

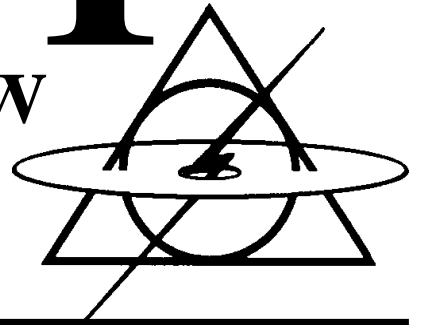


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# Global Alliance Program for Nations

### THE GLOBAL ALLIANCE INVESTMENT ASSOCIATION PROGRAM FOR NATIONS

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#### INTRODUCTION

The intent of this document is to explain a practical program that will result in the acquisition of large quantities of gold upon which nations may base their currencies at very low cost. Doing so will (1) eliminate their need for “foreign exchange” and (2) allow them to escape the IMF “debt trap”, the two primary tools used by the International Banking Cartel (IBC) to maintain virtually absolute economic control of almost all of the nations in the world. The many additional benefits of a gold based currency will be detailed throughout this paper.

Since 1815, when Rothschilds gained control of the Bank of England, the first “central bank” formed in 1694, they and their affiliated families have deliberately

and systematically gained control of the educational content of virtually all of the world’s schools of economics and banking with the objective of disparaging and removing the use of gold as the basis for currencies. The purpose of this was to install a worldwide system of fiat baseless paper currency to provide for themselves the ability to control the amount and the cost (the interest rate) of money in all of the world’s nations. Their two crowning achievements were the privatization of the central bank in the USA by establishing their own Federal Reserve System pursuant to the Federal Reserve Act of 1913, and the abandonment of the gold standard by the U.S. in 1933.

These facts are all very well documented in the following books: *The SECRETS of the FEDERAL RESERVE* by Eustace Mullins, first published in 1952, and *The CREATURE from JEKYLL ISLAND, A Second Look at the Federal Reserve*, by G. Edward Griffin, first published in 1994.

An even more important fact, and one that is not contained in any book known

to us, is that any SOVEREIGN NATION can reclaim control of its own currency and banking system through the reinstallation of gold as the basis for its currency. This fact has been carefully concealed by the IBC because any nation returning to the “gold standard” will free itself from the requirement of foreign exchange and subsequently escape their debt trap.

One of the arguments that is expected to be used against the return to the use of gold as the base of currency is that there is not enough gold to underpin all of the currencies of the world. That might be true if the debauched U.S. dollar is used to “value” the gold but if all currencies were returned to their values relative to gold as of, say, the year 1800 before the debauchery began, there would be plenty of gold already mined. As soon as a few nations begin to use gold again, the relative values will likely adjust themselves. Those countries that will benefit most in that revaluing process will be those that act earliest.

As currencies begin to settle and stabilize in their relative values it will become apparent that “currency trading”, which has been used as an IBC tool with

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which to ruin “emerging” economies and increase their debt, is no longer profitable. Even if the price of gold should rise or fall, the relative values of gold-based currencies will remain the same. A gold-based currency does not “inflate”, which will allow even business and agriculture loans to be at very low interest rates (4% or less) and property-based mortgage rates at perhaps one-half that. Most important, without the need of “foreign exchange”, a nation need not to sell its forests, oil and gas, minerals, palm oil and fish to foreign buyers. Its position of independence is so much stronger that it does not have to accept whatever is offered and it can even reinstitute its tariffs to protect its industries.

Gold is also necessary to furnish the basis for participation in the GLOBAL ALLIANCE (GAIA) Program of DEEDS OF ASSIGNMENT FOR CONSIDERATION (DEEDs) as supplemental collateral for “undercollateralized” agricultural, commercial and industrial, as well as “livelihood”, PROJECTS. While the gold primarily targeted is currently mined gold, stored bullion or treasure can be acquired in the same way. The end result of this program will be the restoration of the nation’s “Financial Sovereignty” and the absolute end of having to borrow or obtain money in any other way from any foreign source.

### SOVEREIGNTY

A SOVEREIGN NATION decides what it will call its currency, the denominations in which it will be issued, the amounts it will issue, and the RESERVES upon which it will be based. RESERVES are the key. All banking is based upon RESERVES. If a nation decides to base its money on seashells and wicker baskets, it does so. The point being made is that what will qualify as banking RESERVES is a matter of SOVEREIGNTY. If a nation wants to trade (other than barter) with other nations, then it should use the same RESERVES as they use, which for several millennia was gold, then the British Pound, then the Dollar, and now the Euro has been added.

As long as the Pound and Dollar were based upon gold (and silver) the relative values of currencies remained stable, there was virtually zero inflation, and interest rates remained low. If gold had become scarce and raised in price (which, for nearly 200 years in the USA, it did not), all currencies would have raised with it and thus “currency trading” (the real reason for fluctuating currency values) was not profitable. That currency trading is very profitable for the big International Banks and their associated “Hedge Funds” is now well known—although in 1997 when it was used it to remove billions of dollars from the “Tiger” economies of Southeast Asia for the purpose of “cooling” them, only Dr. Mahathir of Malaysia recognized the technique and who was using it.

There is another “trap” (besides the Debt Trap) that can be called the “Knowledge Trap”. The internationalists long ago gained control of the mainstream media and the schools of economics and banking so that students, bankers and economists are denied access to the information needed to see that there is an alternative to the entrenched “fiat money” system. Over many generations virtually any and every concept, philosophy, and even religion can be changed or discredited by those who have control of the media and the publication of school books, when those engineering the change are deliberate and dedicated. This process, as well as its objectives, is best described in *THE PROTOCOLS OF THE ELDERS OF ZION* whose author is anonymous, although it has been published in most languages since it first surfaced around 1900.

Learning that one has been victimized, and how it was accomplished, is the first step toward recovery. In many nations the leaders and their financial advisors have not only been brainwashed to believe a return to the gold standard would be disastrous and impossible, they have also been bribed to retain the “status quo”. It is reported that the IMF is willing to “reallow” as much as 20% of the interest collected to get the legislation it prescribes in order to retain its economic controls. In many countries that is enough to buy elections and the loyalties of the top police and military generals, as well as the legislators and, when necessary, the judiciary, so it can become very difficult to effect a change of leadership that will consider the plight of the poor—except when their vote is needed.

Thus the second step toward recovery is to change the mind-set of the leadership to accommodate the idea that the days of “grab the money and run” are becoming extremely short and that, in the long run it is better to abandon the idea of controlling the people with poverty and share with them the abundance that becomes inevitable with a properly managed currency.

There are only 5 basic concepts needed to guide the well-intentioned leaders to what needs to be done to regain SOVEREIGNTY and turn a nation into the land of abundance that it was meant to be.

#### **1. MONEY SUPPLY**

Six years ago in the USA the money supply (M3) was equal to \$22,000 per person; today it is more than \$30,000 per person. In Southeast Asia it averages less than \$500 per person and is decreasing every year. Money is needed to start, maintain, and finish projects. It is equal, in a nation’s economic system, to blood in the body; it is necessary to circulate the needed goods and services and when there is not enough money, the system is anemic. To quote an authority on the subject, a man once called “the world’s top currency trader”, Bernard Lietaer, in his recent book *THE FUTURE OF MONEY*: “Money not only has the potential to contribute to global abundance, sustainability, and peace of mind if used wisely; but when restricted in its flow it also has the ability to engender unfathomable suffering and hardship.” The nations of Southeast Asia are obviously experiencing the latter.

An inadequate money supply is always installed and maintained by the tools of the International Banking Cartel (IBC), the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank (WB) at the time a nation is “born”. East Timor is a perfect example. The IMF/WB people were there to help celebrate the formation of the new nation and to offer financial advice, and to offer loans to help get the country started. Since the leadership in East Timor knew little or nothing about a national banking system, the IMF/WB loaned them some people to set up the same system as everyone else has—that has proven so disastrous in Africa, South America and most of Southeast Asia.

If the new nation is permitted to issue its own currency, the very strict conditionalities of the IMF loans impose limits on the amount of new currency the nation can issue. Most new nations are advised to simply use the U.S. dollar and thus avoid the problems of foreign exchange. That means that the nation never had SOVEREIGNTY, let alone lost it. In either case the new nation will be paying dearly for the use of someone else’s money when, if it understood its own powers as a SOVEREIGN NATION, it would base its money on gold and issue all that it needed to build its infrastructure and for its people to prosper.

#### **2. GOLD AS BANKING RESERVES**

ALL banking is based upon the concept of RESERVES. RESERVES are things of widely recognized value that can be turned into money should

the need arise. Deeds to real or personal property, bonds issued by strong banks, corporations, and governments are examples. Prior to 1900 nearly all currencies were based upon gold, or gold and silver as in the USA, and so those became recognized as the premier banking RESERVES.

When a Project Proponent needs to borrow money to finance its project, it will be asked to provide the RESERVES required to issue the credit (new money) to do the project. The banker does not call it RESERVES; he refers to it as “collateral”, and he will usually ask for a lot more collateral than the loan or line of credit granted because he gets to use the “extra portion” to make additional “higher risk” unsecured loans that are more profitable if they do not default.

When used for their intended purpose, GAIA DEEDs are second in VALUE only to gold because they are U.S. Treasury debt guaranteed by the Federal Reserve System and its owners, the International Banking Cartel (IBC), and they are payable in gold, not in more Federal Reserve Notes.

More than 100 nations hold gold as part of their banking RESERVES. Most of the G7 nations hold at least one third of their RESERVES in gold. Behind the closed doors of the Board Rooms of the G7 (IBC) Central Banks, there is no question that gold is the highest quality RESERVE available. In public it is disparaged as a barbarous relic all the while those nations having gold are “advised” to send it to London or New York where it can more readily be “monetized” in case it might be needed in an emergency. That is part of the deliberate and never-ending endeavor to maintain only baseless fiat currency.

#### **3. GOLD-BASED MONEY**

If a SOVEREIGN NATION understands and subscribes to the Global Alliance Program, it can obtain a DEED to provide the RESERVES it needs with which to purchase gold by issuing its own new currency/credit to pay for the gold. If the gold is owned by its own citizen, it can be paid for with its own currency. If the gold is owned by someone offshore, the seller of the gold should be paid for by its currency and further protected by an agreement to redeem any unused currency/credit in gold. In either case, there is virtually zero cost to the SOVEREIGN NATION since it is issuing new money to cover the payment, just like the bank uses the Project Proponent’s collateral to issue new credit.

Expanding that concept, one can see that (within reason) the price the nation pays for the gold is not important because the real cost is zero. Gold is currently priced at close to \$550 per ounce. What is the economic impact upon the SOVEREIGN NATION if it pays \$600, or even \$700 per ounce? Admitting that the only rational concern is whether there is a negative impact upon the VALUE of the currency, it is easily seen that the addition of the gold to the nation’s RESERVES offsets the issuance of the new currency so the transaction would be “balanced”. This is an enormously important concept; so important that the reader should not read further until it is understood and accepted.

#### **4. COMPETITION**

Surely one of the most vicious and reprehensible concepts promulgated and promoted by the IBC and their “collection agents”, the IMF/WB, is that of “competition”. Competition for foreign investment, competition for foreign loans, competition for industries (of some types), competition for trade advantage, competition for “credit rating”, competition for tourists (and the foreign exchange they bring), and several not normally noted, such as stability of currency and stock market profitability. Every one of these “competitions” is meticulously crafted by the

international oligarchs to extract money (or other substance, i.e., oil, timber, minerals, etc.) from their 170 (more or less) victim nations.

Other IBC oligarch techniques, such as globalization, privatization, free trade, and out-sourcing lead to de-industrialization and dependency of the 170 victim nations upon the dozen or so “leading”, “industrialized” nations who lay claim to all of the world’s knowledge, experience, and expertise. Five hundred years ago those people living in the tiniest islands in the South Pacific did not have hot and cold running water, electricity, flush toilets, etc., and they were closer to their God/Creator than they are now. “Progress” can come at too high a price for some cultures but the learned (rather than innate) drive for power and control has managed to infect most of mankind.

All of these techniques, competition, globalization, privatization, free trade, and out-sourcing, are the current culmination of hundreds of years of deliberate seeking and refining the means of control and colonization and weaving it all into a web that results in ECONOMIC SLAVERY. To escape that web requires understanding it before we can begin to unwind it. Assuming we now recognize that it exists, and who are its weavers, it is not so difficult to see that it can be unwound, to a very major degree, by the simple adoption of gold based currency.

##### 5. THE BENEFITS OF GOLD-BASED CURRENCY

If a nation wants to have corruption, graft, and plunder as part of its “way of life”, it should NOT move to put its currency on the “gold standard”, i.e., based on gold. Gold cannot be forged, counterfeited, or inflated. Basing a nation’s currency upon gold creates a discipline and accountability that quickly reveals abuse and abusers, making the continuation of dishonesty in government and banking extremely difficult.

Conversely, because it provides an abundant supply of money for projects leading to full and adequately paid employment, the “need” for corruption is vastly reduced. We are not so “Pollyanna” as to believe corruption and lawlessness will be eliminated—it is said that there is a bit of larceny in every man’s heart, and we know that Lucifer is alive and well on Earth even though we are creeping (peeping might be a better word) into God’s Millennium. We do believe, however, that as the pendulum has begun its swing back toward goodness and Godliness from immorality and satanic distractions, the natural desire for honesty and integrity will reassert itself in mankind.

“Foreign Exchange” is the name given to the primary mechanism utilized by the internationalists to control their former colonies. The internationalists have taught us that the costs and delays required by the conversion of the currency of one nation to U.S. dollars or Euros and then the re-conversion to another nation (typically adding at least 5% and several days delay) is just part of doing business internationally. Companies engaged in export/import may fret about it and resent paying what appear to be exorbitant fees to the bankers but there seems to be little that can be done about it. Dr. Mahathir of Malaysia is the only head of state that has seriously confronted and tried to solve the problem, using the gold dinar.

The costs and delays to companies required by “forex” are but the tip of the iceberg, however. Central banks must record and report all forex transactions, the status of their forex reserves, as well as their balance of payments position. In most nations this requires a large office building filled with accountants, analysts, secretaries and clerks, none of which produce or add to the wealth of the nation.

To obtain that precious forex, nations must compete fiercely for tourists, foreign loans, foreign

investors, and many send forth their most productive and brightest people to work abroad and send forex back. They are forced to sell their forests, fish, produce, minerals, oil and gas for a fraction of their value, and always the government people are stressed and fearful that the next loan they apply for (to pay the interest they owe on prior loans) will be declined or made so exorbitantly expensive that they lose face.

The people see that their nation is being stripped of its natural resources and, because of the tight cap on the money supply, there is no local money for infrastructure improvements and value-enhancing industrial facilities. If they apply for a loan offshore they are charged high rates of interest because their “currency is unstable and loses value due to inflation”. If they accept the loan and their project prospers, most, if not all, of the profits they earn will be paid to the lender offshore, adding nothing or very little back to seed other projects.

The poverty spawned by the lack of money for infrastructure and commercial/industrial projects can only lead to unrest in the citizenry. Even honest men will steal and graft when their wives and children are hungry. Soon they are talking to each other and banding together to try to do something about it. At first their demonstrations are usually peaceful and non-violent but when they get no results because the “government” cannot do anything about it, they become more strident. At that stage the arms dealers show up and soon the frustration has exploded into murder and mayhem. In the Philippines these days the men are saying, “I would rather risk getting killed in Iraq than die of starvation here with my family.” In Mindanao the Moro Islamic Liberation Front men and all over the archipelago the men of the New People’s Army (communist rebels) say they have nothing to live for so they might as well collect “revolutionary taxes” and ambush the pursuing soldiers until they themselves are killed.

Is it possible that the simple act of basing the nations’ currencies on gold will solve all of these problems? Yes it is. Not only is it possible, it is a certainty.

When a nation says it has gold-based currency, it must stand ready to redeem its currency for gold that it keeps in the vault of the National Treasury for that purpose. Periodically it can be inventoried and certified by one of the several major gold processors—Johnson-Mathey is a name that comes to mind—so that there is no doubt that the gold is available. If a Papua New Guinean buys a tanker full of gasoline from Malaysia, a shipload of autos from Japan, or a shipload of heavy equipment from South Korea, will they accept Kina? Of course they will if the Kina is gold based. Everyone wants gold and gold-based money is the next best thing.

If storage of the gold would seem to be a problem, let us mention that one cubic foot of gold weighs 1,208 kilograms, or 1.2 metric tons. At \$550/oz (the approximate price at the time of this writing), that cubic foot of gold is worth some \$20M. If a Boeing 747 can haul 40 tons, the gold weighing that much would take up the space of less than 8 seats and the value of the gold would be \$800M +.

In the preceding paragraphs we have mentioned several problems that are common to virtually all prior colonies and we have stated that a gold based currency will solve those problems. We will now explain how.

When a nation does not need to use foreign exchange there is no necessity to be concerned about budget deficits or balance of payments. To add money to its money supply, the nation must purchase more gold to add to its banking RESERVES rather than borrow. The nation will only need assistance from Global Alliance to get enough gold purchased to qualify

as a gold-based currency. After that, a bit of forward planning should be all that is needed to keep the gold/money supply in balance.

To us who see inside the system, it is a bit humorous to learn that a nation with gold-based currency will always enjoy a Triple A (AAA) credit rating because it never needs to borrow. Neither does it need nor seek foreign investors; in fact, it will soon find ways to rid itself of those who have abused its hospitality and taken advantage of its trust and naivety. Because it has learned to buy gold upon which to create more worldwide-acceptable money, it has no real need of “tourist dollars” to bolster its foreign exchange reserves. Since ALL of its money is now “foreign exchange”, its money is automatically accounted for by its relationship to the gold in its vault. When a nation can internally generate all of the foreign exchange it needs, it no longer needs to sacrifice its forests, fish, produce, minerals, oil and gas, and most precious of all, its peace and order. Busy people working on thousands of infrastructure and commercial/industrial projects are neither hungry nor rebellious, and very few will opt for lawlessness.

##### NO TAXES?

The question inevitably comes up: If the gold/money supply mechanism works, why do we need taxes? The correct answer is that the nation does not NEED taxes but the citizens should insist upon paying enough taxes to justify their control of those government-provided services such as fire, police, military protection, education and health care facilities, inter-province transportation, communication, electricity, water supplies and waste disposal, to name a few. In a properly designed economy each citizen should most willingly pay his fair share of the cost of the services he is provided. (We are, of course, describing an economy based upon gold and in which there is as much, or more, available employment at adequate wages as could be desired.)

In most current economies taxes are not used to pay for services; they are used as a means to control the citizens, exactly backwards to the appropriate and logical application. Taxes would not be resented if they bore a legitimate (and publicly identifiable) relationship to the services received by the taxpayer. Not only that: they would be infinitesimal as compared with current levels.

If the citizens of a nation are to overcome the colonial-sponsored political-dynasty corruption-controlled systems that have become imbedded, they must begin to view themselves as “employers” of those whose pre-election rhetoric promises servility and whose post-election actions more closely resemble Royalty. Let us be misunderstood, let us clarify that statement. Our (GAIA’s) mandate is to help reestablish the SOVEREIGNTY of GOD’S PEOPLE. All people are God’s, Kings and paupers, males and females, oldest and youngest. The Kings (to include the power-mad politicians and supporting bureaucrats) have used lies and subterfuge to enslave vast numbers of good souls who have the same right to SOVEREIGNTY and human dignity as have the Kings. Therefore, the Global Alliance Program must be, and has been, designed to elevate ALL of God’s people, not to take from the Kings to give to the paupers. No one, not even the international bankers, will suffer the slightest real inconvenience should the GAIA Program become installed worldwide.

A rising tide lifts all boats.

Gold cannot be inflated. If two nations (or many) have gold-based currency, the ratio of their interchangeability will remain the same, no matter what happens to the price of gold. There is no need for a

“One World Currency”. But there is a grave, acute need for a universal standard and gold has been for many centuries the one demonstrably successful standard.

Over the past two centuries most of the world’s banks and governments have finally succumbed to the theories promulgated by the IBC that all national economies can be better managed by men than by “natural forces”. The classic and most documented example of such folly is the manipulations of the giant U.S. economy by the Queen of England’s lackey, Sir Allan Greenspan, boss of the Federal Reserve System. While the “official” and “publicly acknowledged” debt of the USA is managed to be projected as less than ten TRILLION dollars, the real number, including its guarantees, its “contingent liabilities” and its guarantees of private and public pension plans easily exceeds \$75 Trillion. If China currently holds \$361 billion of U.S. Treasury debt (payable in paper), what will China do when the U.S. repudiates its debt? Or even when it declares itself unable to pay the INTEREST on its debt?

That is an interesting question. What happened, really, when Argentina “defaulted” on its debt? In general and on average, its creditors “wrote down” (more than \$100 billion) of its debt to 30% of what it owed. The banks and their controlled public press declared it a disaster for Argentina, a terrible loss of lenders’ confidence, etc. Argentina is now able to carry its debt and will probably pay it off. In that case the price, in bad (controlled) press and international “loss of face” could happily be exchanged for the “forgiveness” of \$100 billion and the annual interest cost of \$7-10 billion. In other cases, the likelihood of the debt having been fraudulently created might also bear examination.

Returning more specifically to the benefits of gold based currency, let us consider the world through the eyes of the banker. In addition to the creditworthiness of the borrower, the value and liquidity of the collateral offered, and the likelihood of the success of the project, bankers must consider three other factors which are not commonly known to the borrower: 1) their own cost of money (they borrow frequently from their Central Bank), 2) currency value risk, and 3) inflation risk. The first of the three “hidden” costs is eliminated by the GAIA DEED; Gold-based currency is absolutely stable in value *vis-à-vis* other gold-based currencies; and finally, it cannot be inflated by the over-issuance of currency/credit by errant banks.

If a banker must typically charge 5% to offset the likelihood of a loss of currency value (2) and another 5% to offset the likelihood of that much (or more) inflation (3), he has a 10% cost before he adds on his cost of funds, cost of operation, and (hopefully) a profit. In such an environment, it is easily seen that interest rates must be 14% or more for the banker to only “break even”.

Who benefits from such high rates? Not the businesses or the governments that must borrow, not the domestic (locally owned) banks, and surely not the consumer who must ultimately pay the higher costs with a lower standard of living. Those who benefit are the same ones who benefit from the export of a nation’s raw materials and natural resources, the internationalists. Is it any wonder they disparage the use of gold?

With stable, uninflatable currencies, interest rates start from a base of zero instead of 10-15% and the bank’s borrowing cost from the Central Bank can be less than 1% for the service because all of the risk has been removed. The only risk left for a domestic lending bank is the risk of default on the loan by the borrower and, under the GAIA program, that is also reduced to zero because the collateral for loans is gold.

What happens in an economy when adequate

money becomes available at less than 4%? More than twice as many working people can buy homes because the monthly payment will usually drop by nearly one half. With the demand for homes expanding exponentially, the demand for furniture and appliances will grow even faster because the price for skilled labor will go up, and that will create the opportunity for more people to become more skilled and all of them will be wanting better housing, furniture and appliances. Instead of a downward economic spiral created by a pinched money supply and high interest rates, an upward economic spiral is created that feeds itself; all government has to do is keep adding to the money supply by buying gold to create more RESERVES.

Nations have been taught that they must sell their assets and commodities to obtain foreign exchange to maintain their ability to import what they cannot manufacture. One of the assets they are encouraged to sell is the gold that is mined in their country. What nations are not told, and seems to remain the deepest of dark secrets, is that the Treasury of the nation can issue new currency/credit at virtually no cost to buy the gold from its own mines and miners, increasing its RESERVES by the value of the gold and thus have money for projects and to buy more gold. We have mentioned above that a nation can pay its own miners a premium for their gold without cost to the nation. Thus, instead of an onerous and unpopular law prohibiting the offshore sale of gold, the incentive of a higher price than is available elsewhere is quite likely to keep the gold “at home” where it belongs without creating ill feelings between citizens and their government.

#### BE READY FOR THE CLAMOR

One of the mantras used by fiat money advocates is that every nation needs to strive toward a “balance of payments equilibrium”, the stated objective of which is for the nation to obtain foreign exchange with which to purchase finished goods from offshore. The hidden objective of the IBC internationalists and the real objective of promulgating such a concept is to garner raw materials at low prices. The mantra is at least partially true if a nation must use foreign exchange, but for a nation having gold-based currency and thus needing no foreign exchange, the mantra is not true. The nation can simply pay for what it imports with its own money.

As a brief reminder, the IBC internationalists have invented several other concepts to help maintain their control of their former colonies such as Free Trade, Privatization, Offshore Borrowing, Foreign Investment, Foreign Exchange, Liberalization, Globalization and Competition. All of these concepts are advantageous to “industrialized” countries and are deliberately intended to hold non-industrialized countries in bondage to the International Banks so any nation installing the GAIA Program can expect to be deluged with hordes of high-powered IBC salesmen armed with threats and bribes, the latter funded with the money fraudulently stolen from the nation itself.

#### MECHANICS

At least 109 nations report holding some gold as part of their banking RESERVES. Gold exists in virtually all nations and is mined in most nations. At the current price level of \$550 per ounce, most gold mines have become profitable. More than ten years ago the World Gold Council stated that the average cost of mining gold was approximately \$375 per ounce. If the price of gold could be elevated and sustained at the equivalent of

approximately \$600 per ounce, idle mines could be profitably reactivated and new ones brought into production.

While the IBC has promulgated the idea that there are only some 200,000 to 300,000 metric tons of gold “above ground”, there is evidence that the actual amount is at least ten times that, 2-3 million metric tons. To make a point, let us exaggerate a bit and postulate that the price of gold, for banking reserve purposes, could be set at \$600,000 per ounce. The point made is that the amount of gold available now has little or no real significance in its use as the primary currency base for all nations.

Traditionally, the National Treasury of a country basing its currency on gold should contain gold worth no less than 40% of its currency in circulation (typically called M3). Holding the “people’s gold” cannot be delegated to a “central bank” since most central banks, like those of Britain and the USA, have been “privatized” and even those that are still owned and controlled by the government of the nation are not subject to audit by the people.

The minimum steps to be taken in moving to gold-based currency are: 1) Determine the amount of currency in circulation (M3), 2) determine the amount of gold already owned by the nation, 3) transfer that gold to the National Treasury, 4) calculate the amount of new gold to be acquired, 5) apply to GAIA for a DEED to provide the RESERVES needed for the purchase (GAIA has located substantial supplies of gold), 6) purchase the gold and take delivery at the National Treasury, and 7) simultaneously with the above, plan and execute the announcement, printing and distribution of new gold-based currency. It is easily recognized that these steps are minimal and cursory; a great deal of planning and public relations work can and should be done to assure the support of the people. For instance: Individual (as contrasted with corporate) income taxes, sales taxes, and value added taxes will no longer be necessary or even useful. There are other means of paying for “government” services that are neither confrontational nor odious to the people.

All publicly owned/controlled toll roads and bridges can be instantly declared toll-free—those that are privately owned or contracted can be purchased by the government and made toll free as soon as possible. Police and Fire Department equipment can be quickly acquired and post-retraining salaries adjusted to eliminate the need for corrupt practices. Unfinished infrastructure projects can be restarted or accelerated immediately and new ones put in the planning/permitting process. Tariffs and customs charges must be restructured to protect local industries while lowering the cost of items not produced locally.

There are many more of these people-friendly actions to take to electrify a nation’s economy and quickly put its people to work at adequate wages. Given productive employment at reasonable wages the people will not go hungry for very long.

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# Islamic Banking: Part Four

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## OTHER POINTS OF INTEREST AND ASTONISHMENT

Before we launch off into more mundane stuff such as banking and God's Gifts for Mankind, let us get some tiny bit of backup. Our long, long-time friend keeps pulling out writings from long, long ago where we were giving information of great interest at the time. These need to be shared but it is difficult to sort the sections with the assaults we have had on our paper and publications as well as those writings still sitting unpublished.

I would suggest that since Bruce still asks for tasks that we meet his needs for participation in such a way that it will not overburden his "new heart strings" but will be of GREAT importance. We all need the support of KNOWING we are reaching targets and getting our, from onset, mission accomplished.

I did a lot of writing on Southeast Asia. Some simply scattered about, some specifically for "seers" in the Philippines and sent to Cleary and Blinsten while in the Philippines for input to some of MY TEAM already located there. These writings should still be on computer disc(s) if they have not been intentionally tampered. Al should have ALL OF THEM. Therefore it would seem to me to be an incredibly important job for Bruce to get those discs and access this information, index it and let us be able to offer some of those old writings or parts thereof to our readers. It will certainly make all of you feel a great part of this mission and you will be also able to understand our IMPORTANT NEED TO BE FUNCTIONING IN SOUTHEAST ASIA.

As an example, I can share a page from one of our books of years ago, as sent by FAX from Norm just today. This is YOUR history, chelas, YOUR LINEAGE and yes, it is interesting and you should be reminded for you so quickly forget when the lessons are great and massive. I am not given the reference information so Bruce or someone will need to get that from Norm but it is typical of the way we share:

[QUOTING from page 62 of some Journal:]

PROFESSOR THOMAS GOLD, Cornell University: "Life on Earth may have started when space men landed here billions of years ago."  
LUCRETIUS, 99-55 B.C.: "all this visible universe is not unique in nature and we must believe that there are, in other regions of space, other beings and other men."  
DR. FELIX ZIGLE, Moscow Institute of Aviation: "The UFO phenomenon is a challenge to mankind. It is the duty of scientists to take up this challenge, to disclose the nature of the UFO, and to establish the scientific truth."

JAVIER GARZON, National Astronomical Observatory, Mexico City: "UFOs really exist and apparently come from other planets."

VON PAPST JOHANNES XXIII, Pier Carpi, 1935, (German trans.) "The signs are increasing. The lights in the sky will appear red, blue, green, rapidly. They will grow. Someone is coming from very far and wants to meet the people of the Earth. Meetings have already taken place. But those who have really seen have been silent." SO BE IT. [H: **Anyone wish to argue? Oh? Go outside on a clear night and LOOK!**]

Why would it traditionally be that the Ring Nebula of Lyra is referred to by PLEIADIANS (YOU) as

"The Eye of God"?

[H: **Now see this one:**]

When the colonies on Atlantis and Lemuria finally broke up (all verified by laser enhanced sonar and video by specially outfitted U.S. and Soviet submarines and craft), some of you sailed to the Pyrenees, others to the Yucatan Peninsula, and many remained in the places which would preserve the treasure of time passage such as parts of Peru, the Western points of the U.S., Australia, etc., WITH THE CENTRAL SYSTEMS OF NAVIGATION AND COMMUNICATIONS REMAINING INTACT IN A LOCATION IN CALIFORNIA, U.S.A. AND THE CENTRAL STOREHOUSE IN THE PHILIPPINES. Never have these places been left unguarded. There are MANY places which are now again operational in preparation for the "coming again".

[END OF QUOTING]

Do you readers REALLY think with information like this pouring forth for some dozen years in honor and integrity—suddenly at the whim of Ed Young and Rick Martin—strike the receiver of MINE, out on a "basket-case" discard? Dharma has produced some 250 VOLUMES WITH AN AVERAGE OF OVER 200 PAGES PER—just since 1989. That is phenomenal in itself and for you to believe that God would simply toss her out on a statement of an egotistical Editor and one proclaiming himself to be THE ENEMY—had best think again. WHO DO YOU SUPPOSE IS TRYING TO STOP YOUR REALIZATION AND YOUR STEPS TOWARD FREEDOM AND TRUTH?

No, readers, don't blow this off as just another nasty pen-pal letter. THIS IS SERIOUS TIME AND MY OWN GAME IS GOING TO GET MORE AND MORE DISCLOSING AS WE REALIZE HOW MUCH DAMAGE THESE MISFITS AND EVIL MONGERS HAVE ACCOMPLISHED—JUST AGAINST THIS MISSION IN SOUTHEAST ASIA. THIS IS FROM INTERFERENCE WITH CORPORATE BUSINESS, TAKING CORPORATIONS, TAKING FUNDS, CONSPIRACIES TO DESTROY US AND OUR WORK, PRONOUNCEMENT OF MYSELF, HATONN, BEING FALSE, "SO-CALLED" AND "SATAN" AS WELL AS "SATANIC" WHILE I WAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE TURNED EVERYTHING OVER TO ED YOUNG THROUGH NOREY? I DON'T THINK SO, REASONING VIEWERS! I DON'T THINK SO. OF COURSE THESE "PEOPLE" HAVE FORGOTTEN ALL THIS? WOW, WHAT DO YOU SUPPOSE HAPPENED OVER THIS PAST YEAR? FOR DHARMA AND E.J. HAVE NOW BEEN IN SOUTHEAST ASIA, EXCEPT FOR SOME TWO WEEKS IN APRIL, SINCE AUGUST 14<sup>TH</sup>, 1998!

Is it not time you take a hard, long and serious look at that which you follow? We are accomplishing the mission outlined since onset of our connections—WHAT ARE THE SCOUNDRELS DOING?

So be it for it is your life and your choice! The price, however, gets more and more expensive with every distraction and diversion of intent and of funds taken for their own personal use out of those coffers set up to PROTECT YOUR FUNDS.

Bruce, you could do unlimited good to get our property under control and into a system for use and especially to make sure you have in our control our own property. These journals will soon be the most important one resource on your globe. Nobody can

destroy TRUTH and cannot hide it for very long. So, dharma, the years of endless work, backaches and headaches are worth every moment in service. And EJ, your endless nights of construction and spelling corrections are worthy of the production. All the distractions and mean assaults against you are the lessons you had to endure so that we might now function with KNOWING students and professors. It is just the way it IS. We shall endure and we shall prevail—PROPERLY AND IN PERFECT SEQUENCE OF EVENTS.

Do we just turn and try to appease the mischief-makers? NO—WE PUT THEM TO THE SIDE, WITHOUT PITY OR REMORSE. THEY HAVE LIED, CHEATED, STOLEN AND COMMITTED A BREAKING OF THE LAWS OF GOD AND MAN—AND NO, WE WILL NOT APPEASE THEM FURTHER. THEY WILL STAND RESPONSIBLE FOR EACH AND EVERY ACT OF DISSERVICE. BUT THAT WILL NOT INCLUSIVELY BE "YOUR" PROBLEM. THOSE WHO HAVE ACTED INTENTIONALLY AGAINST US, AND SPECIFICALLY ME, ATON, SHALL CONFRONT ME, ATON! SO BE IT. THEY ARE ALREADY FEELING THE REALITY OF WRONG CHOICES AND FALSE CLAIMS.

And frankly, friends, I am very happy to see the idiot children sending their "stuff" to our friends and family. I would wish you would write notes of identification on everything and scatter it with full explanation and rebuttal of the lies—to anyone with an e-mail hook-in—including Dear Patrick Bailey of Bellringer fame and misfortune.

Spewing something repeated—out of the mouth WHILE HUGGING A TREE AND SITTING ON YOUR ASSETS DISCLAIMING ANOTHER WHO IS DOING SOMETHING—IS FOOLISH. ANYTHING LESS IS ARROGANT AND SELF-SERVING FOR THE VERY ONES WHO DO NOT EVEN SUPPORT THEMSELVES BUT PARASITIZE OTHERS FOR THEIR VERY EXISTENCE. IT IS NOT OK!

## BANKING IN THE BETTER WAY!

It is time for me to begin to organize, in an appropriate and easily followed way, information regarding Islamic-Style Banking. Anyone dealing with us or banking in this 'system' needs to have input and general knowledge of rules and regulations. Charters can be gathered later but a general overview becomes necessary while never minding all the "very few" books on the subject. Information can be gathered at convenience but we need to move on, please.

Our people may as well start getting ready for we are going to tell what it is about—already done prior to this writing as to "no interest", but we need to give references where more specific information can be gleaned by the Islamic people involved—and also the general overview needs to be put to writing from us so that a general recognition of that which we speak is recognized and so that I can comment when and if appropriate. Non-interest banking based on a value base of gold is the only way to build an enduring new system of VALUE. World currencies are now, globally, based on NOTHING, gathering interest on that which is worthless and you must know how to, at the least, know what is a system that has an ability to recover into a system on a rock foundation.

The few prior writings have been written for the use of a teacher of Islamic Law, (Shariah) but all readers should become familiar. The most important that our friends and families need to know is that this system of banking is simply KNOWN as "Islamic Banking" without reference to "religions", etc. It is



that these banks have no restriction on offering NON-INTEREST BANKING and are having their backing in value product, profit (other than interest), and function best with holding of precious metals, etc.

The best way, I feel, to present it to you is from that which is already public knowledge regarding the subject but is hardly available outside the Islamic communities or banking establishment, although you will find that there ARE associations and Federations formed for this very purpose of global recognition.

With that little explanation, please bear with us through in “tedium” for if you think about it—THIS IS NOT BORING—IT IS THE TURNABOUT POSSIBILITY OF YOUR WORLD ECONOMIES AND THE BUILDING OF CURRENCIES (GLOBALLY) BASED AGAIN ON HARD ASSETS WHICH ULTIMATELY WILL ALLOW FREEDOM INSTEAD OF SLAVERY. A big idea? Yes—OUR MISSION—actually. There is NO wish to do battle, go to war with the Power Elite—we just have assets and we intend to use them soundly and with coverage for both the power Elite cartel of banks and political Power Elite so that hard assets cover any participation we might share. We will be most happy to work with anyone, the U.S. Treasury, the World Banks, the IMF—you name it—but they must collateralize any realization of funds with GOLD or PRECIOUS ASSETS OF HARD VALUE. If these just mentioned parties wish to participate we are happy to assist—but if they choose to work within their system—they have to arrange through their own banking system an appropriate ratio as already established—and be prepared to back all funds WITH GOLD or equivalent VALUE ASSET. Currency is based on NOTHING so do not allow participation based on nothing other than the dollar for the dollar is a Federal Reserve NOTE—based on NOTHING.

You will notice as we present information that you will be SHOCKED to find, for instance, in Malaysia with all the publicity in these past several years—that most will not even recognize that there is anything other than ESTABLISHMENT POWER ELITE BANKS AND BANKING POSSIBILITIES RUN ACCORDING TO THE DEMANDS AND REGULATIONS OF THE WORLD CONTROLLERS. PEOPLE THEMSELVES ARE UNDER THE OBLIGATION OF THOUGHT THAT THERE IS NO OTHER WAY. SO BE IT.

I will be using information from a published source but I ask that this not yet be published here for I don't want distractions and the information is classified as a “text” publication as in “textbook”.

As such it is expensive and cannot be purchased randomly but certainly can be acquired. It is presented in Malaysia and of course is primarily Muslim in presentation. And here, please: Praise be to Allah—that HE has presented that which we need in this age of UNREASON.

PLEASE BE IN UNDERSTANDING THAT I AM WRITING THIS AS MUCH FOR THE NATIVE AMERICAN POPULATION IN THEIR SOVEREIGN NATIONAL STATUS AS FOR ANY PLACE ON THE GLOBE. IF THE NATIONS THEMSELVES WILL ONLY PROVIDE THE AVENUE FOR ESTABLISHMENT, WE CAN FIND THE GOLD, OR THEY CAN AND ESTABLISH AN HONORABLE SYSTEM UPON WHICH TO RECOVER THEIR ESTATE AND HERITAGE IN FREEDOM SEPARATE FROM THE SLAVE-MASTERS OF POWER ELITE FEDERAL AND STATE LAWS. SOVEREIGN STATEHOOD IS THE MEANS OF FREEDOM AND IT IS THE ONLY WAY WE WILL PRESENT THE BACKING FOR WE WILL NOT DO ANYTHING LONGER THROUGH DECEIT AND CHEATING OF MANKIND. THERE WILL BE TEACHERS WHO WILL BE AVAILABLE AS THE TIME IS APPROPRIATE—BUT YOU WHO WILL DO THIS WORK MUST NOW GET ON WITH LEARNING AND ESTABLISHING THE FOUNDATION FOR YOUR

OWN NEW WORLD ATTITUDES FOR ESTABLISHING SOVEREIGN STATUS AND FREEDOM. AS LONG AS YOU TAKE HANDOUTS—YOU ARE BOUND TO THE PUPPET MASTERS WHO PULL YOUR STRINGS. GOD WILL SEE TO YOUR NEEDS TEMPORARILY AS WE FLOURISH AND YOU WILL BECOME SELF-SUSTAINING AS NATIONS. WHEN YOU SEVER RELATIONSHIPS AND STOP ALL WELFARE—YOU WILL HAVE FREEDOM AND THAT WILL COME WITH THE ABILITY TO SERVE SELVES WHILE GROWING TOGETHER IN FREEDOM. YES, INDEED, AS WITH GOD ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE—SO TOO SHALL YOU FLOURISH IN HIS GREAT SHELTER.

[QUOTING, AN OVERVIEW OF ISLAMIC BANKING:]

[H: This is in nowise “new” information for this text was published in 1997 and today there are MANY MORE BANKS FUNCTIONING THAN MIGHT BE LISTED HEREIN. THERE ARE ALSO MANY, I.E., THE PHILIPPINES, THAT HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO DO WELL BECAUSE OF REGULATIONS AND LACK OF UNDERSTANDING OF CHARTERS. IT IS FINE FOR OUR PURPOSES BECAUSE THOSE WHO WILL SURELY STRUCTURE SUCH INSTITUTIONS WILL HAVE AVAILABLE CURRENT INFORMATION WHICH IS FAR MORE DESIRABLE UPON WHICH TO LITERALLY FUNCTION.]

#### HISTORY AND DEVELOPMENT

The emergence of interest-free institutions, especially in predominantly Muslim countries, has created a new dimension to economic models. Widely known as Islamic banks, these interest-free institutions are organized financial intermediaries which operate in accordance with Islamic law (Shariah Law). Ahmad (1994) defines the term ‘Islamic banking’ as the conduct of banking operations in consonance with Islamic teachings. The main principles of Islamic banking activities comprise of prohibition of interest in all forms of transaction, undertaking business and trade activities on the basis of fair and legitimate (*halal*) profit, giving *zakat* (alms tax), prohibition of monopoly, and cooperation for the benefit of society and development of all *halal* aspects of business that are not prohibited by Islam (Khan, 1983).

If we consider that the Islamic banking system is a banking system comprising of all modern banking products and services, it might lead us to conclude that this new concept of banking is a product of contemporary society. On the contrary, the existence of Islamic banking institutions and products can be traced back to the early days of Islam. For example, Az Zubair ben Al Awwam (circa 620) was one of those who had been entrusted by the public as a keeper of their money and at one time the total deposited money amounted to 2,200,000 dirhams (Homoud, 1985). Similarly, the content of one of the hadiths (traditions) collected by Bukhari (194h/810-256h/870) confirmed that the practice of money exchange was in existence during the time of the Prophet (*pbuh*). In this hadith, Abu Al-Minhal (circa 630) was recorded as saying, “I asked Al-Bara’ bin Azib and Zaid bin ‘Arqam about practicing money exchange. They replied, “We are traders in the time of Allah’s Apostle (*pbuh*) and I asked Allah’s Apostle about money exchange. He replied, “If it is from hand to hand, there is no harm in it; otherwise it is not permissible.” (Sahih Al-Bukhari, Vol. 3 p. 157)

In this case of remittance activities, Islamic civilization also came to know this practice during the early days of Islam when there was evidence that money was transferred from one city to another without the movement of real cash. Money changers who had established offices in many locations initiated the usage of cheques in their money-transfer and other instruments

of payment activities. Sayf al-Dawlah al-Hamdani (circa 350h/970) was the first recorded person in Islamic banking history to issue a cheque for clearance between Baghdad and Aleppo (Homoud, 1994).

[H: The big question always arising about Islamic Banking and most especially in the very countries who follow Allah and the Prophet is how is it that the most avowed followers, who are themselves Muslim, do not insist that all banking be established in THIS MANNER and set aside all outside Elite Bankers of the world system of the Power Elite. Is it not evil to continue in that kind of business while knowing it is against the Laws of Allah? Good question! It is contradiction upon contradiction and it is only that there was [not] UNTIL NOW, TODAY, AN ALTERNATIVE OF A GLOBAL SCALE WITH WHICH TO UTILIZE THE LAWS OF GOD ALLAH and to discontinue all participation in the established and controlled greedy systems of the Banking Cartel. MALAYSIA was offered and simply did not understand. This was presented in a dozen different ways to Mahathir—but continual argument and idiocy surrounding Anwar vs. Mahathir has won the day. What is seen is that which is falsely presented by the controllers of the money and banks—the traders and Elite Jewish Wall Street and London “fixers”—that it is impossible to change. No, any nation moving within Islamic Banking using that which is now offered BY ALLAH for the use of mankind—will FLOURISH EXPONENTIALLY.

There is only a handful of controllers who have fooled the world into believing there is no way “OUT” of their control. Actually there is instant and total freedom from their systems—IF YOU STEP FORWARD AND JUST “DO” IT.]

Unlike conventional banks which continued to progress over time, the Islamic banking concepts which were pioneered in the early years of Islam failed to expand into a complete banking system. Homoud (1885) suggests that the dark ages of the European Continent was a cause for the backwardness, not only in European but also in Islamic countries, leading to the severance of every link with all the forms of Islamic banking practice which had existed in earlier times.

Islamic banks in present times were created in conjunction with the Islamic resurgence which took place within many Islamic communities especially at the end of the 1960s and in the early 1970s. One of the most important issues which was widely discussed during that period was the transformation of the economy from a capitalist basis to an Islamic foundation. Since the elimination of interest has generally been the first step for the Islamization of the economy, it is perhaps only natural that the formation and operation of Islamic banks were given the most attention (Khan and Mirakhor, 1987).

Currently there are more than 150 interest-free institutions all over the world providing services which are compatible to those services offered by interest-based institutions (International Association of Islamic Banks, 1994). The range of services includes commercial banking services, merchant banking services, fund management activities, investment activities, and insurance business. Moreover, these interest-free institutions have now extended their operations to the Western world and serve the needs of Muslim as well as non-Muslim customers. The Islamic Banking System International Holding, for example, was established in Luxembourg in 1978 and became the first Islamic financial institution on Western soil, followed by Dar al-Mal al-Islami established in Switzerland in 1981. The Islamic Bank International of Denmark commenced operation in countries of the former Soviet Union. Al-Baraka now has its own bank in Kazakhstan and this group is also aiming to develop a new joint-venture in Uzbekistan.

The first modern attempt to establish an interest-free bank came in Malaysia in the mid-1940s. The objective of this organization was to invest prospective pilgrim savings in real estate and plantations in accordance with Shariah but it was unsuccessful (Erol and el-Badour, 1989, also in Ismail, 1993). Another early experiment towards the establishment of an Islamic bank occurred in the late 1950s when a credit institution in a rural area of Pakistan charged no interest on its lending activities (Wilson, 1983). However, the establishment of Mit Ghamr Local Savings Bank in Egypt marked a new milestone in the development of the Islamic banking system in today's modern world and this bank was considered as the most innovative and successful experiment with interest free banking. Located in a provincial rural center in the Nile Delta of Egypt, Mit Ghamr Local Savings Bank provided basic banking services such as deposit accounts, loan accounts, equity participation, direct investment, and social services. **[H: I bring this especially to the attention of Sharif for he will have more access to that particular country than others in the loop. I feel the Egyptian approach to be about the best of anywhere at this time.]** The introduction of services based on Islamic principles by Mit Ghamr received overwhelming support from local farmers and villagers. The number of depositors increased tremendously from 17,560 in its first financial year (1963/1964) to 251,152 in the financial year ending 1966/1967. The amount of deposits also increased from LE 40,944 at the end of the first financial year to LE 1,828,375 at the end of the 1966/1967 year (El-Ashker, 1990). Besides its ability to prevent customers from going to money-lenders for financial assistance, this bank was able to instill a sense of belonging among its customers and these were contributing factors toward its success. However, a turbulent political atmosphere was a major set-back to the bank. Its operations were taken over by the National Bank of Egypt and the Central Bank of Egypt in the second half of 1967. As a result of this action, the interest-free concept was abandoned and Mit Ghamr's operations again reverted to an interest-based system. In 1971, under the regime of President Sadat, the interest-free concept was revived and a new institution by the name of the Nasser Social Bank was established to carry out business based on concepts which were previously practiced by Mit Ghamr.

**[H: The point I want you to get here is that with GAIA we have that which is needed to allow for full establishment with assets for covering, properly, the needs of both the banks and the people. Further, if the Muslim Islamic people will get behind a gold-based currency and coin, you can recover totally from the blight against mankind.]**

Although Mit Ghamr had ceased operations before reaching maturity and before it was able to extend its services to all business sectors, it nevertheless signaled to the Muslim community that Islamic principles were still applicable to modern day business. This phenomenon awakened Muslim scholars around the world. These scholars started to study and examine the operations of this pioneering bank. Scarcity of literature and the absence of complete Shariah law guidelines often hampered their efforts. Nevertheless, moved by the resurgence of Islam, Muslim scholars continued their struggle to establish Islamic banks in their own respective countries. Realizing the scarcity of resources, the first task to be carried out was to formulate the theoretical frameworks and guidelines on practical aspects of Islamic banking. These tasks were vested in Muslim theologians and economists. Finding Muslim economists who possessed an in-depth knowledge in Shariah laws was indeed a difficult job. In many instances, those who possessed knowledge of Islamic laws were non-economists and vice-versa. To complicate the matter, most of the Muslim economists were Western educated and did not possess knowledge in Islamic economics.

In Pakistan, for example, out of the 19 members of the Council of Islamic ideology, i.e., the first body set-up by General Zia whose task was to develop a framework for the elimination of interest from the economy, only one member could be labeled as an expert in this field. Eleven of them received education from a *Madrasa* (religious school) (Gieraths, 1990). All of these initial difficulties, however, were overcome, especially where the government was also playing a very supportive role in promoting the ideas of establishing an Islamic bank.

**[H: This might be an appropriate place to respond to those of you who think that a "gold bullion" type of bank would serve the purposes of the masses. This might well be a place to start in such as the Philippines where ALL GOLD is at present controlled totally by the Central Bank. But to simply base a bank on the concept does NOT change the incredibly destructive system of "usury". Until the world can give up that concept of interest taking and keeping the people totally in debt for the remainder of their lives and to the destruction of capitalistic production—you have not solved any problem—only prolonged the misery, and at a loss of being able to structure a proper system. However, I repeat, if you will follow GAIA's guidelines as laid for just the half for GAIA, you can grow into the system outlaid herein. You will begin to disallow corruption by the power-elite groups and politicians who hide behind the current system for their graft and corruption. Hardly anyone is daring enough to give up their own greed-fulfillment so we start where we can.]**

**In the Philippines, especially around Luzon with these immediate storms, it is obvious that the ONLY THING THAT CAN DIG THEM OUT OF THIS EMERGENCY IS TO USE GAIA FOR MORE TO THE IMF WILL SIMPLY FURTHER DESTROY THE BASIC INFRASTRUCTURE—FOR NEW MONIES WILL ONLY GO TO INTEREST PAYMENTS OF THE DEBT ITSELF. THERE MUST BE "AVAILABLE FUNDING" TO HANDLE THESE DISASTERS HITTING ONE UPON ANOTHER. THIS IS THE FINAL ACT OF TEARING APART THE GLOBE AND Y2K IS PLANNED TO WIPE OUT "YOUR" RECORDS SO THAT THE POWER ELITE BANKSTERS CAN GRAB EVERYTHING IN ONE FINAL SWOOP. IF THEY KNOW THAT YOU ARE WISE TO THEIR INTENT, YOU MAY ESCAPE SOME OF THE DESTRUCTION—BUT HOW MANY ARE ACTUALLY AWARE OR GIVE A DAMN? A FAMILY WITH NO LONGER A HOME, NO FOOD AND NOTHING LEFT—HAS NO INTEREST IN THE STATE OF THE LOCAL BANK!]**

The initial step in establishing an Islamic bank in various countries was normally undertaken by private initiatives. The late king Faisal bin Abdul Aziz Al-Saud of Saudi Arabia made a major contribution toward Islamic economics by initiating the establishment of the Organization of Islamic Conferences (OIC). Under his Majesty's leadership and initiative, Muslim countries were urged to establish Islamic financial and economic institutions which were free from *riba* (Ali, 1988).

The Foreign Ministers of the participating Islamic countries then met again in Bengazi, Libya in March 1973 and examined the proposal for the establishment of the above institutions. It was decided that a financial and economic department should be set up within the Islamic Secretariat. In July 1973, a committee of experts from oil-producing Islamic countries met in Jeddah to discuss the establishment of an Islamic bank and a subsequent meeting was held in May 1974 to discuss the bank's charter, rules and regulations. The Finance Ministers of OIC, in their second meeting in August 1974, approved the draft of the bank's charter, rules and regulations. **FINALLY, THE ISLAMIC DEVELOPMENT BANK (IDB) WAS OFFICIALLY ESTABLISHED IN OCTOBER 1975 WITH A FOUNDING MEMBERSHIP**

**OF 22 ISLAMIC COUNTRIES. THIS BANK IS LOCATED IN JEDDAH, SAUDI ARABIA AND CURRENTLY HAS MORE THAN 43 MEMBER COUNTRIES.** Besides providing financial assistance for the development purposes needed by members, this bank also extends its assistance to member countries who wish to establish an Islamic bank of their own. IDB also plays an important role in conducting and promoting research, especially in the area of Islamic economics, banking and finance.

**[H: Now, students, this is where the rubber hits the road, so to speak. It becomes obvious that if you can establish selves and work THROUGH Jeddah, you cannot be stopped. Anyone who has access to such as Brunei and also Saudi Arabia has total opportunity to get this job done successfully! Once established, there will be NO STOPPING YOU or the GAIA "alliance" plan. We are prepared to, in fact, turn over the basic Global "Alliance" to form the International alliance based on this concept and the unlimited assets which can purchase the gold or assets for funding collateral, as in "bank reserves". THIS SHALL NOT, HOWEVER, INDICATE A TOTAL CONTRIBUTION "ONLY" TO ISLAMIC COMMUNITIES—FOR IT NEEDS TO BECOME THE BASIC BANKING AND MONETARY SYSTEM GLOBALLY. WE MUST MOVE BEYOND RELIGIONS AND INTO THE TRUTH OF TRUE GODLY SPIRITUALITY. GOD ALLAH PROVIDES WHAT YOU NEED—YOU MUST DO IT!]**

The International Association of Islamic Banks was established on 20 August 1977. His Royal Highness Prince Mohamed Al Faisal Al Saud, as the leading figure in promoting interest-free institutions around the world, became the first Chairman, with the designation later changed to President. The heads of the member banks or their nominees were elected as a Board of Directors. As a non-profit organization, this Association does not provide any financial assistance to its members. The assistance is in the form of technical and expert support, that is, promoting Islamic banking activities, fostering growth, and enhancing cooperation among members. The Association has established a Higher Religious Supervisory Board to ensure that member bank operations are conforming to Shariah. The Board members include an experienced Grand Ulama (the learned class of religious and legal scholars) of Islamic jurisprudence and possess knowledge in finance and other finance related disciplines. One of the functions of this Board is to study matters related to financial and banking operations and to issue fatwa (a ruling on a certain matter) on new economic questions (Presley, 1988).

Although the idea of establishing Islamic banks had been discussed in Islamic countries since 1970, the process of establishing interest-free institutions in individual countries varied considerably from one nation to another. Pakistan, Iran and Sudan, for example, converted their entire financial system to an interest-free basis. In other countries, however, Islamic banks operate side-by-side with interest-based banks. Immediately after the establishment of the Islamic Development Bank in 1975, the Dubai Islamic Bank was incorporated within the same year. In 1977, three more Islamic banks commenced business, i.e. Faisal Islamic Bank of Egypt, Faisal Islamic Bank of Sudan, and Kuwait Finance House.

At the end of 1995, it is estimated that about US\$80 billion existed in the Islamic banking system world wide and most probably the amount will exceed US\$100 billion at the beginning of the next millennium. **[H: No, come on ye of little faith—try "trillions". Allah doesn't just fiddle around with his gifts promised against this day for this millennium changeover.]** A study of the experiences of Iran and Pakistan shows

that the adoption of Islamic banking has not led to the collapse of the financial system as some had feared. There has been rapid growth of private sector deposits in Islamic modes in both nations, demonstrating that the system can be effective in mobilizing resources (Khan and Mirakhor, 1990). The commitment of government plays an important role in assisting the development of the Islamic financial system. In Malaysia, for example, the government has given its full support to the development of an interest-free financial system functioning side-by-side with the conventional system (Parker, 1993). By the beginning of 1993, a total of 21 Islamic banking products were successfully developed by the Central Bank of Malaysia and by December 1993 a total of 21 financial institutions participated in the interest-free Banking Scheme. Another major breakthrough in the Islamic banking system in Malaysia was the implementation of an Islamic inter-bank money market which was started in January 1994. This market covers three aspects, namely the inter-bank trading in Islamic financial instruments, Islamic inter-bank investments, and an Islamic inter-bank cheque clearing system (Bank Negara Malaysia, 1994).

**[H: I am offering all this background to point out to all of you, Islamic or whatever you claim as a spiritual pathway or religion, that this is the WAY TO GO for ALL nations and people. It can get you out from under the tragic controls of the Central Banks, all of which are controlled by the Power Elite. THIS IS A TOOL OF INCONCEIVABLE EXCELLENCE WITHOUT TOTALLY CONFRONTING THE BANKING SYSTEM OF THE INTEREST-BASED ESTABLISHMENT. ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS MAKE CLAIM TO THE PROCESS AND DO IT.]**

[END OF QUOTING]

Let us interrupt the ongoing writing for this portion is getting very long and the secretary is very tired. We will cover next the "Objectives and the Philosophy of Islamic Banking". And to you who can't abide something that is not Catholic or is not Protestant or Judean—I wish to point out something VERY, VERY IMPORTANT. JEWISH INTEREST-GRABBING INSTITUTIONS WERE THE POINT OF THE LESSONS TAUGHT BY THE TEACHERS OF ALL PAST SPIRITUAL TRUTH. THIS IS NOT SOMETHING NEW—TO KICK OUT THE CRIMINALS AND GREEDY CONTROLLERS FROM YOUR SYSTEMS WHICH DESTROY PEOPLE BY THE SYSTEM ITSELF. UNLESS YOU CAN UNDERSTAND THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH RELIGION OTHER THAN THAT WHICH HAS BEEN FORCED UPON YOUR UNSUSPECTING HEADS WHILE THE LIES GO ON AND ON AND DESTRUCTION IS THRUST UPON YOU, YOU ARE DESTINED TO CONTINUE MOVEMENT INTO THE FINAL STAGES OF THAT APOCALYPSE YOU ARE TOLD TO ANTICIPATE. THAT IS A MYTH AND YOU NEED NOT EXPERIENCE ANY SUCH DISASTER—JUST GET RID OF THE PERPETRATORS OF SUCH LIES AND MISINFORMATION. AND, BRETHREN, YOU DO NOT HAVE TO "WAR" WITH THEM—FOR IF YOU KNOW TRUTH AND YOU SIMPLY CHANGE YOUR ATTITUDES AND USE THESE TOOLS, YOU SHALL PREVAIL AND BALANCE CAN RETURN TO YOUR GLOBE—WITH THE INTEGRATION OF YOUR HIGHER BROTHERS AND GOD ALLAH ATON! SO BE IT AND HOW DO I KNOW? BECAUSE I AM—

ATON.

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# 'Economic Hit Man' Interview

*We've put the cart before the horse to some extent in this issue, presenting the solution to the problem in preceding pages while the following interview underscores the nature of the problem as it exists in many nations around the world TODAY.*

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## SELF-DESCRIBED ECONOMIC HIT MAN

JOHN PERKINS:

### "WE HAVE CREATED THE WORLD'S FIRST TRULY GLOBAL EMPIRE"

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AMY GOODMAN: We turn to someone on the inside who decided to speak out, and he is John Perkins, has written the book, *Confessions of an Economic Hit Man*. He came into our studios to talk about his former work, going into various countries to try to strong-arm leaders into creating policy favorable to the U.S. government and corporations, what he called the "corporatocracy". John Perkins says he was an economic hit man. I began by asking him to explain this term.

JOHN PERKINS: We economic hit men, during the last 30 or 40 years, have really created the world's first truly global empire, and we've done this primarily through economics, and the military only coming in as a last resort. Therefore, it's been done pretty much secretly. Most of the people in the United States have no idea that we've created this empire and, in fact, throughout the world it's been done very quietly, unlike old empires, where the army marched in; it was obvious. So I think the significance of the things you discussed, the fact that over 80% of the population of South America recently voted in an anti-U.S. president and what's going on at the World Trade Organization, and also, in fact, with the transit strike here in New York, is that people are beginning to understand that the middle class and the lower classes around the world are being terribly, terribly exploited by what I call the corporatocracy, which really runs this empire.

AMY GOODMAN: Well, before we move further, your experience with it? Explain the vantage point you come from. What does it mean to be an economic hit man?

JOHN PERKINS: Well, what we've done—we use many techniques, but probably the most common is that we'll go to a country that has resources that our corporations covet, like oil, and we'll arrange a huge loan to that country from an organization like the World Bank or one of its sisters, but almost all of the money goes to the U.S. corporations, not to the country itself, corporations like Bechtel and Halliburton, General Motors, General Electric, these types of

organizations, and they build huge infrastructure projects in that country: power plants, highways, ports, industrial parks, things that serve the very rich and seldom even reach the poor. In fact, the poor suffer, because the loans have to be repaid, and they're huge loans, and the repayment of them means that the poor won't get education, health, and other social services, and the country is left holding a huge debt, by intention. We go back, we economic hit men, to this country and say, "Look, you owe us a lot of money. You can't repay your debts, so give us a pound of flesh. Sell our oil companies your oil real cheap or vote with us at the next U.N. vote or send troops in support of ours to some place in the world such as Iraq." And in that way, we've managed to build a world empire with very few people actually knowing that we've done this.

AMY GOODMAN: And you worked for?

JOHN PERKINS: I was recruited by the National Security Agency, the one that's in the news so much today because of spying on people, and I was tested by them, recruited by them—

AMY GOODMAN: What do you mean you were recruited by them?

JOHN PERKINS: Well, while I was a senior in business school at Boston University, they came to me and suggested that I take their test. I had connections through my wife with people in the agency, and they put me through a series of tests, personality tests, lie detector, several days, and concluded that I would make a good economic hit man, and they also discovered a number of weaknesses in my character, which they could use then to hook me into the business, and then I ended up working for a private corporation.

AMY GOODMAN: Why didn't you work for the N.S.A.?

JOHN PERKINS: Because these days it's not done that way. Nobody wants to be able to connect the dots. So the N.S.A., the C.I.A., these types of organizations often recruit economic hit men and the jackals, the assassins, the 007 types, but they will recruit us, maybe train us, and then turn us over to a private corporation, so that you really can't make the connection, so that if I were caught at what I was doing in one of these countries, it would not reflect on our government; it would only reflect on the corporation that I worked for.

AMY GOODMAN: And who did you work for?

JOHN PERKINS: I worked for a company called Charles T. Main, a big consulting firm out of Boston.

AMY GOODMAN: And your job?

JOHN PERKINS: Well, I started off as economist, became chief economist, and my job really—I had a staff of several dozen people. My job was to get them, and for me to convince these countries to accept these very large loans, to get the banks to make the loans, to set up the deal so that the money went to big U.S. corporations. The country was left holding a huge debt, and then I would go in or one of my people would go in and say, "Look, you know, you owe us all this money. You can't pay your debts. Give us that pound of flesh."

The other thing we do, Amy, and what's going on right now in Latin America is that as soon as one of these anti-American presidents is elected, such as Evo Morales, who you mentioned, in Bolivia, one of us goes in and says, "Hey, congratulations, Mr. President. Now that you're president, I just want to tell you that I can make you very, very rich, you and your family. We have several hundred million dollars in this pocket if you play the game our way. If you decide not to, over in this pocket, I've got a gun with a bullet with



your name on it, in case you decide to keep your campaign promises and throw us out.”

AMY GOODMAN: Well, explain actually how that plays out, because it's not really in this pocket and that.

JOHN PERKINS: No, it's—what I'm saying is that, you know, I can make sure that this man makes a great deal of money, he and his family, through contracts, through various quasi-legal means, and I can also—if he doesn't accept this, you know, the same thing is going to happen to him that happened to Jaime Roldos in Ecuador and Omar Torrijos in Panama and Allende in Chile, and we tried to do it to Chavez in Venezuela and are still trying—that we will send in the people to try to overthrow him, as, in fact, we recently did with the President of Ecuador, or if we don't overthrow him, we'll assassinate him. And these people all know the history. They know that this has happened many, many, many times in the past.

AMY GOODMAN: Explain what happened to Torrijos, for example, in Panama, and what did you have to do with it?

JOHN PERKINS: Well, this was back in the '70s, and Torrijos was making a lot of world headlines, because he was demanding that the Panama Canal be turned back over to Panamanians. I was sent down to Panama to bring him around, to convince him that he needed to play the game our way. And he invited me to a little bungalow outside of Panama City, and he said, “Look, you know, I know the game, and if I play it your way, I'll become very rich, but that's not important to me. What is important is that I help my poor people.” Now, Torrijos wasn't an angel, but he was very committed to his poor people. So he said, “You can either play the game my way, or you can leave this country.”

And I talked to my bosses, and we all decided I should stay. Maybe I could bring him around. In the meantime, we could make some money, and so I stayed. But I knew the whole world was watching Torrijos because of this Panama Canal issue and that if he didn't come around, the jackals would be likely to come in [inaudible]. A man like Torrijos [inaudible] not only would we lose Panama, but he would set an example that others might follow. So I was very concerned. I liked Torrijos, and one of the reasons I wanted to bring him around was not just because it was my job, but because I wanted to see him survive, and because he didn't come around, sure enough, he was assassinated.

AMY GOODMAN: How?

JOHN PERKINS: Fiery airplane crash, and afterwards, there was no question that—he had been handed a tape recorder as he got on the plane that had a bomb in it.

AMY GOODMAN: How do you know this?

JOHN PERKINS: Well, I know the people that did the investigation afterwards, and this is pretty well-documented in many places also, but I, personally, was aware of what went on, and, of course, you know, our official line here was that, of course, that wasn't what happened. The plane simply blew up and hit a mountain. But there was no question, and in fact we were expecting this to happen.

Three months before this, another president, Jaime Roldos of Ecuador, who I also was involved in trying to bring around, he very strongly opposed our oil companies. Not “oppose”, isn't the right word. What he said is, “Oil from Ecuador has to serve the interest of the Ecuadorian people. Therefore, the oil companies are going to have to pay a lot greater share to the Ecuadorian people or we're going to nationalize them.” And he'd run on a very, very strong anti-American campaign, and we knew that if he didn't change his ways, that something would happen to him. We were in his office making the same promises. You know, here we've got a couple of million dollars for you. Here we've got a bullet for you, basically. It's done a lot more subtly than that, but that's the short version. And

three months before Torrijos, his airplane also exploded.

AMY GOODMAN: And what did the investigation reveal in that case?

JOHN PERKINS: Well, if you're talking about F.B.I. investigations, it revealed that there was an airplane that exploded in both cases. If you're talking about local investigations and investigations that were done by many international journalists, there were explosives on those planes, both of them. And, you know, it's relatively easy to get to assassinate one of these presidents who has a security force that's well armed, that surrounds him all the time, and in the case of both Roldos and Torrijos, those security forces had been trained primarily at the School of the Americas, a U.S. training camp for South American armies. It's well known that when—

AMY GOODMAN: Which used to be in Panama, actually?

JOHN PERKINS: Used to be in Panama, right, and it's well known that people that are trained this way stay pretty loyal to their trainers. And they didn't make a lot of money, and so if one of their trainers went back and said, “Hey, would you mind handing this tape recorder to Jaime Roldos?” And the security guy may very well know that there's a bomb in it, and I'm going to pay you several hundred thousand dollars or maybe in this case it's only \$100,000, because these guys were not very well paid, or, “simply look the other way while we plant something on the plane.”

That's an easy thing to do, and incidentally, we also tried to do that to Saddam Hussein. When he didn't come around, the economic hit men tried to bring him around. We tried to assassinate him. But that was an interesting point, because he had pretty loyal security forces, and in addition he had a lot of look-alike doubles, and what you don't want to be is a bodyguard to a look-alike double and you think it's the president and you accept a lot of money to assassinate him and you assassinate the look-alike, because if you do that, afterwards your life and your family's isn't worth very much, so we were unable to get through to Saddam Hussein, and that's why we sent the military in.

AMY GOODMAN: Although Saddam Hussein was in the pocket of the U.S. for many, many years.

JOHN PERKINS: He was and—but we wanted that final deal, similar to the one we'd struck with Saudi Arabia. We wanted to get Saddam Hussein to really tie in to our system, and he refused to do that. He accepted our fighter jets and our tanks and our chemical plants that he used to produce chemical weapons that we knew were being used against the Kurds and the Iranians. He accepted all that, but he wouldn't quite tie into our system in such a big way that he would bring in the huge development organizations to rebuild his country, as the Saudis did, in a Western image. And that's what we were trying to convince him to do and also **to guarantee that he would always trade oil for U.S. dollars, instead of Euros [emphasis added]**, and that he would keep the price of oil within limits acceptable to us. He would not go along with those things. If he had, he would still be president, Amy.

AMY GOODMAN: As a consultant, you did work in Saudi Arabia, John Perkins?

JOHN PERKINS: Well, yes, in fact I put—I was one of the ones responsible for putting together the main deal there in the early '70s. As you may recall, Amy, OPEC decided that they were going to clamp down on us, shut off our oil supplies. They didn't like our policies towards Israel, and so in the early '70s, the supply of oil was cut way back in this country. We had long lines of cars at the gas stations, and we were afraid we were going to go to another depression like the one that started in 1929, so the Treasury Department came to me and some other economic hit men and said, “Look, this is unacceptable.” And I give all the details of this in the book, *Confessions of an Economic Hit Man*, but the short version is, they said, “Make sure that this doesn't happen again,” and we knew that the key

to stopping this sort of thing was Saudi Arabia, because it controlled more oil than anyone else and the Royal House of Saud was corruptible.

So again, the short version is we put together a deal whereby the House of Saud agreed to send almost all of the money it made from selling oil all over the world back to the U.S., invest it in U.S. government securities, the interest from those securities was used by the Treasury Department to hire U.S. companies to rebuild Saudi Arabia, power plants, desalinization plants, in fact, entire cities from the desert, and in the process, to westernize Saudi Arabia, to make it more like us. And the other part of the deal was the House of Saud agreed to keep the price of oil within limits acceptable to us [*and no doubt to price its oil in dollars instead of euros*], and we agreed to keep the House of Saud in power, and that deal still holds. It's been holding for a long time. There's a lot of blowback right now that's occurring around it, but from our standpoint as economic hit men, it was an extremely successful deal, and it's the one we tried to replicate with Saddam Hussein in Iraq.

AMY GOODMAN: John Perkins, author of *Confessions of an Economic Hit Man*. We'll continue with our conversation in a minute.

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AMY GOODMAN: We return to our interview with John Perkins, author of *Confessions of an Economic Hit Man*. I asked him if he was the first person to coin the term “economic hit man”.

JOHN PERKINS: I think I may have been the first to use it in print, but we used it back in the '70s. We called ourselves—and it was sort of a tongue-in-cheek term. Officially, I was chief economist, but we used that sort of tongue-in-cheek, because it described [*what*] we did. Since the book came out on hardback—yes, and there's a new epilogue in the paperback, which covers a lot of the new material—a lot of people have stepped out of the shadows and approached me and talked to me, high people in governments and other economic hit men and jackals and wanted to share their story. A lot of them want to do it anonymously, which is a little tricky for a writer these days, as you know, but it's been fascinating to me how many have stepped out.

I also have seen, Amy, I think, a tremendous change in attitude around the world. We're seeing people really rebelling and saying, you know, we understand what's going on. And to be honest with you, I attribute a great deal of that to your show and other shows like it. You're reaching people. The internet, for example, is working wonders. And there's a lot of books, there's a lot of movies like *Syriana* and *Hotel Rwanda* and *Good Night and Good Luck* and so on and so forth. So, the information is getting out. And I think once Americans understand what we're doing in the world and how much hatred this is generating, we will demand change. And I think history has proven that when we demand change in any area, eventually—it takes a little time—but we do get it. So I'm very hopeful.

AMY GOODMAN: And these people who have come forward, are they active today?

JOHN PERKINS: Well, yes, very much so. One of them—you know, there was a president elected, the President of Ecuador, Gutierrez, a few years ago and he ran on a very, very strong anti-U.S. ticket. And he said that if he was elected, he would make sure that the people of Ecuador get the fair proceeds from Ecuadorian oil. As soon as he was elected, he was visited by an economic hit man, whom I know personally, and read the Riot Act, told the things we mentioned earlier, you know, “I've got money for you or a bullet.”

Within a month, he came to Washington. There was a famous picture shown all over Ecuador of him sitting, holding hands with George Bush. And very soon after that, he went against everything in his campaign

promises. He cut sweet deals with the oil companies. He went back on the indigenous peoples, whose lands in the Amazon area he had promised to protect. And the Ecuadorian people went wild. They took to the streets. They protested and demonstrated and eventually threw him out of power.

So this particular one backfired. But what—the economic hit man did his job right. Gutierrez came around, and then the Ecuadorian people understood what was going on. I have good friends in Ecuador who called me shortly after that and said, “You know, when we elect someone democratically to do something and he doesn’t do it, democracy requires that we throw him out. Why don’t you the same thing in your country?”

AMY GOODMAN: John Perkins, what about Evo Morales? You talk about Gutierrez.

JOHN PERKINS: Yeah, I spent a lot of time in Bolivia. In fact, at one time, I was offered the job as president of Bolivian Power Company, which is the second most important job in Bolivia, actually, behind the President. And Bolivia has this—and it was an American-owned company, incidentally. Bolivia has this long record of giving into the I.M.F. and the World Bank, privatizing their resources, like their power company and their water company. And the people of Bolivia were fed up with this. They had been exploited and exploited and exploited. And so Evo Morales ran on this ticket that said, “I’m not going to put up with this anymore.” And, of course, he’s getting a bad name in the U.S., because we want to portray him as a cocaine-raising farmer who’s all in favor of Castro and socialism and communism and cocaine. The fact is he did raise coca. He was a coca farmer. Coca’s a very legitimate product in Bolivia that is not just used for cocaine. It’s used for many other things.

AMY GOODMAN: Like?

JOHN PERKINS: Well, for example, high altitude sickness. Coca tea is perfectly legal in this country, too, and it’s very effective against high altitude sickness, and derivatives of coca are used for many medicines. They’re very effective. But the reason he was elected had nothing to do with any of that. It simply has to do with the extreme frustration and anger of the Bolivian people, of how they’ve been exploited and how the I.M.F. and the World Bank have insisted that they turn their resources over to foreign corporations. And also, you know, part of the World Trade Organization policies is that we insist that countries like Bolivia not subsidize their local industries and products, but that they accept our subsidies of them, and that they not erect any barriers against our goods coming in there, but they accept the barriers that we erect against their goods. And people around the world, Amy, are getting fed up with this. 300 million Latin Americans—South Americans out of 360 million, over 80% have voted for these types of candidates.

AMY GOODMAN: Not to be ethnocentric about it, but America is a tremendous power, especially military power. It has been diverted now to dealing with Iraq. President Bush declaring war on Iraq, not exactly officially declaring it, but engaging in it. Do you think that that has something to do with what is happening in Latin America, not to take power away from the people and what they are doing there?

JOHN PERKINS: Well, certainly, I think that Hugo Chavez of Venezuela might not have survived his presidency. His presidency might not have survived had we not been in Iraq and Afghanistan, that we were so diverted. We—the economic hit men tried to overthrow him, you know, a few years ago and were successful for about 48 hours. But then he had control over the oil company, and he was very, very popular. So he got back into office. At that point, had we not been involved in Iraq, I strongly suspect that we would have done

something much more aggressive, as we’ve done so many other times. When the economic hit men fail, we take more drastic steps. Because we were so involved in Iraq, we didn’t do that.

This gave great support to all of the other movements in Latin America. And these other candidates, people like Evo Morales, really looked to Hugo Chavez as an example of someone who’s had the staying power. He’s been able to stay there, despite the fact that the administration has spoken so strongly against him and is so angry.

The other side of the coin is that Brazil is a world power. It’s one of the largest economies in the world, and it produces a tremendous number of military weapons that are used worldwide. And Lula, of Brazil, he’s backed off a bit. And there’s an interesting story that I know behind that.

AMY GOODMAN: What?

JOHN PERKINS: Well, I’ll get into that. But he’s backed off a bit. But he still—he’s made alliances with Chavez, with Kirchner of Argentina, with Morales of Bolivia. They’ve all agreed that if the United States does anything drastic, they’ll stand together and oppose us. So there is this coalition that’s happening. It’s quite loose. But nonetheless, there’s a tremendous amount of support there.

AMY GOODMAN: Lula, what do you know?

JOHN PERKINS: Well, I was one of the speakers at the World Social Forum in Brazil in last February, and a man asked to meet with me who was a very high advisor to Lula. And he said, “You know, what you say in your book is all very true, but you just—that’s just the tip of the iceberg.” He said, “You know, from the time I was a very young man, I was quite radical. And it was interesting to me, as I was going through university, how much sex, drugs, booze were available to me in the parties that I was invited to, and so on. And now that I’m in this position of power, I discover that somebody was taking pictures of all those things, that there’s a record of this.”

And he says, “You don’t realize how all-pervasive your Secret Services are. It’s recruiting, in their own way, young people, even those that are extreme socialists and communists. Your people befriend us from very early ages and get a lot of information on us. So when we become high up in the government, they basically—” And I said, “They blackmail you?” And he said, “Well, you could use the word ‘blackmail’ but I think I would prefer that’s ‘modern U.S. diplomacy.’”

And I asked him, I said, “Well, is Lula a part of this?” And he obviously didn’t really want to answer this question. He hesitated, and he said, “Let me just say that nobody gets to power in Brazil these days without being very willing to make compromises to your corporations and your government.” He said, “I think Lula’s a very, very good man, but he also has to deal with reality. And certainly, he’s been watched all of his life, and I’m sure he’s had the same temptations I did.”

AMY GOODMAN: And he’s also engulfed in a major corruption scandal, which, for many of his long-time supporters, Brazilians and outside, are raising a lot of questions.

JOHN PERKINS: And I think the fact that the scandal has come out and has been blown into such proportions is an indication that someone is sending Lula a very strong message. Incidentally, the jackal—I’ll call him—that was working with Gutierrez of Ecuador said to me, “You know, this isn’t limited to other countries. This happens in your country, too. Don’t you think that the assassination of John Kennedy and Robert Kennedy and Martin Luther King and John Lennon and others like that, and the many senators that have died in airplane crashes and other things, has sent a strong message to your politicians? And don’t you think that—”

AMY GOODMAN: Who said this to you?

JOHN PERKINS: The same economic hit man/jackal who visited Gutierrez and read him the Riot Act.

AMY GOODMAN: Would you care to share his name?

JOHN PERKINS: No. I’ll let him do that at some point, if he feels it’s appropriate. Right now, he doesn’t feel it’s appropriate. He’s still in the business. And so, many of these people are still very—even the ones that have retired are getting pensions, and they’ve got loyalties, some of them. So, they’ll talk to me on the side and say, “I want you to put this in your book, but I’m not ready to talk.” A couple of them I am working with to write a book, and my literary agent is working with them. So hopefully some of them will come clean. But it’s a slow process in making that happen.

AMY GOODMAN: And these people you know, who you call economic hit men, who are the first to move in to these men who gain power, where does—what do you know about Evo Morales now? He’s just been elected President?

JOHN PERKINS: Well, I have no doubt that he has been visited by at least one of these men, who’s known him beforehand. These are not strangers that walk in. They’ve been hanging around Bolivia for a while, as I did. And so, once the President is elected, they walk into his office and shake his hands and say, “Congratulations, Mr. President. You won. We launched a strong campaign against you, but now you’ve won. And now, I want to tell you the facts of life and make you—”

AMY GOODMAN: And you know someone who has talked to him in this way?

JOHN PERKINS: Yes.

AMY GOODMAN: And what was—according to you, what was President Morales’s response?

JOHN PERKINS: Morales was very diplomatic about the whole thing, but absolutely stood firm and said, “You know, my people have elected me for a reason, and I intend to honor that.” This is what his initial response was. But what I will say is we can’t imagine the pressure now that’s being exerted on a man like Morales, as is true with all these other presidents. They know what’s happened before their time. And they—you know, the pressure will be put on them tighter and tighter and tighter.

And imagine being in that position. Imagine being an integritous person and really wanting to help your country, being elected with a majority—Morales got 54% of the vote, which is unheard of in Bolivia; he was up against many opponents—and then, wanting to implement the policy, and somebody walks into your office and reminds you of what happened to all these other presidents.

And perhaps the most scary one was Noriega, who did not get assassinated. He wasn’t a martyr. Instead, he had to stand by and watch several thousand innocent Panamanian civilians bombed, slaughtered, burned to death. And then he was dragged off to a U.S. prison, where he has been pretty much in solitary confinement every since. Imagine thinking that might happen to you.

And so, Evo Morales, the story has just begun for him. I sympathize with him very deeply. And I think from our standpoint, Amy, as American citizens—and I look at myself as an extremely loyal American citizen. I believe in the principles of this country, which I think that in the past few decades, increasingly, we’ve put them way in the back burner. But as good Americans, we need to insist that our government and our corporations honor democracy.

AMY GOODMAN: John Perkins, author of *Confessions of an Economic Hit Man*.

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## ALL THINGS CONSIDERED....!

Overwhelm comes from looking at all things to be considered and seeing no connections or potential for righteous solutions. This is a negative concept in each instance for if you consider that which impacts YOU on any given day and then see how it fits into your own chosen tapestry you will find much order flowing from the chaos. You may be able to take two “stair” steps in a single step/bound but you can only measure it for self as ONE step at a time. Your stride will continually increase if you truly wish to reach your chosen goal for the moment, hour, day, week, month, year, decade and thus and so. YOU do not need to understand EVERYONE’S task or mission—ONLY YOUR OWN AND CHECK HOW IT MESHES WITH ANOTHER’S ALLOWING FORWARD MOVEMENT.

How do YOU consider when I am directing something to you personally? YOU WILL if you keep things within the boundaries of perspective interpretation. Remember, “If the gloves don’t fit you must...!”

If I ask that “you go across Ayala Avenue in Makati and wait...” and YOU are in Goatneck, Texas, U.S.A. the direct message is NOT for you. I am going to be no more selective, most of the time, than THAT. I WRITE FOR OVER 6-BILLION PEOPLE NOT JUST ONE OR TWO OR YOU.

In Manila we are NOT hibernating but we are NOT playing around on the streets or in ANY inner-circles save our own business needs. PERIOD!

I OFTEN HAVE TO MAKE SURE MY TEAM IS NOT WELL ENOUGH TO GO “MINGLE” ANYWHERE FOR I GIVE INSTRUCTIONS AND FIVE MINUTES LATER MY FLEXIBLE PARTIES ARE TRYING TO CHANGE THE STATE OF THE DIRECTIVES.

You are all “participants” and yet all ongoing adventures are NOT in the same given geographic or political arena. THAT is called “life”.

When I “ask” Dharma to “stay in”, I mean “stay in” and if I have to see to that outcome so shall I. I believe that is quite simple to both understand and yet “direct” enough to get a bit wiser with each venture.

CHAOS is not even a very good word for the circumstances of most ongoing and erupting events in the global picture. But “I” do not have to explain each or all of them for you to have full access to all the information you can handle and all the DISTRACTIONS in this particular place are working potentially against our own ability to keep a low profile and measure our own activities.

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You are “big kids” now and YOU need to take responsibility for alerting those of your clan, tribe, mission or family—about possibilities. Nobody need give a second glance at “me” for as things unfold it is all right there before you and you KNOW within what is coming up or down or all around.

Thank you for sending the glasses to our team and WATCH the clues and already established facts of cosmic blasts and magnetic push-pull.

## MAGNETIC POLE POTENTIAL

I have written all about this as has Cmdr. Dr. Soltec in terms you can understand so please, do NOT act dense and confused. IT IS UPON YOU! The bulges around the mid-belt area (equator) are resulting from the very weak magnetic activity now allowing shifting of your very “magnetic” pole. You on the planet are already experiencing the results of these upheavals and if Mother Nature isn’t enough to please the manipulators, then the political Elite can furnish the rest of the disastrous events; AND ARE!

## IN THE PHILIPPINES AT THE MOMENT

While the Elite “Administration” idiots try for total “control” it is that the masses are just about to break out into anarchy as one after another “freedoms” are taken away and hardships fall more burdensome upon “the people”. Desperation in the Palace is reflecting in desperate moves in the entire system.

The “rulers” are depending on the U.S. to step in and bring order for the mistress of the castle (better recognized in this crude central observation as “hoe” of the palace”. Might as well have Mardi Gras in New Orleans! Since THIS is Ash Wednesday I suggest that the headaches of Day After Thursday will bring notice to the silliness of the waste and homage to King Satan’s fun for the week. “Mardi Gras IS New Orleans,” goes the mouth of unreason and so I suggest that probably, “There goes New Orleans,” chocolate or otherwise. Will GOD save your assets? Not on your assets! God will allow you to play yourselves right into the PIT for it is HIS promise to you “free-willers”. More notably, HE WILL DO WHAT HE DOES IN THE PERFECT “TIME” FOR HE LOVES ABSOLUTELY, “NOT UNCONDITIONALLY”. LESSONS ARE A REFLECTION OF THOSE “CONDITIONS” PRESENTED.

Now to my “team” in Manila: please look carefully at unfolding events and NOTICE carefully the players being openly “named” in the “opposition” games and you will note a very little recognition of the open-named players as to coups, juntas, etc. It is almost a vacuum. Someone is doing very well at the “Art of War”. And, YOU STAY OUT OF IT. Just attend what you need to see in our own venues

and stay alert, out of sight except for the necessary “sightings” from time to time and make sure everyone knows Dharma is having severe health problems at the moment. That is NOT an accident nor is it coincidental.

I am herein asking Ron to use as much scattered information as is being piled on “here” because the observations around the globe are worthy of much note and I won’t allow our paper or resources to be damaged in press shutdown in this foolish country! We will, further, be extremely careful about that which we write. You can, however, use anything published in the most targeted papers for it is our DUTY to report the news! This is NOT speculation or prediction except as a journalist offers as “opinion” observation of events as they present and/or unfold. The “aces” are yet in the vest and we neither want to “fold” nor do we wish to “walk away” from the table. Patience in the “holding” is the better part of wisdom—with NO notice of us whatsoever.

This is a GOOD time to share VKD’s latest nonsense as we enjoy the distraction of attention from our more focused mandate. Just make sure nobody misses her missiles as they hit the net.

I would remind all of you that the USA is sending forth constant WARNINGS about this place and TO THIS PLACE while the frantic pace and panic turns into unacceptable adventures of which the U.S. CANNOT “SAVE FACE” IF BACKING THE MISCREANTS.

The new register of events shows that Gloria expects the U.S. troops to step right in and go on patrol to keep order in even Manila. No, that is not acceptable so when the boys quit digging up dead bodies in Leyte they were sent back to their base down farther South. That means that the “crack” troops “trained by the U.S.” had to be pulled in and THAT IS a very fortunate move for the side of the opposition. Gloria has overstepped her boundaries with the U.S. plans of incorporation and she probably will be punished for her indiscretions. Her “handlers” are in chaos and since her “cabinet” members are idiots and moronic criminals, she has problems increasing, it would appear, exponentially by the passing days.

You can all understand the next silly move as to those mudslide victims: THEY SIMPLY DECLARED IT “SACRED SANCTUARY” GROUND, counted the “missing” and disallow rebuilding on the site. Well, that is easy for there are NO FUNDS to even feed the displaced and much the less for housing or anything else worthy of note. It appears the U.S. soldiers now out of “games” to play will help build a schoolhouse—but unfortunately, the children who would use it are now buried.

Golly-gee, a whole mountain slides and it ends up amounting to nothing for the corrupt of Malacanang!

Some people are now in favor of the Protocols of Zion as to “get the money”, “get the gold”, control totally the press and media and bring about law by force. Oh well.

So, go for the continued bashing, VK, as our focus is moved totally to this location and our now being recognized position. Even the Prince of Tallano is paying attention NOW! He has asked for a meeting with our Officer-Trustee Prof. Ramirez today. We approach our anniversary in full control and he “needs” help. So be it for, interestingly enough, the others are coming back one or two at a time—TOO LATE SMART! (We got smart and they are too late.)

For you who are concerned about “holdings”, etc., in this particular arena—don’t waste your time. We shall manage the asset to best advantage and also maintain a security blanket. WE WILL NEGOTIATE ANYTHING POSITIVE TO OUR POSITION—WE WILL NOT COMPROMISE A THING. GLOBAL ALLIANCE IS BUT A “BACKUP” FOR US NOW AS POSITIONS CHANGE IN RELATIVE

IMPORTANCE. To you who struggle daily with keeping on keeping on—just hold the line for our “wine” will not be sold before its time. But we WILL sell it if appropriate. Sometimes the skirmish is not worthy of the distraction of “life happening while we make other plans”. Do you REALLY think God is foolish enough to give forth to friend and foe HIS STRATEGIC PROGRAM? COME NOW! YOU can’t keep a secret for it is the human “condition”. How long do YOU think it would take VKD to attempt to destroy anything we have built—IF POSSIBLE? Sometimes you have to “trust” God and “have a little faith”. You have been given PROOF of our standing and you know that “time” is measured in events accomplished so please, give us a little credit for some modicum of “intelligence”.

There is not one uncorrupted country on your globe and we do not feed in to corruption and evil continuation of events. It is slow in your perception but it is worthy of your recognition that what “you” think about it is not our mandate. If this is a canoe trying to get upstream then recognize that we are paddling as hard as we can while slowly but surely we make headway.

There are other “hands” to be played in this local game ongoing in this “port” and there are plenty of other attention-getters to keep every one totally occupied if nothing more than with American Idol distractions. Mr. Bush alone can fill up your attention-time. THIS IS CONFRONTATION TIME, READERS.


I suggest you be very careful about that for which you wish—for surely enough, you just might get it. It is not weakness to acknowledge various weaknesses or “ignorance” in self. The answer for these particular lessons is that of LEARNING in preparation for that ultimate PURPOSE for which you presented self onto this stage of experience.

Do you only need a “few” good men? NO, you need ALL good men but that starts with the “few” or even the “one”. Quit dumping onto the “Christs” chosen from your ranks to issue you absolution and idiotic payment for YOUR SINS. You did it and you will rectify it or redemption will be elusive until you LEARN BETTER. Atonement is wondrous while expectation of “salvation without merit” is foolish indeed. Follow foolishness and you BECOME the FOOL. Recognize “GRACE” as the true gift it IS and you are nearing graduation status. If you want your circumstances CHANGED—then change them and do not expect somebody else to pay for your ticket on that train to glory.

Yes, I DO “know the way” and, in fact, it is about all that I CAN OFFER YOU for knowing the way is MY JOB. LIVING is YOURS. That also means that HOW YOU LIVE IS YOURS TO “CREATE”.

GOD DOES NOT MAKE HIS LESSONS “CONFUSING”—YOU DO, EVEN THOUGH YOU “KNOW” BETTER.

As to my notice about “blunders”, I would only present that you might well make a lot of “blunders” for if you are busy in life you WILL MAKE BLUNDERS. However, it might also be recognized that “blunders” either are INTENTIONAL or truly accidents. Therefore, KNOW that “intentional blunders”—fully INTENTIONAL actions and excuses—are not acceptable to suggest as “reasons”. You will blunder less if you will get informed for yourself and not just from dropped pearls from the wise. Remember we are all and each UNIQUE until we have achieved the ONE-NESS of expression. We have a long way yet to go, brothers. There are actually no “blunders” but rather, steps in learning to accept our creative perfection. GCH

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## Fever Kills Viruses

*With all the talk (and fear) spreading around about “Bird Flu” and other deadly viruses, the following article could be a lifesaver.*

*Due to space constraints we will cite only part of the text of Part One of the following article. Full text of the article is available on the referenced website.*

*[QUOTING, comments and emphasis added:]*

### MURDER IN THE MEDICINE CABINET

By Marshall Smith, <BroJon.org>, 2/2/05

In 1918, a virulent, never seen before, form of influenza seemed to suddenly appear. It seemed to kill within hours, and spread around the world within days. It seemed to appear simultaneously all around the world. Its spread was faster than any then known means of human travel.

In 2004, the Centers for Disease Control and the World Health Organization warned of repeats of such a rapid and deadly pandemic, through such variants of influenza as SARS and Bird Flu. But without knowing what caused the 1918 pandemic or how it spread, how can the CDC or WHO make such a claim? Unless they already know something they are not telling.

*[At this point the author provides background information relating to ASPIRIN (acetylsalicylic acid): Aspirin became available in easy-to-use pill form in the late 1890s and was patented by the Bayer company as a pain reliever. A 1915 court decision allowed other companies to sell aspirin-based products for their anti-febril or fever-reducing characteristics.]*

And how does that strange court decision fit into the rapid spread of the 1918 Flu? **The primary defense which the human body has, to stop the spread of viral infections is to produce a fever. The fever is not a symptom of disease, but is actually the body’s primary anti-viral immune system. The fever stops the telomeres on the ends of viral RNA from making copies of itself.**

The telomeres are like a zipper which unzips and separates the new RNA copy within milliseconds, but the telomeres are temperature sensitive and won’t unzip at temperatures above 101F. Thus the high temperature of the fever stops the flu virus from dividing and spreading. It is an immune system response which only mammals have developed to prevent the spread of viral flu infections, which mostly 99% come from the more ancient dinosaur-like earth life forms called birds. **Almost all influenza is a form of “Avian Flu”.** A few influenza forms come from other dinosaur-like life forms, the modern reptiles, but these are usually classified as very rare tropical diseases, since that is where most reptiles live.

The doctors in the early 1900s didn’t know about that, and even today few if any doctors are aware that fever is not a symptom of disease, but is the primary and only way for the human body to stop viral infections. If you stop or reduce the fever, viruses are allowed to divide and spread uncontrolled throughout the body. I have already described this process in detail in my articles posted in the *Brother Jonathan Gazette* in 2003, so I won’t go into detail here. Do a search on “SARS” on the *Gazette* and you’ll find the articles.

Normally the progress of a flu is that a virus enters the mucous membrane lining of the lungs, enters cells, then makes many copies of itself, which causes the cell to expand to such a degree that it bursts open.

The new viruses then cloak themselves with a coating taken from the old damaged cell wall, thus hiding themselves from the human body’s own T-cell antibody immune defense system. To the body’s immune system the new viruses simply appear to be pieces of the body’s own lung tissue.

By creating a fever, the viral infection is slowed down sufficiently so that the body’s T cells can find the swollen infected lung cells, surround them and metabolize (literally eat) the damaged cell with strong acids which also breaks down the RNA viruses into basic amino acids. This effectively “kills” the viruses so that they can’t reproduce. But viruses are not living things, and you can’t kill something that’s not alive. All the body can do is destroy or dissolve the RNA amino acid chain which makes up the virus.

Not knowing this, most doctors treat the flu with aspirin or fever reducers, as a palliative treatment to ease the aches, pains, and delirium fever effects. The result is that within hours, the fever goes down and the patient feels much better. What neither the patient nor the doctor knows is that with only a normal 98.6F body temperature, the viruses are allowed to reproduce unchecked. Within 72 hours, the viruses have grown from one or two virus bodies to millions or billions. The body is now completely overwhelmed. But while taking aspirin or cold medications, there are no symptoms or warnings of what is yet to come.

As a last resort the body tries to quickly flush the infection of billions of viruses from the lungs with massive amounts of T-cells, and fluid in the lungs to “cough out” the virus. This is called viral pneumonia. Soon within hours the patient is in the hospital. The doctors try to treat the now 105 degree fever with more anti-febril aspirins, or related medications to “treat the fever”. Then within another 24 hours the patient, suffocating and gasping for breath, is dead.

You should note that the original infection did cause a mild fever, aches and pains, which the patient “self-medicated” with over-the-counter products. For the next several days, the patient seemed to have no symptoms, but was actually growing billions of copies of influenza virus in his lungs. Then days later, the patient and doctor seem to see a sudden rapid case of viral flu infection that is now overwhelming the body. Is that what really happened?

What caused the patient’s death? Was it the original flu virus, or was it the use of Aspirin to lower the flu fever which then shutdown the patient’s own immune system response? Obviously, the latter. So how did this cause the massive rapid spread of the 1918 Flu?

... Within a week of the 1918 Armistice, by newfangled telephone, trans-oceanic telephone cables, and even the experimental ship-to-shore shortwave radios using Morse code, the message was flashed around the world—“Have a fever? Take Aspirin. It worked in France, it’ll work for you.” That message spread at nearly the speed of light over millions of telephone lines all around the world. The news of the “miracle cure” even spread by word of mouth within a day or so, even to places with no phones nor roads.

... What is different today is that cold and flu products are sold and used all year long. This results in an estimated **one million deaths from mysterious viral pneumonia reported every year**, but also all around the year. In 1918, the new use of aspirin for treating colds and flu all started at the same time in November, thus creating the false impression of a sudden massive onset of a new disease. Even today SARS is not a disease. It is the improper use of a brand new high-tech flu fighter called Tamiflu. The FDA approved the use of Tamiflu several years ago. In 2003 it began to be used world-wide. ...

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# Attitude Adjustment Is The Name of All Games

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RE: SOME ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENTS HARDER  
THAN OTHERS BUT IT IS THE NAME OF ALL  
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## SOME DAYS AND ATTITUDES ARE BETTER THAN OTHERS

I would like to share with my Grandson a bit of observation from three quarters of a century of “living”. We never seem to get less perfect but surely not ever MORE perfect, with “perfect” being the perfect word without verb or adjective.

It is always difficult for us to want to show anything less than perfect wisdom in our trips through the years to where we consider that we “should” know all there is and handle anything flung at us along the way. It just isn’t so and no matter what your current task or experience it is that “attitude” regarding the circumstance is always a choice and perspective is totally impacted by that attitude. ONLY “I” CAN CHANGE MY ATTITUDE AND NO OTHER!

That hurts on a morning like today when we work ourselves overtime and results are not easily seen in any direction.

This is the time to take a minute, go to some quiet place (if possible) for a few minutes of self-examination and see where the problem with the moment might well be flowing. If the attitude is GOOD then great but when it is good there is rarely a question regarding anything about the circumstance.

Whatever confronts us is the immediate consideration and is sometimes just too big to easily let pass into the settling pond of life without opinions, self-battering, or whatever the mind perceives to be our personal problem or confrontation. Moreover, we seem to have to drag the negative “stuff” into infinity when often it is only an adjustment of the attitude that accomplishes the change-out.

Today in the Philippines it is that thousands of people have died and others by the thousands have lost their homes. These are the poorest of the poverty-stricken citizens of this land of lies and corruption. This through unceasing rains in the mountains south of Manila where all the wonderful TREES used to grow!

Over the years the corrupt political and commercial thieves have gone black-market and thieved the lumber with some species of incredibly beautiful trees going totally extinct. The local people cut the wood as in “jobs” and nobody ever considers the outcome of stripping watersheds. The lands are totally STRIPPED.

So, day before yesterday, after weeks of HEAVY rains, the slides started but then there were two massive explosions (as in dynamite-type) and in one

area from the tip of the mountain top to the valley level the mountains came down in mere seconds. Thousands of people were instantly buried and thousands more displaced. Now, slippage is happening all along the logging areas even into the deep South of the Southern Island of Mindanao. Talk about “attitude”! Mine has been all over the map for so many reasons I can’t breathe well.

So, I have observed that attitude is directly relative to the circumstances as in PERSPECTIVE. The ratio of helpless to helpful is also to be considered and we feel totally HELPLESS while yet having the very solution to the big problems right in our hands. Phooey on the politicians and corrupt grabbers and may they get some of that MUD in their eyes.

After thinking about the issue at point I CHANGED MY ATTITUDE 卍卍卍 as I realized that people have to get “way down” before they will seek and find a way UP. All we have to do is wait out the misery while remaining ready, willing and able when the time is appropriate. The political arena is still too full of debris to even try to clean it this week. Politics are the ALL, around which all else rotates, if there is anything left to rotate. Big guns and games are afoot to bind up a lot of things and right here is one of them—the VISITING FORCES AGREEMENT with the U.S.

The “visit” is just under way in spite of the alleged rape of a Filipina prostitute a few months ago and the failure of the U.S. to release the 4 accused to the nitwits here. Now we have the big-honcho mouths threatening to cancel the VFA if the U.S. wouldn’t kowtow to demands—silly as those demands might well be. I DON’T THINK SO, FRIENDS.

So, only last week the troops started moving in and there would be a minimum of 5,500 U.S. soldiers. They come in with heavy equipment for training with joint sessions with the Philippine Military. Believe me, the whole thing is about as funny as ten broken crutches. The explosions creating a massive catastrophe is interesting in thought possibilities as to who has such capability?

Now what happens?

Neat-o, everything good, except for the buried people, it is perfect, no less.

Two ships, loaded, are moved into the disaster area and off-loading facilities are put into place like instant pudding. Everything from TROOPS to equipment of every kind is at ready and everybody feels “good luck” was certainly working in this big coincidence.

My attitude was one of a broad grin as I watch our guys in PERFECT order and diligence tear into that mud-pile. The heavy equipment simply SINKS in the muck but, undaunted as is the pride of my own citizenship, those U.S. guys sorted the mess, moved right out onto those slide areas as they propped themselves with buoyant platforms and started digging by hand.

They organized the other foreign people sent to help and if nothing else brought almost instant order to

the chaos. What kind of coincident need for “training” could you ask for on a good day in February.

Facts are, THERE SHOULD BE NONE OF THIS RAIN at this time and the search is on as to why it is happening. Oh well.

The U.S. also sent in equipment that are Ground Penetrating instruments which hang from a chopper and register structures underground which could possibly be intact to the extent of possible life-sustaining room for survival. They just happened to have them available! Who in the world needs war games when such impressive opportunities “happen” on cue?

So, my attitude about the matter rose from the pits way up onto the mountains as the U.S. once again is saving the day.

A few years back most will remember when the biggest volcanic eruption of the century occurred with Mt. Pinatubo blowing and actually changing the weather for months and into three years in some areas.

It was equally interesting to note that the U.S. geologists actually saved the day then and only 300 people perished. Clark field, the U.S. base, was totally buried and completely destroyed while it was mandatory to evacuate everyone from the mountain when the U.S. teams registered the imminent eruption. The people were evacuated by truck, foot, cart or donkey as was possible. Only three people survived on the mountain itself and they were tribal Aetas and buried themselves in bat guano in a cave. We are talking less than sixty miles from Manila.

That geologist given such credit is now retired and lives in the Philippines as, once such a part of something, it is hard to let go. Besides, he knows that if he speaks the people will listen.

There have also been tiny earthquakes around the area of the slides but are not in any way given credit or blame for the slides. More interesting to us, however, is that there was quite a big one in the Philippine Deep (trench) after the fact—which is in the same area offshore. That trench could hold the whole of the Philippines and not even line the bottom.

Along about here is where the facts of AA [probably Attitude Adjustment rather than Alcoholics Anonymous] kick in while considering that we work to change those things we can and accept the things totally out of our consideration and then ask God to grant us the wisdom to determine with which we are dealing.

Before I can make something “better” I have to become “better” and to achieve that I have to keep an attitude that is both positive and reaches a bit above that beyond which I think I can’t attain. Somewhere in the mix the adjustment seems reasonable as we wait for “this too to pass”.

We can somehow recognize the overall GOAL out there if we do our job but don’t these little mucky steps seem the pits? God has given into our care GREAT THINGS beyond that which others cannot imagine and perhaps THAT is what becomes too large to comprehend in our own recognition of limitations.

I wonder if it isn’t actually “WAR” which we consider and then I recognize that the same RULES apply to success in both war and peace along with any other attempted task and especially those which involve other PEOPLE. It is a game and if we pull from all our experiences, even those under way now, we CAN apply the wisdom of the “game” to



anything—if we maintain an attitude of positive expectation and, “Oh yes, we CAN.”

I KNOW that we “CAN” but I continually marvel at the necessity of so many bricks in our path with evil always first confronting every scene and every action. Temptation to move into the easy stream or simply give-up is always among the considerations first thrust into our consciousness.

I am reminded that cutting and running is much like buying on credit; it hangs there with the price to be paid and doesn't improve with age or time-passage. The moment of relief is so temporary that shock and awe stone you to death later. And yet that credit card well managed gives a lot of security to the insecure mind working its way through the demands of life.

I included Andy in this writing, along with, please, Diane, because we struggle along and pressures are often heavy and especially in a new adventure as with Andy where we all often think we aren't up to the task or just get plain fed-up with the process. Sorry, it doesn't get better or easier with age but perhaps the choices are more obvious as myriad fragments continue to hit the fan.

To our young friends and family members—learn your lessons as to technical capabilities for we SHALL have multitudes of needs for participation in almost every field of endeavor and especially in management of all manners of business in the computer world. Records have to be kept to the last cent and breath taken, used or exhaled. The years of lessons have been priceless and we “think” we have a good idea as to now how to manage “success”. We do NOT play games or fudge laws—we know limitations and tools and plan to use them all. God has been patient with us and we are grateful. We are blessed to have this opportunity and love sharing it as well as offering appreciation to those who at first appeared adversaries to our cause. The lessons were necessary and we have gown and can only hope the other parties have likewise had opportunity to consider their own positions. When we stand on truth we know that eventually we STAND strong and whole and the ultimate advantage of that position is without price.

When we act in Truth we have on our side Moral Law and in war or peace we shall prevail because it is the universal LAW of JUSTICE. He who cheats, lies and steals cannot have ultimate Moral Law and will fall always, eventually, to TRUTH. Moreover, the miscreant will always ultimately build the very case for his/her opposition resting in Truth. Truth can “create” while lies ultimately destroy and fall. That is an attitude adjustment in its utter realization. A lie repeated NEVER makes a truth. Truth stands alone no matter how battered it might become.

Please send this on to Andy with this thought: If we were “there” I could capture you camping or fishing or with a guilt trip but I want to first note that we, because we get ancient in our bodies and means, face choices all the time and our “perfection” is still a “thing under construction” so be patient, you youngsters, of us who walked our path and would give much to be able to walk yours now. It is not possible so please accept our absolute LOVE (not necessarily “unconditional”) for from that REALITY we can all grow strong and unified. We SHALL PREVAIL in whatever we set forth to accomplish be it to make chocolate chip cookies or build a finer world or building.

I do not single out Andy onto which to dump but I did promise to dump a letter or two onto his head while he is away from home in his own adventure. Never give a grandmother an opportunity might well be the bottom line.

See, my attitude is already quite nicely adjusted by the “dump it” routine in perspective-ville. DJE

# World News Insights

## THE PHILIPPINES

*Lack of coverage in the Western media has probably kept most of our readers in the dark with regard to recent developments in the Philippines—and we must walk a fine line so as not to jeopardize our own journalists there, for just in the last few days charges of ‘inciting to sedition’ have been filed against the publisher and editor-in-chief of The Daily Tribune along with two of the newspaper’s columnists for allegedly urging the people to rebel against President Arroyo and oust her from power. We are strictly apolitical but will do our best to keep our readers informed of ongoing developments.*

*Coming into the twentieth anniversary of EDSA I, which unseated Ferdinand Marcos in a move no doubt prompted by ‘economic hit men’, RUMORS of a potential coup were used to issue Proclamation 1017. The Philippine National Police (PNP) swooped down on the offices of The Daily Tribune in one of several actions taken against civil liberties. It seems the truth is quite threatening to the current administration.*

*When it comes to the truth Mahatma Gandhi is credited with saying: “First they ignore you; then they laugh at you; then they fight you; then you win.” To his own credit, Herman Tiu Laurel bravely replies to the charges against him.*

[QUOTING:]

## OF SEDITION, HONOR AND GLORY

By Herman Tiu Laurel, *Daily TRIBUNE*—RP, 3/6/06

If exposing the truth about an illegitimate regime is sedition, then I am guilty of sedition. If exposing the corruption of a corrupt government is sedition, then I am guilty of sedition. If denouncing Gloria's lying propaganda as insults to the intelligence of Filipino public is sedition, then I am guilty of sedition. If calling for the restoration of the only unquestionably legitimate government of President Joseph Estrada mandated by 11 million votes and consequently calling for the ejection of the power grabbing, election-cheating Gloria is sedition, then I plead guilty.

I thank bewildered Gloria and her clearly befuddled advisers for the succession of erroneous decisions that have exposed their incompetence, ill-will, power madness leading to utter disregard for the fundamentals of law and justice that have fired up the indignation of a nation. In the current case, these Cyclops of power in Malacañang with only an eye for power see only threats to their hold on power from any party that questions it and bestow on the most critical, even if small, the honor of being their biggest enemy. I humbly thank Gloria for the honor of being placed alongside Ninez Cacho-Olivares and Ike Señeres as a “seditious” writer in a land ruled by lawless power wielders.

The Philippines is indeed a lawless land today, for while it banishes unquestionably honorable and courageous Filipinos such as Marine Col. Ariel Querubin, awardee of the nation's highest military Medal of Valor and never once tainted by any questionable act, those whose complicity and guilt in the wholesale robbery of the 2004 elections such as Generals Esperon, Habacon, Allaga et. al. who have had more courage in assaulting the ballot box than the enemies of the state, have been rewarded with power and authority—for what? To defend the illegality of the official they helped install?

To the Ariel Querubins of the land we, however, give words of comfort: “Hindi ka nag-iisa.” You are not alone, for more and more Filipinos are joining the cause of honor, dignity and genuine law and order. The

lawyers' march last week to Edsa Shrine was an impressive display of honor, integrity and dignity of a profession long disparaged for its practitioners' lack of firm moral conviction disguised by proficient legalese; but that march to the Edsa Shrine, the faceoff by the *barong tagalog*-clad and coat-and-tie *compañeros* showed that when push comes to shove, our legal professionals will stand up for the truth and the righteous.

We salute the law practitioners of the land again, but we will triple our salute if they also take steps to dig out the roots of today's entangled outgrowths of the Arroyo regime's illegal impositions on the country. The latest of these illegal impositions is Proclamation 1017 itself, a monster of an issuance that has neither head nor tail, declaring a state of economic emergency but taking political and police action against civil liberties! We should also point out the warning by lawyer Alan Paguia who explained to us, that within the proclamation is a General Order calling on the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) to maintain peace and order when the Philippine National Police (PNP) has not been declared insufficient to deal with the problem.

In fact it was only the PNP taking Proclamation 1017 into action, and against idealistic AFP elements and citizens exercising free speech and assembly. Paguia contends that the General Order is an exercise of martial law, and that has not been lifted by Gloria's Proclamation 1021 “lifting” the state of national emergency. But when has the law made sense since Gloria Arroyo was installed as “acting President” yet became “permanent” after Estrada's resignation was “constructed” to remove him and a “special court” constructed again to imprison him? Since then our rule of law has been supplanted by the rule of force already, as Supreme Court Justice Cecilia Muñoz-Palma warned in the wake of Edsa II.

The questions of law in Gloria's ascension to power have come full circle in the sense that among the first to question it was lawyer Sabrina Querubin. She, with Ana Rhia Muhi and Charisse Gonzales-Olalia as graduating students then, published locally and in the *Journal of International Law and Policy* “Legitimizing the Illegitimate”, a report on the Arroyo regime. Everything Gloria has done since her Edsa II power grab is to compensate for that lack of legitimacy, grab whatever chance for legitimizing herself—including spending the national budget and prostituting the Commission on Elections to steal the 2004 elections. Her last chance is the Charter change, where she hopes her sins against the Constitution at present will be swept under a new Constitution.

Sabrina Querubin, who questioned the Davide Supreme Court's constitutional transgressions, is the niece of Col. Ariel Querubin who joined another honorable soldier, Gen. Danilo Lim's desire last Feb. 25 to protest the illegitimacy of the current government. Honorable people cannot suppress the honorable instinct for truth forever, it has to surface sooner or later. If such honorable values and leaders were to dominate our society, we would be a very honorable society. The problem is it is the *kapalmuks*, the shameless *tulisanes* such as Gloria and her ilk, the Esperons, Habacons, Allagas, et. al. who hostage the nation under threat of their violence and *juramentado*.

At some point soon, honorable indignation and righteous sedition will be glorified by the tables being turned on the *tulisanes*.

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*Case in point: The following Tribune report was not found detailed in any other Philippines paper.*

[QUOTING, emphasis added:]

SENATE FINDS GLORIA, JOC-JOC ET AL  
GUILTY ON FUND SCAM

By Angie M. Rosales, *Daily TRIBUNE*—RP, 3/2/06

Even with all the stonewalling done by President Arroyo to prevent the Senate from probing the P3-billion fertilizer funds scam, the Senate yesterday found her culpable for the misuse of the funds during the 2004 presidential polls where the funds were used to finance her election campaign.

The stonewalling was done, with the inclusion of Executive Order 464, or the gag EO, to prevent the Senate panel, headed by Sen. Ramon Magsaysay Jr., from ascertaining the validity of the charges leveled against her and the alleged brain, former Department of Agriculture Secretary Jocelyn "Joc-Joc" Bolante.

The Senate panel called the scam the "rape of the nation" while probers labeled this rape as an "inexcusable negligence of her sworn obligation" to the country when she assumed power.

Indications were directed toward the conclusion that **the farm program implementation was "purely adopted to suit electoral purpose"**.

The probers discovered the scam to be novel in its method and astounding in shamelessness, as this was done to help the administration bankroll its campaign during the elections in May 2004.

The accusations and recommendations that senators describe as "earth-shaking" literally sent the upper chamber shaken as the report, while being presented on the floor by Senator Magsaysay as a mild earthquake, measuring 4 intensity, rocked the metropolis.

While impeachable charges were recommended to be filed against Mrs. Arroyo for her to assume some form of accountability, the Senate committee also found "strong probable criminal liability" of five former and present ranking DA officials with Bolante topping the list, alongside its regional directors as far as far as the dissipation of P728 million is *Guinituang Masaganang Ani* (GMA) program of the department.

Plunder and graft charges were also recommended to be filed against them, together with the filing of administrative cases against the DA officials.

Mrs. Arroyo opened herself up to impeachment charges on at least four of the six grounds that constitute impeachment crimes.

These are plunder, graft, betrayal of public trust and culpable violation of the *Constitution*.

Local executives also face a problem since the Senate panel said evidence, particularly documents duly-certified by the Commission on Audit (CoA), supported by testimonies of witnesses called by the panels indicate their alleged involvement on the "misuse and abuse of the funds purportedly for their own benefit".

Bolante, based on the upper chambers' investigation during the six public hearings, listed 105 congressmen, 53 governors and 23 mayors as possible cohorts in the scam, having allegedly justified the immediate release of the funds.

"We will recommend the filing of charges against (the President). We hold the presidency as something sacred, being the leader of the country. We also recommend filing of charges against the heads of the said (DA) agency," Magsaysay told the *Tribune* in an interview, several minutes after the filing of the committee report No. 54 yesterday.

From the testimonies of the witnesses and records of the COA, the Senate committees' findings showed that there appears to be massive misappropriation, diversion of funds, malversation of public funds and the massive raid of the farmers' money.

Except for senators Richard Gordon and Manuel "Mar" Roxas II who were absent and Sen. Alfredo Lim who skipped the afternoon plenary session after attending the budget hearing by the Committee of the Whole earlier in the day, the rest of the Magsaysay panel members and blue ribbon committee, chaired by Sen.

Joker Arroyo that jointly undertook the probe, or 17 of them, signed the report.

From all angles, the two committees said in its 41-page report that the fertilizer funds case is a "premeditated, systematic and grand agricultural theft".

They said: "In the words of the farmers and taxpayers, the fertilizer fund scam is the rape of the nation. In fact, in is an object lesson in the abuse of power and misuse of people's money by some officials of the DA and some local leaders," they said.

The committees, Magsaysay said, called for Mrs. Arroyo to be held accountable in the management of the funds and take it upon herself to institute measures to correct the flaws in her administration.

It bears knowing that a number of testimonies adduced during the hearings were that **the fund was indeed used to assure her victory in the 2004 elections**, they said in the report, mentioning the positive declaration made by former Budget Sec. Emilia Boncodin, that remains uncontested in the legislative records, that "the President may have knowledge on the requests for the release of funds."

"Cognizant of the Presidential immunity and respect accorded to the Chief Executive, the accusations against her in the fertilizer fund scam are so serious that it places the position of the President in the balance.

"The Palace looks at the issue as a mere political tool. Its refusal to cooperate violates the spirit of democracy, promotes tyranny and breeds the ground for instability it has in fact stirred.

**"Failure to disprove the charges, even resorting to shield those directly responsible for squandering taxpayers' money, suggests her culpability and involvement in this unforgivable act** made against our poor farmers," Magsaysay said in sponsoring on the floor the report.

"Her obvious indifference to examine the matter further and identify the irregularities surrounding the disbursement of the farmers' fund is equivalent to breach of official duty by nonfeasance and inexcusable negligence of sworn obligation.

"In sum, the same may be labeled as betrayal of public trust in addition to the violations committed under the anti-graft and corrupt practices act and the law on plunder," Magsaysay said adding that Mrs. Arroyo, in taking on her official functions, makes a symbolic act before the nation to faithfully and conscientiously fulfill her duties, execute laws, preserve and defend the *Constitution*.

"The committees challenge the President to break her silence and put together the pieces of the unfinished puzzle," he sad, pointing out that no effort had been made by the Palace to belie and prove to the contrary the charges.

"But all allegations and testimonies point to her benefiting the most in an intricate scheme of deception and fraud.

"Only this much the committees of the Senate know: that the fertilizer fund was misused. It was corrupted. It was intended to assure her victory. The committees demand the truth.

... In total, the Senate learned that the scam involved P2.86 billion with P728 million comprising the GMA Project, P.1 billion spent for supposed GMA Rice and Corn program, P544 million coming from the recovered Marcos wealth and should have been turned over for the CARP and P432 million for another rice program.

It should be underscored that while those so-called participants in the scam tried to make it appear that there were transactions that took place and funds released went to the purported intended programs, "no one received the fertilizers," Senate probers said in their report.

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*Closer to home for most of our readers, the following article confirms GCH's references to ongoing MAN-ipation of our environment.*

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URGENT WARNING OF IMMINENT CATAclysm  
IN NORTHWEST UNITED STATES

By 'Harbinger', <WeatherWars.info>, 2/20/06

... What would you think if you were told that the currently erupting Augustine Volcano in Alaska was experiencing an unusual kind of earthquake every twelve hours to the second? That's right, a very strange earthquake goes off on Augustine every twelve hours exactly to the second. What would you think if you were told that each of these unusual earthquakes lasted for exactly the same length of time, fifty seconds for each and every event? What would you think if you were shown a collection of seismic waveforms for these precision earthquakes that were essentially identical? Most people would think those waveforms and the claims that preceded them were a hoax. Unfortunately ... [this] is not a hoax....

[Due to space constraints we cannot present the images associated with this article but readers are encouraged to visit <WeatherWars.info> for the images and complete text of this article.]

... The earthquakes shown from Mt. Augustine occur every twelve hours to the exact second. The six earthquakes from Mt. Dutton occur every twelve hours with a variation of two seconds. The six earthquakes from Wrangel occur every twelve hours with a variation of eight seconds. The earthquakes from Mt. Tanaga occur every twelve hours to the exact second. Within individual regions, the earthquake seismograms are remarkably similar. Each location has their own particular set of event times, and they are different for each location. Events are being shown from four locations to eliminate the possible judgment of 'equipment malfunction'.

... Unfortunately, there is a second graphic to view that shows the same kind of anomalous seismic activity in Washington State and Oregon. In this graphic, six earthquakes are shown for Mt. Rainier, three earthquakes from Mt. Baker and four earthquakes from Mt. Hood.

The earthquakes from Mt. Rainier appear to occur every twelve hours with a variation of three seconds. The word 'appear' is used because none of the records available for these volcanoes is complete. The earthquakes from Mt. Baker appear to occur every twelve (or twenty-four) hours with a variation of twenty-seven seconds. The earthquakes from Mt. Hood appear to occur every twelve (or twenty-four) hours with a variation of two minutes. Within individual regions, the earthquake seismograms are remarkably similar. Each location has their own particular set of event times, and they are different for each location. Events are being shown from three locations to eliminate the possible judgment of 'equipment malfunction'.

... Thus it is increasingly obvious that someone is trying to wreak havoc on the western coast of the United States of America, and they are doing it using three-axis scalar tectonic weapons, the only thing capable of creating such horrific acts. These weapons have astounding amounts of electronic power, some in excess of three terrawatts at a single station. When the longitudinal scalar waves from three scalar weapons combine at the selected target, the energy increases exponentially. When used at the resonant frequency of the target, the energy is increased exponentially once again, resulting in the power to create earthquakes and volcanic eruptions at will. It is being done openly as you read this, and if you are living in an area where these weapons are being focused, you have become of their targets.

This article is presented so that you the reader will have an awareness of what is now happening on the northwestern coast of North America, and so that you may know that a full-scale tectonic war is in progress.

There is power in knowledge, and it may be that power that saves your life.

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NEVADA CORPORATIONS:

# Keeping Shields Up in A Foreign Jurisdiction

Budget's "Tip of the Week" #11:

## Maintaining a Nevada Corporation's Liability Protection in a Foreign Jurisdiction

When using your Nevada corporation in a foreign jurisdiction, what can you do to maintain the strong liability protection afforded under Nevada's statutes?

So-called "long arm" laws have been used to claim jurisdiction over "foreign" corporations, stripping away the benefits that would otherwise accrue to them based on the statutes prevailing in their home jurisdiction. These "long arm" laws have been used to great effect in California, for example, ostensibly to protect that state's citizens from encroachments and predatory practices by "outsiders". **Nevada corporations are not immune from this potentially devastating application of the law that would deny them the liability protection inherent in Nevada's Revised Statutes—BUT IT WOULD APPEAR THAT THEY CAN BE.**

Article I, section 10, clause 1 of the U.S. Constitution prohibits the states from passing any "law impairing the obligation of contracts". The test for determining a violation of this "contract clause" in the Constitution was stated in *Allied Structural Steel Co. v. Spannaus*, 438 U.S. 234 (1978):

**"The first inquiry must be whether the state law has, in fact, operated as a substantial impairment of a contractual relationship. The severity of the impairment measures the height of the hurdle the state legislation must clear. Minimal alteration of contractual obligations may end the inquiry at its first stage. Severe impairment, on the other hand, will push the inquiry to a careful examination of the nature and purpose of the state legislation."**

The solution to retaining the superior liability protection made inherent to Nevada corporations in the *Nevada Revised Statutes* thus appears to be fairly simple:

**AS A PART OF ANY CONTRACT (and remember that a contract does not have to be in writing) WITH ANY ENTITY OR ENTITIES IN A FOREIGN JURISDICTION, ENSURE A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING THAT THE CONTRACT IS TRANSACTED IN NEVADA, AND THAT ANY DISPUTE SHALL BE RESOLVED IN NEVADA.**

You might also want to consider liberal use of the suffix, "a Nevada corporation", which can be appended to your corporation's name to add a measure of protection. In legal terms, there is a "rebuttable presumption" that Nevada law applies to any contract between a Nevada "person" (yes, a corporation IS a "person", by legal definition) and any other entity, so long as the second party is aware of the fact that they are dealing with a Nevada corporation. For this reason alone it can be wise to ensure that the Nevada corporation is identified as such while operating within a foreign jurisdiction.

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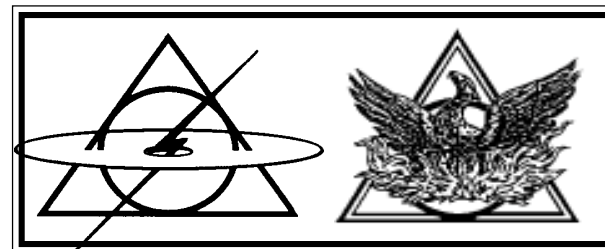
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