peace as it needs to be widely engaged; psyops (psychological operations) should be stopped and decadent arms of states, like KGB, CIA, Mossad and their covert operations through CDC, WHO, Codex, etc. should be banned forthwith. The employees working in those banned organizations should be sent for brain purification, to allow society to function by natural instincts of love, peace, brotherhood, caring and sharing to build a non-killing society.

Wurm 2001, Gordon 2005, Austin and Simpson 2007, record that about 50% of the almost 7,000 languages of the world are endangered. Krauss 1992 puts that number at 90%. Reasons could be: colonization, the rise of the nation state, Roman script (easy to learn), technological advancement like Radio, TV, Internet and globalization wherein one link language becomes necessary. Necessity leads the way.

We, in India, have kept the languages going by dividing a once united India on linguistic basis and then adopting a three language formula local language like Marathi, Gujarati, Malayalam, in states, with one National language Hindi and one International language, English. In India, English will become the *lingua franca* in another twenty to thirty years, because it is already the language of the courts, of parliament, of business, of the electronic media, and the influence of this language is so much that even our housemaid's children in a remote village in Karnataka know English and how to use the mobile and messaging. English language became popular in India because of the British rule over us of more than 250 years. We threw out the invaders using their own language and tools and gave to ourselves total independence from dominion status. So, by clever mix of English language and oriental wisdom of non-violence and non-cooperation we created semblance of a non-killing society in India in 1947. Nelson

Mandela created a nonkilling society by forgiving the past masters.

Prof. Gomes de Matos (2001) has created a very thorough list of principles for diplomatic communication to be carried out 'constructively' to create a non-killing society. Some highlights include:

- Avoidance of dehumanizing language.
- Investment in handling differences constructively.
- Emphasis on language with a potential for peace rather than language employed with a strategic agenda.
- Focus on agreement rather than on polemics.
- Avoidance of pompous language used to separate and hide.

Peace educators, peace psychologists, peace linguists and all those concerned with non-killing education are urged to exercise their right to be communicatively creative for peaceful purposes and, in such spirit, to add, adapt, expand, refine, and probe the practices found most relevant to peaceful co-existence.

Examples: Wicked words wound the world/ Nonkilling words nourish nonviolence and heal the soul of the world.

- Practice
- AAA = Activate life-Affirming assertions
 - MMM=Monitor manipulative messages (in the media)
 - TTT = Transform tension into tranquility
 - VVV =Value a vital vocabulary

Create Languages of Caring, Encouragement, Peace, Safety, Loving and Sharing; rather than of Insult, Murder and Mayhem. For example, Queen's English is based on matriarchy, and consequently has the softness of all that a woman, a mother has. Whereas, American (or yankee) English is based on patriarchy and as such it has some hardness, authority, control.

Coining of positive words by adding prefix **Non** or suffix like **Action** let us see what paradigmatic shift we create through creative humanizing activity of building a repertoire of positive words like:

Non aggression, **non**animosity, **non**antagonism, **non**belligerance, **non**brutality, **non**bombing, **non**conspiracy, **non**concealment...

Nonkilling is a moral obligation, spiritual elevation, humanizing conscientization, global salv**ation**, life-affirming education, planetary cooperation, vital

preserv**ation**, etc.

When will educational systems all over the world include the systematic learning of nonkilling language in their language programs? How can Peace educators, psychologists, linguists and other peace-building humanizers get together and help design Nonkilling Language Programs for use in schools at all levels?

Gomes de Matos (2002) explains aspects of his 'humanizing pedagogy' which integrates Dell Hymes' concept of communicative competence (1966) expanded to include communicative peace using the classroom as a prime environment for education about peace (Peace Education), education about linguistic forms which enhance peaceful communication (Peace Linguistics) and education about all things sociolinguistic which impact the ways in which we communicate (Peace sociolinguistics).

English was once a language of imperialism. Today it should grow into a language of humanism, of unification, of peaceful co-existence rather than a reminder of looting with the gun wherever Englishmen colonized the Earth. Let the English(man) rule differently now, rather than enslave. .

Humanizers are persons imbued with the ideals of human rights, justice, and peace and who apply such values in everyday interaction. In such spirit, language users, depending on their humanizing or dehumanizing uses of languages, can be described as Humanizers or Dehumanizers, and of course we need many of the former.

Glenn Paige's transformative wisdom of a Nonkilling Society has come to stay.

Use the space below to write as many words in 10 minutes using 'non'. Then write in another 10 minutes words with suffix 'ation' like in reincarnation.

Start with Animosity, add prefix non, it becomes nonanimosity. Go upto Z, nonzealotry. Put on your creative cap and see how many positive words you can create in 10 minutes. Also play with words, like: (H)armonize, (M)asses. (P)harmaceutical, (Re)search and Impossible with a small comma, becoming, I'm possible. Yes, we need to make World Without Wars possible.



TOWARDS A WORLD PARLIAMENT
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It has often been claimed that the current world order should be democratized and that a World Parliament would be a necessary and desirable element of such a democratic world order (Held 1995, Patomäki/Teivainen 2004). This paper is an effort in that direction. It summarizes the current debate on a World Parliament and develops theses regarding the potential creation of the same.

The Global Democratic Deficit:

The analysis of past research on global democracy and a World Parliament shows an interesting ambiguity. The whole spectrum of global governance, global democracy, and global democratization is almost a fashion trend; but there seems to be a consensus that the democratic deficit is one of the main problems of international relations. On the other hand, concrete proposals how to solve this problem are almost non-existing.

Proposals to reform the United Nations must manage the dilemma, that they either do not go far enough to create significant change or go too far to be acceptable for current decision-makers. The analysis of the European Union as a case study must address the question of whether Europe can serve as a role model for other regions or even for the world as a whole. This applies, in particular, to the role of the European Parliament as a potential model for a World Parliament both in terms of the history and the structure of this institution.

The Debate on a World Parliament

The proposal to create a World Parliament has already generated important support in the political arena, for example Olivier Giscard d'Estaing's "Committee for a World Parliament" lists as members of the honorary boards names, such as, Boutros Boutros-Ghali, Nelson Mandela, Sonia Gandhi, Shimon Peres and Jacques Delors. The most important and most concrete contribution to the discussion is the debate

between Joseph Nye and Richard Falk and Andrew Strauss in "Foreign Affairs" and in "World Link" on the desirability of a World Parliament. A "World Parliament" shall be defined as "a global assembly where representatives are selected on the basis of one person, one vote"

Falk and Strauss argue that the creation of a global parliament would be the natural and logical way to overcome the global democratic deficit. European Parliament serves as a role model: similar to the European Parliament, the World Parliament should start with only advisory powers and be founded by only twenty to thirty avant-garde states which are economically and geographically diverse. They hope that as time progresses it would gain more legitimacy and formal competencies (Falk/Strauss 2001).

Concrete Proposals for a World Parliament

There are not many concrete proposals for a World Parliament in the academic discussion. Such proposals can be found on the internet (Alliance 21 2003, Johansen 2003) or in publications which are of a more political than scientific nature (some references of this kind are in the footnotes of Monbiot 2003 and Patomäki/Teivainen 2004). Monbiot offers a simple model based on the principle of "one person, one vote" and approximately six hundred multinational electoral districts. He focuses, like many other authors, more on the general argument than on concrete details of the organization of elections to a World Parliament. The main difference of his model to Falk and Strauss is that his main actor is not the national state, but civil society, which can elect a World Parliament "without permission" of the national states (Monbiot 2003)

After a critical analysis of the advantages and disadvantages of a World Parliament Patomäki and Teivainen regard the organization of a global referendum "based on a statistically drawn representative sample of voters in different countries" as a meaningful first step towards a World Parliament (Patomäki/Teivainen 2004).

A short pamphlet by Andrew Strauss offers a comparative overview on different models of a World Parliament or a "Global Parliamentary Assembly" (Strauss 2005). After a summary of his arguments for a World Parliament from other texts he distinguishes between four models:

1. An amendment of the UN Charter according to articles 108 and 109
2. The creation by the UN General Assembly as a Subsidiary Organ.
3. Civil society organized elections
4. An interstate treaty process.

Strauss calls the UN Charter reform model the 'classical' model (compare Sohn/Clark 1958) and the one with the best legitimacy from the perspective of world public

opinion, but he expects strong resistance against this plan because it requires the consent of two thirds of the UN General Assembly plus all permanent members of the Security Council. The problem of veto powers disappears in the second model, Article 22 of the UN charter requires only a two thirds majority of the UN General Assembly. In addition to legal doubts whether a parliament could in principle be called a “subsidiary organ” of the UN General Assembly, Strauss believes that this model would create political compromises. One example is the recommendation of Bummel and others (Bummel 2005: 110) that “in the first development stage, the delegates of the Parliamentary Assembly at the United Nations are uniformly elected from the midst of the parliaments of the participating countries” (Bummel 2005).

Elections organized by Civil Society:

A provisional electronic World Parliament on the Internet

If the thesis is accepted that the creation of a World Parliament would be a positive development, all four models described by Strauss seem to be desirable. There is, however, no consensus even among supporters of a World Parliament on the question, which of these models is the most feasible and should be followed to implement the idea. This paper claims that all four models would constitute a positive development on the international system, but that elections organized by civil society pose the best chance of an implementation. This applies even more, if in the beginning provisional electronic versions of a World Parliament are created on the internet.

Pilot projects of this kind do exist. Out of the many initiatives in this direction, only the most radical example should be mentioned: the “World Parliament Experiment” on <http://www.world-parliament.org>.

Based on the thesis that the creation of a World Parliament is the more likely the more world citizens support it, individuals are invited to support the establishment of a provisional World Parliament through their vote. They participate in a decision-making process with only one ground rule which cannot be changed: that all aspects of the project can be changed at any time through proposals of anybody, if there is enough support based on “one person, one vote”. This is not a decision for direct and against representative democracy, this experiment tries to combine the advantages of both models by enabling the delegation of votes for smaller or larger parts of the project (the main parliament, special sub-institutions or even single issues). It is the task of elected representatives to present the results of the opinion-building process as claims to real life decision-makers. Both, the legitimacy and power of these campaigns will increase with growing numbers of participants. After a critical mass has been reached, it should be possible to transform this provisional electronic parliament with only moral and advisory powers to an institution that exercises a significant influence on actual political processes.

If elections organized by civil society include electronic parliaments, some objections against this model lose their importance, for example the financial and organizational difficulties mentioned by Strauss (2005) are reduced dramatically. Monbiot (2003) mentions the possibility of a cheap electronic assembly, but regards it as an insufficient replacement of face-to-face meetings. He does not even consider the possibility of a combination of both formats, which could begin with electronic meetings that lead to non-virtual gatherings in a later phase.

The strongest argument for elections organized by civil society and against the other three models seems to be that measurement of success is much easier in this plan. While it is difficult to see how far away the United Nations are from significant reform steps or how close avant-garde states are to signing a treaty on a World Parliament, a civil society campaign for a World Parliament gains legitimacy and chances of success with every single individual supporting it. This argument can also be used to work against wide-spread pessimism of global democracy activists. The collection of enough individual supporters is difficult enough, however, it is already a sufficient condition for the realization of the project and is therefore a concrete and realistic program of implementation.

Conclusion

1. The global democratic deficit is one of the main problems of international politics.
2. The creation of a World Parliament would be an important step to solve this problem.
3. The four scenarios of Strauss (2005) to create a World Parliament (amendment of the UN Charter, a subsidiary organ of the UN General Assembly, elections organized by civil society, and an interstate treaty process) are all desirable.
4. Elections organized by civil society possess the best possibility of success.
5. This possibility of success can be additionally increased if the process starts with a provisional electronic parliament on the internet.
6. A provisional electronic World Parliament on the internet should give its electors the possibility to change any aspect (content, procedures, representatives) at any time, if there is enough support for a proposal based on “one person, one vote”.
7. A provisional electronic World Parliament on the internet should give its electors the possibility to decide on how far they want to influence the decision-making process directly and in how far they want to delegate their vote to representatives.
8. A provisional electronic World Parliament on the internet should from the very beginning, even with little support, claim to be a model for a global institution, but it should be clear in every phase of the project that representation and legitimacy in a narrow sense can only be claimed for the participants of the project.
9. A provisional electronic World Parliament on the internet should form the very beginning, even with little support, try to influence real political processes.
10. The campaign for the creation of a World Parliament depends to a large degree on the number of individual supporters. It should therefore focus on this aspect.

ENDING MILITARISM

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The early years of the 21st century have already been desecrated by the twin curses of unrestrained militarism and unregulated capitalism. Both within the US and around the world the wealth of nations and the needs of billions of people have been squandered by a small cadre of transnational capitalist elites dedicated to the perpetuation of their own hegemony, primacy, and lust for domination. These elites are largely centered in the military-industrial complex, Wall Street, and an economic model based on fraud, unsustainable consumption, and unrestrained greed. This deadly combination created two wars. The first was a so-called “war on terrorism” that shredded the US Constitution at home and international law abroad. The war is also an economic war---which is to say that it is a class war against the poor and middle-classes of the globe. What both of these wars have in common is an ideological fixation upon and commitment to a form of hegemony based upon militarism and a strategy of war without end.

With regard to the first war, the Bush-II administration fostered legal and strategic illusions about the right of the United States to engage in preemptive war, ignore the Geneva Convention with respect to prohibitions against torture, and to contemplate further wars of aggression against those nation-states who refused to surrender their resources, wealth, and rights to the hegemonic dictates of the US primacy coalition.. Despite the international law principles of sovereignty and self-determination, a series of state-sponsored lies led to the US invasion of Iraq in 2003 and a subsequent occupation that is now only scheduled to end sometime in 2011.

With regard to the second war, the Bush-II administration's ultimate allegiance was to reward its small cadre of capitalist friends and alliances who worship at the altar of monopoly capitalism, a neo-liberal creed of privatization which discards government as the protector of the people, and ultimately rewards an elite minority at the expense of the democratic aspirations of the world's majority. Instead of democratic accountability, transparency, and a regulatory framework dedicated to the common good, the practice and ideology of privatization has reigned supreme. Certainly the private contractors and corporations that invaded Iraq since 2003 have been primary beneficiaries. Halliburton enjoyed the benefits, which flowed from

no-bid contracts with the Pentagon while private security forces, such as Blackwater, murdered innocent Iraqi civilians under the ideological guise of an alleged war on terrorism.

These two wars are interconnected and complement one another. Trapped in an outdated Cold War mindset, the US continued to forge alliances with dictators who do not share its pronounced values of freedom and democracy. By the early twenty-first century the Bush-II administration was once again backing authoritarian regimes that oppress their people and plunder resources. All of this has been conducted in the name of global stability and the war on terror. Yet, the reality is that partnering with dictators can produce perverse disincentives for those regimes to govern for prosperity, resulting in corruption, economic failure, and instability.

By 2001 the Bush-II administration had made the transition to a unilateral military and economic policy in the global economy. It took a little over twenty years for that transition to be made. Under the pressure of events and newly emerging socioeconomic forces, it is now clear that the Reagan administration began to slowly recombine domestic state policy in order to confront the more internationalized global economy of the 1980s. This meant that an increase in the scope and nature of military spending would be the end product. It would be a *functional militarism* where the new policy would underscore and underwrite the functionality of military spending as a means of reasserting US hegemony.

In the 1980s the Chicago School of economic thought became the dominant paradigm for US economic thought and policy among those who lorded over the Washington establishment. The neo-liberal leader of this economic philosophy was Milton Friedman. He persistently called for the dismantling of the welfare state based upon the obsolete premise that *laissez faire* liberalism can foster expansion within the context of late capitalism. Hence, the leaders of the US primacy coalition were forced to develop a new consensus to respond to this challenge. They would now emphasize precision-guided weapons and simpler and less costly, and more versatile weapons---that is, *functional militarism*. This was the most recent incarnation of modern militarism---the idea of a perpetual armed peace and an occasional shooting war. In other words, it would become a war without end.

Despite the assumption of many international relations scholars, pundits, and state managers, the US has not and will not be able to sustain its hegemony through military means or through threatening future wars against nation-states such as Iran and North Korea. By 2008 it had become clear the three requirements for sustaining US hegemony were in the process of collapsing. America's hegemony would never be able to regain its once imperial splendor.

The three main elements of a functional US hegemony are: (1) consent, (2) a strong

and global military presence, and (3) a vibrant economy to sustain its hegemonic status. Since late 2008 the US economy has moved into rapid decline and is stuck in what appears to be a seemingly irreversible crisis. It can no longer afford to sustain its over 800 military bases around the globe in order to enforce its hegemony through force and military means of coercion.

ALTERNATIVE MODELS TO US HEGEMONY & MILITARISM

There are other alternatives to the US hegemonic project and its ideological assumptions. In this regard, one political science scholar, Yong Wook Lee, has written of “the Japanese challenge”. By this term he means to convey the notion that an entire set of Japanese foreign economic policies at the bilateral, regional, and global levels have been in place since the 1980s in order to promote a state-led alternative model of economic development. This is diametrically opposite of US efforts at maintaining a neo-liberal economic model of privatizing the world economy through economic coercion and military force. In Lee's assessment: “The Japanese challenge is aimed at undermining US-led neo-liberal attempts to delegitimize the role of the state in economic development through promulgation of the universal validity of the magic of the marketplace.”

Japanese development economists have effectively dismissed the neo-liberal evocation of the “magic of the market” because it is a “hijacking” of the very history of the world economy. The history of the world economy actually shows the centrality and relevance of the role of the state in economic development. To argue otherwise is seen as dysfunctional and ahistorical. It is for this reason that Lee concludes: “What is truly normal or universal is the proven validity of state-led development across time and space.” According to Lee, this means that “Japanese development economists believe that the 'appropriate' development strategy differs fundamentally from one country to another and from one stage of development to another.” Thus, Japanese development economists reject generalization at the level of individual policy measures. What this means is that literally thousands of other policies “cannot be ascertained in the abstract. They are good or bad depending on the particular situation of the country in question.” With this in mind, Lee concludes that: “Careful diagnosis is needed before treatment. The same medicine can cure or kill, depending on the condition of the patient.”

Failing to see or to acknowledge this basic historical reality we find that American triumphalism, its ideology of exceptionalism, and its proclivity to “make the world safe for democracy” has effectively alienated its stated national purpose and foreign policy from the rest of the world. In the meantime, because of this wrong pursuit, the Pentagon budget has exploded into the range of \$1-trillion dollars a year. As of 2008, it has been calculated that the associated total costs of the Iraq War alone would come to over \$3-trillion dollars.

Since World War II, Japan has become not only a model producer of high-tech consumer goods, but also---despite minimal spending on defense---a leader in innovative technology with both military and civilian uses. In the US, nearly one in every three scientists and engineers was engaged in defense-related research and development at the end of the Cold War. Yet, for all of this expenditure of treasure and wealth in the name of security and stability, the relative strength of the US economy has continued to decline. So, we must ask: What is the relationship between what has happened in the two countries? And where did Japan's technological excellence come from? Scholars such as Richard Samuels have concluded that the key to Japan's success is in an ideology of technological development that advances national interests.

Only under President Barack Obama has the US undertaken such a course with a stimulus package that has specifically targeted investments in green technology, rebuilding roads and bridges, investing in mass public transit, as well as investments in alternative fuels and electric cars to remove the US from its dependency on foreign oil. The point of this entire discussion is to show that after 1945 Japan consciously subordinated defense production and, in so doing, emerged as one of the most technologically sophisticated countries on earth. In examining the tradeoffs between butter and guns, it is historically true and apparent that nations cannot hope to be strong without an ideology of technological development that nourishes the entire national economy. Militarism will not do that. Rather, endless investment in the preparation and planning for war will more than likely deplete the entire society, leave the world less secure, and the danger of needless wars more likely.

In place of the paradigms of the past it is now essential that the ebbing tides of Anglo-American hegemony teach the architects of war that war can no longer buy security at home or domination abroad. Rather, consensus and cooperation must become the guiding strategies of this emerging Post-Hegemonic Era or, in the alternative there will be a catastrophic collapse of human civilization itself under the simultaneous curse of war, global warming, an endless dependence on fossil fuels, the struggle for water and the ravages of drought. In this regard, it is at least encouraging that regions and nations on every continent have begun to forge cooperative ties and build new avenues for constructing forms of a new structure of economic engagement that are the first steps toward the realization of a Post-Hegemonic future.

CHINA REJECTS HEGEMONISM & EMBRACES A “PEACEFUL RISE”

The maturation of South-South relationships and commerce between Africa, China, and India is just another example of emerging global trends toward the counterbalancing of efforts of various states to the intrusions of US hegemony. The evolving history of this counterbalancing evidence can be seen in many interactions over the recent years between Africa and China. For example, in November 2006, China invited forty-two African heads of state to Beijing for an Afro-Chinese

summit. At that event, China signed trade deals worth \$1.9-billion with ten African nations. At the summit, Chinese premier Wen Jiabao told the African leaders that the Asian economic giant had ambitions to more than double its bilateral trade with Africa, to \$100-billion dollars by 2010. The direction of these geopolitical trends indicates that the decline of America's global economic influence, power, and hegemony has already begun.

By framing its concept of anti-hegemony in terms of its own foreign policy outreach to the rest of the global South, it can be asserted that the developing world has remained important in Beijing's thinking and has been seen as a possible “third force” independent of any major powers. It is important to understand the nuances of China's foreign policy with regard to hegemonism and its self-perception as a “third force”, both as a concept and also as a foreign policy position. In this critical regard, Chinese opposition to US policies in Taiwan and South Korea has been part of its worldwide opposition to American imperialism. In conjunction with its opposition to the goals of the American primacy coalition, China's trade with the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) should be understood as an example of South-South cooperation in the face of an unfair international trading regime.

A STRATEGY OF PEACE THROUGH A “COMMONALITY OF INTERESTS”

In my new book, **The Future of Global Relations: Crumbling Walls, Rising Regions** (which was released on 30th July 2009 at the Peace Conference in Huntsville, Alabama at which Dr. Leo Rebello spoke), I specifically address the need to engage in a rethinking of the concept of “human security” in a Post-Hegemonic Era. A new nontraditional security agenda is in the process of becoming the hallmark of change throughout Asia. New forms of cooperation are being developed that are seen as making possible a less conflict-prone future by transcending the traditional realist approach and instead embracing the basic principles outlined in the UN Charter and Treaty of Amity and Cooperation in Southeast Asia (TACSA). The treaty's goal is “to promote perpetual peace, everlasting amity and cooperation.” In reaching these goals, the treaty stipulates that relations between members should be guided by six principles:

1. Mutual respect for the independence, sovereignty, equality, territorial integrity and national identity of all nations.
2. The right of every state to lead its national existence free from external interference, subversion, or coercion.
3. Noninterference in the internal affairs of one another.
4. Settlement of differences or disputes by peaceful means.
5. Renunciation of the threat or use of force.
6. Effective cooperation among themselves.

These six principles sum up much of what I believe can and should be a global

strategy of peace among all nations and regions. This is especially vital in an age where the crumbling walls of US hegemony are giving way to a world of rising regions. On every continent, from Asia to Africa, from Europe to the Middle East, from Russia to India, from North America to Latin America, people and nations are becoming more open to a strategy of peace through discovering a “commonality of interests” and the value of mutual cooperation as not merely a political program but a strategy for human survival.

Japan is a leading force in this endeavor. Japan has not been averse to deploying its anti-paradigmatic leadership in such forums of international finance and development policy as the G-7, ASEAN, and Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC). Japan's policy toward APEC's Osaka meeting offers an important illustration of Japan's leadership in the politics of economic development in alliance with other Asian countries. The Osaka meeting brought into stark relief the reality that US hegemony is in decline when Yoshiro Sakamoto, vice-minister of international affairs at MITI, argued that “Japan should keep step with the rest of Asia by agreeing only to those US proposals that are acceptable to the whole of Asia.”

In this regard, Sakamoto's words reverberate with the historic utterances of Mahatma Gandhi who asked his listeners: “Do we first want to copy the Western nations and then in the dim and distant future after having gone through the agony retrace our steps? Or do we want to strike out on an original path and thereby win and assert our freedom?” That is the question that remains before all of us today. And the answer to that question will determine whether we place the human future on the crumbling walls of US hegemony, or whether we will grasp those new expressions of freedom that are to be found in a multi-centric world of regional orders dedicated to mutual cooperation, the maintenance of global peace, and adherence to the rule of law.

Ironically, it was President John F. Kennedy who supplied the answer on June 10, 1963 in a speech at American University. Kennedy stated: “Genuine peace must be the product of many nations, the sum of many acts. It must be dynamic, not static, changing to meet the challenge of each new generation. For peace is a process---a way of solving problems.” On this point, Kennedy could not have been more correct. His visionary answer serves to explain how the 21st century's search for peace will be worked out in a world of regions, with different agendas, but with a common aspiration---the aspiration of the ages of humankind to live free from domination, in a world where cooperation and peace combine to create the living reality of freedom.

SWORD OF PEACE

- Dan Meyer

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War is brutal. War is violent. How can Swords equal Peace? How can Guns equal safety?

Swords are made of metal, steel, blade, hilt and sharp edge. They are instruments of brutality and violence, death and destruction, annihilation and retaliation.

Let's look at what a few world leaders have said about swords.

Jesus Christ, Prince of Peace, said: *“Blessed are the Peace Makers.”* In the Garden of Gethsemane, when the soldiers attacked Jesus and his disciples, Peter took out his sword and cut the ear off a soldier. Jesus said to Peter, "Put away your sword. He who lives by the sword dies by the sword".

Over the years, I've learned that inanimate weapons such as swords don't cut you or hurt you on their own. As someone rightly said, *“It is not guns that kill people, it is people who kill people”*. Let's take a look at that logic.

It is **not** the **sword** that kills,
It's the **arm** that wields the blow.
It's not the **arm** that kills,
It's the **brain** that moves the arm.
It's not the **brain** that kills,
It's the **heart** that moves the brain.
It's the **heart** clouded by evil thoughts that kills
Sword is merely an inanimate object.

"Reckless words pierce like a sword" -Proverbs 12:18
“The tongue is more to be feared than the sword” -Japanese Proverb
"The pen is mightier than the sword" -Robert Bulwer-Lytton

So it's not really the Sword that kills, but it's the Word that moves the sword. It is not the Gun that kills, it is the person who loads the gun and pulls the trigger that kills.

*Swords can slash
And swords can stab
And swords can pierce to the heart*

*Some wield words like weapons
Some brandish their tongues
Their words cutting deeper than steel
Yes words can be used
to wage wars that kill
And words can be used to heal*

*Words can slash
And words can stab
And words can pierce the heart*

*Words bestow honor
And words instill pride
And words can be crafted as art
Words stir up passion
And words instill pain
...And words can tear lives apart
But a sharp sword
is better left unsheathed
A sharp word left unspoken*

*Swords fight battles...
And words wage war
But someday wars will cease
Instead of waging a sort of war
We must work for peace*

*Words can be kept,
They can be withdrawn
They can be even be twisted or broken*

*But a sharp sword
is better left unsheathed
A sharp word left.....*



Napoleon Bonaparte was known for living by the sword. But I think Napoleon said it best when he said, "There are only two forces in the world, the Sword and the Spirit. In the long run, the Sword will always be conquered by the Spirit".

So it is not the Sword that wins out, but in the end, it will be the Spirit... In the long run, it is the invincible Human Spirit, the Spirit of the People that will triumph over the Sword. And we shall have a World without Wars.

Mahatma Gandhi was less than 5' tall, weighing only 100 lbs/40 kilos, but he got great things done. He used Words coupled with the power of the invincible Human Spirit using Actions. Gandhi learned that his greatest Weapons were non-violence and non-cooperation in adverse situation.

After India achieved independence from England in 1947, Gandhi went to London, and ironically, the Fighter without a Sword, was welcomed, praised and honored as a War Hero by the nation he had achieved independence from, even though there were no casualties in this war. This 'war hero' outlook has to change because killing people is not heroic..

In the 1950s, Dr. Martin Luther King, vigorously studied Gandhi's writings on using non-violent methods. In 1955, Martin Luther King said, "Christ gave us the goals and Mahatma Gandhi the tactics."

True Peace comes from People going beyond tolerance to engaging, accepting, cooperating, and embracing each other War is Weapons. Peace is People. War is about Separating People. Peace is about Bringing People Together.

Sword swallowing is a cultural tradition that has for thousands of years inspired people with the thought that it is possible to think beyond the limits of the obvious and do the impossible. “Impossible” as Dr. Leo Rebello said is “I'm possible”.

Jesus did that, Gandhi did that, Martin Luther King did that, and my uncle Armin did that They all put their Words into Action and put their Lives on the Line..So, until nations never again lift up swords against nations and never learn war anymore, we will need peacemakers. Peace will dawn when different leaders from different countries, different faith, different colour

Pull
Equally
Altogether in a
Cooperative
Effort

HUMAN RIGHTS

An incisive analysis of: what has been achieved; what needs to be achieved.

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"Man was born free, and yet everywhere he is in chains" this profound quote from Jean Jacques Rousseau sums up the issue of Human Rights so profoundly.

It was in 1948 that the UN Declaration on Human Rights was adopted in Paris and, ever since, 10th December is being celebrated as Human Rights Day. In all these years, inspite of UN handicap (the biggest criticism of UN is that it has become a doormat of US, and saddled with rampant corruption) some issues have been resolved. The milestones are :-

1) Awareness of the rights and conditions of indigenous and tribal populations.

However, inspite of tremendous technological progress, Indians of North America, Tribals of India, Chakmas of Bangla Desh, the Aborigines of Australia, Maoris of New Zealand, Hilly Tribes and Nomadic Tribes remain where they were. Worst affected are the Nomadic tribes (Gypsies) because they do not feature in the Census, many do not even have an identity and some are even labelled as criminals (like *Phase-Pardhis* in India). But on a closer look, this Gypsy-spirit has kept the inherent human nature intact. Being close to nature, they live simply, and consequently they are the most evolved people. Nomadic Tribes do not hoard, they do not talk of Lifeboat Ethics (like a selfish American who consumes equivalent of 50 persons from the third world countries), they have no aspirations to colonise the Moon or Mars, and they do not invade any territory -- infact we need to learn from them to prefer Freedom to Death.

2) Torture remains the major issue in normal times, in war-torn areas, in terrorist infested parts of the world. Inspite of several human rights resolutions, conventions, laws, courts that is the biggest blot on Humanism. It is a shame, that the Police and Army of even the so-called civilised countries do "research and experiments" on how to torture people without leaving tell-tale marks so that the perpetrators like the CIA, KGB, Mosad and their counter parts in other parts of the world can save their skin. Torture in Guantnamo prison has attracted the world attention to the sordid goings-on there. But the mad men care a damn about world opinion.

3) Death Penalty -- this grotesque practice has been banned in about 130 countries, but it is still being practiced in some 70 countries. India is one of them. In that

decadent country called the USA, electric chair has been replaced by lethal injection. Encounter Deaths is an illegal extension of that same sick psyche. The condition of death row prisoners is another issue. They are dumped in solitary confinement, food is denied to them, they are beaten up, medical aid is rare to come by, family members are not allowed to meet them.

4) Conscientious objection to military service. Compulsory military service (or conscription) is still being practiced in US, UK, Israel and other so-called democratic countries. The first principle of democracy is informed choice and the Right to Say No. When young people are drafted into a compulsory military service, the entire future generation is programmed into "controlled populace" to legitimise that which is inherently wrong -- to keep the arms and armies going, which have created more problems.

5) Child Soldiers -- if compulsory military service is unnecessary, drafting children and women into killing fields is morally decadent. But religious bigots, the minorities who feel insecure, the terrorists, the secessionists and even some revolutionary armies draft child soldiers "to defend" their "just cause"(read insanity). This is worse than the Child labour, because you are denying the child to grow naturally, play, love, trust, feel secure and safe. The children growing with mistrust will naturally be deviant or criminal, unless they evolve later spiritually.

6) The Right to Housing is as important as the Right to Food, the Right to Clothing, because it is a component of Right to Life. But when slums are razed by bulldozers without providing alternative accommodation, when basic amenities are not provided to slums, when women have to wait for the darkness of the night to defecate because there are no toilets, when there is no drinking water, and majority of people live in that condition, then what progress or development paradigm are we talking of.

7) The Right to Religion and Belief - is a negative right. It is a double-edged weapon. Though we must eliminate all forms of intolerance and respect beliefs of others, willy-nilly, we agree to several practices which are not evolutionary. For example, Indian women working in Iran Air office in Bombay, have to wear burqa. In other words, writ of Iran's backward Mullas runs in progressive India, while our secular Govt. and women's organisations look the other way in the name of tolerance. Many religious dogmas and practices enslave people leading to clash of civilisation. Castes, which have now become so rigid, because we have "recognised" them, themselves, become an instrument of tyranny. Practices like menstruating women not allowed to enter temples is unreasonable, that widows cannot marry or they should shave their heads and wear white clothes, or people belonging to scheduled castes should not draw water from community well (decadent Hindu practices), or women should cover themselves from head to toe and she can be discarded by uttering three insane words talaq, talaq, talaq (Muslim practice) are a shame on 21st Century civilisation.

8) The Rights of Women and their condition is a very important right. Because, women constitute half the population. They nurture the future generation. If the woman is naked, insecure, tormented, hungry, in jail, or has to sell her body to make a living, then it automatically percolates on her progeny.

9) Systematic rape - is rampant in many homes, societies where women are considered as inferior and an object of pleasure and especially in war torn areas where sexually starved soldiers heap untold miseries on the weaker sex. Special Army Acts which give uncanalised powers to the hungry wolves (in protector's attire) make matters worse. Some of these old laws fly in the face of humanity and negate the very resolutions, protocols or international laws that the Govts are signatory to and evolved persons have fought to guarantee equality before law.

10) Human Rights Defenders are always under watch. They are not wanted by those in power, and have to undergo humiliation, threats, false police cases or outright abuse, assault or elimination. So, whistle blowers protection is another issue that has assumed importance.

Hunger and Right to Food should get priority because more than 2/3 of the world population goes hungry, mainly in Africa and India. But it is largely neglected. 20% of food stocked in Indian granaries is wasted; another 15% is eaten or destroyed by rodents, while poor people starve. Ration shops that are meant to provide subsidized food and kerosene to cook the food are centres of extortion for politicians. Families in places such as Rajasthan, replete with Palace Hotels, where foreigners come to frolic and have camel and elephant rides, still have to practice rotating hunger and thousands of children every year die or are blinded by xerophthalmia due to insufficient nutrition. It is a shame that inspite of massive 'development' and modernization, we have not been able to eradicate hunger today. As long as 2% insane capitalists control 98% of the world's wealth, through organisations like World Bank (which is a private bank), WTO-GATT regime, and decisions are controlled at the world bodies like UN with veto power in the hands of conniving five, will human rights ever get priority?

Finally, RIGHT TO HEALTH is one issue that has not been answered at all. On the contrary, the UN or UN bodies have become the stooges of mercenary mafias. WHO is now known as "WHORE" since it makes mercury-laced lethal vaccines compulsory on children of the world. That has given rise to Autism (4 million cases in India alone), Cancers, AIDS, Polio deformities due to Oral Polio Vaccines. WHO has made it mandatory that the AIDS affected people should take Anti-Retrovirals (ARVs), which are known carcinogens. Codex, a sub-committee of WHO, consisting of junior persons like pharmacists, dietitians, so-called consumer activists and allopathic doctors, have now influenced several nations to enact back-door laws prohibiting even natural products like Honey, Garlic extract, Vitamin C, which are

proposed for inclusion as Drugs. Tomorrow the idiots may legislate, "to eat vegetables and fruits you require Doctor's prescription" and later they may say "even a mother cannot feed her baby her milk till the Doctor certifies that her milk is safe", like they do in that mad country called USA, where if you refuse Chemotherapy or Anti-Retroviral Drugs for Cancers and AIDS, you can be jailed.

In India, the Drug and Magic Remedies (Objectionable Advertisement) Act, 1954 prohibits even factual advertisements like "Lasona" (for unclogging blocked coronaries), "Diabetea" (for Diabetes), Medicines for Obesity, etc. or promotion of ageold traditional or natural remedies. Indian herbal formulations for AIDS Cure cannot be advertised; whereas, Glaxo, Pfizer, Novartis can freely advertise (even on television), and make it compulsory the consumption of carcinogenic ARVs for AIDS by creating scare. Likewise, by employing entire state machinery right from the President of India to Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of India, to superstar Amitabh Bachchan and cricketeer Sachin Tendulkar to vouch for Polio Vaccines, of which they know nothing, the pharma mafia has taken control of our lives. We are being assaulted, raped, threatened, fudged, jailed, controlled and destroyed due to wrong laws passed without much thought.

Scientific and technological advances has lead to moral decrepitude. Instead of evolving, Humanity is deteriorating. We may appear civilised outwardly, but inside we are still worse than animals. To evolve spiritually we need to revert to oriental wisdom of Vedas, Yoga, Vegetarianism, Gurukul system of Learning, Simple Living, etc. As Jesus Christ said, "Verily you are the salt of the Earth. If the salt has lost its flavour wherewith shall be salted". Arise, Awake and Act now, for tomorrow the Earth itself may turn into a big graveyard due to the insatiable greed of a few spiritually decadent persons.

HENRY FORD, INDUSTRY GIANT:

"It is screen. At the head of this octopus are the Rockefeller Standard Oil interests and a small group of powerful banking houses generally referred to as international bankers. The little coterie of powerful international bankers virtually run the United States government for their own selfish purposes. They practically control both political parties". – 1922

JOSEPH KENNEDY, U.S. AMBASSADOR, FATHER OF JFK AND RFK:
"Fifty men have run America, and that's a high figure" – 1936

VEDIC VISION FOR MODERN TIMES

- Laj Utreja, Ph.D.



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The great Vedic dictum states, “We are one human family”. However, in this extended family of ours, nearly half of the human family lives in crushing poverty, thousands of children die each day from diseases and starvation, many of our family members are exploits of industrial growth and are innocent victims of our failure to protect the environment, there are many who pay a heavy price of being uprooted from family homes to start afresh due to wars being fought for reasons they have no clue, and then there are others we regard as terrorists. If we do not respond, we would be breaking the cord of human values that make us human. What follows would be a whirlwind of chaos, increasing lawlessness and disorder.

We've created a value system in which it is 'wealth' and not 'care' for the fellow men. Paradoxically, we call ourselves civilized. Our social institutions value wealth as a parameter for success, disregarding sensitivity to the fellow human being. To climb up the social ladder, we lie, cheat and disregard the only virtue that separates us from the lower life forms. And that takes us away from the values that make us human beings.

Human values are the source at the core of our beings. The source being non-physical, non-material, without any attributes and qualities introduces values through *Rita*, the universal order. The order does not delimit importance of one element of manifestation over the other, but provides an avenue for the universe to sustain itself. That order is called *Dharma*. From that order follow the objective laws that govern the physical universe and the subjective laws that govern human beings. All human values follow from the universal order.

Based on *rita* and *dharma*, every religion has a set of core values. Some quote scriptures when they talk about moral values. Others talk about virtues and principles. The truth is simply this, "Human values are not to be gotten through a text, nor can they be supplied by any company as merchandise. Human values are present in us as naturally as our blood and correspondingly, they flow in the human community by way of our conduct with the other person, just as blood flows naturally in our veins.

Then why we don't live in peace among each other and in harmony with nature? Other important questions include why we aren't concerned about: the fast depletion of arable land for growing uncontaminated food; pollution of life-giving water and air; growing ecological problems such as: the reality of global warming, shrinking forests, disappearing wetlands, eroding soil, extinction of many species affecting ecological balance; economy, poverty and increasing wealth gap among the *Haves* and *Have-nots*; and in spite of tremendous advances in science and technology, we live under constant stress of producing and achieving, mental imbalance and physical pain.

Two of the most important factors that compromise our ability to properly and correctly address the issues we face are: the man-made divisions of powerful and the powerless and economics of the global trade. However, unjustified wars, disproportionate wealth-gaps, public health, and fair governance remain other related factors.

The constitutional law is no different from the establishment of *dharma*. However, *dharma* is ensured only when there are provisions in the constitution restraining the exercise of supremacy by any one of the divisions of the government or influence by a segment of society. The only way to prevent the abuse of power is if no ambiguous and independent interpretations of a law are made by any one of the divisions of the government. Otherwise, the government cannot ensure equal protection to the subjects without discrimination. The only way to ensure that a nation will not polarize into the *Haves* and the *Have-nots* is if the government protects the laws and conforms to the laws as well. It is possible if *dharma* is the supreme law of the state and there is one law for all the elected leaders and the subjects alike.

The global trade, for example, has resulted in polarizing the trading countries into the rich and the poor, and increasing the gap bigger than before. Local economies are being destroyed in favor of business giants with access to capital for mass production. *Dharma* enters into the global trade through *Vaishya dharma* (duties and responsibilities for the trading class) that sets the terms for the highest good for all trading partners. *Vaishya dharma* calls for appropriate policies (rules and regulations for trade including banking and lending; taxes, customs and tariffs, etc).

Law and order, duty, righteous conduct, religious principles, engagement and enjoyment in religion, the code of ethics, justice, compassion, truthfulness, discipline, social merit, cleanliness, and one's natural occupation all comprise *dharma* in space-time continuum. Dynamics of *Dharma* is always in tune with the social pulse and offers a conscious choice for an individual to live in harmony with the rest of the environment. Therefore, in the today's polarized world of the *Haves* and *Have-nots*, and the powerful and powerless, while we must share our resources in global trade to fulfill our common need for food, water and energy, *dharma* offers the

single most effective choice for global peace and a sustainable society by ingraining in us to cut selfishness and teaching us not to plunder.

The Vedic tradition is also called *Sanaatana Dharma* (the eternal precept). It offers practical solutions to different family traditions, business transactions and trade practices, under all social and political conditions. *Sanatana Dharma* provides *aachaar* and *vyavahaar* during the human endeavors for *artha* (security) and *kaama* (pleasure) in the conduct of governance and rule, law and order, education, business, trade, science, philosophy, law, agriculture, performing arts, and other orders of society. *Sanatana Dharma* provides human beings the techniques of the 'Right Attitude' and the 'Right Action' to achieve continued preservation and growth.

The most plausible solution to develop the 'right attitude' and perform the 'right action' for social, political and economic injustice is through education in 'yoga.' And it must start from children. Children must be given necessary education for developing their physical and mental health and the teaching of human values. They must be provided factual information on the society and the environment to help develop sensitivity for the other human beings and the environment. This way we can restore the moral fiber of society.

The word *Yoga* is derived from *yuj*, meaning to join the individual soul with the universal soul. Only 'yoga' can bring about total transformation at all levels of human existence. Yoga affords us to have physical health, mental balance and spiritual coherence so that we can create fair governance free from conflicts and wars.

We live in a world of fragmented perspectives in which we divide the whole into parts, analyze each part to its minutest details and rationalize, and in the process we move away from the whole, the very source. Yoga makes one realize that irrespective of our race, faith, culture, gender or national origin, all of us want to avoid pain, suffering and sorrow and attain a state of everlasting joy, the state of bliss. The state of bliss is to be found when we are complete in ourselves with no demand. The sages of yore discovered that the ultimate aim of life was to attain perfection (in any endeavor including governance or social life). This discovery was later systematized into a series of practices that lead us from untruth to truth, from ignorance to light, and from death and mortality to immortality. Yoga is the practical method of attaining this state of bliss.

The Vedic tradition was not meant for one community or one country, but for the whole humankind. That is why it was a universal civilization concerned with the good of humanity at large. We can still avoid future individual, societal and global suffering through the moral and ethical purity of our present actions. Practice of yoga can help eliminate all social ills and create a system of good governance, a society with good health and without poverty, and a world free of conflicts.

There is no better way to live a quality life without disease than that offered by the principles of *Ayurveda* and *Patanjali's Ashtanga Yoga*. *Ayurveda* (the science of life) is the world's oldest, most perfect and most comprehensive system of natural medicine. It is a preventive system of restoring health, and promoting longevity by preserving the body's natural state and building the body's defenses against disease and other external ingested and internally produced toxins. In addition, *Patanjali Ashtanga Yoga* is a guide for living the right life through its eight limbs.

Patanjali Yoga offers moral and ethical development through five orders of *Yama* (moral principles) and five disciplines of *Niyama* (codes of conduct). The remaining limbs are: *Asana* (postures for physical health), *Pranayama* (breathing exercises for eliminating mental disturbance), *Pratyahara* (practice of sense withdrawal for discouraging greed and lust), *Dharana* (concentration to achieve goals), *Dhyana* (meditation for spiritual awareness) and *Samadhi* (for realizing the truth).

There are no prescriptive ways to eliminate poverty in the Vedas. However, an old adage from the Vedas states that serving the poor is the true service to God. Many *mantras* in the Vedas focus on welfare, prosperity, and sharing and the environment. The Vedas also insist on proper distribution of wealth and therefore take care of the social obligations. The following are selected quotes from the Vedas:

Maximize your wealth so that you can take care of those dependent on you. (*Taittiriya Upanishad* iii-9). The rich have to satisfy the needs of the poor. (*Rig Veda Samhita* x-117-5). Give charity in plenty with utmost faith and humility. (*Taittiriya Upanishad* i-11). Wealth earned by 100 hands has to be distributed to 1,000 hands. (*Atharva Veda Samhita* iii-24-5).

If the above is strictly adhered to, poverty can be eradicated by implementing measures, such as availability of free education, affordable housing, and public labor positions; fair minimum wage, curbing corruption, equal and fair taxation, cutting down on conspicuous consumption, no drug dependence, equal distribution of wealth, etc.

Vedic Perspective on Good Governance: The human society at large comprises human beings with diverse physical attributes, natures and skills and with disparity in their social and economical status. Consequently, the need for peaceful coexistence and living in harmony existed since beginning. According to *Sanaatana Dharma* the highest state of society to live in harmony, all must live in *dharma* (order): “There existed no state, no king, no criminal and no penalty. All protected one another by virtue of *dharma*”.

Good governance is assured when the nation and not the partisan interests are considered for discussion, legislation and execution. And that calls for a single party

with the main goal of affording 'one law for all' to provide for the health, education and welfare of all citizens who contribute based on their natural talents, education and acquired skills. Good governance also assures that ecology and the environment are protected in all business activities and trade. Good governance must also provide for the defense of humanity and not boundaries. In such a governance, as Dr. Leo Rebello, President of World Constitution and Parliament Association, says, “There will be no military and arms of destruction, but only civilized police to uphold law and order, impart justice and maintain peace”. In the ultimate sense, a world without national conflicts or wars.

Vedas teach us to give up malice and hatred. *Rig Veda*: VI 10.7. May we not hate any one! *Atharva Veda*: XII 1.24. It is the most heinous sin to slay the innocent. *Atharva Veda*: X 1.29. O Lord, firm and resolute, make me firm; May all look at me with friendly eye. May I look at all with friendly eye; May all look at one another with friendly eye. *Yajur Veda*: 36,18. Beliefs, attitudes and actions interact to produce peace or violence. The *Brihadaranyaka Upanishad* (ii, 6; iv, 4) reads, “Here they say that a person consists of desires. And as is his desire, so is his will. And as is his will, so is his deed; and whatever deed he does, that he will reap”. Every belief creates certain attitudes. Those attitudes govern all of our actions. Man's actions can thus be traced to his inmost beliefs about himself and about the world around him. If those beliefs are erroneous, his actions will not be in tune with the *Sanaatana Dharma*.

We see us all as one global family.



NAMASTE

The Indian greeting *Namaste* or *Namastute* (with folded hands) means I bow to the God/goodness within you. This greeting is better than a handshake, a hug, or nose rubbing or cheek kiss.

In *Namaste*, you remind even a corrupt, communal or criminal person coming before you that he can attain divinity. In the western method of handshake, one leaves one's markers on others. And in these days of Swine Flu, I do not think nose rubbing or cheek kissing is advisable. – **Dr. Leo Rebello**

SCIENCE AND SPIRITUALISM

Text of Dr. Leo Rebello's speech delivered on December 9, 2004 at the Awards function of the Science Exhibition of Schools in North Bombay. The audience consisted of 1518 participating students, 230 teachers, parents, officials, TV actress Nikki Aneja Walia and mediamen.

Dear Students, Parents, Teachers and Guests:

I have been asked to give comments on behalf of the 35 Judges and I consider this as an opportunity to guide the students, teachers and their parents in the right direction.

Earlier the Science Exhibition used to be a show put up by rich schools. Hence, I never accepted the invitation to be a judge. This year I accepted it because for the first time Municipal schools are participating along with elite schools. These poor students struggle against heavy odds to succeed in life. Through these exhibitions the scientific attitude will now percolate to the grassroots helping our nation to develop further.

My observations as a Judge

Science devoid of Humanism is 'faceless science', like Modern Medicine is 'pseudo science'. Science without discretion and discernment becomes decadent. Scientists should also be poets at heart because like the Marathi saying goes *Je na dekhe Ravi, te dekhe Kavi*. That which the Sun cannot see, the Poet sees. That means we need to look at the whole rather than a part.

Science should be safe. If scientists lose their conscience and conspire with criminals, soon we will have Humanzee (a chimpanzee with human brain) amongst us, due to experiments called *Chimeras*. A Humanzee may be able to speak and dress like a human being, but will jump on the trees if he sees a female mate and be used like a slave by injecting them with hypnotics and programming them to kill people as army recruits. Therefore science devoid of spiritualism becomes a tool for downfall rather than evolution.

Youth and teachers are expected to be intelligent and alert, not postmen of mediocrity. To have a scientific attitude is to have an open mind. Not rote learning. Another qualification of a true scientist is honesty borne out of conviction.

Frankly, I was sorely disappointed by many exhibits, devoid of creativity, window-dressed as it would seem to win the prizes rather than apply the mind. It was routine. There was no originality. No new ideas. To the best part of our ignorance that we arrange and classify, we give the name "Knowledge". What the budding scientists have to understand is that science is not uni-dimensional. Everything has got minimum two sides. For example in the AIDS section we had 39 entries. But all

saying the same thing without even verifying whether what they were presenting was fact or fiction. To say that HIV causes AIDS and you will die unless you take ARVs or use condoms, is repeating like a parrot that has been trained to say "Good night" when it is "Good morning". Polly cannot use his brain, and he has limited vocabulary.

Every scientist must remember and ask six questions: who, what, when, where, why and how? Unless you ask these six questions you will not learn anything let alone be a scientist. Incidentally, remember that AIDS is not caused by HIV but by drugs. Elisa, Western Blot or CD4 count tests are all positively programmed and the condom only protects 60% of the organ. Remember that AIDS is a racket. Do not join the bandwagon and be led blindly to accept the lies.

I recently read in the newspapers that the Health Minister of Karnataka has mooted the idea of distributing condoms through school students. This I call condomised education, which will lead to condom ethics, condom morals, condom culture, condom history and condomed civilisation.

If this madness goes on there may come a time, when mothers will tell their daughters to bring a box of condoms, "some for you, some for me", like some irresponsible fathers send their sons to buy cigarettes or beer or liquor and have parties in the presence of their growing children. As a physician with 25 years of clinical, teaching and research experience, let me tell you that 95% of diseases are caused and cured by diet. Many dishes, many diseases.

For next year's exhibition, I throw up some ideas:

- 1.. Is Refrigerated food safe? Or is it akin to eating from the garbage bin?
- 2.. Are microwaves death machines?
- 3.. Do cell phones cook up the brain?
- 4.. Do the vaccines we give to tiny tots mutate human bodies creating more deadly diseases? One of the hypotheses is that AIDS is due to overuse of vaccines and deadly drugs. In fact, that is the only known cause of AIDS according to me.
- 5.. Why are veggie vaccines, urine vaccines, homeopathic vaccines not tried?
- 6.. Can food be processed from garbage?
- 7.. Can phytoplankton or algae in the sea be used to purify the air quality?
- 8.. Internet is the greatest revolution and resource of our times. Use it wisely, because information is not knowledge and knowledge is not wisdom.
- 9.. Also remember NOT to use plastic, thermocol, corrosive chemicals in your science exhibition next year.

Everything in the Science Exhibition should be Eco and Environment friendly, and safety of our students should be uppermost in our minds. Economy and less garbage from these science exhibitions, and creating a science museum of some of the award winning exhibits is another suggestion that I would like to give you.

THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANK IS A PRIVATE COMPANY

<http://unslaver.com/forum/index.php?topic=647.new#new>

Dr. Leo Rebello's note: Alexander Hamilton, the first Secretary of Treasury, started a movement advocating the creation of a central bank. Following this movement the First Bank of the United States was established in 1791 in Philadelphia and branches in other major cities. The Bank performed the basic banking functions of accepting deposits, issuing bank notes, making loans and purchasing securities. These twelve regional banks are organized much like private corporations.

The following in-depth report was received by me in 2005. You may ask what has this got to do with World without Wars. Well, this shows how a private bank fleeces and controls the world's people. It is an Economic War to subjugate people through unending debt burden.

Dear American: Pursuant to your request, I will attempt to clear up questions you have about the Federal Reserve Bank (FED). I spent much time researching the FED and these are the shocking and revealing conclusions.

THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANK IS A PRIVATE COMPANY.

Article 1, Section 8 of the Constitution states that Congress shall have the power to coin (create) money and regulate the value thereof. Today however, the FED, which is a privately owned company, controls and profits by printing money through the Treasury, and regulating its value.

The FED began with approximately 300 people or banks that became owners (stockholders purchasing stock at \$100 per share - the stock is not publicly traded) in the Federal Reserve Banking System. They make up an international banking cartel of wealth beyond comparison (Ref. 1, 14). The FED banking system collects billions of dollars (Ref. 8, 17) in interest annually and distributes the profits to its shareholders. The Congress illegally gave the FED the right to print money (through the Treasury) at no interest to the FED. The FED creates money from nothing, and loans it back to us through banks, and charges interest on our currency. The FED also buys Government debt with money printed on a printing press and charges US taxpayers interest. Many Congressmen and Presidents say this is fraud (Ref. 1,2,3,5,17).

Who actually owns the Federal Reserve Central Banks? The ownership of the 12 Central banks, a very well kept secret, has been revealed: (a) Rothschild Bank of London. (b) Warburg Bank of Hamburg. (c) Rothschild Bank of Berlin. (d) Lehman Brothers of New York. (e) Lazard Brothers of Paris. (f) Kuhn Loeb Bank of New York. (g) Israel Moses Seif Banks of Italy. (h) Goldman, Sachs of New York. (i) Warburg Bank of Amsterdam. (j) Chase Manhattan Bank of New York. (Ref. 14, P. 13, Ref 12, P 152)

These bankers are connected to London Banking Houses which ultimately control the FED. When England lost the Revolutionary War with America (our forefathers were fighting their own government), they planned to control us by controlling our banking system, the printing of our money, and our debt (Ref. 4, 22).

The individuals listed below owned banks, which in turn owned shares in the FED. The banks listed below have significant control over the New York FED District, which controls the other 11 FED Districts. These banks also are partly foreign owned and control the New York FED District Bank. (Ref. 22)

(a) First National Bank of New York. (b) James Stillman National City Bank, New York. (c) Mary W. Harnman. (d) National Bank of Commerce, New York. (e) A.D. Juillard. (f) Hanover National Bank, New York. (g) Jacob Schiff. (h) Chase National Bank, New York. (i) Thomas F. Ryan. (j) Paul Warburg. (k) William Rockefeller. (l) Levi P. Morton. (m) M.T. Pyne. (n) George F. Baker. (o) Percy Pyne. (p) Mrs. G.F. St. George. (q) J.W. Sterling. (r) Katherine St. George. (s) H.P. Davidson. (t) J.P. Morgan (Equitable Life/Mutual Life). (u) Edith Brevour T. Baker. (Ref. 4 for above, Ref. 22 has details, P. 92, 93, 96, 179)

How did it happen? After previous attempts to push the Federal Reserve Act through Congress, a group of bankers funded and staffed Woodrow Wilson's campaign for President. He had committed to sign this act. In 1913, a Senator, Nelson Aldrich, maternal grandfather to the Rockefellers, pushed the Federal Reserve Act through Congress just before Christmas when much of Congress was on vacation (Ref. 3, 4, 5). When elected, Wilson passed the FED. Later, Wilson remorsefully replied (referring to the FED), "I have unwittingly ruined my country" (Ref. 17, P. 31).

Now the banks financially back sympathetic candidates. Not surprisingly, most of these candidates are elected (Reference 1, P. 208-210, Reference 12, P. 235, Reference 14, P. 36). The bankers employ members of the Congress on weekends (nickname T&T club - out Thursday...-in Tuesday) with lucrative salaries (Reference 1, P. 209). Additionally, the FED started buying up the media in the 1930's and now owns or significantly influences most of it (Ref. 3, 10, 11, P. 145).

Presidents Lincoln, Jackson, and Kennedy tried to stop this family of bankers by printing U.S. dollars without charging the taxpayers interest (Reference 4). Today, if the government runs a deficit, the FED prints dollars through the U.S. Treasury, buys the debt, and the dollars are circulated into the economy. In 1992, taxpayers paid the FED banking system \$286 billion in interest on debt the FED purchased by printing money virtually cost free (Reference 12, P. 265). Forty percent of our personal federal income taxes goes to pay this interest. The FED's books are not open to the public. Congress has yet to audit it.

Congressman Wright Patman was Chairman of the House of Representatives Committee on Banking and Currency for 40 years. For 20 of those years, he introduced legislation to repeal the Federal Reserve Banking Act of 1913.

Congressman Henry Gonzales, Chairman of a banking committee, introduces legislation to repeal the Federal Reserve Banking Act of 1913 nearly every year. It's always defeated, the media remains silent, and the public never learns the truth. The same bankers who own the FED control the media and give huge political contributions to sympathetic members of Congress (Ref. 12, P. 155-163, Ref. 22, P. 158, 159, 166).

THE FED FEARS THE POPULATION WILL BECOME AWARE OF THIS FRAUD AND DEMAND CHANGE

We, the People, are at fault for being passive and allowing this to continue. Rep. Louis McFadden (R. Pa.) rose from office boy to become cashier and then President of the First National Bank in Canton Ohio. For 12 years he served as Chairman of the Committee on Banking and Currency, making him one of the foremost financial authorities in America. He fought continuously for fiscal integrity and a return to constitutional government (Ref.1). The following are portions of Rep. McFadden's speech, quoted from the Congressional Record, pages 12595-12603:

"THE FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD, A GOVERNMENT BOARD, HAS CHEATED THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES OUT OF ENOUGH MONEY TO PAY THE NATIONAL DEBT.

The depredations and the iniquities of the Federal Reserve Board and the Federal Reserve banks acting together have cost this country ENOUGH MONEY TO PAY

THE NATIONAL DEBT SEVERAL TIMES OVER.

About the Federal Reserve banks, Rep. McFadden said, "They are private credit monopolies which prey upon the people of the United States for the benefit of themselves and their foreign customers; foreign and domestic speculators and swindlers; the rich and predatory money lenders. This is an era of economic misery and for the reasons that caused that misery, the Federal Reserve Board and the Federal Reserve banks are fully liable."

On the subject of media control he state, "Half a million dollars was spent on one part of the propaganda organized by those same European bankers for the purpose of misleading public opinion in regard to it."

Rep. McFadden continued, "Every effort has been made by the Federal Reserve Board to conceal its power but the truth is the Federal Reserve Board has USURPED THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES. IT CONTROLS EVERYTHING HERE AND IT CONTROLS ALL OUR FOREIGN RELATIONS. IT MAKES AND BREAKS GOVERNMENTS AT WILL.

No man and no body of men is more entrenched in power than the arrogant credit monopoly which operates the Federal Reserve Board and the Federal Reserve banks. These evil-doers have robbed this country of more than enough money to pay the national debt. What the Government has permitted the Federal Reserve Board to steal from the people should now be restored to the people."

"Our people's money to the extent of \$1,200,000,000 has within the last few months been shipped abroad to redeem Federal Reserve Notes and to pay other gambling debts of the traitorous Federal Reserve Board and the Federal Reserve banks. The greater part of our monetary stock has been shipped to foreigners. Why should we promise to pay the debts of foreigners to foreigners? Why should American Farmers and wage earners add millions of foreigners to the number of their dependents? Why should the Federal Reserve Board and the Federal Reserve banks be permitted to finance our competitors in all parts of the world?" Rep. McFadden asked.

"The Federal Reserve Act should be repealed and the Federal Reserve banks, having violated their charters, should be liquidated immediately.

FAITHLESS GOVERNMENT OFFICERS WHO HAVE VIOLATED THEIR OATHS SHOULD BE IMPEACHED AND BROUGHT TO TRIAL", Rep. McFadden concluded (Ref.1, contains an entire chapter on Rep. McFadden's speech).

If the media is unbiased, independent and completely thorough, why haven't they discussed the FED? Currently, half the states have at least a grass roots movement in action to abolish the FED, but there's no press coverage. In July 1968, the House Banking Subcommittee reported that Rockefeller, through Chase Manhattan Bank, controlled 5.9% of the stock in CBS. Furthermore, the bank had gained interlocking directorates with ABC.

In 1974, Congress issued a report stating that the Chase Manhattan Bank's stake in CBS rose to 14.1% and NBC to 4.5% (through RCA, the parent company of NBC). The same report said that the Chase Manhattan Bank held stock in 28 broadcasting firms. After this report, the Chase Manhattan Bank obtained 6.7% of ABC, and today the percentage could be much greater. It only requires 5% ownership to significantly influence the media (Reference 14, P. 56-57). This is only one of 300 wealthy shareholders of the FED. It is believed other FED owners have similar holdings in the media. To control the media, FED bankers call in their loans if the media disagrees with them (Ref.25, P. 134-137).

Rockefeller also controls the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR), the sole purpose of which is to aid in stimulating greater interest in foreign affairs and in a one world government. Nearly every major newscaster belongs to the Council on Foreign

Relations. The Council on Foreign Relations controls many major newspapers and magazines. Additionally, major corporations owned by FED shareholders are the source of huge advertising revenues which surely would influence the media (Ref. 14, P. 56-59). It can be no wonder why groups such as FED-UP(tm) receive minimal, if any, press attention.

How do taxpayers stop financing those whose purpose it is to destroy us? First, expose their activity, then demand change.

THE SOLUTION:

Currently all we do is exchange FED money (interest attached) for real U.S. money (interest-free) dollar for dollar as Kennedy tried to do. We should not be required to pay interest on our own currency. According to Benjamin Franklin, this was one of the primary reasons we fought the Revolutionary War. Today we are still fighting the same family of bankers (Ref. 4, Ref. 1, P. 211, 212).

The U.S. Government can buy back the FED at any time for \$450 million (per Congressional record). The U.S. Treasury could then collect all the profit on our money instead of the 300 original shareholders of the FED. The \$4 trillion of U.S. debt could be exchanged dollar for dollar with U.S. non- interest bearing currency when the debt becomes due. There would be no inflation because there would be no additional currency in circulation. Personal income tax could be cut if we bought back the FED and therefore, the economy would expand. According to the Constitution, Congress is to control the creation of money, keeping the amount of inflation or deflation in check. If Congress isn't doing their job, they should be voted out of office. Unfortunately, voters can't vote the FED or its Chairman out of office.

If the government has a deficit, we could handle it as Lincoln and Kennedy did. Print money and circulate it into the economy, but this time interest-free. Today the FED, through foreign banks, owns much of our debt and therefore controls us. The FED will cease to exist as taxpayers become informed and tell other taxpayers. The news media and Congress will have no choice but to meet the demands of grass roots America. (Ref. 1, P. 17, 22)

AMERICA DECEIVED

By law (check the Congressional record), we can buy back the FED for the original investment of the FED's 300 shareholders, which is \$450 million (Reference 1, P. 227, Reference 17, P. 36). If each taxpayer paid \$25, we could buy back the FED and all the profit would flow into the U.S. Treasury. In other words, by Congress allowing the constitutionally illegal FED to continue, much of your taxes go to the shareholders of the FED and their bankers. Note: The people who enacted the FED started the IRS, within months of the FED's inception. The FED buys U.S. debt with money they printed from nothing, then charges the U.S. taxpayers interest. The government had

to create income tax to pay the interest expense to the FED's shareholders, but the income tax was never legally passed (Reference 20 shows details, state-by-state why it was not legally passed). The FED is illegal, per Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution. Not one state legally ratified the 16th Amendment making income tax legal.

Currently, fewer and fewer Americans are being convicted for refusal to pay income taxes. In IRS jury trials, the jury, by law, must decide if the law is just. If taxpayers do not believe the law is just, the jury may declare the accused innocent. Judges are legally bound to inform juries of their right to determine the fairness of a law. Judges often do not disclose this information so they can control the court outcome. Luckily, more and more citizens are becoming informed. If one juror feels the law is unfair, they can find the defendant innocent (Reference 19). In Utah, the IRS quit prosecuting taxpayers because jurors verdict is not guilty. Please tell your friends and sit in the next jury.

If we eliminate the FED and uphold the Constitution, we could balance the budget and cut personal income tax to almost nothing. In Congressional hearings on September 30, 1941, FED Chairman Eccles admitted that the FED creates new money from thin air (printing press), and loans it back to us at interest (Reference 17, P. 93). On June 6, 1960, FED President Mr. Allen admitted essentially the same thing (Reference 22, P. 164). If you or I did this we would go to jail.

It is time to abolish the FED! Tell your friends the truth and win America back. We don't even need to buy back the FED. We only need to print money the way the Constitution requires, not the new proposed international money. We want to keep our sovereignty and print real U.S. money.

Why has Congress allowed the FED to continue? If a Congressperson tries to abolish the FED, the banks fund the Congressperson's opponent in the next election (Reference 17, P. 35). The new Congressperson will obviously support the FED. When Congresspeople retire, political campaign funds are not taxed. Get elected and be a millionaire if you vote right. By the way, the profit of the FED is not taxed either (Reference 1, 9). Once America understands, and takes action, Congresspeople will then gladly abolish the FED. In 1992, Illinois Congressman Crane introduced a bill, co-sponsored by 40 other Congressman, to audit the FED. This is a step in the right direction.

America is a great nation. As "We the People" become informed, the media and Congress will be forced to buy back the FED, balance the budget, significantly cut taxes, and stop allowing bribes to determine voting strategies. I have already heard from politicians who claim they will change their platform to include abolishing the FED if enough people become informed.

IT IS UP TO YOU TO INFORM THE PEOPLE.

The FED hopes you will be passive and not act on this information. We believe in grass roots America - we are waking up America. Ultimately, the battle plan is to inform all Americans and demand change in the media and Congress. True Americans should run for office and throw out the politicians who allow this fraud to continue. Congress may refuse to deal with this issue. That's why each person needs to go to their local county/state government with the proper paperwork and ask them to abolish the FED. With the proper documents, they are legally obligated to do it.

WE NEED LEADERS TO BEGIN THIS ACTION. WILL YOU HELP?

Consider this fact. Most of the given sources in this booklet show how the blood line of family bankers who own the FED funded both sides of all major wars. They created fake colonial money to destroy the Americans during the Revolutionary War and tried to finance both sides in the American Civil War. Abraham Lincoln refused and the South accepted. Many publications show that these bankers financed World War I, World War II, and the Russian Revolutionary War, which helped Napoleon, Lenin, and Hitler come to power. They financed both sides from money created from nothing and profited greatly. These same bankers created a number of American depressions to change the U.S. legislation and seize our wealth. Read the sources for details. This is why our forefathers wrote in the Constitution that only Congress can issue money - not private banks (Ref. 18).

More wars create more debt which means more profit to the bankers (Reference 1, 21). These bankers planned three world wars so people would welcome United Nations intervention to govern the world in peace, not war. (Reference 22 gives specific details on World War I and World War II, showing exactly how the bankers were responsible for the beginning and continuation of these wars for their profit).

The banks have publicly announced they will force us to a cashless society by 1997. Furthermore, they plan to create a one world government through the United Nations headed by the FED, Trilaterals, and the Council on Foreign Relations (Reference 3). By the definition of treason, they have committed treason! This means you lose your rights under the Constitution and Bill of Rights. Does this sound far fetched? Twenty-four U.S. Senators (two of them presidential candidates, Harkin & Tsongas) and 80 Representatives have signed a "Declaration of Interdependence." This Declaration, designed to make a one world government, is treason to the oath of office they took. The media remained silent. The FED announced publicly that their first objective was to get nationalism out of the American people's heads because patriotism to a country would not be of value in the future. The media makes us think the U.N. has all the answers, and to "think globally." Congress passed a law stopping certain individuals from being tried for this treason (Reference 6, Reference 1, P. 191-198). Why pass this law if no treason was committed? State Department document 7277 calls for the disarming of America, thus turning our sovereignty over to a one-world government.

Again, the media is pushing to eliminate guns. Our forefathers believed that the right to bear arms would prevent a takeover of our government. History shows that before any government took over, they disarmed the citizens. Hitler did it, and before our Revolutionary War, King George told us to disarm - good thing we didn't!

Under the Federal Reserve Bank Act, the bankers control our economy. The FED controls interest rates and the amount of money in the economy. These factors determine either economic prosperity or the lack thereof. Bankers are now pushing for a one world government and a cashless society. Why cashless? No cash means no money for drugs, no theft, and the ability to collect taxes on the underground economy. Anyone who wouldn't support a cashless society must be a drug dealer, thief, or tax evader, right? What a cashless society really means is the banks can now control you. Today you fear the IRS. In a cashless society, if you disagree with the bankers' political goals, you'll find your money gone via computer error. (For additional information on a cashless society, read (Ref. 13, P. 174; Ref. 3; Ref. 14, P. 9-12; Ref. 15, P. 136; Ref. 25, P. 216)

If you could accurately predict future interest rates, inflation and deflation, you would know when to buy or sell stocks and make a bundle of money. The FED has secret meetings (per Congressional Record) to determine future interest rates and the amount of money to be printed. The Securities Exchange Commission (SEC) by law, stops insiders from profiting by privileged information. Congressional records prove that FED bankers routinely hold secret meetings to profit by manipulating the stock market via interest rates and the amount of money they create. FED bankers also profit greatly from economic disasters like the Depression (Ref. 22, P. 56). The bankers create inflation, sell their stocks before the market crashes, then buy up stocks at cheaper prices. Bankers admitted this to Congress. This violates the law, yet Congress does not act because these bankers are large political contributors (Ref. 17, P. 96-98; Ref. 1, P. 162-163; Ref. 22, P. 114-170 & P. 136). Thomas Jefferson predicted this scenario if we ever allowed a private bank, like the FED, to create our currency (Ref. 1, P. 247).

FED Chairman Burns states "Killing can be made simply by knowing the next few months newspapers ahead of time." Congressman Patman said "The FED officials own more than 100 million dollars (of stocks) while making decisions influencing these stock prices..." (Reference 24, P. 123). History proves that banks profit from bankrupting a nation (Ref. 22, P. 56).

Congress consistently defeats balanced budget amendments. In the past 30 years, Congress has raised our taxes 56 times and balanced the budget only once. We need the sound banking system our forefathers wanted us to have. History proves that banking systems like the FED don't work. Major world powers have been destroyed over similar banking systems (Reference 1). If we don't change this system NOW, in five years the only thing our taxes will pay is the interest on the national debt.

Section 7 of the Federal Reserve Act, passed December 23, 1913, states that much of the profit of the FED should flow into the U.S. Treasury. In 1959, new legislation allowed the FED to transfer bonds to commercial banks at no cost to the bank. Now the FED receives less interest income and less profit for the U.S. Treasury because the money is diverted to other banks through an accounting entry (Reference 17, P. 115-130). Congress and the IRS do not have access to the financial records of the FED. Every year Congress introduces legislation to audit the FED, and every year it is defeated. The FED banking system could easily be netting 100s of billions in profit each year. Through "creative accounting" profit can easily be reclassified as expense (Reference 14, P. 20, Reference 17, P. 239). Within the first few years, the shareholders of the FED received their initial investment back with no risk. All the income is tax-free, except for property tax, according to the Federal Reserve Act. When are the profits of the FED going to start flowing into the Treasury so that average Americans are no longer burdened with excessive, unnecessary taxes? Clearly, Congress cannot or will not control the FED. IT IS TIME TO ABOLISH IT!

3 WAYS TO ABOLISH THE FED AND ISSUE MONEY PER THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 1, SECTION 8:

- * Buy back the FED and have the U.S. Government collect all profits.
- * Abolish the FED by printing real U.S. dollars as President Kennedy attempted (Executive Order 11.110, 1963) (Ref. 4).
- * Request your county/state to use their Constitutional powers to abolish the FED. This is the BEST SOLUTION. Nearly half the states are attempting or considering this action (Reference 5). Congress has had 80 years to follow the Constitution, and has refused to abolish the illegal FED. The state/county effort is working faster than any other method. We need your support to start a local chapter of FED-UP(tm) Inc. and petition your county.

THE WRONG SOLUTION THAT HAS FAILED FOR 80 YEARS:

Congress and the media may want to require the FED to return the required profits into the U.S. Treasury (per the Federal Reserve Act, 1913). The problem is that with "creative accounting" techniques, profit can be easily masked as expense. The FED has expensed items illegally to lower profit (Ref. 17).

"We the People" have pushed the following states to pass or introduce legislation calling for an end to the FED: Arizona, Washington, Arkansas, Idaho, Oregon, Indiana, and Texas. We still need your signatures on petitions, even if you live in these states. Many other states are considering such action due to your petitions. These states and a few honest Congresspeople are powerless until all Americans become informed and demand change. Please pass out the petition. Once we demand change, the media will have to report the whole truth and not just push their own agenda. FED-UP(tm) challenges the media to expose the facts on prime time talk shows or news programs.

By abolishing the FED, we would not pay interest on Federal Reserve Notes. Until it is abolished, the FED has a monopoly on profit on our currency and whether our money supply will be increased or decreased, inflation or depression. The banks are capable of controlling business by controlling who can or cannot obtain a loan.

WE'VE DONE OUR PART - NOW IT IS UP TO YOU TO SPREAD THE WORD.

Please take the brochure (Cutting taxes \$6,000 per family per year) to VFW, Moose/Elk Lodges, Bars, Union Halls, Churches, and Association groups. Make copies of the "single-page" brochure for everyone at work and ask your friends to do the same. Ask small business owners in your community to tell other business owners and spread the brochure and petition through the local Chamber of Commerce. CPAs should be interested in saving their clients taxes. Ask your CPA to mail the brochure and petition out to his/her clients. Upon receiving this petition, many presidents of large corporations made this brochure and petition available to all employees. Once people are informed, we can force a change. People will have more money to spend, the economy will be strong, and we can keep our Constitutional rights, liberties, and freedoms.

Contact your library for the names and addresses of your local and federal Congresspeople. MAIL THEM AN ENVELOPE WITHOUT YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS ATTACHED. In the envelope, say "FED-UP(tm) Inc. Abolish the FED." Also enclose one teabag (Boston Tea Party). Ask your friends to do the same (give them the addresses). Politicians are aware of the "Teabag Protest." If you don't mail it in, they're going to believe that we're not organized or we just don't care. IF YOU DON'T DO IT NO ONE ELSE WILL.

Many Congress people want to make this change, but can't without the support of the people.

WHY OUR FOREFATHERS FOUGHT THE FED

"Allow me to control the issue and the nation's money and I care not who makes its laws!" The above quote has long been attributed to the 18th century banker Amshell Rothschild (his blood line controls the FED). For if one unscrupulous group is allowed to print a nation's money - it can eventually use that money to gain control of the press and the politicians - and thus gain control of making the nation's laws - and finally - control of the nation itself. (Ref. 4)

If you will take the time to read the reference material listed which has been researched by Professors of Universities, Congress people, etc, you will turn up information that might frighten you. For instance, in 1921 the stockholders of the Federal Reserve financed an organization called the "Council on Foreign Relations" (CFR). Harpers magazine called this the most powerful organization in the United States. Ninety percent of the people in the State Department and key positions in the

Executive Branch are members of the CFR. The CFR publishes a magazine called "Foreign Affairs." Read it if you want to know what is going to happen in coming years. The CFR is in favor of a New World Order (Ref. 3).

Congressman Patman re-quoted Thomas Jefferson showing that our founding fathers knew this banking principle very well. "I believe that banking institutions are more dangerous to our liberties than standing armies...." "Already they have raised up a money aristocracy that has set the government at defiance. The issuing power (of money)," he said, "should be taken from the banks and restored to the people to whom it properly belongs." The American Revolution was a struggle to wrest control of wealth from the Bank of England and to restore the centers of power to the People where it "properly belongs." The Constitution is specific about the authority of the People, through their elected officials, to control the money, and thus, the affairs of their government. (Ref. 5, P. 32).

Ben Franklin said in his autobiography that the inability of the colonists to get the power to issue their own money permanently out of the hands of George III and the international bankers was [one of] the PRIME reason[s] for the Revolutionary War. (Quoted in Ref. 4)

Thomas Jefferson stated, "If the American people ever allow private banks to control the issue of currency, first by inflation, then by deflation, the banks and corporations that will grow up around them will deprive the people of all property until their children will wake up homeless on the continent their fathers conquered." (Ref. 1, P. 247)

Congressman Charles A. Lindbergh of Minnesota said: "This [Federal Reserve] Act establishes the most gigantic trust on Earth. When the President [Wilson] signs this bill, the invisible government of the Monetary Power will be legalized... the worst legislative crime of the ages, perpetuated by this banking and currency bill." (Ref. 5, P. 33)

Robert Hemphill (Credit Manager, Federal Reserve Bank in Atlanta): "We are completely dependent on the commercial banks. Someone has to borrow every dollar we have in circulation, cash, or credit. If the banks create ample synthetic money we are prosperous; if not, we starve. We are absolutely without a permanent money system. When one gets a complete grasp of the picture, the tragic absurdity of our hopeless position is almost incredible, but there it is. It [the banking problem] is the most important subject intelligent persons can investigate and reflect upon. It is so important that our present civilization may collapse unless it becomes widely understood and the defects are remedied very soon." (Ref. 1, P. 247)

Napoleon, a sympathizer for the international bankers, turned against them in the last years of his rule. He said: "When a government is dependent upon bankers for money,

they and not the leaders of the government control the situation, since the hand that gives is above the hand that takes... Money has no motherland; financiers are without patriotism and without decency; their sole object is gain." (Reference 4)

Congress people have referred to Federal Reserve Notes as "FIAT" (no- backing) money. (Ref. 1, P. 128, 169) In 1879 the Supreme Court declared that the U.S. Government can legally issue United States Notes, debt and interest-free, just as Lincoln and Kennedy attempted. (Reference 1, P. 233)

A bank that attempted to repossess property on the basis of default faced Judge Mahoney in a jury trial. Jerome Daly was found innocent. The bank could not foreclose on the property because it created the loan money from thin air, as many banks do. Use this as a precedent the next time any bank tries to foreclose on your house. (Ref. 17, P. 82, 83 for court records)

The FED violates Security & Exchange Commission (SEC) rules. (Ref. 17, P. 96-98) California 9th Circuit Court declared FED banks are private, not government. (Ref. 17, P. 273)

Mr. Marriner Eccles, who was Chairman of the board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System longer than any other man, testified before the Joint Economic Committee in August 1962. When Chairman Rep. Wright Patman asked whether it was not a fact that the Federal Reserve System has more power than either the Congress or the President, Eccles replied: "In the field of money and credit, yes." (Ref. 1, P. 206)

Dr. Hans Sennholz, Chairman of the Department of Economics at Grove City (PA) College stated: "The Federal Reserve System facilitates the government's own inflationary financing in "periods of emergency." It makes easy the inflationary financing of budget deficits and the inflationary refunding of government loans. It stabilizes the government bond market through inflationary methods and manipulates this market to the advantage of the government. It does all this by wrecking the purchasing power of the dollar; by subtly stealing from the people of this country what it thus provides for the government, through a process exactly on par with the coin clipping of ancient kings but much less visible." (Ref. 1, P. 250, 251)

Source: Banking Act of 1935, Hearings before a Subcommittee of the Banking and Currency Committee, U.S. Senate, 74th Congress, 1st Session, on S.1715, May 1935, pp 871-2. "The Federal Reserve System is in the wrong hands. No Constitutional republic can function when the government's money powers are in the hands of the financial oligarchy such as New York financiers.

A Republican Senator, who preferred to remain unnamed, stated: "Congress is too much motivated by fears and anxieties concerning pressure groups and the "non election." (Ref. 1, P. 210)

By controlling Congress, the FED has been able to control the nominating conventions of both political parties. In this way, it has been able to hand-pick the presidential nominees so that no matter which party wins, their nominee for President is under definite obligations to the FED... (Ref. 1, P. 210; Ref. 22)

In 1975, the Rockefeller Foundation Report discussed the "Interdependence" of the countries of the world on each other. It stated we are one world and America shall become a nation-state under one government. They also say we must reach a zero state population growth. The Rockefeller Foundation stated that they have in excess of 747 million dollars to achieve this with. (Ref. 3)

Congressman John R. Rarick states that the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR) is dedicated to a one world government. The media remains conspicuously quiet. The CFR wants to convert the U.S. from a sovereign, constitutional republic into a servile member state of a one world dictatorship. On February 17, 1950, CFR member James Warburg (banker, and architect of the Federal Reserve System) stated before a Senate Foreign Relations Committee, "We shall have one world government whether or not you like it, by conquest or consent." Again, the media remained silent. In the April 1974 issue of the CFR journal, "Foreign Affairs", page 558, Richard Gardener states that the new world order "will be built... but an end run around national sovereignty, eroding it piece by piece, will accomplish much more than the old fashioned frontal assault." Congressman McDonald, Heinz and Tower stated that this is a conspiracy. Again, the media remained silent. (Ref. 14, P. 17, 18, 32, 33).

THE CFR WANTS TO ABOLISH THE CONSTITUTION. WE MUST STOP THEM

In a letter to Thomas Jefferson, John Adams wrote: "All the perplexities, confusions, and distresses in America arise, not from defects in the Constitution or confederation, not from want of honor or virtue, as much as from downright ignorance of the nature of coin, credit, and circulation".

British bankers have stated "Those that create and issue money and credit direct the policies of govt. and hold in their hands the destiny of the people". (Ref. 1, P. 200-214)

Adams, Jefferson, and Lincoln believed that banker capitalism was more dangerous to our liberties than standing armies. In a republic, banks would lend money but could not create or manufacture it. (Ref. 1, P. 215)

Later, Jefferson used stronger language and denounced the institution as "one of the most deadly hostilities against the principles and form of our Constitution." Some have said that Jefferson did not favor a strong central bank. What he did not favor was the delivery of our monetary system into private hands to be run for private profit. (Ref. 1, P. 230)

President James A. Garfield said: "Whoever controls the money in any country is absolute master of industry [legislation] and commerce". (Ref. 1, P. 247, Ref. 4)

Without the Federal Reserve System, there can be no continuing march towards socialism, and with it there can be no free economy. (Ref. 1, P. 251)

By controlling our own money, Thomas Jefferson expected that the government would incur no debt, as had occurred in the European system. (Ref. 1, P. 243) European banks are like the FED.

The FED system is the death of our Constitution. (Ref. 1, P. 250)

THE PLAN TO REDUCE PERSONAL INCOME TAX BY 75% AND BALANCE THE BUDGET BY ABOLISHING THE FED CAN BE PROVEN BY AMERICAN HISTORY. THE FACTS:

- * England lost the Revolutionary War.
- * England nearly destroyed the Colonies by creating fake Colonial money and hyper-inflation
- * Rothschilds who control the Bank of England (Like our FED) said that by controlling the issue of money (printing it) you can control the government.
- * The authors of the Constitution understood private banks" control over governments. The Constitution gives only Congress the right to print money.
- * From the beginning of the United States to present there have been two ways to issue new currency:

The first way is to have the government print the money, debt and interest- free, and circulate it through the economy for use as a medium of exchange. There is no tax levied to pay interest on the currency in circulation because it is debt and interest-free. This is the system Lincoln used with his "greenbacks", a system Kennedy desired, and Jefferson demanded.

The second method is: The Citizens allow the bank to print \$500 billion in currency (cash). The bank pays for printing costs, ink, and paper. The Citizens do not charge the bank any interest for use of the \$500 billion in printed currency. The bank uses the \$500 billion cash to buy a \$500 billion government bond, which pays the bankers interest. The bank keeps some of the bonds and sells, for a fee (10%), some of the bonds to the public. The bank can buy back the bonds from the public simply by printing more money. The bankers can create inflation and depressions by manipulating the amount of currency in circulation. The FED operates exactly like this today. It also prints money (through the U.S. Treasury) and uses this printed money to buy loans from other banks. This money has created our inflation. We give the bank cash interest-free, then they charge us interest on our own currency.

Take a look at our history in view of the two banking systems:

BEN FRANKLIN - THE TWO BANKING SYSTEMS

From the autobiography of Ben Franklin as reported by Gertrude Coogan in Money Creators: ...the inability of the colonists to get the power to issue their own money permanently out of the hands of George III and the international bankers was the PRIME reason for the Revolutionary War. (Ref.4).

Ben Franklin answering a question about the booming economy of the young colonies: "That is simple. In the colonies we issue our own money. It is called Colonial Scrip. We issue it in proper proportions to the demands of trade and industry." (Colonial Scrip had no debt or interest attached.) (Ref. 4)

BANK OF AMERICA

International bankers saw that interest-free scrip would keep America free of their influence, so by 1781 banker-backed Alexander Hamilton succeeded in starting the Bank of America. After a few years of "bank money", the prosperity of "Colonial Scrip" was gone. Benjamin Franklin said, "Conditions were so reversed that the era of prosperity had ended and a depression set in to such an extent that the streets of the Colonies were filled with the unemployed!" Bank money was like our FED money. It had debt and interest attached. By 1790 Hamilton and his bankers had created a privately owned central bank and converted the public debt (interest-free) into interest bearing bonds, payable to the bankers. When Hamilton's bank charter expired in 1811, the international bankers started the war of 1812. By 1816, another privately-owned U.S. bank was started with \$35 million in assets - only \$7 million of that was owned by the government. This bank lasted for 20 years. U.S. history shows that currency with debt and interest attached created a depression. (Ref. 4)

ANDREW JACKSON - A GREAT PRESIDENT!

When the 1816 charter expired in 1836, Andrew Jackson vetoed its renewal. It was then that he made two famous statements: "The Bank is trying to kill me - but I will kill it!" Later he said "If the American people only understood the rank injustice of our money and banking system - there would be a revolution before morning..." (Reference 4)

ABRAHAM LINCOLN - ANOTHER GREAT PRESIDENT!

President Lincoln needed money to finance the Civil War, and the international bankers offered him loans at 24-36% interest. Lincoln balked at their demands because he didn't want to plunge the nation into such a huge debt. Lincoln approached Congress about passing a law to authorize the printing of U.S. Treasury Notes. Lincoln said "We gave the people of this Republic the greatest blessing they ever had - their own paper money to pay their debts..." Lincoln printed over 400 million "Greenbacks" (debt and interest-free) and paid the soldiers, U.S. government employees, and bought war supplies. The international bankers didn't like it and

wanted Lincoln to borrow the money from them so that the American people would owe tremendous interest on the loan. Lincoln's solution made this seem ridiculous. (Reference 1, P. 46, 47; Reference 4)

Shortly after Lincoln's death, the government revoked the Greenback law which ended Lincoln's debt-free, interest-free money. A new national banking act was enacted and all money became interest bearing again. (Reference 4)

The late Thomas A Edison explained the matter of issuing currency this way: "If our nation can issue a dollar bond (interest bearing) it can issue a dollar bill (interest-free). The element that makes the bond good makes a bill good also. The difference between the bond and the bill is that the bond lets money brokers collect twice the amount of the bond and an additional 20 percent, whereas the currency pays nobody but those who contribute directly in some useful way. It is absurd to say that our country can issue \$30 million in bonds and not \$30 million in currency. Both are promises to pay: But one promise fattens the usurers (interest collectors) and the other helps the people." (Reference 1, P. 46)

The FED is owned largely by foreign banks that control our economy and Congress through the power of money and the media which they bought with profits generated with profits generated by artificial debt.

If we can convert U.S. dollars that are debt and interest-free to interest bearing currency, we can change it back just as easily. Both the media and the banking system will probably claim that such a change will cause hyper-inflation. The answer however, can be found in history. Lincoln printed debt and interest-free Greenbacks (cash) to finance an entire war. With added production you can add currency without having hyper-inflation. Lincoln proved it. John F. Kennedy - a President with vision! On June 4, 1964, President Kennedy issued Executive Order 11110. This Executive Order called for the issuance of new currency - the United States Note. At the time, \$4,292,893 of this currency was put into circulation. This new currency was to be distributed through the U.S. Treasury and not the Federal Reserve System. Furthermore, it was to be issued debt and interest-free. Upon Kennedy's assassination, this currency was withdrawn from circulation, never to be issued again. The media remained silent on how Kennedy would have eliminated the debt and interest payments, and therefore eliminated the FED. Interest-free United States Notes do not result in hyper-inflation. By issuing United States Notes, interest-free, we have less interest expense, and less taxes. With less taxes people spend more and buy more. This result is added production, and therefore, you can add dollars without inflation. Either Rockefeller and his people will spend your tax money into the economy or you get to spend your own money by paying less taxes. The bankers want you to think you'll have mass inflation by changing the system. This is only true if you add dollars to the economy without added production. For example, look what

happened in post World War I Germany. They merely printed money without increasing production. The result was hyper-inflation. Another example: In the entire economy, if you have only 10 loaves of bread and only \$10, each loaf would sell for \$1. If you print an extra \$10, now you have \$20 and the 10 loaves which would sell for \$2 each. This is only true if we don't have added production. By cutting taxes, people will spend more and buy more bread. If we print more money and bake more bread, we have \$50 and 50 loaves, so each loaf still sells for \$1. As long as you monitor production with increased cash, inflation will not occur. Under the FED system, the price of bread has dramatically increased since 1913. If we cut taxes and YOU spend your money instead of the BANKERS spending it, you will have more bread, cars, and wealth than the bankers. SOMEONE will spend your money - it might as well be YOU!

A FED-like banking system has destroyed other governments. In five years the only thing taxes will pay is the interest on the debt. Clearly, the FED must be abolished before we're demolished! Already laws are set up to have a dictatorship when we have the economic crisis (Federal Emergency Management Act, or FEMA).

Under the FED system, when a new dollar is issued, we pay taxes to pay for the dollar as the principal (debt) plus interest on the dollar. We pay for each new dollar twice, and who gets most of the money? The bankers, who control this money. Taxpayers should only pay taxes for the paper, ink, and printing costs of new money. Why should we give bankers the right to print money on a printing press, charge them no interest on this money, and then let them exchange their "free" money for a government bond that pays them interest??

England never gave up on owning the United States. They are still silently fighting the same Revolutionary War. The Bank of England, through the Rothschilds, owns and controls the FED (Reference 22). We have been robbed of our wealth, and in five years we will be bankrupt if there is no change. The FED bankers will LEGALLY OWN OUR NATION; OUR HOUSES, OUR CARS, OUR BUSINESSES, just as Thomas Jefferson predicted.

SPECIFIC PLAN: HOW TO GET OUT OF DEBT

U.S. history proves that issuing debt and interest-free currency allows our economy to prosper, as long as Congress controls the amount of money created. You can add printed dollars into the economy as you add production, and there will be no inflation. With today's sophisticated computers, we can easily monitor the printing of money and inflation.

Congress needs to buy back the FED and/or abolish it. Any government debt they own would be automatically eliminated. All remaining debt could be paid as needed with the same type of currency Kennedy issued (debt and interest-free United States Notes). United States Notes are backed by the full faith of the best government in the

world - The United States of America. This is no different than the backing of today's Federal Reserve Notes. U.S. citizens collect only a small fraction of the interest income on Federal Bonds and Bills. Foreigners benefit from this interest, but we pay the tax so that they collect interest on our currency. This makes sense to bankers and Congresspeople who receive money from bankers and foreign lobbyists.

As we pay less interest, government spending will decrease and so will taxes. Less taxes mean that people buy more goods and services and our economy expands. An expanded economy means more jobs and higher profits for businesses. More profit means increased state/federal business taxes. Businesses continue to pay taxes while personal taxes decrease. People will have more money to spend, will buy more, and therefore pay increased state sales tax. This allows the states to balance their budgets without raising real estate taxes. As history proves, we will prosper.

For 80 years the FED has destroyed our economy. It will take years to undo this damage. Just as Congress appoints a Postal Service, we will have Congress appoint an agency to monitor inflation as we exchange our retiring government debt for debt and interest-free United States Notes (cash). We need to break up all Central Banks created by the FED and return to the Constitution of the United States. We have to return the power of the citizens' money back to the people.

THERE ARE SEVERAL SIMPLE WAYS TO ABOLISH THE FED:

- * Inform all Americans of this report and collect signatures on the petition.
- * Demand that Congress and the media support "We the People's" rights to uphold the Constitution and abolish the illegal FED.
- * Write to your local newspaper, show them this report and ask them to keep freedom of the press alive, support the Constitution and abolish the FED. Freedom of the press should not be limited to those who own it.
- * Write to CNN and other media. Tell them you want to see FED-UP(tm) on their programs.
- * Ask your State/County Representatives to use their Constitutional powers to enforce your rights under the Constitution to have the FED abolished. Write to Reference 5 for detailed paperwork to be given to your local government.
- * Call in on TV and radio talk shows and discuss why the FED should be abolished.
- * Support businesses who distribute the petition and display the sign "FED-UP". If they don't, please ask them to.
- * Ask candidates if they plan to introduce legislation to abolish the FED and uphold the Constitution which they are obligated to defend. Make candidates take a stand! Have the politician sign a contract with "We the People" enacting legislation to abolish the FED by a certain date or the politician must resign from office. The Democratic Congress and President promised the people "no FED" before the election. Thirteen months later, they passed the FED.
- * Display your bumper sticker to show support and inform people.

* If 5,000 people distribute 2-3 brochures daily, we can inform half a million Americans monthly. Roughly 10% of these half a million people will make copies and inform others. Our goal is to inform 70 million adult Americans. Public opinion will soon be on our side. Once 10% of the population know, the other 90% will follow.

* Pray and ask God to return us to "One nation under God."

It is our recommendation that you research the references listed, support all organizations that re trying to stop this fraud, and help us in our goal to get every American to sign this petition.

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Also contact The National Committee to Repeal the Federal Reserve Act (Ref. 2)

USURY THE ROOT OF ALL EVIL
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According to the Webster dictionary, usury is a practice of lending money at excessive or unlawfully exorbitant rate of interest.

The recent **Michael Moore** film on Capitalism gives a knock-out punch to the Neocon Capitalism and behind them the Jewish usury plutocracy. He writes: “Plutonomy is the top 1% of the population that controls 95% of the world's wealth”. That is why the monetary system has been overturned and the crisis is not going to pass without overturning and judging the criminals. Moore's conclusion: That capitalism is both un-Christian and un-American, an evil that deserves not regulation but elimination.

Gen. Kostas Konstantinidis of Greece avers: “I would say that this capitalism is a Jewish system to control the humankind. It is the satanic, anti-life and plotting system of cleptocracy and the oligarchy. Behind it are criminals, greedy, selfish barbarians that now are in the last phase to stop the civilized norms of the Hellenic civilization democracy, freedom, justice, moderated path (*metron*), know yourself, the ecology, the beauty and harmony, the truth (science and technology for humankind) that started 2,500 years ago in Athens. This civilization was eliminated by the Judeo-Christian invasion in Rome and Greece, in the 4th Century and is continuing until now. This evil system is barbaric, oppressive, unjust, plotting, theocratic, criminal, hideous, warmonger, divisive and illogical”.

The love of money is the root of all evil. - 1 Timothy 6:10. And the evil first came from the Temple Priests, then the Goldsmiths and the commercial bankers of today. Practically all important ethical teachers -- Moses, Aristotle, Jesus, Mohammed, and Thomas Aquinas, for instance -- have denounced lending at interest as morally wrong. Thomas Aquinas said: “The Jews should not be allowed to keep what they have obtained from others by usury”.

Usury = Interest. The ancient Israelites called usury "a bite." It is like the slow poison of a serpent: The practice of lending to an enemy was "as a means of destroying him". The Old Testament "classes the usurer with the shedder of blood, the defiler of his neighbor's wife, the oppressor of the poor, the spoiler by violence, the violator of the pledge, the idolater, and pronounces the woe upon them, that they who commit these iniquities shall surely die." The usurer was put in the same category with extortionists (Ezekiel 22) and classed with the liar, the unrighteous, and denied the right to inherit the New Jerusalem (Psalm 15). The usurer is further classed with the meanest and lowest of men and the vilest of criminals (Ezekiel 18). Solomon gave us the proverb, "the borrower is servant to the lender".

Jesus taught (Luke 6:34-35) ".....lend, hoping for nothing again". Usury was the basis for Jesus' calling the money changers thieves: Therefore, the Master whipped these thieves and indignantly drove them out from the Temple. Every well-informed mind knows that the money changers in the Temple, on that startling occasion, were the Jews. The reason why they ganged up against him and got him crucified. This practice still continues. But now they do not crucify. They shoot.

Money has pernicious effect upon society. It takes no great mind to see that financial expediency lies behind much of our inhumanity. Some more radical thinkers have argued that money should be eliminated - and with it the notions of possession and property. It is certainly true that some of the less material cultures have no notion of property, possession or money; and have survived very well, and in greater harmony with the rest of life.

Aristotle called usury the most unnatural and unjust of all trades. Money, he said, was to be used for exchange, not the breeding of money from money. Plato condemned it on the grounds that it set one class against another and was therefore destructive to the state. In Rome, Cicero, Cato and Seneca made similar censures.

Usury was outlawed by the Church of Rome's Canon Law, but people got around it by various means. One was to claim that it was impractical to lend money completely free. There were, after all, various small costs involved - the time and paperwork, and sometimes the shipment - and some borrowers failed to repay their loans. Why should the lender lose money? So the Church allowed lenders to charge an *interisse* - the Latin word for 'a loss' - to cover these costs. Soon this 'loss charge' became a fixed percentage, and as greed reared its ugly head the percentage grew, turning the loss into a profit. Usury was back, but under a new name - interest.

Today it's hardly questioned; except perhaps by the person whose life is made a misery by the interest payments he cannot keep up with. But certainly not by the governments and banks who make themselves so much money out of it. Nor by all the people who lend their money to these money-lenders on deposit.

The impact of usury on our world runs far deeper than making the rich richer and the poor poorer - with all the social tensions that engenders. It exacerbates some of the most critical problems of our time.

In essence, usury is wanting something for nothing. Lending money involves no input of human labor - apart perhaps from signing of an agreement and entering some data in a computer. Nor does the act of lending in itself produce anything. The borrower may well use the money to do something useful, but the lender has done nothing. Yet he or she still expects to receive something in return.

Most of the money in circulation consists not of notes and coins, but credit - the money the banks have loaned out to individuals and corporations, and which 'circulates' as it gets transferred from one bank account to another. The banks, of course, demand their interest on all this money out on loan, and in order that this interest can be paid the amount of money in circulation must increase. This extra money does not grow on trees; nor, except in the case of gold, can it be dug out of the ground. It is the banks who supply the additional money, and they do this by making more loans.

These additional loans are, of course, made at an interest, with the result that the money supply must be increased yet further to accommodate them. And so on... Having continually to increase the money supply in order that the interest is paid has two undesirable consequences. First, it promotes inflation. This occurs because the increase in money supply does not in itself increase a nation's wealth. Increase in wealth comes from increased income from products and services. But seldom is this anything like as high as the increase in money supply. The difference is absorbed by inflation.

Let us take a very simple example. Suppose that the banks increase the money supply at the rate of 10% per year but the increase in economic growth is only 4% - quite an optimistic figure for most countries. For every \$100 worth of real wealth a year ago there is now \$104 worth, but the amount of money representing this new wealth has grown to \$110. The net effect is that value of the money in circulation has been diluted by 6%. In other words, it takes more dollars to buy the same thing. This is called inflation.

Nobody likes inflation, particularly the money-lenders. If all the extra money supply is soaked up by inflation, they make no net profit. Much better is to compensate for the extra money by increasing the real wealth. This results in the second undesirable consequence of continually increasing money supply - endless economic growth. It is true that in our current system, growth is deemed necessary for a 'healthy economy' and the maintenance of a decent standard of living. But it is only necessary because of usury in the first place. And when we consider the wider impact of endless economic growth we are forced to question the real health of such an economy.

Since the rate of interest charged on a loan is a compound rate, the growth in the money supply and the consequent need for economic 'growth' increase exponentially. A dollar invested at 10% compound interest would be 'worth' \$1.1 after one year; \$1.21 after two years; \$2.59 after ten years; \$117.39 after fifty years; \$ 1 3 , 7 8 0 . 6 5 after a hundred years; and around \$2.473,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000 after a thousand years which is about ten trillion times the weight of the Earth in gold (at its current value). Imagine trying to collect the interest on that.

It is little wonder, then, that economies based on usury eventually collapse.

We are trying to apply similar accelerating growth to the global economy. For a while the effects were absorbed by the growing size of the population and increasing industrialization. But now that population growth and industrialization are reaching their limits, the environment is beginning to pay the cost.

Meanwhile the banks, ever in search of new borrowers, entice the less-developed countries to take out enormous loans. 'You need not remain peasants, with our money you can grow cash crops, trade with other countries, set up new industries, manufacture things you need, create new wealth. Why not become a 'developing nation' and enjoy the advantages and comforts of economic growth? Then you can live as we do and buy lots of the nice things we produce (which you don't really need, but which we need to sell).

'Like anyone else, you'll of course have to pay interest on this loan (but in our money, please; not the worthless stuff you print). If at first you can't manage to pay us back, don't worry, we'll lend you some more to tide you over. And if, as the interest mounts, you still can't pay, we'll help you out by buying some of those nice resources you have - but at a knock-down price.

The net result of usury? Rain forests are consumed even faster. Species become extinct more rapidly than we can classify them as endangered. More and more Earth is torn up to meet our ever-growing demand for minerals. And the extra waste generated by all this additional activity fouls the air, pollutes the water and poisons the land.

Meanwhile we continue to preach that endless economic growth is healthy.

The profits they are making go to their investors. Banks that fund new enterprises do not lend money at a mere ten or fifteen per cent as they do to you or me. Businesses are riskier; many fail and never repay their loans. And to cover this extra risk the banks demand 25%, or even 40% per annum on their loans. This is what causes many growing businesses to cut environmental corners. If it's a choice between foreclosure and a little pollution, guess which one is chosen?

And then there are the shareholders. They have very seldom invested this money out of the kindness of their heart, or because they really believe a particular company is doing good and should be supported. The usual criterion (ethical-investment included) is: where will the most money be made? Whose shares will rise the most? Who will pay the best dividends? And the directors of the company, answerable as they are to the shareholders, do what they are told. We have lent our money to the company, and want as much usury in return as we can get.

Sustained economic growth requires, as we have seen, the production of more and more goods. Most people in the more-developed countries already have the things they need for their physical well-being, so they have to be persuaded to buy them for other reasons. The obvious candidate is the satisfaction of their psychological needs the needs for security, approval, self-esteem, power, stimulus, love and suchlike.

We have to break the vicious circle society has caught itself in. To solve the many problems facing us we have to tend the root cause our addiction to the world of things and the love of money to which it leads. This is the virus in our mind, the root cause of our malignant tendencies.

Do not borrow and fall into the trap of the criminal usurer. As Henry Ford opined: "I am convinced that nearly all wars are caused so that someone will profit and those who profited and those who are profiting now are the International Financiers, the Jews. Gather together the fifty wealthiest Jewish Financiers, the men who create wars for their own profits, control them and you will put an end to it all".

TELESCOPE

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal. – II CORINTHIANS 4:18 NKJV

INDIAN CULTURE DOES NOT SUBSCRIBE TO WAR

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From time to time every generation has dealt in wars, in some form or the other. Be it war between nations, communal violence or internal unrest. After a long period of struggle finally all of them conclude, “War is not the solution!” Then why do we try that route?

The only reason why wars continue is that we do not learn from our past. We need to take a look at the past, understand the present and create our future. All wars including the world wars have concluded that we need to exist in co-operation rather than competition.

The result of the World War 1 and 2 was the creation of United Nations, to work in co-ordination with all the nations across the globe. Its mandate is to share earth's resources equitably and creation of peace. Then why do we still have war like situations?

In India, for centuries, we have understood that wars are not the real options. Indian history is largely a civilisational history. It is rich in arts, architecture, sciences, music, and dance, pursuit of excellence through generations.

History is also about the social life, family values and the spiritual search of each individual. We understand history from different perspectives. Thus, when we go through Indian history, both oral and written, we find that our great sages and saints through their search for peace via meditation have changed and enriched our lives and taught us to avoid wars and live in peace.

It is not that India did not have wars or battles at all. The first to invade India was Alexander the Great. Another great emperor was Ashoka. In the *Kalinga* war he had seen so much bloodshed that he decided to embrace Buddhism. He realised the value of non-violence and was instrumental in spreading Buddhism far and wide. Today, in addition to India, Buddhism has spread to China, Tibet, Japan, Korea, Myanmar, Vietnam, Cambodia, Thailand, Indonesia, Sri Lanka, Nepal and Bhutan, thanks to Ashoka.

Mughals were the only ruthless rulers who tried to destroy and plunder through violent means. However, our tolerance, our high values, our natural beauty, our stressless pace and plenty of resources had sobering influence even on them. Akbar understood the strength of Indian tradition of love and respect. He respected Indian

culture and understood it completely. He formed a new religion called *Dine-Ilahi* taking the best from Indian and Islamic culture. Portuguese, French, Englishmen too ruled over us in recent centuries. But the greatness of India lies in sending them back home, non-violently.

We can proudly aver that India has not invaded any country. Instead, we have helped Bangla Desh in its liberation and saved Maldives when someone tried to capture that tiny and defenseless Islamic nation, in the Indian Ocean. Of late we have had some communal and terrorist attacks on us, but forces inimical to our progress have politically engineered them. .

Chanakya, by far, was our greatest war strategists. In the *Kautilya's Arthashastra*, written in 3rd century B.C., he writes at length about the theory of war and its implications. Let us take a *sutra* (verse) from the *Arthashastra*: “He should enter the enemy's residence with permission” (1.16.10). It is a direction given to the kings, that even if you have an enemy you have to go to him for discussion, with permission.

The well-known theory of *Chanakya* to achieve results is *Sama* (discussion), *Dana* (rewards), *Danda* (fear) and *Bheda* (separation). This theory, to solve problems starts with discussion. And “through discussion 99% problems can be solved”, says Dr. Leo Rebello.

In his latest book, **The Idea of Justice**, Dr. Amartya Sen states that the only way to avoid wars is through meetings and open discussions. To arrive at 'what' is right rather than 'who' is right. In most cases, instead of a good discussion to arrive at solutions to a problem, we end up with arguments.

So if you have problems with your enemies meet them by taking prior permission. Go with an open mind and be ready for new ideas to explore.

Let us take a few steps on how we can have a good meeting with our opponents with the view that we want to turn them into friends.

1. Be open minded

The western management teaches us that for good decision making the 'process' has to be right. Indian way of management focuses on the 'state of mind' being right while taking decisions. Without any pre-conceived notions we need to approach the other person. Yes, we need data and statistics in hand to understand the situation but that is only to have a realistic picture of where we stand. Good leaders, however, go beyond the data.

2. Seek for a win-win situation

If there is a problem let's face it. Instead of being optimistic or pessimistic let's be

realistic. In facing realities we open up new possibilities. Let's discuss solutions instead of problems. Even if the views differ we can still agree in differences. Once a south Indian met an Englishman over breakfast. The South Indian suggested *Idlis* (rice cake) for breakfast. While the Englishman suggested Berries. “Let's try a combination of Idli-Berries” was the friendly solution. Surprisingly, the combination was very good.

3. Past as an indicator need not be the solution

Most of us carry a lot of load from the past when we come to the discussion table. The past can only be an indicator but cannot be the solution. The decisions of the past were based on various factors, which the present may not have. As human society is very dynamic lots of changes keep happening. So why limit ourselves with something that happened in the past? “Look ahead” said Swami Chinmayananda. He said “Human beings talk about revolutions; we should be thinking of evolution. Usually revolutions are armed struggles but evolutions are the right way up well thought and peacefully executed”

4. Be ready to try the new route

At the end of it we should be able to try a new route. As Mahatma Gandhi said, “You must be the change you wish to see in the world”. So, take that first step and work for change. Yes, in the initial stages it may seem difficult but the only way to learn to drive is drive. You will learn on the way and even if there are temporary shortcomings it should not matter. As you set examples, others will follow. Thought leaders become successful when they are able to execute their ideas and achieve results.

5. Share with others

Once you have found that your new path has led you to success, do not keep it with yourself. Share it with others. We see many who do not share their so-called 'trade secrets' with others. This comes from insecurity. Have trust in the divine. Nature has its own way of rewarding those who know how to give to others. Share your success stories with others. Only givers finally become successful.

In conclusion, wars can be avoided if we have the right approach and good leaders. In the Mahabharata Lord Krishna states, “The aim of war is not victory but creating a new society”. So if we can create a new society without taking up weapons, why have wars?



HIV-AIDS RACKET

This is the first person report on XV International AIDS Conference held in Bangkok from 11 to 16 July 2004. It was written and circulated by Dr. Leo Rebello in 2004 widely. If you read this comprehensive report and juxtapose it with 'War on your Health' you will further know how Pharma mafia has been culling the population through various methods.

1.. This was the third consecutive AIDS Conference I attended. The first one was in Durban in 2000 (the best), the second was Barcelona (the worst) and this one, in Bangkok, proved that the Asians have better brains and capacity of organizing, innovation and hospitality. The innovation being the Global Village.

2.. 'Global Village' was located strategically on the ground floor in the Impact Convention Center, with the total space of 7,500 m² and was divided conceptually into five zones: Community Radio, Community Market, Spiritual and Mental Health Promotion Centre, Centre for Community Networking and Advocacy and Global Village Coordination Centre. It was for those who could not afford the IAC 2004 registration fee (1000 US dollars) to listen to rubbish like HIV tests, condoms for prevention, carcinogenic anti-retroviral drugs as "life saving" treatment and bogus vaccine trials to hoodwink people.

3. 19,000 delegates from all over the world thronged Bangkok, once infamous for 'free sex' now known for 'safe sex' and 'traditional massage' (foreigners enjoyed it and the locals made brisk business with reasonable rates of 150 Bahts for one hour of therapeutic pressing). Thai hospitality was at its best, exotic food and wine was aplenty (but no one got drunk), fashion clothes much better than in fashion capital France and the *goras* (whites) went gaga over the chic ethnic couture very affordable. Law and order was excellent, but unobtrusive. Smoking was strictly not allowed inside the conference venue or public transport (luxurious air-conditioned limousine buses).

4. The Thai PM Thaksin Shinawatra, who spoke extempore and delivered a 'politically correct' speech, inaugurated the Conference. UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan was accompanied by his wife Nane and read out a prepared speech that showed no understanding of the AIDS situation at its best and connivance with the pharma cartel at its worst. The other bigwigs who were present at the AIDS conference included: Nelson Mandela, his second wife Graca Machel, Sonia Gandhi, Miss Universe 2004 Jennifer Hawkins, veteran soul singer Dionne Warwick, Actress Ashley Judd, star of 'Double Jeopardy'; singer Coco Lee, Hollywood star Rupert Everett, the star of movies like 'My Best Friend's Wedding'; Actor and activist Richard Gere, actress-activist Shabana Azmi and hundreds of ministers accustomed to enjoying free trips, roaming aimlessly.



**Dr. Leo Rebello, World Peace Envoy,
with Mrs. Sonia Gandhi, MP,
on 16th July, 2004,
at the XV International AIDS Conference,
Bangkok, Thailand.**

5. I conducted daily workshops at the Global Village on Yoga and Meditation, Naturopathy and Diet for AIDS patients, as also on De-stressing through Drawings and Paintings, which got tremendous response. Thai people at least know about Thai traditional medicine (Ayurveda). As for the mad Americans and Europeans 'surviving on mediclaim' less said the better. Their understanding about Holistic Healing modalities is abysmal.

6. XV International AIDS conference, as in the past, began and ended with ARVs, more

ARVs and more ARVs. Anti-retroviral drugs (ARVs) offer no cure for AIDS. The toxic effects of ARVs include nerve damage, weakened bones, cancers, unusual accumulation of fat in the neck and abdomen and drug-induced diabetes. Many people have developed dangerously high levels of cholesterol and other lipids in the blood, raising concern that HIV positive persons might face another epidemic of heart disease. Indiscriminate use of ARVs to pregnant mothers is fraught with danger. If a cigarette smoking mother can deliver a 'blue baby', if an alcoholic mother can deliver a 'drunk child', if thalidomide can produce 'monster babies', you are unwittingly playing with the future generation by demanding that the HIV positive mothers be given ARVs compulsorily.

7. There are now some 20 ARVs and even if you were to read the mandatory caution, you will wonder how these drugs can be called 'life saving'? But that is how they are promoted and the Africans dance with their 'big botties' and make chimpanzee noises demanding free access to these dangerous drugs, not knowing what the white supremacists are trying to do to them. Their hero Nelson Mandela is unwittingly playing into the hands of Pharma mafia in spreading 'AIDS SCARE' rather than nailing the AIDS LIE. He has formed Nelson Mandela Foundation (NMF) which organised a charity concert in Cape Town in December 2003 (clippings of which were shown on the penultimate day of the conference). Called Campaign 46664, his prison number, to create awareness and fight HIV/AIDS, the politics of NMF are counter to South African President Thabo Mbeiki's sensible policies on HIV/AIDS and malnutrition, the biggest scourge of African continent.

8. Persons Living with AIDS (PLWAs) or the organisers of AIDS conferences (pharma cartel) do not know or pretend not to know that AIDS was started as a population control programme by the CIA. The second phase is to increase the numbers of AIDS patients by false tests designed to test 90% positive and manipulating statistics. Supplying more and more ARVs to larger number of population so that their genes are

mutated and the future generations turn out to be zombies, unable to think, oppose or act is the ultimate goal of this sinister programme. AIDS is the biggest con of our times and a few examples will suffice.

9. I asked Dr. Jack Chow, Dy. Director General, WHO: "World Health Assembly has passed several resolutions in favour of integration of traditional and natural medicines for TB and AIDS. Why then the WHO always gives step-motherly treatment to Alternative Medicine in spite of apex body's resolutions? Is that why WHO is now called WHORE of the pharma cartel?". Tongue tied.

10. I asked Prof. Richard Chaisson of John Hopkins: "Your University recently, in association with WHO, declared after extensive study that diet and nutrition can save millions of children from dying. Why then your costly research protocol on the so-called AIDS pandemic has not taken note of this? Is it the case of left hand not knowing what the right hand is doing?". No answer.

11. I asked Dr. Helena Gayle, a minion of Gates Foundation and President-elect of International AIDS Society: "Your foundation has announced another 50 million dollars (chicken feed considering the tax exemption and publicity that Bill Gates will get). But does not even allocate 10% grants to research in traditional and natural medicine. Why? Is it because you know nothing about these systems of medicine or your boss wants to make money now in pharma business having invested heavily in all pharma MNCs?". She was stunned by my straight questions. But being a politician, she said she would discuss them later. Why later? Why not during the IAC when world attention is drawn to it?

12. I persist. I ask them that when V-1 Immunitor (the Thai oral vaccine/nano biotechnology) has shown great efficacy, or when safer homeopathic vaccines (nosodes) are available, why are they not taking it up, they have no answer. I ask them if after 50 years of trials, and billions of dollars down the drain, Cancer vaccine is not found, how can they be so sure that they will be able to find a vaccine against mutating HIV, which itself has not been identified, they gawk at me and take another question. Hundreds of participants look at me with awe or queerly.

13. I personally gave copies of my 'AIDS and Alternative Medicine' book (3rd Edition, soon to go into 4th by popular demand) to (a) Nelson Mandela (b) Sonia Gandhi (c) Richard Gere and several others in the hope that they will get the light of the day. Nelson Mandela, ofcourse, is too old (he is 86)



**Dr. Leo Rebello, President, AIDS Alternativa,
with Actor Richard Gere, at Bangkok,
on 13 July, 2004, during the
XV International AIDS Conference.**

to understand or acknowledge the racket called AIDS. Sonia Gandhi (whose speech was the best and who got a standing ovation for that) did mention *en passant* about some people not believing in the established theory of AIDS.

14. If only all the above people were to read my foolproof book on AIDS or visited my popular website: www.healthwisdom.org they will get the complete picture of this so-called AIDS pandemic being drummed up to high crescendo. As Hitler said, “A lie repeated a thousand times becomes truth”. When will this genocide unleashed by Pharma mafia in the name of AIDS pandemic ever end?

15. For the first time, '2004 AIDS Film Festival' was organised. Held simultaneously at three different venues: (a) at Room 11 in Impact Centre (b) Lido Cinema and (c) Goethe Institut, from 13 to 19 hours, it brought many visitors. 40 Films selected from over 100 received (between April and May 2004) were screened. They dealt with exploitation of women, their low status, the trafficking of young girls, the vast crisis of illiteracy, unemployment, penury and explosive spread of injecting drug use in many countries. Films selected from various geographical regions, themes and genres were in different languages with English sub-titles or voice-overs. I saw one very poignant film titled *Meddah* (Mercy). It revolves around Luk Nam, an 11-year old girl in Thailand whose life has forever been changed by AIDS. Filmed over two years at a community hospice in the slums of Bangkok, the story unfolds through Luk Nam's diary as she recalls the loss of her family and her best friend.

16. I made the following comments at the end of the film. I am standing here in four capacities: (a) as a Parent (b) as a Physician (c) as a Human Rights Activist and (d) as a Communicator. As a Communicator I say that the film is excellent / heart rending. As a Physician, I must caution you that the children dying in the community hospice, as is evident from the film, were all dying by drugs, not by disease. Drug reaction and suffering due to them is evident. If only the children could speak and assert, the story would be different. As a Human Rights Activist and Parent, therefore, I shall stand up and speak fearlessly. And my indictment is pharma mafia is killing the children. We are also killing our children either due to ignorance, complicity or silence. After seeing this film I am more convinced that I will have to speak up more fearlessly to stop this sinister game. This report proves the point.

17. I shall conclude this report with two Anecdotes: All the participants at the AIDS conference were given free condoms daily. So, when I received my 100th condom as gift (in less than a week) at the hands of a beautiful, buxom college girl working as a volunteer (there were hundreds of them) I asked her teasingly, “what am I supposed to do with it?”. She replied, like a parrot, “use it for safe sex”. I retorted, “You have provided a condom, the next logical step is to gift a woman”. She blushed, giggled, bowed and answered smartly that her job was only to distribute condoms.

18. At a stall on female condoms, I found a high ranking Thai bureaucrat being 'educated' by the college kids on the benefits of Female condom, and the press personnel going crazy to get that byte. I asked the volunteers at that stall: “Condoms come in how many sizes because African, American women are too big, whereas Thai women are very slim and small”. The boys could not answer. I asked the Thai official whether he knew that Penises came in three sizes 5 inches (standard size), 7 inches and 9 inches (according to Playboy magazine world survey), the official laughed and sneaked away before I could ask him another difficult question.

19. This condom approach (incidentally a condom protects only 60%) is creating condom culture of promiscuity, condom ethics, condom morals, condom generation and condom civilisation. We are writing condomised history. Infact one lady has even created condom wedding gowns and fancy dresses, which you can wear only once like the condoms. If this madness were to continue, there would be only one-night stands, no marriages, and no population on earth. Only selected members of Masonic Mafia, who is masterminding the world, will rule to glory.

20. When AIDS Conference next comes to India, I shall be the first one to organise a parallel conference on AIDS and Alternative Medicine. Let us end this AIDS racket which is playing havoc with people's health and lives.



**Dr. Leo Rebello and Mrs. Kashmira Rebello with Pope Benedict XVI
on 15th November 2006 at the Vatican, Rome**

BEWARE THE PSYCHOPATH

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Extracted from *Twilight of the Psychopaths*, by Dr. Kevin Barrett [<http://www.agoracosmopolitan.com/home/Frontpage/2008/01/02/02073.html>] and *The Trick of the Psychopath's Trade* by Silvia Cattori (<http://www.tinyurl.com/53qjml>). Both articles reference the book *Political Ponerology: A science on the nature of evil adjusted for political purposes*, by Andrzej Lobaczewski. Cattori's article includes an interview with the book's editors, Laura Knight-Jadczyk and Henry See.

We make the effort to share this information because it gives us, at last, a plausible answer to a long-unanswered question: Why, no matter how much intelligent goodwill exists in the world, is there so much war, suffering and injustice? It doesn't seem to matter what creative plan, ideology, religion, or philosophy great minds come up with, nothing seems to improve our lot. Since the dawn of civilization, this pattern repeats itself over and over again.

The answer is that civilization, as we know it, is largely the creation of psychopaths. All civilizations have been built on slavery and mass murder. Psychopaths have played a disproportionate role in the development of civilization, because they are hard-wired to lie, kill, cheat, steal, torture, manipulate, and generally inflict great suffering on other humans without feeling any remorse, in order to establish their own sense of security through domination. The inventor of civilization the first tribal chieftain who successfully brainwashed an army of controlled mass murderers was almost certainly a genetic psychopath. Since that momentous discovery, psychopaths have enjoyed a significant advantage over non-psychopaths in the struggle for power in civilizational hierarchies especially military hierarchies.

Behind the apparent insanity of contemporary history, is the actual insanity of psychopaths fighting to preserve their disproportionate power. And as their power gets ever-more-threatened, the psychopaths grow ever-more-desperate. We are witnessing the apotheosis of the overworld the overlapping criminal syndicates that lurk above ordinary society and law just as the underworld lurks below it.

During the past fifty years, psychopaths have gained almost absolute control of all the branches of government. You can notice this if you observe carefully that no matter what illegal thing a modern politician does, no one will really take him to task. All of the so called *scandals* that have come up, any one of which would have taken

down an authentic administration, are just farces played out for the public, to distract them, to make them think that the democracy is still working.

One of the main factors to consider in terms of how a society can be taken over by a group of pathological deviants is that the psychopaths' only limitation is the participation of susceptible individuals within that given society. Lobaczewski gives an average figure for the most active deviants of approximately 6% of a given population. (1% essential psychopaths and up to 5% other psychopathies and characteropathies.) The essential psychopath is at the center of the web. The others form the first tier of the psychopath's control system.

The next tier of such a system is composed of individuals who were born normal, but are either already warped by long-term exposure to psychopathic material via familial or social influences, or who, through psychic weakness have chosen to meet the demands of psychopathy for their own selfish ends. Numerically, according to Lobaczewski, this group is about 12% of a given population under normal conditions.

So approximately 18% of any given population is active in the creation and imposition of a Pathocracy. The 6% group constitutes the Pathocratic 'nobility' and the 12% group forms the new bourgeoisie, whose economic situation is the most advantageous.

When you understand the true nature of psychopathic influence that it is conscienceless, emotionless, selfish, cold and calculating, and devoid of any moral or ethical standards, you are horrified, but at the same time everything suddenly begins to make sense. Our society is ever more soulless because the people who lead it and who set the example are soulless - they literally have no conscience.

In his book *Political Oenology*, Andrej Lobaczewski explains that clinical psychopaths enjoy advantages even in non-violent competitions to climb the ranks of social hierarchies. Because they can lie without remorse (and without the telltale physiological stress that is measured by lie detector tests), psychopaths can always say whatever is necessary to get what they want. In court, for example, psychopaths can tell extreme bald-faced lies in a plausible manner, while their sane opponents are handicapped by an emotional predisposition to remain within hailing distance of the truth. Too often, the judge or jury imagines that the truth must be somewhere in the middle, and then issues decisions that benefit the psychopath. As with judges and juries, so too with those charged with decisions concerning who to promote and who not to promote in corporate, military and governmental hierarchies. The result is that all hierarchies inevitably become top-heavy with psychopaths. Since psychopaths have no limitations on what they can or will do to get to the top, the ones in charge are generally pathological. It is not power that corrupts, it is that corrupt individuals get into the positions of power.

How can we distinguish between psychopaths and healthy people? What is the portrait of a true psychopath?

Such a dangerous question has almost never been successfully asked. The reason is because we mistakenly confuse *healthy* for *normal*. Human psychological diversity is the *health* of our race. There is no *normal* because *healthy* humans continuously evolve beyond all normalizing standards. The terrorism of searching through hierarchies for anyone deviating from *normal* is no different from witch-hunts or Inquisitions. You must remember that hierarchies thrive on such low dramas, torturing victims until they confess to *evil* beliefs. Not so long ago the church and state ongoingly acquired significant income and property through witch-hunts and Inquisitions. This continued for over two hundred and fifty years. Ten generations of Europeans understood pogrom as normal life. Let us not return to that nightmare. Testing for *normal* is guaranteed to backfire in our face. There is no normal. But there *is* conscience.

We have very little empirical evidence to support the idea that true psychopathy is the result of an abused childhood, and much empirical evidence to support that it is genetic. The neurobiological model offers us the greatest hope of being able to identify even the most devious psychopath. Other recent studies lead to similar results and conclusions: that psychopaths have great difficulty processing verbal and nonverbal affective (emotional) material, that they tend to confuse the emotional significance of events, and most importantly, that *these deficits show up in brain scans! A missing internal connection between the feeling heart and the thinking brain is detectable.*

Psychopaths are incapable of authentic deep emotions. In fact, when Robert Hare, a Canadian psychologist who spent his career studying psychopathy, did brain scans on psychopaths while showing them two sets of words, one set of neutral words with no emotional associations and a second set with emotionally charged words, while different areas of the brain lit up in the non-psychopathic control group, in the psychopaths, both sets were processed in the same area of the brain, the area that deals with language. They did not have an emotional reaction until they intellectually concluded that it would be better if they had one, and then they whipped up an emotional response just for show.

The simplest, clearest and truest portrait of the psychopath is given in the titles of three seminal works on the subject: *Without Conscience* by Robert Hare, *The Mask of Sanity* by Hervey Cleckley, and *Snakes in Suits* by Robert Hare and Paul Babiak. **A psychopath is exactly that: conscienceless.** The most important thing to remember is that this lack of conscience is hidden from view behind a mask of normality that is often so convincing that even experts are deceived. As a result, psychopaths become the *Snakes in Suits* that control our world.

Psychopaths lack a sense of remorse or empathy with others. They can be extremely charming and are experts at using talk to charm and hypnotize their prey. They are also irresponsible. Nothing is ever their fault; someone else or the world at large is always to blame for all of their *problems* or their mistakes. Martha Stout, in her book *The Sociopath Next Door*, identifies what she calls the pity ploy. **Psychopaths use pity to manipulate.** They convince you to give them one more chance, and to not tell anyone about what they have done. **So another trait and a very important one is their ability to control the flow of information.**

They also seem to have little real conception of past or future, living entirely for their immediate needs and desires. Because of the barren quality of their inner life, they are often seeking new thrills, anything from feeling the power of manipulating others to engaging in illegal activities simply for the rush of adrenaline.

Another trait of the psychopath is what Lobaczewski calls their special psychological knowledge of normal people. They have studied us. They know us better than we know ourselves. They are experts in knowing how to push our buttons, to use our emotions against us. But beyond that, they even seem to have some sort of hypnotic power over us. When we begin to get caught up in the web of the psychopath, our ability to think deteriorates, gets muddled. They seem to cast some sort of spell over us. It is only later when we are no longer in their presence, out of their spell, that the clarity of thought returns and we find ourselves wondering how it was that we were unable to respond or counter what they were doing.

Psychopaths learn to recognize each other in a crowd as early as childhood, and they develop an awareness of the existence of other individuals similar to themselves. They also become conscious of being of a different world from the majority of other people surrounding them. They view us from a certain distance.

Think about the ramifications of this statement: Psychopaths are, to some extent, self-aware as a group even in childhood! Recognizing their fundamental difference from the rest of humanity, their allegiance would be to others of their kind, that is, to other psychopaths.

Their own twisted sense of honor compels them to cheat and revile non-psychopaths and their values. In contradiction to the ideals of normal people, psychopaths feel that breaking promises and agreements is normal behavior.

Not only do they covet possessions and power and feel they have the right to them just because they exist and can take them, but they gain special pleasure in usurping and taking from others; what they can plagiarize, swindle, and extort are fruits far sweeter than those they can earn through honest labor. They also learn very early how

their personalities can have traumatizing effects on the personalities of non-psychopaths, and how to take advantage of this root of terror for purposes of achieving their goals.

So now, imagine how human beings who are totally in the dark about the presence of psychopaths can be easily deceived and manipulated by these individuals, gaining power in different countries, pretending to be loyal to the local populations while at the same time playing up obvious and easily discernable physical differences between groups (such as race, skin color, religion, etc). Psychologically normal humans would be set against one another on the basis of unimportant differences (think of Rwanda 1994, think of Israelis and Palestinians) while the deviants in power, with a fundamental difference from the rest of us, a lack of conscience, an inability to feel for another human being, reaped the benefits and pulled the strings.

We are seeing the final desperate power-grab or *endgame* (Alex Jones) of brutal, cunning gangs of CIA drug-runners and President-killers; money-laundering international bankers and their hit-men economic and otherwise; corrupt military contractors and gung-ho generals; corporate predators and their political enablers; brainwashers and mind-rapists euphemistically known as psy-ops and PR specialists in short, the whole crew of certifiable psychopaths running our so-called civilization. And they are running scared.

Why does the Pathocracy fear it is losing control? Because it is threatened by the spread of knowledge. The greatest fear of any psychopath is of being found out.

Psychopaths go through life knowing that they are completely different from other people. **Deep down they know something is missing in them.** They quickly learn to hide their lack of empathy, while carefully studying others' emotions so as to mimic normalcy while cold-bloodedly manipulating the normal.

Today, thanks to new information technologies, we are on the brink of unmasking the psychopaths and building a civilization of, by and for the healthy human being a civilization without war, a civilization based on truth, a civilization in which the saintly few rather than the diabolical few would gravitate to positions of power. We already have the knowledge necessary to diagnose psychopathic personalities and keep them out of power. We have the knowledge necessary to dismantle the institutions in which psychopaths especially flourish militaries, intelligence agencies, large corporations, and secret societies. We simply need to disseminate this knowledge, and the will to use it, as widely and as quickly as possible.

Until the knowledge and awareness of pathological human beings is given the attention it deserves and becomes part of the general knowledge of all human beings, there is no way that things can be changed in any way that is effective and long-

lasting. If half the people agitating for truth or stopping the war or saving the earth would focus their efforts, time and money on exposing psychopathy, we might get somewhere.

One might ask if the weak point of our society has been our tolerance of psychopathic behavior? Our disbelief that someone could seem like an intelligent leader and still be acting deceptively on their own behalf without conscience? Or is it merely ignorance?

If the general voting public is not aware that there exists a category of people we sometimes perceive as *almost human*, who look like us, who work with us, who are found in every race, every culture, speaking every language, but who are lacking conscience, how can the general public take care to block them from taking over the hierarchies? General ignorance of psychopathology may prove to be the downfall of civilization. We stand by like grazing sheep as political / corporate elites throw armies of our innocent sons and daughters against fabricated enemies as a way of generating trillions in profits, vying against each other for pathological hegemony.

Nearly everyone who has been part of an organization working for social change has probably seen the same dynamic play out: The good and sincere work of many can be destroyed by the actions of one person. That doesn't bode well for bringing some sort of justice to the planet! In fact, if psychopaths dominate political hierarchies, is it any wonder that peaceful demonstrations have zero impact on the outcome of political decisions? Perhaps it is time to choose something other than massive, distant hierarchies as a way of governing ourselves?

So many efforts to provide essays, research reports, exposés and books to leaders so they might take the new information to heart and change their behavior have come to naught. For example, in the final paragraph of his revised edition of the book, ***The Party's Over***, Richard Heinberg writes: “*I still believe that if the people of the world can be helped to understand the situation we are in, the options available, and the consequences of the path we are currently on, then it is at least possible that they can be persuaded to undertake the considerable effort and sacrifice that will be entailed in a peaceful transition to a sustainable, locally based, decentralized, low-energy, resource-conserving social regime. But inspired leadership will be required*”.

Only when the 75% of humanity with a healthy conscience come to understand that we have a natural predator, a group of people who live amongst us, viewing us as powerless victims to be freely fed upon for achieving their inhuman ends, only then will we take the fierce and immediate actions needed to defend what is precious human. Psychological deviants have to be removed from any position of power over people of conscience, period. People must be made aware that such individuals exist and must learn how to spot them and their manipulations. The hard part is that one must also struggle against those tendencies to mercy and kindness in oneself in order not to become prey.

The real problem is that the knowledge of psychopathy and how psychopaths rule the world has been effectively hidden. People do not have the adequate, nuance knowledge they need to really make a change from the bottom up. Again and again, throughout history it has been *meet the new boss, same as the old boss*. If there is any work that is deserving of full time efforts and devotion for the sake of helping humanity in this present dark time, it is the study of psychopathy and the propagation of this information as far and wide and fast as possible.

There are only two things that can bring a psychopath under submission: (a) A bigger psychopath. (b) The non-violent, absolute refusal to submit to psychopathic controls no matter the consequences (non-violent noncompliance).

Let us choose path 2. If individuals simply sat down and refused to lift a hand to further one single aim of the psychopathic agenda, if people refused to pay taxes, if soldiers refused to fight, if government workers and corporate drones and prison guards refused to go to work, if doctors refused to treat psychopathic elites and their families, the whole system would grind to a screeching halt.

True change happens in the moment that a person becomes aware of psychopathy in all its chilling details. From this new awareness, the world looks different, and entirely new actions can be taken. Distinguishing between human and psychopathic qualities begins the foundation of responsibility upon which we have a real chance to create sustainable culture.

Dr. Leo Rebello's Note: (a) It is about time we identified these psychopaths and control them to save the world. Simultaneously (b) we need to dismantle the old hierarchical structures; (c) identify inspired men and women who will see reason and the light of day, who will change, learn and grow, make compassionate decisions and take conscientious actions, and (d) get them elected to powerful offices. Do not go on dreaming, discussing, and planning *ad nauseam*. Having finished reading the best brains, now turn to the Last Word, which gives a foolproof plan for a World without Wars, and act in that direction.

**NGOs WORKING FOR WORLD WITHOUT WARS,
WORLD WITHOUT BORDERS, WORLD WITHOUT HUNGER, etc.**

It is one of the greatest achievements of this century that millions of individuals and groups work dedicatedly for the betterment of humanity and the world. We have selected 111 organizations that believe in *Oughtopia*, (meaning what ought-to-be in society) and provide an ideal vision of a spiritually beautiful, materially sufficient and humanly rewarding society through Goodwill, Cooperation and Service.

The five major movements that emerge through these collective efforts are: movement for a healthy society; movement for better living; movement for the love of nature; movement for the restoration of human dignity; and movement for global peace.

But a miniscule few who control everything upset the balance. In preparing this list we discovered that certain organizations are two faced, representing themselves to the public as serving bright principles, yet secretly funded by and serving shadow agendas. Therefore, we have applied the following criteria to our list:

(a) That these listed organizations are not funded by the CIA, KGB, Mossad, World Bank, IMF and other such world ruining agencies.

(b) That these listed organizations are not working for UNO, WHO, UNAIDS, or such organizations which promote hidden agenda of de-population.

(c) That these listed organizations are not in anyway connected with the Freemasons or Arms and Drug syndicates, or Zionist mafia, imperialist establishments, new world order manipulators, globalist reptilians, corporate racketeers, (p)harmaceutical mafia or their surrogates who believe in “Useless Eaters” doctrine or who subscribe to “Lifeboat ethics” because of their warped thinking and insatiable greed.

(d) We have included some US NGOs. But we have ensured that the façade organizations are kept out as USA is destroying itself and we cannot use that decadent model to save the world.

(e) We have kept religious organizations out of this list, too, as they maintain *status quo ante*. In fact, they emasculate us. We need radical humanism, but radical humanism does not imply a gun for a gun or an eye for an eye. We, the peace loving people, do not believe in that.

(f) That the organizations selected have long history of selfless service, they are spread all over the world, they have contributed immensely towards world progress, they believe in non-violent civil disobedience and that they offer a ray of hope for humanity when all around us we find the debris of death.

Here are 111 organizations that work for the removal of disparities, hunger, and exploitation; organizations that work for uniting us with a link language like Esperanto; organizations that subscribe to 'world family' idea; organizations that promote Holistic Healing and Holistic Development. We have also included Red Cross, which, once the world becomes free of wars or free of borders will automatically cease to exist along with many of these listed organisations. That is the day we all wish to see in our lifetime.

The compilers of this list, as do the leaders of 111 NGOs, believe like Francisco Gomes de Matos, Professor Emeritus, Federal University of Pernambuco, Recife, Brazil, who wrote to me: “On reading your well-crafted alliterated book title, the following text popped up in my mind and I dedicate it to you:

*“Can there be a World without Wars?
Yes, it is a Planet without sores
deeply inspired by humanizing cores
committed to Life-preserving Mores”.*

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1. Abolition 2000 - A Global Network of 2000 organizations in more than 90 countries working for a treaty to eliminate nuclear weapons within a time bound framework. It is open to all organizations endorsing the abolition 2000 statement. The member organizations meet once a year and communicate on an ongoing basis via a number of list serves and through conferences, teleconferencing, and periodic mailings. abolition2000.org

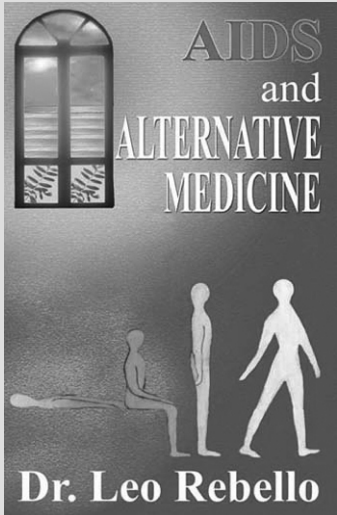
2. Actions Against Hunger - an international organization that delivers emergency aid to people suffering from natural and manmade disasters. Founded in France in 1979, they share an over all vision of **world without hunger** with other humanitarian NGOs. actionagainsthunger.org

3. Act Now to Stop War and Stop Racism - was formed in September 2004. It is a coalition of hundreds of organizations and prominent individuals and scores of organizing centers across U.S to campaign against U.S. intervention worldwide. answer.pephost.org

4. Afghanistan Peace Association - Formed in 1989, is NOT seeking political power but aims at becoming a social power. It aims at achieving internal peace in order to be able to remove the ostensible reason for foreign occupation. <http://afghanistanpeace.org>

5. Ahimsa International is based in Uruguay, South America. Its work is inspired by the legacy of Ashoka, a great ruler in ancient Asia. By instituting a complex and sustainable social system, Emperor Ashoka transformed a kingdom permeated with violence and inequity into one of peace and social well-being. All the activities of AI are based on noble qualities of the individual, virtuous activities in personal and community relationships, and altruistic principles of governance. Its projects are: Eco City. Biodiversity center to biomap living systems. Global model of sustainable, healthy living that addresses four areas of global destruction: climate change based on petroleum for transportation; rampant toxicities based on pesticides and agro-petrochemicals; declining health and public services worldwide, and the rapid rise of global drug addiction among youth. AI believes that by generating ecological prosperity from bio-energy and organics, it will be possible to contribute to a national health program based on holistic healing modalities. www.ahimsainternational.org

6. AIDS Alternativa International founded in 1989, AAI works to create true awareness on HIV/AIDS and Vaccines. Through its 'Aids Anonymous' idea (well accepted by millions), it protects the HIV/AIDS patients who are discriminated by the society, and victimized and used ruthlessly by the AIDS mafia. Its operating principles and slogans are: 'From AIDS Scare to AIDS Care', 'AIDS No More', 'Health Care is Self Care', 'Doctors, Drugs and Devils', and 'No Ills, No Pills, No Bills'. Through Holistic Treatment, Research, and Training by way of lectures, seminars, participation in conferences, by conducting capacity building workshops, and publications, AAI has reached millions worldwide. AAI Founder Dr. Leo Rebello's original tome **AIDS and Alternative Medicine** (in 4th Edition and translations) is the most comprehensive book on the subject, which gives many liberating ideas, including the recipe on how to create vaccines at home without much expense. www.healthwisdom.org



7. All India Letter-Writers Association was founded on 1st January 1980. It is the first association of conscience keepers in the world and won the Limca Book of World Record in 2001 for 'Pen Power' an encyclopedia of letters to the editors. Recognised by UN-Habitat, AILWA (Founder/President Dr. Leo Rebello) aims at: *Evolving* an independent forum of writers. *Fostering* progressive ideas. *Arousing* people towards action and results. *Supporting* preservation of good value system. *Correcting* waywardness of mass media. *Campaigning* for health education and cleaner environment. *Imparting* good citizenship training to youth and *Developing* fellow feelings in this strife-torn world. <http://ailwa.tripod.com>

8. Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women that brings freedom and peace to other alcoholics. Bill Wilson and Dr. Bob Smith founded AA in 1935. In 1937, the big book on AA was written that sets out 12 steps to freedom from alcoholism. Since then, it has helped millions. With 106,500 AA groups and over two million members worldwide AA is a passive force. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. The operating principles of AA are: 'stay sober, promote sobriety', 'what we were like, what happened and what we are like now' and 'whither do we go?'. www.aa.org

Dr. Leo Rebello's note: You may ask - how AA finds a place in this book whose avowed aim is freedom and peace. Well, the world alcohol expenditure is more than the food bills of people that die of malnutrition. Alcohol enslaves, like wars do. Many leaders and army men have drowned themselves in alcohol. When you are a slave to drugs, Devil drives you, you are controlled and you are ruined because reason and courage fail you. The key words here are: fellowship, freedom and peace, operating principles that lay emphasis on sobriety and correcting the wrongs.

9. Amnesty International UK based worldwide movement of people who campaign for human rights for all. Since 1961 they have been working around the globe to stop the human rights abuse and rescue of political prisoners who do not believe in violence. Winner of Nobel Prize for Peace, 1977. www.amnesty.org

10. Anti-Mines: International Committee of Rotary Clubs was started in Barcelona, Spain, and works on the deactivation of millions of antipersonnel mines or cluster bombs, which remain active in territories where wars or armed conflicts have taken place. These antipersonnel mines can remain active for more than 50 years, waiting for someone to step on them and maim and kill thousands of innocents, mainly children. 80% of the victims of antipersonnel mines are produced in times of peace. The main objective of this committee is to compel all countries that have not signed the 1997 Ottawa Treaty or the anti cluster bomb agreement of 2008 to stop using these weapons. www.antimines.org

11. Anti Slavery International. Founded in 1939, it is the world's oldest international human rights organization and the only charity in U.K to work exclusively against slavery and abuse. They work locally, nationally and internationally to eliminate the system of slavery around the world through various actions. antislavery.org

12. Architecture for Humanity - seeks architectural solutions to humanitarian crisis and brings professional design services to communities in need. It was founded in 1979 by Cameroon Sinclair and Kate Sthor in response to the need for immediate shelter for Kosovo refugees after the region's bloody conflict. Their vision designers

innovate globally to build housing, schools, clinics and other essential infrastructure locally and improve people's lives. The best thing about AH is: it spends barely 3% in fundraising outreach, only 9% on administration costs and use 88% funds on construction and design service. architectureforhumanity.org

13. Arthur Morgan Institute for Community Solutions was founded in 1940 as a community service organization to educate on the benefits and values of small local community living. It envisions a world where people live cooperatively in low-energy, self-reliant communities, which are diverse, equitable, and just. It educates about the global oil production peak and climate change, and helps design solutions to the current unsustainable, fossil fuel-based, overly centralized way of living. Community Solutions seek alternatives to both non-renewables and renewables that are risky. www.communitysolution.org

14. Asian Federation Against Involuntary Disappearances - works directly on the issue of involuntary disappearances in Asia. Envisioning **a world without *desaparecidos***, the Federation was founded on June 4, 1998 in Manila, Philippines. It is guided by the principles of mutual support among member-organizations, transparency within the Federation and with other regional formations, and sustainability of efforts. AFAD adheres to various universal declarations on human rights and protection of all persons against torture, cruelty and degrading punishment. It also adheres to the principles of gender equality, care for the environment and nature and non-discrimination. www.afad-online.org

15. Avaaz.org was co-founded by Res Publica, a global civic advocacy group and non-profit organization, and MoveOn, that pioneered internet advocacy in the United States. It claims that it is an independent, not-for-profit global campaigning organization that works to ensure that the views and values of the world's people inform global decision-making. Avaaz (voice) is now 3.6 millions members strong in 14 languages. On 21 September 2009, it staged a 'global wake-up call' to press leaders of G20 to take action on climate. Avaaz is staffed by a global team based in Ottawa, London, Rio de Janeiro, New York, Buenos Aires, and Geneva. www.avaaz.org

Dr. Leo Rebello's critique: Ricken Patel, Executive Director of Avaaz.org, has not been able to answer me on (a) Why there are no campaigns against USA or Israel atrocities on Palestinians and elsewhere? (b) Why there are no campaigns against mandatory vaccinations when they claim to work for human rights? (c) Why some of their campaigns appear engineered? For example, when it conducts campaign on Global Warming, why there is no mention about HAARP, Star Wars, etc.? (d) What is their corpus and annual budget? (e) From where they get huge funds for office, staff salaries, and other overheads? (f) How much they have

donated, to whom and what percentage of the funds received? (g) 'Global wake-up call' is fine, but during G20 recent meeting in Pittsburg there were 3 police personnel to every peace protestor that assembled, and they were handled mercilessly. Was any Avaaz raised against it?

16. Axis of Justice - Founded in 2002 by two famous anti-imperialism activists Rockstar Tom Morello and Serj Tankian. Its purpose is to encourage musicians, fans and grass roots political organizations to act for social justice and to fight racism and imperialism worldwide. www.axisofjustice.org. Anti Imperialist Camp started in 1992 in Assisi, Italy is another NGO that brings together different movements dedicated to opposing war. antiimperialist.org

17. Befrienders Worldwide - In 2003, Samaritans (UK & ROI) took on the Befrienders Worldwide network of over 400 volunteer centers in 39 countries, across 6 continents. These centers provide help to those in need of emotional support, in order to reduce the number of people who die by suicide (over a million annually), and enable people to explore their feelings in an anonymous, confidential and non-judgmental environment. For maximum impact, Befrienders work in partnership with other networks. www.befrienders.org

Dr. Leo Rebello's observation: By listening to those prone to suicide, a befriender helps them to listen to themselves. This is what Rev. Chad Varah, the founder of Samaritans, taught us in the early seventies. Problem starts when WHO (the Godfather of the pharma mafia) comes in and labels this passing phase of depression as mental illness and then some of these centres, like the one in Bombay, start prescribing psychiatric drugs. Then befriending is forgotten and drug dependence is encouraged. Instead of rehabilitating these people back into the society as useful members, they become numbers for funds, the end beneficiary being the medicine mafia.

18. Berkana Institute is a global charitable foundation, co-founded by Margaret Wheatley partnering with local leaders around the world who work to liberate the capacity for human goodness that is common to all people. A leader is anyone who wants to help strengthen their communities with the wisdom and wealth already present in their people, traditions and environment, wisely stewarding the earth's resources. 12 centers in 10 nations, 375 members, 9200 beneficiaries worldwide. BI believes that human beings are caring, generous and want to be together. www.berkana.org

19. Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament Britain based organization was formed in 1958. It is anti-war and anti missile defense system. It says firm no to nuclear weapons and other WMDs and DU. It is also against NATO and it is for immediate withdrawal of foreign troops from Afghanistan. www.cnduk.org

20. Campaign Against Arms Trade - a UK based NGO campaigning for organizations working towards the abolition of international arms trade. Founded in 1974 by a broad coalition of peace groups. CAAT is united in opposition against military industrial complex and the growth of private military industry. www.caat.org.uk

21. Carica Worldwide a cooperative formed by philanthropist Ramon Tan in the Philippines in 1995. It started as an international herbal company. But today they also carry out charitable and humanitarian works through free livelihood, seminars on natural healing, entrepreneurship, food production etc. They are strongly anti-pharma, anti-chemicals, anti-colonialism and anti-economic imperialism. www.caricaworldwide.com

22. Center For Humane Technologies - a Ukraine based NGO, founded in 1991. Its mission is to promote the creation of a civil society by means of preparedness for survival and sustainable development of local communities through the teaching of humanitarian technologies, social efficacy, across Eurasia. www.civilsoc.org

23. Centre for Research in Ayurveda and Social Medicine for International Brotherhood was founded by Dr. Jitendra Singh, in 1992. It works at evolving a comprehensive health and harmony policy for the world, based on the sound principles of Ayurveda (the science of life). CRASMIB also works to protect the three components of the living world, namely, animal, mineral and plant kingdom, focusing on India's rich Herbal biodiversity from being plundered by the pirates of development. Dr. Leo Rebello, President, Indian Council of Natural Medicine and Research, is its Patron, since inception. www.crasmb.org

24. Centre for Research on Globalisation, put together by Prof. Michael Chossudovsky, is a registered non-profit organization in Quebec serving as an independent research organization of writers, scholars, journalists and activists. In addition to providing the Global Research website, the Centre publishes books, supports humanitarian projects as well as educational outreach activities including the organization of public conferences and lectures. The many academicians who contribute to the CRG are the eyes and ears of this organization. In combination with the Internet it is one of the most meritorious creations. www.globalresearch.ca

25. Center for Wise Democracy teaches and uses a social innovation that allows people to come out of denial, understand the problems they face, dialogue respectfully, discover deep feelings of connectedness, creatively invent new solutions, and freely pitch in to serve the common good. The social innovation is called *Wisdom Council*, which brings people together to make collectively intelligent decisions. www.wisedemocracy.org

26. Childvoice Campaign - An NGO, which helps to assist child soldiers and child war victims. They operate through advocacy in developed countries, research on the effects of war on children and conduct projects to assist war torn countries by providing education, housing, and assistance for reintegration into civilian society. www.childvoice.org

27. Coalition for the International Criminal Court - a global network of more than 2500 organizations in 150 countries advocating for a fair and independent international criminal court. The coalition was founded in 1995. www.iccnw.org

28. Dream Change is a nonprofit corporation dedicated to shifting consciousness. Founded by John Perkins and Llyn Roberts, the objective is accomplished through Waking Our World with programs dedicated to empowering individuals to consciously channel their energies into actions that create a more compassionate and just world. www.dreamchange.org

29. Earth First is an effective international movement. It started in 1979 in response to a lethargic, compromising, and increasingly corporate environmental community. EF believes in using all the tools, ranging from grassroots organizing and involvement in the legal process to civil disobedience. Everyone who believes in biocentrism and acts to save the mother earth is Earth Firster. They are diverse, passionate, committed, and an uncompromising group of environmental activists. “No compromise in the defense of mother earth” is their motto. www.EarthFirst.org

30. Esperanto International - is a link language that is spoken by several million people, even though not adopted by any country officially. Because of multiplicity of tongues, humanity stands divided today. Esperanto reflects the aspirations of all people to communicate in a universal language. Dr. Ludovic Lazarus Zamenhof, a Jewish ophthalmologist from Bialystok, then part of the Russian Empire, developed Esperanto in the late 1870s and early 1880s. He created this language to foster harmony between people from different countries. It is an easy-to-learn neutral second language for every country. Punch Esperanto in Google search and hundreds of articles will pop up. You can also download the original textbook and/or learn Esperanto free online. www.esperanto.org

31. Falun Gong is a human (body-mind) cultivation practice guided by Truthfulness, Benevolence and Forbearance. "Cultivation" means continuously striving to better harmonize oneself with these universal principles. “Practice” refers to the exercises five sets of easy-to-learn gentle movements and meditation. While the exercises have deep inner meanings, they also help to reduce stress and can bring great improvements in health and fitness. In 1992, Mr. Li Hongzhi first taught Falun Dafa publicly in Changchun, and then continued to lecture across China, and everywhere he got spontaneous response because of profound benefits. Today, Dafa is practiced

and cherished by over 100 million people in some 115 countries, and has received a plethora of honors inspite of crackdown and persecution by the Chinese Govt. since 1999. www.falundafa.org

32. Filmaid International empowers millions of people suffering the effects of war, poverty, displacement or disaster. Since 1999, a group of idealist film directors, work with communities in crisis to shape messages for survival and strength, create films and videos in their own voice, and show these films in the most impactful and appropriate settings. FilmAid screenings, in diverse places, range from intimate discussion of 40 people to large outdoor screenings, reaching thousands at one time. www.filmaid.org

33. First Children's Embassy in the World - Republic of Macedonia was founded on 29th April 1992 in Skopje, for protection of children and does not belong to any government or political party. It unites the children of the world by co-operating with all international organizations that are interested in the care and protection of children. The Embassy is especially interested in the protection of war-affected children (saving, caring and sending to other countries where there is no war), preventing cases of abuse of children for sexual, economical and political aims, religious disputes and national conflicts. www.childrensembassy.org.mk [Dr. Leo Rebello supports this unique initiative from its inception].



34. Food First Information and Action Network advocates for the realization of the right to food, for more than two decades. It consists of national sections and individual members in over 50 countries around the world. FIAN is a not-for-profit organization, without any religious or political affiliation and has consultative status with the United Nations. FIAN's vision is **a world free from hunger**, in which every woman, man and child can fully enjoy their human rights in dignity, particularly the right to adequate food, as laid down in the international human rights instruments. www.fian.org

35. Food not Bombs is an all-volunteer global movement that shares free vegetarian meals with hungry poor people as a protest to war and poverty. Began in early 1980's in Cambridge, USA. Food not bombs organizes nonviolent, direct action to stop the globalization of the economy and end exploitation and destruction of the earth; planting 'Food Not Lawns' community gardens and housing people with 'Homes Not Jails' projects. Food Not Bombs has no paid staff and is an all-volunteer movement. It is a great time to stop underestimating the power of one (whether one person or one

36. Freedom From Hunger offers sustainable, self-help solutions to poor women in Africa, Asia and Latin America to end chronic hunger and poverty through a powerful combination of micro finance, education, and health protection. Established in 1946, it began as Meals for Millions, the organization that developed and introduced Multi-Purpose Food, a high-protein powdered food supplement still used today in relief efforts around the world. In the 1970s, it began implementing Applied Nutrition Programs, focusing almost exclusively on the health and nutrition of mothers and children. In 1988, it developed the world's first integrated micro credit/health and nutrition education program. Today, its *Credit with Education* program is serving nearly 400,000 families in some of the poorest countries on earth. freedomfromhunger.org

37. Gonoshasthaya Kendra (People's Health Centre) was established in 1972 by Dr Zafrullah Chowdhury. GK emphasises people-orientated development. Beginning with health, it now works for education, nutrition, agriculture, employment generation, production of basic medicines and women's emancipation. GK's paramedics trained in preventive and curative medicine, cater to vast population of impoverished Bangladeshis. In 1981, GK set up Gono Pharmaceuticals (GP) to make essential drugs of the highest quality at low cost. GK experience elevated Chowdhury as a key adviser to the Bangladesh government in 1982 when it drew up its Essential Drugs Act, proscribing 1,700 dangerous or useless drugs. Winner of the Right Livelihood Award 1992. www.gkbd.org

38. GCS Global Cooperation Service Society - A global movement started in 1975 by Dr. Young Seek Choue together with 77 world leaders. Its headquarters are in South Korea. The movement spread worldwide in the 1980's, as club members strove to build 'Oughtopia' through goodwill, cooperation and service to build a healthy society, better living, the love of nature, human dignity and global peace. gcs-ngo.org

39. Gesundheit Global Outreach is the Gesundheit Institute's international service, dedicated to the improvement of health of individuals and communities through Patch Adams' clowning missions, humanitarian aid, building projects, community development and health justice gatherings in over 65 countries around the world. <http://www.patchadams.org/en>

40. Global Eco-village Network is an international confederation of individuals and communities whose main aim is to support and encourage the evolution of sustainable settlements worldwide. GEN promotes sharing ideas, exchanging technologies, developing cultural and educational exchanges, directories and newsletters. www.ecovillage.org

41. Global Humanitarian Photojournalist - founded by Jacob Foco, this NGO aims at raising awareness of social injustices worldwide while seeking local partnership and projects that provide real solutions instead of blame - to build unity among people as equals regardless of race, political affiliations, religion or gender, to eliminate suffering and improve lives. globalhp.org

42. Global Impact - a global NGO-umbrella that represents more than 50 of America's most respected international development and relief charities. Through its member organizations it works in developing countries providing wide ranges of service to the poor, including feeding the hungry, teaching effective farming techniques, providing prenatal care, supplying clean water, building schools and training teachers, promoting entrepreneurship thru micro loans etc. charity.org

43. Globe International - a non-profit making, non-membership NGO based in Ulaan Baator, Mongolia founded in March 1999, to sustain Mongolian democracy and civil society, and spread power of information and knowledge to improve the world. globeinter.org

44. Global Network Against Weapons and Nuclear Power in Space is a coalition of 150 peace groups around the world that work to oppose the introduction of weapons and nuclear power into space. Bruce Gagnon, Karl Grossman and Bill Sulzman founded it in 1992. Since then, GN has met every year in order to bring together key activists who work on the avowed cause as described in the organization's name. 17th annual conference was held in Seoul, South Korea on April 16-18, 2009. **Dr. Leo Rebello is associated with it since 2001.** www.space4peace.org

45. Global Peace Builder - An international network of conflict resolution, conflict transformation and peace building initiatives, by connecting organizations and researchers; established in 1992 in Ireland, rooted in the context of northern Ireland peace process. globalpeacebuilder.org

46. Global Peace Hut - a Canadian NGO that runs conflict resolution and peace making programs in Uganda and East Africa, through their local, indigenous affiliate NGOs. GPH's mission is to provide people with the tools to live in peace, connected to each other in community and globally. globalpeacehut.org

47. Global Security Institute - an international organization with a mission to eliminate nuclear weapons thru international cooperation and security. Alan Cranston founded the institute in 1999. He believed that nuclear weapons are impractical, unacceptably risky and unworthy of civilization. gsinstitute.org

48. Global Volunteer Network - a New Zealand based NGO established in 2000 by Collin Salisbury. Its vision is to connect people with communities in need. They do

this by supporting the work of local community organizations in countries, through the placement of international volunteers. volunteer.org.nz

49. Goi Peace Foundation - Masahisa Goi (1916-1980), a Japanese teacher, philosopher, poet and author, dedicated his life to peace and humanity. After witnessing the terrible destruction of World War II, he started a world peace movement to spread the message and prayer “May Peace Prevail on Earth,” as a way of uniting the hearts of humanity transcending all boundaries of race, religion, or politics. www.goipeace.or.jp

50. Greenpeace International, based in the Netherlands, is an independent global organisation that acts to change attitudes and behaviour, to protect and conserve the environment and to promote peace. It has been campaigning against environmental degradation since 1971 when a small boat of volunteers and journalists sailed into Amchitka, an area north of Alaska, where the US Government was conducting underground nuclear tests. This tradition of 'bearing witness' in a non-violent manner continues today in 40 countries. "We exist to expose environmental criminals, and to challenge government and corporations when they fail to live up to their mandate to safeguard our environment and our future" avers its website: www.greenpeace.org

51. Habitat of Humanity International - Since its founding in 1976 by Millard and Linda Fuller, it has become a world leader in addressing the issues of poverty housing. They build simple, decent, and affordable homes for the poor people through their 132 affiliates in the Asia-Pacific region and 2,291 worldwide. HFHI has built and rehabilitated more than 300,000 houses, sheltering more than 1,500,000 people in thousands of communities in North America, Latin America and the Caribbean, Africa, Eastern and Western Europe, and throughout the Asia-Pacific region. It is supporting new operations in Afghanistan, and Cambodia presently. Habitat New Zealand, for example, encourages affiliates to build a “House for a House”: for every house built in New Zealand, a house is built elsewhere in the world. www.habitat.org

52. Help Without Frontiers: An international humanitarian aid NGO, with main office in Italy. Founded by young and enthusiastic people, without geographical and mental frontiers to help refugees in Burma (Myanmar) and other war torn places. helpwithoutfrontiers.org

53. Holy Land Trust: A pacifist NGO established in Bethlehem. Working since 1998 to develop non-violent community actions aimed toward bringing an end to the Israeli occupation and building a future based on the principles of non-violence, equality, justice, peaceful coexistence and empowerment of the oppressed Palestinians. holylandtrust.org

54. Humanist Movement aspires for a universal human nation through transformation of the individual and the society. It believes in: all human life is of central value and concern, higher than money or institutions; non-violence as the only way to achieve results; fighting discrimination in all its forms; encouraging the continuous development and free distribution of human knowledge and freedom of beliefs and ideas. Founded in Argentina, in the sixties, it is now spread in 150 countries with over 4 million voluntary workers. Orange Book and other publications by “Silo” (a.k.a. Mario Luis Rodríguez Cobos) are the basis of the political program (New Humanism). HP uses Moebius ribbon in orange colour as symbol, as it symbolizes the infinity, therefore also the infinite possibilities of human beings. It also symbolizes the continuity between the personal and the social sphere, and the need for coherence in social and personal change. The orange colour symbolizes 'help and solidarity'. www.humanistparty.org

55. Initiatives of Change (Moral Re-Armament) works for change in the world. It comprises people of many cultures, nations, beliefs and backgrounds committed to transforming society through changes in individuals and relationships. Frank Buchman, its originator, called for 'moral and spiritual rearmament' as the way to build a 'hate-free, fear-free, greed-free world' in 1938. Development of character and creation of a value-based society are its twin objectives. www.in.iofc.org

56. International Alert an independent NGO that works at local, national, regional and global levels that generate conditions and processes conducive to **cessation of war** and the generation of sustainable peace. international-alert.org

57. International Alliance of Inhabitants is a formidable network of associations and urban social movements whose goal is to build another possible world, based on the right to housing. Its various initiatives like *Khuda Ki Basti* (God's village) in Pakistan, Million Houses in Sri Lanka, stop forced eviction of Roma people in Italy and elsewhere in Europe, or zero eviction of Palestinians in Israel, or in Nigeria, have met with success. The demand for a world-wide moratorium on evictions; and funding for housing for at least a billion people is gaining acceptance. Billion people must also plant billion trees to control global warming is my suggestion to them. Their next step is the World Assembly of Inhabitants in 2011. www.habitants.org

58. International Association of Educators for World Peace was founded by Prof. Charles Mercieca, in 1969, in USA. Membership of IAERP now exceeds 60,000 in 90 countries. It works for Peace Education, Environmental Protection, Human Rights and Disarmament. **Dr. Leo Rebello is its World Peace Envoy** and Vice President, Central and South Asia. www.iaewp.org



59. International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons - a civil society's movement with a goal of eliminating nuclear weapons through a legally binding nuclear weapons convention. It was launched internationally in Vienna in 2007 at a meeting of parties to the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons. It is supported by over 100 NGOs worldwide. icanw.org

60. International Campaign to Ban Landmines - Swiss based network of more than 1400 NGOs in 90 countries working for the Global Ban on Landmines. Recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize 1997. Landmine Monitor is the research and monitoring initiative of the ICBL and the *de facto* monitoring regime for the Mine Ban Treaty. www.icbl.org

61. International Center on Non Violent Conflict - an independent international foundation that develops and encourages the study and use of civilian-based, non military strategies to establish and defend human rights, democracy and justice worldwide. Founded by philanthropist Jack DuVall together with other pacifists and philanthropists. nonviolent-conflict.org

62. International Commission on Peace and Food. Founded on 1997 it carries on research in the fields of development, education, employment, peace and security in collaboration with other organizations to promote activities that will advance progress towards world peace and prosperity. icpd.org

63. International Network for Economic, Social and Cultural Rights an international network that connects human rights and social justice, to create new pathways for greater global action. Today it has in its fold 161 organizations and 41 individuals from 58 different countries. escr-net.org

64. International Parliament for Safety and Peace (IPSP), based in Palermo, Italy, an intergovernmental organization of States, was founded in 1975 and has representatives in more than 130 Nations, who are recognised by the Convention of Vienna of 1961 and 1963. IPSP was founded by the orthodox Archbishops Viktor Busa (President of IPSP) and late Makarios III, who was the president of the Republic of Cyprus. The supreme council of IPSP consists of Teodoro Obiang Nguema Mbasogo, President of Equatorial Guinea, Hugo Chavez, President of Venezuela and Yayah Jammeh, President of Gambia, as the International Vice Presidents and Mohamed Nasheed, President of Maldives, as the Secretary-General. IPSP has two branches: The High Chamber of Senators and the Assembly of Deputies. High Chamber is composed of 400 senators, while the Assembly has 800 deputies, elected for five years. All members of the IPSP are volunteers, it being a non-profit organization. **Dr. Leo Rebello is one of the Senator-Ministers of IPSP.** www.international-parliament.net

65. International Physicians for Prevention of Nuclear Wars is a worldwide grouping of 62 national medical organizations. It uses education, research and advocacy to help prevent nuclear war and encourages the abolition of all nuclear weapons. ippnw.org

66. International Rescue Committee - the IRC provides relief, respect and renewal to refugees and victims of armed conflict around the world. Founded in 1933 now a global leader in emergency relief, rehabilitation, and protection of human rights. theirc.org

67. International Teacher is the quarterly journal of International Association of Teachers a network of teachers and pedagogues to promote a culture of peace and non-violence. It was founded by Frank Kroeyer in 1982 and is now supported by the Danish Ministry of Education. IT organises annual conferences of 10 to 15 days. Mrs. Kashmira Rebello (special educator) and Dr. Leo Rebello are actively connected with it. www.international-teacher.dk

68. Larouche movement. An independent international political, economic, cultural and scientific organization founded by Lyndon Larouche in 1985. This movement advocates a just world economic and financial system, dialogue and cooperation of all nations for new renaissance of humanity and long lasting world peace. larouchepac.com

69. Medecins Sans Frontieres or Doctors without Borders - Doctors and nurses volunteer to provide urgent medical care in more than 60 countries to victims of wars and disasters regardless of race, religion, or politics. Established in France in 1971, MSF's work is based on the humanitarian principles of medical ethics and impartiality and it operates independently of any political, military, or religious agendas. More than 27,000 committed individuals representing dozens of nationalities provide assistance to people caught in crises around the world coordinated through its 19 offices. MSF received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1999. <http://doctorswithoutborders.org/>

Dr. Leo Rebello's note: Unfortunately, all doctors and nurses attached to MSF subscribe to only orthodox medicine or Allopathy (which is a pseudo science) and lay emphasis on vaccinating the children in war zones. Also, in malnutrition, instead of providing healthy meals they may provide artificially fortified meals or synthetic vitamins. I am yet to see Nature Cure, Homeopathy, Ayurveda, Acupuncture and other age-old recognized systems of health care incorporated in its humanitarian agenda. Why this Medical hegemony?

70. Menschen für Menschen (People for People) Foundation is an independent charity founded by Karl-Heinz Boehm (German Actor) in 1981 providing self-

development in Ethiopia. A team of 780 runs integrated projects in nine Ethiopian regions. Achievement to date: 1,333 water outlets, 93 million trees planted, 86 medical centers, 3 hospitals, 65,203 in farming courses, 12,994 personal loans to women, and 32,505 women in further education, thus helping strife-torn and poverty-ridden Ethiopia to progress. Infact this successful experiment should be replicated all over Africa. www.menschenfuermenschen.de

71. Mercy Corp. An international Humanitarian NGO, engaged in alleviating suffering, poverty and oppression by helping build secure, productive and just economies. Started in 1979 as save the refugees fund, organized by Don O'Neill, since then they have already provided 1.5 billion dollars in assistance to people in 106 countries. mercycorps.org

72. Payday International an international, multiracial, pacifist network that works on the central demand: '**the society must invest in caring, not in killing**'. Over the years they have been involved in many campaigns and initiatives in defense of welfare, anti deportation, anti war, supports for waged workers on strike, anti racism and anti apartheid. globalwomensstrike.org

73. Peace Brigades International has been promoting non-violence and protecting human rights since 1981. The founders of this NGO shared a profound conviction that ordinary people can take action to stop war and human rights violation even when their government cannot or will not. peacebrigades.org

74. Peace Tech - a pacifist and development based not for profit NGO, established in 2007, in the Philippines, to educate and empower Youth by teaching peace ideas via video conferencing nationwide. Also involved in connecting soldiers and rebels. peacetech.net

75. Peaceful Tomorrows Organization is an anti war organization for the survivors, families and friends of 9-11 attack. It aims to develop and advocate non-violent options and actions in pursuit of justice in the hope that this will help break what the members see as the cycles of violence engendered by war and terrorism. peacefultomorrow.org

76. People In Need Foundation - a Humanitarian NGO based in Czech Republic, founded in 1992. They implement relief and development in crisis regions around the globe, defend human rights and democratic freedom. clovekbtisni.cz

77. Project concern international - a humanitarian NGO based in San Diego, California with operation in 11 countries and five continents. Dr. Jim Turpin founded this NGO in 1961, with a goal of providing health and poverty solutions to children and communities around the world.

78. Radio for Peace International - a short-wave radio community in Costa Rica streaming live mp3. Addresses the world community as a voice of peace, champion of human rights, advocate for the oppressed and defender of the truth. rfpi.org

79. Red Cross Movement is the world's largest humanitarian network, with activities in 186 countries. It reflects the power of humanity since its birth in 1859 by its founder Henry Dunant and four others. The seven fundamental principles of the movement are humanity, impartiality, neutrality, independence, voluntary service, unity, and universality. It brings out a quarterly which is available online. In Geneva, where it has its headquarters it runs world's best museum. If you visit Geneva, exactly opposite the UN office is the Red Cross, which must not be missed. <http://www.redcross.int>



80. Refusing to Kill Movement - a worldwide pacifist movement encouraging military people to quit. The movement firmly believes in 'refuse to kill' and 'military is a crime'. refusingtokill.net

81. Registry of World Citizens, founded in 1949, is the only institution in the world that has the right to deliver world citizen identity cards through its approved centers. WCR registration centres promote mundialist ideas, issue world citizen cards within their own country, and send out information bulletin. Dr. Leo Rebello is a Registered World Citizen since 4th March 1992, and is *charge d'affairs* for India. More details on this Paris-based organization on: <http://www.recim.org>



Millions have supported the world citizenship idea. Here is what Stafford Beer, President, World Association of General Systems and Cybernetics, *Managing Modern Complexity, Fifteen Years After*, said in 1985: “How many more of us would it take to register, and make the point that nation states are obsolete? Worse yet: they are harbingers of universal death. Each of us is a world citizen. But we have no voice until World Government. massively declares itself”.

82. Roots of Peace - works to unearth dangerous landmines in war torn countries and empower local communities scarred by weapons. Also working to build sustainable crops on land once too dangerous to traverse. That is how they transform the scars of conflict into roots of peace. rootsofpeace.org

83. Sapiens movement - an international movement of people and organizations working to establish a democratically elected world governing authority by reforming UN or by the creation of new democratic international bodies, such as the e-bodies. They also advocate a border free world as a constructive solution to the conflict of full sovereign nation states. The movement was established in 2005 in New Zealand. sapiens.org.nz

84. Sarvodaya is Sri Lanka's largest and most broadly embedded people's organization, with a network covering 15,000 villages, 345 divisional units, 34 district offices, 10 specialist Development Education Institutes; over 100,000 youth mobilized for peace building under *Shantisena*; the country's largest micro-credit organization with a cumulative loan portfolio of over LKR one billion (Sarvodaya Economic Enterprise Development Services, or SEEDS); a major welfare service organization serving over 1000 orphaned and destitute children, underage mothers, and elders (Sarvodaya Suwa Seta); and 4,335 pre-schools serving over 98,000 children; among others. www.sarvodaya.org

85. Sasakawa Peace Foundation. Formed on September 1, 1961 in Japan, seeks to improve the world society through co-existence of pluralistic values. They contribute to the welfare of humankind and the sound development of the international community. spf.org

86. Share International, based in London, is a non-sectarian movement founded by artist and author Benjamin Crème. It is promoting sharing of world's resources, global social justice, peace and brotherhood. Shareintl.org

87. Solidarites - France based International humanitarian NGO that provides aid and assistance to the victims of war and natural disasters. For almost 25 years they have concentrated on three vital needs - **water, food, and shelter** by carrying out emergency programmes followed by reconstruction projects. solidarites.org

88. Stop the War Coalition. Formed in September 20, 2002 in London, main aim is to campaign to stop the useless global war on terror. stopthewar.org.uk

89. The Elders is a group of leaders who come together free of political, economic or military pressures whose only purpose is to ease human suffering in three essential areas: (a) Offering a catalyst for the peaceful resolution of conflict. (b) Seeking new approaches to seemingly intractable global issues. (c) Sharing wisdom: reaching out to grassroots elders and the next generation of leaders, listening, helping to amplify voices for good, all over the world. www.theelders.org

90. The Foundation Power and Elite was founded on May 16 1978 by Joost van Steenis to promote research on how the European nations operate their economic system vested in political elites. It has published several books and articles and the most recent one being **From Chaos to Change - Entering a New Era** (published in May 2009 / Foreword by Dr. Leo Rebello). <http://members.chello.nl/jsteen>

91. The Opanal - An international anti-nuclear weapons NGO based in Latin America that promotes nuclear disarmament in Latin America and the Caribbean. The movement was created as a result of the treaty of Trateloico, ratified on April 1969, which forbids it's signatory nations from use, storage or transport of nuclear weapons. opanal.org

92. The Peace Research Center Tamera in southern Portugal (spread over 331 acres of land) is an international training and experimental site for the development of Peace Research Villages and Healing Biotopes worldwide. Dieter Duhm and Sabine Lichtenfels founded it in 1995. www.tamera.org

93. The YMCA-YWCA: Young Men's Christian Association was founded on June 6, 1844 in London, by George Williams, is a world NGO of more than 45 million members from 124 national federations. Like YMCA, Geneva-based Young Women's Christian Association too is the largest global network of women working for socio-economic change. YWCA is independent of the YMCA, though many YMCA and YWCA associations have amalgamated, goals being common, making it even bigger than UNO or Rotary International in membership. However, in spite of Christian principles of love, brotherhood, charity, caring and sharing, these brother-sister organizations have not grown into a World Parliament of Youth.

94. 350.org is Bill McKibben's international movement to unite the world around practical solutions to the climate crisis. The mission is to bring CO2 concentrations below 350 parts per million (ppm), the level scientists have identified that leads to glacier melt, drought, famine, displacement of millions and wars. Today with CO2 at 389 ppm we are in the danger zone, and need to act quickly and in unison. www.350.org

95. Transnational Institute. A worldwide fellowship founded in 1974. Committed to critical analysis of global problems, with a view to providing intellectual support to those movements / concerns to steer the world in a democratic, equitable and environmentally sustainable direction. tni.org

96. Transparency International is Berlin based global civil society organisation leading the fight against corruption. TI brings people together in a powerful worldwide coalition to end the devastating impact of corruption on people. It's mission is **a world free of corruption**. Since it's founding in 1993, through 90 national chapters, TI has played a lead role in improving the lives of millions. These bodies fight corruption in the national arena in a number of ways by bringing together relevant players from government, civil society, business and the media, to promote transparency in elections, in public administration, in procurement and in business. Politically non-partisan, TI has the skills, tools, experience, expertise and broad participation to fight corruption. Corruption ruins lives. Zero tolerance to corruption. www.transparency.org

97. Transition Network emboldens communities to look peak oil and climate change squarely in the eye and unleash the collective genius of their own people to build oil-free resilience and drastically reduce carbon emissions. TN shares insights and connections to build collective experience for self-determined solutions and to re-localized authority. www.transitionnetwork.org

98. Union of Concerned Scientists is a non-profit partnership of over 250,000 scientists and citizens combining rigorous scientific analysis, innovative policy development, and effective citizen advocacy to achieve mission to ensure that all people have clean air, abundant food, a future that is free from the threats of global warming and nuclear war, and a planet that supports a rich diversity of life. In short, UCS seeks a great change in humanity's stewardship of the earth. www.ucsusa.org

99. University for Peace has its headquarters in Costa Rica, a country distinguished for a long tradition of democracy, strong efforts on natural conservation, and friendly people. Costa Rica abolished the death penalty in 1882 and its army in 1948. Since 1865, it has offered asylum to those facing persecution for political reasons. From 1907 to 1918, Costa Rica hosted the Central American Court of Justice, which was the first permanent international tribunal that allowed individuals to take legal action against states on international law and human rights issues. In that tradition, President of Costa Rica, Rodrigo Carazo began efforts to establish the UPeace. On 5 December 1980, the General Assembly of the United Nations vide resolution 35/55 consented to establish UPeace that runs innovative programmes of education, training and research for peace, focused on key issues, including conflict-prevention, human security, human rights, environmental security and post-conflict rehabilitation. UPeace is located 30 kms southwest of San Jose, in a protected area of 303 hectares. UPeace works with an increasing number of partners in various parts of the world to cater to as many individuals and institutions as possible. Secretary-General of the United Nations is the ex officio Honorary President of the University. www.upeace.org

100. War Child - a network of independent organizations working across the globe to help children affected by war. War child was founded to advance the cause of peace by investing hopes through the lives of children caught up in horrors of war. warchild.org

101. War Resisters' League. Founded in 1923, they affirm that war is crime against humanity. They also strive non-violently against removal of the causes of war, including racism, sexism and all forms of human exploitations. www.warresisters.org

102. World Constitution and Parliament Association [8800 West Fourteenth Avenue, Lakewood, CO 90215, USA] was formed 51 years ago by Prof. Philip Isely.

It has published **A Constitution for the Federation of Earth** (amended at the World Constituent Assembly in Troia, Portugal in 1991). WCPA has also drawn a list of major world problems, which transcend national boundaries. 'A Bill of Particulars on Why the UN Must Be Replaced', 'Immediate Economic Benefits of World Government' and monographs on 'Phytoplankton as Food Resource and Oxygen Source' are other publications translated into multiple languages. **Dr. Leo Rebello was invited to become the President of WCPA in 2002.** He wrote a widely acclaimed paper on 'Global Solutions to Global Problems' as also another article highlighting the difference between the New World Order, as promoted by the Neocons, and an Elected World Govt. as promoted by the WCPA. **Dr. Robert Muller who was Asst. Secretary General of the United Nations**, for many years, and Chancellor of the University of Peace in Costa Rica, vide his letter of 13th October 1992 wrote: "I support wholeheartedly the brilliant and modern world constitution offered to humanity by the WCPA. It is here at the right moment when the world needs a salvation from its present chaos and a metamorphosis into a new, appropriate world order to cope with the massive global problems confronting us. The men and women who gave it birth through hard work and perseverance deserve humanity's gratitude and prompt approval. May God bless this Constitution".

103. World Court, officially known as the International Court of Justice (ICJ), is the principal judicial organ of the United Nations. Its seat is at the Peace Palace in The Hague, Netherlands. The ICJ began work in 1946. Its functions include: Settling in accordance with international law the legal disputes submitted to it by States. Giving advisory opinions on legal questions referred to it by duly authorized international organs and agencies. The Court is composed of 15 judges and can't include more than one judge of any nationality. The United Nations General Assembly and Security Council elect the judges to nine-year term. Details on www.icj-cij.org

104. World Goodwill is an international movement to build right human relations through goodwill. It was established in 1932 as a service activity of the Lucis Trust. Its work is based on the principles of brotherhood, human unity, sharing and cooperation; and on the fundamental rights and freedoms embodied in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. WG's activities are essentially educational. www.worldgoodwill.org

105. World Hunger Education Service - Founded in 1976 their mission is to promote individual and collective commitment to the solutions to world hunger and poverty that confronts trillions of the people of the world. worldhunger.org Also see the Hunger Project that works in more than 20,000 villages across 13 countries of South Asia, sub-Saharan Africa and Latin America, reaching the lives of an estimated 35 million people, primarily through 275,000 trained volunteers. www.thehungerproject.co.uk

106. World Kindness Movement, started in Japan in early 1990's is now a global

network with a mission to inspire human connection and activate the practice of kindness locally and globally that will lead to world peace and understanding. worldkindness.org.sg

107. World Organisation of Natural Medicine is founded by Dr. Sheila McKenzie in Canada, to deliver primary health care to the world's poor as Governments fail to provide cost-effective traditional health care, due to corrupt practices and undue reliance on pharmaceuticals. Most doctors are at a loss without expensive hospital technology, technicians, and prescription drugs. Their business approach and lack of knowledge of traditional and natural medicine health care prevents them from using inexpensive, effective and reliable resources of eclectic healing modalities. Through its Clinics for Humanity worldwide, WONM's practitioners of humanitarian medicine will administer free help to the masses. Dr. Leo Rebello, WONM Chancellor for India, addressed the Humanitarian Medicine Congress and conducted a capacity building workshop on AIDS and Holistic Healing in Toronto, on 23-24 May 2009. www.wonmfoundation.org

108. World Peace Flag Organization - a global NGO dedicated to helping feed and educate the hungry and starving. Estd. in 1998 with a mission to promote peace, media help, housing, environmental education, and clean drinking water for those in need globally. They are now planning to build Noah's arch replica. worldpeaceflag.org

109. World Peace Society - an educational pacifist NGO since 1989. The mission is to unite the World's human family by focusing on the undeniable need for everyone to come to awareness that cooperation and working together for survival is the *sine qua non* for world peace. worldpeace.org

110. World Transhumanism Organization - An international intellectual and cultural movement supporting the use of science and technology to improve mental and physical characteristics and capabilities of human beings. Founded in early 1980's in UCLA School in LA by a group of scientists. Many transhumanists seek to apply reason, science and technology for the purpose of reducing poverty, disease, disability and malnutrition around the globe. transhumanist.org

Dr. Leo Rebello's caveat: If World Transhumanism Organization is going to use science and technology for reducing poverty, disease, disability and deaths due to malnutrition, then its aims and objectives are appreciated. **We say yes to** abolition of suffering, definite life extension, *immanentize the eschaton* (create heaven on earth). But if it means modifying human embryos, designer babies, cloning and germline genetic engineering, concentration on altering the human body leading to tragic consequences of atomized individualism and body commodification within a consumer culture, **then certainly no.** If this organization with avowed goals were finally going to end up in Human Genome Project, then I would caution by recalling the old saying, 'don't approach a horse from behind'.

111. World Without Wars is a world movement in existence for 15 years. With the announcement of World March for Peace and Non-Violence, it has now attracted world attention. The World March will pass through 6 continents, 90 countries in 90 days, covering over 160,000 kms. It will begin in New Zealand on October 2, 2009 (the International Day of Non-Violence) and conclude in Argentina (Andes Mountains) on January 2, 2010. This will be the first World March ever, to circle the earth calling for an end of all Wars and Nuclear arms, and elimination of Violence of all forms.

Additional features of the March are: *Transportation:* (a) 40 train trips (including the trans-Siberian). (b) 100 trips by land (four and two-wheelers). (c) 14 trips by air. (d) 25 trips by sea (ship, barge, canoe, etc). *Climates:* The march will pass through all climates from mild and temperate crossing through mediterranean, continental, tropical and desert zones to polar, from the Siberian steppes through the Sahara desert and the Atacama (the driest desert in the world) to Antarctica. *Seasons:* In 90 days the March will pass through all 4 seasons of the year. *Altitude:* During the journey the March will climb 16,400 feet (5000 mtrs) above mean sea level. *Permanent team:* There will be 100 permanent team members. Border crossings: 160. Co-organizing institutions: 500. Collaborators/institutions: 3,000. Visits with officials: 100. Spiritual centres: 25. Participants in the tour: 1 million. Virtual participants: over 10 million. www.worldmarch.in

Say **NO** to all forms of violence.
Say **NO** to all nuclear weapons in particular.
Say **NO** to wars and
Say **YES** to give Peace a chance.

This book is dedicated to an ideal human dream of living in a paradise of peace, where there will be no wars, no borders, no hunger, no disparity, no man made illnesses, no tears and no bondage. Where there will be enough for all and happiness all around and Smile that spreads like a Rainbow.

THE LAST WORD

'OUT OF THE BOX' IDEAS FOR A WORLD WITHOUT WARS

Dr. Leo Rebello

*“After hurtling blindly through history, mankind has reached the crossroads.
A change is coming... This moment had been prophesied by the ancient texts...
The date was specific, its arrival imminent.
It would be preceded by a brilliant explosion of knowledge...
a flash of clarity to illuminate the darkness and give mankind
a final chance to veer away from the abyss and take the path of wisdom”.*
- Dan Brown, *The Lost Symbol*

While working on this book, through my worldwide travels, by exchanging views and ideas with peace loving people of the world, by interacting with the world citizens working to put together a People's Federal World Government (which is the lasting solution to the world's problems), I have compiled the following creative ideas, which if implemented, there is no reason why we cannot have a world without wars, a world without hunger, a world without borders, a world without insanities, a world without fear of governments, corporations or religions, and a world without discrimination or slavery.

Internet is the brilliant explosion of knowledge (that Dan Brown refers to), and this book is the flash of clarity that gives mankind a final chance to veer away from the abyss and take the path of wisdom. **Consider these 'out of the box' ideas** given below and take firm steps to secure your future.

1. Realize that religions are man-made. As witnessed from history, Religions divide people. Therefore, there should be no state religion; the Constitution of the World should be secular, like India has. Division of the world on the basis of religions is the reason why wars are perpetrated, intolerance grows, and communal killings take place. Example: America, with Bible in one hand, gun in another invades non-Christian countries and kills, destroys, plunders and builds nice business of war that! If the same oil was there, say in Christian country Spain, would America invade it?

2. Burn all so-called 'holy books', convert all so-called 'temples of hatred' into 'schools of new learning' based on humane values. If at all humanity must congregate, then build 'Light and Love Temples', or 'Brotherhood Assemblies', to pray, sing, rejoice and meditate together.

3. Do not send your children to work in the Military. Policing is fine (more of People Policing), as it requires higher responsibility to keep Society on the path of

Good Orderly Development. The concept of the police was always to keep order and promote harmony, whereas the concept of the military was always to destroy, kill and inflict suffering.

4. Do not work for or become share holders/directors of the arms and weapons manufacturing companies, or pharmaceuticals or of any industry that kills people for profit. Such blood money is not worth it.

5. Do not subscribe to 'Population is Burden' theory. Gaia knows its carrying capacity and has its own methods to adjust imbalances. She has not appointed those mentally retarded, spiritually compromised members of *Committee of 300*, as her agents or spokesmen. So denounce these mad men who are out to reduce the population to 500 million in the foreseeable future.

6.. In a review article titled “Eliminate the Useless Eaters” Paula Demers reviews Dr. J Coleman's “Global 2000: A Blueprint For Global Genocide”. The opening paragraph itself is very striking: “Every time I turn around I will hear over the news, or read in the paper of the tremendous over population of our planet. This is very interesting, because if you took the entire population of the world (roughly seven billion people in 2004), and stood them side-by-side in the state of Texas, each person would have 1000 square feet! There are 261,914 square acres in Texas (that figures to seven trillion square feet). So there is enough room just in Texas for every person in this world to get a piece of land 32 ft. X 32 feet! And that's just Texas! There is no overpopulation problem!”.

The above authoritative analysis proves that over population is not the problem. It is unequal geographical distribution of population due to national boundaries which is the main problem. These national boundaries have to be demolished. The birds in the air, animals in the jungles, and fishes in the water do not recognize these artificial man made boundaries.

7. Do not depend on any drugs, vaccines, carcinogens or genetically modified food, because that would make you genetically weak and turn you into a living robot moving away from higher consciousness. That is the whole idea of the Genome project, genetic engineering and robotics.

8. Humanity stands divided today, because of multiplicity of languages and scripts. Esperanto reflects the aspirations of all people to communicate in a universal link language. Similarly, adopt one script, say the Roman script, which has 26 alphabets as against (say) Sanskrit which has 36 + alphabets, so that language learning becomes easy and one can rejoice in the multiplicity of cultures by enriching each other. Every language on earth could be written in this one script, although the traditional scripts could be retained for historical purposes.

9. Discard the 'just war' theory. It is being promoted by the psychopaths and commercial interests the petrochemical-military-industrial complex. So that they can go on invading oil or mineral rich Islamic countries like Iraq, Afghanistan, Iran, to destroy, plunder, build and control. If at all there is any 'just war' it should be against the various Mafiosi who control the world.

10. Dismantle cancerous capitalism and replace it with the Trusteeship economic model of 1:10. According to this model, if the lowest worker is getting \$10 a day wages, then the highest should not get more than \$100 a day in salaries. In short, an alternative economy based on 'small is beautiful', 'simple is effective', 'life natural', 'love and light' and not capitalism leading to misery due to usury. This will cut down the reign of Forces of Greed; instead there will be holistic development and everyone will be happy.

11. Geographical national boundaries must give way to Borderless One World or as a start up - European Union, SAARC Union, African Union, Arab Union, Russian Union, etc. so that problems like Poverty/Refugees become things of the past. How can human beings be called refugees and discriminated as such, when planet Earth has no boundaries? Boundaries are made by people with small hearts, small minds and small goals.

12. Absolutely no aggression on other countries should be the norm. Consequently, the members of UN will not watch China attacking Tibet, Israel attacking Palestine, America attacking Iraq, Afghanistan or Iran, on one pretext or the other to protect their lethal industries and business interests, but swiftly intervene.

13. Destroy the Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMDs) before they destroy us. So, (a) *No HAARP -- Secret Geophysical Weapons* -- which are being used to create earthquakes, storms, hurricanes, typhoons, floods, fires, electrical and mechanical crashes and disasters (cars, planes, trains, ships etc.) and building and bridge collapses, killing millions of people. (b) *No spying technology.* (c) *No depleted uranium (DU),* and (d) *No lethal hardware in space.* It is completely irrational that three billion dollars are spent everyday on weapons, while nothing is done for the more than 165,000 people in the world who die daily from hunger, a total of 60 million people a year according to UN figures of 2008.

14. Discard the plan to colonize Moon and Mars. No control of Space and Satellites. Who is Pentagon to say “we own the space”, as the “rule of national boundaries doesn't extend 250 miles above the earth's surface”? Wouldn't this lead to Star Wars? Isn't this the ultimate aberration of the Universal Laws?

15. Satellites are common property since they are made and powered by Earth's natural resources not to be owned by any particular nation, and the benefits should

reach all equally. What Patent? What Intellectual Property Rights? Any good invention must *ipso facto* belong to humanity; conversely, anything that is detrimental to the humanity should be immediately destroyed.

16. Mountains and oceans, as also the polar region should be the common property of the world. People cannot own the Earth. The Earth owns people.

17. Destroy narcotic and psychotropic substances and chemical drugs; they weaken, enslave or kill people. Taliban, for example, had the drug production in Afghanistan almost eliminated. Now with American clandestine organizations running things, the harvest of opium is in full swing again. Afghanistan just had their biggest production of heroin ever. Black market drug money is used by economic hit men to hire mercenaries and supply them with weapons to topple regimes inimical to multinational corporations. It is very obvious, who is the drug dealer and who is the terrorist here and the reason why they want more troops in Afghanistan.

18. No vaccines. No pharmaceuticals. No GMO. No mind control. No imbedded chipping. No RFID bracelet. No assault on our bodies of any kind.

19. No destruction of herbal medicine, fruits and agriculture by deadly fertilizers and pesticides. Only organic and probiotic farming should be allowed.

20. Only Holistic Healing modalities based on Traditional and Natural Medicine should be recognized and pseudo science called Allopathy should be dumped in the dustbin.

21. Say no to cruel Animal Experiments in the Research Laboratories. Because when the drugs tested on mute animals are prescribed to humans, they too suffer. It is a vicious cycle.

22. No factory farms to rear animals and no big box slaughterhouses. The current Swine Flu 'pandemic' is linked to the way food is produced in factory farms. Experts say the global food industry, like the global banking industry, is too big and out of control. It needs to be fixed.

23. No mechanized fishing should be allowed. The fisheries are already being wiped out and the big trawlers are ransacking ocean wealth with impunity. The trawler owners, big companies, are today's pirates who are not only destroying the livelihoods of the indigenous people but also thieving from nature.

24. No Private Prisons, because criminals are not born, they are made. So, reforming them is a serious business and a state duty, which cannot be delegated to exploitative businesses.

25. No terming those who fight the State corruption or State atrocities as Naxalites, Maoists, or Terrorists. **No Guns will be used against the Citizens under any**

pretext. Paranoid authorities are the bane of civilized societies.

26. WTO-GATT regime, IMF, WB, WHO or Codex should be wound up. These are the control organizations.

27. Presently nations or groups of nations may create local currencies - like Euros in EU, Rupee in SAARC countries - and **all currencies should be treated on par** so that there is no fleecing in the name of exchange rate and any American dollar or British Pound supremacy. Why should the exchange rate between currencies vary daily? That itself is speculative business. If I fly from Bombay to New York, and I have 100 INR in my pocket, at New York airport I should get 100 USD in exchange, not two and half dollars for my hundred rupees. That is cheating.

28. Once we have a Federation of World States, we can have **one currency throughout the world** and a World Citizen passport, not green card, work permit, study permit. Like I can travel, work, settle, anywhere in my country, why cannot I travel, work and settle anywhere in this globalised world?

29. No racial, communal, ethnic discriminations or cleansing should be allowed. Human culture is the only culture, and Love is the only language that 99.99% humanity understands. Enough of 00.01% psychopaths imposing their decadent codes on us.

30. Dismantle forever the Nuclear reactors, nuclear submarines, and nuclear arsenal of any kind.

31. Like the Berlin wall fell apart due to two Germanies uniting, the electrified fences of two Koreas can be demolished and the two nations reunited.

32. Demolish the 300 kilometers long and still growing Israel wall forthwith. Israel should also not be allowed to demolish the *Al Aqsa* mosque on the temple mount to make room for a temple of Judaism, a plan if executed will lead to *Jihad* of untold magnitude with heavy casualty on both sides. Jerusalem was destroyed once. This time, it will destroy the whole world and Jews will be killed *en masse* in Israel and elsewhere.

[Jerusalem was destroyed in 597 BC. The Romans practically destroyed Jerusalem in 70 AD. Constantine rebuilt it in 335 AD. The Muslims conquered it in 638 AD. The Crusaders came and 'liberated' the city in 1099. The Muslims recaptured it in 1187. Then it was passed around like an old hat until 1517 when the Ottomans took it over. The British took control in 1917 and the city was handed back to the Jews in 1948] What the Jewish people actually do is the repetition of their fights, hegemonial efforts, escapes and deportations of a time from 4000 BC (the Flood/the Deluge) - the

whole Old Testament, full of blood, sweat and tears... About time they stopped living in the past.

33. If actions speak louder than words, it is obvious that the USA is determined to control all nations, through endless struggles and wars. It explains why the USA has already 761 military bases across the world and is planning to have more without limit. Immediately disband these military bases, destroy all weapons and munitions, and divert that money for Holistic development.

34. Reform the United Nations (UN). Veto power held by 5 countries in the UN should be abolished immediately. Shift UN headquarters from New York to Bombay so that the decisions taken are not rigged. Or the best option is to replace UN with Federation of World States or People's World Parliament.

35. Disband all armies from all nations. Use the present army personnel until they retire, for constructive work. No further recruitment of armies anywhere.

36. The police personnel should be psychologically tested and trained properly not to kill the citizens. Civilised societies do not kill their citizens because 99.99% of citizens are law abiding. In fact, not enough citizens are rising in revolt against the machinations of those who manipulate everything to their advantage.

37. Permanently dismantle parallel government organizations like the CIA, KGB, Mossad, FBI, CDC, FDA, which have become wheels within the wheels in sordid cycles of murders and mayhem, corrupt to the core, ruthless, irresponsible and unaccountable.

38. Similarly, the petrochemical-military-industrial complex, the Masonic mafia, the drug syndicate, the Jewish mafia should be banned.

39. Remove the self-pitying Holocaust Museum, the chilling Auschwitz camp, the museum of skulls of people killed in the *pol-pot* regime, plus all the *war memorials* and statues of warriors and soldiers, so that our collective memory-wounds can fully heal rather than be constantly re-opened. **Also disband Yale University** (the *Skulls and Bones* University) and other such war mongering institutions.

40. Oppose water privatization at all costs, because this will be the main cause of water riots and the absolute End War, in which 90% of world population is predicted to be reduced in the foreseeable future. But with our collective will and unity of purpose, we can change our destiny rising like a Phoenix from the ashes.

41. Free electricity: Bucky Fuller in his book 'Critical Path' talks of the most logical,

world monetary energy unit built into our very existence. Through his Dymaxion Map, he shows that the five major continents were joined except for 30 miles at the Bering straits. “*Link up all the electric grids, the 'railroad tracks' of energy*”, he advised, “*and, after using the sun to generate it you could transmit via direct current the kilowatts instantaneously throughout the world and make everyone energy billionaires!*”

If Bucky Fuller's scheme is implemented, it will additionally:

- Protect the environment; and the planet!
- Eliminate war.
- Help reduce the population [Population goes down as standards of living go up].
- Reduce crime.
- Reduce diseases.
- And provide every individual with an opportunity to grow into a responsible adult, develop conscious potential and deliver beneficial gifts to humanity.

42. We can bring in these changes with non-violence and non-cooperation. That is the silent revolution or transformation for which this Manifesto is created and dedicated to Humanity on this 2nd day of October, 2009, when the world begins the World March for Peace and Non-Violence.

With this guide map be a catalyst for change, create a world of co-existence, begin your journey with confidence to a new destiny.

END EVERY 'HOLY WAR' NOW

Priests of all religions accompany the soldiers to the battlefields while soldiers carry their 'holy books'. The job of every priest here is to try to boost the morale of the soldiers who get depressed by the killings and destruction. Normally, these priests remind soldiers of their mission to fight for a just cause to bring about peace. Unfortunately, they fail to tell them that peace is brought about by putting down the guns and going home.

The *Mullahs* (Muslim priests) proceed to chest-beating, ranting *jihad*. Even the Christian priests tend to view the war their country is engaged in against another country as 'holy war'. The Hindu priests, likewise, remind the soldiers about what Krishna said to Arjuna on the battle field -- do your *dharma* (duty), fight against the evil; to kill or to give birth is not in your hands. Unwittingly, all priests end up supporting wars by justifying rather than guiding.

Instead of soldiers carrying the so-called holy books like the *Bible*, *Q'uran* or *Gita*, they should be given this book which you have just now finished reading, so that they educate themselves during their spare time and decide to lay down the guns and go ,

home to their families. Their wives, as Mrs. Kashmira Rebello proclaimed well in one of her poems, should not allow them to return to the battle field under any circumstance.

The children of the world, accompanied by their mothers, should approach soldiers and put flowers in the barrel of their guns. They should also give soldiers candles to hold in their hands, asking them to pray and to take a vow of NO WAR, return to their homes and engage themselves in constructive work.

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IN ANOTHER THREE YEARS THE WORLD WILL END?**

*If we stop star wars, if we dismantle nuclear power stations,
if we diffuse stockpile of nuclear arsenal, if we stop this madness called atom
smasher and dump the secret geophysical weapons, we will be able to save our
mother earth.I begin the New Revolution with this book. Are you with me?
Otherwise, we have only three years left to self-destruct.*

Dr. Leo Rebello

Experts from around the world are predicting that 3 years from now, all life on Earth could well come to an end. The following are some likely arguments as to why the world would end by the year 2012.

Reason one: Mayan calendar

The first to predict 2012 as the end of the world were the Mayans. Thousands of years ago they managed to calculate the length of the lunar moon as 329.53020 days, only 34 seconds out. The Mayan calendar predicts that the earth will end on December 21, 2012. Given that they were pretty close to the mark with the lunar cycle, it's likely they've got the end of the world right as well.

Reason two: Sun storms

Solar experts from around the world monitoring the sun have made a startling discovery. Our sun is in a bit of strife. The recent solar storms have been bombarding the earth with lot of radiation energy, they say. It's been knocking out power grids and destroying satellites. This activity is predicted to get worse and calculations suggest it'll reach its deadly peak sometime in 2012.

Reason three: The atom smasher

Scientists in Europe have been building the world's largest particle accelerator. Basically, it's a 27 km tunnel designed to smash atoms together to find out what makes the universe tick. However, the mega-gadget has caused serious concern, with some scientists suggesting that it is a bad idea to turn it on in the first place. They're

predicting all manner of deadly results. So when this machine is fired up for its first serious experiment in 2012, anything can happen.

Reason four: The Bible says it

If having scientists warning us about the end of the world isn't bad enough, religious folks are getting in on the act as well. Interpretations of the Christian Bible reveal that the date for Armageddon, the final battle between good and evil, has been set for 2012. The *I Ching*, the Chinese Book of Changes, says the same thing, as do various sections of the Hindu teachings.

Reason five: Super volcano

Yellowstone National Park in the USA is famous for its thermal springs. The reason for this is simple it's sitting on top of the world's biggest volcano and geological experts are beginning to get nervous sweats. The Yellowstone volcano has a pattern of erupting every 650,000 years or so, and we're many years overdue for an explosion that will fill the atmosphere with ash, blocking the sun and plunging the earth into a frozen winter that could last up to 15,000 years. The pressure under the Yellowstone is building steadily, and geologists have set 2012 as a likely date for the big bang.

Reason six: The physicists

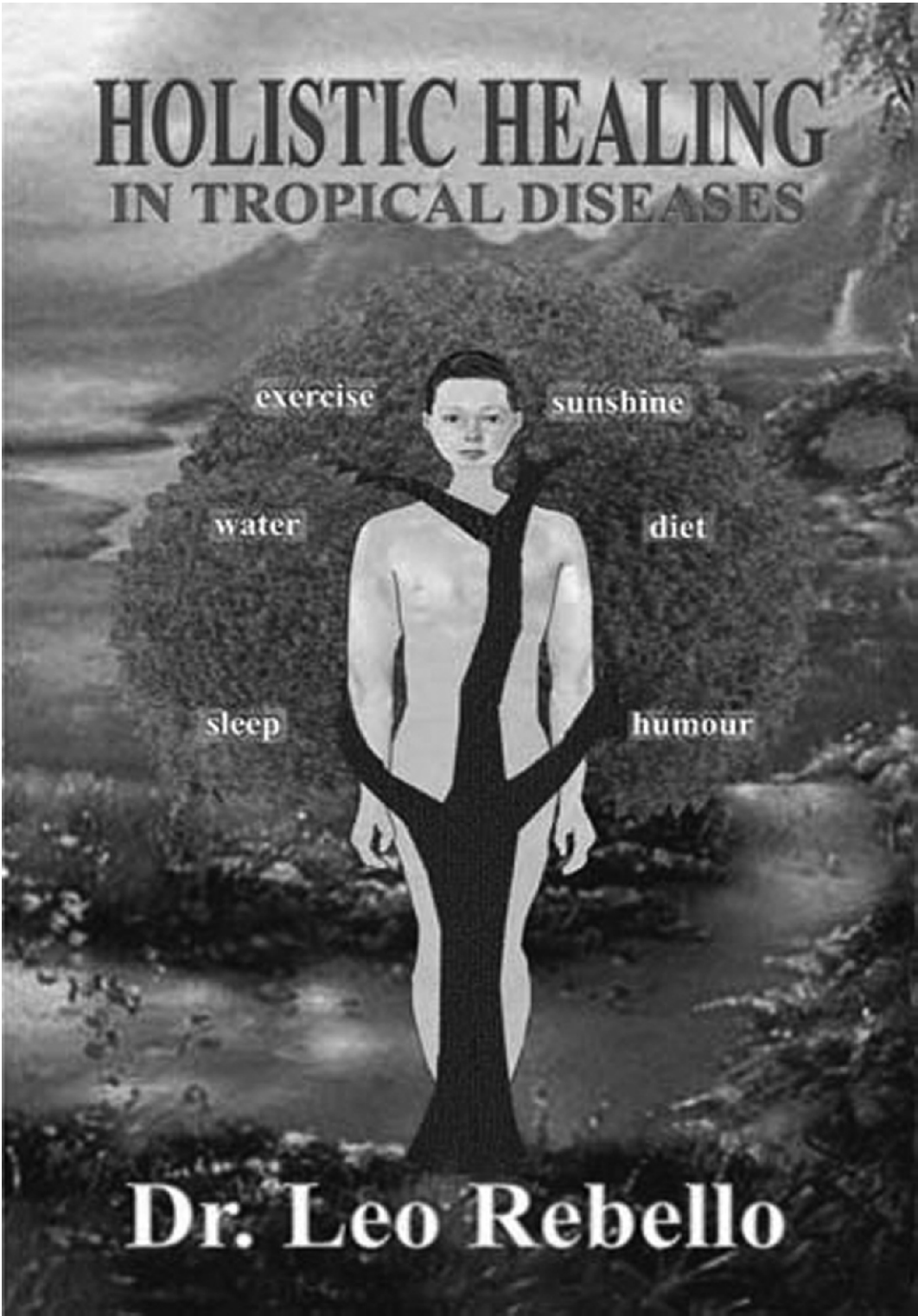
This one is simple mathematics. Physicists at Berkley University have been crunching the numbers. They've determined that the earth is well overdue for a major catastrophic event. Even worse, they're claiming that their calculations prove that we're all going to die, very soon. They are also saying that their prediction comes with a certainty of 99 per cent; and 2012 just happens to be the best guess as to when it occurs.

Reason seven: Earth's magnetic field

We all know the Earth is surrounded by a magnetic field that shields us from most of the sun's radiation. What you might not know is that the magnetic poles we call North and South have a nasty habit of swapping places every 750,000 years or so -- and right now we're about 30,000 years overdue. Scientists have noted that the poles are drifting apart roughly 20-30 kms each year, much faster than ever before, which points to a pole-shift being right around the corner. While the pole shift is under way, the magnetic field is disrupted and will eventually disappear, sometimes for up to 100 years. The result is enough UV outdoors to crisp your skin in seconds, killing everything it touches.

Reason eight: Balance of earth in rotation

Earth got its globe shape over years of rotation. Mountains and valleys, gorges and oceans, rivers and deserts have their locations which were formed in the process of self-aligning and balancing during its dynamic movement. High rise buildings, huge dams or deep mining, destruction of mountains for quarrying, reclamations of islands, enormous developments in cities is sure to tilt the balance of the earth, setting off a series of catastrophic culminations.





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