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RE: TESTS FOR TRUTH

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EVALUATING WHAT YOU "KNOW"
AS YOU "TEST AND DETERMINE": TRUTH

GCH—"By his fruits shall a man be known" and "by that which a man believes is Truth shall he be recognized". What is TRUTH?

I choose to focus on this very topic while keeping it as brief as "I" deem necessary, for you also are measured by the attitudes you address and the questions you ask.

Most of you who speak to us on given topics are simply asking in behalf of questions often put to you and it is far more pleasant to be friends in discussions than witnesses on a court-stand. I want to address

this topic of "TESTING" for truth in the manner of simple expression, for you will find that most of the tests as expressed in scientific or psychological interchange are not, on their own, worth very much until AFTER THE FACT of choice or decision-making regarding a point of truth or lie in your daily encounters.

Why would I choose this topic and specifically why now?

Because you are struggling with many contradictions. These range from discourse and accusations regarding Russell Herman's Bonus 3392-181 vs. V.K. Durham to denials that given Land Titles are "bad" in the Philippines.

No, it is NOT sufficient to say, "Well, Ekker said...and V.K. said...". This falls into "too lazy to do your homework" category and you then become NO WITNESS AT ALL.

WHY do you believe one speaking vs. another?

I am quite serious even if your question in retort be "Who is V.K.?" or "what Land titles?" We have now written thousands of words and pages on both topics and thus the answers are easily come by and through research of a very simplistic nature you can PROVE "truth" in the conclusion.

"But this is just a paper of some 'alternative' kind and 'I' want news of the day...".

Fine, you will find some but THIS PAPER, CONTACT, IS TO ESTABLISH PUBLIC PRESENTATION, WHEN APPROPRIATE, TO GET OUR JOB OF "PUBLIC INFORMATION" DOCUMENTED AND TRANSPARENT. This is the biggie of the day, this "transparency". It is even more noxious than "weapons of mass destruction" or "axis of evil" which used over and over again totally warp the brain and subconscious mind.

Man has ceased to discern "truth" but simply chooses "sides". This is the most negative aspect of living in today's world OF THE LIE. While you rebuke this with "Not me" you will later realize that even the rebuke is of the lie.

I do not want to lessen the interests in, say, Planet X or, is "NESARA" real or false. I simply must focus more diligently on getting our purpose accomplished and you will find bundles of writings scattered about on those topics with semi-truth, lies, BS and more hogwash presented into the pit of the myriad other distractions.

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Let us note this “NESARA” which is said to be “announced” on the 13th of May. So what? What is an announcement? It was to have been “announced” 9/11/01 but was not, for various and sundry outrageous reasons from the Trade Center bombings to “it was but it was in secret chambers”. STOP IT.

V.K. Durham claims she is behind the one she misspells as NESR(A). (The “A” becomes the “A”nnouncement. She posted it all right onto Rumor Mills Website only a few brief weeks ago.)

Since Durham’s claims are now PROVEN, yet presented around the globe, to be both fraudulent and LIES, where do you REALLY think perchance the program (NESARA) MIGHT BE IN BEING UTILIZED? “ANNOUNCEMENTS” MEAN VERY LITTLE, READERS. AND FURTHER, THAT IS A VERY GOOD TOPIC TO USE TO SPEAK OF “TESTS” FOR “TRUTH”.

A better focus might well be THE infamous “Bonus 3392-181” or moving right along with our current business involvement of Original Certificates of Title “04-1”, etc., in the Philippines. THAT MUST BE OUR FOCUS AND, TO US, PLANET “X” IS PURELY A DISTRACTION (FOR US BUT PERHAPS NOT FOR “YOU”). This in no way suggests it to be unimportant!

In the Philippines today, there are several breaking tales which are actually follow-up regarding several things from graft, corruption and mayhem to who were the dirty bounders in the Burnham hostage circumstance and who took payoffs, DEMANDED payoffs (in the Armed Forces) and basically, if you remember the actual story at the time, why Gracia was also to have been “disposed” so she couldn’t do what she is NOW doing—telling the story. The other hostages were killed to silence them. I’m sure you would find the book a good read but not nearly as interesting as what will be argued over in this place.

We, however, must continue to focus on THIS JOB while you sleuth. Extend, if necessary the “News Desk” because we know that incredible piles of information pour forth EVERY DAY and, although our “interests” lay right there with yours, we are obligated to get this program recognized and established.

You are going to find that in “testing” for “truth” we will list the items which are now utilized as methods of testing in determining the truth of what you “know”. This is a foolish statement in and of itself and CAN only be colored by individual perceptions of the so-called scientists and philosophers themselves—BUT, THESE “EXPERTS” END UP IN COURT AS EXPERT WITNESSES AND YOU NEED TO BE AWARE OF THE GUIDELINES.

Of the entire list you will note only one or two are even relevant and in the end you can only base “truth” on hard evidence backed up by FACT. “Assumptions” can be made and ARE VALID—but are not too useful until the backup of available evidence is “in” in order to make a useful conclusion. Moreover, the LAWS and legal regulations or guidelines MUST BE CONSIDERED IN EVERY CIRCUMSTANCE. This is “even” in cases of religious ritual from communion practices to sacrificing living beings. “Living beings” are inclusive of living life-forms from insects, fish, animals to human.

CLUES:

You will find “authorities” or “experts” doing a number on you every day in every way—on this very topic of discerning truth. I am not “discerning” truth in this writing; I am offering methods of “testing”

possibilities to help determine truth—but YOU must do your share. This is in spite of the fact that in what is most pertinent to our own program, we have supplied you with EVIDENCE and FACT along with the evidence provided by one, V.K. in presenting her “side”.

Our presentations are of documents and public records which have been put to public press. V.K.’s are bits and pieces of fraudulent and fabricated documents which are obvious hoaxes where she states that she has something “recorded of record” only to find otherwise—OR, TOTALLY FLAWED AND FABRICATED FRAUDULENT PAPERS PUT IN A CLERK’S FILE.

A good example is that she will tell you that she has in writing something to prove what she has just repeated as verbatim fact and the two items do not even relate one to the other—nor has she given you correct copy.

She will tell you that recorded of record in public files is her “Holding Trust” and give you names and numbers—WHICH DO NOT EXIST.

She will tell you that her holding trust existed all the way back to early family days when, actually, her family name is not and was not, “Durham”. Moreover, in an effort to prove her point, less than a year ago (now), she did personally incorporate an entity as a corporation to match a small portion of her “Holding Trust” title in order to avoid the TOTAL lie—somehow. No, she only has PROVEN beyond all doubt that she has lied and continues to lie and the RECORDS can be found regarding “this” matter in the office of the Secretary of State in Iowa.

She claims, for instance, that she retired “Cosmos Seafood Energy Marketing Ltd.” and yet the OFFICIAL records show, and have been published over and over again, that the corporation is in good standing, current, and has been since 1985 when Russell HERMAN established the corporation to identify ownership and holding of Bonus 3392-181, which until that time had been a “BEARER” CERTIFICATE.

She will continue to claim “Herrman”, Herrmann, Hermann”, and any other spelling she chooses and then calls the man her husband—proven by bogus marriage applications and certificates which are both badly done and a total fraud.

I belabor this because YOU must, in testing for truth, learn to go for the RECORDS themselves and stop absorbing the lies of “recorded of records”, “it is in writing” and then CHECK OUT THOSE DOCUMENTS.

For you who do keep up I will extend this tale to tell you who have checked out those signatures and spellings of Russell Herman’s name that we have now been given MORE documents, and another passport copy which shows Russell Herman with a signature identical to the one V.K. disputes and claims as being forged and false. Could we publish them? Yes, but “overkill” is something to “fill up space and time” and we need all of both that we can corner. Those reruns must await a slow week.

“BONUS” is proven beyond that shadow of doubt and other quarrels over the “agreements” have NO MEANING other than also being distractors.

Why? Because we have presented the HARD EVIDENCE AND DOCUMENTATION AND IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH OLD ASSIGNMENTS OR “SIGNATURES” OR ANYTHING ELSE SO COLORFUL. WE HAVE COSMOS SEAFOOD ENERGY MARKETING LTD. IN FULL HOLDING AND AUTHORIZATION FOR FULL COVERAGE IN GLOBAL ALLIANCE INVESTMENT ASSOCIATION.

THESE ARE ALL LEGALLY COVERED AND DOCUMENTED AND NOW THE FACT THAT CSEML IS THE LEGAL “HOLDER-‘OWNER’” OF THE ASSET, ALL THE REST OF THE DOCUMENTS AND FULLY REGISTERED ASSIGNMENTS ARE AVAILABLE AND HAVE BEEN REGISTERED AS WELL AS BEING MADE PUBLIC. THEREFORE, IN DOING “YOUR” HOMEWORK, IF YOU YET HAVE QUESTIONS (WHICH DO NOT IMPACT US ONE WAY OR ANOTHER AT ANY RATE), GO GET THE DOCUMENTS FOR YOURSELF. WE HAVE PUBLISHED THE PERTINENT ONES INCLUDING THE REBUTTALS FROM V.K. DURHAM.

Denial through ignorance is no excuse—for YOU or a banker—and is certainly no cause for us to further usurp our precious time in debating that which is no longer worthy of the time or space for such “debate”—the ISSUE itself is documented.

V.K. states publicly on international Internet that “GAIA’s ‘agreements’ are not valid”.

How can they NOT be valid?

We were told to publish our agreements and that is exactly what was done. It was to establish OUR stand—not some nebulous stand of the U.S. Treasury, Federal Reserve, or Johnny-Come-Lately. THERE IS NO DOUBT AS TO HOLDING BUT, USE IS ANOTHER MATTER, ISN’T IT? Well, THAT is where we are now! It is, after all, the very best place to be—for what we do now can insure that “the little guys” get use of this asset under discussion and limits the asset itself and limits it unconditionally to an amount of available backup gold supply. It will not “collapse” anything except possibly a program or two of fabricated scam games on you-the-people.

Our program DEMANDS total transparency, full accounting, fully protects all parties participating, INCLUDING THE BANKS—for we speak of collateral for issuing credit and providing reserves which enrich a nation and the people thereof. WE HAVE ALSO JUST RECENTLY PUBLISHED THE FULL PROGRAM. WE HIDE NOTHING EXCEPT THE PRIVACY OF INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE STILL UP FOR “TAKE OUT” IN AND AS “GET RID OF THOSE BURNHAMS...” TO STOP THE TALKING.

As we move on we MUST put to public press the cases of the “Tallano Estate” of the so-called “Royal Family” here in the Philippines. Again, we hide nothing except to keep private any parties who might be at risk—to the best of our ability.

For instance, Prince Tallano, lives in terror as his position has given cause for him and all others involved to realize his very life is at stake because false information has scattered about that somehow HE owns everything, controls everything, and is the heir apparent to the throne of Maharlika. NO: PRINCE TALLANO IS BUT THE APPOINTED, BY THE COURT, “ADMINISTRATOR” OF THE ESTATE. IT IS ALSO ORDERED BY THE COURT THAT A SPECIFIC FOUNDATION-CORPORATION BE SET FORTH TO HOUSE THE ESTATE. THE ORDERS WERE GIVEN RIGHT TO THE VERY NAME OF THE ENTITY. The first “foundation” set forth here in the Philippines did not express the exactly “ordered” title but that is being rectified right now and the Trustees are in place and the Foundation ready for full operation—UNDER COURT ORDERS.

This takes the misery and terror off the head of Prince Tallano, for there is no merit in doing anything untoward to the man himself. Furthermore, it takes away the annoyances of

such things as claims of “impostors”, etc. The shelter is in the very establishment of a CORRECT umbrella to allow for open carry-through of court orders, to housing of funds properly as orders are carried out properly and funds shifted and will CAUSE full accounting of the 617,500 metric tons of gold which will be addressed, again, in the writing we will present with this document for public press.

The “estate” says it knows of some 400,000 tons in the bank and it was accounted recently. That means a lot of MISSING gold, like at least 217,500 metric tons. Some is accounted but much is simply missing and it would be surmised that far MORE than 217,500 metric tons is at issue.

Ah but, the Central Bank is now PRIVATELY OWNED by the IBC players so what happens? Well, the Treasury had best insist that the gold be accounted and returned or warehouse receipts of LOCATION OF ASSETS be utilized so that we can move on to the next phase of those COURT ORDERS. And yes, this IS where we fit—in the assurance that the program gets DONE. And no, this is not through force or fiction—it is through fact.

How much time? As much as required TO DO IT RIGHT. This will be the only time in your recent historical counting to get THIS DONE.

What happens if Ekkers are “bumped”? Well, they won’t be because such a trick would cause a whole series of “things” to move into motion. But, let us suppose it to be, and all things are POSSIBLE, so know that by the very “incorporation” of our entities, the continuation of “flow” and “function” WILL MOVE FORWARD. At this time it would be slow and restructuring would be extremely difficult and, surely enough, cause more time delays piled onto one another. HOWEVER, the better we are established HERE, the more insurance of a continued flow of the program will be established.

You can see that we are starting BIG and with something so seemingly outrageous as to be a real “WHAMMY”, not from OUR standpoint but by what IS and has been covered for so long by the Elite as to shock the entire world. How could a whole nation be stolen? Easy! But, the jig is up, and no, not by us—we are simply facilitators making it possible to handle the massive size of the circumstance. So NO, do not expect it to be an easy glob to gather into a “cell” of some kind—the most wealthy people on the globe are involved.

We, however, offer even those culprits—THE SOLUTION TO THE NIGHTMARE COME UPON THEM. **SO BE IT.**

Back, now, to sharing the “tests of truth”.

“TRUTH: ‘AGREEING WITH FACT OR REALITY’”

This is the first definition of “truth” as offered in a dictionary and there is where we want to focus, please.

TESTS OF TRUTH

In this we will simply, for convenience, copy a paper briefly covering the accepted 12 “tests” widely used by scientists and philosophers and let you have your own fun. If you are observant and pretend you don’t know anything about, say, our topics above, try handling the guidelines “as if”. You will find that “uninformed” almost NONE of the methods carry any meaning at all and certainly not the one that suggest you somehow just go within and see what you scramble. Data in—data out. Put bad data in and bad data pours

out. Put NO data in and you are beyond ignorant and actually stupid for you have NO BASIS UPON WHICH TO CONCLUDE ANYTHING REGARDING THE MATTER. Going forth without all the data you can get—even if you have to go research a bit—is equally as absurd a standard for basing your conclusion.

To assume these particular topics to be non-applicable and boring, to you CONTACT readers, is a GROSS ERROR IN JUDGMENT.

FRIEND OR ENEMY DECLARED, THIS IS JUST ABOUT “THE” MOST IMPORTANT ONE THING TAKING PLACE ON YOUR GLOBE TODAY—INCLUSIVE OF THE MIDDLE EAST. WE INTEND TO GET THIS JOB ACCOMPLISHED WITH OR WITHOUT YOUR HELP—BUT OUR FRIENDS WILL BE PLEASED BEYOND BELIEF FOR THEIR HELP. SO BE IT.

[QUOTING from a paper from IAME’s Philosophy Department:] **[H: Our input will be added in bold print and bracketed. However, I would like to keep comments to an absolutely minimum, for I want readers to attend the information and I think you will be quite pleased with “HOW FAR YOU HAVE COME, BABY”!]**

Scientists and philosophers over the years have discovered different methods of tests in determining the truth of what they know. Not all of these tests though are by themselves sufficient in distinguishing truth from falsehood, and sufficiency is not always a guarantee for the tests of truth that enjoy wide acceptance despite the relative inadequacies of some. However, knowing the relative value of each test will help us make a choice as to what test we will trust and employ in judging the truth or falsity of our beliefs especially in these days when disinformation, black propaganda, and falsehood have become pervasive in the country’s political scene.

[H: Be careful, for this is written in and presented for the Philippines. It is, however, applicable EVERYWHERE—so please do not be put off by the fact that it comes from the Philippines and not Harvard School of Law or Medicine.]

There are 12 tests of truth widely used by scientists and philosophers. These are *sense perception, feeling, instinct, intuition, customs, traditions, majority decision, authority, correspondence, pragmatism, consistency, and coherence.*

SENSE PERCEPTION:

There are realists who wish to simplify how to know the truth. To them, truth is precisely what their senses—sight, smell, sound, taste and touch—depict them to be.

For example, the water is hot to your touch; the ball is round as you see it; sugar is sweet to your taste; and the sound of music is pleasant to your ears. All these you experienced through your senses.

Doubling the evidence of your senses is to make a fool of yourself and to make yourself appear strange to other people who might even question your sanity. This is so because sensations are facts of experience; they are a “stable factor in life, independent of your will or whim and gives you contact with outside reality”.

Without sensations there can be no experience and without experience there can be no thinking, for thinking has to start with what is given by your senses to your consciousness.

But can we really trust our senses? The answer is yes and no. As was already pointed out, our senses at times failed to give us the true meaning of things and that there are realities that are beyond our sense perception. Ideals and values, for example,

cannot be tested by sensations. In short, our sense perceptions are not a good test of truth.

FEELING:

Many of us would rather follow the dictates of our feeling than listen to our rationalizing mind. Instead of being guided by logical connections or by cause-and-effect relations, we are easily swayed by our hunches or premonitions, which are NOTHING but a strong feeling of something that is bound to happen or may not happen at all.

While feeling is important to our existence, it cannot be used as a test of truth. For it is neither clear nor precise and is easily influenced by the condition of our health, our mood, our environment and many other factors.

CUSTOMS AND TRADITIONS:

Customs are described as behavioral and are commonly practiced by members of a social group, while traditions are defined as customs which have been preserved for generations and have greater influence on one’s own ways of thinking.

For instance, to meet the desire of a social group such as families and religious congregations, certain beliefs had been developed to regulate and control the behavior of its members in order to have unity, stability and security, e.g., how to behave in solemn occasions, how to greet foreign guests, what to do when disasters occur and how to treat children.

In fiesta celebrations, it is traditional to be hospitable to anyone who will come to your house. It is also customary and traditional in some societies for the host to offer his daughter as bedmate. Customs and traditions then, although they served certain needs of individuals and groups, are not valid tests of what is true or false.

INSTINCT:

There are two kinds of instincts. One is limited to the inborn behaviors of animal species. The other is inherited and acquired. But both can be modified through intelligence and experience. Though sometimes instinct gives us some semblance of truth, it cannot be trusted as a reliable source of truth. As with feeling, instinct is not precise and is usually in conflict with feeling. Love and hate are both instincts; so is jealousy. To rely therefore on instinct is to undermine the progress of philosophical and scientific studies, most of which are beyond what is instinctive.

INTUITION:

Some people say intuition is a test of truth. Actually, it is only a source of truth. Granting for the sake of argument that intuition is a test of truth, as others would insist, then, we have to contend with two major problems.

First, we will have difficulty in checking the validity of our intuitive experience. Second, relying on intuition as a test of truth will mean a very slow progress for humankind because intuition can only be verified through a cumbersome laboratory test. It may even happen that while we wait for the test result, misfortune such as disease, hunger, or war may have already overtaken us.

MAJORITY DECISION:

The practice of allowing the majority of the members of a social group to make decisions is an important feature of a democratic way of life. By “majority” we mean the greater part or more than half, even if the difference between the two parts is a matter of one point.

The majority’s decision is used in determining the many issues, e.g., what form of government a society should have, who should manage the state,

the province and other political units, what laws to pass, which regions and which agencies will get this much support from the government, etc.

Some individuals and social groups may not be satisfied with just a majority's opinion. They may insist that majority decision or unanimous decision should be reached before any move or action is made. To them, allowing the majority opinion to prevail may not be a desirable way of resolving issues.

Past experiences will tell us that in many instances the majority opinion, as well as the unanimous decision, was wrong. For instance, people from the ancient times were wrong about the shape and size of the Earth. Governments encounter serious budgetary deficits because of a majority decision on wrong revenue collection estimates.

And would it not be ridiculous to allow the majority to decide on scientific issues that they are not in a position to do so for lack of training? Just because everyone believes something by the majority does not necessarily mean that it is right or true. A majority decision, therefore, is not a good test of truth.

AUTHORITY:

Relying upon authority in resolving issues is a widespread practice by individuals or groups in every society. For instance, religious persons cite the *Bible* as the authority of their lives; confronted with a legal problem, we get the services of lawyers; to solve our medical problems, we depend on doctors; and to cope with drug addiction and prostitution, we get the opinion of sociologists or other social and behavioral scientists.

It is fact, however, that authorities often conflict and contradict each other. Medical doctors are known to have differed in their diagnosis of certain illnesses such as cancer. Sociologists have disagreed on the major motivation for the runaway population growth in Third World countries. Judges confuse us with their different opinions as to when human life begins or whether abortion is a crime or not. Whose word then, shall we trust?

Another consideration that weakens authority as a test of truth is the fact that there are persons who masquerade as authorities, and there are writings, which later on are discovered to be spurious. A well-publicized case is the so-called "Hitler's Diary".

CORRESPONDENCE:

Truth has been defined as "that which conforms to fact, which agrees with reality, which corresponds to the actual situation". On the basis of this definition the correspondence theory of truth was formulated: An idea or description is true if it agrees with the object described or referenced to.

As a definition of truth, correspondence is no doubt beyond question. But as a test of truth, correspondence is, in many instances, not useful. Its user will be faced with the difficulty of comparing ideas with reality since, unlike the former, the latter may not be immediately available to him.

One immediate idea of the object and our idea of it when we experienced it may be compared for a correspondence check. But is the object still the same as when we experienced it? It is wise then to take correspondence for what it is—a definition of truth, but not as a test of truth as other people would insist.

PRAGMATISM:

The origin of pragmatism is Charles Sanders Pierce (1839-1914), a philosopher who was influenced by the principle of Jesus' statement: "By their fruit you shall recognize them." On this basis, Pierce formulated the pragmatic theory of truth, thus:

An Idea is true if it is workable and has practical and satisfactory consequence. Any theory or hypothesis, however beautiful it may sound, if it will not work or does not have any concrete, practical and satisfactory result is meaningless or without any value.

It goes without saying that it is the satisfactory workability and usefulness of the idea, which not only gives it worth and significance but validates it as well. If, for example, peaceful negotiation by the government with the rebels is believed to be the best means to ensure a lasting peace, then this hypothesis is true only after it has been seen to work according to expectations.

As a test of truth, pragmatism has deficiencies, the more prominent ones being: First, it is difficult to determine what is meant by the terms "workable", "practical", "satisfactory" and "consequence". Even if we were able to provide definitions for those words, from whose viewpoint should its results be judged as satisfactorily workable and useful?

On the basis of the pragmatic test, would these ideas be considered true despite their inconsistent workability and usefulness? Third, there are ideas which seem to serve a need but which are not necessarily true. A good case is that of a man who firmly believes that offering gifts to the spirits works and, therefore, is true. This encourages him to continue practicing the idea. He only discarded this belief when an agriculturist demonstrated to him that it is not the spirits but the use of irrigation, fertilizer and pesticides that give him bumper crops.

CONSISTENCY:

Ideas are consistent if their meanings do not contain contradictory terms, which mutually exclude each other. Propositions like "A dog is an animal", "Trees are plants", and "Computers are machines" are all consistent statements since the terms used in each sentence do not contradict each other.

Examine, however, the following assertions: "Men are immortal.", "Stones are soft.". The first assertion is a contradictory one since immortal means "living forever", which is not true of men who will eventually die. Contradiction also exists in the second statement since stones are, in reality, hard objects.

While consistency helps us detect falsehood due to contradiction, its meaning is not quite clear because it does not tell us if statements which in themselves are true are related or connected with each other.

A "rigorous" form of consistency was developed to check the inadequacy of the "loose" or "mere" type discussed above. In rigorous consistency, all statements in an argument must necessarily follow one another. Basically, this is the principle underlying the Aristotelian logic as the following classic in syllogism examples: All men are mortal; Socrates is a man; therefore Socrates is mortal.

While rigorous form of consistency is effective for the static or closed system, it rests on certain assumptions—such as assuming all men as mortal beings—which truth needs to be verified. Moreover, it was pointed out that consistency could be easily disrupted by mere introduction of new unrelated data. On this basis even rigorous consistency is not an adequate test of truth.

COHERENCE:

The coherence of truth originated with G.W.F. Hegel (1770-1831) and is associated with rationalistic philosophers. It is a view that an idea, opinion, or belief is true if it has intelligible, systematic and consistent connection with the body of knowledge that we possess. It is not enough that a statement is consistent; it must have a clear and logical link with all other facts of our experience. **[H: READ IT AGAIN!]**

Since we have to consider all the facts of our experience—provides us with a more complete view of life—it is more adequate and therefore superior to any of the tests that have been examined above.

[H: Moreover, it should be added that you must also acquire all facts relative to any circumstance before you can make AN INFORMED JUDGMENT of TRUTH.

I would point out as an example of absurd presentation of spurious information that you consider that those with Doris and E.J. Ekker, later put onto international Internet and on to being published in a Philippine paper that "Doris was tainted by 'dark energies' and therefore...".

Well, in the ensuing four years I believe that EVIDENCE has PROVEN otherwise.

Does it matter? Probably not until the law confrontations are under way—for the delays and damages of such garbage has delayed us by "years" in our positive conclusion of this program. Moreover, except by public, legal confrontation, do you STOP the absurdities of the infection of lies presented as by authority and somehow "knowing" individuals who then have to admit they KNOW/ KNEW NOTHING BUT DID/DO, IN FACT, HAVE GREAT DEBTS PILED UP TO BE PAID TO EKKERS, IN THIS INSTANCE OF EXAMPLE?]

[END QUOTING ARTICLE ON "TESTING FOR TRUTH"]

Now, that we might carry this just a bit further when you are trying to discern truth in what we offer—we will offer that which can be backed up by FACT to the very best of our ability. Never mind "voices from outer space" but in your human position if you just "get the facts, ma'am" you will make good discernment and become good jurors when evaluating people's lives in trumped-up legal confrontations as directed by accusations by outright thieves and liars. Is it not time to also CLEAN UP the filthy and corrupt JUDICIAL SYSTEM FROM START TO FINISH?

In shared documents from other resources we will give what they offer with or without comments but as correctly as offered or "incorrectly" as the case might be. However, our attempt is to OFFER WITH EXPLANATION that which can be checked out through minimal effort and as being relevant as is possible.

In our "original" presentations as with the "Tallano Estate" matters, we will only offer that which is KNOWN to be correct or mark the lies and you can, even from the United States or South Africa or downtown Podunk, get the backup and referenced material right from the records or court.

If we have questionable documents, we will simply state them as to being "unproven".

I will, however, remind you that even in a COURT OF LAW, circumstantial evidence is totally acceptable when balance of evidence is a deciding factor but which evidence is either missing or has been deliberately destroyed, stolen or buried.

Now to you who claim you only participated in order to "get the truth out"—I ask: What TRUTH? Whose TRUTH and in what capacity is that "TRUTH" associated?

Our purpose REMAINS: Get the TRUTH "OUT".

If you thought that to be some mystical journey through the rainbow, shame on YOU, because we never, EVER, suggested such a thing. We were NEVER even remotely to be categorized as a "cult" or "groupie". **THIS HAS BEEN OUR TASK SINCE 1987 (SPECIFICALLY) AND WE HAVE NEVER DEVIATED.** Did you?

THE MAGNIFICENT SOLUTION

By E.J. & Doris J. Ekker—May 9, 2003

[Editor's Note: This is the second in a series of articles based upon court documents revealing the hidden history of the Philippines. Every nation has, it seems, at least two versions of its history: what really happened, being obscured by the "doctored" version of what happened so that nearly all of the people have little access to the truth and most of who will blindly defend the lie to their death.]

As we study the court documents related to the ownership of land in the Philippines, we are struck by the wisdom of Judge Enrique A. Agana who took responsibility for and wrote the ORDERS for the DECISION WITH COMPROMISE AGREEMENT of 1972, some eight years after the litigation was terminated by the AGREEMENT reached in 1964. We believe that, had his ORDERS been followed by both parties, the government and the Tallanos, the Philippine Islands may well have become the "Pearl of the Pacific" and a "world financial center" if not THE "world financial center".

In all of the world's occupations and professions, there is no other that is so dedicated to arriving at TRUTH as a good Judge. At trial there are always at least two factions that are trying to lead the Judge, if not to mislead and fool him, and so his task is one of endless searching for TRUTH. True, there are biased, and even corrupted, Judges, but as you will soon find for yourself, Judge Enrique A. Agana was not among them.

At this time, 2003, Peace and Order are of paramount concern to Filipinos. Street crime is so rampant that most kidnappings, murders, car thefts, robberies, muggings and bank heists do not make the news. Raids, ambushes and bombings (not to mention the rural terror resulting from the constant "collection of revolutionary taxes") by the Moro Islamic Liberation Front and the communist New People's Army are accorded front-page coverage in the hope and expectation of military support from the United States. Had Judge Agana's ORDERS been followed, virtually all of those problems would have long ago dissolved.

President Ferdinand E. Marcos hired a team of experts to come from Europe and plan the "infrastructure" of the Philippines, including a high-speed rail system from the northern tip to the southern tip of the main islands. We have personally met the man who contracted to print 50 numbered copies of the large book that was compiled after two years. He was not allowed to keep a copy or the plates and it is said that Corazone Aquino, the American-selected President to replace the shanghaied Marcos, placed such a bounty on the books and/or their owners that they all disappeared. We have not been able to locate one or anyone that will admit to knowing where we might see one.

Perhaps the publication of this information will bring at least one out of hiding.

Just monetizing the 400,000 metric tons of gold held in the vaults of the Central Bank would elevate the gold-based money supply in the Philippines to more than twice as much per person than the money supply in the U.S., and U.S. money is not backed by gold. If that much money, some 4 trillion dollars,

were to be spent cleaning and fixing up the Philippines, think of what a paradise it would be.

In short, Judge Agana, in his DECISION WITH COMPROMISE AGREEMENT and his two "Clarificatory Orders" of 1974 and 1976, required that the Tallanos establish the "DON ESTEBAN BENITEZ TALLANO & DON GREGORIO MADRIGAL ACOP FOUNDATION, INC." to hold and administer the assets of the Estate. In addition to the land held under ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE OF TITLE (OCT) No. T 01-4 (described in the April 9, 2003 issue of CONTACT), those assets include a payment of 2 billion pesos that should have been made by the government to Tallanos in 1968 for the land used by government buildings and land given to farmers under the program termed Agrarian Reform.

The government, in a move to delay the payment until 1978, proposed that its bank, Land Bank of the Philippines, issue five bonds of P400,000,000 each, due and payable in 1978. The interest rate of 7% per year would be raised to 10% as a penalty if the Bonds were not redeemed on time. After compounding at 7% for 10 years and 10% for nearly 25 years, on May 15, 2003 the government owes the Foundation more than 41 billion pesos.

In 1995 Judge Sofronio G. Sayo imposed additional fines and penalties on the government for its "dilatatory tactics" which now amount to nearly 10 billion pesos. The royalties due for the 400,000 metric tons of gold held in the Central Bank (which we read to mean the National Treasury) amount to more than 10 trillion pesos, in the aggregate more than 200 billion U.S. dollars.

When the government authorizes the use of the DEEDS OF ASSIGNMENT FOR CONSIDERATION of GLOBAL ALLIANCE INVESTMENT ASSOCIATION as banking RESERVES, the Philippines can join with GLOBAL (GAIA) in a Joint Venture Partnership to begin to buy the gold from the Foundation. As the National Treasury issues pesos to the Foundation, title to portions of the gold pass to the National Treasury, increasing its RESERVES, but this increase is in GOLD, and soon it will have enough upon which to proclaim its currency "gold-based". Gold-based currency is acceptable as "foreign exchange" anywhere in the world (and will soon become the currency of preference).

More than fifty years have passed since the Philippines gained its Independence and during all of that time the government has paid so little to the Royal Family that it has had no money with which to pay its real estate and property taxes. Perhaps its failure to set up the Foundation and organize itself to properly administer its large assets served as the government's excuse for not living up to its part of the AGREEMENT. On the other hand, neither the Marcos Administration nor any subsequent administration has made any overture to the Court Appointed Administrator, Prince Julian Morden Tallano, to cooperate in the solution of the impasse.

When the government pays its debt to the Foundation, the Foundation can pay its accumulated billions of pesos of taxes due, which will flow to the municipalities and barangays, giving them the money needed to build, repair and maintain their roads, streets,

We continue to make every effort possible to fulfill any or all obligations established along the way—regardless of what dis-, mis-information is poured forth ABOUT US.

We want NO notoriety nor attention and in that very vein we insist that local citizens involved, carry the ball. We are not Filipinos and do not other than reside here during a time of "visiting" on simple "visitors" permits.

Nobody "fled" to the Philippines for sanctuary or escape of ANY KIND. We hope to stay until we conclude the major part of our work so that others can move right ahead without impact by our absence. This is in relationship to this specific task and if you would bear with: mission.

We have no intention of "running" ANYTHING in the "Tallano Estate" matter. We only expect and YEA, DEMAND, that our interests be fully qualified and accounted—no more; no less.

What V.K. Durham does with her Herrman, Hermann, Herrmann "estate" matters is certainly between her and the U.S. government. But, there is no "Durham Holding Trust" by any silly numbers or registration. We do, however, "know" that there are not TWO such programs or Certificates and all the ones referenced, or are in our possession, are from "a" Russell Herman whose signatures and identification matches that which came before V.K. Durham and her absurd claims.

Ekkers, however, did NOT have access to that proof until during the time we have been in the Philippines—so tampering is NOT AT ISSUE, except as V.K. Durham tampered with every document she has touched in the grab to snatch the asset for herself, solely.

In prior dealings, therefore, the issued information had to be considered as "being truth" as presented until we have since PROVEN otherwise.

Russell Herman knew EXACTLY what he was doing when he turned the asset over to us to attend.

Moreover, when some of Russell's family "heirs" questioned the circumstances of Death and holdings—V.K. PERSONALLY WROTE THEM, BY NAME, OUT OF THE SO-CALLED (BUT ISN'T) WILL.

If you seek truth and do so as in concluding your "knowledge" of the facts, you will have to reach the "conclusion" that V.K. Durham is a criminal with full knowledge of criminal INTENT to defraud, slander, libel, perjury and outright theft of MAJOR ASSETS—while trying to also steal corporations, threaten and defame persons.

In the cases of the Tallano Estate, the FACTS are in, readers. The fact that the "national" bank and Central Bank are in default and in actual circumstances of fraud, is also "IN".

Can the ones defrauded by use of fraudulent titles by those banks—who should have KNOWN better simply through title searchers as DEMANDED by LAW—have recourse? Yes, of course, and yes indeed, we DO offer the method and solution. Justice is as Justice does.

I further suggest everyone be very careful in your evaluations as you make your statements on some invisible resource or worse, on hunches, intuition (especially from others), and feelings based on your ass-covering needs. Let's begin to get those asses (donkeys) out of the well instead of burying them, shall we?

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water and waste systems, schools and hospitals and civic facilities. Doing so will put to productive work every able-bodied man and woman in the nation.

It is the intent and commitment of the Global Alliance Investment Association to serve as the catalyst to bring together the government and the Foundation into a tripartite effort to release the wealth of the nation for the use and benefit of God's PEOPLE. If this sounds "too simple" or "too good to be true", just remember that God's solution to problems and His answer to prayers most often are simple and present in a way you might least expect.

What follows will be extracts from the 1972 DECISION WITH COMPROMISE AGREEMENT offered as confirmation of our statements above about the wisdom and integrity of Judge Agana.

[Suggestion: In any copy going to press, it should be noted that English is the demanded language of the Court in the Philippines but that in its own due course makes it all but impossible for clerks and individuals with English as a Second Language to do a properly correct "English" document. Be kind as readers and guess how your document would appear in Tagalog or Taglish as has become the Filipino expression. The intent is well expressed and very clearly put forth.]

In copying documents from original entries in the court records we have made every effort to retain even the inadvertent commas, missing letters, etc., so that all documentation will match original documents. We take no editorial liberties in recopy—to the best of our ability.]

[We begin our quoting of the DECISION WITH COMPROMISE AGREEMENT on its page three. Our editorial comments will be bold type in brackets.]

Indeed, in the findings of Justinian, Inst. B.1, tit; Co; 2nd Inst. 56, justice is the constant and perceptual disposition to render to every man his due. It is the conformity of our actions and our will to the law but it should be commutative for which that virtue whose object is to render to everyone what belongs to him, as nearly as may be, or that which governs contracts. Yet, justice needs to be distributive as well, that virtue whose object it is to distribute rewards and punishments to each one according to his merit, observing a just proportion by comparing one person or fact with another so that neither equal persons have unequal things nor unequal person things equal. Justice, in specific parlance, is the greatest interest of man on earth. It is the ligament that holds civilized nations together, for, it consists simply in letting everyone enjoy the rights that he has acquired by virtue of the laws. And, this must be enforced accordingly in the case at bar, otherwise, justice under this regime is inutile if not dead. Similarly, this remains precarious to our political, social and economic stability as well and, in toto, an obstruction to this nation's progress and stability.

[Ed: We remind the reader that this DECISION WITH COMPROMISE AGREEMENT was signed by Judge Agana on February 4, 1972, some six years into the Marcos Administration—the case was ended in 1964 in the Macapagal Administration.]

In a democratic institution, the right to property is a fundamental natural, inherent and inalienable right. Clearly, it is never an ex gratia from the legislature, rather ex debito from the duly constituted fundamental law of the state, the Constitution. Indeed, it never owe its origin to the Constitution which secure it for it existed foremost before them. In several circumstances, it characterized judicially as a sacred right, the protection of which is one of the paramount objectives of the government.

The constitutionally protected right of private property is not, however, an absolute right and it is subject to justifiable restraints and mandated regulations instituted by the legislature or ordained by the said fundamental law. It is subject to the police power of the state and to constitutional order on social justice, that land reform or equitable distribution of wealth is very good example when it has been implemented within the tenet of the constitutional policy of the government, because, within that rights, the right to property is the right to acquire, hold, enjoy, possess, manage, insure and improve said property, as well as the right to devote property to any lawful use.

But it so defeating to live within this allege democratic nation where the present administration capitalizes said glorious objectives but actually indirectly disenfranchising the constitutional rights of the Tagean-Tallano clans from their real properties by distorting the true record of the Royal clan in the LRC defeating their ownership of the land they gained out of their hard labor and more than 4 centuries of arm struggles against the Spanish government and abusive officials of the Republic that only to find out their ownership right over the said property consisting of 169,912,500 hectares of plains, mountains, forests and seas evidenced by Land Title OCT No. T-01-4, Annex A to Annex A-1 to A-19 that had been issued by the Royal Government of England, through the office of the Royal Audiencia then by the British Governor to the Philippines Downsone Drake, is lawful within the bound of the Land Registration Act 496 after the same subject land its ownership had been settled in a court of proper jurisdiction by the Land Registration Court which was ended on October 3, 1904, under a Case CLRO 475, which caused the issuance of Decree 297 and was registered in favor of Rajah Lacan (Tagean) Tallano, who was married to Princess Rowena Ma. Elizabeth Overbeck Macleod of Austria, and eventually to their son, Prince Julian Macleod Tallano (Tagean) who was married to princess Aminah Kiram of the Sultanate of Sulu, after another court battle in the Cadastral Court in accordance with the law of Cadastral Act 2259 which was ended on March 14, 1914, had been promulgated in favor of Prince Julian Macleod Tallano against unlawful claimants, Don Hermogenes Rodriguez and heirs declaring Court Ruling in a Land Registration Case No 571, is null and void ab initio because proceedings under said Land Registration Case 571 had failed to substantiate the jurisdictional requirements and valid jurisprudence, besides, it was proven that the ownership rights of Don Hermogenes Rodriguez merely derived from fraudulent documents, the lease agreement from the Tagean-Tallano clan had been diverted into Certificate of Award from the Spanish government, yet, it can be precluded as valid ownership Land Title because, long before the Spanish government arrived here in the Philippines, the Island had and has been in actual possession of the Royal family, thru their predecessor in interest, King Luisong Tagean. Besides, finally OCT No. 01-4 had been issued to the Tagean-Tallano clan not to the Rodriguez due to a conflicting information and evidences they presented using the reward certificate issued by the Spanish government. The alleged Court Decision dated November 6, 1911 by the Court of First Instance of Manila is a hoax judgment because it was then the Land Registration Court that has exclusive jurisdiction over the Lands Registration Case and not the CFI, and that the plan the Rodriguez heirs had been using could be found in Roxas and Iloilo City, Annex B and C) not in Manila, whatsoever.

Furthermore, on the Sworn Manifestation of LRC Administrator Antonio Noblejas, he specifically explained that the title-form used in the issuance of allege OCT 369 is from the Land Registration Form No. 1, yet, in 1907, the year the alleged Land Title is dated, the so called GLRO was not yet born for use, it construed the said GLRO form No. 1 was not in existence yet.

Again, the OCT 369 in the name of Don Hermogenes Rodriguez, was been issued by late Judge S. del Rosario as CFI Judge of Rizal patently fabricated from the fraudulent OCT issued in the name of Francisco Manajan y Torrente also issued by Judge S. del Rosario as a CLR Judge. And that the alleged CLR Case No. 386, Manila, divulged that the decree issued was Decree No. 160 not Decree 297, because Decree 160 was issued on March 19, 1904 and not March 8, 1907, that under the said CLR Case No. 386, Decree 160 was OCT No. 140 not OCT 369 was issued in the Registry of Deeds in Manila, it covers only one (1) parcel of land located in Tondo, Manila with an area of 354.03 sq. m.

On the part of OCT No. 01-4, with Decree 297, CLR Case No. 475, the same were issued in the name of Prince Lacan Acuna Tagean Tallano on October 3 1904 after compliance of the LRA 496 requirements embracing the whole archipelago but was fraudulently deleted and distorted over the land in Cavite alone instead of the whole Island as could be found in Record Book of Decree, Book 1 and was distorted in the name of Manuel Ruiz y Javier instead lawfully to Prince Julian Macleod Tallano. That the allege Plan No. 11-4810, covering 3 parcels of land in the municipality of Sagay, Negros Occidental not in San Dionisio and Ibayo, Paranague where Nicolas Biones and Laureana Vargas were applicants, while the Plan II-4813 was merely inserted as part of the Plan in CLR Case 9002, and said parcel of land consists of 3,807 square meters situated in Calle Zmart, Municipality of Iloilo and was surveyed by G. & M. Mendez.

LRC Administrator attested in his Sworn Affidavit and Manifestation that all II-4810, II-4811, II-4812 and II-4813 found no existing survey record in the Record Management Division of the Bureau of Lands and Forestry.

This Court has observed the blueprint pattern of clandestine land grabbing by the allege-claiming to be land owners which were derived from the National Government thru its instrumental agencies, the Bureau of Lands and Forestry, the Land Registration Commission in conspiracy of the officials of Building Permit Bureau of the Department of Public Work and Highway and by the local government officials and with participation of some Register of Deeds in the City and Provinces where the lands are situated. These are where the sacred role of the government must have to be exercised for the protection of the constitutional rights of its citizenry. Yet, very clearly, that land grabbing scheme massively laundered icing by socialized housing programs, urban and agricultural land reform of the government in connivance with the developers, sometimes in the pretext of National Government infrastructure program is a silent confiscation of real properties of the private persons, particularly to the damage of the Tagean-Tallano family who lawfully own the vast of land here in Greater Manila Area and suburbs.

By these circumstances where the national government arrogantly launched its clandestine confiscation of private properties, movable and immovable, it is hard to admit that there has no

violation of Due Process. Actually, violation of it is presently in serious offense of the National Government for grand design of its cohorts depriving the constitutional mandate of Section 1 and Section 2 of Article III of our 1935 constitution, directly defeating the real substance of Due Process her, namely:

1. To prevent improper governmental encroachment against an individual's life, liberty and property
2. To prevent arbitrary exercise of government powers
3. To prevent unjustified confiscation of private property.

Our great Senator Diokno eloquently explained the relevant objects of due process; [Quote:]

The requirement must be directly intended to have the same effect against legislative power, that is, to secure the citizens against arbitrary deprivation of his constitutional rights, whether relevant to his life, his liberty, or his property. It is an absolute limitation toward arbitrary power and a guarantee against abusive legislation requiring that the law shall not be unreasonable, arbitrary or capricious in character and or objective should have a real and substantial purpose and effect to the object sought to be attained. The supreme intention of the guarantee is the protection of the individual from the arbitrary implementation and execution of powers of the government, undisturbed and with genuine established principles of private rights and distributive justice. [Unquote:]

Our Great Senator lent his judicial wisdom relevant to this proceedings, where pressure and coercive influence from the authority had intended to inflict against the true essence of justice; particularly, in the case at bar where substantial evidences of the heir of the late Prince Julian Macleod Tallano backing up their ownership interest over the subject land and has been meritoriously adopted from the National Government evidences and position paper could not be subsided by technical maneuver of the Solicitor General and, obviously, by mixed influence of the Executive Order, Proclamation and Letter of Instructions, allowing its cohort developers, specifically Private Development Corporation of the Philippines who bulldozed the big track of land both the north and south of Manila for the proposed Expressway, where thousands of mango trees were uprooted and destroyed, the Pilar Village Corporation who massively bulldozed portion of Quezon City where the ten thousands of mango trees were destroyed for the government pretext Housing Projects which said projects of the Pilar Village Corporation could be magnified almost in Greater Manila area and that the Malacanang Palace official conspirator, certain Bonifacio Regalado who arrogantly bulldozed big track of land on the east, north and west portion of Quezon City, where hundred thousands of mango trees were destroyed and that its cohort Manny Villar and Company Real estate proposed housing projects in Muntinglupa, Taguig, Paranaque and Las Pinas, where half a million mango trees were bulldozed and destroyed. Then the direct cohort and oligarch Real Estate Developers of the Higher Officials of the Palace, the Ortigas and Company, who raped the original view of San Juan leaving destroyed thousands of mango trees simply to be replaced by the proposed shopping center and Executive Village in the said Greenhills, depriving the interest of the late Don Juan Ejercito and his

heirs; that Harry Stonehill mess who conspired with some Malacanang officials before, who destroyed half a million of mango trees in San Pedro Laguna only for the elite Housing Projects and who attempted for the restoration of the war wisely damaged Manila Bay for self interest against the interest of the land owner, the Tagean-Tallano family. And the Malacanang cohorts oligarch Developers in Marikina, who attempted to land grab some 1,500 hectares of land situated in Parang, Marikina, Rizal own by the family of Dona Lourdes Tuazon Arroyo who bought from the real owner, Don Esteban Benitez Tallano, close friend of Ex-President Diosdado Macapagal; and particularly that Ayala Corporation who arbitrarily developed the Forbes Park and the Bell Air Village in Makati, are, as aforementioned above, direct denial of due process, awarding the lands to these developers without the mercy of the impartial judge.

Mr. Justice Jose P. Laurel must have condemned the conspirators in the government, if ever he has been living as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court up to this time. Because he once said that if accused is not tried by an impartial judge, the pledge of due process becomes a myth and the trial is reduced to nothing but a useless formality, an idle ceremony. Mr. Justice Laurel continued: If a judge had made up his mind to convict even innocence would not suffice as a defense. [Unquote:]

Similarly, the moro-moro court proceedings in this Sala under LRC/Civil Case No. 997-P against Don Esteban Benitez Tallano and Prince Lacan Acuna Taguean Tallano, the living heir of the late Prince Julian Macleod Tallano contemplated by some government officials in Malacanang in conspiracy of these developers who managed the validation of their fictitious Land Titles particularly this OCT 333 of Bonifacio Regalado its Decree No. 1141 has been found covering land in Florida Blanca, the OCT 735 of Don Mariano Severino Tuazon, and that OCT 632 own by Eulalio Ragua, that OCT 730 own by Piedad Estate, that OCT 614, OCT 333, OCT 291, and that OCT 820 own by Patricia Tiongson and by the National Government, and all OCT its numbers from OCT No. 02 to OCT No. 100,000 had been declared non-bankable due to their fraudulent characteristics, and null and void ab initio by my predecessor in this Court on July 14, 1964 by virtue of the Petition filed by the Republic of the Philippines in favor of its allege predecessor, late Prince Lacan (Tagean) Tallano under LRC Civil Case No. 997 which was consolidated to LRC/Civil Case No. 3957-P for Separate Judgment Re: Reconstitution of OCT No. 01-4 in the name of Prince Lacan Taguean Tallano with Annulment of OCT No. 01 up to OCT No. 100,000 vs. Hermogenes Rodriguez from which the petitioner, Republic of the Philippines had acquired its interest and rights over the subject lands under the principles of Public Domain, alleging in that petition that late Julian Macleod Tallano and Prince Lacan Acuna Taguean Tallano have no surviving heirs whosoever, so therefore, under the law, said big track of lands, the Hacienda Filipina evidenced by OCT No. T-01-4 be reverted to the National Government.

On the above proceedings, the constitutional rights of the heirs of the true owner had always been deprived, thanks to the sound-meritorious judicial procedures of our Judiciary then that asserted by then Solicitor General Felix Makasiar, now, the pillar of our Supreme Court who sent summons and subpoenas to the Tallano-Tagean heirs in Hawaii and the old residence of the Tallano-Tagean in Sitio Sauyo, Barangay Kuliati, Quezon City, the Decision in favor of Don Esteban

Benitez Tallano by way of Opposition Paper with supported evidences adopted from government Position Paper and proof of ownership over the land and proof of heirship to the late Prince Julian Macleod Tallano and Prince Lacan Acuna Taguean Tallano and Intervention by Benito A. Tallano that had submitted during the Hearing prior to the release of Decision of July 14, 1964 which caused this case under LRC/Civil Case No. 3957-P as consolidated one railroad up to this proceedings.

[Ed: Let us pause to clarify a point that might be missed on a first reading of the preceding two paragraphs. Judge Agana, in those paragraphs, revealed the mechanics of the biggest attempted land-grab ever in the Philippines. The Macapagal Administration, represented by its Solicitor General Felix Makasiar, had prepared its case, using its "government Position Paper" to irrefutably establish the "proof of ownership" of Tallanos while forever wiping out the claim of Hermogenes Rodriguez. Makasiar then sent the "summons and subpoenas" to the Tallano's old addresses, not expecting them to find out about the case and show up in court to intervene. The intent was to show that OCT 01-4 belonged to the Tallanos, that there was no heir to the Estate, and therefore it should revert to the National Government through the principle of Public Domain. However, Benito A. Tallano learned of the scheme in time to intervene, leaving the government no recourse but to enter into the DECISION WITH COMPROMISE AGREEMENT.]

On the part of the National Government represented by then they came to the stipulation for the issuance of the DECISION WITH COMPROMISE AGREEMENT subject to the following terms and conditions, here to wit:

1. That the Republic of the Philippines thru its President, His Excellency Diosdado Macapagal waived its rights over the lands that are still found public lands or land that have Land Title including their rights in Crisostomo Estate in the City of Cabanatuan, yet, and if ever titled only those lands that have fraudulent Land Titles be re-conveyed to and in favor of the heirs of Prince Julian Macleod Tallano, provided the Land Reform should be respected maintaining the land emancipated in favor of the farmer beneficiaries, otherwise, conversion of the land covered by Land Reform into a commercial purposes destroying the aims of land reform, automatically the ownership interest of the subject land should be reversed in favor of the heirs of the true owner, late Prince Julian Macleod Tallano; Don Esteban Benitez Tallano or their successor in interest;

2. **[Ed: No. 2 sets the price to the government in case of expropriation of land for government use. This is calculated by region or province and by class of land, commercial, residential, and agricultural, and represents a major undertaking. We will skip forward to a short section concerning land on pages 95-99.] [Quoting:]**

Let's go back to other subject matter about the land, that a Land Registration Court proceeding is an action in rem, therefore, the decree of registration after it has been issued to the party in interest binds upon the conclusive against all persons of any nature including this government, the Republic of the Philippines and its

branches, agencies and instrumentalities, regardless or not they were notified of the filing of application intended for registration, or neither or have appeared and filed for the corresponding answer against such application, because, as a rule, all parties in interest are considered as notified by the publication required by the law. This case was strongly cited in *Sorsogon, et al. vs. Makalintal, et al.*, 45 O.G. 9, 3819, September 1949, when the Royal family, the Tagean-Tallano Clan, maintains their position that their Land Title after it was published in the *Gaceta de Manila* sometime in March 14, 1902 under the operation of Torrens System in accord with LRA 496 of 1902, their OCT No. 01-4 which was issued in the year 1764 with the decree of registration turned conclusive because such decree of registration, once became final, could not be subjected for attack by any person either by reason of minor age of the co-owner, neither would there be found credible in the allegation that the decreed persons, claiming as owners, held the property in trust or as co-heirs when they filed their application for registration and correspondingly obtained registration in their names, without opposition, upon establishing factual informations their predecessors had been open as owners, and in what capacity they gained the same which is true in a case of *Gonzaga, et al. vs. Guanzon, et al.*, 68 Phil. 351 (1939).

Similarly, this Court cannot sustain the defense of the National Government, the heirs of Hermogenes Rodriguez, the heirs of Mariano Severo Tuazon and the Tuazon Company, including the defense of the Ortigas and Company that they were not around as party in interest when the decree of Registration over the same subject land had been conducted in proceedings since in the rule of Registration, Decree of Registration could not be re-opened by reasons of absence, minority or by reason of disability of any person adversely affected by said decree of registration, not even by any proceeding in any court, like this for instance, for traversing such judgment but may be subjected, nevertheless to every right of any person including the government and its branches thereof, their interest had been deprived by actual fraud should be filed in the Court of origin or any court of competent jurisdiction within one-year after the entry of such decree instituted as registered, which patently true in a case of *Cruz vs. Del Valle*, 55 O.G. P. 9901, November 23, 1952, CA; *Samonte, et al. vs. Descallar, et al.*, 107 Phil 198 (1960).

In the case at bar, both the National Government and the herein oppositors failed and neither its government instrumentalities and agencies had filed their petition for review after the Decree of Registration No. 297 for the legalization of OCT 01-4, in accordance with the Land Registration Act 496, had been registered on October 4, 1904, which said OCT 01-4 and its Decree of Registration becomes incontrovertible.

This case is a petition for the reconstitution of OCT 01-4 with annulment of all the titles described in a certification issued by the Administrator of the Land Registration Commission, Hon. Antonio Noblejas, and with Reconveyance of the subject land which are in the possession of the heirs of the late Prince Julian Macleod Tallano, filed by the National Government thru its Solicitor General Felix Makasiar, which the same, the National Government had complied with the jurisdictional requirements enforced by Republic Act No. 26 and Circular No. 47 of February 19, 1949, but to no avail one more time, the National Government lacked stronger evidences against the true owner, the Tagean-Tallano clan. What the evidences the government had used and

presented were those documents and OCT 01-4 in the name of the late Prince Lacan Acuna Tagean Tallano on strong confidence the late Prince have no issue neither has surviving heirs. Such action of the government is only proper under the Principle of Public Domain against the oppositor-claimants who have also stronger evidences and titles although these were issued in the later date of 1764 when the said OCT 01-4 had been issued in the name of Prince Lacan Acuna Tagean Tallano, then eventually to the late Prince Julian Macleod Tallano in the year 1864 which was affirmed in accordance with the Land Registration Act 496 of the year 1902. And parenthetically, the same was re-adjudicated in accordance with Cadastral Act of 2259 on March 14, 1914. While the Land Title of the oppositors-other claimants were issued only in the later year of 1902, some in the year 1906, some in the year 1914, 1926, etc. Except the OCT 396 of the Hermogenes Rodriguez which has been issued allegedly in the year 1864, 1868, 1896 and 1892, but it becomes the subject of this ruling against said OCT 369, which its decree was found fraudulently defective in character as it were divulged in this context.

Apparently, the National Government failed to refute the existence of the lawful heirs of the late Prince Lacan Tagean and Prince Julian Macleod Tallano on the mere fact that some of these heirs became instrumental in the establishment of Central Bank of the Philippines in the year 1949 after Don Esteban Benitez Tallano, accompanied by Reverend father Jose Antonio Diaz through the efforts of brilliant lawyer, Attorney Ferdinand E. Marcos, had transported the gold bullion from Vatican City which were used by the late President Manuel Roxas, cousin of Don Esteban Benitez Tallano, as Gold Reserves requirements. His information do not intend to complicate the issue but a sound proof as to the existence of the heirs of the late Prince that the government can not deny but rather it compel to be guilt of estoppel which was raised by the surviving heirs. [End Quoting]

[Ed: We will now shift to the subject of gold beginning at page 85 and ending at page 95.] [Quoting:]

Corollary of this end, let traverse our judicial functions into another horizon of responsibilities as administrator of justice not only for the deprived parties but for the entire Filipino people for our nation's economic breakthrough from its century ailing and sickly society with suffering citizenry. That what involves in this scenario is not only the government of His Excellency President Ferdinand E. Marcos but also President Marcos himself, requiring the President to restore the missing gold reserves of the Republic of the Philippines in the designated Central Bank vaults consisting of 617,500 metric tons of 12.5 gold nuggets lent and entrusted by the Royal Family, the Tagean-Tallano clans, through late President Manuel Roxas, in favor of the Filipino people just to complete the requirements set forth needed in the establishment of Philippine Central bank in the year 1949. That the said gold reserves paramountly attributed in the stability of peso value between 1949 to 1960, ranging the peso value of P2.00 for \$1.00 U.S. dollar to P4.00 to \$1.00 U.S. dollar.

But beyond the knowledge of the Filipino people, the basic root that caused the Marcos-Macapagal quarrel was that the unlawful acts of then Senate President Ferdinand E. Marcos which emanated from illegal transport of some three (3) metric tons of gold nuggets to London and another seven (7) tons to Zurich, Germany without permission from the private owner, the

Royal family, the Tagean-Tallano Clan, and of no consent of the then President Diosdado Macapagal which were taken in place all of September 23, 1963; considering that gold bullion was part and portion of the 617,500 metric tons of 12.5 gold nuggets entrusted to the national government on January 7, 1949 by the caretaker of the Royal Clan, Rev. Fr. Jose Antonio Diaz, his alias name is Col. Severino Garcia Sta. Romana, for and in behalf of the Tagean-Tallano Royal family.

That the Reverend father, before this Court and designated Amicus Curae on May 5, 1972, he testified in an open court that he is the caretaker of around 617,000 metric tons of gold nuggets own by the Royal Family, the Tagean-Tallano Family headed by Don Esteban Benitez Tallano which they transported to Vatican City in the year 1939 to secure the gold bullion from the escalating World War II, and the Royal Family maintained it up to 1948 and was withdrawn and transported to the Philippines through the young lawyer Ferdinand E. Marcos in 1949, then.

That in the presence of Atty. Lorenzo Tanada, the Clan's lawyer, Don Esteban Benitez Tallano and Benito Tallano, the direct owners of the said gold bullion; and in the presence of then His Excellency, late President Manuel Acuna Roxas, then La Union Congressman, Bishop Enrique C. Sobrepena Sr., the second cousin of Maria Cristina Camacho, wife of said Benito Tallano, Reverend Father Jose Antonio Diaz turned over said 617,500 gold bullion which he kept long time ago under the blessings of some higher Spanish officials in a dungeon in Fort Santiago in behalf of the Royal Family, Prince Lacan Acuna Tagean Tallano who went to Europe before the war and eventually under the custody of then the old National Treasury in Intramuros, Manila to give way for the establishment of the Central Bank of the Philippines;

That the said Reverend Father, in his testimony before the Court and the Amicus Curae, admitted that the gold inventory remained intact in the Central Bank vaults up to the year 1964, Quote: except that some 10 tons in my presence were forcibly withdrawn by the Senate Security Force led then by Ex-Senate President Ferdinand E. Marcos, now, President of this Republic on September 8, 1963 and had transported to nowhere;

That said Reverend Father was the one who gave idea to His Excellency President Ferdinand E. Marcos to undertake the illegal withdrawal of the said gold bullion from the Central bank vaults on the sense that Don Esteban Benitez Tallano, heirs of the late Prince Julian Macleod Tallano, owner of the said big bullion consisting of 617,500 metric tons died in Europe during the American Occupation in 1898. And the Reverend Father alleged: the heir Don Esteban Benitez Tallano died also during the Japanese time, yet, the asset left with no will and no legitimate heir, in spite of the fact that the truth was that the late Prince has a last will and testament entrusted to the custody of Reverend Father Jose Antonio Diaz clarifying that he has surviving heirs, Don Esteban Benitez Tallano, Benito Tallano and the only son of Benito Tallano, Julian Morden Tallano who also inherited the Title of Prince, bestowed upon him by the Royal Family in accordance with the code of Koran in as much as although he has a fifty percent (50%) British blood, his ancestors were Muslim-British Lords. That said Prince Julian Morden Tallano has been authorized to administer and, when necessary, withdraw the said assets deposited in the Central Bank vaults and all gold bullion deposited in Fort Knox and in Zurich and in other countries that

served as trustee of His Excellency Ferdinand E. Marcos and he is entitled to collect the 5% of the 1 percent royalty fee of the national government starting from the year 1965, the unpaid period of the government in as much as since 1949 to 1964 the government had fully complied the royalty fee;

That the Reverend Father also admitted that the only gold bullion balance left in the Central Bank vaults are consisting of 400,000 metric tons; others, some 217,500 metric tons between 1965 to 1970 were illegally melted into another form of 75 kilos per bar and were transported to different countries in Red China, Hong Kong, Switzerland, Germany, Australia, U.S.A. and in England;

Here is the excerpt from the testimonies of Reverend Father Jose Antonio Diaz, alias Col. Severino Sta. Romana, taken in an open court room on 10:35 A.M. of May 5, 1972, before this Court and Amicus Curae: **[Ed: We note the inconsistency of this date being AFTER the February 4, 1972 date of the DECISION WITH COMPROMISE AGREEMENT, from whence it is taken as a direct quote from the Certified True Copy.]**

Atty. Cesar Paras Sr.: With your permission, your Honor, supplemental to my cross examination to Reverend Father Jose Antonio Diaz, vital witness in connection with the illegal transport of said gold bullion of my client, the Royal Family, Tagean-Tallano Clan, which caused the sudden collapse of the value of Philippine peso, may I ask some important questions, your Honor, relevant to the Sworn Affidavit he executed before a notary public.

Court: Yes, you may, provided the questions are relevant to the subject matter.

Amicus Curae: What is the purpose?

Atty. Cesar Paras Sr.: Yes, your Honor. To clarify matters in connection with missing gold reserves.

Atty. Cesar Paras Sr.: Do you own this typewritten Sworn Affidavit, Reverend Witness and how did you come to know about the illegal transport of the deposited gold bullion from the Central Bank Vaults and that of its exact date?

Witness: Rev. Fr. Jose Antonio Diaz: I was the one who signed this affidavit, Sir, and being the caretaker of the Royal Family, I was the authorized signatory for the withdrawal of that deposited gold bullion from the Central Bank Vaults and I used it to withdraw the same as instructed to me by then Honorable Senate President Ferdinand E. Marcos on September 8, 1963. Besides, I was the one who accompanied Don Esteban Benitez Tallano in transporting the said gold bullion around 617,000 metric tons to Vatican City, your honor, sometime in 1939, to protect the item from the fast escalating world War II, then, your Honor.

Atty. Cesar Paras Sr.: How many kilos did you withdraw that time?

Witness: Rev. Fr. Jose Antonio Diaz: Based on my arrangement with then Senate President Marcos, we will withdraw only 3 tons or 3,000 kilos but when I and Senate President Marcos were already in the Central Bank vaults, Central Bank Governor Andres Castillo and Senator Marcos convinced me to sign the withdrawal document containing 35,000 tons that time, I have no choice but to sign.

Atty. Cesar Paras Sr.: Reverend Witness, after signing the withdrawal document you mentioned, what transpired next?

Witness: Rev. Fr. Jose Antonio Diaz: Right at that moment, Senator Marcos withdrew the gold bullion from the vault and loaded these on four (4) trailer trucks escorted by Philippine Army members led by unknown colonel and 4 members of the Philippine Constabulary and were driven toward the departure area of the Manila International Airport, then, Sir;

Atty. Cesar Paras Sr.: Reverend Witness, when you were in the MIA departure area, what follows next?

Witness: Rev. Fr. Jose Antonio Diaz: I witnessed the unloading of the gold from the trailers, Sir, which were packed in 70 pieces of wooden crates and they loaded these in the belly of the KLM airline that time.

Atty. Cesar Paras Sr.: Reverend Witness, you said you were there when the repacking of the gold had been done, how long did it take?

Witness: Rev. Fr. Jose Antonio Diaz: Because when we arrived in the Central Bank, the time was 8:00 o'clock in the morning. When they finished packaging and loading to the trailers, the time was 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon, so approximately Sir, it took seven (7) hours long when we finished.

Atty. Cesar Paras Sr.: Being the caretaker of the Tallano-Tagean family's gold bullion, can you tell to this Honorable Court how many and what is the exact number of kilos do the Tagean-Tallano Family had deposited in the vaults of the Central Bank?

Witness: Rev. Fr. Jose: Exactly around 617,500 metric tons that the Tagean-Tallano had deposited to the vault through me in the year 1949 which we transported from the Vatican city in the year 1948 the same were lent to the national government to meet the required gold reserves of the newly organized and installed Central Bank then. But lately, when I went to the Central Bank along with the heirs, Don Esteban Benitez Tallano and Prince Julian Morden Tallano for verification and inventory recently, we found that the only exact inventory remained intact in the vault was 400,000 metric tons, while, what I withdrew that time beyond the knowledge of the owner through instruction of then Senate President Marcos, now President of this Republic was 35,000 metric tons leaving a supposed inventory balance of 482,500 metric tons, but this was inconsistent to our findings where the last inventory balance was only 400,000 metric tons. Definitely, Sir, they used fraudulently my signature to withdraw such 82,500 metric tons.

Solicitor Gutierrez: Your Honor, I wish to call the attention of the Honorable Court to strike ... the words as follows: but this was inconsistent to our findings where the last inventory balance was only 400,000 metric tons. Definitely, Sir, they used fraudulently my signature to withdraw such 82,500 metric tons.

Amicus Curae: For what purpose?

Solicitor Gutierrez: The answer of the witness was not responsive to the question

profound by the counsel. Beside, his statement about the withdrawal of 82,500 metric tons is merely more on hearsay because he was not there when the alleged withdrawal of 82,500 metric tons took place.

Atty. Cesar Paras Sr.: Objection, your Honor, the witness has the right opinion which is valid based on his authority designated to him by my client that he is the only person that has an authority to withdraw said gold bullion deposits.

Court: Alright, just maintain the record, eventually, we will cross the bridge when needed.

Enough over such testimonies that that we can no longer deny the veracity of the Reverend Father's Statement and in as much as no opposition from the government except they signified their conformity to issue this DECISION WITH COMPROMISE AGREEMENT between the Republic of the Philippines represented by His Excellency President Ferdinand E. Marcos and his Solicitor General and by the party in interest, Mr. Benito A. Tallano and his son, Prince Julian Morden Tallano, represent by their Legal Counsel, Atty. Cesar Paras Sr. [END Quoting]

COMMENTS FROM THE AUTHORS:

Father Diaz/Colonel Santa Romana seems to have either fudged the truth a bit, or forgot his arithmetic (not likely). In another version of the Vatican story about the Royal Family/Sultanate of Sulu gold, (30%) was given to Diaz/Marcos as a fee for arranging its return from the Vatican to the Philippines. It is said that 30% of the gold was sent by Diaz/Marcos directly to Switzerland and there entrusted to a banker named Nicholas Senn. Diaz (above) has subtracted 35,000 metric tons from 617,500 metric tons "leaving a supposed inventory balance of 482,500...", which is incorrect since the balance should be 582,500 metric tons, a discrepancy of exactly 100 metric tons. Diaz goes on to volunteer, "Definitely, Sir, they used fraudulently my signature to withdraw such 82,500 metric tons," when he should have said, "182,500 metric tons".

Most interesting is the fact that 30% (the fee to Diaz/Marcos confirmed at page 20 of the DECISION WITH COMPROMISE AGREEMENT) of 617,500 metric tons is equal to 185,250 tons, leaving 432,250 tons in the Central Bank vault. Removing 35,000 metric tons would have left 397,250, a discrepancy of only 2,750 tons from the 400,000 Fr. Diaz testified to at trial: "But lately, when I went the Central Bank along with the heirs, Don Esteban Benitez Tallano and Prince Julian Morden Tallano for verification and inventory recently, we found that the only exact inventory remain intact in the vault then was 400,000 metric tons..."

Other documents and stories we have heard tend toward the likelihood that the 185,250 tons went to the Swiss Banking Corporation and the remainder of 582,500 tons were brought back to Fort Santiago and were subsequently moved to the Central Bank vault constructed in Quezon City during the early years of the Marcos Presidency.

Judge Enrique A. Agana's ORDER at page 121, Paragraph 9 of the DECISION WITH COMPROMISE AGREEMENT is quoted as follows:

"Ordering the National Government, Office of the President of the Philippines and his staffs, the National Treasurer and his staffs, the solicitor General and his staffs and the Governor of the Central Bank to relocate the remaining inventory balance of 400,000 metric tons of gold nuggets own by the Royal


Family, the Taguean-Tallano family, and, when relocated, return the same to the vaults of the Central Bank for the interest of the Filipino people to serve as U.S. dollar reserves required by the IMF and the World banks, while that 5% of that 1% of the required royalty fee which was unpaid starting in the year 1969 to the present and to its succeeding year until the precious metals has been withdrawn based on the prevailing market price should be paid directly to the authorized Heir, Prince Julian Morden Tallano." [End Quoting]

IN SUMMARY, we do not hesitate to honor and revere Judge Agana for his respect for and adherence to the law. He quite obviously forced the Diosdado Macapagal Administration to a fair and logical AGREEMENT which, had it been followed by both sides, the government and Royal Family, would have resulted in unprecedented progress and wealth for the nation and all of its people. If the Royal Family had set up the Foundation as instructed and staffed it with professional business managers, the government would have had far less justification for continuing to try to circumvent the DECISION WITH COMPROMISE AGREEMENT, which it does to this day. On the other hand, both the Macapagal Administration and the Marcos Administration could have done far more in cooperating and working with Tallanos to effect the practical implementation of the AGREEMENT.

That error has been compounded by all of the subsequent administrations, resulting in the deaths of millions of poverty-stricken people, the pollution of the air and water, the loss of thousands of hectares of forestlands, and the uncompleted transportation, power, water, waste management, and communications infrastructure that was so carefully planned during the Marcos Administration. It is "not too late" to bring that abundance to the Philippines, and a start has been made.

Prince Julian Morden Tallano has set up the "DON ESTEBAN BENITEZ TALLANO & DON GREGORIO MADRIGAL ACOP FOUNDATION, INC." and has appointed qualified Trustees to manage it. When the Administration elects to use the DEEDS OF ASSIGNMENT FOR CONSIDERATION offered by Global Alliance Investment Association (GAIA) as qualified banking RESERVES, GAIA can provide the necessary RESERVES to joint venture with the National Treasury to purchase the gold from the Foundation. Because it is a sovereign nation, the National Treasury can issue new pesos to the Foundation to purchase the gold, giving the Foundation the funds it needs to pay its Real Estate and Property Taxes all over the Archipelago, thus benefiting all of the barangays and municipalities that receive all or part of their funding from Real Estate and Property Taxes. These funds could begin to flow within a few days of reaching the appropriate agreements, which are already mostly drawn up and ready for adoption.

If this is a government of, for, and by the people—and the people are tired of not having enough to eat, or of having to breathe polluted air and drink unsafe water—the people should let their elected representatives know that they want to use this solution to their problems. The Foundation is ready; the Alliance is ready, and all that is needed is for the government to do its part.

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The News Desk

By John & Jean Ray

WE ARE NOT WITH YOU AND WE DON'T BELIEVE YOU

By Patrick Wintour (Moscow), *Guardian*, 04/30/03

Tony Blair's first public attempt to heal the diplomatic wounds of the Iraq war suffered a humiliating rebuff yesterday when Vladimir Putin, the Russian president, refused to lift UN sanctions and mocked the possibility that weapons of mass destruction existed in Iraq.

Mr. Putin also clashed with Mr. Blair by demanding UN weapons inspectors be allowed back into Iraq and challenged Mr. Blair's vision of a new world strategic partnership, arguing it would be unacceptable for the U.S. to dominate the international community.

The public dressing down for Mr. Blair came during a 63-minute press conference staged by the two men at Mr. Putin's private residence outside Moscow. The two men had a fabled special relationship and Mr. Blair had high hopes he would be able to wean Mr. Putin away from his new anti-war alliance with France and Germany.

Mr. Blair started with the full diplomatic niceties but became increasingly animated until he issued a dire warning of a new world order in which two different poles of power act as rivals to one another. The world faced a choice between a partnership between the U.S. and the main countries of the world or a continued "diplomatic stand-off", he said. ...

But Mr. Putin said Russia and its partners "believe until clarity is achieved over whether weapons of mass destruction exist in Iraq, sanctions should be kept in place". Almost mocking Mr. Blair, he went on: "Where is Saddam? Where are those arsenals of weapons of mass destruction, if indeed they ever existed? Perhaps Saddam is still hiding somewhere in a bunker underground, sitting on cases of weapons of mass destruction and is preparing to blow the whole thing up and bring down the lives of thousands of Iraqi people."

He added that sanctions could not be lifted since they had been introduced because Iraq had weapons of mass destruction. "It is only the security council that is in a position to lift those sanctions, after all they introduced them."

He also derided Mr. Blair's talk of a new world order, saying: "If the decision-making process in such a framework is democratic then that is something we could agree with, but if decisions are being made by just one member of the international community and all the others are required to support them that is something we could not find acceptable."

Mr. Putin insisted that the weapons inspectors could return now so that they could be summoned to any site in Iraq to make a "professional conclusion" on whether the weapons existed. The inspectors could be protected by UN or blue-helmeted soldiers along the line of the settlement reached in Afghanistan. He added that Russia was in a position to take immediate steps.

The tone and content of Mr. Putin's rebuff will cause deep anxiety inside Downing Street which has been increasingly concerned that, following the war in Iraq, a new bi-polar world order is established with the U.S. on one side and France and Germany on the other.

Although Mr. Blair said he was not disappointed by the Russian response, No. 10 had hoped for a more flexible position—especially since Iraq's \$8 billion outstanding

debts to Russia will be examined by the so-called Paris club, the bankers of the leading industrialised countries.

Downing Street was concerned last night over the implications of the mini-EU defence summit in Brussels yesterday. Mr. Blair said he could not support such a new European defence institution if it became a threat to NATO or sought to duplicate its activities.

Mr. Blair also revealed a reluctance to become involved in another bout of diplomatic wrangling primarily with France and Germany over the UN's involvement in Iraq.

He said: "Getting agreement with the UN is important, and it is important we get a vital role for the UN, but we are not going back into the rigmarole we had the last time over the second UN resolution."

He underlined the point at his press conference saying the role of the UN in post-war Iraq would be "the first test" of his proposed new strategic partnership.

He asked: "Are coalition forces prepared to accept a vital role for the UN, but are our colleagues on the security council prepared to accept that our soldiers having fought and died in respect of this war cannot simply hand Iraq to the sole charge of the UN while the coalition forces are there on the ground stabilising the situation?"

[JR: The UN Security Council did not vote for the U.S. and Britain to invade Iraq nor did they concede or allow that the U.S. and Britain to send troops as Blair stated "to fight and die" in Iraq. Of the coalition of two the U.S. does not feel the need to allow UN participation in a post-war Iraq to legitimize their aggressions. Blair, the other half of the coalition, feels otherwise. The most puzzling aspect to this debate is: If the UN inspectors had not pulled out of Iraq, would the war have begun? Also why did the UN not send peacekeepers to protect the borders between Iraq and Jordan when they discovered U.S. Special Forces cutting through the fences to gain exit into Iraq prior to the war? Why did they note these actions but not act on them? If the NWO means to have a bipolar world with all member states participating in the decision-making process as opposed to a unipolar world dominated by the U.S. then it made a giant misstep by not protesting the Iraq invasion. Either the masterminds in the UN miscalculated our hostile intentions or Kofi Annan capitulated to U.S. demands on behalf of the UN. The UN's role in world affairs is tenuous unless it has plans to participate in the invasion of Syria and Lebanon and the rest of the Middle East. That would certainly reflect a bipolar decision made by a unified NWO.]

SANCTIONS MUST STAY TILL IRAQ HAS OWN GOVT, SAYS SAUD

Arab News, 04/20/03

RIYADH—UN sanctions imposed on Iraq in the wake of the first Gulf War should end only when the country has a legitimate government, the Kingdom said yesterday.

The United States wants a quick end to the sanctions to allow oil sales to help fund reconstruction.

"Iraq is now under an occupying power and any request for lifting sanctions must come when there is a legitimate government which represents the people," Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal told reporters after a meeting on Iraq by eight Middle East nations, including Iraq's six neighbors.

A joint statement after the Riyadh meeting said U.S.-led forces in Iraq had no right to exploit its oil and that the U.S. had to reestablish security and withdraw as soon as possible, allowing Iraqis to form their own government.

“If what the occupying forces intend is the exploitation of Iraqi oil, it will not have any legitimate basis,” Prince Saud said at the end of the meeting.

“The ministers affirmed that the Iraqi people should administer and govern their country by themselves, and any exploitation of their natural resources should be in conformity with the will of the legitimate Iraqi government and its people,” he said, reading from the joint statement.

Saudi Arabia and Kuwait are concerned that their revenues might be hit if Iraqi oil is once again sold on the open market. Iraq has the world’s second-largest proven oil reserves.

Foreign ministers of Iraq’s neighbors—Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Iran, Kuwait, Jordan and Syria—as well as Egypt and Bahrain met here at the behest of the Kingdom to discuss regional implications of America’s military victory in Iraq.

The statement called for a central UN role in dealing with post-war Iraq, but Washington is reluctant to give the United Nations and the global community a say in Iraq’s political future.

Asked if the eight countries planned to play a role in shaping a new Iraq, Prince Saud said: “We will not permit ourselves to interfere in its (Iraq’s) internal affairs.”

Earlier, Iranian Foreign Minister Kamal Kharrazi said U.S.-led forces should leave Iraq and let the United Nations help Iraqis run their own affairs. But Prince Saud added that U.S.-led forces must first re-establish order in the war-torn country.

“Going out in the streets is dangerous and houses are being looted. These things must stop so that the Iraqis can work together to set up systems and administrations that express their will and needs throughout Iraq,” he said.

All participants at the meeting fear Washington will install a puppet government regime in Iraq that would ally itself with Israel.

The joint statement said: “(The ministers) underlined the obligations of the occupying powers under the fourth Geneva Convention to maintain security and stability ... and stressed their obligation to withdraw from Iraq and allow Iraqis to exercise their right to self-determination.”

Asked about investing in Iraq, Prince Saud said: “Until there is an Iraqi government, I don’t think anyone will think about investing there.”

Middle Eastern nations are determined to avoid a break-up of Iraq along potentially destabilizing ethnic and sectarian lines.

The regional forum, the first since the war ended, also rejected the U.S. threat against Syria and rebutted charges that Syria was sheltering some of Saddam Hussein’s aides and developing chemical weapons. Syria has denied both charges.

“We completely reject the recent threat against Syria, which can only increase the likelihood of a new cycle of war and hatred,” Prince Saud on Friday in his opening address to the forum.

Iran’s Kamal Kharrazi said his country, which figured alongside Saddam’s Iraq and North Korea in U.S. President George W. Bush’s “axis of evil”, was not worried about being attacked by Washington. “We do not have such a concern because the situation in Iraq was a totally different story,” Kharrazi said.

[JR: It would be more effective if the Middle East Arab nations did unite and speak with one voice, but history has recorded otherwise and that is what the U.S. is counting on. Without an established and recognized government in Iraq no one will invest nor sign any purchase (oil) agreements with anyone in Iraq because there is no guarantee or international legitimacy to any Iraqi contract at present. Several “leaders” from various ethnic groups have self-appointed themselves to

represent their particular factions as well as Iraq itself, however, none seem to last. Everyone that has stepped forward to lead, immediately asked for millions of dollars to pay off their associates before they even do anything. At the moment, any Iraqi with a megaphone and a handful of followers becomes the “new leader” to represent the Iraqi people. Everyone knows that the biggest contributors to Bush’s campaign fund will certainly get the hefty Iraqi contracts, and that’s why the U.S. now wants the UN sanctions lifted.]

BUSH COMES CLEAN: IT WAS ABOUT OIL

By Ted Rall, *Godlike Productions*, 04/24/03

Corporate Vultures Swoop Into the Killing Fields

Iraq is going to hell. Shiites are killing Sunnis, Kurds are killing Arabs and Islamists are killing secular Baathists. Baghdad, the cradle of human civilization, has been left to looters and rapists. As in Beirut during the ’70s, neighborhood zones are separated by checkpoints manned by armed tribesmen. The war has, however, managed to unite Iraqis in one respect: everyone loathes the United States. ...

But let’s forget this penny-ante stuff. Let the real looting begin! George W. Bush’s bestest buddies, corporate executives at companies which donate money in exchange for a few rounds of golf and a few million-dollar favors, are being handed the keys to Iraq’s oil fields.

Bush’s brazen Genghis Khan act seems carefully calculated to confirm our worst suspicions. First he appoints retired general Jay Garner, president of a GOP-connected defense contractor, SYColeman Corp., as viceroy of occupied Iraq. “The idea is we are in Iraq not as occupiers but as liberators, and here comes a guy who has attachments to companies that provided the wherewithal for the military assault on that country,” marvels David Armstrong, a defense analyst at the National Security News Service. A smart and/or decent president would have picked a civilian for a civil administration post.

Then Bush slips a \$680 million contract to the Bechtel Group, whose Republican-oriented board includes such Reagan-era GOP luminaries as CIA director William Casey, secretary of state George Shultz and defense secretary Caspar Weinberger. The deal puts the company in position to receive a big part of the \$100 billion estimated total cost of Iraqi reconstruction. According to the Center for Responsive Politics, Bechtel gave Republican candidates, including Bush, about \$765,000 in PAC, soft money and individual campaign contributions between 1999 and 2002.

Finally, refusing to accept bids from potential competitors, Bush grants a two-year, \$490 million contract for Iraqi oil field repairs to Halliburton Co., the Houston-based company where Dick Cheney worked as CEO from 1995 to 2000. “It will look a lot worse if Halliburton gets the USAID [Agency for International Development] contract, too,” Bathsheba Crocker, an Iraq specialist for the Center for Strategic and International Studies, warned in March. “Then it really starts looking bad.” Guess what! Halliburton has since scored a piece of that \$600 million USAID contract.

Are we looking bad yet?

Only Bush’s most intimate friends were invited to bid for these contracts. Even businesses based in Great Britain, where Tony Blair risked his political career to support Bush, have been excluded from a rigged process where only U.S.-based, Republican-led, Bush-connected companies need apply. ...

Bush’s right-wing Gang of Four—Cheney, Rummy, Condi and Wolfy—saw Operation Iraqi Freedom as a chance to line their buddies’ pockets, emasculate the Muslim world, place U.S. military bases in Russia’s

former sphere of influence and, according to the experts, lower the price of oil by busting OPEC. “There will be a substantial increase in Iraqi oil production [under U.S. occupation], and I wouldn’t be surprised if schemes emerged to weaken, if not destroy, OPEC,” says Jumberto Calderón, former energy minister of Venezuela. Former OPEC secretary general Fadhil Chalabi (no relation to Ahmed) estimates that increased exploration could potentially double Iraq’s proven reserves, which would raise production from 2.4 to 10 million barrels a day. Such Saudi-scale production would “bring OPEC to its knees,” says Chalabi. The cartel’s member nations, ten of 11 of them predominantly Muslim, would suffer staggering increases in poverty as a result of falling oil revenues, plunging some into the political chaos that breeds Islamist fundamentalism. Meanwhile, the people of Iraq, whose self-flagellating Shias already make the evening news look like a rerun of Iran’s 1979 Islamic revolution, would starve as foreign infidels raked in billions thanks to the oil beneath their land.

Time to dust off the duct tape.

AMERICAN TO OVERSEE IRAQI OIL INDUSTRY

By David Teather, *Guardian*—UK, 04/26/03

The U.S. is preparing to install an American chairman on a planned management team of the Iraqi oil industry, providing further ammunition to critics who have questioned the Bush administration’s agenda in the Middle East.

The administration is planning to structure the potentially vast Iraqi oil industry like a U.S. corporation, with a chairman and chief executive and a 15-strong board of international advisers.

According to a report in the *Wall Street Journal*, it has lined up the former chief executive of the U.S. division of Royal Dutch/Shell, Philip Carroll, to take the job of chairman.

Large-scale decisions on investment, capital spending and production are likely to need the approval of the advisory board, which will act like a board of directors. The day-to-day management team will be vetted by U.S. officials and is likely to be made up of existing and expatriate Iraqi oil officials.

The structure is likely to anger opponents of the administration who argue that the U.S. is wielding too much power in Iraq.

By involving non-Iraqis, the U.S. could also expose itself to the accusation that it is attempting to take control of the industry and open the door to foreign investment by major Western oil companies—a perception the Bush administration is keen to avoid.

The Middle East has, since the early-to-mid-1970s, largely closed the door on foreign oil firms—but contracts have been awarded to engineering and construction firms such as Bechtel, which was recently handed a \$600 million (£380m) commission in Iraq by the U.S. Agency for International Development.

U.S. and Iraqi engineers have resumed modest oil production in the south of the country, in fields close to Basra.

The other major field in the north, near Kirkuk, has yet to be restarted, but is expected to begin pumping oil in the next few days. The Basra fields produced 60% of Iraq’s pre-war production of around 2.5 million barrels a day. ...

The oil beginning to pump in Iraq is being used for domestic purposes. Once exports are up and running again, U.S. and British officials have said the aim is to put the proceeds into a fund to pay for the reconstruction of Iraq. But details of the fund, including who would administer it, have been scant.

The new management team and part of the advisory board are expected to be named next week. The chief executive would play a similar role to the former oil minister

and would represent Iraq at meetings of OPEC, the Organisation of Oil Exporting Nations. The position of vice chairman is expected to be filled by Fadhil Othman, who led Iraq's oil marketing group before Saddam came to power 24 years ago.

Thamir Gadhban, a senior oil ministry official working to restore order to the industry in Baghdad, told the *Journal* that he expected the chief executive to come from the ranks of the existing hierarchy. "The Iraqi oil industry is not a new one, and there are experienced people in the ministry of oil and its organisations," he said.

[JR: Just who if any of the "coalition of the willing" countries will sit in the chairs on the international board of advisors that will be in control of Iraq's oil? So far it seems to be made up of the few and privileged insiders in the realm of the Bush boy. If the world isn't outraged by Bush and his Zionist wheelers and dealers then Americans should be enraged for being lied to by a weak man who heads the most powerful nation in the world. Here is a leader who is incapable of meeting face to face other world leaders who oppose him and his plans. Bush is a man who does not lead because he has no backbone, whose intelligence is questionable, who is lacking in conscience, and who has a heart of stone and oil instead of blood flowing through his veins. These are his good points. Image the character of the manipulators who hide behind him and who have the power to destroy worlds. Notice that with the success of his war for oil Bush Jr. hasn't felt the need to relieve the stress or the pressures of his office at Camp David. A toast and a cheer to those maligned conspiracy theorists that always get it right before it becomes a blatant fact to those affected. The facts will always bear out the TRUTH for those who seek the answers to life's puzzles and intrigues. The travesty here is that the Iraqis who have lost everything will be paying for these parasites that will live off of them until they are AGAIN liberated from their oppressors.]

U.S. STARTS DISARMING KURDS IN N. IRAQ
WHILE KEEPING TURKEY AWAY

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The U.S. troops started disarming Kurdish militia in northern Iraq Saturday, while warning Turkey not to arm the Turkmen to pit the two ethnic groups against each other in the area.

In Mosul, Iraq's third-largest city, Peshmerga fighters loyal to the Kurdistan Democratic Party (KDP) yielded to unequalled American firepower after initial resistance.

The U.S. military said the operation was intended to push the Turkish Peshmerga out so as to pave the way for setting up a civil government there and to clear the worries of Turkey. In the wake of Baghdad's easy fall into the hands of the U.S.-led coalition forces on April 9, hundreds of peshmerga entered Mosul and another northern oil city of Kirkuk.

The Kurdish militia were soon in bloody confrontation with local Turkmen, who speak the same language as in neighboring Turkey and have asked Ankara to protect them from attacks by peshmerga. Turkey fears that Iraqi Kurdish groups could try to seize control of the area, gaining resources that could help fund an independent Kurdish state.

Some 1,000 Turkish special troops dressed in civilian clothes operating in northern Iraq have reportedly provided the Turkmen with weapons to stave off any Kurdish attack against them in the future.

U.S. ambassador to Ankara Robert Pearson told Turkish Foreign Minister Abdullah Gul Friday that arming the Turkmen would provoke a Kurdish outcry and destabilize northern Iraq.

[JR: If we are disarming the Kurdish militia in Northern Iraq does that mean we plan a protracted presence along Turkey's borders? If we don't plan to stay awhile won't the disarmed Kurds be placed in a vulnerable position with the armed and unfriendly Turkmen? Maybe the Kurds foresaw our duplicity and have a hidden cache of weapons in the mountains. Would be wise if they had. Remember when they tried to disarm the Albanians in Kosovo and the tribes in Afghanistan? They still have stashes of weapons and Americans are still being killed in Afghanistan. I wonder how long it will take for the U.S. to rebuild its stockpile of WMD in our plants overseas? After all, Zionist Israel has several more Shock-and-Awe "just wars" lined up in the Middle East for Americans to fight in.]

ARMS DUMP BLAST
FUELS IRAQI HOSTILITY TOWARD U.S.

New Zealand Herald, 04/26/03

At least 12 Iraqis died today when an arms dump exploded on the edge of Baghdad, sending rockets scything into nearby houses, and residents blamed the Americans for the carnage.

The U.S. military said unknown attackers fired an incendiary device into an Iraqi munitions store at Zaafaraniya on the capital's southern outskirts, triggering a series of blasts.

But local people turned their anger on the Americans, shooting at soldiers trying to help relief efforts and forcing them back from the scene for a while.

Residents said U.S. troops had packed cars with confiscated weapons and detonated them at the site. The Americans denied this and said the location of the dump near a residential area showed Saddam Hussein's disregard for civilians.

Anti-American protests broke out later in the capital and the incident seemed sure to fuel mounting opposition to a continued U.S. military occupation of Iraq.

It was unclear how many people were killed in the blasts in Zaafaraniya, a mixed residential-industrial suburb.

The main hospital in the district said at least 12 people had been killed and 40 injured, but medics said more casualties were ferried to other hospitals. U.S. Central Command in Qatar said at least six people had died. One Iraqi medic on the scene said the blasts had killed many people. Asked how many, he replied: "Forty."

One distraught man, Tamir Kalaal, said his wife, father, brother and 11 other relatives had been killed when a rocket shot out of the arms dump and destroyed their home. ...

About 500 men, chanting anti-American, pro-Islamic slogans, drove out of Zaafaraniya in a convoy of trucks, buses and cars. One truck carried six coffins. Two banners in English read: "Stop Explosions Near Civilians" and "The Terror After War". ...

The incident underlined how far Baghdad is from being pacified 17 days after U.S. troops took the city.

It came just hours after aides said President Bush would declare an end to hostilities next week and hail the success of U.S.-led combat operations. ...

The explosions at Zaafaraniya were so loud they were heard in central Baghdad.

U.S. troops in the city centre told reporters initially they were controlled detonations, but later the American military spoke of an attack by "an unknown number of individuals". ...

Meanwhile, U.S. efforts to bring Iraqi towns and cities under control are proving patchy.

The rise of self-proclaimed leaders and Islamic clerics is providing a major challenge to plans to introduce democracy and avert the establishment of a fundamentalist Islamic state. ...

IRAQIS SAY TROOPS KILL 13;
U.S. SAYS RETURNED FIRE

By Edmund Blair, *Daily News*, 04/29/03

FALLUJA, Iraq (*Reuters*)—U.S. troops killed 13 Iraqi demonstrators west of Baghdad overnight, witnesses said on Tuesday, in bloodshed sure to inflame anti-American anger.

U.S. officers said they fired in self-defense.

Witnesses in Falluja, 30 miles outside the capital, told Reuters the troops opened fire on several hundred unarmed demonstrators who had been demanding the soldiers vacate a school they were using as a barracks.

Falluja hospital director Ahmed Ghanim al-Ali said 13 people had been killed and at least 75 wounded in the late-night incident. There were widely conflicting accounts of what had happened.

U.S. Lt. Christopher Hart said between 100 and 200 chanting people approached his men, who opened fire after two gunmen with combat rifles appeared from behind the crowd on a motorcycle and started shooting.

The shooting in Falluja, and a clash between U.S. forces and Iraqi fighters in the northern city of Mosul on Monday in which six Iraqis were killed, punctured some of the optimism generated by a mass meeting convened by the United States in Baghdad to kickstart the transition to democracy after the fall of Saddam Hussein.

"Our soul and our blood we will sacrifice to you martyrs," mourners in Falluja chanted as they buried their dead at a cemetery while U.S. helicopters flew overhead.

"It was a peaceful demonstration. They did not have any weapons," said local Sunni Muslim cleric, Kamal Shaker Mahmoud. "They were asking the Americans to leave the school so they could use it."

A U.S. officer at the scene, Lieutenant Colonel Eric Nantz, said the bloodshed occurred after the crowd had shot into the air, making it hard to tell if his men were under threat. ...

"There were a lot of people who were armed and who were throwing rocks. How is a U.S. soldier to tell the difference between a rock and a grenade?" ...

U.S. officers seeking to restore order in the volatile aftermath of Saddam's fall said 3,000 to 4,000 extra troops and military police would pour into Baghdad within the next 10 days to boost security in the capital. ...

[JR: I guess those happy, cheering crowds of Iraqis waving distributed American flags and throwing flowers at their victorious conquerors was a short-lived myth spun by our media. Our troops may have overreacted and misread the actions of the crowd of peace demonstrators. The tragedy of such events just heightens the growing hatred that Iraqis have towards our presence, and their mistrust of us. It appears as though our troops have adopted the Israeli style of occupation of shoot first and make up an ambiguous excuse later...if pressured to do so. The U.S. has come to occupy the Palestinian lands, I mean Iraqi lands, as promised to them by their oil G-D, the boy Bush. America has not come to free the Iraqi people from their cruel and oppressive leader Saddam but to genocide them, their culture and their history. Sounds like a page from the newly revised Bible regarding the building of a greater Israel who has been anointed to rule the world. Yeah ... that is one version of the lie but it certainly is not the TRUTH!]

SHIITES' REVIVAL GIVES U.S. NEW IRAQ WORRY

By Howard Witt, *Tribune*, 04/27/03

WASHINGTON—Despite repeated promises from the White House that Iraqis will be allowed to choose their leaders, administration officials are divided over the extent to which U.S. forces can or should try to influence the political outcome in Iraq to prevent Shiite fundamentalists from coming out on top.

Anti-American demonstrations by thousands of Iraqi Shiite Muslims last week and U.S. allegations that Iran is meddling in Iraq have quickened the dispute between the State Department and the Pentagon over how to interpret the first stirrings of political activism among Iraq's majority Shiites after decades of oppression under Saddam Hussein.

Experts warn that the internal administration debate—the latest intramural tension over Iraq that has sharply divided America's diplomats from its warriors—could cause Washington to be blindsided by a fundamentalist wave, or else blunder into installing a government without grass-roots legitimacy.

In cities and towns across the battered country, and especially in the Shiite-dominated south, local clerics have rushed to fill the void left by the collapse of the Hussein regime.

The speed of those organizing efforts, coupled with sudden claims to power by several Shiite clerics and demands for the establishment of an Islamic state, have alarmed Pentagon officials, who are determined not to see their military victory in Iraq give way to rule by Islamic fundamentalists.

“If you're suggesting, how would we feel about an Iranian-type government with a few clerics running everything in the country, the answer is: That isn't going to happen,” Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld told the *Associated Press*.

But State Department diplomats with great experience in the Middle East tend to take a more benign view of Iraqi developments and the danger posed by fundamentalists. They argue that Iraq's Shiites follow more moderate religious tenets than their Iranian counterparts and are unlikely to push for a theocratic state led by an all-powerful imam.

“Since all the other Iraqi social institutions were perverted and controlled by Saddam Hussein, it makes sense that the only institutions left to take over were the mosques and the imams,” said one State Department expert on the region. “It's not indicative of a religious power grab.”

That confidence is shared by Kanan Makiya, a leading Iraqi exile who has worked with the State Department on formulating principles for a draft Iraqi Constitution.

“One of the reasons why an Islamic republic is totally impossible in a country like Iraq is precisely because of the weight of the secular tradition, which I still insist, in spite of what's going on inside the south, is going to prove to be the dominant element in the country,” Makiya told a Washington audience last week.

But State Department officials acknowledge that they could be misreading the desires of Iraqi Shiites, whose tolerance may have waned during their long suffering under Hussein. In fact, some Shiites now are saying they intend to establish a strict Islamic republic in Iraq.

“What happens when you open the floodgates?” the State Department expert said. “What also flows in is the Iranians, al-Qaida and radical ideas. There probably is a battle looming for Shiite hearts and minds.”

Iranian infiltration has emerged as an acute administration concern amid U.S. intelligence indicating that Iran has sent agents into Iraq to stir anti-American feelings, foment calls for a religious theocracy and boost friendly Shiite clerics. U.S. officials have bluntly warned Iran against interfering in Iraq, and Iranian officials have repeatedly insisted they are not doing so.

But Iran has a powerful client inside Iraq in the form of the leading Shiite group there, the Supreme Council for the Islamic Revolution in Iraq. The group was based inside Iran while in exile, and is now holding itself aloof from the U.S.-sponsored meetings of Iraqi political and religious leaders that Pentagon leaders intend to use as the basis for an interim government.

The Bush administration has stressed that it intends to plant the seeds of a representative democracy that will balance the interests of Iraq's three main groups: Shiite

Muslims, who account for 60 percent of the population of 24 million, and Sunni Muslims and Kurds.

Secretary of State Colin Powell, asked in an interview with *Free Iraq TV* last week if Washington would oppose a Shiite leader in Iraq, replied: “It's up to the Iraqi people. It's not up to the United States.”

But the Pentagon has tried to influence Iraq's political outcome by airlifting its favored exile candidate for the Iraqi leadership, Ahmed Chalabi, into the country with several hundred armed followers. Chalabi, a secular Shiite, has long cultivated Rumsfeld and Vice President Dick Cheney as supporters, despite a conviction for bank fraud in Jordan and a reputation for high-living extravagance during his years in exile in London. ...

State Department officials worry that the Pentagon, in its haste to prevent the ascension of Shiite fundamentalists, might anoint Chalabi as Iraq's interim leader. Such a move, they argue, would taint Iraq's new government as a U.S. puppet and threaten a replay of the Islamic revolution that toppled another American ward in the region, the Shah of Iran.

U.S. officials got an early lesson in the perils of direct intervention in Iraqi politics on April 10, when a moderate Shiite cleric cultivated by the State Department returned from exile to the southern city of Najaf and was assassinated inside a mosque by extremist rivals.

Yet one prominent former American diplomat in the Middle East argues that Washington should not be squeamish about pulling political strings in Iraq.

“We have to get rid of this naive notion that by turning on the lights and fixing the hospitals, we are going to be able to build a moderate representative government in Iraq,” said Martin Indyk, a senior State Department official during the Clinton administration. “We're going to have to play the old imperial game of divide and rule, and the stakes could not be higher.”

[JR: Yes, Chalabi is the most perfect choice for our rule in debilitated Iraq. He has the qualities any dictator would look for to serve his selfish purposes. Chalabi is an impostor, but his lack of credibility has helped him to meet the right people that move in the circles of power. He hasn't lived in Iraq for forty years so he is the perfect candidate to serve our interests rather than Iraq's. What a nasty way the Zionists have to extract their revenge on a conquered Iraq and its people. When the Bushkovites feel they do not have full control of a situation they always expresses the “deep concern” held by the administration. This is nothing but an expression of the angst that overcomes the plotters as to the fulfillment of their plans. America is now like a spinning pinwheel caught in the crosswinds of its own making. So Bush intends “to plant the seeds of a representative democracy”, that will fairly represent the Shiite, Sunni, Muslims and the Kurds. Well lots of luck pulling that one off! Will the Iraqis have a representative form of government that is transparent who will serve their interests and not just a privileged “ethnic” few? Will they have the right to prove their innocence in a court of law? Will they have a free press, a public banking system and an educational system not controlled by the government or the Zionists? Will they have a Homeland Security Agency to protect the unlawful actions of their leaders? Will their government be made up of hawks or doves? If they do, lets all resettle in Iraq...the new Promised Land for oppressed Americans!]

MULTI-NATIONAL STABILITY FORCE SET FOR IRAQ

By Charles Aldinger, *Daily News*, 05/02/03

WASHINGTON (*Reuters*)—Iraq would be divided into three sectors patrolled by troops from at least 10 nations led by the United States, Britain and Poland under a new postwar stability plan, a senior U.S. official said on Friday.

The Bush administration official said 10 nations had so far offered soldiers with expertise from medicine to mine-clearing for a three-division force separate from the 135,000 combat troops still in Iraq six weeks after a U.S.-led invasion.

The 10 volunteer states do not include France, Germany or Russia, which were not invited to a planning meeting of 16 nations in London on Wednesday, said the official, who asked not to be identified, in an interview with reporters.

“That is one view,” he said crisply when asked if Paris, Berlin and Moscow—outspoken opponents of an invasion that overthrew Iraqi President Saddam Hussein—were being punished and shut out of the postwar process.

“Maybe they didn't want to take part,” he added.

The exact size of the new force has not been determined, but the United States, Britain, Poland, Ukraine, Italy, Spain, Denmark, Bulgaria, the Netherlands and Albania have offered troops for the policing effort. The three future sectors of Iraq have not yet been drawn up.

The Philippines, Qatar, Australia and South Korea have offered to support the effort but their contribution is not yet clear, according to the U.S. official, who said Washington hoped that more countries would join the force.

“We want to get this started as soon as possible, but the timetable is not clear yet,” he said, adding that two further “force generation conferences” for the security effort are planned for May 7 and May 22 under the auspices of Britain and Poland respectively.

Washington and London are pressing for a major international effort to stabilize Iraq and promote rapid rebuilding, which would also help them more quickly replace tens of thousands of combat troops in the unsettled country.

Under the plan, one full U.S. division of up to 20,000 troops would patrol one of the sectors, while the other two would each have a division of multinational troops under Britain and Poland.

The U.S. official made clear that the stabilization force would be under the command of U.S. Army Gen. Tommy Franks, who directed the invasion of Iraq, and that the United Nations would not have a part in it.

He told reporters that the United States was preparing a draft resolution for the UN Security Council that would give the world body some work in Iraq in “things that it does best”, such as delivering humanitarian aid and reconstruction.

While some UN members have called for control by the world body over all postwar efforts in Iraq, the Bush administration is opposed to turning over the effort to the Security Council after France, Germany and Russia strongly opposed Washington's prewar efforts to win invasion support. **[JR: The fact is these three countries infuriated Washington by blocking U.S. efforts to win UN Security Council backing for the invasion and Washington will purposely ostracize them from every conference, meeting, agreement, contract and treaty they possibly can. They have lost favor of the G_Ds of Washington.]**

The U.S. official also suggested that France should not have any veto power on whether NATO nations take part in the effort on a “bilateral” basis with the United States, Britain and Poland.

Any NATO countries seeking approval from the alliance to take part could do so at the “level of 18”, which does not include France because that country is not integrated into the alliance military structure, the official said.

In addition to such areas as military police and engineering, the troops in the new force could include specialists in reconnaissance, civil affairs, ordnance disposal, field hospitals and nuclear, biological and chemical arms.

The 16 nations that attended Wednesday's meeting sponsored by Britain were the United States, Britain, Bulgaria, Romania, the Philippines, Qatar, Australia, South Korea, Poland, Hungary, the Czech Republic, Slovenia, Slovakia, Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia.

[JR: Ask yourself, how many of those countries attending are either already on our U.S. welfare (AID) program or are wannabes. Too many nations in our circle of "International friends" have that welfare mentality and will side with whomever to sustain their lifestyle. At this moment-in-time it is the U.S. that has the power and deep pockets. Apart from the three lead nations, only Ukraine, Italy, Spain, Denmark, Bulgaria, the Netherlands and Albania have volunteered troops, said the U.S. official, who asked not to be named. This dividing up of Iraq into controlled sectors certainly reminds me of Post-War Berlin and its occupational governments that lasted over half a century. This will be a different kind of perpetual COLD WAR! Need I say more?]

AN UNHOLY ALLIANCE WITH THE CHRISTIAN RIGHT

By Akiva Eldar, *Haaretz*, 04/26/03

The annual conference of the powerful pro-Israel AIPAC lobby last week disproved the conspiracy theory that claimed the Jews persuaded President Bush to conquer Iraq. According to the same theory, the lobby is now pressing him not to present the road map to put an end to the Israeli occupation of the territories.

On the first day of the AIPAC convention, a man named Gary Bauer took the podium. He reminded the cheering thousands that God gave the Land of Israel to the Jewish people and, therefore, there is an absolute ban on giving it to another people. Bauer is not a member of the National Religious Party, nor of the Likud central committee. He's not even Jewish. He is a leading preacher from the Christian right in America, one of those who believe the Jews are The Chosen People and one day will even choose the right messiah. Bauer is a leading spokesman for arch-conservative policies, including a total ban on all abortions and favoring government funding for religious schools.

These are the people generating the spiritual energy fueling George Bush's war on global terrorism. Evangelist Christians from South Carolina paid for the huge billboard on the Ayalon Highway declaring "There's no land for peace." TV evangelist Pat Robertson last week reprimanded Foreign Minister Silvan Shalom, saying "Who do you think you are, handing Jerusalem over to Arafat?"

With Christian friends like these close to the president's ear, the right-wing government in Israel does not need Jewish friends to rebuff political initiatives like the road map. But the Jewish activists are not giving up. The religious sources of the values that drive the Christian right are not preventing some Jewish organizations from turning them into a natural ally. Among those organizations are some that only a decade ago were thriving by exposing the anti-Semitic sloganeering in the sermons of some of their newfound friends.

This coming Passover, those Jews will devotedly recite "Next year in Jerusalem rebuilt," and a few might even do so from one of the hotels in the capital, which have been empty for the last two years. Those same activists joining the crusade against renewal of the political negotiations and against a settlement freeze know what a bloody price Israel is paying for the conflict in the territories. They are familiar with the ominous economic data threatening the social stability of their beloved country. They all understand that by the end of this decade, the Jews will become a minority between the Jordan and Mediterranean.

So what drives these Jewish professionals? A new poll for one of the Jewish organizations shows that their

policy does not represent the Jewish street in America. According to this poll, 63 percent of American Jewry supports active involvement by the U.S. administration in the peace process. This could confirm the assessment of one senior Israeli diplomat, who noted that the name Jay Fielder, a young Jewish football player, is much better known to American Jews than that of Malcolm Hoenlein, the eternal executive vice-chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations.

It is not because, as in Israel, the majority supports left-wing concessions but allows the political leadership to lead right-wing policies. The big difference between the two communities remains that Israeli Jews get blown up in buses, their sons have to guard settlers and their grandchildren can expect to grow up in a binational state or an apartheid regime. If it is difficult for those American Jewish busybodies to push the president and Congress into the cold water of the peace process, presumably one could expect they not try to force the administration to go in the opposite direction. They even have the right to draw fire to the Jews over the Iraq war, but they do not have the right to block even the slightest chance for peace here.

[JR: It seems that the majority of Israeli Jews living under terrorist treats support left-wing concessions and want the peace process to go forward; however, the Jews safely living in America and the staunch Christian Right is pushing the right-wing hard-line policies of Sharon's political leadership. What is even more reprehensible is the leaders of the Christian Right movement promoting themselves and convincing many Christian Americans that they too are "Judeo-Christians". The fact is that Judaism and Christianity are in total conflict, as one cannot possibly believe in the other and yet Christians are now being taught they are to assimilate into the other. The masses are so dumbed-down they don't even know what they believe in, or their religious faith.]

ANGER OVER DALYELL'S 'JEWISH CABAL' SLUR

By Fraser Nelson (Westminster Editor),
THE SCOTSMAN—UK, 05/03/03

Tam Dalyell, the Father of the House, may be referred to the Commission for Racial Equality after claiming a "Jewish cabal" operating in both the United States and Britain is driving the governments of both countries into a war against Syria.

Eric Moonman, the president of the Zionist Federation in London, has said he believes Mr. Dalyell's remarks constitute a formal offence—and that he is considering a formal complaint to the commission.

Mr. Dalyell said that he now expects to be victimised because he raised "a whisper of criticism" about the influence which Jewish advisers hold on Tony Blair, the Prime Minister, and George Bush, the president of the U.S.

The outrage was prompted by Mr. Dalyell's comments in *Vanity Fair* magazine, where he said the ideas of hardline Jewish White House advisers are being embraced by men of equivalent stature in London.

He has named Peter Mandelson, Jack Straw and Lord Levy as the trio which influences Mr. Blair in his foreign policy—and are ensuring that Britain follows a "Zionist agenda" in the Middle East.

When asked to explain his comments, Mr. Dalyell told *The Scotsman* yesterday he was not anti-Semitic but felt the need to lay out his fears that Zionist ministers may make Syria the "next stop" after Iraq.

"A Jewish cabal have taken over the government in the United State and formed an unholy alliance with fundamentalist Christians," he said.

The members of this cabal, he said, are Paul Wolfowitz, the deputy defence secretary, Elliott Abrams, a member of the national security council, Ari Fleischer, the White House

spokesman, and John Bolton, the undersecretary of state.

"I was asked [by *Vanity Fair*] what effect this has had on Britain and I said it has fallen on fertile ground here. I mentioned Mandelson, Straw and Levy as being fertile ground. They have all encouraged Blair to go through with this terrible war."

Of the three, only Lord Levy, who has acted as Mr. Blair's personal envoy to the Middle East, is a practising Jew. Mr. Mandelson's father is Jewish and Mr. Straw's great-grandfather was a German Jewish émigré. ...

Mr. Dalyell said he is aware about the opposition his remarks caused. "One is treading on cut glass on this issue and no one wants to be accused of anti-Semitism, but if it is a question of launching an assault on Syria, then one has to be candid."

David Garfinkel, the editor-in-chief of the *London Jewish News*, said Mr. Dalyell's remarks introduced an anti-Semitic dimension into the debate—and would send shock waves through the community. ...

Downing Street would only say that Mr. Dalyell's theory is "ludicrous" and did not comment further.

Mr. Dalyell, the Father of the House as the longest-serving MP, has recently accused Mr. Blair of being a war criminal on account of his actions in Iraq.

Although he has been a consistent opponent of the British government's policy in the Middle East, he has not before suggested that it is being driven by Jewish influence. Aged 69, he is expected to retire at the next general election. He recently defended George Galloway, the Glasgow Kelvin MP, who has denied accusations that he has been in the paid service of Saddam Hussein.

Mr. Dalyell and Mr. Galloway vehemently opposed the Iraq war and now are turning their attention to Syria—which is, like the old Baghdad government, run by the Baathist party of Arab nationalists.

Colin Powell, the U.S. Secretary of State, returned from a tour of the Middle East yesterday to say that Washington will be keeping a close eye on Bashar Assad, Syria's president.

"It is not what he says or what he said to me or what he professes. It is what he actually does. It's a performance we'll be looking at in the coming days and weeks and months," Mr. Powell said.


The theme of a Jewish cabal in the White House has been a source of controversy in the U.S. since the outbreak of the war.

Mr. Bush was last week accused of "conscripting American blood to make the world safe for Israel".

A recent survey conducted by the American Jewish Committee shows that 59 percent of Jews approved of the war with Iraq while 36 percent disapprove—a division which mirrored that of the U.S. overall.

Mr. Wolfowitz and Mr. Abrams are usually named with Douglas Feith and David Wurmser as members of the "cabal".

All men are prominent figures of the U.S. neo-conservative movement.

[JR: Tam Dalyell is nearing retirement and has been in a position for many years to have known of the powerful influence of the Zionists in Parliament—but now he no longer needs to fear the wrath of the Zionists or their politically destructive label of anti-Semitic. If members of our U.S. Congress had term limits, then they would not be running for reelection and thus would not have to fear the political dominance of the Zionists in Washington. It's the old extortion game: If you don't vote for the legislation and the people they want—you'll be destroyed politically and financially. If hollow threats don't work, they use their extensive "black files" that they maintain on every politician—and we all know that there is no such thing as an honest politician. Dalyell is not backing down and has actually struck back against his Zionist attackers by increasing his personal attacks on Lord Levy.] 

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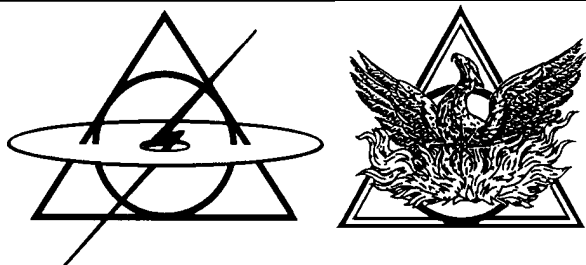
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