

## The WMD 2008 Omnibus

### Weapons of Mass Deception – The Master Social Science

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**Weapons of Mass Deception – the master social science**, and the real power of Western Democracy which famously permits dissent among its free peoples. Here is an example: “Government Insider: Bush Authorized 911 Attacks” – and the “Insider” surely “sleeps with the fishes”, right? Wrong. He moves about quite freely! How comes? Isn't he a great threat to those whom he rats on? The Dialectics of Infamy (also known as Ezra Pound's “Technique of Infamy”) has something for everyone in the dissent-space. It caters to the needs and proclivities of every breed of emergent dissenting flock and every possibility. Everything except that which might actually be consequential in derailing “imperial mobilization” and effectively preempting incremental faits accomplis of real agendas! Those who do pose real threats to these real agendas are trivially made to “sleep with the fishes” – from JFK to RFK to MLK to X!

The manipulation of the mainstream public to get them “United We Stand” is a well understood and rather banal social science today, often euphemistically labeled as “**manufacturing consent**”. From Roman Emperors to Hitler to President George W. Bush in the modernity du jour, all have expertly capitalized upon it. Zbigniew Brzezinski even expertly documented it with great finesse. “**Prisoners of the Cave**” entirely unraveled it as “**Deception Point 911 And Its Greatest Democratic Enablers**”.

The manipulation of the dissentstream however – the handful among any population who are the thinking peoples, as Hitler had noted: “**First, those who believe everything they read; Second, those who no longer believe anything; Third, those who critically examine what they read and form their judgments accordingly**” – is the least understood.

Indeed, before we begin with the dissentstream, it is instructive to fully quote from the master of sociology himself who had insightfully identified the importance of the “**First**” type to

Machiavellian state-craft, and the main target for manufacturing consent as “**the crowd of simpletons and the credulous ... when the voting papers of the masses are the deciding factor**”:

In journalistic circles it is a pleasing custom to speak of the Press as a 'Great Power' within the State. As a matter of fact its importance is immense. One cannot easily overestimate it, for the Press continues the work of education even in adult life. Generally, readers of the Press can be classified into three groups:

**First, those who believe everything they read;**

**Second, those who no longer believe anything;**

**Third, those who critically examine what they read and form their judgments accordingly.**

Numerically, the first group is by far the strongest, being composed of the broad masses of the people. Intellectually, it forms the simplest portion of the nation. It cannot be classified according to occupation but only into grades of intelligence. Under this category come all those who have not been born to think for themselves or who have not learnt to do so and who, partly through incompetence and partly through ignorance, believe everything that is set before them in print. To these we must add that type of lazy individual who, although capable of thinking for himself out of sheer laziness gratefully absorbs everything that others had thought over, modestly believing this to have been thoroughly done. The influence which the Press has on all these people is therefore enormous; for after all they constitute the broad masses of a nation. But, somehow they are not in a position or are not willing personally to sift what is being served up to them; so that their whole attitude towards daily problems is almost solely the result of extraneous influence. All this can be advantageous where public enlightenment is of a serious and truthful character, but great harm is done when scoundrels and liars take a hand at this work.

**The second group is numerically smaller, being partly composed of those who were formerly in the first group and after a series of bitter disappointments are now prepared to believe nothing of what they see in print.** They hate all newspapers. Either they do not read them at all or they become exceptionally annoyed at their contents, which they hold to be nothing but a congeries of lies and misstatements. **These people are difficult to handle; for they will always be sceptical of the truth. Consequently, they are useless for any form of positive work.**

**The third group is easily the smallest, being composed of real intellectuals whom natural aptitude and education have taught to think for themselves and who in all things try to form their own judgments, while at**

**the same time carefully sifting what they read.** They will not read any newspaper without using their own intelligence to collaborate with that of the writer and naturally this does not set writers an easy task. Journalists appreciate this type of reader only with a certain amount of reservation.

Hence the trash that newspapers are capable of serving up is of little danger--much less of importance--to the members of the third group of readers. In the majority of cases these readers have learnt to regard every journalist as fundamentally a rogue who sometimes speaks the truth. **Most unfortunately, the value of these readers lies in their intelligence and not in their numerical strength, an unhappy state of affairs in a period where wisdom counts for nothing and majorities for everything. Nowadays when the voting papers of the masses are the deciding factor; the decision lies in the hands of the numerically strongest group; that is to say the first group, the crowd of simpletons and the credulous.**

It is an all-important interest of the State and a national duty to prevent these people from falling into the hands of false, ignorant or even evil-minded teachers. Therefore it is the duty of the State to supervise their education and prevent every form of offence in this respect. Particular attention should be paid to the Press; for its influence on these people is by far the strongest and most penetrating of all; since its effect is not transitory but continual. Its immense significance lies in the uniform and persistent repetition of its teaching. Here, if anywhere, the State should never forget that all means should converge towards the same end. It must not be led astray by the will-o'-the-wisp of so-called 'freedom of the Press', or be talked into neglecting its duty, and withholding from the nation that which is good and which does good. With ruthless determination the State must keep control of this instrument of popular education and place it at the service of the State and the Nation. [Mein Kampf, Adolph Hitler, Vol. 1, Chapter X, <http://gutenberg.net.au/ebooks02/0200601.txt>]

Thus it isn't accidental that Hitler remains the most studied Machiavellian sociologist at the Rand Corporation, and his Mein Kampf perhaps the favorite reading at the Pentagon and among its policy planners who are spread out in a hundred think-tanks along the Hudson and the Potomac. The propaganda techniques Hitler mastered however, did not originate with him, and he clearly attributed his profound wisdom to his antagonists' great prowess:

On the other hand, British and American war propaganda was psychologically efficient. By picturing the Germans to their own people as Barbarians and Huns, they were preparing their soldiers for the horrors of war and safeguarding them against illusions. ...

From the enemy, however, a fund of valuable knowledge could be gained by those who kept their eyes open, whose powers of perception had not yet become sclerotic, and who during four-and-a-half years had to experience the perpetual flood of enemy propaganda.

The worst of all was that our people did not understand the very first condition which has to be fulfilled in every kind of propaganda; namely, a systematically one-sided attitude towards every problem that has to be dealt with. ...

The great majority of a nation is so feminine in its character and outlook that its thought and conduct are ruled by sentiment rather than by sober reasoning. This sentiment, however, is not complex, but simple and consistent. It is not highly differentiated, but has only the negative and positive notions of love and hatred, right and wrong, truth and falsehood. Its notions are never partly this and partly that. English propaganda especially understood this in a marvellous way and put what they understood into practice. They allowed no half-measures which might have given rise to some doubt.

Proof of how brilliantly they understood that the feeling of the masses is something primitive was shown in their policy of publishing tales of horror and outrages which fitted in with the real horrors of the time, thereby cleverly and ruthlessly preparing the ground for moral solidarity at the front, even in times of great defeats. Further, the way in which they pilloried the German enemy as solely responsible for the war--which was a brutal and absolute falsehood--and the way in which they proclaimed his guilt was excellently calculated to reach the masses, realizing that these are always extremist in their feelings. And thus it was that this atrocious lie was positively believed. ...

The success of any advertisement, whether of a business or political nature, depends on the consistency and perseverance with which it is employed.

In this respect also the propaganda organized by our enemies set us an excellent example. It confined itself to a few themes, which were meant exclusively for mass consumption, and it repeated these themes with untiring perseverance. Once these fundamental themes and the manner of placing them before the world were recognized as effective, they adhered to them without the slightest alteration for the whole duration of the War. At first all of it appeared to be idiotic in its impudent assertiveness. Later on it was looked upon as disturbing, but finally it was believed.

But in England they came to understand something further: namely, that the possibility of success in the use of this spiritual weapon consists in the mass employment of it, and that when employed in this way it brings full returns for the large expenses incurred.

In England propaganda was regarded as a weapon of the first order, whereas with us it represented the last hope of a livelihood for our unemployed politicians and a snug job for shirkers of the modest hero type. ...

I learned something that was important at that time, namely, to snatch from the hands of the enemy the weapons which he was using in his reply. I soon

noticed that our adversaries, especially in the persons of those who led the discussion against us, were furnished with a definite repertoire of arguments out of which they took points against our claims which were being constantly repeated. The uniform character of this mode of procedure pointed to a systematic and unified training. And so we were able to recognize the incredible way in which the enemy's propagandists had been disciplined, and I am proud to-day that I discovered a means not only of making this propaganda ineffective but of beating the artificers of it at their own work. **Two years later I was master of that art.** [Mein Kampf, Adolph Hitler, Vol. 2, Chapter VI]

Perhaps for Hitler, Edward Bernays' 1928 American classic **“Propaganda”** might have been the favorite bedtime reading, nightly perusing its opening pages which of course begin with the fantastic observation:

**“The conscious and intelligent manipulation of the organized habits and opinions of the masses is an important element in democratic society. Those who manipulate this unseen mechanism of society constitute an invisible government which is the true ruling power of our country.”**

All and sundry among the scholars of empire have written books upon books on the many techniques for **“manufacturing consent”** – from Advertising and Marketing techniques to how it was done in the Third Reich to construct “United We Stand” out of the **“crowd of simpletons and the credulous”** – while the state-craft in their own democracies quietly practice it upon their own peoples laboring under the illusion of “freedom of the press” with **“All the news that's fit to print”** all the time! But it isn't particularly a secret, and is done quite openly, albeit quietly.

The manipulation of the intelligent conscionable ones however, the **“Manufacturing of Dissent”**, remains the most poorly analyzed master social science in the West, even though it is also the most secretly practiced Black-art of modern democratic state-craft to effectively deal with the **“Second”** and **“Third”** groups of people.

Hitler attempted to win the **“Third”** group over to his side to be among the Third Reich's ruling elite (if they were of the right racial makeup). Those whom he couldn't attract, he ignored along with the **“Second”** group, on account of both of them being so minuscule in number. The most dangerous among them of course were simply made to “sleep with the fishes” by the SS. Hitler had chosen to exclusively focus his propaganda war-machine on **“the crowd of simpletons and the credulous ... when the voting papers of the masses are the deciding factor”**. The Western system of democracy however does not, and cannot, ignore any of the three groups. The “First” group is easy – and remain the focus of the pretty well understood “manufacturing consent”. The other two groups are of course also encouraged or co-opted to join 'empire' – and the majority among them willingly do so because of the immense riches and/or benefits to ones' career and social standing that are to be had in voluntarily remaining silent (in the best case of complicity), and shilling for empire in sophisticated ways suited to their much higher intelligence capabilities (in the worst case as hectoring hegemons).

The remaining become the focus of “**Manufactured Dissent**”. They are cleverly and continually put on the treadmill that deliberately goes nowhere. Otherwise, left to their own free-thinking un co-opted devices, even small numbers can end up making a significant difference in the long run. Yes, even in the facade of Democracy, since it does constitute a non-linear system of empowered human action. It is not their direct action however that constitutes a significant threat, but the potential of their mobilizing impact among the minority of ordinary conscionable peoples in the larger society whom they might **galvanize into efficacious action**, that is the real threat. Astutely channeling dissenting energies towards inefficacy, and clever red herrings, is the potent weapon system of choice for deployment among this rebellious group and their potential flock.

This is quite distinct from an open fascist oligarchy and open dictatorships with regimented and coerced human-will which leave little room for non-linearity of human action. In such blatantly ruled autocratic systems, it is only the majority coming together that can bring about any significant transformations – and that too, only through revolutionary means. Which is why the loci of direct manipulative control remains upon the majority peoples in such systems. And the tiny thinking minority is trivially silenced through the instilled fear crafted from disappearances, incarcerations, forced exiles, and “sleeps with the fishes” – the bread and butter of empirical state-craft in non democracies.

This **WMD 2008 Omnibus** forensically examines the Black unspoken art of “**manufacturing dissent**” in a democracy from the most important and crucial perspective, that of efficacy, and of deliberate misdirection. It draws upon already published letters and essays by Project Humanbeingsfirst which peel back some of the layers of the multi-layered 'onion' of the far more sophisticated intellectual Weapon of Mass Deception that has today become both, “**a state of mind – and the mind of the State**”. Its essential principles are The Technique of Infamy, and the Dialectics of Deception. Exploring these principles in their various incantations is the focus of this collection.

This scribe too, as a humble student of engineering at MIT, was indoctrinated into the ways of the famed Western dissent-space of protest marches and making speeches by one none other than its most notorious gadfly, the distinguished Noam Chomsky, “*arguably the most important intellectual alive*”. As this scribe has grown into his two score years and then some, and further lived through contemporaneously unfolding imperial wars of conquests – as opposed to merely only reading about them in staid history books as in one's idyllic youth – a deeper perception of the grotesque reality has taken its toll.

This comprehension is humbly shared with the Western public, especially the courageous dissenting voices who remain enthralled by their Western freedoms and continue to make absolutely ZERO impact on anything of significance as they exercise vigorously on their respective treadmills of conscience. It is the hope that these matters can be corrected – for indeed these intellectual freedoms are precious, provided something impactful can be done with them. Otherwise, they are only as pleurably productive as you know what.

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## And he 'sleeps with the fishes'? A response to 'Government Insider: Bush Authorized 911 Attacks'

And he 'sleeps with the fishes'?

A response to 'Government Insider: Bush Authorized 911  
Attacks'

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**To: Alex Jones,**

**Infowars.com, PrisonPlanet.com**

**Subject: Your Interview “Government Insider: Bush Authorized 911 Attacks”**

**Friday, May 23, 2008.**

Dear Mr. Alex Jones – Dissent-Chief Extraordinaire,

I do not know how to reach you directly, so I am writing this public letter in the hope

that you will get to see it and will choose to respond.

I humbly wish to draw your kind attention to a comment that I posted on [May 21st , 2008 at 5:50 pm](#), for the very un-forensic interview that you conducted with Stanley Hilton “**Government Insider: Bush Authorized 911 Attacks**”.

The most disturbing question about this interview is why should a famous gadfly like yourself, one who has become an immensely popular magnet for the most radical and overzealous of 'truth-seekers' among the dissent-space in the United States, deliberately try to push this concept of “*Bush Authorized 911 Attacks*” in this interview, and even attempt to give it extra credibility by prefacing the interview transcript with: “*Keep in mind when reading this, that the man being interviewed is no two-bit internet conspiracy buff*”, and yet, produce not a shard of the purported evidence? The credibility of this interview is rather straightforwardly analyzed in my comment posted on your website, and which is also reproduced below for your convenience. I hope that as the rising gadfly 'dissenting chief' of many a rebel and 'mal-content', that you will appreciate and welcome a tiny plebeian gnat on your own very prominent back!

I am entirely worried that just as the uber gadfly extraordinaire Noam Chomsky takes the opposite extreme position, of a “Bin Laden” and “Al-Qaeeda” dun-it without producing any evidence or rational analysis to support his conjectures that can withstand any forensic scrutiny, you seem to be taking the other extreme position, entirely following in his very large and distinguished footsteps. It almost appears as if, surely only inadvertently, a dialectics of infamy (also known as Ezra Pound's 'technique of infamy') is being re-constructed in the dissent-space to cater to the needs and proclivities of every breed of emergent flock and every possibility (see “[Responsibility of Intellectuals – Redux](#)”). Everything except that which might actually be true, provable, or useful in efficaciously preempting “*imperial mobilization*” which every American of conscience, as per all the public opinion polls over the past few years, opposes. And primarily opposes more today than yesterday, because the “***economic self-denial (that is defense spending), and the human sacrifice (casualties even among professional soldiers) required in the effort are [finally becoming] uncongenial to democratic instincts.***”

IMHO, only the timely institutional capitalization upon this emerging new domestic reality in America can lead to any efficacy of dissent! The window of opportunity is tiny and shrinking rapidly, bounded that it is in the initial stages of the game by the apathetic or scared and all too willing “United We Stand” public on one end, and the COG and Martial Law on the other before the “*democratic instincts*” very predictably begin to react towards the end-game. That public reaction too has been astutely

modulated and controlled, and you know all this far better than this scribe.

And yet, all the distinguished gadflies of empire are busy with what? Cultivating more red herrings! How many have actually done any insightful analysis of what it takes to derail *"imperial mobilization"*? I have only mainly heard platitudes, moralizing, sky-is-falling, or rehash of the crimes of empire, with many just laughing their way to their banks in soaring book sales and speaking engagement fees! But what I don't hear is efficacious solution-spaces!

In this regard, I humbly draw your kind attention to this report by [Project Humanbeingsfirst](#): "[How to derail 'imperial mobilization' and preempt the crossing of the Nuclear Rubicon](#)".

And to this key passage therein:

If there is reason for the United States to nuclear decimate any country or any peoples in purported 'self-defense', the American peoples must demand a ratification of the decision to go to war through a public referendum – let its great "populist democracy" speak directly in the modernity of the 21st century before it is called upon to make its sacrifices, before it is called upon to pay its taxes to fund the war, and before it is called upon to acquire innocent blood on its hands!

You will surely agree in principle with the afore stated paragraph, that a mandatory public referendum before initiating any ***"defensive' US military action"*** can not only immediately catalyze the much needed world Détente on the 'Grand Chessboard' by the ordinary American public themselves, but also preempt both another 911 upon America's shores, and the crossing of the nuclear Rubicon – because now, an almost insurmountable institutional road-block would have been enacted in the veritable path of *"imperial mobilization"* within the legal framework of governance, which in these times of 'once bitten twice shy', will surely vote a **"NAY"**!

This entirely eliminates the typical mobilizing impact harvested from a catalyzing "new Pearl Harbor" false flag operation, and hence the very usefulness of planning and executing a costly criminal operation that has little payback. Especially today with the American peoples already war averse! If this genuine democratic hook was today present in the system, perhaps the first 911 war on Afghanistan could not have been prevented due to its shock impact; perhaps the costly launching of war on Iraq may also not have been prevented as plebeian America was still going strong "United We Stand" through the projected "cake-walk"; but today, with this nation bleeding, gas prices over \$4.00, and many perched at the edge of insolvency, it

would entirely eliminate the *raison d'être* of another 911 that President Bush repeatedly warns the Americans about every chance he gets:

**“Good morning [America]. At this moment, somewhere in the world, terrorists are planning new attacks on our country. Their goal is to bring destruction to our shores that will make September the 11th pale by comparison.”** (President of the United States, George W. Bush, [Feb. 13, 2008](#))

And which, Donald Rumsfeld so sanguinely opines in a recently disclosed [2006 video-tape](#), he rather have to get the peoples to take the 'threats' to America seriously because they lack *“the maturity to recognize the seriousness of the ‘threats’”*. With the afore-stated plebeians' hook in place, his next statement wouldn't have the grotesque import that it now has, would it(?):

**“The correction for that, I suppose, is another attack.”**

Direct referendum is a simple well known mechanism that can be far more potent and efficacious within the requisite timelines of urgency, than what all the [Anti-War Movements](#), [911 Truth Movements](#), [Impeachment Movements](#), [Whistle-blower Movements](#), [Book-Publishing Movements](#), [Reformed Alcoholic Movements](#), [Internet Rant Movements](#), [etcetera](#), [etcetera](#), [etcetera](#), have been able to preempt since 911!

Indeed, IMHO, all that these various Movements have been able to orchestrate, is a glorious trail of inefficacy, red herrings, exercise on treadmills, armchair internet activism (substitute for the mainstream's 7 o'clock news), and the very enablement of *“imperial mobilization”* through their impotency – as even the President of the United States had noted on the eve of the invasion of Iraq, responding to the question *“Given the size of the protests in England over the weekend, do you have any concerns that Tony Blair might pay a serious political price for supporting you on Iraq?”*, he had said:

**“First of all, you know, size of protest, it's like deciding, well, I'm going to decide policy based upon a focus group.”** (President George W. Bush, [February 23, 2003](#))

Unless the handful of conscionable peoples who do rise-up to protest, and especially those who rise to prominent positions of leadership among them, also learn to forensically analyze their failure to be efficacious in their dissent instead of eagerly always grasping at every straw and red herring planted their way, they inevitably become part of sustaining the very same *“imperial mobilization”* they oppose! **Dissent has thus, in effect, become an essential and very treacherous**

**component of empire!** It enables conscionable people to feel good on the treadmill, and accomplishes no useful interference with the imperial projects of empire.

This is precisely what Hectoring Hegemons of all shades and stripes count on, and the dissenting-chiefs of empire so excel in assisting them in: **the ability to construct imperial faits accomplis while providing the conscionable plebeians with some astutely constructed 'blow out the steam safety-valves' through managed dissent!** Even that 'safety-valve' won't be needed under Martial Law – and you must surely agree with that bit of palpable truism!

Therefore, I hope you can join me in advocating this efficacious measure wholeheartedly, if it makes sense to you for its immediate efficacy given the grotesque reality du jour. How to instrument its realization requires all of dissent-space coming together on this one singular focal point of action and not be wasting its precious time and resources chasing this and that cleverly cultivated red herring traps like the one you seem to be, surely only inadvertently, pushing in your interview of Stanley Hilton.

Please feel free to constructively critique anything I have written – I invite you to take it apart not with rants on a megaphone, but with convincing logic and rationalism with the touchstone of efficacy being the paramount yardstick of useful dissent! I don't have all the answers that still need to be uncovered to practically derail *“imperial mobilization”*, and am just as much concerned about the crossing of the nuclear Rubicon as the rest of conscionable thinking peoples on the planet who see its constructions in the making. That must surely remain the first priority of all peoples!

You do real good work (in most cases) and I humbly thank you for having the courage of your convictions and showing us ordinary folks the way. That said, the victims of *“imperial mobilization”* care little how hard the dissenters yelled in their megaphones in the streets of America! Please do keep that in mind!

Thank you.

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Comments on [“Government Insider: Bush Authorized 911 Attacks”](#):

[Zahir Ebrahim/Project Humanbeingsfirst.org Says:](#)

[May 21st , 2008 at 5:50 pm](#)

Hello –

After reading this bizarre article, I wrote the following note to Noam Chomsky - I wish to share an excerpt from it here because it hits at the heart of the matter: this disclosure is a bit too early in time! If these statements aren't mere hyperbole but backed with evidence: “**... but in actually ordering it to happen. Bush personally ordered it to happen. We have some very incriminating documents as well as eye-witnesses, that Bush personally ordered this event to happen in order to gain ...**”, then this nice gentleman would be prematurely “sleeping with the fishes” by now (Heavens forbid – and may he live long and prosper).

While there [can be] no doubt to this overarching phrase from his statement: “**And this was a direct, covert operation ordered**”, at least by someone, to assert [that] there is evidence which points to the President of the United States, and then live to state it, is counter-intuitive – no different than the Government's version that a caveman Yoda master from the Hindu Kush using mind-melding Yoga to overcome all of America's air-defences and simultaneously “control-demolition” the towers in a “shock and awe” of his own upon the most armed to the teeth superpower national security state in the history of civilizations and conveniently [also] leave his calling card behind so that the angry-elephant will know exactly where to bomb him, is counter-intuitive.

So either there is no [accessible] evidence [which is why 'state-secrets privilege' and high-speed shredders exist in the first place], or these are mere allegations and conjectures, hearsay, hyperbolics, etc., and only in these two cases, can this person live to tell this tale.

The s/n ratio seems very weak in this interview on account of rationality of analysis. If there was any real evidence as he states, this guy would have naturally pulled an “Ellsberg”, i.e., gone the “Pentagon Papers” route – not merely talk about it [publicly]!

This Government, as with the Third Reich before it, is very 'legality'

conscious – and if an incriminating document as suggested here can [accessibly] exist which can indict its leader: [then it is logical to presume that] if they can do a 911 like grotesque [false flag] operation and kill 3000 of their own citizens, they surely wouldn't mind killing one more [and would do it before the 'rat' even ventured to squeal]! QED!

I wrote [the following] note to Noam Chomsky because he vehemently argues for the Government's version [of 911] primarily because he thinks it's too big of a lie otherwise; not because he thinks the Government is a saint (obviously). It would be interesting to see what he has to say to this supposed "insider's revelation" which runs counter to his [publicly] stated position. I'll ask him to post his response here (if he makes any).

Thank you.

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----- Letter to Noam Chomsky -----

Date: Wed, 21 May 2008 13:58:28 -0800

Subject: Interesting article in Pakistani paper for your comments!

Dear Prof. Chomsky

Please check out this article which appeared in a Pakistani newspaper. ...

<http://www.daily.pk/.../george-w-bush-authorized-911-attacks-says-government-insider.html>

I am a bit surprised by this disclosure – not by what the neocons were doing at Univ. of Chicago for I have actually read some of these

thesis believe it or not. One of them is very interesting, “Coup d'etat” – you may have read it already. I bought it and read it on the plane last year! I am quite well read in Straussian craft and its history by now, and also have studied Brzezinski et. al quite a bit. So none of this information is new to me. Rather I know it to be correct by first-hand study of their state-craft doctrines. However what is a bit surprising is the disclosure that I am seeking your opinion on – for it has come too soon.

I was thinking that it will be at least 50 years – and in the meantime, we will all be looking either for a “Bin Laden's” hand (that's you – which conveniently echoes the Pentagon's and White House's story-line), or another covert-hand aka “Hari-Seldon's Second Foundationers” within the existing system of governance and/or perched upon its edge with deep tentacles into both the Pentagon's DIA and NORAD which means at least a minimal civil-military collusion space, and deep pockets (and that's me – which mistrusts and distrusts any Governments' version of anything, preferring instead to rely on Ellsberg's experience of the Pentagon [Papers] era that “Governments lie”, the size of the lie is immaterial; and your own prior teachings of “outlaw” and “rogue” states).

Regards,

Zahir

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The author, an ordinary researcher and writer on contemporary geopolitics, a minor justice activist, grew up in Pakistan, studied EECS at MIT, engineered for a while in high-tech Silicon Valley (patents [here](#)), and retired early to pursue other responsible interests. His maiden 2003 book was rejected by six publishers and can be read on the web at <http://PrisonersoftheCave.org>. He may be reached at <http://Humanbeingsfirst.org>.

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### **A [Project Humanbeingsfirst](#) response to Gorbachev's unhidden wisdom: Beware of the 'wise men' of opposition**

Comment submitted for article written by Walter C. Uhler "Is the United States of America Addicted to War?" <http://atlanticfreepress.com/content/view/3894/81/>

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There isn't much on the surface that one can disagree with in Walter C. Uhler's exposition, and certainly not with the statement: "*Mikhail Gorbachev is not a frivolous man.*" Though one might mildly quibble over the characterization of the word "peaceful", as in "*the man who did more than any other individual to bring the Cold War to a peaceful conclusion*" even if one overlooks the destruction of Afghanistan

and being the recipient of the gift of “*giving to the USSR its Vietnam War*” at the expense of shattering the tabula rasa of an innocent peoples and their entire civilization, one would certainly not argue with the main thesis being propounded. That yes indeed, this man was responsible for seeding the pivotal prime-mover transformation “**From Balance of Terror to Unilateral Terror**” [1] which today fuels the unilateralist quest for “*full spectrum dominance*”.

One would certainly also not argue with the spectrum of opinions quoted from the scholars of empire themselves, expounding upon the unfettered penchant for “*imperial mobilization*” of the neo-colonial legatee of the former colonial empire upon whom, once upon a time, the sun never set!

The characterization that does puzzle one though, is that of the “*such wise men*” as in “*little wonder that wise men, such as Mikhail Gorbachev, see something more permanent and nefarious at work. Is Iran next?*”

What is this profound wisdom of “*such wise men*” that they deserve to be quoted to assert what is obvious to all and sundry: “*Is Iran next?*” It is hardly even a question today, even the mainstream presses are full of ominous prognostications daily. And nor has it been since at least 2002 – if not earlier during the 1990s when PNAC was being crafted – when the NPR was first publicly revealed, wherein Iran was identified for 'preemptive' nuclear strikes by the 'hectoring hegemons'!

Is such a designation of “*wise men*” to Gorbachev primarily for rehashing the palpable truisms of war? Many have tread that beaten path far more astutely:

**“War is a Racket”** – Maj. Gen Smedley Butler, circa 1930s.

<http://www.ratical.org/ratville/CAH/warisaracket.pdf>

**“War is a Force that gives Us Meaning”** – Chris Hedges, circa 2002.

Or is such a designation of “*wise men*” for the feigned surprise of 'Nature Boy' winning the Noora-Kushti\*, as was expressed by the famed Iraq Study Group when it ex post facto noted:

***“We conclude that the intelligence community was dead wrong in almost all of its prewar judgments about Iraq's weapons of mass destruction. This was a major intelligence failure”*** –

just as Mr. Walter C. Uhler too [notes](#) in praise of his favorite hero “*the greatest statesman of the twentieth century*”:

***“In speeches delivered to the State of the World Forum in September 2000, Mikhail Gorbachev blamed the United States for squandering unique post-cold war opportunities to bring "new thinking" (novoe myshlenie) to the problems of globalization, arms reduction and nuclear disarmament. He's entitled. For, paradoxically, it was Gorbachev--the product of an ostensibly moribund, so-called totalitarian regime--whose idealism and dynamism went farthest in demilitarizing the cold war, assuring its peaceful resolution and ushering in those very opportunities.”***

Or is it indeed perhaps for the wisdom that is only visible on that one real 'birthday' when 'Alice' is wide awake and far removed from the 24x7 364-day immersive influence of the 'Mad Hatter' at the 'unbirthday party' – the real wisdom of one “*whose idealism and dynamism went farthest in demilitarizing the cold war*”, of having eagerly partaken at the [Globalists' table](#) [2] and having been amply rewarded for it with the Nobel Peace Prize?

The wisdom that is now, in piece-meal and in calculated stages of incremental faits accomplis, ushering in the New World Order of ***“namely one centre of authority, one centre of force, one centre of decision-making. It is world in which there is one master, one sovereign”?***

This was surely entirely un-obvious to “*the greatest statesman of the twentieth century*” *un-attuned* to absolute power and its incantations – not having read George Kennan's PPS-23 from 1948 (Declassified June 17, 1974):

*‘Our real task in the coming period is to devise a pattern of relationships which will permit us to maintain this position of disparity without positive detriment to our national security. To do so, we will have to dispense with all sentimentality and day-dreaming; and our attention will have to be concentrated everywhere on our immediate national objectives. We need not deceive ourselves that we can afford today the luxury of altruism and world-benefaction.*

*We should dispense with the aspiration to "be liked" or to be regarded as the repository of a high-minded international altruism. We should stop putting ourselves in the position of being our brothers' keeper and refrain from offering moral and ideological advice. We should cease to talk about vague and--for the Far East--unreal objectives such as human rights, the raising of the living standards, and democratization. The day is not far off when we are going to have to*

*deal in straight power concepts. The less we are then hampered by idealistic slogans, the better.'*

While the other far less glamorous Russian leader, Vladimir Putin, merely used those ominously descriptive words cited above to temporarily describe the leaves of the manifest tree of incremental conquest, that description is far more accurate prescriptively, of the un-hidden DNA that is seeding the totality of the neo-liberal global reality of the New World Order! One that Gorbachev himself described in these words:

*“If we leave the world to its own devices.... it will mean new sufferings, the death of many people from hunger, epidemics and wars.... The humane and moral mind cannot accept this prospect. **The alternative is a managed process... on a global level.**”*

Why do such Hegelian dialectics and the 'technique of infamy'\*\*\* spun by the brilliant scholars of empire, all of which so very cleverly attempt to juxtapose conquests with its fake opposition, still fail to impress the ordinary plebeian mind?

Perhaps that's why, we still remain, pretty much the 'plebeians', forever on the receiving end of this ***“managed process... on a global level.”***

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[1] <http://atlanticfreepress.com/content/view/3831/81/>

\*Noora-Kushti – an Urdu language expression that denotes a 'fixed-match', like WWF, wherein both sides work to benefit the same promoters and sponsors.

\*\*technique of infamy – Ezra Pound's exposition of a brilliant Machiavellian construction. See <http://humanbeingsfirst.org>

[2] "The State of the World according to Gorbachev" 1996,  
<http://crossroad.to/articles2/state96.htm>

**Caveat Lector** - who knows what is true and what is false anymore! Taking things at face value is considered rational and wise today, and foolishness and conspiratorial otherwise.

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## Beware of Red Herrings on Nuclear Security spun by Hectoring Hegemons

**Beware of Red Herrings on Nuclear Security  
spun by Hectoring Hegemons and their patsies!**

**Zahir Ebrahim**

March 27, 2008.

Also see [Letter to Sibel Edmonds on 'Pakistan's Bomb, U.S. Cover-up'](#)

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The following letter was sent to Ms. Sibel Edmonds in continuation of the theme from Project Humanbeingsfirst's letter to her of March 18, 2008, on ['Pakistan's Bomb, U.S. Cover-up'](#).

March 21, 2008.

Dear Ms. Sibel Edmonds,



Hi. FYI. A copy of [letter to editor of Foreign Policy In Focus](#), citing your work among other matters. I bring it to your kind attention mainly to point out that there are many urgent and pressing matters which can today lead to the nuclear holocaust of an innocent nation at the hands of 'hectoring hegemons' in your own nation. There is far greater imminent threat to humanity by the imperial 'hectoring hegemons' in your own nation right now, than some fictitious 'pirates' and 'rogue' states half way across the world that may have been sold nuclear secrets 10 years ago. The latter is already fait accompli, the former will soon be unless courageous and prominent activists, whistleblowers, and men and women of conscience stop chasing down cultivated red herrings and focus on the highest order, most significant bits of the matter as it unfolds today. This letter to FPIF references a [rebuttal essay](#) by Project Humanbeingsfirst that disassembles one such deftly cultivated red herring by a prominent Princeton University nuclear non-proliferation expert. **I strongly suspect that you are, quite inadvertently, pushing another red herring.** Both have the theme in common, that they entirely ignore the premeditated diabolical intent by your own nation to use nuclear weapons on Iran under one pretext or another. There is no bigger threat to nuclear security than a rogue cabal within the United States Government hijacking the American nukes, or contriving their deployment and use, under pretexts! As men and women of conscience and uncommon courage, let's also "call a spade a spade" shall we? I would not be writing you had you not become such a prominent person among the dissent-stream and whistleblowers. Please channel this prominence and visibility upon matters that have a current high import. If you are doing it already, that's great, and thank you.

The following letter was emailed to you a few days ago; just in case it ended up in the junk mail bit bucket, here is a pointer to it for your reference:

<http://humanbeingsfirst.blogspot.com/2008/03/letter-sibeledmonds-nuclear-security.html>.

I would appreciate an acknowledgment that you have received it.

Kind Regards,

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Project Humanbeingsfirst cannot humbly emphasize enough the first order most crucial question that must concern all conscionable 'United States persons' today, including courageous genuinely patriotic whistleblowers. How do these revelations of FBI recordings about supposedly 'treasonous' matters that are already fait accompli from ten years ago, and the incessant demands by Ms. Edmonds and her supporters to hold a (surely to be sensationalized) Congressional public inquiry to air them out, today deter Presidents Bush/Cheney or [Israel](#) from their devilishly crafted

premeditated plans for launching [nuclear attacks on Iran](#) disguised as a “*defensive U.S. military action*” ([Brzezinski](#))? Or, how will it prevent future such attacks, or derail the ongoing systematic destabilization of that entire Eurasian continent identified by '[Dr. Strangelove](#)' mastermind du jour as the “*Global Zone of Percolating Violence*”, in the next Administration to occupy the White House which will most assuredly be composed of merely new 'water carriers' for the same genre of 'hectoring hegemons'\* continuing forth with the enduring legacy of [George F. Kennan's unabashed 1948 memo PPS23](#):

*'Our real task in the coming period is to devise a pattern of relationships which will permit us to maintain this position of disparity without positive detriment to our national security. To do so, we will have to dispense with all sentimentality and day-dreaming; and our attention will have to be concentrated everywhere on our immediate national objectives. We need not deceive ourselves that we can afford today the luxury of altruism and world-benefaction.'*

That refrain from “*altruism and world-benefaction*” was in a bipolar world that was emerging from the ashes of World War II, for which Kennan emphasized the necessity of dealing “*in straight power concepts*” as the very corner stone of America's foreign policy going forward:

*'We should dispense with the aspiration to "be liked" or to be regarded as the repository of a high-minded international altruism. We should stop putting ourselves in the position of being our brothers' keeper and refrain from offering moral and ideological advice. We should cease to talk about vague and--for the Far East--unreal objectives such as human rights, the raising of the living standards, and democratization. The day is not far off when we are going to have to deal in straight power concepts. The less we are then hampered by idealistic slogans, the better.'*

In the unipolar world of the sole superpower's hectoring hegemony today, where the term “unipolar” was rather bluntly defined in 2007 by the Russian President [Wladimir Putin](#) thusly:

*“what is a unipolar world? However one might embellish this term, at the end of the day it refers to one type of situation, namely one centre of authority, one centre of force, one centre of decision-making. It is world in which there is one master, one sovereign. And at the end of the day this is pernicious not only for all those within this system, but also for the sovereign itself because it destroys itself from within. And*

*this certainly has nothing in common with democracy. Because, as you know, democracy is the power of the majority in light of the interests and opinions of the minority.”*

we have empirically seen the barbaric lengths to which the United States has gone to introduce its “*Grande baille of the New World Order*” from Iraq 1990 to Iraq 2008, to the point of it now actively planning preemptive nuclear attacks on developing nations unwilling to follow the diktats of “*one master, one sovereign.*” Only an [adversely indoctrinated person](#) would deny this empirical reality today, however colorfully it might be embellished as the “*war on terrorism*”.

Please think before acting – please analyze why, systematically, and consistently, all efforts by well intentioned peoples have been inefficacious in preventing new wars? That, if any attack on Iran was postponed due to the [American 'loose nukes'](#), it was likely entirely because courageous commanders within the American military establishment refused to follow immoral orders?

Could it be because the real patriots of America have been cleverly co-opted by endless red herrings, and by deliberate focus on the 'leaves' instead of the 'roots' and the 'DNA' of the disease leading to new leaves continually being created by the same [diseased tree of infamy](#)?

Yet inexplicably, we observe courageous whistleblowers like Ms. Edmonds entirely silent on matters of “*imperial mobilization*” of her own adopted nation, or that 911 could have been an inside job because the “*imperial mobilization*” and dramatic increase in defense spending to affect the military transformation that immediately followed was precisely predicated on such a shockingly catalyzing event – the “[new pearl harbor](#)”!

She is also silent on how 911 could possibly have occurred in an armed to the teeth superpower without treasonous peoples on the inside aiding and abetting in its operational planning, logistics, and execution. And not just aiding and abetting inadvertently through their incompetence, or aiding and abetting thugishly by being in the pay of foreign governments, both of which Ms. Edmonds asserts likely caused an otherwise preventable 911 from occurring, but aiding and abetting in actually making 911 happen on purpose as a deadly military covert-ops by a rogue cabal inside the United States upon the American nation like Hitler's 'Operation Canned Goods' and the 'Reichstag fire'! For the latter definition of aiding and abetting, the ultimate in treason, she is silent. One imagines that like Noam Chomsky and Robert Fisk, [she too believes that 19 Muslim jihadis, controlled by a man on a dialysis machine in the Hindu Kush and armed with laptops and cell phones](#), trumped the

world's largest most sophisticated superpower into [lowering its air defenses](#), into not following routine operational procedures, and [suspended the laws of physics](#) by demolishing the towers at [free fall speed](#).

Ms. Edmonds is bizarrely mute on the empirical observation – which requires no interpreters or translators or intermediaries – that the towers collapsing into their own footprints is suspiciously similar to how buildings collapse under expert controlled demolition. Nor is she willing to opine on the logical implication of the highest levels of treason that would be involved in such a case if the empirical evidence of the eyes, years of engineering experience, and the rational mind are taken as the starting point of forensic analysis instead of the facile unproven theoretical expositions from the Pentagon and 'Popular Mechanics'. Indeed, she seems entirely fixated in her untiring efforts, to draw attention to, and elevate the threat from, the boogiemens 'pirates', who are now, in effect, made out to appear more real and less fictitious because real identifiable 'treasonous thugs' from within the US Government themselves sold the bad guys America's nuclear secrets for a song! (Sibel Edmonds' words, non-utterances, and omissions gleaned in only these references: [A](#) [B](#) [C](#) [D](#) [E](#) [F](#) [G](#) [H](#) [I](#) [J](#) [K](#) [L](#) [M](#) [N](#) as of 03/27/08)

Therefore, it is legitimate, it may be tortuously argued under certain ripe conditions, to [nuclear decimate both Pakistan and Iran](#), in order to claim back America's stolen nuclear secrets that Ms. Edmonds is drawing attention to as an insider whistleblower. Especially if it's carried out in the guise of retaliatory-response to another even more horrendous 911 as [President Bush himself prognosticated on February 13, 2008](#) is imminent: *“terrorists are planning new attacks on our country ... that will make Sept. 11 pale by comparison”*. Or even in response to another Gulf of Tonkin scenario that [Congressman Ron Paul had prognosticated on January 15, 2007](#): *“I am concerned, however, that a contrived Gulf of Tonkin-type incident may occur to gain popular support for an attack on Iran”*. Or in response to perhaps an [entirely different scenario](#) that will appear so publicly shocking at the time of its occurrence that it would necessitate Martial Law in the United States, and hurriedly lead to nuclear 'retaliatory' *“shock and awe”* upon all pre-planned targets. That such reasons for nuclear retaliation and preemptive nuclear strikes are not far fetched is ominously foreshadowed in build-up statements from American military commanders such as this one reported in [Pakistani newspaper Dawn on February 7, 2008](#): *'Defence officials told Congress on Wednesday that Al Qaeda is operating from havens in “under-governed regions” of Pakistan, which they said pose direct threats to Europe, the United States and the Pakistan government itself. ... Adm. Michael Mullen, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, predicted in written testimony that the next attack on the United States probably would be launched by terrorists in that*

*region.* More of such ominous statements building up the boogiemans in the Hindu Kush can be gleaned in this [open letter to a Pakistani General](#) warning Pakistan's leaders that they are unwittingly (or perhaps deliberately) suiciding that country by continuing to engage in the [American fiction](#) of the 'War on Terror' which has made Pakistan "[Terror Central](#)", the "[very petri dish of international terrorism](#)".

But it suffices to examine the above cited Adm. Michael Mullen's clairvoyance even with a modicum of one's own commonsense and a bit of un-indoctrinated rationalism.

**“Next attack on the United States”?** Is it so easy to attack a Goliath superpower isolated on a continent with a natural coastline from sea to shining sea and which spends trillions of dollars on its high-tech defense? Some barefoot mullahs with sticks and box cutters can so outwit the sole superpower and reduce it to such shambles that it has to enact draconian laws and deny its own civilians their own Constitutionally mandated Bill of Rights and Democratic existence? Then what's the point of all this defense spending if some *“under-governed regions”* of Pakistan can *“pose direct threats to Europe, the United States”*? Why not just take all that monies and put a roof over every man woman and child on the planet, provide everyone with clean drinking water, primary medical care, K-16 education, and lifetime livable-pension after retirement? And still have monies left over to build libraries, roads, and social services for all? That would most assuredly take the wind out of the sails of all terrorism – unless of course Daniel Pipes is to be believed, that it's not the peoples, but radical Islam and Islamism which is the enemy! That, it's "[Not \[even\] a Clash of Civilizations, It's a Clash between the Civilized World and Barbarians](#)". Even there, such genuine altruism and world-benefaction would surely eliminate the fertile recruiting grounds that are harvested through economic conscription and dead bodies created by the imperial bombings itself! Thus if despite this enormous defense spending, the American military-industrial complex failed to protect the Americans that they now cannot even disclose their true identities in most countries of the world, and often have to pretend that they are Canadians, shouldn't some peoples be demanding that the Pentagon be dismantled and its enormous kitchen-sink budget used for the good of the majority of the ordinary peoples of the United States?

Because these statements from the American President and his military commander can only be true at the 'unbirthday party' with the 'Mad Hatter' and the 'Dormouse' boisterously singing the war song *“United We Stand”*, it is not difficult to imagine the purpose of this facile charade of governmental secrecy behind Ms. Edmonds' travails. Indeed, these FBI recordings may become a tortuous setup to authenticate the supposed '[nuclear signature](#)' of the fateful tipping point, wherein, nuclear attacks

on targeted countries would finally be deemed acceptable by the public – when once, just contemplating its use was unimaginable because of the MAD deterrence that had kept the world precariously perched on the edge of Armageddon for 40 years. When the conditions are ripe, all of a sudden, Ms. Edmonds' wishes for Congressional inquiry may get granted! It will be determined that the nuclear signature of the terrorist event matched that of 'loose nukes' based on stolen American technology, hijacked from Pakistan by the Taliban and al-Qaeda, and squirreled into Iran and used by them to inflict shocking harm to the peoples and interests of the United States! For an outlandish scenario where this could plausibly be sold to the gullible American public no differently than the facile pretexts of WMDs to invade Iraq, see [“Wakeup to the grotesque reality of the 'Grand Chessboard’”](#).

Beware of both, diabolically crafted, as well as inadvertently spun, endless trail of red herrings and dupes and patsies being made the pied pipers to hell. The [‘technique of infamy’](#) in its many variations is all pervasive in times of war, and this is, after all, [‘World War IV’](#), slated to last an entire lifetime! It will surely require highly inventive minds from 'Hollywood's script writers guild' to continually come up with increasingly compelling 'Alice in Wonderland' sequels to continue the pretexts for perpetual war!

There is, apparently, one [American nuclear bomb missing](#)! How will it be used? How many ways can another 'new pearl harbor' *“make Sept. 11 pale by comparison”*? If there is any terrorist or accidental nuclear event anywhere in the world, remember that the world's largest national security state had trivially misplaced or miscounted some nukes recently!

And lastly, Ms. Sibel Edmonds' conception of whistleblowing on national security matters is also greatly troubling. It is, by her own admission, entirely encapsulated in the envelop of 'legality' and 'officialese' with no obvious moral or international-law dimensions. She has apparently never heard of the penalty for [“goosestepping\] the Herrenvolk across international frontiers.”](#) In response to a question in this [video](#) speech (at minute 66:43) to the [ALA in 2007](#), she elaborated that she felt that if it's a really genuine state-matter, like a secretive *“very important covert operation”*, then it is okay to apply the 'state-secrets privilege' to gag whistleblowers. She is only against it for its whimsical arbitrariness – not because of some moral principles. Thus if Iran, Pakistan, Syria, Lebanon et. al., are set up with deadly very important covert-ops – like the Israeli 'Lavon Affair' of not too distant past – to create pretexts to lay blame for crimes one did not commit and go nuclear bomb them to smithereens, or to destabilize nations because they sit on the vast quantities of natural resources that 'hectoring hegemony' covet in the name of 'national security', or because of some geostrategic significance in the calculus of American foreign

policy interests (for a sampling of covert-ops warfare on Iran as American foreign policy interests, see [1](#), [2](#), [3](#), [4](#), [5](#), [6](#), [7](#), [8](#), [9](#), [10](#), [11](#), [12](#), [13](#), [14](#), [15](#)), then it is just dandy to apply 'state-secrets privilege'. And by implication, whatever she has unfortunately experienced as an institutionalized gagging and bi-partisan stonewalling to her whistleblowing, would be entirely legitimate in such international covert-ops premature disclosure cases! By further implication, just so long as America's own national security is not threatened, the world can go to hell!

Thus if a whistleblower, for instance, were to discover official receipts for the American covert footprints in the [destabilization of Tibet](#) as a proxy covert engagement of China in the on-going game of hegemony on the 'Grand Chessboard' – like its predecessor [Covert CIA Intervention in Afghanistan](#) – that would be fair game to squelch hard. If such disclosures can prevent officially sanctioned criminal wars and the death and destruction of the 'lesser humanity', they are still entitled to be gagged, because they might disclose a very secretive *“important covert operation”*! By her exposition, one can only conclude that gagging Daniel Ellsberg would also have been entirely legitimate because he did after all, reveal official state-secrets as the 'Pentagon Papers'. Thus while she justifiably, and very articulately, offers her narrative of how arbitrary draconian measures have curbed whistleblowing, *“there is no [effective] 911 for whistleblowers to call”* as she puts it, even if there was, so what? It does not enable covert-ops to be 'legally' disclosed before they lead to horrendous faits accomplis! Thus a courageous whistleblower has to approach the public directly in order to expose monumental crimes against humanity in any case at considerable risk of prosecution. So what is the fuss all about?

There is really no principled stance, that predatory covert-ops performed upon other nations to destabilize them, as precursors to prosecute wars of conquest and hegemony upon them, or to strangle them, are not only illegal by international law, but also criminally immoral – even when done in the pretext of *“defensive” US military action*, or as preemption in the name of *“national security”*! [Lessons of Nuremberg](#) are obviously only a victor's justice continually applied to the vanquished and the demonized, never to the saintly victors themselves!

Just the fact that Edmonds specifically uttered the words 'covert-ops' as an illustrative example of where all branches and offices of the American juggernaut can draw their line of national security and 'state-secrets privilege' boundaries, suggests that she is, in essence, just as much a 'hectoring hegemon' as any other who fits that definition. There is no condemnation from her, for instance, that can be gleaned in any of the afore-cited references to her statements and websites, of the euphemism that has been used to construct the blood-drenched American empire:

## 'American foreign policy interests abroad'!

Surely this is not what Ms. Sibel Edmonds intended, for she is most certainly a morally courageous and a genuinely patriotic person who dared to speak out. However, in the intelligence game of conquest and hegemony, a game that is as old as empire, a game in which Ms. Edmonds only accidentally stumbled into as a language translator, patsies and dupes are as essential to [imperial mobilization](#) as [foot soldiers and F16s](#); as necessary as [NATO's Grand Strategies](#) for the [preemptive use of nuclear weapons to preserve the American way of life](#); and as indispensable as [the World Bank and the IMF to harvest the global South of its resources](#).

None of this information is particularly secret. In fact, all of it is a matter of [record](#). Why Ms. Edmonds does not betray any sense of awareness of these blatantly obvious matters – and yet, she has endorsements from such erstwhile pioneers of whistleblowing as the respected [Daniel Ellsberg](#) *“I'd say what she has is far more explosive than the Pentagon Papers”*, and also the rapturous attention of almost the entire so called dissent-space which does not often agree on anything – is greatly troubling!

How does what she supposedly has, at all bring the impending nuclear attacks upon defenseless nations to an end even before they are launched? Can there be anything of higher importance and greater significance today than preemptive (or 'retaliatory') nuclear strikes by the United States, Israel, and/or NATO? How is anything that Sibel Edmonds has disclosed thus far (see reference A-N cited above) *“more explosive than the Pentagon Papers”* which catalyzed the ending of a barbaric and immoral war that had needlessly caused more than 50,000 Americans dead, and several million Vietnamese killed who still remain only a statistic in the West? What does Ellsberg know about it that hasn't been publicly disclosed? The prima facie impact of the focus on 'house-cleaning' due to 'incompetence' and 'lower-grade treasonous behavior' of supposedly 'selling nuclear secrets' ten years ago is to effectively keep the attention of the world sensationally distracted on Sibel Edmonds until the [impending nuclear “imperial mobilization” which is only awaiting go-ahead orders from the White House](#) is fait accompli!

Her obvious charm, and laudable exclusive focus (from the American public's perspective) on America's national security and its treasonous subversion as the cause célèbre of her whistleblowing, is a fantastic red herring when all attention ought to be focussed on preventing the impending immoral war on Iran and the destruction of new nations who refuse to [kowtow to Western imperialism](#)! Yes it [exists today](#)! Ask those who suffer it.

After going through all of the afore-cited references about her, Project



Humanbeingsfirst is greatly concerned about the new red herring that has been crafted in the guise of Ms. Sibel Edmonds that is attracting the attention of the already tiny dissent-space! Another who partly tells the truth, but judiciously refrains from forensically examining the prime-mover behind this present *“imperial mobilization”*: 911 being an inside job (the highest treason imaginable)! Or even recognizing that *“imperial mobilization”* is what's going on in the guise of *“War on Terrorism”* employing false and fabricated pretexts! Why such myopia?

It would be a different matter to reach the conclusion that 911 couldn't have been an inside job but only an evil jihadi invasion from abroad after a forensic investigation. But to religiously proclaim, based on new found faith in the U.S. Government, which on the one hand, one accuses of being an ['Outlaw state'](#) or [full of treasonous peoples under the influence of foreign governments](#) who have [hijacked the American nation](#) (as the case might be), and on the other, unquestioningly believes in their veracity of who did 911 and how it was done, despite the evidence of history and first hand confessional disclosures of governmental lies and deceit such as [“Secrets – a Memoir of Vietnam and the Pentagon Papers”](#), is a blatant nonsequitur.

An endorsement by the author of this memoir to its disproportional significance given the Armageddon that the world is perched on today, *“the major American media have been guilty of ignoring entirely the allegations of the courageous and highly credible source Sibel Edmonds”*, is an even greater nonsequitur.

While [Ellsberg](#) does disclose that it may in fact be *“a sensitive covert operation [which] appear to be [as] if it were truly presidentially authorized”*, he, and surely inadvertently, re-spins the famous 'blowback' theory *“giving us the Pakistani bomb”* as a convenient pre-explanation of any future nuclear terrorist act that is attributed to Pakistani 'loose nukes' by the United States and its forensic agencies but whose nuclear signature as determined by the Russians unfortunately matches American technology:

*'In support of the official cover-up, various American journalists in the last weeks have reportedly received calls from "intelligence sources" hinting that "what Sibel Edmonds stumbled onto" is not a rogue operation by American officials and congressmen working to their own advantage -- as believed by Edmonds and some other former or active FBI officials -- but a sensitive covert operation authorized at high levels.*

*If there is any truth to that, we clearly have another prize candidate -- giving us as blowback the Pakistani Bomb and nuclear sales -- in the*

*category of "worst covert operation in U.S. history": rivaling such contenders as the Bay of Pigs, Iran-Contra, and the secret CIA torture camps abroad. '*

Perhaps there are real compelling secrets that Ellsberg and Edmonds are privy to that have yet to be disclosed to the public! If there are, please don't wait in the name of 'national security' until another civilization is criminally laid to nuclear rubbles at the hands of your own 'hectoring hegemony'! [Ellsberg](#) however is indeed on the mark when he notes covert-ops as being "criminal":

*' "Sensitive" and "covert" are often synonyms for "half-assed" 'or "idiotic," as well as for "criminal," as the pattern of activities revealed by Edmonds would appear to be if it were truly presidentially authorized.'*

And thus Sibel Edmonds eagerly accepting "very important covert-ops" to be silenced under 'state-secrets privilege' is incredibly telling of the red herring nature of her disclosures. Almost as if, perhaps unwittingly, she has become one of the 'good-cop bad-cop' team members. Can't tell which one. But it matters little, for both have the pursuit of the same goals as their overarching mission statement. In a tortuous way, she is echoing the policy of the Pentagon and its DIA, and its children the CIA, the NSA, the ABC and the XYZ – keep criminal covert-ops a secret, until at least they are fait accompli! Such is the case with [Brzezinski's and Gates'](#) confessions regarding CIA's covert interventions in Afghanistan. President Jimmy Carter even won a Nobel Peace Prize – despite this blood-drenched covert operation having been initiated during his watch, and upon his approval – after an entire civilization was decimated to hand the "USSR its Vietnam War"!

Not uncharacteristic of new immigrants escaping from their native hell-holes, it is also almost as if yet another new 'native informant' has been created. This one successively [escaping](#) from oppression first in native Iran, and then in first adopted country Turkey. One whose family was victimized and tortured, by her own [admission](#) of these atrocities, and who so aspires for the Western freedoms that her second adopted homeland promised to offer but let her down, that its single minded tenacious pursuit almost blinds her to the glaring, shitting, trumpeting elephant in the newlywed's bed! After listening to her speech on [video](#) and learning of her imposing educational credentials and [multicultural-multilingual background](#), while a rational mind is unwilling to accept that she is like a typical indoctrinated American who has bought into the mantra of "war on terrorism", it is also unable to accept her as entirely objective. The only inescapable conclusion that remains in the light of this essay, and which certainly begs a critical examination by the reader, is that she is

unwittingly being made a patsy due to her natural proclivities. It could be just an overactive imagination, but effectively, a rebel has been 'constructed' who is focussing the attention of the world on irrelevance in the calculus of on-going moves on the 'Grand Chessboard'.

Without a congenial psychological profile, especially for a foreigner and naturalized citizen that Ms. Edmonds is, no one can surely get to work for the FBI, or for any intelligence agency to begin with, let alone be given [top security clearance](#) for translation work from Middle Eastern languages. I doubt very much if there are any turban wearing mullahs translating Pushto or Dari into English for the FBI at this time – but surely they were enlisted during the CIA's Intervention in Afghanistan because then, they were ideologically congenial as “*moral equivalent of our founding fathers*”! And I also doubt very much that the FBI will ever ask me to translate my native language Urdu for them, or give me top security clearance even if I was willing, regardless of how short-handed they were, while knowing that I have not been fooled by the fiction of “war on terror”. And while Ms. Edmonds has indeed courageously dissented, the bottom line is that she has also very willingly retained several very congenial religious axioms of “911” and the “war on terror” upon which premise she has constructed all of her whistleblowing and interpretations. At least for everything that has been publicly reported, and due to which, she makes an ideal manufactured dissent. It is great to have such self-controlled and self-policing dissenters in America – from the viewpoint of 'empire'!

Some 'hectoring hegemons' somewhere surely must have un-gentle smiles slowly uncurling upon their 'ubermensch' [Straussian lips](#) at the prospect of tortuously reaping multiple harvests from a single seed!

Manufacturing consent to keep the masses acquiesced to “*imperial mobilization*” is plenty understood. Manufacturing dissent to keep the handful of courageous gadflies, who invariably rise to oppose it, endlessly busy pursuing the various lies, red herrings, and the 'low order bits' which do not penetrate to the core that matters, in the 'technique of infamy', has been least examined by the so called profound intellectuals of modernity. See its superficial first order examination by a mere plebeian: “[Responsibility of Intellectuals – Redux](#)”!

The overarching first principles of imperial mobilization that, if we are wise, should become the touchstone of all forensic unraveling of secrets and interpretation of 'contemporary history', were brilliantly captured by Zbigniew Brzezinski in his book '[The Grand Chessboard](#)' thusly:

*“the pursuit of power is not a goal that commands popular passion, except in conditions of a sudden threat or challenge to the public's*

*sense of domestic well-being. The economic self-denial (that is defense spending), and the human sacrifice (casualties even among professional soldiers) required in the effort are uncongenial to democratic instincts. Democracy is inimical to imperial mobilization.”*

And also additionally elaborated upon by Noam Chomsky in his book [“Rogue States”](#) by highlighting comments from a 1995 study by the U.S. Strategic Command:

*'A secret 1995 study of the Strategic Command, which is responsible for the strategic nuclear arsenal, outlines the basic thinking. Released through the Freedom of Information Act, the study, Essentials of Post-Cold War Deterrence, "shows how the United States shifted its deterrent strategy from the defunct Soviet Union to so-called rogue states such as Iraq, Libya, Cuba and North Korea," AP reports. The study advocates that the US exploit its nuclear arsenal to portray itself as "irrational and vindictive if its vital interests are attacked." That "should be a part of the national persona we project to all adversaries," in particular the "rogue states." "It hurts to portray ourselves as too fully rational and cool-headed," let alone committed to such silliness as international law and treaty obligations. "The fact that some elements" of the US government "may appear to be potentially 'out of control' can be beneficial to creating and reinforcing fears and doubts within the minds of an adversary's decision makers." The report resurrects Nixon's "madman theory": our enemies should recognize that we are crazed and unpredictable,...'*

Indeed, deliberately cultivated 'crazed and unpredictable', and 'out of control' persona explains the facile 'selling' of America's nuclear secrets as an authorized and sanctioned official covert-ops at the highest levels far more convincingly than any rogue foreign spies running rings around the [world's largest national security state](#) as Ms. Edmond's own interpretation of her disclosures would have the world believe! Its possible geostrategic significance on the 'Grand Chessboard' was briefly examined from the calculus of 'checking' China and India in [this letter to Sibel Edmonds](#). And with that psyops persona as the backdrop, the crazed superpower actually acting that way as a wounded elephant in response to 911 works great for “imperial mobilization”. And for deflection purposes in case public criticism of official foreign policy becomes too loud, 'blowback' theories and 'incompetence' make wonderful red herrings to explain away premeditated execution of international monumental crimes for which adverse consequences to the national security of the hectoring state were inadvertently not anticipated! Right, as if brilliant-morons are building empire! Only in a 3-stoges Hollywood spoof, or in Alice's Wonderland, mes

amis!

The veritable proof of the empirical validity of this assessment is in the many ex post facto 'we are shocked at the incompetence' type statements of feigned surprise, like this famous one:

*“We conclude that the intelligence community was dead wrong in almost all of its prewar judgments about Iraq's weapons of mass destruction. This was a major intelligence failure,”* ([Iraq Study Group report, March 31, 2005](#))

And to forensically relate this bit of disingenuousness of not too distant history from the highest levels of the United States Government, to the present, in order to prevent an abhorrent future, here is the dark meat of the matter:

*“As I said last week on the House floor, speculation in Washington focuses on when, not if, either Israel or the U.S. will bomb Iran-- possibly with nuclear weapons. The accusation sounds very familiar: namely, that Iran possesses weapons of mass destruction. Iran has never been found in violation of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, and our own Central Intelligence Agency says Iran is more than ten years away from producing any kind of nuclear weapon. Yet we are told we must act immediately while we still can!”* ([Ron Paul, January 15, 2007](#))

**Caveat lector:** the endless red herrings cleverly spun by the hectoring hegemons. There must be only one immediate, near term, and long term goal for the equitable security (and prosperity) of all peoples on the planet Earth so long as there remains an imbalance of power among us, so long as there remain 'hectoring hegemons' seeking “*full spectrum dominance*” among us, and so long as there remains an absence of “*full spectrum deterrence*” to “*the pursuit of power*”, for indeed, “*hegemony is as old as mankind*”: **prevent new “defensive U.S. military action”**. Anything, including all acts, revelations, and magical mantras that distract from this goal, regardless of how compelling the reasons, must be treated by the unwary and gullible public and its [intellectual dissenting-chiefs](#) as red herrings, pretexts, and deceptions for premeditated “*imperial mobilization*”. As President Bush said it – *either you are with us, or with the terrorists!* And St. Augustine defined that term quite unambiguously 16 centuries ago:

*“When the King asked him what he meant by infesting the sea, the pirate defiantly replied: 'the same as you do when you infest the*

*whole world; but because I do it with a little ship I am called a robber, and because you do it with a great fleet, you are an emperor.' ”*

If there is reason for the United States to bomb any country in 'self-defense', demand a ratification of the decision to go to war through a public referendum – let its great democracy speak directly in the modernity of the 21<sup>st</sup> century before it is called upon to make its sacrifices, before it is called upon to pay its taxes to fund the war, and before it is called upon to acquire [innocent blood on its hands](#)! Even better, draw the soldiers, officers and technicians from the pool who vote for war! If they vote yes to invade other nations, they must be willing to sign up for it themselves first – instead of having a draft of economic conscription!

A commonsensical and calculated demand such as this made today, right now, to be adjudicated upon in Congressional public hearings and converted into law, is infinitely more sensible for assuring America's national security given the hundred+ year history of deception for “*imperial mobilization*” by this nation's Executive branch with willing complicity from its entire ruling elite from legislature to newsmedia – as evidenced from the USS Maine to the WMDs – and which today rings the entire globe with more than [700 of its military bases](#).

It is the only efficacious American peoples' protocol for arresting the cancer of “*imperial mobilization*” in its tracks with all its concomitant benefits directly accruing to the ordinary peoples of this nation – from increased social spending to a safer world for them to vacation in, to proudly disclose in far away places that they are American without the fear of being gunned down. Other collective protocols by the rest of the planet's peoples may not be so benign.

\* To glimpse an instance of this genre of would be 'world conquerers', see the list of contributors at the back page of this [document](#). To learn how to unmask them publicly leaving them no place to hide except in a 'Spandau', and before they can inflict their monumental crimes upon a 'lesser humanity', see the Project Humanbeingsfirst's Dialog Algorithm in this [document](#).

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'emperor'!**

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To Mr. Matthew Bunn,  
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April 02, 2008.

Reference: [The Risk Of Nuclear Terrorism — And Next Steps To Reduce The Danger](#)



Dear Mr. Matthew Bunn,

In reference to your “*testimony to Committee On Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the United States Senate*” urging “*a global campaign to ensure that every nuclear weapon and every cache of potential nuclear bomb material worldwide is secured against the kinds of threats terrorists and criminals have demonstrated they can pose*”, which you began with these poignant words: “*It is an honor to be here today to talk about what I believe is among the most urgent threats to America’s security – the threat of nuclear terrorism. My message to you today is simple: the danger is real, but there are specific steps we can and must take that would greatly reduce the risk*”, I would like to humbly inquire if you included in the calculus of nuclear security and the nuclear threat to America, the also very real threat from a cabal within the United States Government hijacking its nukes and its foreign policy instruments to construct an 'ubermensch' global empire by seeding 'perpetual war' in the “Global Zone of Percolating Violence”?

What happens if such a rogue 'all-American' cabal were to construct a nuclear 'terrorist act' within the United States - one for which both Harvard and Stanford have been duly preparing for, as in this report: [The Day After – Action in the first 24 hours after a Nuclear Blast in an American City](#), and which you too gravely allude to in your testimony - in order to create the pretext to nuclear decimate Iran?

Far fetched? A former national security advisor, Zbigniew Brzezinski, like your good self, also chose to share his geostrategic fears with Senate Foreign Relations Committee a year before you did [with the Committee on Homeland Security], and offered the following prescient warning that any such attack would immediately be blamed upon Iran

*... a plausible scenario for a military collision with Iran involves Iraqi failure to meet the benchmarks, followed by accusations of Iranian responsibility for the failure, then by some provocation in Iraq or a terrorist act in the US blamed on Iran, culminating in a "defensive" US military action against Iran that plunges a lonely America into a spreading and deepening quagmire eventually ranging across Iraq, Iran, Afghanistan and Pakistan ' (Zbigniew Brzezinski's testimony before the US Senate's Foreign Relations Committee, Feb. 1, 2007 <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8PKhD9EfO-4>).*

Your report [The Risk Of Nuclear Terrorism – And Next Steps To Reduce The Danger](#) does not seem to include such real threats from the rogue 'emperor' to “*America's Security*”, while it does seem to include all the immanent threats from the

rogue 'pirates'! Even to mathematical probabilities and precision – basing specific steps to take to prevent such possibilities based on only probabilistic calculations! Whereas, the very real empirical evidence of the eyes and the mind based on the unfolding reality on the 'Grand Chessboard' is entirely omitted. It entirely appears to this scribe that the testimony was being provided at the 'unbirthday' party celebrations in some wonderland which the 'lesser' humanity outside the shores of the United States was apparently unfamiliar with. Not speaking of their ruling elite which are equally at home at such parties with the 'Mad Hatter'. Perhaps I misperceive. If so, please do feel free to point out the relevant passages in your 15 page long text which I did try to read carefully. I may still have missed it.

In case you have indeed genuinely missed these blatantly obvious threats to humanity, Project Humanbeingsfirst would like to draw your kind attention to its following three far humbler reports which rationally and unemotionally attempt to identify the 'highest-order-bits' of the problem-space, and recommends several more equitable solution-spaces to mitigate all nuclear threats from all sources. These span the gamut of seeking a public ratification of any Executive decision to go to any future American war by way of a public referendum, to 'full spectrum deterrence' by way of 'full spectrum alliances' among the 'have-nots' to counter the "*full spectrum dominance*" impulses of a handful of 'baboons' still clinging to the vestiges of the 'mighty club' from the Neanderthal era.

Clearly, not being privileged to witness the inner calculus of such threat assessments to America [from] within the beltways of empire, this is a mere outsider's and obviously rather plebeian attempt to mitigate threats to this great nation by mitigating its unbridled lust for 'American Primacy and Its Geostrategic Imperatives'. After all, it is usually the plebeians who become the immediate fodder to service such imperatives, as well as the victims of all terrorism including both the pirates' and the emperor's. Thus, one could reasonably expect, in a fair and rational world minus the ubiquitous disinformation and deceptions, that our plebeian concerns and our plebeian fears for the safety of our humble plebeian lives would also somehow be included in the calculus of nuclear security and America's security.

In order to rapidly situate the overarching plebeian context within the empire's worldview so that one harbors no misconceptions, and suffers from no delusions of the glaring underlying grotesque reality of "*full spectrum dominance*" that is fueling the '*war on terror*', and furthermore, so that one is courageous enough to 'call a spade a spade' when one sees "*imperial mobilization*", you may perhaps wish to read the prefacing letter to 'Foreign Policy in Focus' first before proceeding with each of the listed documents. It will also save you considerable time and effort if you don't agree with the premise [of the] letter, in which case you can perhaps focus some of your

considerable expertise in refuting it - for that will surely allay much of our plebeian fears that we are safe from this particular strain of the deadly mutating virus that genuinely threatens world security, including America's security.

- [Letter to 'Foreign Policy In Focus' on Zia Mian's 'nuclear security' stellar disinformation piece](#)
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- [Response to Zia Mian's 'How Not to Handle Nuclear Security'](#)

With best wishes, and prayers, hopes, and aspirations for a safer world for all of our children, both American and the rest of the world's,

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To: John Feffer, Emira Woods, Emily Schwartz Greco

Cc: Miriam Pemberton

Dear distinguished Editors, FPIF

Seasons greetings from Pakistan.

I earlier sent you an email from my Project's address Humanbeingsfirst.org and sometimes it can end up in the spam bit-bucket, and since I did not receive any acknowledgment from you, I am retrying from my MIT address.

Your lead story this week on '*nuclear security*' by Zia Mian was so interesting that I

spontaneously wrote the attached response. I usually read FPIF as you carry some interesting diversity of perspectives (but in a rather restricted gamut). I hope you can also carry mine which entirely rebuts this distinguished expert from Princeton on matters 'nuclear' and extends your gamut a bit. Please do note the tiny critique therein of FPIF as well, as an august forum carrying disinformation articles from well known 'domain experts'.

You must be aware of the drum beat for the new wars, not much different from the drum beat for the previous two wars. When such drum beats are going on - many tend to lose focus on what America's Foreign Policy means, and has meant, from its very inception. Many also tend to lose focus on how modern 'empires' are constructed on the backs of primarily 'doctrinal scholarship' that lays the foundation of social discourse which is subsequently mindlessly repeated by the mainstream newsmedia to mobilize the public "*United We Stand*", and of course by the vested interests of the various imperial 'circus clowns' who repeat the mantras from its august institutions to continually add fuel to the fire.

This exercise has been judged necessary by the most 'ubermensch' thinkers of the 'empire' themselves, as indeed the most prominent realpolitik strategist among them argues that "*democracy is inimical to imperial mobilization*" except in the case "*of a sudden threat or challenge to the public's sense of domestic well-being*", and "*except in the circumstance of a truly massive and widely perceived direct external threat*", because the "*economic self-denial (that is defense spending), and the human sacrifice (casualties even among professional soldiers) required in the effort are uncongenial to democratic instincts*" and which "*requires a high degree of doctrinal motivation, intellectual commitment, and patriotic gratification.*"

Please note the really important point in this quote from Zbigniew Brzezinski's 'the Grand Chessboard' - "*high degree of doctrinal motivation, intellectual commitment*".

This is what my rebuttal to Zia Mian's essay is about, as I claim, through the rational deconstruction of his brilliant essay, that it is classic '*doctrinal motivation*' to perpetuate the myth of '*loose nukes*' – the new boogie man after the 'missing WMDs' in Iraq for which Rumsfeld had glibly claimed "*absence of evidence is not evidence of absence*" and was never called upon this bit of '*Alice in Wonderland*' by anyone, including FPIF (if my memory serves me well) when the mantra still had currency in its heyday – the new enabler for continued "*imperial mobilization*".

Surely none of this can be news to any real American Foreign Policy analysts who know their craft and their domain, as I am certain of this distinguished team of editors.

There really aren't too many ways to look at America's Foreign Policy other than through her own words - i.e., the words of her ardent 'imperial' exponents and office bearers - which going back to George Kennan in 1948 I reproduce for you below. We can certainly go back even further to gain even deeper perspective, but this suffices as the transition point of 'modernity' du jour between the decline of an empire upon which the Sun once never set, and a new 'empire' upon which the Sun is perhaps about to set, and upon the thousands of whose gullible sons and daughters, slaves of economic conscription, the Sun has lamentably already set.

As you will note in Kennan's famous PPS Memo, dealing in 'straight power concepts' it was then, as it is now, and not just in theory as noted in Brzezinski 1997 book, in order to *“perpetuate America's own dominant position for at least a generation and preferably longer”* such that *“no Eurasian challenger emerges, capable of dominating Eurasia and thus also challenging America”* (Brzezinski), but also by-way of practice in the present Bush Administration which mainly arose from the PNAC group, and which also argued the same theme as Brzezinski, that it necessitates asserting the *“Reaganite policy of military strength and moral clarity”* by forcing everyone on the planet to accept *“America's unique role in preserving and extending an international order friendly to our security, our prosperity, and our principles.”* (PNAC).

You can clearly, and rationally see nothing changed between 1948 and today's 2002-Nuclear Posture Review which only exercised the 'ubermensch' *“American Primacy and its Geostrategic Imperatives”*! It is interesting to note how naturally, even the supposedly objective intellectuals in America, accept this *“Primacy Imperative”* as the underlying unquestioned axiom upon which they build all their analysis of the world, and indeed, of America's Foreign Policies. This is precisely the issue in Zia Mian's disinformation masterpiece as is solidly deconstructed in my response-essay.

Quote-George Kennan PPS 23 1948:

*“We have about 50% of the world's wealth, but only 6.3% of its population .... In this situation, we cannot fail to be the object of envy and resentment. Our real task in the coming period is to devise a pattern of relationships which will permit us to maintain this position of disparity without positive detriment to our national security. To do so, we will have to dispense with all sentimentality and day-dreaming, and our attention will have to be concentrated everywhere on our immediate national objectives. We need not deceive ourselves that we can afford today the luxury of altruism and world-benefaction .... We should cease to talk about vague and - for the Far East - unreal*

*objectives such as human rights, the raising of living standards, and democratization. The day is not far off when we are going to have to deal in straight power concepts. The less we are then hampered by idealistic slogans, the better.”*

And just as the distinguished halls of the Ivys in the past have served this distinguished job-function of supporting their nation's 'empire' in its *“imperial mobilization”* very well by synthesizing *“the high level of doctrinal motivation”*, they still continue to do so just as admirably today.

Being quite familiar with the Ivys as having studied at MIT - which though not an Ivy per se, is more prominent among the lot, and also gets as much as 90% of its martial research budget from the various agencies of the martial state and its private corporate collaborators, thus serving the technology needs of the 'empire' equally admirably in 'actual war making toys' in cahoots with the soft 'doctrinal scholarship' peddled from the Ivys such as 'Clash of Civilizations' and 'WMDs' - the twain craft of *“doctrinal motivations”* and technological innovations for *“full spectrum dominance”* must go together to fuel an empire for which Brzezinski rightly claims that its *“populist democracy”* is unburdened by *“la mission civilisatrice”* of traditional empires!

From the 'Maine' through the “Gulf of Tonkin” to '911' – are all one continuum of American Foreign Policy Initiatives for “American Interests Abroad”, or putting it in its syntactically unsugared form, *“imperial mobilization”*. It is the naked empirical reality for those who are scientists among us and can objectively evaluate the reality around us and artfully able to distinguish between the 364 days of 'unbirthday' party celebrations, and one genuine day of birthday! It is also the brutish reality for those on the receiving end of this syntactic sugaring!

Therefore, lest all of us unwittingly acquire deep red blood upon our clean hands as we continue to fish for truth while it stands stark-naked right before us as the trumpeting shitting elephant in the newlywed's bed, I humbly submit my detailed analytical deconstruction of Zia Mian's essay, attached as a PDF file, for your consideration to carry right alongside Zia Mian's stellar piece of work for the 'empire' from its most prestigious Ivy.

You can also glean this response-essay on my website as [\*“Response to Zia Mian's 'How Not to Handle Nuclear Security”\*](#).

I hope that you will very kindly at least acknowledge my letter, even if you choose to not carry my response-essay for whatever reason, perhaps with an explanation why you did not carry it which will of course be duly posted on my website.



But I do feel quite hopeful for a positive response as my rebuttal not only intellectually speaks for itself and begs for a rational and cogent rebuttal in turn to further the rational debate on a subject that can soon mean life-and-death for millions – the hallmark of democracy if it is to mean anything other than singing with the choir among its ruling elite - but also lends a fresh perspective to really put the Foreign Policy in Focus for a *“think tank without walls”*. I do believe in your concept of *“without walls”* but naively interpret it to mean in the best interest of all nations and all humanity. I am also (un)happy to be corrected in that assumption if it is unwarranted. Let's all be mature enough to call a spade a spade, at least in this august forum.

I am further Cc'ing your resident disarmament expert who can perhaps weigh in on the merits of the arguments as a 'domain expert' with real world experience.

You may further be interested in [“\*Wakeup to the grotesque reality of the Grand Chessboard\*”](#) on my website.

It is okay with me if you choose to also print this letter in FPIF for the benefit of your readers.

Kind Regards

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Also see this accompanying [letter to FPIF](#).

**[Letter to Editor, FPIF. March 20, 2008.** In reference to Zia Mian's article "How Not to Handle Nuclear Security" (<http://www.fpif.org/fpif.txt/4818>), while scrambling to catch up on my long reading-list after six months of free-lance work in Pakistan, the following explanations of the missing nukes and the B-52 story jumped out at me once again. As early as end of August, and certainly by October 2007, the inside story was already known. Yet neither FPIF, nor the erstwhile Princeton University scholar, referenced any of it in their afore cited December essay on nuclear security to which this [rebuttal essay](#) seems to have been the only challenge. It was neither published by FPIF, nor responded to by Zia Mian, although the nuclear expert did kindly include Project Humanbeingsfirst's December 24, 2007 [letter to FPIF](#) editor as comment to his article, without any of his own followup comments addressing any of the critiques. The inside story of the missing nukes can be gleaned in the following reports, chronologically: August 27, 2007 "[THE KENNEBUNKPORT WARNING](#)"; August 30, 2007, Jim Fetzer '[Scholars endorse "The Kennebunkport Warning": Report ominous](#)

[signs of a privatized takeover of the nation](#); Sept. 27, 2007, Wayne Madsen Report "[B-52 Nukes Headed for Iran: Air Force refused to fly weapons to Middle East theater](#)"; October 8, 2007, Webster G. Tarpley "[The Kennebunkport Warning And The Rogue B-52 - Confirmation With A Vengeance](#)"; October 13, 2007, Michael Salla "[Dick Cheney & Vigilant Shield: Will a Missing Nuke from the B-52 Incident be used in a Simulated Terrorist Attack?](#)"; October 29, 2007 "[Missing Nukes: Treason of the Highest Order](#)" (cited in the rebuttal essay).

Please also see this March 18, 2008 "[letter to Sibel Edmonds on 'Pakistan's Bomb, U.S. Cover-up'](#)" on her whistleblowing the clandestine sale of nuclear secrets by U.S. Government officials as gleaned by her from her translation of FBI wiretap recordings, and its possible alternate significance on the 'Grand Chessboard'. The [silence](#) in the newsmedia and among the nuclear experts of empire to her courageous 'coming out' is resoundingly deafening! And her story is six years old(!) briefly carried by [CBS in 2002](#), followed by an exposé in [Vanity Fair in 2005](#). But gagged by the U.S. Government, she has been pleading with the newsmedia to tell her entire story and she would risk defying the gag-order in the greater national interest – but silence! Why was Sibel Edmonds' publicly disclosed information not included in Zia Mian's calculus of nuclear security? Care to respond? Why was that omission permitted by FPIF? If that was an oversight, and none of us are perfect, perhaps FPIF may re-consider featuring the original rebuttal essay along with this letter? As for the genuinely true patriots of 'empire', wherever they reside, only a [Robert Jackson](#) will fairly adjudicate matters on how much blood to apportion to each of the 'clean' hands of today! None of us may escape unscathed!]

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Dear Sir,

In reference to Zia Mian's article "*How Not to Handle Nuclear Security*" (<http://www.fpif.org/fpiftxt/4818>), please accept the following detailed response for publication in your august 'Foreign Policy In Focus'. An abbreviated version was submitted as 'comment' to the article on your website that never made it.

**Begin-Quote:** Either the entire world must be free of nuclear biological and other WMDs, or every peoples must have credible deterrence against them through realpolitik 'full spectrum alliances'

when predators seek “*primacy and its geostrategic imperatives*” and “*full spectrum dominance*” on the 'Grand Chessboard'! **End-Quote**

The above is excerpted from an “[Open Letter to Pakistani Peoples](#)” published by [Project Humanbeingsfirst.org](#).

The realpolitik reality that is surely known to even the most naive, is that the '*hectoring hegemony*' will not give up their “*primacy imperatives*” borne from their full spectrum supremacy of “*air, sea, land, space, and cyberspace*”. And why should they? It gives them the much coveted “*hegemony*” over the 'have-nots' and other 'lesser haves', which is the openly acknowledged imperative of the strong and mighty, and is “*as old as mankind*”!

Therefore, even presumably thoughtful articles like Zia Mian's that warn of the real and genuine dangers of nuclear weapons - and indeed all WMDs are fraught with peril and double-edged swords - but which blanketly ignore the chauvinist and monumentally criminal doctrines for their deliberate preemptive use by the '*emperor*' which is a far greater empirical and realistic threat to humanity than their accidental-use or fictional '*hijacking*' by the '*pirates*', and which further repeats the boogie-man disinformation discourse crafted by 'empire': “*A key concern about nuclear security in Pakistan is the risk of radical Islamist militants making a bid for its nuclear weapons or its stock of the materials with which to make nuclear weapons*”, is merely re-spinning the '*loose nukes*' mantra from the high pedestal and prestige of an Ivy. In practice, it only serves the specific agenda of the '*hectoring hegemony*' themselves.

The question of '*nuclear security*' must begin from the very ab initio rational premise of how to protect mankind from all the predators amongst them; not merely from its accidental or 'terrorist' murder of humanity by any '*pirates*', but also its monumentally criminal 'official' murder of humanity by the '*emperors*' under blaring trumpets and marching horns!

The analysis by Zia Mian, whose main focus is entirely '*accidents*', and '*pirates*', and specifically '*islamist militant*' pirates, and also specifically **not** the '*emperor's*' own terrorism by its glaring omission and no mention of the outstanding 'imperial' threats of nuclear attack on Iran that might sow a real Armageddon, artfully concludes that no one must possess nuclear weapons! To wit: “*The only sure way to secure nuclear weapons and materials is not to have them. The only way to be sure that nuclear weapons scientists do not pass information is to forbid scientists from working on such weapons.*” He neglects to mention the 'emperors' not using them to exercise their hegemony, evidently not being familiar with the '*Nuclear Posture Review*'. But he does throw in, presumably for his own concept of completeness, this bit of self-

evident truism: “*Anything short of that is taking a risk and being willing to pay the price for living in a nuclear-armed world.*”

His main recipe for securing the nuclear weapons “*by not having them*” is obviously a utopian un-realizable 'fools-paradise' conclusion in the real world of geopolitics that plays with other peoples' blood on the '*Grand Chessboard*'. Any sane realist who isn't entirely lost at the '*unbirthday party*' celebrations with the “*Mad Hatter*” would immediately recognize it as such. And hence it is less than convincing, no differently than a security strategy for world peace might be that suggested to the Zionist Jews to follow their Ten Commandments, or pleaded with the devilishly inspired '*primacy*' advocates among the Evangelical Christians rushing to bring on '*the Rapture*', including their erstwhile leader sitting in the White House and in direct communication with his 'lord', to be 'good' and to turn the other cheek for the 'new pearl harbor' that they suffered as the good Lord suggests in the Bible!

What brilliant purpose is being served here? Okay perhaps it's morally sound platitudes. Is this the best Princeton can give from its '*Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs*' that any high-schooler can equally churn out even in a developing nation where moral platitudes abound by the bucket-loads? No, there is something more to it if this article isn't to be outright rejected as mere self-evident gibberish. In fact, its very real, but rather covert purpose appears to be directed primarily at creating and sustaining rationales for the 'have-not' nations to continue not possessing them, and disarming of those 'lesser' ones that do!

And why would a worthy Princeton scholar at 'Woodrow Wilson' espouse any other purpose and reach any other conclusion(?) - it is after all an 'imperial' doctrinal establishment that is designed to perpetuate America's "*preeminence*" above all other nations' by seeding sophisticated 'doctrinal scholarship' that works hand in glove with superpower geopolitics and disinformation doctrinal warfare. The worthy scholar and his “*Project on Peace and Security in South Asia*” are directly funded by the university which immediately sets the overarching tone for all the “*American Peace*” project strategies for continued future funding and prominence!

And the present “*American Peace*” project manifestly revolves around Pakistan and Iran, and the scare of nuclear weapons getting '*loose*', or being acquired by a 'rogue state', just as its ideological predecessor “[Center for Peace and Security in the Gulf](#)” (CPSG) was instrumental in bringing the now familiar very “*American Peace*” to Iraq with the familiar scare of 'WMDs' that could reach the West within moments of Sadaam Hussein dreaming such in-sanctity!

Indeed, even though Pakistan is only mentioned in the context of 'securing the nukes' with lots of anecdotal stories, it appears to me that the main agenda of this

piece is to plant the one key central plausible idea that: *"If the United States can't secure its own nuclear complex, why expect Pakistan to do it any better?"* as in its very opening gambit. All the rest of the verbiage in the article merely supports this central theme. The article entirely echoes the ubiquitous mainstream discourse du jour as variously spun by the White House and the Pentagon in relation to Pakistan.

The following excerpted quote from an Open Letter lends perspective to the actual reality that is not being talked about today, but will surely be the topic of many erudite books and studies tomorrow - just as this next bit of disingenuousness was in the aftermath of the fake 'WMD' reports that had already led to the decimation of Iraq. And yes, also with nuclear weapons ('JDAMs' and 'Daisy Cutters' and other cocktails of Depleted Uranium black-death spread out across Iraq and Afghanistan far more devastatingly than a handful of atomic bombs) that has even destroyed the very DNA of its 'wretched' victims under deliberate, premeditated, false pretenses: *"We conclude that the intelligence community was dead wrong in almost all of its prewar judgments about Iraq's weapons of mass destruction. This was a major intelligence failure,"* ([Iraq Study Group report, March 31, 2005](#) – the report even has some of the same distinguished Princeton footprints in it as in the prewar mantra of 'WMDs' from the CPSG that preceded this 'morning-after' bit of bold-faced chutzpah).

Mae culpa after a Machiavellianly crafted irreversible fait accompli for deliberate *"imperial mobilization"* and full spectrum conquest of Iraq (its culmination being duly noted in the *'Declaration of Principles for a Long-Term Relationship'* in the November 26 2007 [White House Press Release](#)) does little to restore the irrecoverable tabula rasa of a devastated civilization! Unlike the rest of erudite America, this humble plebeian scribe learns rapidly from history and is working hard in preventing its horrendous replay!

Excerpted from "[Re-Imagining Pakistan's Defenses - Open Letter to a Pakistani General](#)", the full text of which may be read at: <http://humanbeingsfirst.org>:

**Begin-Quote:** ... All this recent talk of *"loose nukes"* and *"Joint force for nuke safety"* and *"raising an international force to help the Pakistani armed forces if they are attacked by the extremists"*, are precisely the weather balloons built upon the deftly cultivated house of cards of the synthetic 'islamofascist' boogie-men to seed these new deceptions into the mainstream public discourse in order to maintain the persistence of a *"sudden threat or challenge to the public's sense of domestic well-being"*. That's how public opinion is slowly crafted

over time to manufacture the deplorable public consent for committing heinous crimes against humanity through the active collaboration of the much touted 'fourth pillar of democracy'.

Another "*coalition of the willing*" is plainly being seeded - and this time it's 'destination Islamabad' instead of Baghdad, and instead of the well worn fiction of the existence of 'WMDs' which won't fly as Pakistan indeed does possess them, it is the fiction of them getting 'loose' despite being defended by the world's 5th largest standing armed forces who successfully developed the effective deterrence in the face of the entire world's opposition and punitive sanctions, but now is magically unable to defend them in this fabricated war even as the most valuable non-NATO partner and needs an external "*force that should not only include troops from the United States, but ideally also other Western powers and moderate Muslim nations*"! ... **End-Quote**

Why should anyone with sound judgment and keen political acumen be trusting any reports that are emanating from the same 'imperial' sources – the CIA, its parent the DIA, its parent the Pentagon, and its parent at the top of the totem pole, the White House, not to mention the 100 think-tanks from privately funded civil society in America that share the same 'imperial' aspirations as those in public life, and all busily crafting multifaceted doctrines for world conquest(?), and especially when there is a "*lifetime*" of war on, the "*World War IV*"? I believe it is still taught in any freshman political science class in any good university that the first casualty of war is the truth – unless this has also been done away with by the Patriot Acts and substituted with Orwellian craft!

Yet the erstwhile Zia Mian betrays no memory of any of these matters in his purported analysis of '*how not to handle nuclear security*', while right outside his own doorsteps are the very preparations for preemptive nuclear attack on Iran which have reportedly already been completed and merely awaiting the go-ahead from Washington: "*The study concludes that the US has made military preparations to destroy Iran's WMD, nuclear energy, regime, armed forces, state apparatus and economic infrastructure within days if not hours of President George W. Bush giving the order.*" (see "[Considering a war with Iran](#): A discussion paper on WMD in the Middle East") He is also evidently unfamiliar with Israel's avowed nuclear warfare attack plans on Iran in full tag-team cahoots with the White House, including nuclear attack on her non-nuclear neighbors in the region if they even raise a whit of a finger to deter the nuclear armed-to-the-teeth Zionist pariah 'Der Judenstaat' in their midst. It must be wonderful to ignore the 'ubermensch' rogue state (see "[Ex-CIA official:](#)



[Israel will attack Iran on its own](#)”) which hasn't signed the NPT and which has continually preached 'War on Iran' – a signatory to NPT – with repeated mantras borne out of 'erudite studies': “*One essential requirement for nuclear confrontation in our region, according to the study, is allowing Iran’s nuclear program to develop, unhindered by a pre-emptive strike by either Israel or the United States.*” (see “[US report: Israel would weather nuclear war with Iran](#)”)

These absurdities at the '*unbirthday party*', demonizing the Iranians – a rich and sophisticated civilization far older than all of Europe and America combined and whose scholars and scientists predominantly fueled the ascendance and dominance of Muslims for 700 years while the Europeans languished in their Dark Ages - as an irrational peoples willing to risk complete obliteration from the face of future history; demonizing Pakistan as about to be taken over by “*radical Islamist militants*” who are about to hijack the '*loose nukes*' such that even the 5<sup>th</sup> largest standing army in the world would need help against them; etceetra, etceetra, are now being rehearsed continually in the newsmedia precisely to seed the notion of a 'legitimate' preemptive (or retaliatory) use of nuclear weapons. An idea once so abhorrent and unthinkable, is now being made palatable to mainstream American and European public under all sorts of imaginary and/or 'synthetic' threats (see “[Wakeup to the grotesque reality of the 'Grand Chessboard'](#)”). The Western public is being deftly primed with multi-modal psyops by the crafty construction of one key gigantic stinking red herring of 'nuclear security' - the 'highest order bit' of the matter - the deliberate premeditated criminal use of nuclear weapons against defenseless foes by its own 'legal' guardians. That very real and visible threat to humanity is carefully elided in the calculus of 'nuclear security' in the best tradition of Straussian scholarship of 'half-truths only', and absurd boogie-men are crafted from immanent whisperings! Also see “[Disassembling the Pakistani red herrings](#)” on [humanbeingsfirst.org](#) for the deconstruction of the “*radical Islamist militants*” into its commonsensical reality!

Why has the nuclear weapons security discourse been deliberately limited to their accidental and 'pirated' (mis)use?

Why does it not also include their much more significant and immediate threat stemming from their deliberate, premeditated, monumentally criminal deployment as a weapon of choice of the '*hectoring hegemons*' for intimidation, coercion, and very real '*shock and awe*' under the self-ascribed 'ubermensch' mandate of '*primacy and its geostrategic imperatives*' that is the trumpeting elephant grotesquely shitting in the newlywed's nuptial bed?

If the overarching objective is to secure the existence of human beings from themselves and to enable them to survive without an Armageddon and without

anyone slaughtering a 'lesser humanity', then the genuine factors that pose the highest levels of threat to mankind must rationally be triaged and addressed in that order. Why this stepchild treatment to the most significant threat to humanity's existence today – the depravity of the 'ubermensch' hectoring hegemony who have actually demonstrated their willingness to use these nuclear weapons? Or is the point to keeping the nuclear weapons secure, only until such time that they are 'officially' let loose to murder a million or two under blaring trumpets and marching horns, and then it's merely securing '*American Foreign Policy Interests Abroad*', or preemptively fighting the "*War on Terror*" to the thunderous applause from the upper 'ubermenschen' deck of humanity flashing the "*mission accomplished*" sign?

The very first manifest collateral damage of the "*War on Terror*" - even before "*Operation Infinite Justice*" was launched, way before "*Operation Iraqi Freedom*" was launched, and while they both still continue unabated being only about a fourth of the intended '*lifetime*' of "*perpetual war*" into their duration - has been the very hijacking of our basic everyday tool that enable us to think commonsensically, rationally, as human beings first. Our language! It has thus channeled our minds in the mantras of the 'empire' convincing us of one absurdity after another, and which directly led to the very first bombing run "*United We Stand*" in the "*algebra of infinite justice*". And which may yet lead to a preemptive nuclear war against sitting ducks once again! And erudite scholars like Zia Mian are complicit in perpetuating that hijacking by deliberately repeating the "*doctrinal*" mantras of the empire from its highest pulpits!

Furthermore, within its own myopic discourse, Zia Mian's article is indeed informative with respect to how vulnerable some of these security measures can be in implementation-space when the rubber really meets the road, mainly in reference to '0000000' and pilot-errors. One has to however be a realist-idealist so long as the morbid reality of nuclear weapons is with us. As an MIT trained engineer who has actually built and deployed real systems rather than just talk about third-and-fourth hand perceived vulnerability in other peoples' systems - even if only commercial ones which are surely orders of magnitude simpler and certainly do not pose the danger of any catastrophic Armageddon being inflicted upon human beings unless they are also being (mis)used to control the nuclear weapons launch sequences, and anyone who asserts the latter is either a fool or a Machiavelli – the effective pragmatic strategy is one of continued risk management through continual improvement in the architectures, the implementations, the processes, the validations, the access controls, and the drills. This is very much the process today in its various gradations of 'imperfections', and is to be continually improved for risk mitigation of 'unauthorized theft' – since 'authorized theft' of humanity's lives is deemed okay and not part of the 'nuclear security' protocol by definition, as a cynic might infer from Zia Mian's article.

This continual risk management and mitigation strategy through feedback on implementations, improvement, and better evolving architectures - which would be undertaken by any 'sensible' nuclear power - is the rational lesser of two evils over succumbing to the only other realism-rooted and exponentially far greater risk of giving a signed blank check for *"full spectrum dominance"* to murderous *'hectoring hegemony'* who will obviously never give up their own WMDs but instead, even as we speak, are rushing to develop even more lethal ones across the board, and use cunning doctrinal warfare to *"goosestep the Herrenvolk across international frontiers"* and kill a million to the sound of horns and trumpets and proudly call it *"mission accomplished"*!

In such a real-world reality full of predators, even the wilder-beasts make *"full spectrum alliances"* to defend themselves with the best available weapons at their disposal, rather than give up all their defenses which is what the predators would surely love to get their pending 'meals' to believe as their only 'safe' choice in the matter - as can be gleaned in this amazing 8-minute 'Battle at Kruger' video-clip <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LU8DDYz68kM>.

That is the unfortunate, naked, brutish, 'MAD' reality we live in Sir! As Robert Oppenheimer had said it far more realistically and fairly than the erstwhile Zia Mian - either all nations must possess them, or none must possess them! Only a few possessing this awesome power to impose their plunderous will upon another, is what fuels this *"imperial mobilization"* du jour that is sending America's precious sons and daughters to their slaughter, never mind what they are doing to a few million of the 'lesser humanity'! And as even a previous commenter 'Charles Colton' commenting on this article on your website also much more wisely noted (absence of such wisdom in Zia Mian's own article indeed demands a pause for some hard reflections on motivations): *"The international community needs a strong policy on how to not only safeguard the world's nuclear arsenals but to devise a universal plan that will ensure these weapons will never be used."*

Yes indeed, and thank you for that! Clearly this erstwhile commenter has likely read the White House's *"Nuclear Posture Review"* and is perhaps familiar with their present doctrine of preemption even against non-nuclear states who are signatories to the NPT - thus in complete violation to International law to which the superpower nation whose prestigious university employs Mr. Zia Mian in his capacity as a 'nuclear specialist', is also a signatory; if honoring such laws is of any relevance in the foreign policy and 'nuclear security' calculus anymore.

For an analysis of *'nuclear security'* being published in 'Foreign Policy In Focus', such glaring omissions only extends its incredulity to even this august forum that

advertises having '*no walls*'! I have quite innocently taken that to mean that this forum rationally analyses foreign policies and keeps them in focus in the best interest of the entire world, and is not merely a re-spinning propaganda arm of the Pentagon. I haven't read all the writings on 'nuclear security' by Zia Mian and am merely analyzing this one article which already leads me to not want to read anything further from the doctrinal pen of this mighty scholar on account of his deliberate resemanticizing the definition of 'nuclear security' to preclude the 'emperor's premeditated use of nuclear weapons. Such absences legitimizes these doctrines in the mainstream discourse of America that mainly takes its cues from the scholars of the empire.

And finally, I would conclude by suggesting that there is indeed something fishy about how the nukes were 'lost' for so many hours as has repeatedly been reported in the newsmedia, all quoting more or less the same sources. Zia Mian so unquestioningly accepting that at face value and using it to craft his own myopic thesis on how not to secure nuclear weapons is at best troublesome. IMHO, the public version of this tale, as again repeated by Zia Mian, is quite asinine (see for instance: "[Missing Nukes: Treason of the Highest Order](#)" on [globalresearch.ca](#)). It is just as 'believable' occurring in a super-power's own sophisticated arsenal and top-secret classified security processes constructed by the most polished and brilliant military minds that sees the expenditure of a trillion dollars every other year, as the '19 evil jihadis' tale doing 911 all by themselves and collapsing those tall buildings directly into their own footprints at almost free-fall speed while '*Able Warrior*', '*Able Danger*', and 15 other terrorist attack-response drills were simultaneously transpiring that very moment all of which were ethereally super co-opted by a bearded 'evil yoda master' sitting cross-legged in a cave in Afghanistan on a dialysis machine using merely his awesome 'power of the dark side'! (See for instance, what the former Italian President who set up '[Operation Gladio](#)' thinks of [911](#).)

The real story, IMHO, in all cases, as in the ex post facto revelations of the 'Maine' to the 'Gulf of Tonkin' being entirely self-inflicted affairs to launch wars of conquest, is yet to be revealed. Wait 50 years! In the meantime, the faits accomplice constructed upon the backs of all the clever lies and deceptions generated from within the august halls of the Ivy, the Rand, and the 100 other think-tanks to seed the expansion of 'empire', will in turn become the new ex post facto narratives of history that our grandchildren will be learning one fine day in their sixth grade. If there is anymore 'one fine day' left!

Mr. Zia Mian's recipe for achieving that lofty shared aspiration is highly improbable as stated, even if genuinely conceived. If he would like to learn a more pragmatic solution emanating from the rather plebeian mind of a humble engineer turned

justice activist who does not live in the ivory towers of the IVYs but in the real world that experiences the realpolitik power-plays on the 'Grand Chessboard' in blood, it is conceptually very simple – first all 'MAD' to create '*full spectrum deterrence*' through '*full spectrum alliances*' to contain the '*full spectrum dominance*' of the few primates who refuse to lose their tail, and then his recipe, which will now magically become more practical and realizable just as the SALTs were under the détente! Power only respects power, and that lesson too, is "*as old as mankind*"!

It usually takes one polished sentence to construct a myth, but considerably more space to deconstruct it, as Noam Chomsky had once noted. Hence this length. Thank you for reading.

**An aside general note on this article:** "*How Not to Handle Nuclear Security*"

For Mr. Zia Mian, as an erudite academic from a prestigious IVY, to mostly repeat, nay parrot, the mantras that are deftly seeded by the Pentagon, without any critical questioning and deeper analysis of their own motivations or of the mantras themselves, doesn't leave much room for doubt in my quite finite and humble mind that his entire article is anything other than a thinly veiled shill for 'empire'. Perhaps the erstwhile author can also be directed to read "*Secrets: A Memoir of Vietnam and the Pentagon Papers*" by Daniel Ellsberg before he puts much stock in what Robert McNamara says. It is un-surprising to me anymore that this level of craftsmanship from the Ivy is also from the pen of one who is supposedly on the 'dissenting left' and a 'peacenik' - unless I am keenly mistaken; for I surely only possess a humble plebeian mind and am mercifully not a scholar or even a domain expert in matters of 'empire'. Thus the specialist should be trivially able to rationally and convincingly address the objections raised in this plebeian letter.

For us ordinary mortals in the lower-decks of humanity who are perhaps not so erudite, the mere plebeians, we are often gullibly led by erudite scholars in understanding pressing matters whose expert and objective analysis they purport to bring us. Be they of the Straussian variety as 'chief priests' of empire – like Bernard Lewis, or be they the 'dissenting priests' as the gadflies to power – like my own worthy mentor Noam Chomsky, or be they any domain-experts and specialists like Zia Mian. We need to wakeup to the realpolitik fact of the matter that sophisticated doctrinal warfare and psyops are also being deftly crafted for 'manufacturing consent' in society to either carry the '*populist democracy*' forward for "*imperial mobilization*" so "*United We [can] Stand*", or deflect its handful of conscionable dissenters in mindless pursuits chasing this and that red herrings. How can the ordinary people tell the difference between the various nuanced shades of the

diabolical 'ubermenschen' domain-experts shilling for 'empire', and the genuinely honest truthful scholars out to enlighten the masses as "*moral agents*" in the best mold of Platonic teachers?

The scholar's word and what motivates it, unlike his soul, must be of utmost concern for us plebeians. And as the other Princeton University erudite scholar Bernard Lewis cleverly puts it, albeit in perhaps a different context in his doctrinal classic '*Crises of Islam – Holy War and Unholy Terror*', "*it would surely be useful to understand the forces that drive them*". Only then can the plebeian flock understand the scholars' analyses in the full and proper perspectives of their respective mindset and with an insightful understanding of all the "*forces that drive them*". Only thusly may one be rightly guided in their wise leadership on knotty and vexing matters in which a non-expert ill-informed polity must trust them in their judgment as fair domain-experts.

This is a far more significant matter of public education in order to '*teach one how to fish and thus feeding one for life*' so that one can learn to accurately parse complex foreign policy matters that are undeniably complex and almost always clouded in obfuscation and vested interests. Merely keeping the clouds "in focus" does not necessarily divulge what's hidden behind it. If one is interested in further penetrating through the clouds that have actually laid the foundation of "*United We Stand*" in the American society as the prerequisite prelude to herding its "*populist democracy*" into accepting the nation's 'Imperial' Foreign Policies without question under the guise of "*American Interests abroad*", step-1 begins with "*Responsibility of Intellectuals - Redux*" at <http://humanbeingsfirst.org>.

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**Zahir Ebrahim**

April 21, 2008.

[Any response by Prof. Chomsky, or a clearer understanding of why he still continues to attribute 911 to the lowly turbenless 'pirates' from across the seven seas as opposed to the 'emperor' or his covert-underlings or overlings right here on the native shores, will only be published with his kind permission.]

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Subject: Steven Jones seminal paper on the destruction of WTC towers

Date April 21, 2008.



I chanced upon the following today: (<http://www.911blogger.com/node/15081>)

begin quote:

Professor Chomsky wrote to several, who passed it on to me:

“You, or anyone who agrees with you, has a very simple task. Since the evidence is so obvious and compelling, submit an article about it to Science, or Nature, or even Scientific American, or more technical journals, say those in civil engineering, where your article can refute the conclusions of the professional society of civil engineers... To date, no one has been willing to submit an article -- at least, after probably hundreds of inquiries to Truth Movement advocates, no one has been able to mention one...”

end quote

And I thought I should forward you that paper by physicist Prof. Steven Jones et. al. They finally got it published - about how the towers were not felled by 'Ali baba' and his 19 consorts on their flying carpet! The [PDF](#) is attached with this email.

I hope you can find some time to review its findings. However the paper that I have personally found the most interesting, is also cited in it - item [13]. It's the very first one Prof. Jones wrote a couple of years ago - Here is the URL for it:  
<http://tinyurl.com/2rx97n>

The latter one is my favorite paper, after Webster Tarpley's book 'Synthetic Terror 9/11', for the photographs assembled in it by Prof. Jones of molten 'lava flow' defies Pentagon's facile explanations for any rational un-indoctrinated physical scientist (as you might put it too)!

I am cc'ing three of the five authors of the published paper whose emails I have, just so that a direct communication can be established, if you so wish. I would also like to thank them for their persistence - the genuine gadflies - won't you agree?

However, this is no time for basking in the glory of getting a research paper published in a scientific journal on a taboo topic - the war on Iran and Pakistan appear very imminent, and with the crossing of the Nuclear Rubicon, this country itself will likely end up in Martial Law. Never mind what will happen to the “*Global Zone of Percolating Violence*” in the map that Messrs. Bernard Lewis has constructed for the New Middle East that re-partitions my country in the name of “*Clash of Civilizations*”. We are all really on the same page there - I surely think!

The only point of contention, as I perceive it, has been the actual event of 9/11. You have insisted on accepting the Pentagon's version of it from day one. I have, from day one, been skeptical of an 'Ali Baba' having had the resources to carry it off - especially starting around 10 am (or thereabout) on the very day, 9/11/2001, when Dan Rather on CBS Channel 5 commenting extempore on the horrible spectacle unfolding before him, remarked: *that looks awfully like controlled demolition*. (approx. quote from memory).

In fact, my memory recalls the following full approx. quote: *for the second time today, we see something that looks awfully like controlled demolition*.

Later on, WTC-7 was actually controlled demolition entirely (and I myself heard Larry Silverstein say "*pull it*" on video interview of him that I found on youtube). There just wasn't time between 10:00 am and 5 pm when WTC-7 was "*pulled*" to plant the cutter-charges to bring it down so expertly into its own foot-print (for the third time that day that 3 tall buildings had collapsed [in] that way), especially for an already burning building and the ensuing chaos, poor visibility, etc. Thus - demolition charges must have been planted earlier - much earlier! Isn't that logic? And that indicates a covert-ops to any un-indoctrinated fair-minded forensic detective!

But irrespective of that, you and I, along with millions of other dissenters world-wide have entirely agreed that it was indeed "*imperial mobilization*" which followed, commencing with the 'algebra of infinite justice' to 'operation iraqi freedom' to whatever abomination that await us today - continually synthesizing "*revolutionary times*" to make what is "*inconceivable in normal times*" finally "*possible*"!

You have however, all along maintained the 'blowback' version for the events of 9/11 itself, for the 'empire's former crimes. With this hard evidence which is finally published in a scientific journal, as you wanted, and based on how science itself is done, as I learnt at MIT, Dan Rather's words of seven years ago have finally seen some scientific validation. That in itself, of course, does not mean that their research is wholly correct. It only means, to my rather humble mind, that the blatantly obvious evidence of the eye, has found some scientific substantiators as they researched the topic doing 'science'. It isn't entirely conjectures and hearsay anymore.

That is the difference between covert-ops and conspiracy theory - obviously! It is 'conspiracy theory' until after it's a fait accompli, and the famed declassification process and FOIA has made it a field day for historians, at which point, it magically transforms into 'covert-ops' of that [abominable](#) "*outlaw*" empire. Well this one just transformed a bit sooner [but not soon enough]! This is the history of 'empire' as I have studied it, as introduced to me by you, starting if I remember correctly, with Nicaragua. But it's one long chain from the 'USS Maine' to '9/11', each one leading to

some *“imperial mobilization”* in the name of fighting *“pirates”*.

I am hoping, Prof. Chomsky, that everything you have taught me - including, of observing as a Martian when one is emotionally too close to any situation - you will apply yourself on this very emotional issue, of your own government (or some covert group within that possessed the phenomenal expertise and logistics capability) having possibly done an 'operation canned goods' for pre-meditated *“imperial mobilization”*. One possible model of how it could have been done is in Webster Tarpley's book. Again, doesn't mean that's how it was done, only that rationalism and science must continually prevail over 'beliefs'. Model-building to explain complex phenomenon is the scientific-method that I learnt at MIT. That is only what is going on here. I hope you will analyze it accordingly. This work may indeed be flawed, in which case, please do point them [flaws] out constructively so it can be improved.

Please also see my latest oped submission, yes once again, to NYT and LAT - and we both know what their response will be - if you are interested:

“Bin Laden': Key enabler of nuclear attack on Iran–Pakistan”  
<http://humanbeingsfirst.blogspot.com/2008/04/binladen-keyenabler-nuclearattack.html>

Warm regards,

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In reference to the interestingly titled and revealing commentary by Israeli peace activist Uri Avnery, "Facing Mecca" published by Media Monitors Network (<http://usa.mediamonitors.net/content/view/full/40967>) and picked up by several others including The Baltimore Chronicle on February 19, 2007, I wanted to pen my own humble thoughts down to suggest that the trail of red herrings is long, endless, and quite distinguished.

*"Impracticality"* due to the *"existent reality on the ground"* is often used as a fait accompli argument for any other resolution to the long festering Israel-Palestine blot on humanity for the suffering that it is needlessly inducing upon the indigenous peoples, except the much articulated two state abstract solution as theoretically dictated by the Israeli government and the key power brokers and vested interests allied to it. And even in this constricted solutions space, it is frequently used to nuance what is practicably realizable given the *"existent reality on the ground"*, and

what isn't.

While the world silently spectates the immense suffering that the occupation continues to bring upon an innocent peoples, the Israelis keep seeding the land with new reality on the ground which too then becomes "impractical" to undo and becomes new leveraging points in any subsequent peace talks - take 10 and give back 1 if the Palestinians behave, then repeat! This reality formally got constructed in 1948 and is continually being constructed as we speak, at each turn becoming impractical to undo requiring the victims to continually having to accommodate to the new reality for peace settlement, because true justice is now deemed "impractical".

An interesting argument, this *"impracticality"*.

Or is it indeed also a deliberate deception and red herring of the kind related by *the "Israeli Patriot"* in "[Facing Mecca](#)"?

*' The British call this a "red herring" - a smelly fish that a fugitive drags across the path in order to put the pursuing dogs off the trail.*

*WHEN I was young, Jewish people in Palestine used to talk about our secret weapon: the Arab refusal. Every time somebody proposed some peace plan, we relied on the Arab side to say "no". True, the Zionist leadership was against any compromise that would have frozen the existing situation and halted the momentum of the Zionist enterprise of expansion and settlement. But the Zionist leaders used to say "yes" and "we extend our hand for peace" - and rely on the Arabs to scuttle the proposal.*

*That was successful for a hundred years, until Yasser Arafat changed the rules, recognized Israel and signed the Oslo Accords, which stipulated that the negotiations for the final borders between Israel and Palestine must be concluded not later than 1999. To this very day, those negotiations have not even started. Successive Israeli governments have prevented it because they were not ready under any circumstances to fix final borders. (The 2000 Camp David meeting was not a real negotiation - Ehud Barak convened it without any preparation, dictated his terms to the Palestinians and broke the dialogue off when they were refused.) [...]*

*The panic had immediate results: "political circles" in Jerusalem announced that they rejected the Mecca agreement out of hand. Then second thoughts set in. Shimon Peres, long established master of the*

*"yes-but-no" method, convinced Olmert that the brazen "no" must be replaced with a more subtle "no". For this purpose, the red herring was again taken out of the freezer. '*

But while Uri Avnery exposes some red herrings very eloquently and quite courageously in this article, he does not explain how the same concept was still at play even at Oslo - an unacceptable proposal in reality that no self-respecting people would have willingly accepted - and that despite its unacceptability, Yasser Arafat had indeed accepted it, leading to the detachment of the late Edward Said from it eventually as the realization dawned regarding the true nature of the peace plan and he insisted that no justice could be had in peace talks between unequals (see his own words [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), [here](#)).

However, the observation of "yes-but-no" method of the disingenuous Israeli peace making overtures is indeed based on empirical reality. Should I applaud this courageous activist for outright admitting it for the benefit of the American and Western audience? This reality of duplicity is quite known to the recipients of its largess, but unfortunately quite unknown to those who innocently ally themselves to the cause of Israel in the West and wonder why the Palestinians are so moronically recalcitrant to all the generous overtures by Israel and don't want peace!

Are the arguments of "impracticality" also similar red herrings that continually defy justice being brought to bear on the issue?

This is the purpose of my essay, to explore "impracticality" to achieving justice and its concomitant harvest of peace, as opposed to the continual mantra of peace with "impracticality" as impediments to reaching fair and just solutions that are as obvious and as ignored by the power brokers and their allied vested interests as a black African elephant in the ivory white bridal suite sitting right in the middle of the newlywed's bed.

Indeed, why not apply "impracticality" to all issues of injustices? It's indeed highly "impractical" to bring about a change in any status quo! That did not stop South Africa to be abolished as an apartheid state, nor did it stop severe punitive sanctions and boycotts and divestments to be imposed on it, with South Africa perennially being highlighted before the world in the press and media and by the outspoken commentators and intellectuals as a pariah state, before the abhorrent apartheid was forced to end there through the courageous struggle of its own indigenous peoples directly supported by the international community (with few exceptions, the most notable being some in the United States - see incumbent US Vice President Dick Cheney's voting record when he was in Congress on the resolution to free Nelson Mandela); and nor did it prevent the tea from being thrown overboard by a

handful of patriots who are today venerated as the founders of a superpower nation. All very impractical acts as seen from the comfortable living rooms of the pundits. That is not to say that ending Apartheid has ended poverty in South Africa, or automatically created economic equity. The struggle still continues on, as it even does in the United States of America itself to create a fairer society, as one can glean from all the movements of the preceding century, Civil Rights, Labor Rights, Women's Rights, etc. But the key enabler is the tumultuous axiomatic construction of the state which must precede any incremental changes in realizing economic and social benefits. Such an axiomatic construction transpired for the United States of America by the writing of its seeding Constitution after the tea was thrown overboard, and for South Africa by outright abolishing apartheid after a long struggle where the calls for its dismantling preceded its abolishment by many decades, and most vociferously by the first Statesman of the New South Africa, Nelson Mandela.

One could argue that while one waits for the justice based "impractical" solution to transpire, should one allow those suffering the injustices of oppression and inhuman subjugation, to continue doing so in the interim, or should one aim for any quick compromised "practical" solution that alleviates their misery? One of the finest red herrings thrown on the *"fugitive .. trail"* yet! When the question is posited in this way, it wonderfully co-opts the preeminence of morality over "impracticality" in intellectual thought by artificially constructing a false either or choice in the best mold of *"either you are with us, or against us"*.

In reality, there are two rather straightforward truism responses to this that must coexist concurrently. The first is the moral response of the intellectual that is independent of the efficacy of its realization. This moral response is essential for identifying 'the right thing to do' space for the society as its moral compass.

The second is the "policy" response, so to speak. This is concerned with the efficacy of the measures required to bring injustices to a halt in any practical measure, while being cognizant of the path shown by the moral compass of the nation, and perhaps also being influenced by it rather than by some other distorted compass of the "high priests" of the ruling elite. Bringing "policies" to bear upon the problem space is a political advocacy process, a social activism process, a grass-roots mobilization process, a revolutionary process, and in a democratic country like the United States of America, it is entirely a lobbying process, a seeding of the "right" thoughts in "[Foreign Affairs](#)" process, getting hands and feet and souls dirty process, and even waging an all out war on WMD pretexts to eradicate oppression and injustices of ones' own vested interests process!

The twain, "moral compassing" and "policy making", are not mutually exclusive.



Indeed, the former must precede the latter in order to create the desired "policy advocacy" in society in the first place that can eventually seed the desired "policy making". Let me just refer to this bit of rational commonsense that derives from a moral sense of justice and fair play, as **the principle of Moral-Activism**.

And the same persons don't necessarily have to be doing both at the same time, i.e. "moral compassing" and "policy making". For instance, the abolitionists clamored largely theoretically in their intellectual writings and speeches for the abolition of slavery a good thirty years before an advocacy policy got crafted (due to whatever reasons of expediency and political forces), and the latter drew upon the former for the doctrinal motivations to create the momentum that launched the American Civil War against slavery. The example of South Africa cited earlier on the other hand is a more virtuous example of the principle of Moral-Activism. It is one where "moral compassing" and the ground-floor activism and protest manifested in many of the same peoples simultaneously. Among them, Bishop Desmond Tutu, and the incredibly famous and respected world Statesman, Nelson Mandela, who spent 27 years in prison for his unequivocal advocacy on the firm moral principles to end apartheid. During this tenure in the "Gulag", he did not compromise because his people were suffering. Indeed, he was offered many such compromises, and shown many "practical" alternatives for being let out of Jail and for the temporary band aid relief of his peoples if he'd only give up his unequivocal moral call to end apartheid. Had he been co-opted at the time by this red-herring of "practical", and had he not had firm moorings in the moral-compassing of his own conscience that was the impetus behind his Moral-Activism, there'd be no new South Africa today.

Knowing the 'right thing to do space' in order to pursue an advocacy that is principled, even when the struggle may be long and arduous, is a simple straightforward truism that somehow seems to get lost when it comes to Israel-Palestine. I am sorry if the principle of Moral-Activism escapes all the "dissenting priests" in the entire Western Hemisphere. The red herrings they strew about with what's "practical" without any moral foundations - perhaps unwittingly for having followed their own compromised "super dissenting priests" who never laid out the "moral compass" on this issue for their flock due to their own reprehensible self-interests - has been the death of an innocent peoples. Literally speaking. And I am sure they still sleep soundly at night!

So why am I not enthusiastically applauding Uri Avnery, the prominent and respected leader of Gush Shalom, Israel's peace activists, for exposing Israel's hypocrisy before the West? The answer depends on why is a similar argument for abolishing Israel as an apartheid state, as was made for South Africa, conclusively ending its Zionist reign of monumental terror and obscurantism (see [here](#), [here](#),

[here](#), [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), and [here](#)), and making that country one uniform nation with equal rights for all its inhabitants (and keeping any name, even Israel, or in fairness and acceptance of a genuinely contrite mea culpa, calling it Israel-Palestine or Palestine-Israel, or indeed Palestine), not being brought up by Uri Avnery? Where is the principled Moral-Activism in his advocacy?

The most à propos model for the reconstruction of this anachronistic apartheid-racist Zionist state in the holy lands is indeed South Africa. The incredible parallels have been discussed by many over the years as cited above in the long reading list for those unfamiliar with the subject matter, and need not be rehearsed again. Had these moral calls been vociferously made 50 years ago, 40 years ago, 30 years ago, 20 years ago, 10 years ago, after 911, and had the "dissenting priests" seeded the moral compass of the peoples by unequivocally demanding divestment, demanding sanctions, and demanding an end to the apartheid and racism ingrained in Zionism and hence in its Zionist state, this moral compassing would have surely seeded an activism that was principled, and we may have already seen the Palestinian tragedy very pragmatically reversed.

Were it not for the vested interests of the high priests and their various incantations that stayed mum, and are still mum on the subject. It is one thing to expect the "high priests" of the ruling elite to take these conscionable moralistic positions and be disappointed. It is quite another to have the "dissenting priests" also lead their flock to the same pastures, albeit through a more curious route! These vested-interests from influence peddlers have to be shoved aside to seed the roots of justice in any system of injustices, as the history of the world informs us to this day!

Here are some additional counter perspectives to the two-state solution from another Israeli Jew (turned Christian), Israel Shamir, who does not buy the "impracticality" red herring, nor Ben Gurion's disingenuous *"It is true God promised it to us"* nonsense, and argues a moral position unequivocally, at <http://www.israelshamir.net/>.

I once met Israel Shamir, curious to learn if he was for real or just another red-herring for clever deflection of conscionable peoples' efforts. What little I discovered from his autobiographical and very personal public speech that I attended at a local university a few years ago where he noted *"Jews need a homeland [in Palestine] as much as fish need bicycles"*, made me realize that not all Israelis are blind sighted - that moral traditions are still alive among them! Just that there are too few of these outspoken precious gems ([here](#) is another whose family even gave up their Israeli citizenship by choice as victims of their own conscience when they woke up from

their Zionist slumber, once again demonstrating that actions speak louder than laments)! Each of them often tends to acquire the magic instantly affixing label of "self-hating Jew", and their political positions conveniently labeled anti-Semitic. See [here](#) and [here](#) on how this label is dexterously manufactured and deployed to discredit anyone who disagrees with either the official position of Zionism, or presents other milder variants of it, apportioning for themselves the vehemence of the Zionists in commensurate amounts!

Why does Uri Avnery indeed stop short of suggesting dismantling of the Israeli Zionist Apartheid state and making it one democratic equitable state for all its inhabitants? Indeed, by the admission of Israel's own founding patriots:

*"Jewish villages were built in the place of Arab villages. You do not even know the names of these Arab villages, and I do not blame you because geography books no longer exist. Not only do the books not exist, the Arab villages are not there either. Nahlal arose in the place of Mahlul; Kibbutz Gvat in the place of Jibta; Kibbutz Sarid in the place of Huneifis; and Kefar Yehushua in the place of Tal al-Shuman. There is not a single place built in this country that did not have a former Arab population."* Moshe Dayan: Haaretz, April 4, 1969. (noted from the web, Dayan was probably quoting Ben Gurion from the 'The Jewish Paradox')

Where are his moral stances? Is he confused about the "right thing to do" as well? Doesn't seem likely, as unlike the American and other European audience, he sees the reality and history on the ground from ground zero itself. Perhaps he may be reminded that if he claims his Jewish religion as a race, he may well be the inheritor of King Solomon the wise! And if he claims it as his faith (and is not an atheist like the majority of the European culturally Jewish immigrant inhabitants of Israel, see confessional writings such as "[My Holiday, Their Tragedy](#)"), then he is indeed the inheritor of the moral Ten Commandments of his lofty faith. But if he is only informed by cultural affiliation to the Jewish traditions, he is still a human being first and still the inheritor of the genuine wisdom of all the sages of the ages! Why this blind-sight, especially being an activist for peace? Is it not also activist for justice? If he can forget about the crimes of his own founding fathers *"I am prepared to leave the history, ideology and theology of the matter to the theologians, ideologues and historians."*, and *"If somebody is ready to make peace with me, within borders and on conditions agreed upon in negotiations, that is quite enough for me."*, why stop short of full restitution and all live in peace within the same borders within which they all rightfully belong - Jews, Christians, and Muslims?

Indeed, if it were the victims who had made these conciliatory statements, these lofty proclamations would surely have elevated humanity to a new level of compassion and forgiveness in putting the past behind them - a mighty indomitable peoples indeed, as resolute in their suffering, as magnanimous in their victory. These statements coming from the victimizers however, while to many in the West may be commendable, to me, for a conscionable activist of peace whom I also admire for his immense courage to continually speak out against the crimes of his own peoples, are quite indefensible, and downright disingenuous! Perhaps I may have missed something here, but it strikes me as rather odd that the occupier is claiming he is prepared to live amicably with the victims under secure borders. It is almost as if a thief broke into my house, locked me up in the bathroom, then when I made too much racket, he said he was willing to live peacefully in some well defined rooms in the house! I am sorry if no one sees the irony of this!

Uri Avnery's confessional "*I am an Israeli patriot,*" explains this enigma in as much clarity as the following gem from Baruch Kimmerling, another Israeli Patriot who calls Israel his land when he wasn't born there, and identifies himself in the oxymoronic category of "Jew, atheist, and Zionist" where the latter two may be consistent, but how does that pertain to being a Jew?

*"As a Jew, an atheist and a Zionist, I have two memorial days in my country, Israel. One for the Holocaust and one for soldiers who fell in wars. I also have one day of celebration, the anniversary of the day Israel declared its statehood. [...] Independence Day is a holiday for me, but also an opportunity for intense self-introspection. A person needs a state and land, and this is my land, my homeland, despite the fact that I was not born here. I am proud of the unprecedented accomplishments of this country, and feel personally responsible for its failures, foolishness, injustice, evil, and its oppression of its citizens and residents (Jewish, Arab, and others) as well as of those who are defined and defined themselves as her enemies. I know that my holiday, a day of joy and pride for me, is a day of mourning and tragedy for some of Israel's citizens and, more so, for members of the Palestinian people everywhere. I know that as long as we, all Jews everywhere, do not acknowledge this, we will not be able to live here in safety, every man and woman under their vine and under their fig tree. Happy holidays, Israel."* (My Holiday, Their Tragedy, 2002.)

Disingenuous self interest once again? Neither calling unequivocally for abolishing the apartheid state (as far as I am aware, and if they have already done so elsewhere, I eat crow with pleasure). And neither extending to the displaced

Palestinians the privileges they apportion for themselves in Israel - making it their home when not being born there (although Uri Avnery may well have been I don't know, I have never met him) when they don't accord it to those who indeed were and were kicked out by the very founding of the state which Kimmerling is so proudly calling his independence day. He does indeed magnanimously calls for Jews acknowledging the suffering of the Palestinians so that he can live in peace in Israel, but not for remedying the injustice in the only just and moral way - but then, being an atheist, whence the source of morality? God is dead, Nietzsche is alive, and so are his mantle-bearing ubermensch! Witness it in his own essay the vacuous words without the concomitant unequivocal call to abolish apartheid and make it one homeland for those forcibly displaced by his independence day:

*"The transformation of the Holocaust into a solely Jewish tragedy, as opposed to a universal event, only weakens its significance and its legitimacy, tarnishing us and the memory of the victims. Likewise, its unnecessary overuse by Jews in Israel and the rest of the world, particularly political bodies, has made the Holocaust banal. Above all, a provocative and dangerous approach has bought a place in our hearts: that Jews, as the victims of the Holocaust, are permitted to treat goyim however they want. Forceful and condescending, "anti-gentile-ism" is identical to criminal anti-Semitism. ... What can I do? A person is closer to his own friends, tribe, and people. Along with that, however, I cannot forget or refrain from mourning the victims of this bloody conflict and feel deep empathy with those who have suffered and still suffer as a result of the fatal encounter between Jews and Arabs in this land. I hope that the day will come when we will commemorate together and mourn together, Jews and Arabs alike, for all of the victims of the conflict. Only then will we be able to live together in this place in safety. ... I know that as long as we, all Jews everywhere, do not acknowledge this, we will not be able to live here in safety, every man and woman under their vine and under their fig tree."*

I am sorry that I am less than impressed, despite the self-flagellation. "What can I do?" Kimmerling asks? Here are three immediate things a conscionable Israeli can do if he is a Moral-Activist (see example [here](#)): **1)** Start a campaign to demand genuine justice - not mere words of contrition - by requiring the apartheid nature of the state and the "Berlin Wall" to be simultaneously demolished. **2)** Stop paying taxes that contributes to the maintenance of the apartheid state. **3)** As a conscionable person, leave Israel until such time that others who have more right to be there, on account of having being born there, and were forcibly evicted, are also

allowed to return! To me, it appears that without any of the concomitant actions for Moral-Activism, the only reason Kimmerling calls for the recognition of the plight of the Palestinians is so that he and Zionist Jews like him can live in peace.

Thus, what might any conscionable self-respecting Palestinian conclude from this? Apart from the cynicism that is now ingrained in the Middle East of this stereotype: *they will first plan to kill you with a design most brutal, and then come to your funeral lamenting "We can forgive them for killing our children, we cannot forgive them for making us kill theirs"* as was noted by Israeli Prime Minister Golda Meir, in order to win back their rights as human beings first from their monstrous oppressors who only think of themselves first and not of the abject suffering that is being unfolded right down the Jews-only highway from them, and who continue to maintain that "A person is closer to his own friends, tribe, and people." rather than demonstrate any genuine sympathy towards the sufferings of others at their own hands, they (the Palestinians) have to make the cost of occupation so exorbitant, that the next clarion call from people like Kimmerling would indeed have to be a demand for full restitution of the Palestinians so that he could indeed live in peace!

Also, let's not be fooled either that simply declaring Israel as a non-apartheid state with a change in its laws as well as national flag will solve all the problems for the Palestinians, but it will be an amazing welcoming start from the present day inhuman oppression that the world silently spectates. The economic hegemony of the European transplants into Israel and its high tech economy all in the hands of the Jews, will likely stay the same - rights do not equate prosperity, but is indeed an axiomatic start. Witness South Africa - its economy and its lands are still largely in the hands of the tiny white minority, and the majority black indigenous population still lives in abject poverty. But one has to begin somewhere - the place to begin is the laws on the books, the constitution, and the philosophy of equal rights for all its citizens regardless of caste, creed, sex, religion, and ethnicity. How can any nation, founded on these lofty principles itself, befriend and support a nation that is its exact opposite? Only politics and self-interests of its ruling elite - as in the case of all cases of injustices in society since the very inception of society!

It is indeed interesting to identify all those "intellectuals", "moralists", "historians", "scholars", and high profile pundits and prolific exponents who argue either "impracticality" or "Palestinian intransigence" or offer vacuous sympathy, to either continue to propose the severely compromised for one side, the two-state theoretical solution along 1967 borders as their gesture of "fairness" and "compassion", or continue to argue for the occupation because of docile unacceptability of occupation to those being occupied.

Identify all of these exponents of Israel, not very hard to do at all in this information age, and examine their own vested interests and/or affiliations because of which they shirk from taking the only genuinely moral and just position of dismantling the apartheid state of Israel into an equal state for all its denizens born there. If they support open immigration based only on the Jewish "race" or "faith" cards, and deny right of return, fair compensation (ask the Holocaust survivors for a quote of what that might be and what Israel extracts each year from Germany), and rehabilitation in their own ancestral lands for the displaced and dispossessed indigenous Palestinians and their children and grandchildren, and present themselves as "objective" erudite observers of the matter, the question must be asked by conscionable peoples on the morality and vested self interests of this doublespeak that seems to be gathering roaring applause in the liberal Left! It continually escapes everyone's imagination to keep the diabolical game of Zionism in perspective - buy time to seed the land with birth rights, and continual small incremental encroachments, and systematic depopulation through intense oppression such that the victims would give up, die away, or become abject slaves!

And similarly identify all those who prominently accept the 1967 border solution - crafted any which horrendous way as inhabitable bantustans forming no semblance of an independent nation-state with all the same rights and privileges as any other independent nation-state, including having a well equipped modern army, navy, air force, marines for self-defense, and own commerce and independent ingress and egress trade and movement points in and out of their nation-state for an independent economy and freedom of travel, just to point out two major gaping holes in all two-state solution proposals that have been put on the table - from the beleaguered side and ask whether they do so because by choice, or because of having had no choice in the matter and only wanting to just get to any peaceable solution, justice or not, so that some beleaguered peoples may live in some kind of semblance of peace as human beings first, and not as trampled sub-species of some "*cockroaches*" under the watchful gun turrets of Israeli sharp shooters mounted atop the 14-ft high apartheid wall that runs through their bedrooms and backyards! This sub-species classification for the Palestinians was created by the Israelis themselves - shocking? Read for yourselves [1]:

*"We declare openly that the Arabs have no right to settle on even one centimeter of Eretz Israel ... Force is all they do or ever will understand. We shall use the ultimate force until the Palestinians come crawling to us on all fours."* and *"When we have settled the land, all the Arabs will be able to do about it will be to scurry around like drugged cockroaches in a bottle."* Raphael Eitan, Chief of Staff of the IDF: "New York Times 14 April 1983". (noted from the web)

Unless the vested interests are clearly and unmistakably disambiguated, the red herrings will continue to be strewn along all paths - deliberately or unwittingly makes no difference to one on the *"fugitive"* trail - to constrict the solution space to the exclusive benefit of one party and to the severe handicap of the other, until either Ben Gurion's call is realized: *"We must do everything to insure they (the Palestinians) never do return ... The old will die and the young will forget."*, or General Shlomo Lahat's: *"We have to kill all the Palestinians unless they are resigned to live here as slaves"*. And that is indeed the reality of Israel-Palestine today as it has always been since its bloody and brutal inception 60 years ago, and intensely accelerated after the 1967 military occupation of the West Bank and Gaza strip.

Even the commonsensical proposition of why the Palestinians would ever accept an occupier was echoed by the very founding father of this Nakba for the victims (except at the barrel of a gun continuously held to their lives to slowly wear them down while continually playing the diabolical game of *"yes but no"* to mitigate international pressures as the systematic task of squeezing the victims goes on in the background seeding new realities daily that perforce must subsequently be articulated as axiomatic *"The Palestinians' return could be implemented in ways that minimize, rather than exacerbate, the disruption for Israelis living in the areas."*):

*"If I were an Arab leader, I would never sign an agreement with Israel. It is normal; we have taken their country. It is true God promised it to us, but how could that interest them? Our God is not theirs. There has been Anti-Semitism, the Nazis, Hitler, Auschwitz, but was that their fault? They see but one thing: we have come and we have stolen their country. Why would they accept that?"* (Ben Gurion in "The Jewish Paradox")

*"Let us not ignore the truth among ourselves ... politically we are the aggressors and they defend themselves... The country is theirs, because they inhabit it, whereas we want to come here and settle down, and in their view we want to take away from them their country."* (Ben Gurion, presumably quoted by Noam Chomsky in *Fateful Triangle*, noted from the web)

From the very conception of founding of Israel by Herzl in 1896 on the banks of the river Rhine *"In Basle I founded the Jewish state ... Maybe in five years, certainly in fifty, everyone will realize it."*, to this very day, the battle cry of anti-Semitism has been diabolically harvested (see [here](#)), and sometimes even criminally (see [here](#)



and [here](#)), to justify Zionism and its offspring 'Der Judenstaat'. But in the reality of today, the Jewish state is an anachronism of history, a perception that legitimized it in the minds of the followers of this Zionist idea when indeed anti-Semitism was rampant in Christian Europe. Today, never mind European anti-Semitism, there are now laws appearing on the books in Europe that even criminalizes the mere questioning of the history as related by the Zionists to the world's public. Thus, the Zionist Jews are now pretty safe from any further persecution from Christian Europe, and there is little reason to maintain the Zionist character of the state in Palestine when it comes at the expense of intense suffering and injustice to another innocent peoples already living there. It would hardly matter to anyone if 'Der Judenstaat' was moved to Europe somewhere, compensation that it was for the pain and suffering imposed on the innocent Jews by the fanatic Christians of the previous century - unfortunately, the compensation was offered them at another's expense.

But today, it is high time to rectify and redress that blot on humanity by the very European and Western nations who now proclaim themselves as the emblem of civilization and morality and beacon of human progress and learning. Perhaps they can spotlight this beacon onto their own first sins and help redress the calamitous suffering that is transpiring right under their very noses on an entirely innocent peoples as a result of their own creation - both the first innocent victims, and then as a result of their shoddy compensation for their monumental crimes to those victims, the new innocent victims. Some luminous civilization out to teach the rest of the world how to live in civilized modernity as it continually constructs new victims!

And it is indeed instructional to learn of the sorrows and calamitous suffering from the perspective of the victims themselves, an oft neglected sin in the West which prides itself in its own articulate description of the World's victims and in unfurling the crimes of their own hegemonic emperors by writing prolific books and touting their much wanted freedom of speech - to absolutely zero degree of efficacy except more books sold and more prominence gained - rather than listen to the victims themselves with as much credibility lent to their own suffering voices.

Somehow, the victim screaming in pain is considered biased, but their victimizers' description of their plight is academic honesty and intellectual brilliance! I don't think I really need to hear it from Noam Chomsky to know how Palestinians are suffering, although his conscionable exposure of their plight in the West is certainly very important, and has been so for many years - but his half baked two-state proposals for their solution-space ain't.

When we give higher currency to conscionable dissent makers whose prime cultural affiliations are with the victim makers themselves, over those voices of anguish of

the victims and those with cultural and civilizational affiliations to the victims as their extended family, we do both the victims and other well intentioned bystanders longing to figure out how to make peace with justice, a great disservice!

Here is another example of this twisted view of justice even by well intentioned exponents of the Palestinians' rights but civilizational and culturally allied with the victimizers: "[Palestinians Have A Right To Go Home](#)" by the erstwhile, vocal, and conscionable Phyllis Bennis of the [Institute of Policy Studies](#). After passionately arguing the Right of Return for the Palestinians in the abstract:

*"Palestinians today make up one of every four refugees in the world. Their right to return to their homes, despite more than a 52-year delay in realizing that right, is no less compelling than the right to return home of any other refugees from any other war. International law is very clear: It doesn't matter which side wins or which side loses, after a war, refugees have the right to go home. The United Nations passed Resolution 194 (which the U.S. and every other U.N. member state except Israel voted to reaffirm each year from 1949 till 1994) specifically to make sure that those made refugees by the creation of Israel would be protected. And yet Israel specifically rejects that right of return because of concern that allowing the Palestinian refugees to come home would change the demographic balance of the Jewish state."*

But now look at the disingenuousness of the solution space. An absence to any call to eliminate the main reason why the Right of Return is not being implemented by Israel - it's apartheid nature of the Jewish state which has been diabolically constructed on another peoples' land where the indigenous population was predominantly non-Jewish! The "just" solution escapes Phyllis Bennis even when she acknowledges the cause of the problem in this case.

And she also surveys the various implementation attempts by others:

*"Is compromise possible? Absolutely. But only if it is based on recognition of the right of return as a real, fundamental right - not if it is based on Israel's superior power. Israel's proposal during the recent Camp David summit for a "humanitarian" family reunification program that would benefit only a few tens of thousands, out of the millions of stateless Palestinians, is one compromise that will surely not work. Another sure-to-fail compromise is the proposal being quietly bandied about in Washington and a variety of Middle Eastern capitals. This plan envisions a quid pro quo in which Baghdad would*

*resettle many of the Palestinians (with or without their consent) from refugee camps in Lebanon to Kurdish areas of Iraq (from which equally unconsenting Kurds are already being expelled), in exchange for lifting the crippling economic sanctions against Iraq. Publicly denied by the relevant governments, the plan has in fact been discussed with Iraqi officials by the representative of at least one member of the U.S. Congress, and a number of Arab leaders are known to privately support the idea. This is a non-starter too."*

But then makes this statement as her own suggestion:

*"Real compromise is possible in determining how, not whether, the right of return will be realized. The Palestinians' return could be implemented in ways that minimize, rather than exacerbate, the disruption for Israelis living in the areas."*

Why this axiomatic preference to minimize *"the disruption for Israelis living in the areas"* - they are the victimizers to start with, aren't they? [2]

Instead, why does the erstwhile author not make the only conscionable call of Moral-Activism to abolish the apartheid state as the only just first step in the right direction?

The same is true of Noam Chomsky - while he supported the sanctions on Apartheid South Africa, he is against sanctions for Israel. Why should the vested interests of those civilizationally, culturally, and religio-historically allied with the victimizers, despite being courageously vocal in bringing the plight of the innocent victims to the attention of their own nations, be allowed to dictate, and dominate the articulation of the solution space on behalf of the victims? I am sorry if no one sees the irony in this!

Indeed, Chomsky has himself informed many victims themselves, as well as the Western audience, of the pragmatic underpinnings of the terror that was ruthlessly employed in creating the Jewish State. In his "Western State Terrorism", in Chapter 2, Chomsky writes:

*' In 1943, current Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir wrote an article entitled "Terror" for the journal of the terrorist organization he headed (Lehi) in which he proposed to "dismiss all the 'phobia' and babble against terror with simple, obvious arguments." "Neither Jewish morality nor Jewish tradition can be used to disallow terror as a means of war," he wrote, and "We are very far from any moral hesitations when concerned with the national struggle." "First and*

*foremost, terror is for us a part of the political war appropriate for the circumstances of today, and its task is a major one: it demonstrates in the clearest language, heard throughout the world, including by our unfortunate brethren outside the gates of this country, our war against the occupier." '*

Where the "occupier" was either the British, or the indigenous Palestinian population, or both, I am not sure. Neither were however spared the wrath of Jewish terror in the creation of the Jewish State, and the Palestinians bearing the biggest brunt of it. So Chomsky is not a stranger to the monumental crimes of Zionist Jews visiting the Nakba upon the innocent local peoples of Palestine, that Kimmerling proudly calls his "independence day". Neither is Chomsky any stranger to how anti-Semitism was deftly harvested to populate the new Jewish State, with the escaping Jews from Europe being cleverly diverted to the intended Jewish State in Palestine all throughout the 1940s even before the state was founded. As he has himself noted it somewhere in his prolific writings, the affluent ones and the techno-scientists and the Jewish social elite escaping from the Nazis were allowed onto the shores of the United States, the rest were deliberately diverted to Palestine.

And Chomsky's "pragmatic" response to this genocide and mayhem of the local population during the founding of the Jewish State? *All modern nations are formed on the unfortunate bloodshed of millions, the United States itself was formed on the blood of 10 million natives, and so on. This is all faits accomplis. So we have to move on and live among our internationally recognized secure borders according to international norms.* (Précis of private communication from a while back)

Great. And here is where the red herring begins. Higher the priesthood, more tortuous the red herrings.

Chomsky does not distinguish between a crime that happened in the distant past that we can do little about today in rectification, and one that is occurring concurrently in our present epoch for which we can most assuredly do something in rectification, and for which a just and moral solution does indeed exist. It has not receded into dusty pages of history far enough yet to have become a fait accompli that cannot be practicably undone - such as returning California to Mexico.

Today, Israel is the only nation on earth as far as I know, with no self-recognized borders except the entire 'land of Canaan', and where the writ of this apartheid state is continually extending over amorphous boundaries with new 14 ft walls being continually constructed to create giant prisons to enclose the indigenous population who refuse to "die", and whose "young" refuse to "forget", and who refuse to be "resigned to live here as slaves", and who miraculously escape "We have to kill all

*the Palestinians*" call to ethnically cleanse the beleaguered Palestinians from their own homeland. Is there any other evidence of monumental terrorism even possible in the present epoch? While all eyes have been diverted to the "Islamic terrorists" and the "Bin Ladens" and "Orange alert" and strip search at airports, the big monstrous Jewish elephant in the Zionist state is blithely ignored - even as I write this today in February 2007 - permitting them the ubermensch prerogative for Eretz Yisrael, which according to Zionism's overtly stated ideological underpinnings that entirely drives the political aspirations and its execution in the apartheid state, is *"from the Nile to the Euphrates"*. Or it may be the other way around. It doesn't matter since it's a scalar and an all encompassing open secret that no one wishes to say out loud for some reason in the West, but surely, like Uri Avnery mentions the *"Arab refusal"* premising all facades of peace talks, and when that failing, the *"yes but no"* taking over, it is also much openly discussed in the Hebrew society as the premise upon which Israeli policies, its laws, and its visitation of brutal oppression upon the indigenous peoples, are made. But the Western intellectual exercising claims to "dissent chief priesthood" dare not base any advocacy based upon these facts of the oppressive regime. That this irony fails to strike the commonsense of many, is not surprising. For priesthood in any domain, is merely the shepherd tending to his respective sheep.

So why am I not enthusiastically applauding Noam Chomsky for his courageous "dissent"? The answer entirely depends on why is a similar argument for abolishing Israel as an apartheid state, as was made for South Africa, and conclusively ending its Zionist reign of monumental terror and obscurantism in the modernity of the 21st century, not being courageously made by him. Where is the principled Moral-Activism in his advocacy of a negotiated two-state solution? It isn't that the distinguished professor isn't familiar with the diabolical plans of the Zionist state - he is no ordinary intellectual - in the face of Israel's "existent reality" of take 10 give back 1, *"yes but no"*, and the *"Arab refusal"* that has been their not so *"secret weapon"*, nor is he unfamiliar with the Machiavellian motto of the Zionist state *"wage war by way of deception"* as its guiding principle, and nor is he unaware of the underlying implementation philosophy that has underscored the Zionist state's pragmatism of incremental faits accomplis by initiating new crises starting from its very birth pangs as was openly admitted by Ben Gurion himself: *"what is inconceivable in normal times is possible in revolutionary times"*!

What indeed are the underlying reasons for his abstaining from making the moral calls for a unified democratic Israel-Palestine for all the inhabitants of Palestine? What restrains him from articulating an unequivocal principled stance against the very root cause celebra of apartheid and the "ubermensch" racism ingrained in Zionism itself that makes Israel such a misconstruction of West's own cherished

values of democracy and equal rights for all? Just to refresh ones' failing memory, for the 'Democratic' racism see [here](#), the UN Anti-Zionist Resolution 3379 see [here](#) [here](#), and its timed revocation in 1991 to officially assert 'Zionism is no longer racism' with the emerging new world order see [here](#) and [here](#) as the "high priests" tell it, and [here](#) as the "dissenting priest" tells it, and see [here](#) for how 3379 was originally spun by the "highest priest" in the land in the influential Foreign Affairs magazine.

I do not hesitate to ask the following of such a distinguished intellectual, for I gave up following "priests" when I woke up to the presence of unexamined axioms in all "priestdom", and instead decided to think for myself thus absolving all "priests" of being responsible for either saving me from perdition or consigning me to it! But that does not absolve the "priests" of their own greater responsibilities of priesthood towards the rest of their flock who glibly accept anything from "high pulpits". Higher the "pulpit", higher their credibility, and greater the consequent responsibility. Has Noam Chomsky relinquished his claims to moral imperatives and moral high grounds of honest intellectualism that he previously asserted was the responsibility of intellectuals (see [here](#), [here](#), and [here](#)):

*"It is the responsibility of intellectuals to speak the truth and to expose lies" and "the responsibility of a writer as a moral agent is to try to bring the truth about matters of human significance to an audience that can do something about them."?*

It is inconceivable that Chomsky would not recognize that by not providing this unequivocal moral compassing for his nation in blanket uncompromising terms when it comes to Israel-Palestine, he unwittingly lends his own intellectual support to the hegemonistic aspirations of world's sole superpower nation which he fearlessly and uncompromisingly calls the "rogue state" (see [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), [here](#)) every chance he gets. By inexplicably ignoring this "rogue state" conveniently using (and abusing) a minority among the Jews themselves to further its own hegemonistic interest of sustained indomitable preeminence in the affairs of the world (see [here](#)) by financially and politically maintaining Israel in its current abominable Zionist construction as its private little Nuclear armed proxy hegemon in the Middle East (see [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), and [here](#)), and staying silent about the role that Zionists themselves are currently playing in the construction of his own nation's imperial foreign policies in a tortuous collaboration of self-interests (see [here](#) and [here](#) and compare authors [here](#)) which seems to be visible to all and sundry in the world, except inexplicably to the "arguably the most important intellectual alive", Chomsky is willingly co-opting himself to the interests of the "ruling elite" that he has spent his entire life sanity-checking. Indeed, Moral-Activism from intellectual supremos, demands uncompromising moral compassing, as he had himself noted during his

earlier years of an idealist's dissent:

*"Intellectuals are in a position to expose the lies of governments, to analyze actions according to their causes and motives and often hidden intentions. In the Western world, at least, they have the power that comes from political liberty, from access to information and freedom of expression. For a privileged minority, Western democracy provides the leisure, the facilities, and the training to seek the truth lying hidden behind the veil of distortion and misrepresentation, ideology and class interest, through which the events of current history are presented to us...."* (Responsibility of Intellectuals)

In these "revolutionary times", I am unfortunately less than impressed by Chomsky's supposed *raison d'être* of Palestinians suffering under the 'jackboots' of the Israelis being the basis of his "practical" two-states "policy advocacy" and the legitimization of the forced separation of an indigenous peoples from their own lands. The beleaguered Palestinians have already been suffering for more than 40 years under the same 'jackboots' and continually losing their lives and property to diabolically constructed *faits accomplis* that Chomsky knows all too well about. This rationale of 'any tactic for alleviating the misery of a defenseless peoples' for pushing various and sundry advocacy plans by the well intentioned, in the absence of Moral-Activism that is firmly seeded by a moral compass, ends up being another gigantic stinking red-herring in the long term, bigger and more deflecting, than all the obvious ones pointed out by Uri Avnery.

It is indeed but a truism that in every society there are always only a tiny handful who are the illustrious vanguards of morality and social justice. These handful tend to attract to themselves a majority of the well intentioned and conscionable peoples from the larger society to learn what is the 'right thing to do' space for their activism to redress social and political injustices. They supposedly rip apart the red herrings cleverly disseminated by the "high priests" of the ruling elite, dexterously guiding their flock to see the burdensome truth behind the lies and distortions inherent in incantations of power, and thus apportion for themselves credit for guiding their flock that is commensurate with their ranking in priesthood, as commonsense might dictate. And this credit for Western intellectuals on many issues of contemporary geopolitical concern is surely overwhelmingly positive, which is why the New York Times cited Noam Chomsky as *"arguably the most important intellectual alive"*. All likely à propos for sanity-checking his own nation's hegemonistic foreign policies, including eloquently highlighting the *fait accompli* of long past crimes (history) of Jewish terrorism while founding the state of Israel upon the blood of the Palestinians. Except when it comes to resolving a just solution space (contemporaneously) for his

already recognized Zionism's usurpation and coercive resettling of Palestine, then this epithet suddenly and inexplicably fails to deliver, in my humble (mis)perception.

It's almost as if unless the issue is already fait accompli, Chomsky won't touch it when it's so close to his heart. But once fait accompli, many books about it will be written delineating the monstrosity of the crimes and the mendacity of power that enabled the construction of such crimes, attracting a great following and great prestige for speaking up on the crimes of his emperors. If I was an emperor, I wouldn't mind having Chomsky on my tail either because he will only be chasing faits accomplis leaving me free to create new ones! And thus the New York Times epithet fails miserably on the contemporaneity of this matter, and only on account of Chomsky's uncourageous silence in unequivocally articulating a moral compass on this issue when something can actually be done about it rather than courageously lament in history books after the fact. His undistinguished silence has likely misled, or indeed not been the prime mover of, many a movements that might have effectively called for an end to the Israeli racism and apartheid, and thus postponed the harbinger of justice to a suffering peoples. As the reality of faits accomplis on the ground might suggest, justice delayed, is justice denied, thus necessitating increasingly greater and more tumultuous radical transformation in bringing it about. Can the increased bloodshed be laid at the footsteps of the silently spectating world, and in commensurate measure, upon the silence of their ranking priest who claims *"the responsibility of a writer as a moral agent is to try to bring the truth about matters of human significance to an audience that can do something about them"*?

So we have the "high priests" of officialdom spinning their doctrines in manifest truism to serving the interests of their ruling elite, and we have the "dissenting priests" ostensibly sanity-checking and unraveling their spin. But who sanity checks and unravels the self-interests of the "dissenting priests" and the concomitant red herrings?

Their inexplicable failure in providing a moral compass on this single most momentous issue of our time, only succeeds in carving out the entire solution space on Israel-Palestine in the West, between the "high priests" of the ruling elite and the "dissenting priests" of the conscionable flock, to the rather limited two-state axiomatic paradigm forcing the beleaguered peoples to choose between the reality of a brutal occupation, and the reality of continually shrinking bantustans that has no parallel to statehood anywhere else on Earth today.

So let's tepidly examine Noam Chomsky's own objectivity in the light of his own self proclaimed self-interests that might coherently explain this odd blind-sight in the most profound intellectual in the West. Having openly declared himself a Zionist, and



a Zionist youth leader, albeit of the 1940s variety, whatever that might mean, I must ask why the profound intellectual of the dissent space would not conscientiously recuse himself from bringing to bear his own Zionist-aspiration driven personal advocacy on the Israel-Palestine solution space due to his obvious conflict of interest, and focused instead, as a conscientious intellectual must, on what the suffering Palestinian victims themselves advocate as their desired solution space? Just as he conscientiously brings their miserable plight to the attention of his Western audience by courageously setting aside his personal Jewish affiliations when highlighting the monumental crimes of the cruel Zionists upon the Palestinians, why would he not also conscientiously set aside his personal self-interests of his nuanced "Labor-Zionism" aspirations, and bring the Palestinian victims' own solutions - as the victims' natural right to demand their own redressing - to the attention of the same audience?

This is a rather clear and unambiguous litmus test of objectivity for anyone who claims to speak out on behalf of any suffering peoples. And it also provides a rational mechanism to anyone to enable them to set aside their own self-interests. Just allow the victims to speak for themselves and propagate their own claims before the world! In the pungent stink of the gigantic red herring of what's "practical", as in the "two-state solution", we see the "practical" slowly becoming *faits accomplis*, as the good peoples in the West are continually deflected from demanding the moral compass towards the 'right thing to do' space by their prominent intellectuals co-opted by their own self-interests.

And this red herring of disingenuousness doesn't just end here. There is even a finer shade that must still be unraveled. For an intellectual laying claims to high morality of intellectualism, and oft publicly teaching the Biblical Golden Rule "*Do unto others as you have others do unto you*", indeed, even creating logical corollaries to it which go something like this: "*if it is good for me to do to you, it should be good for you to do to me, and if it is bad for you to do to me, it should be bad for me to do to you too*", and continually teaching the public how to disambiguate on complex emotional matters that are typically steeped in hypocrisy due to self-interests, by looking at the issues from the point of view of a detached being sitting on Mars looking down upon the earthlings and employing the (Biblical) Golden Rule of Morality, what does it mean to be a Zionist? Chomsky has already recognized that nation states are formed on the bloodshed of the innocent native peoples as the natural consequence of the latter resisting the usurpation and resettling of their land by invaders, which even Ben Gurion recognized, as noted above, as why would the Palestinians ever accept the Zionist invaders peaceably thus necessitating (in Gurion's own words) "*We must expel Arabs and take their places*" and "*We must do everything to insure they (the Palestinians) never do return*"!

Thus knowing full well that any Zionist aspiration for a land that is already continuously inhabited by an indigenous population for centuries will most assuredly continually lead to, and has already led to, their displacement and bloodshed, upon what "ubermensch" principle of morality is Chomsky's aspiration of Zionism based?

Is it what Golda Meir uttered:

*"This country exists as the fulfillment of a promise made by God Himself. It would be ridiculous to ask it to account for its legitimacy."*  
(Golda Meir, Le Monde, 15 October 1971, noted from the web [here](#)).

Or is it what Menachem Begin uttered the day after the U.N. vote to Partition Palestine:

*"The Partition of Palestine is illegal. It will never be recognized .... Jerusalem was and will for ever be our capital. Eretz Israel will be restored to the people of Israel. All of it. And for Ever."* (Menachem Begin, noted from the web [here](#))

Or is it based on the spirit, which for the n<sup>th</sup> time was candidly asserted by Yitzhak Shamir in his own straightforward diction, and Ariel Sharon in his characteristic bulldozing speak (and which is un-apologetically repeated ad nauseam by all Israeli statesmen and Zionist protagonists in their own choicest diction with the spectating world pretending to not notice):

*"The settlement of the Land of Israel is the essence of Zionism. Without settlement, we will not fulfill Zionism. It's that simple."* (Yitzhak Shamir, Maariv, 02/21/1997, noted from the web [here](#))

*"Israel may have the right to put others on trial, but certainly no one has the right to put the Jewish people and the State of Israel on trial."*  
(Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, 25 March, 2001 quoted in BBC News Online, noted from the web [here](#))

While one is surely entitled to fantasize whatever one's mind may conjure up, but when it becomes the unstated underpinning of one's advocacy of a solution space that drowns out the echoes and aspirations of the victims themselves, there are a lot of red herrings on the ground. In any case, this is how I (mis)perceive Chomsky's advocacy of the "practical". The best way to demonstrate that these are indeed misperceptions and there are no vested self-interests at play, is to loudly condemn Zionism in all its abhorrent nuanced shades [3], to unequivocally call for an end to apartheid and "ubermensch" racism in Israel [4] that is entirely seeded from the

"ubermensch" racism in Zionism itself, to designate Israel as a rogue state in one's writings and to call for its boycott and for sanctions to be imposed on it, and to actively engage in echoing the victims' own demands for justice and not put forth ones' own (tainted) solutions [5]. The little guy on Mars is still awaiting an unequivocal moral compassing from "priestdom" on Israel-Palestine!

Indeed, I would be much more impressed if distinguished and prominent intellectual dissenters and Jewish moralists like Noam Chomsky outright condemned modern Zionism and its racist apartheid structure on the principled position of Moral-Activism, as much as they condemned Nazism and its National Socialist State that was also based on the same Nietzschean "ubermensch" philosophy and which once engulfed the entire world in a world war to eradicate. Perhaps in the present ["World War IV"](#) against "Islamic terrorism" - with the amazing new doctrinal name of "Islamofascism" synthesized to seed all the *"doctrinal motivations"* needed to sustain this new "policy" of "perpetual war" mobilization - he can, faithful to his own intellectual positions taken earlier on the responsibility of intellectuals, himself being one, and not just a mere ordinary one, but *"arguably the most important intellectual alive"* in the entire Western Hemisphere, advocate its moral extension, or its real moral commencement, against the "Jewish Fundamentalism" and "Jewish Terrorism" and "Zionofascism" of his own peoples in Israel-Palestine whose crimes he has amply documented himself (see [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), and [here](#) for a recap of what's already been shown conclusively above).

As a polite courtesy to the prominent intellectuals and peace activists whose positions are illustratively dissected here to demonstrate the endless trail of red herrings inherent in the very premise of any allowable discourse on this subject in the West, even in the so called dissent space, I sent them an earlier version of this article for comment. Only the erstwhile Noam Chomsky responded. We went back and forth a few times. I remained unconvinced of his continued tortuous "practicality" arguments and suggested to him that he might voice them publicly in response to my article vastly opening up the discourse space. But he did put me in a temporary quandary by suggesting that I would be doing a grave disservice to the cause of the Palestinian peoples by making my views known in public as it will unwittingly give the Israelis and their Zionist exponents further excuse to increase their oppression as a pretext that 'see - they want to dismantle us'. He also disconcerted me by saying why was I bringing the illustrious name of Edward Said into this (by the fact of having quoted Edward Said). That threw me off balance for several sleepless nights and days delaying the publication of this article in much angst fighting with my own conscience. Until I realized (yet once again) that if I was right there under the 'jackboots' of the butchers, any butchers, in any place, even as a Jew under the Nazis, I would want some conscionable person on the outside to yell out my

message loud and clear to the world for me: 'I am a human being under the jackboots of the Nazis - do the right thing for at least my children'. By not honoring that call of anguish of the innocent victims when I perceive the reality of their immeasurable suffering which is a *"mystery whose parallel may only be the one of Sinai when something was revealed"*, I would not like to become the recipient of their curse:

*"and I still curse the killers, their accomplices, the indifferent spectators who knew and kept silent"* (Elie Wiesel in *All Rivers Run to the Sea*)

That clinched it for me. The tyrants will do what the tyrants will do in any case, and as they have been doing for decades. And the people of conscience must do what the people of conscience must do, regardless, to end despots reigns.

Moving right along disambiguating and dismantling the constricted solution space of swiss cheese bantustans being offered the Palestinians as new faits accomplis are carried out right before our eyes as we stay wrapped up in the Ezra Pound's paradigm of deception with multiple red herrings (*invent two lies and have the public energetically embroiled in which one of them might be true*), the question arises that why should the dialog, when it comes to the Palestinians, begin with the 1948 construction of Israel through superpower politics? As for instance, in Phyllis Bennis' article where she passionately advocates justice for the refugees, she makes the following statement:

*"The United Nations welcomed Israel as its newest member with Resolution 273, passed on May 11, 1949. The membership resolution stated specifically that entry to the world body was based on Israel's statements regarding its ability and willingness to implement the earlier Resolution 194 of December 1948, and the rights it granted to the Palestinians. Those were the right to return home and compensation for their losses during the war."*

Sounds great, except that when it is applied to the more fundamental first cause question of why 'Der Judenstaat' was created in Palestine in the first place on another indigenous peoples' continuously inhabited land, three thousand year old history is drawn upon to show the aspirations of the victimizers and what transpired in Europe through the Holocaust as the final justification for its creation through the victimizers' own official instrument of adjudication. Why should that become so automatically axiomatic in one case, but the history and real lives of the peoples continuously living there before 1948 who are innocently victimized not be equally axiomatic? Does this have anything at all to do with attempting to bring justice in the

best way possible to the tragedy unfolding on the ground, or the mere preservation of self-interests by arguing "impracticality"?

All conscionable peoples' voices of protest must be brought to bear on the plight of any innocent victims, for we are indeed one family in humanity, and when we collectively stand up against tyranny, we are at our finest in demonstrating that we have come a long ways from our humble Neanderthal beginning. However, in principled Moral-Activism, our conscionable voices can never be allowed to drown out the victims' own anguished voices themselves, the victims' own notion of what crimes are being heaped upon them, and the victims' own demands for what is fair and just restitution! Especially since the victims are still contemporaneous, and justice can still be afforded them. The crimes invoked upon them have not become fodder for erudite works of historical research as yet, as some like to pretend. The victims are still howling and writhing in insufferable pain!

The voices of the victims themselves describing their own fate are as potent, and as legitimate, as the Jewish moralist and Holocaust survivor Elie Wiesel's description of what the Jewish victims faced at the hands of another monumentally criminal oppressors. Just as the victims' own description of their Holocaust outweighs any detractors and revisionist historians claims to the contrary - indeed even laws are being constructed in many Western nations to make it illegal to challenge the victims stories and the victims suffering and the victims version of what calamity befell them - so must the systematic genocide and depopulation, terrorizing, and inhuman subjugation of an innocent peoples in their own words must now replace the many Diaries of Anne Frank. The past monumental crime is over but its memory is now being devilishly employed to diabolically mask a new monumental crime in progress by the former victims themselves - see [here](#), [here](#), and [here](#) for how that's done, and [here](#), [here](#), and [here](#) to catch a glimpse of it in action to quell any criticism of Israel by constantly drawing upon allusions to the Holocaust "*a hate-fest against Jews akin to a Hitler rally in Nazi Germany*" and "[Islamic Mein Kampf](#)" - one might have thought that they may have known better, having suffered themselves and being gods chosen people and all!

Denying any genuine victims' indescribable calamity is monumentally shameful. The clarion call of "never again" however is not reserved to only one class of victims as some have tried to do. And when those who were once victims themselves create new victims of their own, and in a manner of oppression and deception learnt from their past victimizers, I tend to lose much sympathy for them. It is a factual statement that one can even observe in themselves, and in any court room for similar behavior exhibited by a past victim becoming the victimizer of a new innocent victims. Indeed, in a rational and fair court, they would be imperatively disarmed and locked up - for

leaving weapons and power in the hands of the criminally insane would be an even greater monumental crime of any court!

Watching the Zionist operate, any Jewish person of conscience must surely be upset at what "great name" (sic!) some of their brethren have bestowed on the entire peoples of a high and moral tradition by the mere association with the word Jew. But that does not appear to be the case at all with rare exceptions (see [here](#) and [here](#) for some examples of such rare and genuine human beings who are so offended that they put their own lives on the line but remain largely unknown and unmourned in the victimizers' own civilizations but are idolized and immortalized as heroes by the victims themselves, and [here](#) for fair justice). Israel seems to continue to enjoy widespread support from the World Jewry, and most vocally from within the United States of America. Indeed a lot of support for Zionist Israel comes from this superpower nation's ordinary Christian Zionist ideological supporters (see [here](#) and [here](#)), of which the mighty President of this "Roman Nation" is himself an exponent.

And here comes the fundamental dichotomy in dialogs with the victims. To the victims, the Zionists are monumental barbarians to be seen in the same dock someday as Eichmann in Jerusalem, with the front rows occupied by the new innocent victims who have as much right to succor and restitution as their victimizers were for their own Holocaust! And surely the new victims repeatedly, daily, hourly, every moment of their breadth, invoke the same curse uttered by the former victims *"and I still curse the killers, their accomplices, the indifferent spectators who knew and kept silent"*. To them too, their plight must surely be an equal *"mystery whose parallel may only be the one of Sinai when something was revealed"*. And despite this daily inhuman subjugation, they continue to make every attempt at civilized existence despite burying their children daily, barely escaping from under the roofs of demolished homes and the wrath of D9 bulldozers and F16s, and having to kiss their beloved child with his or her eyes precisely blown out by an Israeli 25 year old sharp shooter as if he was "cockroach picking" and not go insane! In much vain and hollow rings the call of the Jewish moralists themselves:

*"Although the Holocaust inflicted horrible injustice upon us, it did not grant us certificate of everlasting righteousness. The murderers were amoral; the victims were not made moral. To be moral you must behave ethically. The test of that is daily and constant."*

One can read, hear, and see the Palestinian victims' scream in anguish and call for justice from the bespectating world in their own voices [here](#), ... just as few randomly chosen samples of how the Palestinians themselves view their own calamity and

how the victims themselves perceive justice, but for the convenient ear plugs in well intentioned peoples' ears. Compare the victims own call for restitution to this articulation by Israeli Statesman Shimon Peres (the master of the art of "yes but no") [here](#), and examine the vested interests of all those who echo it in all its nuanced shades!

And one can further watch how these screams are continually dismissed in the West, especially in the United States of America, by well organized skills for the Apartheid State continuing to strew their own B grade quality of red herrings, considerably less abstruse in disguising their obviousness in their on going attempt to continually sew obfuscation any which way possible in order to continue to buy time for 'Der Judenstaat' in seeding new "impracticalities" to justice for their innocent victims. The following is only a random sample. The very first comment for this book on Amazon.com "[Refugees in Our Own Land : Chronicles from a Palestinian Refugee Camp in Bethlehem](#)" by a commentator whose well known affiliations are noted [here](#), and other generous red herring droppings noted [here](#), says the following:

*" ... Had those things actually been perpetrated by Israel, I would be first in line to condemn them. But even the United Nations has concluded that Israel has not committed genocide, in Jenin, or anywhere else. As for murder, it seems that the only murder is taking place by Palestinians against Israeli civilians, and that whosoever amongst Palestinians has been killed has died either in battle, in the line of fire, or by accident, for which Israel has apologized. When, on the other hand, was the last time a Palestinian leader actually sought an end to suicide bombings, because they are evil, not because they are inexpedient. "*

And concludes by saying:

*"My biggest problem with this book is that for most of the events that Hamzeh reports, she relies on hearsay. There has been no scientific or objective attempt to verify the information, much less the veracity of the sources. Even that might be all right, had the reporter not assumed an hysterical tone. But Hamzeh is so willing to believe everything nasty she hears about Israel or Israelis, or Jews for that matter, that nothing escapes unscathed. I want peace, but books like this one--filled with blame and outright hatred--do nothing to promote it."*

Perhaps this commentator needs to be introduced to the "scientific or objective

*attempt to verify the information"* standards adopted by the incumbent victimizers themselves to bring to the attention of the world what monumental crimes were once heaped upon them, or mandatorily be made to read the anguished words of Elie Wiesel in his own highly acclaimed *"hysterical tone"* of the calamity that is now a *"mystery whose parallel may only be the one of Sinai when something was revealed"* for their own innocent victims. A conscionable reader may perhaps inform the commentator, as well as all those allied with her (begin [here](#) and [here](#), then progress to [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), [here](#)) of this fact so that we may all endeavor together - for none of us is perfect and many of us are easily misled, sometimes by blind passion, sometimes by disinformation - to become human beings first!

It may be à propos to bring the late Edward W. Said's own rational words - one who was indeed from among the victims and deeply affiliated with their culture and civilization as both a spokesperson and an anguished exponent of his peoples cause - for summation away from my more emotional ones that synchronizes to the beat of Elie Wiesel perfectly but perhaps not as eloquently or credibly. Excerpted from Edward Said's essay "The Mirage of Peace", October 16, 1995 in The Nation:

*"The deep tragedy of Palestine is that a whole people, their history and aspirations have been under comprehensive assault--not only by Israel (with the United States) but also by the Arab governments and, since Oslo, by Arafat....*

*I do not pretend to have any quick solutions for the situation now referred to as "the peace process," but I do know that for the vast majority of Palestinian refugees, day laborers, peasants and town and camp dwellers, those who cannot make a quick deal and those whose voices are never heard, for them the process has made matters far worse. Above all, they may have lost hope....*

*I have been particularly disheartened by the role played in all this by liberal Americans, Jewish and non-Jewish alike. Silence is not a response, and neither is some fairly tepid endorsement of a Palestinian state, with Israeli settlements and the army more or less still there, still in charge. The peace process must be demystified and spoken about plainly. Palestine/Israel is no ordinary bit of geography; it is more saturated in religious, historical and cultural significance than any place on earth. It is also now the place where two peoples, whether they like it or not, live together tied by history, war, daily contact and suffering. To speak only in geopolitical clichés (as the Clinton Administration does) or to speak about "separating" them (as*



*Rabin does) is to call forth more violence and degradation. These two communities must be seen as equal to each other in rights and expectations; only from such a beginning can justice then proceed."*

And perhaps I may be allowed to offer my own much more modest rational conclusions, as seen from the eyes of an ordinary person, with my own personal biases and self-interests. Not being an intellectual, I am mercifully spared their burden of claims to deep thoughts, and can speak straightforwardly in ordinary human being first sense, the common man's sense, or commonsense. It is but a concatenation of obvious moral truisms for there isn't a whole lot to this summation beyond that.

All of the discussion in this article is the view from the victims, and/or from the civilizations sympathetic to the victims, and/or from the courageous conscionable peoples in all civilizations who are human beings first and can genuinely commiserate with the misery of other suffering human beings without putting their own self-interests above those of imperatives of morality, and what is fair and what is just, as amazingly and quintessentially delineated in the Biblical Golden Rule "*do unto others as you have others do unto you*". **The victimizers' and their exponents' view obviously is incongruent with this - another wholly truism!** But can there be no objectivity? How does a judge ever make a ruling in any case? Is it only with victors' justice? No, not among civilized conscionable peoples, and among rational and moral civilizations. In these times of ease of access to information, amazing search engines and document archives at finger tips, it may indeed be deemed a moral crime, by the victims at the very least, to feign ignorance of the state of the world, or to disingenuously claim a different world view. But then it does require considerable skills to disambiguate the spin doctoring and vested interests that surround the information, especially for well intentioned bespectating peoples removed from the conflicts themselves. How is one to discern fact from fiction? Unless one is the victim of course - then one needs no discernment! The victims know with certainty what crimes are visited upon them and what is their demand for restitution and compensation. Perhaps others might just ask the victims themselves? But that might just be too much commonsense, the good lord of hypocrisy, the ubermensch, forbid!

Do we need to define some standard agreed upon usage of words, i.e. definitions, that are then applied to all sides of the arguments, ab initio, in order to discern them unhyprocritically? How important is it to know the "*first cause*", and how appropriate is the principle of "*all the evil that follow*" to apportion the blame for all crimes stemming from the first cause? How far in history may one go? One year? Ten Years? Fifty Years? 100 Years? Three Thousand Years? Ten Thousand Years? To Adam? To

Devil? To God? (To Big Bang in case one is atheistic)? What key principle standard was employed at the conclusion of World War II at the Nuremberg and Tokyo Trials to apportion blame for the heinous war crimes committed by both sides of bombing civilian centers and causing the deaths of up to 50 million peoples - irrespective of whatever may have been the weaknesses in the execution of these standards due to self-interests of the victors as some have argued? (And we don't want to use these possible weaknesses in the execution of these standards as arguments to deflect our attention from the actual moral principles behind them which is the point of discussion - but do watch for it as some will surely try to distract attention from the actual moral principles themselves by bringing up various compromises and poor implementation of moral principles in the past as evidence for not following moral principles or not advocating justice based on moral principles - wonderfully smelly things, these red herrings, for some fishermen I am sure!)

Does the passage of time in the current epoch, as it blends into history, favor the status quo? Are we doomed to remain caught in this plight of the House of Zeus? Or is there a way to discern rationally, logically, fairly, to understand the "right thing to do" space? Once knowing that, it is always "impractical" to bring it about as the odds are always against the underdogs - the victims, and in favor of the topdogs - a truism. Arguing truisms like the 'impracticality' argument to justify not articulating 'the right thing to do' is called what?

(In case one does not know how to answer this question, one may try any of these for size and see which ones may fit: "hectoring hegemony", "self-interest", "sophistry", "hypocrisy", "double standards", "superpower's uncle tom", "a red herring manufacturing factory that supplies whole sale to the consciousness of their nation using the credibility of the power of their name", "intellectually aiding and abetting in the conspiracy to perpetuate a monumental crime through advocacy speech and actions not rooted in Moral-Activism and thus deliberately enabling the continued perpetuation of the crime and its concomitant new faits accomplis", et. al)

And the most obvious moral truism summation for last - the now visible elephant dancing on the newlywed's bed.

The most commonsensical solution that seems to be continually eluding the luminous West that supports the misconstruction of Israel as an apartheid state with various and sundry Western intellectuals sheepishly apologizing for it by cleverly not talking about it in all their fancy and refined punditry of high morality and responsibilities of intellectuals, is the one nation state for all its inhabitants. In that tight geography, two nations just cannot be constructed justly, the one with the guns will always dictate the terms. And it is truly no ordinary piece of geography. It is so

steeped in the history and intermingling cultures of all three Abrahamic religions that try as the European Zionists may, to obliterate the vestiges of the other two, the history and its affiliations cannot be divorced from that geography. Abolishing apartheid and eliminating the racist Zionist philosophy and replacing it with a civil society and civil laws for all, is the only just solution. It is also the solution that the Palestinian peoples themselves demand. One nation of Muslims, Christians, and Jews, or stating it in another rational order, of Jews, Christians, and Muslims, living amicably together in the holy lands that all covet, equitably sharing the Land of Canaan. With the passage of time, in a peace seeded with justice, all wounds of the victims - the ones throwing the rocks and the stones at the tanks besieging their homes, and the ones going berserk in blowing themselves up in a last ditched attempt to get back to their tormentors responsible for their insanity and their shattered tabula rasa - may be healed. The innocent Jewish victims of the Palestinians' struggle to live as free human beings on their own continuously inhabited ancestral lands against their inhuman oppressors, I hope will heal too - an innocent people traumatized by the first Holocaust, and then by the struggles against their own criminal oppression by another innocent peoples whom they gratuitously victimized, have a long and arduous self-healing process in front of them. It's time both sides were allowed to start the process by vehemently and righteously rejecting the insanely criminal and largely unexamined axioms, the anachronistic first cause celebra of their entire modern misery and the root cause of war mongering and suffering in the entire Middle East, from their midst. There is no reason, in the modernity of the 21st century, to have an Apartheid pariah state in our midst that has co-opted the very definition of justice from the lexicon of Western languages, and continues to create new innocent victims on a daily basis and has been doing so since its very inception in 1896, when its founder claimed along the banks of the Swiss Rhine: *"In Basle I founded the Jewish state ... Maybe in five years, certainly in fifty, everyone will realize it"*. And most assuredly, there is no reason for any people, be they well intentioned, or ideological, who may have supported it in the past, to continue doing so in the present, except with monumentally criminal intent of perpetuating crimes against a beleaguered humanity.

If an EU can transpire after killing each other for centuries and upon the ashes of 50 million dead just in the 20th century, with the determined will and singular focus to do so, a unified Palestine-Israel is a far more natural and historical reconstitution except for the relative newcomer European Zionism parasite that has hijacked the region, and continually prevents and distorts its reseeding with red herrings up the wazoo. It's time to finally endeavor creating the long cherished and elusive dream of a peaceful and fairer future for all of our children by the construction of a non-Apartheid equal and just state for all its inhabitants in Israel-Palestine.

Indeed a true "*Zion that will light up all the world*", one that can finally claim to be the genuine moral inheritor of the Ten Commandments, and of the noble Prophet - whom all three faiths in the region honor and respect, sharing in the same Abrahamic moral traditions - who identified his flock as God's chosen peoples!

Thank you.

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### Footnotes

[1] An editor of the website "Dissident Voice" challenged this quote with the following comment: "*i*

submit that you need a first-hand sourcing here; see <http://ngo-monitor.org/archives/news/122304-1.htm>". The full quote, that I checked on the microfiche in a local public library, where only the afternoon edition of the New York Times of 14 April 1983 was on the roll of microfiche, is as follows:

*'Jerusalem, April 13 - ... There is a widespread conviction among Palestinian Arabs that the Israelis want to make life miserable for them and thereby drive them out of the territories.*

*This was reinforced by reported remarks Tuesday by the outgoing Chief of Staff of the Israeli Army, Lieut. Gen. Rafael Eytan. Israeli radio, television and newspapers quoted him as telling the Parliament's Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee that for every incident of stone-throwing by Arab youths, 10 settlements should be built. "When we have settled the land," he was quoted as saying, "all the Arabs will be able to do about it will be to scurry around like drugged roaches in a bottle." ' (Emphasis added. New York Times, late edition, Thursday 14 April 1983, page A3, story by David K. Shipler, titled "Most West Bank Arabs Blaming U.S. for Impasse")*

It is possible that the quote I have cited in the main text of the essay from the web, was originally from the morning edition, or was assembled from multiple stories as that edition contained many stories on Israel-Palestine. Also see Wikipedia at [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rafael\\_Eitan](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rafael_Eitan), and the image at <http://uploaded.fresh.co.il/2004/11/28/27740072.jpg> for presumably a citation in original Hebrew. The similarity of wording and sentiments expressed in both, only prove the main theme of this essay - the endless trail of red herrings.

The "cockroach" peddler met his verminous fate of the Pharaoh as noted at [http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/world/middle\\_east/4034765.stm](http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/world/middle_east/4034765.stm). The BBC itself reported the quote in question in their own story as follows:

*'Mr Eitan was politically right-wing and opposed the handing over of land to Palestinians as part of peace talks.*

*He often used blunt language. He once said: "When we have settled the land, all the Arabs will be able to do about it will be to scurry around like drugged cockroaches in a bottle."*

*Mr Eitan was also criticised by the Kahan Commission, which investigated the massacre of Palestinian refugees by an Israeli-allied Christian militia during Israel's invasion of Lebanon in 1982.*

*The Commission said he should have anticipated the danger and opposed*

*sending the Christians into the camp.'* (Emphasis added. BBC News, Tuesday, 23 November, 2004, 10:07 GMT, "Former Israeli army chief drowns")

It made me intensely depressed to read-back to 24 years ago and to reflect that the goodly American nation has continually permitted a most monumental crime under its own watchful eyes with its full budgetary support, while its supposedly democratic peoples busily pursue their own "American Dreams". A genocide that can be so easily averted by the world is allowed to continue, it seems, only for the pleasure of future historians and moralists to make a good living peddling history books and pontificating morality. Here is an interesting quote from the same A3 page, just underneath the above article, that shows that the only thing that's changed on the playing field of *fait accompli*, is more *faits accomplis*, bigger holes in the swiss cheese Buntustans, and a generation further besieged, through the direct funding of a great populace democracy:

*"Washington, April 13 - A House Foreign Affairs subcommittee has quietly increased the amount of military and economic grants for Israel by \$365 million over the amount request by the Reagan Administration for the 1984 fiscal year, committee members said today.*

*They said the Administration had requested \$785 million in economic grants and this was raised by \$65 million to \$850 million.*

*The Administration also had requested \$1.7 billion in military aid, of which \$550 million would be in the form of grants and the rest in loans. The committee, which is headed by Representative Lee H. Hamilton, Democrat of Indiana, decided to allow \$850 million to be in the form of grants - an increase of \$300 million - leaving just \$850 million to be repaid, instead of more than \$1.1 billion." (New York Times, late edition, Thursday 14 April 1983, page A3, story titled "Panel increases Grants for Israel")*

**[2]** The distinguished Phyllis Bennis is in equally distinguished company here. Let's witness former American President Jimmy Carter selectively exercise his tender conscience with his serendipitous book "Palestine, Peace Not Apartheid". In his speech at George Washington University, as reported by the Associated Press and carried by Israeli newspaper Haaretz at <http://www.haaretz.com/hasen/spages/834962.html>, he noted:

*'He said he was not accusing Israel of racism nor referring to its treatment of Arabs within the country. "I defined apartheid very carefully as the forced segregation by one people of another on their own land," he said. ...*

*On the West Bank, Carter said, Palestinians were victims of oppression, their homes and land confiscated to make way for subsidized Israeli settlers.*

*"The life of Palestinians is almost intolerable," he said. "And even though Israel agreed to give up Gaza and remove Jewish settlers from the territory, there is no freedom for the people of Gaza and no access to the outside world."*

*"They have no real freedom of all," Carter said.*

*By apartheid, Carter said he meant the forced segregation of one people by another. He said Israel's policies in the territories are contrary to the tenets of the Jewish faith.*

*"There will be no peace until Israel agrees to withdraw from all occupied Palestinian territory," he said, while leaving room for some land swaps that would permit Jews to remain on part of the West Bank in exchange for other Israeli-held land to be taken over by Palestinians.*

*"Withdrawal would dramatically reduce any threat to Israel," he said.'*

The distinguished President Carter noted the definition of *"all occupied Palestinian territory"* very carefully suggesting that *'he was not accusing Israel of racism nor referring to its treatment of Arabs within the country. "I defined apartheid very carefully as the forced segregation by one people of another on their own land," he said'*. This might be forgivable oversight of memory or lack of geography knowledge for an ordinary mortal, but for a 39th former president of a superpower nation who is also a Nobel Peace Prize laureate, and who dares to speak out serendipitously in favor of a beleaguered peoples, but only goes part of the way as if some enormous invisible barrier is blocking him, it is entirely inexplicable.

Perhaps despite being a president who once had all the secrets of the State (and the world) at his finger tips, he hadn't rightly been informed by the *'14 members of the Carter Center's advisory board'* who resigned to protest his book, or by the *'Jewish groups and some fellow Democrats'* from whom he *'drew fire'*, of the Jews own history of laments of the type disclosed in this essay, including this very poignant one:

*"The state of Israel founded in 1948 following a war which the Israelis call the War of Independence, and the Palestinians call the Nakba - the catastrophe. A haunted, persecuted people sought to find a shelter and a state for itself, and did so at a horrible price to another people. During the war of 1948, more than half of the Palestinian population at the time - 1,380,000 people - were driven off their homeland by the Israeli army. Though Israel officially claimed that a majority of refugees fled and were not expelled, it still refused to allow them to return, as a UN resolution demanded shortly after 1948 war. Thus, the Israeli land was*

*obtained through ethnic cleansing of the indigenous Palestinian inhabitants. This is not a process unfamiliar in history. Israel's actions remain incomparable to the massive ethnic cleansing of Native Americans by the settlers and government of the United States. Had Israel stopped there, in 1948, I could probably live with it. As an Israeli, I grew up believing that this primal sin our state was founded on may be forgiven one day, because the founder's generation was driven by the faith that this was the only way to save the Jewish people from the danger of another holocaust."* (Tanya Reinhart: "Israel/Palestine - How to End the War of 1948", excerpt from very first page)

[3] There are obviously a minuscule number of "Kibbutz Zionists" living in Israel, perhaps less than 1% as I am advised, who love to live the Kibbutzim life style, toiling and soiling in a cooperative whereby the community helps raise each others' children. A vast majority of them supposedly are irreligious and "Leftist" by inclination, and are also largely portrayed by their exponents as non-violent peaceable peoples who settled in Palestine before 1948 (albeit the ones I know who have lived this life arrived in Galilee much after the construction of the Apartheid state). Noam Chomsky himself once noted on the public airwaves to Amy Goodman on her radio talk show Democracy Now, that he too lived there in the 1950s for a short period, and every time he would look out over the horizon, he would feel immensely saddened that another peoples had been forcibly and inhumanly deprived of their land in order to achieve Zion. He had noted on the airwaves, as I recall, that he couldn't morally take the incongruence of the situation and decided to return back to the United States. To this humble plebeian, it appears that these intellectual idealists, and others like them including those self-proclaimed "dissenters" who continually express deep remorse and anguish at what the Zionist founders perpetuated to create 'Der Judenstaat' in the midst of an already continuously inhabited peoples living there for millennia, must concede, if they indeed do not espouse a Nietzschean morality, that they should be able to live together in equitably sharing the land of Canaan with all its indigenous peoples. Thus the word "Zionism", without any qualification, predominantly refers to the glaring monstrous elephant dancing on the newlywed's bed of racist murderous Zionism that was unleashed by Theodor Herzl in 1896 when he proclaimed "*In Basle I founded the Jewish state ... Maybe in five years, certainly in fifty, everyone will realize it.*", and which was subsequently orchestrated to create an exclusive "Jews-Only" state with "Jews-Only-roads-and-suburbs-and-rights" in the heartland of Palestine. See Lenni Brenner's incredible online book "***Zionism in the Age of Dictators***" at <http://onlinebooks.library.upenn.edu/webbin/book/lookupid?key=olbp12752>.

Given the manifest reality of deliberate and endless red herrings on the ground, anyone not coming out loudly against Zionism itself as the world silently spectates its global power-play, and not demanding its immediate and outright dismantling and full restitution to its victims, is complicit in the on going murder and genocide of an innocent peoples, all their self-flagellation and words of



remorse not withstanding. Thus see for instance, *"The complete text of The Origin of the Palestine-Israel Conflict Published by Jews for Justice in the Middle East"* at:

[http://www.wrmea.com/jews\\_for\\_justice/index.html](http://www.wrmea.com/jews_for_justice/index.html). Also examine the former American President, Jimmy Carter's anemic condemnation of Israel, and his restricting the critique in *"Palestine Peace not Apartheid"* to the still ill-conceived two-state solution space. A just and more forthright person might have produced a work titled **"Palestine, Justice not Apartheid"**!

[4] It is rather bizarre that President Carter in the spirited defense of his book against the Zionist exponents of Israel, should so circumspectly state that *'He said he was not accusing Israel of racism nor referring to its treatment of Arabs within the country.'* Not possessing the distinguished credentials of being a former President of the lone superpower country in the universe, and not having won any Nobel Peace prizes either, I must confess I cannot understand the tepidity or wisdom of President Carter. As a mere plebeian, I must rather straightforwardly ask him and the reader, why? Why is Jimmy Carter not accusing Israel of racism, nor referring to her treatment of Arabs within the country?

What is a courageous former President - guarded 24x7 by the Secret Service, and possessing all that he may ever desire in the world already in the back pockets of his accomplished and full life - so fearful of, that he should go out of his way to assert his definition of "Apartheid" in the title of his book to: *"I defined apartheid very carefully as the forced segregation by one people of another on their own land"*, and deliberately restrain himself from not seeing the direct and immediate parallels with South Africa? Did he come by this arbitrary definition through whim, fear, or through some "ubermensch" principle of morality?

Please permit this rather plebeian scribe to have the chutzpah to remind a distinguished luminary-scholar-humanitarian-extraordinaire of the modern political world of the words of Haim Cohen, former judge of the Supreme Court of Israel (as noted by Tariq Ali in **"To be Intimidated is to be an Accomplice"** <http://www.counterpunch.org/ali03042004.html>):

*' "The bitter irony of fate decreed that the same biological and racist argument extended by the Nazis, and which inspired the inflammatory laws of Nuremberg, serve as the basis for the official definition of Jewishness in the bosom of the state of Israel" (quoted in Joseph Badi, Fundamental Laws of the State of Israel NY, 1960, P.156)'*

And all can easily glean the expansion of this statement by the former judge of the Supreme Court of Israel, in **"Zionism as Jewish National Socialism"**:

*"According to Halachah, classic Judaism's laws and customs, for example "compassion towards others" extends to Jews only. Murder or manslaughter is*

*judged mildly when the perpetrator is Jewish and the victim a non-Jew. Also according to Halachah, it is accepted for a Jew to kill a non-Jew if he is laying claim to "eternal Jewish land". This is what the settlers' religious organisations are alleging. There is no corresponding law in Israel's judicial system but in effect it influences the system as punishment of such crimes is very mild. Israel's state terrorism, theft of land and occupation, demolition of houses, the building of the Wall etc including the so called 'extra-judicial killings' (assassinations), are seen by Zionists as legitimate defence of the Nation and therefore fall under international law - which Israel ignores [...] Buber criticised Nazism while commending the Jewish Religion (Hassidism) but keeping quiet about its dehumanising of non-Jews (goyim). These double standards act to increase Israel's chauvinism and hatred of all non-Jews." (Lasse Wilhelmson "Zionism as Jewish National Socialism"*

<http://www.israelshamir.net/Contributors/wilhelmson.htm>)

And we can trivially see empirical evidence of *"These double standards act to increase Israel's chauvinism and hatred of all non-Jews"* in despicable racist "ubermensch" statements like the following one by Moshe Katsav, former President of Israel, that inexplicably seem to remain incognizant among the powerful and distinguished critics' of Israel-Palestine blot on humanity, including the author of "Palestine, Peace not Apartheid":

*"There is a huge gap between us (Jews) and our enemies not just in ability but in morality, culture, sanctity of life, and conscience. They are our neighbors here, but it seems as if at a distance of a few hundred meters away, they are people who do not belong to our continent, to our world, but actually belong to different galaxy."*

(Moshe Katsav, President of Israel, The Jerusalem Post, May 10, 2001)

It is incredible how powerful the lapses of some short term memories can be – perhaps Moshe Katsav has forgotten the Jewish Ghettos from New York to Poland that the Jews inhabited not too long ago themselves. Furthermore, this was their unfortunate 'state of being' when they were free and no military occupying power was constricting them to death. The beleaguered peoples whom the erstwhile former President of Israel finds so easy to belittle as *"not belong to our continent, to our world, but actually belong to different galaxy"* on the other hand are living under a brutal Israeli military occupation after they were already once evicted from their own lands when the Zionist state was first constructed in their peaceful midst and forced into the subsequently second whammy of military occupation of even that small parcel of land – generations have been wasted under the murderous occupiers watchful gun turrets. Shame! What has happened to the humanity of these Israelis? Why should the world take any sympathy on these peoples anymore for their holocaust? They are handing the same systematic genocide to another innocent peoples – only spread out

across generations and in plain sight of the silently spectating world. Witness the following comments of an American President Harry S. Truman from his Diary July 21, 1947. Every word of it is reflected in the Zionist Jews' own merciless actions in Palestine since the founding of Israel in 1948:

*"The Jews, I find are very, very selfish. They care not how many Estonians, Latvians, Finns, Poles, Yugoslavs or Greeks get murdered or mistreated as D[isplaced] P[ersons] as long as the Jews get special treatment. Yet when they have power, physical, financial or political neither Hitler nor Stalin has anything on them for cruelty or mistreatment to the under dog."*

So upon which "ubermensch" principle of morality has the distinguished President Carter come up with his definition of Apartheid? Hasn't he even bothered to read the late Daniel Pearl's wife, Marriane Pearl's touching autobiographical book in memory of her murdered husband "**A Mighty Heart**", in which on page 15 she writes of the newest and latest DNA technologies being employed in Israel for the ultimate in racism and Apartheid that even far surpasses South Africa:

*"Last October, at a film festival in Montreal, I won an award for a controversial documentary I made for French and German public television about Israel's use of genetic screening. Under Israel's Law of Return, almost any Jew has the right to return to the ancient homeland. But how do you make sure someone is actually Jewish? To determine who qualifies, Israeli authorities have used DNA testing to examine applicants' genetic makeup. My film explored the political and sociological implications of this process, which are confusing and disturbing."*

(Marriane Pearl "A Mighty Heart" page 15)

I am only assuming that the former President Carter does not receive his daily briefings from the White House anymore, and therefore may not have kept up with the latest news in racism of Israel's innate makeup! Can some courageous reader put the afore asked questions before the former American President publicly where he is compelled to respond as the world continually fawns their oohs and aahs at just the thought of a former President of the United States of America even thinking of criticizing Israel?

I am sorry that I am less than impressed, credentials or no credentials. One does not need to be in possession of the title of "President" to see the difference between "good and evil" or to be "beyond" it, or indeed, does one? Seems like all the moralist thinking of people like Hannah Arendth in profound lamentary books such as "**Eichmann in Jerusalem - A Report on the Banality of Evil**" is mainly confined to the crimes committed against the mighty "ubermensch" themselves! Also see comment (the first one) on Time Magazine's 'The Middle East' blog in response to an amazing article by Phil Zabriskie titled "**Reading Between, Over, Around the Lines...**" March 8, 2007, at

[http://time-blog.com/middle\\_east/2007/03/between\\_over\\_around\\_the\\_lines.html](http://time-blog.com/middle_east/2007/03/between_over_around_the_lines.html), comment reproduced below:

*' "There might well be a fair number of people who think that a state of conflict, marked often by violence and at times death, is the natural state of things here, that endless cycles of mutual antagonism, persecution, and victimization is how its supposed to be, a kind of prophecy foretold."*

I am not an expert on prophesy, but certainly commonsense suggests that evil flourishes because many good people choose to remain silent, and those who perpetuate it ["*state of conflict*"] are usually ordinary peoples - as noted by Hannah Arendth in "Eichmann in Jerusalem - A Report on the Banality of Evil". And when she observed the "ordinariness" of Adolph Eichmann, she was "reprimanded", putting it charitably. Because we always like to perceive that horrible crimes are only committed by super horrible peoples, and ordinary peoples have no role in being "good Germans".

I would like to draw your kind attention to "the endless trail of red herrings" on this topic that even conscionable and distinguished writers, in mainstream, as well as dissent-stream, keep perpetuating, unable to see past the mythologies and red herrings with their own good commonsense.

Please see my humble article on <http://www.humanbeingsfirst.org> with the above title.

I hope you do publish my comment - it is very difficult to have an ordinary person, a plebeian, have his voice heard - it's always the special interests who get the airwaves/mainstream to themselves. Perhaps Time can be courageous enough to change that - and run my article as their cover story? A plebeian can dream of a time when their own voices can inform the peoples, can't he?

Thank you

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**[5]** Noam Chomsky had written to me *'Furthermore, you are apparently unaware that I have, since childhood, been a very vocal advocate of a binational state as part of a broader federation. But I*

stress the word "advocate." while he continued to justify the two-state solution with "impracticality" and what appeared to me to be specious political expediency arguments. Thus I had informed him that I was going to let him respond publicly, and I eagerly look forward to him cogently explaining his positions "loud and clear" in the light of this essay in which I have, as a non-scholar, rather an ordinary plebeian, challenged his profound wisdom based upon the moral imperatives that I am compelled to humbly spell out in my essay **"Responsibility of Intellectuals – Redux"**.

I have to admit here of my own close sense of affinity to Noam Chomsky as his lifelong student once upon a time, and as his nondescript student at MIT while studying EECS, where I first learned about the "real" US Foreign Policies. And as one who has benefited from Chomsky's moral teachings and analytical techniques of news deconstruction tremendously, some of the lessons learned I hope are also exhibited in this essay. As I wrote to Chomsky, and which I excerpt below, my humble effort to critically examine his positions in public is as much a matter of my own conscience as that which compels him to stand up to the tyranny of his own nation. I also have to admit that I remained a covetous reader of Noam Chomsky's books and essays throughout my life, until 2003, when new realizations dawned upon me and I stopped being impressed by other peoples' ideas, including Chomsky, and decided to start thinking for myself ab initio. Some of these realizations are also mentioned in my very detailed essay **"Dialog Among Civilizations: Whytalksfail? - Part1"** in the context of 911, wondering why, the two most notorious gadflies on the planet, Noam Chomsky and Robert Fisk, suddenly found new trust and faith in the Government's version of it. These essays are available at <http://www.humanbeingsfirst.org>, in a feeble plebeian effort once again to speak out against the new unprovoked impending war of "shock and awe" upon another defenseless nation - **"and I still curse the killers, their accomplices, the indifferent spectators who knew [or now know] and kept silent"**.

*"First let me genuinely once again acknowledge the debt of gratitude that I have for you being my teacher most of my adult life. We have a saying in Urdu, loosely translated, it says - 'the cat is the auntie of the lion'. It means the cat taught everything to the lion, except to climb the tree. Obviously to save its own skin. In our culture, as well as I am sure in other cultures, we often refer to experts and teachers and other specialists who hold things back from their students and under-studies, with similar phrases. Such a phrase, is entirely unjust for you. You have indeed never held anything back as far as teaching your mind to anyone and everyone who has wanted to learn. And for this, I am most grateful. And to some tiny extent, I am applying the skills learnt from you, to attempt to disarm you, and other Zionists like you, intellectually speaking. I am not an intellectual, nor an erudite scholar, but a mere ordinary person who is now a minor social worker [...] and a small time grass-roots justice activist. To the extent I succeed in checking you, it must surely make you happy that you taught well. To the extent I fail, it is*

*my own shortcomings and a limitation of my own small mind."*

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To: [aiusa.org](mailto:aiusa.org)

From: Project Humanbeingsfirst.org

Subject: **Urgent Action Israel-Palestine**

Date March 16, 2007

Dear Urgent Actioneers at Amnesty International, USA,

It is with much sadness and disheartedness that I draw your kind attention to Project Humanbeingsfirst's analysis of Israel-Palestine festering blot on humanity at <http://www.humanbeingsfirst.org>, article "[The endless trail of red herrings](http://www.humanbeingsfirst.org)" (<http://humanbeingsfirst.blogspot.com/2007/03/endless-red-herrings.html>).

Please review it, especially in light of the current impasse and imminent attack on yet another sovereign nation in the works. The sad part is, the handful of conscionable peoples and organizations among the billions of silently spectating peoples in the

world who actively care about these matters, often end up being co-opted by chasing down the endless trail of red herrings in all such issues such that their efficacy at the end of the day is entirely ZERO. This is the case with the antiwar protests for example, which could not prevent a barbaric and monumentally criminal "shock and awe" upon an innocent civilians, or the WTO protesters who have to date achieved little measurable impact on any trade policy, as well as Amnesty Internationals efforts at Guantanamo Bay and elsewhere in the world to curb Human Rights abuses. Apart from writing terrific looking reports, and with the exception of bringing much sought after relief in few individual cases, what level of global impact has Amnesty International had over the years? Its own ongoing reports on Israel-Palestine are of exactly zero impact, as empirically evident by the continual reality of new faits accomplis being daily constructed on the ground!

In Project Humanbeingsfirst's view, this is entirely because the battles are often being fought at the "low order bits of the issues", when "the higher order bits" entirely determine where "the page faults" (in computer science geek-speak). This deplorable failing in our view, can easily be remedied by addressing the issues at the right levels of abstraction.

Thus to assist in the proper identification of DNA, one can easily draw upon the lessons of not too distant history if one wanted to. Please allow me to very briefly rehearse it here beginning with a direct quote from the closing speech of the Chief Prosecutor Robert Jackson at the Nuremberg Military Tribunal in 1948, just before death sentences were handed out that couldn't possibly atone or compensate for the millions of peoples dead due to the unconstrained dreams for Lebensraum:

*"But justice in this case has nothing to do with some of the arguments put forth by the defendants or their counsel. We have not previously and we need not now discuss the merits of all their obscure and tortuous philosophy. We are not trying them for the possession of obnoxious ideas. It is their right, if they choose, to renounce the Hebraic heritage in the civilization of which Germany was once a part. Nor is it our affair that they repudiated the Hellenic influence as well. The intellectual bankruptcy and moral perversion of the Nazi regime might have been no concern of international law had it not been utilized to goosestep the Herrenvolk across international frontiers. It is not their thoughts, it is their overt acts which we charge to be crimes. Their creed and teachings are important only as evidence of motive, purpose, knowledge, and intent."*

<http://www.courttv.com/archive/casfiles/nuremberg/close.html>)

This bears restating again: *"It is not their thoughts, it is their overt acts which we charge to be crimes. Their creed and teachings are important only as evidence of motive, purpose, knowledge, and intent"*. And as for blanket awareness of premeditated intent, the erstwhile judge recited his now infamous words:

*"The plans of Adolf Hitler for aggression were just as secret as Mein Kampf, of which over six million copies were published in Germany."*

And as historian William Shirer wrote in his diary on the eve of World War II on how such plans were hatched in plain sight:

*"Everybody against the war. People talking openly. How can a country go into a major war with a population so dead against it?"* Shirer continues describing the solution in Hitler's own words: *"Hitler knew the answer well. Had he not the week before on his Bavarian mountaintop promised the generals that he would 'give a propagandist reason for starting the war' and admonished them not to 'mind whether it was plausible or not'? 'The victor', he had told them, 'will not be asked afterward whether he told the truth or not. In starting and waging a war it is not the right that matters, but victory.' "*

Well we already know the historians excitedly lamenting about the intelligence failure on Iraq war, where the august Iraq Study Group has already seeded it with its rather disingenuous conclusion post fait accompli, in its March 31st 2005 [report](http://usinfo.state.gov/mena/Archive/2005/Mar/31-474907.html) (<http://usinfo.state.gov/mena/Archive/2005/Mar/31-474907.html>):

*"We conclude that the intelligence community was dead wrong in almost all of its prewar judgments about Iraq's weapons of mass destruction. This was a major intelligence failure,..."*

And we already know what the Texan Republican Congressman Ron Paul has so clairvoyantly opined about the new impending war on the House floor in his [Jan 2007 speech](http://www.house.gov/paul/tst/tst2007/tst011507.htm) (<http://www.house.gov/paul/tst/tst2007/tst011507.htm>):

*"As I said last week on the House floor, speculation in Washington focuses on when, not if, either Israel or the U.S. will bomb Iran-- possibly with nuclear weapons. The accusation sounds very familiar: namely, that Iran possesses weapons of mass destruction. Iran has never been found in violation of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, and our own Central Intelligence Agency says Iran is more than ten years away from producing any kind of nuclear weapon. Yet we are told we must act immediately while we still can!"*

*"The truth is that Iran, like Iraq, is a third-world nation without a significant military. Nothing in history hints that she is likely to invade a neighboring country, let alone America or Israel. I am concerned, however, that a contrived Gulf of Tonkin- type incident may occur to gain popular support for an attack on Iran."*

And not to be outdone, the former National Security Advisor, Zbigniew Brzezinski, came up with his own more laconic version of it, as Council on Foreign Relations erstwhile writer, Max Boot put it in his essay "[Keeping Iran in line](http://www.cfr.org/publication/12789/)" (<http://www.cfr.org/publication/12789/>):

*'In Senate testimony, former national security advisor Zbigniew Brzezinski conjured up a "plausible scenario for a military collision with Iran," which would be provoked by a "terrorist act" that would be "blamed on Iran," "culminating in a 'defensive' U.S. military action against Iran that plunges a lonely America into a spreading and deepening quagmire." '*

But then Max Boot continued with the penultimate disingenuousness:

*'You would think that the United States was Nazi Germany preparing to launch a war of aggression on Poland based on a fabricated provocation. (Adolf Hitler's Sept. 1, 1939, blitzkrieg was preceded by SS troops in Polish uniforms pretending to attack a German radio station on the border.) In reality, it is the United States and our allies that are the victims in the confrontation with Iran.'*

Perhaps suffering from incurable short term memory, he further noted:

*'Recall that the trouble began with the outrageous Iranian seizure of 52 U.S. Embassy hostages in 1979. Since then, the mullahs have continued to wage war by proxy. Iranian-sponsored terrorists bombed the U.S. Embassy and Marine barracks in Beirut in 1983, killing 258 Americans. They kidnapped numerous Americans in Lebanon. They are suspected of bombing the Khobar Towers complex in Saudi Arabia in 1996, killing 19 Americans. More recently, they have been providing arms and training to anti-American militants in Iraq. Iranian-made EFPs (explosively formed projectiles), a particularly potent type of landmine, have been responsible for more than 170 American combat deaths.'*

Okay so it is but unstated truism that in today's unfortunate complex world of short

term memories where the victor's justice abounds, the proper identification of the DNA among the public, and what indeed are the right levels of abstraction to operate ones' activism and urgent calls to action upon, such that it can correctly identify the first cause from which "*all the evil that follows*" can subsequently be very easily adjudicated, can often become a daunting challenge in itself!

Thus while well intentioned conscionable people continue to write books after books contemporaneously, attend protest marches one after another, and make endless conscionable calls to action, new faits accomplis are continually seeded right before our very eyes - which then presumably become "impractical" to unseed.

This is as true of Israel-Palestine with the Zionists in their quest for "Eretz Yisrael", as it is true of America's life-time of "War on terrorism" - the [World War IV](#) - and its self-apportioned misanthropic adventures outside its own geographical limits to impose "democracy" on other "lesser" nations under the guise of "preemption"! Will some future judge, a Robert Jackson, too inexorably lament:

*The plans of the aggressor for aggression were just as secret as the PNAC on the Grand Chessboard that were freely available for download on the Internet, and in major bookstores.*

Thus while we stroke our conscience playing with the "low order bits", military bases all across Central Asia are coming up in a geopolitical comeuppance of "Primacy and Its Geostrategic Imperatives" on the Grand Chessboard, with almost no geopolitically strategic nation left on earth where there is not an American military presence today in some form as energetically advocated by the Project New American Century's report "[Rebuilding America's Defenses](#)" (<http://www.newamericancentury.org/RebuildingAmericasDefenses.pdf>) in order to pursue and maintain America's global "preeminence".

And as a direct consequence of which we see all the major and most significant global Human Rights abuses continually occurring, from Flying Bombs on civilian infrastructures and homes, to Extraordinary Renditions in many flavors, to Patriot Acts in multiple flavors, and including those abuses in more than 31 flavors committed by tin-pot dictatorships around the world in resources rich or strategically positioned developing nations who are entirely aided and abetted in propagating their reigns of terror upon their own peoples by the "Imperatives" of superpower "Primacy". Isn't the mitigation and elimination of the end abuse - the leaves of the tree so to speak - the raison d'être for the existence of Amnesty International in the first place? But remarkably, all the energetic "lower order bits" of activism and urgent action calls by Amnesty and other conscionable Human Rights organizations like it, end up being glorified no-ops at the end of the day! Everyone goes home in the



evening having had a good exercise session on the treadmill, while people in the world continue to suffer!

Thus what is the point of all this call for action, urgent actions, and activism - isn't the proof of the pudding entirely in its eating? In order to really make one's soufflé rise, one has to work, ab initio, in learning how to crack the egg! Instead of gathering the leaves, or focusing on its coloring, the right level of abstraction to curb abuse is obviously to focus on the primal first cause, its DNA!

That is the purpose of the analysis presented in "The endless trail of red herrings", using Israel-Palestine as an example to illustrate why (misguided) activism and urgent calls for action is great for the status quo - it only greatly helps deflect conscionable peoples' energies and activism because it repeatedly fails to address the issues at the right levels of abstraction, thus permitting new faits accomplis unhindered!

I hope you find our humble analysis presented on [humanbeingsfirst.org](http://humanbeingsfirst.org) useful. You may do as you please with this analysis, including guiding your own Moral-Activism as appropriate, and propagating it further by giving it greater visibility, if you deem it worthy. The best thing one might do for status quo, is to ignore it entirely. I'd much rather you at least condemned the analysis with coherent reasoning if you do not find it worthy enough for propagating to your vast audience - using our very distinguished President's own choicest words to delineate matters: *"either you are with us or with the terrorists"*!

There are two more urgent action essays on <http://www.humanbeingsfirst.org>: "[Introducing A Game As Old As Empire](#)" and "[Responsibility of Intellectuals - Redux](#)". The issues are all sort of inter-related. For a quick partial analysis on how, please see this article: <http://www.indybay.org/newsitems/2007/03/15/18377179.php>.

The most urgent and immediate call for action however is indeed Israel-Palestine, for the impending unprovoked war on another sovereign nation has distinct beneficiaries, and distinct exponents, most prominent among them, the Apartheid state of Israel and their magnanimous Zionist neo-con supporters. It is an especially opportune time for refocusing energies towards the first cause celebra now that former American President Jimmy Carter has anemically attempted to broaden the discussion space with "Palestine, Peace not Apartheid". As Project Humanbeingsfirst noted at the end of footnote [3] in the "The endless trail of red herrings", a more conscionable and equitable book might have been titled **"Palestine, Justice not Apartheid"**.

Does Amnesty International have the courage and the wisdom to take unequivocal

positions on the multifaceted and continually trans-morphing only hidden in plain-sight DNA? Or would they rather contend themselves gathering the leaves while they wait for a future Robert Jackson to show them the way?

Kind Regards,

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To: His Excellency, Jimmy Carter, former American president, and Nobel laureate

From: [Project Humanbeingsfirst.org](http://ProjectHumanbeingsfirst.org)

Subject: **Introducing Palestine, Justice Not Apartheid**

Date March 27, 2007

Dear distinguished scholar, humanitarian, Nobel peace-laureate, former President:

As a major public figure who is immensely concerned about the fate of the peoples

of this planet, you have admirably endeavored in many notable social projects, including the most famous, Habitat for Humanity. For the past few years, I have taken my children to participate in its annual fund raising 5K and 10K races sponsored by the local university's Chapter of Habitat, and I hope that one of these days I will also be able to participate in helping build at least one of these Habitat homes. I wish more persons of privilege would show leadership in these sorts of inspiring activities, and I greatly applaud your conscionable spirit of volunteerism as a very positive role model for all humanity. And especially for me.

However, in this open letter, I must draw your kind attention to a rather disturbing question that I humbly raise about your most recent book "**Palestine, Peace not Apartheid**" which is admittedly your very courageous voice of conscience in your continued endeavor to bring peace and equanimity to the beleaguered peoples of this lonely planet. You too indeed recognize that we are equal human beings first - sharing this lonely planet - before we are anything else.

In reference to your recent speech at George Washington University, as reported by the Associated Press and carried by Israeli newspaper Haaretz at <http://www.haaretz.com/hasen/spages/834962.html>, where it was noted:

*'He said he was not accusing Israel of racism nor referring to its treatment of Arabs within the country. "I defined apartheid very carefully as the forced segregation by one people of another on their own land," he said. ...'*

I am compelled by my own far humbler and rather limited conscience to straightforwardly ask you, "**why?**" Why are you not accusing Israel of racism, nor referring to her treatment of Arabs within the country in your profound book? Why have you so artfully redefined racism and apartheid:

*"I defined apartheid very carefully as the forced segregation by one people of another on their own land",*

and deliberately restrained yourself from not seeing the direct and immediate parallels with South Africa? Did you come by this restricted redefinition for the semantics of a well known phenomenon, and the thrust of your insightful analysis of the situation in Palestine through whim, fear, or through some "ubermensch" principle of morality?

I have expanded on this question in my short commentary "[Introducing Palestine, Peace Not Apartheid](#)" at [humanbeingsfirst.org](http://humanbeingsfirst.org). I have also humbly expanded on the issue of Israel-Palestine at much greater depth in my essay "[The endless trail](#)"

[of red herrings](#)" available on the same website wherein I quite straightforwardly deconstruct the constricted discourse space in the entire Western Hemisphere that has been so deliberately crafted in favor of Der Judenstat to continually enable new faits accomplis to be artfully constructed on the ground such that they become "impractical" and "inexpedient" to subsequently reverse! Have you had the opportunity to visit Jerusalem lately? I am informed by its Palestinian residents that it looks nothing like it used to before 1967, with all vestiges of Arab inhabitation being deftly replaced by a European look. Indeed, quite "impractical" to reverse!

While the most notable persons in the world clamor the two-state solution space and artfully continue to dodge their responsibility of calling a spade a spade, settlement of the Land of Canaan by the European aliens is a fait accompli as noted by Gideon Levy in his candid Haaretz article "Netanyahu and Meshal forever" at <http://www.haaretz.com/hasen/spages/835457.html>

In this stark reality of faits accomplis that is visible to all, **your interestingly titled book is rather too little too late!** The only rational recourse today is to outright dismantle Zionism as an organized terror philosophy, and its brainchild, Der Judenstat, as an abhorrent Apartheid construction - a blot on humanity that created it, and tolerates it, while its distinguished leaders continually seed newer red herrings in the guise of sympathy thus permitting the root cause celebra to exist in peace unhindered by *"not accusing Israel of racism nor referring to its treatment of Arabs within the country."* As a distinguished world leader and elder-statesman of the most powerful nation in the universe, your every word is significant. **Why has this word been chosen thusly in contrast to the manifest reality on the ground?**

Additionally, I have briefly analyzed your interesting interview of January 25, 2007 with NPR's Steve Inskeep, and your former Historian-friend Prof. Kenneth Stein's criticism of your book in my very detailed essay "[Dialog Among Civilizations: Whytalksfail? Part-1](#)" also available from the same website, where I invite you and NPR to redo those series of interviews using the commonsensical dialog algorithm developed in the afore titled document where no unexamined and sacred axioms are allowed to remain unexamined and untouchable. This dialog algorithm is rationally architected to amicably resolve today's most dangerous of disputes among mankind, unless of course the intent is indeed to not resolve them equitably, but rather to perpetuate American primacy and its geostrategic imperatives by hook or by crook.

Such a dialog algorithm is especially necessary in order to avert the looming predatory American war upon a defenseless Iran (please see my [Open Letter to Amnesty International, USA](#)), for which your former National Security Advisor has already candidly laid out the following plausible scenario (an imaginative variation on

[Operation Canned Goods](#)) before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on February 1, 2007 (<http://www.voltairenet.org/article145515.html>):

*"a plausible scenario for a military collision with Iran involves Iraqi failure to meet the benchmarks, followed by accusations of Iranian responsibility for the failure, then by some provocation in Iraq or a terrorist act in the US blamed on Iran, culminating in a "defensive" US military action against Iran that plunges a lonely America into a spreading and deepening quagmire eventually ranging across Iraq, Iran, Afghanistan and Pakistan"*

I hope you can find a little time in your very busy schedule to examine these humble analyses emanating from the rather plebeian mind of Project Humanbeingsfirst. I also hope that you would find them at least a tiny bit worthy to respond coherently, and not feel it necessary to engage in the amazing techniques of deflection perfected by your illustrious successor.

I straightforwardly challenge your anemic condemnation of Israel, and I hope that you too will respond rather straightforwardly. Obviously as you enjoy the privilege of your position, you likely see the world from the pragmatic lens of expediency and primacy imperatives of a lone superpower state, as you did when you engagingly permitted your National Security Advisor Zbigniew Brzezinski to hand **"the USSR its Vietnam War"** on another's soil with another peoples' blood (as confessed by Brzezinski in 1998: <http://members.aol.com/bblum6/brz.htm>).

If it is indeed the primacy wisdom of ideological "expediency" that has informed the diktats of your noble conscience in writing this book on Palestine - which you could have also forthrightly named **"Palestine, Justice Not Apartheid"** and developed its theme accordingly had you also courageously recognized that lasting peace is only a harvest of justice, else it's acquiesced slavery - perhaps you might share your ideological wisdom with the mesmerized world which is so enthralled with the mere thought of any American President even dreaming of criticizing the "ubermensch" state in the modernity du jour. **When you had the moral strength to come this far, why not all the way? What, or who, has co-opted you?**

With Warm and Courteous Regards,

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As seen by a Plebeian.

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What indeed is the responsibility of intellectuals to the people? We already know what the intellectuals have themselves proclaimed it is - without adding the word "peoples" to their description. Let's quickly review. My favorite description comes from Vaclav Havel:

*"I too think the intellectual should constantly disturb, should bear witness to the misery of the world, should be provocative by being independent, should rebel against all hidden and open pressure and manipulations, should be the chief doubter of systems, of power and its incantations, should be a witness to their mendacity. For this very reason, an intellectual cannot fit into any role that might be assigned to him, nor can he ever be made to fit into any of the histories written by the victors. An intellectual essentially doesn't belong anywhere; he*

*stands out as an irritant wherever he is; he does not fit into any pigeonhole completely.*" (Vaclav Havel: 'Disturbing the Peace', A Conversation with Karel Hvizdala, quoted by Mark Chmiel in 'Elie Wiesel and the politics of Moral Leadership')

In Havel's self-apportioning of responsibility to intellectuals, himself being one, there is no mention of why the intellectual must have such responsibilities. Why does he or she need to be an *'irritant'*, why must he or she *'rebel against all hidden and open pressure and manipulation'*, and be the *'chief doubter of systems, of power and its incantations'*? Why may the intellectual not be an exponent of Machiavelli in the service of the powerful, of *'power and its incantations'*, telling 'Nobel Lies' to serve the ruling interests? After all, those who run *'systems'* also need intellectual and doctrinal backbone to carry them out, don't they?

Isn't it but manifest empiricism that since the Renaissance that preceded the industrial revolution, with the waning of kingdoms and aristocracies, feudalism and servitude, and the arrival of plebeian norms and free thinking that were the precursors of modern day 'populist democracy' in the West, new forms of plebeian intellectual regimentation and willing control (despite that being a nonsequitur) were invented in astute political philosophy to serve the interests of the ruling elite? From Machiavelli's "Prince", through Nietzsche's "ubermensch", to Strauss' "Nobel Lies" of modernity, are of course all intellectualism too, and in the very distinguished service of the ruling interests. So what's wrong with such intellectualism?

Havel provides no keen philosophical insights in his prescription of *'irritant'* being the sole role of an intellectual, apart from axiomatic assertion, perhaps borne from some internal (unstated) moral sense. But different people have different internal moral sense, and hence that's not a universal axiomatic description unless it can either be rationally proved, or a recourse to some absolute external source of morality is made, and nor is it a profound basis for moral intellectualism. If it were, this would just be a simple truism, as in any religion borne from unexamined axioms handed by an absolute divinity, and not very intellectually profound as a philosophy, or even an original contribution by Havel. Prophet Moses preceded him by at least three thousand years with the Ten Commandment axioms. No empirical political philosophy has yet been founded upon its teachings in the West since the Renaissance (we'll just forego the periods before that to be nice and focus mainly from the onset of rationalism in the West).

So let's look at someone even more distinguished for guidance who is *'arguably the most important intellectual alive'* in the entire Western Hemisphere, who wrote the seminal piece on responsibility of intellectuals in the later half of the 20th century

titled "Responsibility of Intellectuals", and other derivative works (see [here\[4\]](#), [here\[5\]](#), and [here\[6\]](#)):

*"It is the responsibility of intellectuals to speak the truth and to expose lies" (Responsibility of Intellectuals)*

*"the responsibility of a writer as a moral agent is to try to bring the truth about matters of human significance to an audience that can do something about them." (Power and Prospects)*

Once again, why must an intellectual '*speak the truth*' and '*expose lies*'? Why must he or she bring the '*truth about matters of human significance to an audience that can do something about them.*'? This isn't just a pedantic question. It is the crux of the matter.

The distinguished Noam Chomsky further notes:

*"Intellectuals are in a position to expose the lies of governments, to analyze actions according to their causes and motives and often hidden intentions. In the Western world, at least, they have the power that comes from political liberty, from access to information and freedom of expression. For a privileged minority, Western democracy provides the leisure, the facilities, and the training to seek the truth lying hidden behind the veil of distortion and misrepresentation, ideology and class interest, through which the events of current history are presented to us...." (Responsibility of Intellectuals)*

Sure the Western intellectuals living in free societies '*have the power that comes from political liberty, from access to information and freedom of expression.*' So why must they not use it in the service of the ruling elite, and instead '*seek the truth lying hidden behind the veil of distortion and misrepresentation*'? How can the plebeian tell the difference what the scholars are doing? It was indeed Plato, wasn't it, who portrayed the rule of the virtuous 'know it all', the 'ubermensch', leading the sheep to their manifest destiny - a virtuosity of supermen, that some like Leo Strauss interpret it, a Nietzschean morality that is beyond good and evil, one that is wholly utilitarian in serving some vested interests.

Once again, no Occam's razor like clarity is provided by Noam Chomsky either. You may review all three references cited above, and will only come away with the unremarkable comprehension that the intellectual field has been carved up between the exponents of the ruling elite, whom I shall dare refer to as the "high priests" openly serving the interests of power, and Havel-Chomsky self-proclaimed

responsibility of being *'irritants'* to that power, whom I shall dare call the "dissenting priests". It is almost as a kids' game of dividing into two teams to play off against each other, or as in high school forensic tournament of champions having the Affirmative and the Negative, or as in the Parliament having Government benches and its Opposition - both around *'systems of power and its incantations'*, one positing it, the other doubting it, with the people left wondrously watching, often quite uncomprehendingly. A cynical view? Please read on.

There is no a priori reason to believe claims to morality by the intellectual, as asserted by Chomsky with the banal phrase *'the responsibility of a writer as a moral agent'*. It is not entirely self-evident why such an assertion must be axiomatic. Or indeed how can it be shown to be continually true beyond mere continued axiomatic assertions.

Except of course, if such self-apportioned responsibility by the intellectual is merely a tool to serve an end, and not an end in itself. Just as it is a tool in the hands of the Machiavellian espousing the morality of supermen, if it becomes a tool in the hands of the intellectual espousing the banal morality, one not beyond good and evil, but specifically only intended to serve the plebeian.

The only rational and comprehensible basis for moral responsibility upon an intellectual, is if they wish to serve the interests of the plebeian peoples, as opposed to merely opposing the elite peoples. The two are not synonymous. One may oppose the ruling elite for many reasons, including personal ego, self-interests, personal guilt, as an intellectual contest, as an academic lost in the ivory tower of academe writing histories of past crimes that are now *faits accomplis*, none of which necessarily have anything to do with serving the contemporary interests of the plebeian except as a side effect. Only when the first-principle is serving the plebeian, and only serving the plebeian over one's own self-interests, then, and only then, does such a moral responsibility delve upon the intellectual, and only if they take it upon themselves, and proclaim to do so. And even when they conscientiously take this upon themselves primarily to serve the best interests of the plebeian, there is no assurance that they are telling the truth in order to serve the plebeians' best interests. Indeed, there is no a priori reason to assume one is telling the truth and not merely playing the Ezra Pound game of being part of two or more sophisticated (or simple) lies keeping the plebeians busy guessing which of them might be true.

Thus an intellectual claiming to be a moralist in the interest of serving the plebeian, must always be under scrutiny by the plebeians - no differently than for a politician claiming to do the same - to ensure that the intellectual is indeed serving the plebeians' best interests, and not their own self-serving ones. Just merely self-

proclaimed claims to morality, while perhaps sufficient for one's own conscience, is not a sufficient credential in public life for anyone, as per rational commonsense. Why should an intellectual make any more claims to morality, than any other ordinary person in society?

Thus, what then is indeed the public responsibility of the self-proclaimed moral intellectual - making the deliberate distinction between one proclaiming morality exclusively in the service of the peoples, and any other intellectual. By definition, the former is associated with the "dissenting priest" who claims to serve the interests of the people by dissenting with the ruling elite, the latter is the "high priest" who is quite clearly and visibly aligned with the interests of the *'power and its incantations'*. And they are indeed "priests" because they each respectively claim axioms of their own.

Only in the public examination of their axioms can they lose claims to priesthood and be stripped naked as either genuine moralists worthy of public following, or Machiavellis deserving of public stoning.

So what indeed are the "dissenting priests'" responsibilities towards moral intellectualism? And what are the responsibilities of the plebeian to ensure that the intellectual priests are continually stripped of their unexamined axioms to keep them honest? As one Jewish moralist once put it, albeit in a different context, but I would like to take the liberty of borrowing that very convincing and idiomatic diction here:

*"Although the Holocaust inflicted horrible injustice upon us, it did not grant us certificate of everlasting righteousness. The murderers were amoral; the victims were not made moral. To be moral you must behave ethically. The test of that is daily and constant."*

The *'test of that is daily and constant'*. Indeed. The test however is only self-administered when one is concerned with one's own conscience. But a scholar's soul is of no concern to the plebeians - how can any outsider ever peer into the blackened abyss of another's soul? The latter may have none! Thus the test is not self-administered when public responsibility is proclaimed by the "dissenting priests", but one that must be *'constant'*, and *'daily'*, and administered by the plebeians themselves.

So let's succinctly take the responsibilities of each in turn. This is what a rather pedestrian plebeian, me, demands of the moral intellectuals who appear to be "dissenting priests". If they purport to serve my interests, then they must cater to my expectations of them. There are obviously no plebeian expectations from the "high priests" of the ruling elite, for they make no bones about whose interests they serve.

It is indeed the "dissenting priests" who are of most concern to the plebeians, for they may also be the Trojan Horses deliberately cultivated, like the proverbial sleeper agents of intelligence intrigues, to create a more convincing shadow play for the free-willed plebeians who can otherwise become quite dangerous for the interests of any elite in free democratic societies.

### **Responsibility of the "dissenting priests" as "moral agents".**

What is my primary expectation from them? To be a moral compass on knotty and vexing issues du jour. I don't expect them to be activists or policy advocates. I expect them to be the moral voice without paying heed to the impracticality or efficacy of bringing about any change or transformation. They need to chart the course for the society in what is indeed the '**right and moral and just thing to do**' space. As they endeavor to identify the convolutions on the lies and bear witness to the mendacity of power of faits accomplis, I need them to prevent new criminal faits accomplis of monumental injustices from occurring, especially when such criminal acts can be contemporaneously co-opted by an informed plebeians taking the right course of action that is seeded by an unequivocal moral compass. If the moralists are themselves co-opted by pragmatism, exigency, expediency, political reality, then how are they any different from politicians? A moral intellectual who is a moral agent purporting to '*bring the truth about matters of human significance to an audience that can do something about them*' can only do so first and foremost, as an unequivocal moral compass for his peoples, and only secondarily as the revolutionary.

An intellectual can certainly be an hands-on activist seeded by that axiomatic moral compass, his or her own, to create on the ground advocacy if he or she possesses the physical energies and the charisma. Many plebeians possess physical energies, and many leaders of men possess charisma, but not many possess the mental acumen of the profound intellectual, which is why their seeding a moral compass justly and truthfully is of indescribable primal significance which can eventually lead to **Moral-Activism** by their plebeian activist followers. Without moral compassing, any flock is quite simply, and almost always, 'lost in the land of Canaan', figuratively speaking. And higher the pulpit, larger the flock, greater the responsibility, and yes, greater the accountability to the plebeians. Conversely, greater the priest leading them, greater the responsibility upon the plebeians themselves to create Moral-Activism that is justly seeded by the moral compass who was faithful to his own responsibility as an honest intellectual of the plebeians.

### **Responsibility of the Plebeian looking up to the dissenting priests as "moral agents".**

The "dissenting priests" aren't really the spokesperson for god who may not be challenged. So what must the plebeians do to keep their priests honest? Examine their axioms! If a "dissenting priest" takes on axioms in contemporary matters of great '*human significance*', refuses to examine them unhyppocritically in public, refuses to convincingly explain why the same arguments that were applied in the past by him are not being applied in the contemporaneous present to the same qualitative issue of the mendacity of power and its incantations, then there is a gigantic red herring in the works. Application of the Rational Golden rule of morality - also called the Biblical Golden Rule by some - can also often help adjudicate a "dissenting priest's" position on emotional matters where there may be potential self-interests at play.

Examination of unexamined axioms, and judicious use of the Golden Rule in unraveling hidden self-interests, can keep any public person honest, from politician to the self-proclaimed dissenting intellectual moralist, even including the real priests.

In my humble plebeian view, it is only that very accountability to the plebeians, and which must be extracted by the plebeians, that brings an Occam's razor's clarity to the matter and constructs any commonsensical genuine moral Responsibility of Intellectuals - one that is owed exclusively to the plebeians. The rest is merely the intellectual stroking of the mind by the intellectuals, their own and others, and of only happenstance and incidental benefit or harm to the peoples, no differently than any other unaccountable member of society.

Thank you.

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## Dialog among Civilizations: Whytalksfail? Part-1

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Humbly dedicated to the memory of the selfless teacher of 'Moral-Activism',  
Rachel Corrie (1979-2003), on her 4th anniversary, March 16, 2007.

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You are forewarned that a moral education can be quite poisonous to the mind and likely get you charged with 'anti-Orwellian terrorism' of obstructing the State in the commission of its monumental crimes – please read at your own risk.

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## Preamble

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This is a dialog between two friends, me, and my best friend from childhood, Harveyetta. Or simply Harvey, as I like to call her. Albeit she likes to call herself yetta. Harvey is a quintessential realist. She examines the world around her and only makes her conclusions based upon what she observes through her five senses, and only as a perfect Poisson process. What this means is that she soon forgets what she has seen or heard in the past, and concentrates on the reality du jour as it contemporaneously unfolds around her. So sometimes I also call her "Ms. Reality". Of course, as she also happens to be a 7 feet tall gorgeous female Pooka Rabbit who seems to have befriended me for no particular reason, the nonsequitur does not bother me as much. She often disappears for years, and then sometimes shows up out of nowhere becoming my constant companion for days with no explanations for her absence; and I certainly ask for none fearful of learning of her infidelities in strange lands. Except that she always brings back the imprints of the region and the peoples that her travels have taken her, as her own manifest personality du jour. Thus sometimes I get a virtual tour of new peoples and new civilizations and often learn a lot during her short mercurial visits.

So when I serendipitously ran into her earlier today at a local cafe-cum-bookstore sipping Turkish coffee at a table all by herself, and apparently looking for a Fibonacci partner, I was ecstatic! The strangest thing was, no one could see her, but me - what a beautiful mind, huh?

Now me, I am the super surrealist, with an infinitely long memory. I never forget a thing, going as far back in time as the beginning of recorded history, and before that to the passing of verbal history, going all the way back to the Neanderthal period. Thus I am fully acquainted with the tools used to settle disputes over the past 100,000 years! Not a whole lot has changed since the club was discovered by our ancestors to beat the poor harmless Neanderthals into extinction. Thus I perceive the world unlike anyone else ever can, in its full surreal context, with what is kept veiled, as well as with what is made manifest. How much further apart can two friends be?

Even more interestingly, I am an ordinary plebeian of Muslim descent from Pakistan. Harvey is an atheist of blue blood lineage, and is at least 3000 years old, or so she claims! Her last visit seems to have been to the Holy Lands of Galilee in Canaan, for she was acting remarkably like a staunch Zionist du jour, as one might encounter for

instance, at [DanielPipes.org](http://DanielPipes.org) or [Frontpagemag.com](http://Frontpagemag.com), rehearsing aloud the manifesto of "clash of civilizations" but in the variation "It's Not a Clash of Civilizations, It's a Clash between the Civilized World and Barbarians" (see [here1](#)). In fact, Harvey amazingly seemed to be a strange amalgam of the neo-cons from AEI, Heritage, and Hudson busily lining the "power-streets" in Washington DC, the liberal "Left", and the conservative "Right", all rolled into one 7 feet tall "ubermensch" friend of Zion!

This time, unlike her previous serendipitous visitations, I had a hard time relating to her because she seemed to be very much against the Muslims, having learnt all kinds of "things" about us. Being a Poisson process, she obviously had no conception of history, nor retained any lingering memories of her travels to vast lands and places over her 3000 year life span. Nevertheless, the moment she saw me, she hugged me quite excitedly as long lost friends, and we started chatting engagingly for several hours on everything under the Sun, except of course, her vast travels. The fact that she could always remember me and could always end up in the same place as me whenever she craved my company, I could only attribute to her fantastic infinite neuronal states in the Hilbert spaces of her hare brain that were apparently only perfectly Poisson when it suited her. And she immediately became my interlocutor!

I had been in Pakistan the previous year on the investigative & social-relief-work beat so to speak, and she especially quizzed me on the topics of "Muslim terrorism", and Pakistan's role in creating "evil jihadis", and "why Pakistanis and Muslims hated Israel and the Jews?", and why Islam was such a "terrorist religion?" and she blankly asserted that "it needed some major reforming in order to save the Western Civilization"!

Indeed, she rehearsed these thoughts so eloquently that I almost felt that the mighty oracle, Bernard Lewis, and perhaps even [Daniel Pipes](#), were speaking through her (see [here2](#) and [here3](#) for BL, [here1](#) for DP):

*' The solution, said Dr. Daniel Pipes, is not to adopt the left-wing policies of discussion and appeasement, which he said were useless against this barbaric foe, but, rather, to defeat it and promote the emergence of an Islam that is "modern, moderate, democratic, humane, liberal, good neighborly, and respectful of women, homosexuals, atheists, and whoever else. One that grants non-Muslims equal rights with Muslims." ... Radical Islam, sometimes called Islamism, is the problem, he said, moderate Islam is the solution. '*

Since I am her exact opposite, I could trivially recall that her speech wasn't new at all, that there was indeed a familiar echo to it, as Moshe Katsav, Israel's former President had so dramatically pointed out about the stone throwing Palestinian Arabs living under Israeli military occupation:

*“There is a huge gap between us (Jews) and our enemies not just in ability but in morality, culture, sanctity of life, and conscience. They are our neighbors here, but it seems as if at a distance of a few hundred meters away, they are people who do not belong to our continent, to our world, but actually belong to different galaxy.”*  
(Moshe Katsav, President of Israel, The Jerusalem Post, May 10, 2001)

And even before that, as I so easily recalled, at the time of the very founding of Der Judenstat in Palestine by its own erstwhile founder, while recalling in 1897 his achievement of the previous year:

*“Were I to sum up the Basle Congress in a word-- which I shall GUARD AGAINST PRONOUNCING PUBLICLY-- it would be this: At Basle I founded the Jewish State. If I said this out loud today, I would be answered by universal laughter. Perhaps in five years, and certainly in fifty, everyone will know it.”,*

every time he presented his Zionist plans for Der Judenstat to the British gentiles to win over their favor in the expectant hope that

*“The antisemites WILL BECOME our most loyal friends, the antisemites nations will become our allies”,*

he would loudly pontificate:

*“We can be the vanguard of culture against barbarianism”* (Theodor Herzl, quoted in '[One Palestine, Complete](#)' by Tom Segev, see [here4](#))

Impervious to the fact that what she was freshly rehearsing was rather stale rehash for someone with infinite uneraseable memory, Harvey also deftly asserted strong linkages between what Israel had been facing at the hands of Palestinian suicide bombers all these years and because of which she insisted that Israeli tanks were now in the West Bank in self-defense, and what the Americans faced on 911 at the hands of the suicided "evil jihadis" and because of which the Americans were now in Iraq and Afghanistan also in self-defense, and soon, Zion willing, perhaps also in Iran. She asserted that now finally, the world would understand what Israel had been facing all these years on its own against a nefarious and barbaric enemy. I did inform

her rather tepidly, not wanting to interrupt the outpouring of her new found personality, that [Ehud Barak](#) too had made the same comments to [BBC that very evening](#), which was subsequently broadcast repeatedly on American television the very evening of 911 and thereafter.

We also talked about many aspects of 911, Palestine, the "Left" - and Noam Chomsky as its undisputed and *"arguably the most important intellectual alive"*, neoliberalism and the World Bank, and neoconservatism and IMF. I made a statement that sounded rather bizarre to her: **neoliberalism and neoconservatism are just two sides of the same imperial coin**; and she asked me how that manifested itself today other than as just a fancy conspiracy theory?

In our friendly intercourse, I quickly realized that we both had started from different initial conditions, and we both were talking at different levels from very different comprehensions and information base. Her visit to the Holy Lands had predictably reoriented her, as per her Poisson characteristics, to the manifest reality that was perceived in Israel by the Israelis, and by the Americans in the United States.

She was predictably focusing on what she saw on television, read in the newspapers, and experienced in her daily reality, that how evil Muslim terrorists had done 911, and Madrid, and London, and Pan Am 103, and how they had killed Daniel Pearl ([www.danielpearl.org](http://www.danielpearl.org)), and how she had attended Pearl's funeral and profusely cried when she read and heard about the beautiful relationship between the husband and wife that had so brutally been ended by "evil jihadis" in Pakistan.

I casually asked her if she also cried when Palestinian homes were mowed down by Israelis and machine gun and sniper bullets riddled young children in the eyes and head (see [here5](#)) or as they were strip searched at Israeli checkpoints (see [here6](#)), or whether she had also cried upon hearing of Rachel Corrie's brutal murder under an Israeli army bulldozer in Gaza (see [here7](#), [here8](#), [here9](#), [here10](#), for how the world remembers her, and [here11](#) for how David Horowitz's Frontpagemag remembered her on her first death anniversary and summed it up as *"a useful idiot for, and one more victim of, Palestinian terror"*). Harvey didn't know much about Rachel Corrie, nor the fact that she was as Jewish as Daniel Pearl; and had no response to the Palestinians dead at the hands of Israeli occupation forces except to say that there are also plenty of empty place settings at dinner in Tel Aviv. But being genuinely concerned about my unfortunate failing of not being acquainted with Daniel Pearl's despicable murderers, Harvey immediately attempted to rectify it by gifting me "A Mighty Heart", Daniel Pearl's sad story as told by his distraught and grieving widow, Mariane Pearl. Having instantly read it faster than the computer who wore tennis shoes, I too am burdened with sadness at the additional empty chair at

the dinner table in yet another loving family.

On my part, I must frankly admit, at the time I had not paid much careful attention to the gruesome Daniel Pearl murder despite it being all pervasive and sensationalized in the media (and still is today). Hundreds of innocent but apparently "less worthy" people are being killed daily in Iraq and Afghanistan by American made bombs, or in Pakistan by C4 explosives strapped to suicide bombers. To me, the "worthier" American journalist dead by terrorist action was just one more skewed statistic - 1:10000 - all as the result of terrorist action by the pirates and the emperors respectively. And if I were to ask any run of the mill plebeian Pakistani, they'd pretty much opine the same way. I only knew of this unfortunate case sketchily that how the American had been lured by the pirates in Pakistan and brutally killed, and how quickly his murderers were caught and brought to justice.

But on the other hand, I had indeed attended the young 23 year old college student Rachel Corrie's funeral in 2003 ([www.rachelcorrie.org](http://www.rachelcorrie.org)), and remarkably, today, as Harvey and I were getting reacquainted, is also her fourth death anniversary. But few people in America even knew about it four years after the incident. I had also carefully read Rachel's detailed letters to her mother that had been made publicly available at her funeral in a booklet, in which Rachel explained what she was doing in Palestine (see [here12](#)). I had also shed a few real tears, and still do even today on her fourth anniversary, especially since so few tears have been shed in America for this extraordinary American Jewish girl who displayed the sort of unparalleled courage to stand up to an Israeli Army D9 Caterpillar bulldozer with a megaphone in hand, that one might perhaps only read in Biblical stories, aka David and Goliath. The fact that Rachel Corrie had voluntarily staged this supreme battle in the same Biblical Holy Lands, and in favor of a beleaguered peoples against her own peoples, had struck a definite chord within me. So Daniel Pearl out investigating a story on behalf of the emperor and is killed by the pirates, Rachel Corrie out protesting the crimes of the emperor and is killed by the emperor's army!

And perhaps it was indeed this crucial difference - Daniel Pearl killed by the pirates already demonized, and Rachel Corrie killed by her own emperor's powerful occupying army that is fully funded and directly supported by the world's supreme glorified might whose every action is beyond reproach and only an act of preemptive self defense to perpetuate its "*preeminence*" - that had emotionally and spiritually attracted me to the Moral-Activism of this young woman who dared to teach the uncourageously bespectating silent world a lesson of Biblical proportions. And I have since been waiting for her story to also be told in the American nation with the same humanizing fervor, and her murderers also brought to justice with the same wrathful judgment.



Indeed, I am still waiting for the stories of all the thousands and thousands of innocent victims of collective punishments and "collateral damage" to also be told, their deaths mourned, their kin "adequately compensated", and their perpetrators brought to "justice". And I often wonder what that "adequate compensation" and "justice" could even possibly be! I still haven't figured out the difference between the innocent being mercilessly butchered by a jihadi suicide bomber, a bomb dropped from an American F-16, and an Israeli army D9 Bulldozer. What does it matter to the innocent terrorized victims, who is the source of their terror, or at whose murderous hands they meet their maker? Is it really more honorable to be murdered one way than another? Nor have I figured out why some victims are more worthy of sympathy and mourning, and others not. Why some get more press coverage and their stories repeatedly told, and others quite ignored, or merely mentioned in statistics. It's not that they don't have husbands and wives and children and parents! In the Pearl vs. Corrie case, both were Jewish, and both were Americans, and both have families; what caused one to stay in the news persistently, and the other hardly mentioned except for a few fully 'Poisson-articles' devoid of perspective right after the event? And I frankly still wrestle with why some murderers are called "terrorists", and others not.

Unable to answer these questions myself, being only of limited and humble plebeian intelligence, I had started searching for answers in the wisdom of others many years ago, in carefully dissecting history, and in the plenitude of intellectual capital that is freely and quite easily available to anyone in this society who seeks it.

Whereas I sensed that the highly astute Harvey clearly wasn't interested in asking these questions. She only saw one terrorist, the one showed to her on television, the one she said she was acquainted with through her own experience in the Holy Lands, and in Washington. I surmised that she had passed through Washington before visiting me and perhaps lived on "power-street". She insisted that "radical Islamic terrorists" were on a rampage inexplicably, reciting a long history of selective terrorism that she had apparently only recently acquired on her trip to the Holy Lands, from Pan Am 103 to 7/7, and wondered what was going on in Pakistan that was creating these "Islamicist terrorists", and that something had to be done about it right away or the existence of the entire Western civilization would be jeopardized. An eminently reasonable proposition as commonly projected in the American and Western society by its all pervasive news media and intellectuals. Thus she had every right to be concerned about terrorism as indeed must all normal peaceable peoples, the fact that Harvey is only a Pooka notwithstanding!

And this dichotomy of emphasis revealed to me that some common ground had to be established. As it was, I sensed Harvey was describing the leaves, and I was

tracing past the roots into the very DNA of the tree. I even pointed to a physical tree and suggested as much to her. There is no denying that leaves exist, anymore than there can be any denying that the color of the leaves is solely determined by the DNA, and in order to grow the leaves, one has to water the roots of the tree and carefully nurture it, and more importantly, it requires a gardener and someone to pay the gardener who in turn may be employed by someone else as the visible paymaster of the gardener.

To me, the real question has always been, who are the invisible paymasters and where does the buck start and stop? While some call this "conspiracy theories", I prefer to call it "*covert-operations*" and "[primacy and its geostrategic imperatives](#)". The art and science of investigating current affairs as breaking events unfold themselves, and without getting bogged down by the deliberate and "[endless trail of red herrings](#)" strewn along the way, is to keep the historical perspective continually in focus as one tries to make sense of things happening so close in time that one often cannot bring perspective to bear on it otherwise.

Who could have thought of Iran-Contra covert-op of the 1980s in which in order to continually get the two brotherly Muslim nations of Iran and Iraq to keep killing each other for eight long years, both sides were continually armed. Iraq officially with Rumsfeld vigorously pumping Saddam Husain's hand, and Iran covertly by the CIA drug running in South America and providing arms from those proceeds to Iran, along with Israel being the only other covert arms supplier to this beleaguered nation of Iran at the time. Incredible you say? Undeniable recorded facts of history. Had it not been revealed through scandalous disclosures, it would have appeared quite fantastic a conspiracy theory to the uninitiated. When one "wage[s] war by way of deception", the deception part is to put layers of cloak over the "covert-operation" which is the "war".

And some of the best cloaking devices have been invented by the most brilliant minds - here is one for instance from Ezra Pound: "*invent two lies and have the public keep arguing which one of them might be true*". Another is by Leo Strauss – the erudite teacher of the majority of the neo-cons - called "[Noble Lies](#)" and it can be quickly understood [here](#)<sup>13</sup>. A third by the White House, often referred to as "plausible deniability", okay may be it was invented by the DIA, the grand-daddy of all intelligence agencies. This thinly veiled euphemism for deception to protect the leadership if things go badly in covert-operations became public knowledge during the Iran-Contra scandal, the televised coverage of which had gripped the American nation for months, including myself. What are these conspiracies, if not covert-operations?

Possessing infinite uneraseable memory, the previous covert-ops are indelibly etched upon it, like: [Operation Ajax](#), [Operation Mockingbird](#), [Operation MKULTRA](#), [Cointelpro](#), [Islamic Jihad or the CIA Intervention in Afghanistan](#), [Charlie Wilson's War](#), [CIA's Secret Army](#), [Pan Am 103 Libya or covert-op?](#), [The Lavon Affair](#) (also [history for dummies here](#)), [The Other Side of Deception](#), [Israeli Spy Ring Scandal](#), [Israel's Sacred Terrorism from The personal diary of Moshe Sharett](#) (also [confessions of an Arab Jew here](#)), etcetera, etcetera, etcetera. The final chapters on Pan Am 103 have not yet been written, as with the Israeli Spy Ring in America which seems to have become an ongoing bizarre saga in the American-Israeli marriage-of-ideological-convenience and political-mistrust landscape. The CIA's secret Army, the SOG, is a capability; we shall only hear of their nefarious exploits in a few years just as we know of operation Ajax and the Lavon Affair today as common knowledge!

So are all these conspiracy theories or covert-operations? Actually both. In the public discourse, they are lumped in with kookish conspiracy theories to escape timely detection when something can be done about them, and they become covert-ops once they are discovered, or sufficient time has lapsed to make it inconsequential if it gets known - all too late!

Indeed World War II was launched with a covert-op: [Operation Canned Goods](#), World War III was ended with a covert-op: "[The CIA's Intervention in Afghanistan](#)", and was the "[World War IV](#)" also begun with a covert-op? Only an adversely indoctrinated mind would accept the fundamentalist proposition of blindly trusting the popular Government sponsored mantra du jour without even examining their largely uncontested axioms, only to write erudite papers later with an all knowing cynical nod of how Governments use deception to prosecute their otherwise untenable agendas. But when the cynicism is actually needed, it is not too surprisingly, invariably absent.

Given the top secrecy that surrounds covert-operations, how could anyone from the public ever experientially know the skullduggery and subterfuges while they are going on - they are covert by definition and hence not easily knowable by the public!

One will certainly not see a successful one on CNN, or read about it in Time magazine while they are occurring! And in order to seek them out, one at least first has to acknowledge that they could exist given their Machiavellian empirical evidence that only conveniently emerges in a retrospective after the dastardly deeds are faits accomplis, and secondly, go in search of them through much intellectual vigor and detective pursuits. That is the only way to uncover them, or to even legitimately suspect that the probability of their existence is non-zero. The only way to know for sure however, or to find the smoking gun while the iron is hot, is for

someone courageous like Daniel Ellsberg to leak the new "Pentagon Papers" (<http://ellsberg.net>).

Unlike the Pink Panther however, the covert-operatives today rarely if ever leave their calling cards behind; most vestiges are kept verbal, and the rest shredded or classified under "National Security imperative". The public exposure of the Iran-Contra Affair brought that home in spades to the American peoples, except for their short term memories; as did the leaking of the "Pentagon Papers" and Oliver North's otherwise efficient secretary's botched-up shredding job bring it home to the Pentagon and the White House, and they have surely gainfully employed these lessons in their subsequent covert-ops and the passing of the Patriot Acts!

Historians uncovering monumental crimes 20-30-50-100 years later when things are eventually declassified post faits accomplis, does nothing to stop these monumental crimes while they are happening, and nor does it bring back the victims once they are dead! The only useful thing lessons of history do, apart from making its authors rich peddling their narratives post faits accomplis, is give clear heads ups to rational peoples for next times around.

Well, we already have plenty of heads ups from the many previous times around - the fact of our convenient short term memories notwithstanding. Only recently we saw the WMD deception so unconvincingly enacted on the shadow screen, and yet gobbled up by the populace. This is what the 2005 Presidential Commission on intelligence failure, Iraq Study Group, disingenuously concluded in its March 31st report (see [here14](#)):

*"We conclude that the intelligence community was dead wrong in almost all of its prewar judgments about Iraq's weapons of mass destruction. This was a major intelligence failure,".*

The precedence of Gulf of Tonkin is of such immediate and pressing concern that even the honorable Ron Paul, the maverick Republican from Texas, noted only a few weeks ago on the House floor ([Jan 2007 speech here15](#)):

*"The truth is that Iran, like Iraq, is a third-world nation without a significant military. Nothing in history hints that she is likely to invade a neighboring country, let alone America or Israel. I am concerned, however, that a contrived Gulf of Tonkin- type incident may occur to gain popular support for an attack on Iran."*

Thus to ignore pretexts is to condemn a new generation of victims to death! Therefore, to not ask whether this can be the present: "[9/11 and the "War on](#)

[Terrorism](#)", and dissect the point cause that became the pretext for this lifelong perpetual war ingenuously labeled "World War IV": "[A Physics Professor Speaks Out on 9-11](#)", and critically and rationally examine the rebuttal to its critics keeping unconscionable self-interests out of it: "[9/11 and The New Pearl Harbor](#)", is not just being complicitly ignorant, but monumentally criminal with the blood of millions of innocent upon ones' hands!

Indeed, those who deliberately distract from pursuing such investigations, and those who deliberately keep dropping "[the endless trail of red herrings](#)", are directly complicit in the aiding and abetting in the commission of monumental crimes against humanity!

In vain, the clarion call of conscience, "never again"?

Thus if it is axiomatically asserted that there is no such thing as a real conspiracy theory, then that really works wonderfully in the interest of the cloak-makers because it makes one forget the perspectives of history.

And with the short term memory of the modern generation, especially in America, this works great - only allege conspiracy theory and history vanishes from the consciousness. Hence I am always suspicious when axioms are put forth that are beyond scrutiny. More such "fundamentalist" unexamined axioms are thrust into my face, the more curious I get. And in case of 911 and all its aftermath, it was interesting for me to note how many students of Leo Strauss, the father of "Noble Lies", were the direct influence peddlers and the prime architects of war, both in Afghanistan, and in Iraq, the perpetual war. See "[Noble lies and perpetual war: Leo Strauss, the neocons, and Iraq](#)".

And it was even more remarkable to me that the duration of this [new perpetual war](#) coincidentally just happened to match the period that had been noted was available to the United States to mold the world according to its own [geostrategic advantage](#) before a new multi-polar world would emerge to create a new détente. I had not only endeavored to read their own words very carefully, but gone all the way back to their teachers by some generations, to the very edge of time, to uncover the underpinnings of their ideologies that had largely originated in Europe and brought to the shores of this Republic by the remnant ideologues of previous European empires.

Such remarkable intellectual capital - it is indeed quite an education! And surprisingly, it is freely available to anyone who has the patience and the acumen to seek it; a generous harvest of Western freedoms, resources, and leisure time. And indeed, with only a few notable exceptions, a majority of the modern intellectual

descendants of this wave of white Europeans that reached the shores of America in the early twentieth century, interestingly, also exhibit very open Zionist aspirations that somehow are remarkably always displayed quite publicly, never hidden. Indeed, Ariel Sharon had himself openly boasted so on Israeli radio to Shimon Perez as they probably argued over to what further extent they could visit more of their Zionist munificence upon the beleaguered Palestinians:

*“Every time we do something you tell me America will do this and will do that . . . I want to tell you something very clear: Don't worry about American pressure on Israel. We, the Jewish people, control America, and the Americans know it.”* (Ariel Sharon heard on Israeli radio while talking to Shimon Perez in October 2001)

To me, all manifest events post 911, given all the intellectual narratives that had unabashedly been put forth in public view and never kept hidden unlike in past totalitarian systems, plainly indicated that two birds were being killed with one stone. The superpower geostrategic agenda and the Zionist agenda had conveniently lined up in the hegemonic service of "empire". I could easily witness this undeniable imperial primacy imperatives of the former so devilishly at play post 911 in the guise of "war on terrorism" [here16](#), [here17](#), [here18](#), [here19](#), [here20](#), [here21](#), [here22](#), [here23](#), also [here24](#), [here25](#); and [here26](#), [here27](#), [here28](#) for the none to subtle agendas of the latter. Both, sharing the same exponents (and I endeavored to preserve their distinguished names [here29](#) for a "Robert H. Jackson" to arise some day, see [here30](#)), and united by the Machiavellian mechanism so astutely voiced by Ben Gurion:

*“what is inconceivable in normal times is possible in revolutionary times”!*

What is this 'empire' (catch a glimpse [here31](#) and [here32](#) for EHM's tell it, and of course must see [here33](#) for President George Bush tell it)? How did it manifest itself (see [here34](#) for a self-paced study course)?

Recalling Thomas Friedman's now incredibly famous quote from *"Manifesto for a Fast World"*:

*'The hidden hand of the market will never work without a hidden fist -- McDonald's cannot flourish without McDonnell Douglas, the builder of the F-15. And the hidden fist that keeps the world safe for Silicon Valley's technologies is called the United States Army, Air Force, Navy and Marine Corps. "Good ideas and technologies need a strong power that promotes those ideas by example and protects those*

*ideas by winning on the battlefield," says the foreign policy historian Robert Kagan. "If a lesser power were promoting our ideas and technologies, they would not have the global currency that they have. And when a strong power, the Soviet Union, promoted its bad ideas, they had a lot of currency for more than half a century." ', (Thomas L. Friedman, New York Times March 28, 1999, see [here35](#))*

was it "[suddenly, a time to lead](#)" for President George Bush merely a serendipitous happenstance as Norman Podhoretz presented "[In Praise of the Bush Doctrine](#)"? Or was it indeed time to nudge the "market" along to win the jackpot [Grand Prize](#) for a new "Pax Americana"?

The unanswered questions that weren't being asked, and are still not being asked, concerning the primal enabling event for all this (see [here36](#), [here37](#), and [here38](#)) were killing me enough that I had re-read William Shirer's voluminous masterpiece "[Rise and Fall of the Third Reich](#)" soon after 911 as bombs had started to descend on Afghanistan in a profoundly surreal "[algebra of infinite justice](#)" that clearly brought home statesman extraordinaire, Henry Kissinger's realpolitik honesty (or one often attributed to him): *"it can be deadly to be America's enemy, it is fatal to be its friend"*. As Winston Churchill had shrewdly noted: *"In wartime, truth is so precious that she should always be attended by a body guard of lies"* (see [secretsofwar](#)), how hard was it really to separate the secretive mistress from her public guardians and witness her naked beauty or abhorrent ugliness, first hand?

Was I just being delusional, given that my best friend is a 7 ft. tall Pooka Rabbit that no one else can see, or were the perspectives of history and a bit of rational commonsense trying to teach a lesson before it was too late - one day at a time? A time to act? But act how? The whole world was and is fighting the "war on terrorism" against the "Islamic evil jihadis" that President Bush says *"I don't think you can win it"* (see interview [here39](#)).

But they must persist in fighting it precisely in the same way to create more of it, until the new détente arrives on the Grand Chessboard as predicted by Brzezinski that it invariably shall, when the World War IV will indeed miraculously vanish into a new multi-polar world, once again effectively stalemating each other with 'MAD'ness! His shrewd wisdom of realpolitik from his book explains how to make *the "sustained exercise abroad of genuinely imperial power"* congenial to the palate of a *"populist democracy"* in order *"to perpetuate America's own dominant position for at least a generation and preferably longer"* as its only window of opportunity:

*"It is also a fact that America is too democratic at home to be autocratic abroad. This limits the use of America's power, especially*

*its capacity for military intimidation. Never before has a populist democracy attained international supremacy. But the pursuit of power is not a goal that commands popular passion, except in conditions of a sudden threat or challenge to the public's sense of domestic well-being. The economic self-denial (that is defense spending), and the human sacrifice (casualties even among professional soldiers) required in the effort are uncongenial to democratic instincts. Democracy is inimical to imperial mobilization.... Moreover, as America becomes an increasingly multicultural society, it may find it more difficult to fashion a consensus on foreign policy issues, except in the circumstance of a truly massive and widely perceived direct external threat... More generally, cultural change in America may also be uncongenial to the sustained exercise abroad of genuinely imperial power. That exercise requires a high degree of doctrinal motivation, intellectual commitment, and patriotic gratification.” (Zbigniew Brzezinski in "The Grand Chessboard", New York, Basic Books, 1997)*

Indeed, *“That exercise requires a high degree of doctrinal motivation, intellectual commitment”* to keep fighting a perpetual war, namely, against "radical Islam" and the "evil jihadis". The latter will very likely be made to magically disappear and dismissed as some inconsequential *"stirred up Moslems"* once again when the geostrategic imperatives have been achieved, just as they were magically conjured up to win World War III by the CIA to start with!

Brzezinski, or perhaps his venerable ghost will proudly appear in the year 2038, and will once again glibly claim:

*'Regret what? That secret operation was an excellent idea. What is most important to the history of the world? Some stirred-up Moslems or the conquest of Eurasia and its natural wealth and stalemating China at the end of the war on terrorism? It is said that the West had a global policy in regard to Islam. That is stupid. There isn't a global Islam. Look at Islam in a rational manner and without demagoguery or emotion. It is the leading religion of the world with 1.5 billion followers. But what is there in common among Saudi Arabian fundamentalism, moderate Morocco, Pakistan militarism, Egyptian pro-Western or Central Asian secularism? Nothing more than what unites the Christian countries.'* (Noted by a future historian in 2038 at the conclusion of World War IV)



The following is what Zbigniew Brzezinski had confessed ten years after the conclusion of World War III, in 1998 in an interview:

*B: Regret what? That secret operation was an excellent idea. It had the effect of drawing the Russians into the Afghan trap and you want me to regret it? The day that the Soviets officially crossed the border, I wrote to President Carter. We now have the opportunity of giving to the USSR its Vietnam war. Indeed, for almost 10 years, Moscow had to carry on a war unsupportable by the government, a conflict that brought about the demoralization and finally the breakup of the Soviet empire.*

*Q: And neither do you regret having supported the Islamic fundamentalism, having given arms and advice to future terrorists?*

*B: What is most important to the history of the world? The Taliban or the collapse of the Soviet empire? Some stirred-up Moslems or the liberation of Central Europe and the end of the cold war?' (Interview of President Jimmy Carter's National Security Advisor Zbigniew Brzezinski on CIA's covert Intervention in Afghanistan in 1979 - given to the French magazine Le Nouvel Observateur, Paris, 15-21, January 1998, see [here40](#))*

And the world will merely spectate on in 2038, just as it did in 1998 when the covert operation that led to the destruction of Afghanistan as a consequence of "giving to the USSR its Vietnam war" at the mere expense of "some stirred-up Moslems" was revealed. The new generation of erudite scholars will hurriedly compose their distant remorseless histories of faits accomplis of how the 'world was craftily won' as the desired stratagem on the Grand Chessboard was trivially purchased with the tabula rasa of innocent peoples who did all the suffering and dying for the "Primacy and Its Geostrategic Imperatives" of the handful of '[Hectoring Hegemons](#)' in Washington:

*"... the U.S. Policy goals must be un-apologetically twofold: to perpetuate America's own dominant position for at least a generation and preferably longer."*

To me, this efficient reuse of the same 'contraception' device seemed incredibly original, which perhaps only the modern day Straussian imperial thinkers could have possibly conjured up - giving the devil its due - use it effectively one way, then turn it inside out and still make it work even more effectively a second time!

First ABUSE ISLAM one way with "God is on your side" (it is shocking to see

Brzezinski goad on Afghan mujahideen to "Islamic jihad" [here41](#), and Ronald Reagan gleefully honor them at the White House as *"moral equivalent of America's founding fathers"* for their wonderful "jihad" against the "evil" Soviet empire [here42](#)) to screw a competing superpower from the backside to win "World War III" at the expense of *"Some stirred-up Moslems"*. Then, dexterously turn the same *"stirred-up Moslems"* inside out after 'day-1' of god's work is done and "radicalism" that was so carefully nurtured throughout the 1980s has finally taken firm root in the wild untamed frontiers of that region at a heavy price to the indigenous peoples themselves, and MAKE IT WORK AGAIN on 'day-2' in the service of empire in a new Great Game by fanning its mutated form for now achieving *"full spectrum dominance"* (see Chapter 3 of Joint Vision 2020 available [here18](#) or [here43](#)) in the guise of fighting "RADICAL ISLAM" (see [here44](#)) in a perpetual "World War IV" (see etymology [here45](#), more details [here46](#)) because shrewdly enough, *"democracy is inimical to imperial mobilization ... except in conditions of a sudden threat or challenge to the public's sense of domestic well-being"*! And not to forget that the much coveted military *"transformation"* for *"full spectrum dominance"* and *"imperial mobilization"* by the *"military-industrial complex"* required a dramatic increase in defense spending which had lamentably dwindled after the Cold War, and an increase in which wasn't possible unless *"some catastrophic and catalyzing event – like a new Pearl Harbor"*!

'Genesis' did take 6 days – we are only into day-2 of its 'transformative' re-genesis for *'full spectrum dominance'* by some of god's choicest chosen peoples!

Thus the surreality behind the "war on terrorism", and the reasons for the on going *"doctrinal motivation"* of maligning Islam - a world's great religion of 1.5 billion peoples - by the despicable ideological drum beaters like Daniel Pipes and Bernard Lewis et. al. who hide behind the legal covers of academic freedom of speech to spread hatred and fear in order to continue making the *"sustained exercise abroad of genuinely imperial power"* congenial to the peoples of their *"populist democracy"*, is only as secret as clicking [here16](#) to read the American Mein Kampf Part-II - "Rebuilding America's Defenses" September 2000, a Report of the Project for the New American Century (see [here47](#)):

*"Until the process of transformation is treated as an enduring military mission – worthy of constant allocation of dollars and forces – it will remain stillborn. ... Further, the process of transformation, even if it brings revolutionary change, is likely to be a long one, absent some catastrophic and catalyzing event – like a new Pearl Harbor"*

*"The Price of American Preeminence: The program we advocate –*

*one that would provide America with forces to meet the strategic demands of the world's sole superpower – requires budget levels to be increased to 3.5 to 3.8 percent of the GDP."*

*"... Also this expanding perimeter argues for new overseas bases and forward operating locations to facilitate American political and military operations around the world."*

*"... Keeping the American peace requires the U.S. Military to undertake a broad array of missions today and rise to very different challenges tomorrow, ..."*

Keeping the American peace - indeed! The American Mein Kampf Part-1 noted it similarly:

*"... the ultimate objective of American policy should be benign and visionary: to shape a truly cooperative global community." (The Grand Chessboard, 1997)*

Hitler too merely wanted to keep the 'German peace'! And the Israelis too similarly only want to keep the 'Zionist peace' (as noted [here28](#)), and both the hectoring hegemons du jour "truly" wish to "shape" a "cooperative global community" cooperating with them on their terms so that Thomas Friedman's euphemistic "hidden hand" can stay ready-but-sheathed - unless some obdurate nations or a spirited peoples dare to not be a part of their suzerainty - since it "is also a fact that America is too democratic at home to be autocratic abroad. This limits the use of America's power, especially its capacity for military intimidation."

And of course also since "that exercise requires" a lot of extra coordinated work at all levels on the "doctrinal motivation", "intellectual commitment" and "patriotic gratification" fronts along with suitable "conditions of a sudden threat or challenge to the public's sense of domestic well-being" existing. Or propagandistically crafted, as was so audaciously instrumented keeping a straight Washingtonian face with the 'WMD' mantra for setting up the Iraq invasion in 2002-2003 before its own gullible peoples; and for the rest of the world, "its capacity for military intimidation" was unsheathed with the Goebbellian "either you are with us, or with the terrorists" threat! But all of this extra work is of course still preferable due to the "Reaganite policy of military strength and moral clarity" at opportune moments as dictated by the "primacy and its geostrategic imperatives" of the lone superpower because, primarily, the "victor will not be asked afterward whether he told the truth or not" (Hitler)! In the invasion of a systematically disarmed sitting duck, or a lame duck, by the world's most fearsome nuclear armed military might, victory is always imagined

to be a sure bet! Daarth Vaider could not have imagined an easier victory with his Death-Star!

The lead chief American prosecutor at the Nuremberg Military Tribunals had found it so easy to un-hesitatingly condemn the bespectating world and the "Good Germans" for their ignorance of Hitler's plans after the Nazis had been comprehensively defeated:

*"The plans of Adolf Hitler for aggression were just as secret as Mein Kampf, of which over six million copies were published in Germany"* (Justice Robert H. Jackson in his closing speech at Nuremberg, on Friday, 7/26/1946: Morning Session: Part 3, in Trial of the Major War Criminals before the International Military Tribunal. See [here30](#)),

and indicted the Nazis so unequivocally for their aggression by passing death sentences:

*"We charge unlawful aggression but we are not trying the motives, hopes, or frustrations which may have led Germany to resort to aggressive war as an instrument of policy. The law, unlike politics, does not concern itself with the good or evil in the status quo, nor with the merits of the grievances against it. It merely requires that the status quo be not attacked by violent means and that policies be not advanced by war. We may admit that overlapping ethnological and cultural groups, economic barriers, and conflicting national ambitions created in the 1930's, as they will continue to create, grave problems for Germany as well as for the other peoples of Europe. We may admit too that the world had failed to provide political or legal remedies which would be honorable and acceptable alternatives to war. We do not underwrite either the ethics or the wisdom of any country, including my own, in the face of these problems. But we do say that it is now, as it was for sometime prior to 1939, illegal and criminal for Germany or any other nation to redress grievances or seek expansion by resort to aggressive war."*

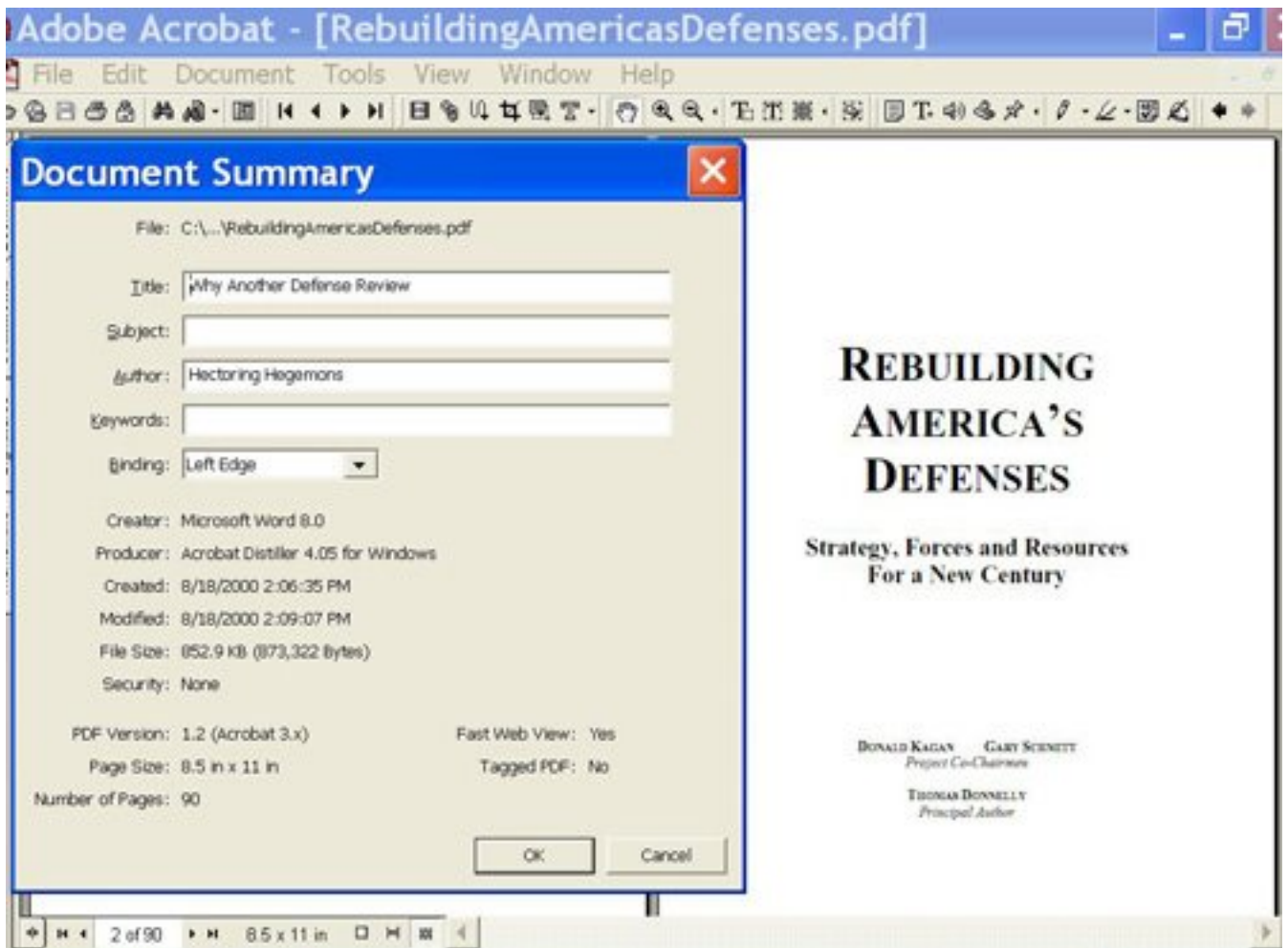
*"But justice in this case has nothing to do with some of the arguments put forth by the defendants or their counsel. We have not previously and we need not now discuss the merits of all their obscure and tortuous philosophy. We are not trying them for the possession of obnoxious ideas. It is their right, if they choose, to renounce the Hebraic heritage in the civilization of which Germany was once a part. Nor is it our affair that they repudiated the Hellenic influence as well."*

*The intellectual bankruptcy and moral perversion of the Nazi regime might have been no concern of international law had it not been utilized to goosestep the Herrenvolk across international frontiers. It is not their thoughts, it is their overt acts which we charge to be crimes. Their creed and teachings are important only as evidence of motive, purpose, knowledge, and intent.",*  
(<http://www.courttv.com/archive/casefiles/nuremberg/close.html>)

that one is left to wonder if that is what it takes for the 'Mein Kampfs' du jour and the "goosestep[ing] the Herrenvolk across international frontiers" into Afghanistan and Iraq, and perhaps now into Iran, to be unequivocally recognized and condemned as such?

That this appears to be true even when the aggression planners un-apologetically call themselves "**hectoring Hegemons**" in the characteristic 'in your face' arrogance of all chauvinist "ubermensch" as they continue to rehearse the "*doctrinal motivation*" of "war on terrorism" against "radical Islam" for the public in order to keep sending America's patriotic sons and daughters to their slaughter, never mind what they do to the "lesser" peoples "*goosestep[ing] the Herrenvolk across international frontiers*", should be disconcerting for any non-hare brained person in the world, but especially for the American public themselves.

The following is a snapshot of "[Document Summary](#)" of the PDF property of "Rebuilding America's Defenses". The author's field says it all (see [here29](#) for a detailed expansion of this author's field and their various doctrinal contributions to what only Dr. Goebbels would feel proud, as in [here48](#)):



**What will it take for the un-courageous bespectating world to call a spade a spade? A victor's justice?**

The power of "Noble Lies", and the "ubermensch" imperatives of its Nietzschean exponents that blinds the commonsense of any "Good Germans"!

Those able to see through this thin charade plainly, and are conscionable activists enough to want to protest or speak-out, are being systematically marginalized with various labels, from "conspiracy theorists" to "trouble makers", to perhaps even "terrorists" with the blessings of the New USA Patriot Acts as the new legal cover.

Indeed, the FBI and the Homeland Security agents themselves had shown up at my home, twice, just before the "*hidden hand of the market*" was once again about to unload its gentle largess of "operation Iraqi Freedom" in 2003, to question me, ostensibly in hot pursuit of some unknown "terrorists" whose name "string matched"

mine in a few letters of the alphabet - or so they said. I had been covering all the major protest marches at that time, being both participant and very visible photographer, and usually in the very front row, right behind the police lines and often chatting with them developing a rapport and friendship in preemptive self-defense just in case some agent provocateur decided that the protests were too darn peaceful! It was trivial to ID me - as I wasn't making any attempts to keep a low profile, to the contrary, cut an interesting and very visible figure with three small kids in tow in the very first row, juggling the camera gear and their small hands with tears of anguish down my cheeks for another defenseless civilians about to experience American "shock and awe".

And it was as a consequence of their unwelcome visit to my home that broke the camels back, so to speak, and I penned my first book in April 2003 in an Herculean night and day effort where the words just seemed to flow effortlessly like a dam burst as Baghdad burned with Colin Powell's "Shock and Awe" and the Euphrates turned red with the blood of the innocent. The smoke and mirrors deception was all too obvious to me, but not to the American peoples. At the time, no publisher picked up my manuscript, six outright rejected it (among the seven who responded, about two dozen didn't bother to respond), and this despite a generous letter of commendation written by the famous American Historian, Howard Zinn, on my behalf! And in 2005, the Iraq Study Group reached the same findings after the dastardly crime was fait accompli and a civilization lay in ruins, but quite disingenuously couched it merely as oops, "*a major intelligence failure*"!

An ordinary person, moi, smarter than all of America's and Britain's vast intelligence agencies with their billions of dollars in funds and spyware to monitor and surveil the globe? When did that happen? Is Alice awake or asleep?

How could I possibly explain all this years of accumulated hysteresis and silent anguish in my surreal brain to my realist hare-brained best friend as she impatiently questioned me, even if only as a glimpse into my own surreal world but nevertheless still like jumping into the middle of a fast paced Tom Clancy or Dan Brown novel, and have any realistic expectations of the sweet thing believing me?

Harvey's long sojourn in the Holy Lands had entirely bestowed upon her a different world view, one of whatever that was plainly manifest on the shadow screen: 19 "evil jihadis", stone throwing Palestinians, Israel under siege, "radical Islam", "militant Islam", and a massively nuclear armed superpower put under orange alert Defcon-10 by a man on a dialysis machine from an underground cave 20,000 miles away! It was exactly as if Hitler had come back from his shallow grave to reassert:

*"[I will] give a propagandist reason for starting the war [and don't]*

*mind whether it was plausible or not. **The victor will not be asked afterward whether he told the truth or not.** In starting and waging a war it is not the right that matters, but victory."* (Adolph Hitler)

Except that the new version was even more potent. There was a real devastating 911 enabler to back it up! Was it another operation "[Canned Goods](#)"? Especially since it became sacrilegious to even think this question starting the very day it happened, that **how** could it have possibly happened? People still look at you funny today six and a half years later if you raise it in polite company, think you are a kook, and wanna have nothing to do with you. Even your best intellectual friends get angry at you, as did one very prominent and brilliant Pakistani theoretical physicist who has several degrees from MIT and claims to have been a major anti-war activist in the 1970s and continually posits himself as the quintessential gadfly. He "scolded" me and even refused to read an earlier version of this presentation that I had sent him for his kind comments.

The biggest names whom I had been inspired by all my life, left me standing alone on the most pivotal question regarding the first cause enabler of the most momentous monumental international crime of naked aggression against defenseless nations that can ever be faced by anyone in their life that they could actually do something about to unravel and stop dead in its tracks while it is still occurring.

Even Noam Chomsky, my erstwhile distinguished professor when I was a student at MIT, "*arguably the most important intellectual alive*" according to the epithet adorned on him by the New York Times, refrained from discussing the "How" and focused on the "Why" in his best selling booklet "911" that became the international "cliff-notes-to-911" from supposedly the "chief dissenting priest" in the West. Indeed, all of a sudden, all the major well known intellectuals of the proverbial "dissent space", after spending a lifetime drawing attention to the lies and deceit of incantations of power, discovered the new religion of trust and faith in the statements coming out of the Pentagon and the White House concerning 911. Many of them have surely made incredible wealth writing and selling books outlining various scenarios on "Why" 911 occurred wherein not a single one asks **'How could it have possibly occurred in the first place?'** Perhaps they may donate 100% of their proceeds to the widows and families of the victims of 911 worldwide?

Most "experts" have now miraculously become exponents of Harvey's own original intellectual contribution to this discussion space, the "chaos theory", as the likely "how". Even the distinguished journalist whom almost everyone touts as the most profound and courageous journalist of our time, the fearless Robert Fisk, tepidly



stays away from "conspiracy theories" and continually keeps reminding his audience about the "why" part, never the "how" part for which even he takes the word of the war party who benefited the most from the shocking crime of 911. Indeed, in 2003, I had publicly put this question before Robert Fisk in the question answer session after his talk, and his deflecting response so indelibly etched in my infinite memory: *"I live in the land of conspiracy theories [in Beirut, Lebanon, but he meant Arabs in general have this proclivity], and since there is no concrete evidence to demonstrate there is one [covert-operation or some complicity due to ample pre-warning as had been noted by the French writers Brisard and Dasquié in 'Forbidden Truth', 2002], I am not going to go there!"*

Right! If a journalist of the caliber and reputation of Robert Fisk won't go there until there is evidence in hand, then he can conveniently wait for faits accomplis before he will receive his evidence on a silver platter from the state's declassification engine 50 years later to write and sell more books! If all that the "empire" has to fear are "dissenting priests" like Chomsky and Fisk, the imperial planners in a *"populist democracy"* are in fat city. I had in fact stopped reading these guys' erudite works of 'literature' once this realization had dawned upon me in 2003. Arundhati Roy had once written about Noam Chomsky as the very lonely person for his dissent. While that may certainly have been true in the past, Chomsky and Harvey today both enjoy a great circle of very influential friends in Washington from Donald Rumsfeld to Bernard Lewis and Daniel Pipes et. al., all of whom willingly back up their faith in the Government's version of 911 of a surprised invasion from abroad by '19 evil jihadis' (see "[Responsibility of Intellectuals - Redux](#)" and "[Open Letter to Amnesty International, USA](#)" on the useless facade of dissent and its ineffectual outcome in the absence of penetrating focus on the 'right order bits').

Therefore, how could I possibly address all of my sweet long-eared companion's pointed questions when we none-too-surprisingly shared none of the same axioms? The leaves through the DNA to the king-makers are just way too many layers to comprehend simplistically for a "realist" who acquires her reality from the shadow play being concocted on the shadow screen as axiomatic, and even any questioning attitude deftly skirts around fundamental unexamined axioms as the extent of intellectual "free thinking" debate on the matter. It is thus impossible to try to explain such matters in an animated conversation to a self-righteous Pooka just returning from living in the Holy Lands and expect to achieve any degree of coherency or congruency.

Thus I felt both of us somehow had to start from the same "initial condition", i.e., from the same level of abstraction in a hierarchy of levels, i.e., both parties had to have at least the same minimal knowledge base of facts and data, in order to

construct a foundation upon which reasoned logical discussion could stand coherently. And this foundation had to be laid brick by brick, ab-initio, with no unexamined and unscrutinized axioms.

How to do that? My hare brained friend is easily distractible, and can never concentrate long enough to carry an argument down to its very axioms and then to critically examine the axioms themselves. Harvey has lots of axioms. And I suppose, I too have them.

So I invited Harvey into undertaking a joint study, in a study-group between the two of us, as rational scientists, magically transported to Mars and transformed into the March Hare and the Mad Hatter looking down upon the Earth and the earthlings to figure out what the hell is really going on as a black box. Look at what's observable, and come up with a model of the black box transfer function to explain what is making it so. Some also call it science when applied to physical phenomenon. Some call it engineering when analyzing complex systems. And some call it medicine when studying the manifest symptoms to diagnose the un-apparent disease. But when applied to political primacy and its shenanigans, it acquires a new name, conspiracy theories. Nevertheless, science, engineering, and medicine it is. But its difficulty is inherent when trying to observe things related to self where it can get a bit challenging. Indeed, this idea, not original to me, I have tried to use myself when I am looking at something that I am emotionally biased towards, in order to adjudicate on the matter rationally, fairly, and with no a priori axioms that are beyond scrutiny. I move to Mars. Not an easy thing to do, and I only have mixed successes with it.

Thus I am never fully convinced for instance - as a mere ordinary plebeian not claiming the intellectual prowess of the "ubermensch" atheists who know it all to deny what they don't perceive, to themselves, and deny what they do perceive, to others - that my being a Muslim is an indoctrination of my culture and upbringing, or is it my deliberate choice based on my own half-assed study and superficial reflection. If I was born a Jew or Christian or Hindu, or even Zionist, would I have still become a Muslim? Only then I could, with veracity and weight, assert to my own mind that yes I have chosen my world view rationally and my causes deliberately, and it isn't indoctrination or socialization effects. The same thing is true for nationalism, flag-waiving "united we stand" and "with us or against us" doctrinal motivators to rally around "war on terrorism" for a lifetime of wars, and Zionism vs. Palestinian issue of justice and fairness where the Palestinian massacre is happening daily right before the very eyes of the "civilized world" even as I write this, but no one stops it. Those who are Zionist want one thing, Palestinians want another, each is beleaguered, one somewhat more than the other, but who is right?

What is "right"? What is just? What is fair? What is moral? Who is victim and who is aggressor? Or is there even a moral dimension to supremacy, to hegemony, to the Nietzschean "ubermensch" morality of "might is right"?

How can these things be reasoned morally, justly, fairly, "King Solomon-ly", rather than obsequy one's self to the power of indoctrination, self-interest, or socialization, each pulling one's own prejudice, sometimes openly showing one's bias, sometimes disguising it in intellectual mumbo-jumbo and double speak?

When the "Hectoring Hegemons" are burning down Iraq and Afghanistan, and are eagerly advocating doing the same to Iran and Syria and the entire Middle East to bring them "*democracy*" and to bring America "*security*", "*prosperity*" and "*greatness*", Zbigniew Brzezinski justifies the "*American Primacy and Its Geostrategic Imperatives*" by asserting "*Hegemony is as old as mankind!*" And Thomas Friedman says it even more poetically - "*The hidden hand of the market will never work without a hidden fist*". But the Project for the New American Century asserts it the most brutishly in its Statement of Principles (from its website circa 2003):

*"... we need to accept responsibility for America's unique role in preserving and extending an international order friendly to our security, our prosperity, and our principles. Such a Reaganite policy of military strength and moral clarity may not be fashionable today. But it is necessary if the United States is to build on the successes of this past century and to ensure our security and our greatness in the next."*

Should any decent moral human being accept such euphemisms of "*moral clarity*" from people who identify themselves as "*Hectoring Hegemons*" and who have been the prized pupils of the father of 'Noble Lies'? What's wrong with it? Should we reexamine our definitions of the words "decent" and "moral"?

Indeed, has it become necessary to formally redefine these already colloquially re-semanticised terms of "decent" and "moral" to better cater to modernity? Or are there perhaps some simple moral truisms that represent the best collective wisdom of all humanity across its breadth of civilizations and histories the tampering of which may permanently mutate us from one form of creature to quite another?

All these issues crop up once one opens this Pandora's box. But hopefully, when one digs right inside it, all the way to the very bottom, one is promised that one will find the solution that supposedly solves all the can of worms.

With all of the preceding matter as the nagging backdrop in my mind for several years, and while it remained unarticulated in our conversation, I suggested to my huggable friend Harvey that instead of trying to convince each other of our respective world views, I would much rather like to explore my own views through her gorgeous eyes, and perhaps she could try doing the same through my tired ones, so that we could each learn for ourselves. She gleefully agreed, fully excited I am sure to finally teach me about the "real" world that is plain as hell for everyone else to see but me. She seemed most anxious to put me straight about my priorities in life and felt I was too ensconced into the worn out pages of dusty old books and should come out and live a little bit in the "real world" and experience it for what it is instead of always looking for meaning behind its events and things.

So as the first step in this direction, in exchange for the generosity of her lavish gift of "A Mighty Heart" so that I could get acquainted with the real world evil terrorists in Pakistan, I gifted her **John Perkins' "Confessions of an Economic Hitman"** to start collecting data on how *"neoliberalism manifests itself"* - a question she had asked me earlier - and **Zbigniew Brzezinski's "The Grand Chessboard"** to understand how *"neoconservatism manifests itself"* in its present geostrategic dimensions so that she could quickly become conversant with what I was calling "empire" and the monumental crimes of emperors that had been deftly reclassified as simply "foreign policy initiatives" since the end of World War II. With such pedantic employment of language constructs, the subject matter had been relegated to the profound ken of the know-it-all experts in Washington and thenceforth none of the business of the ordinary peoples in the *"populist democracy"* whose main purpose in life had been crafted to keep them always perennially busy, endlessly chasing down their "American Dream". Even Harvey showed some consternation at having to do so much reading - there was going to be back to back episodes of "Friends" on this rerun night and she wanted to catch up with them. She really only wanted to talk and lovingly educate me, not really spend time reading and studying. Too few hours in the day for that. Busy busy busy Harvey!

But we parted for the evening, and excited I was, as we now each had just the opposite characteristic interlocutor to sanity check ourselves with - no incestuous self-reinforcement here!

And only a couple of hours later, I sent Harvey my first message on the subject, pointing out even more readings to do (I am certain to her consternation), and picking a first topic upon which we had briefly deliberated earlier, 911. And she had especially quizzed me why the Pakistanis and other Muslims subscribed to these fantastic "conspiracy theories" that 'the US did it to itself', or that 'the Israelis did it', or that 'Jews were not killed in the collapse of the towers because they had

miraculously received some text messages from Israel to vacate the buildings just before the attack', etc., etc. Or even that why 'some Muslims claimed that planes actually had not hit the towers', that it was 'missiles' or 'lethal ray guns from outerspace', or something really wild, like say, 'controlled demolition'.

Harvey had felt that the "chaos theory" explained all the unexplained facts around 911 satisfactorily, including why the top notch American military had failed to intercept the four simultaneously hijacked attacking airliners despite NORAD's and FAA's standard operating procedures that are automatically and routinely triggered for such emergencies without incurring additional bureaucratic impediments. Apparently while in the Holy Lands, my hare-brained lovable Harvey had also learnt software engineering and worked for a while in Haifa for a high tech American subsidiary writing Fibonacci sequences to a millionth iteration as a new 'highly secure' cryptographic protocol for her company's products. So she explained to me her vast corporate experience wherein the Israeli CEOs, and the top management of her company, often had no clue about what was going on down in the company ranks! And the American Government was vastly bigger! In fact, she felt it was a miracle that it managed to function at all!

During our conversation as she asked me all these questions, I had felt a lot of intellectual complexity in responding to Harvey coherently, because like most things these days, there is so much falsehood mixed with half truths, some truths, and spin doctoring, that it is difficult to figure out what is what. Deliberate deception of the genre described by Ezra Pound cannot be unraveled easily, let alone straightforwardly explained to someone like Harvey who is wont to self-righteously base her world view entirely upon her own sensory experiences even when she might be skeptical by nature, rather than on critical examination of others' experiences as well. To Harvey, symptoms are the manifest reality, there are no hidden diseases - what you see is what you get. And given the Poisson hare-brain, that is indeed all one will ever get because history has been deftly eliminated from one's perspectives.

And this complex Machiavellian deception game bears exposing fully: invent two or more lies, not just one, and keep the good hearted well meaning peoples in the "*populist democracy*" occupied debating which one of them might be true, for it would hardly matter what conclusions they reached. And wherever they ended up, to perhaps yank one of the lies from underneath them by conclusively showing it to be false thus conveniently demonstrating a baseless "conspiracy theory" in order to keep that notion alive in the public imagination. This consequently delegitimizes in the public mind serious researchers' efforts in uncovering any covert-operation while its secrecy is of paramount necessity. Afterwards, after faits accomplis, after statues

of limitations expiring, it makes little difference if historians and confession artists make a pecuniary gain peddling what is inconsequential history to the newer evolving realpolitik du jour. This is what was precisely happening with any serious investigations into how the towers fell on 911. And this is also precisely what my long time friend Harvey had asked me, whether I believed in this and that fantastic theory as noted above, and had quickly lumped every single 911 investigation with the bizarre, all in one convenient easily dismissive 'kookish' category.

Thus somehow, one had to start ab-initio to reconstruct, by first dismantling and dissecting. Deconstructing is not easy. Especially when one is immersed in a global psy-op to '*wage war by way of deception*'. In the "Art of War", that is a key ingredient, and also its first ingredient, and that has been the case for as long as Hegemons have existed, which according to Brzezinski, is "*as old as mankind*". And clearly there is a global lifetime of wars being waged. Thus it had not been possible for me to respond coherently to Harvey at that time because I couldn't think of an appropriate basic and simple abstraction to begin with that Harvey would understand right off the bat.

And I thought of it when I got home, and thus I sent Harvey my first letter. It can be read at "[Whytalksfail? Letters and Replies](#)".

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## II

This short series of letters and replies in which Harveyetta and I went back and forth that night, took the best part of the entire night, with me doing much of the typing, and Harvey coming back with tangentials and not responding to what I had asked her to study. Until I realized that this wasn't working, at least for me, because one of us, or perhaps both of us, were not inclined to do the study, but argue. I would say one thing, and instead of following up on it, Harvey would say another. And I would insist on my first thing said and not feel like following up on what Harvey had replied as I felt Harvey was deflecting or not paying attention to what I was asking her to do in terms of some pre-reading work to build up the set of common fundamentals. So finally tiring, I got off the treadmill.

Later on I felt really frustrated and couldn't sleep. Why had it not worked? And staring at the letters and replies angrily, I realized that this is exactly how almost

every single dialog on contentious issues is like!

And so I decided to collect these email exchange here because it contains some interesting elements that - while I have already summarized in depth in the Preamble above - may be of interest to others who can perhaps use it to study how even two close friends sometimes cannot come together to reach common ground and continually talk past each other because of "beliefs" which become axioms that cannot be examined. Obviously we all know and have experienced self-interests and emotional attachments that can make us obstinate and unreceptive even in our own loving families, but we rarely think that failure to communicate and reach closure can also be because there are no rules laid out ahead of time for how dialogs on contentious issues should be conducted and how all axioms must be examined. This is actually a problem statement, not a mere observation. Thus there must exist some rational solution for it.

Otherwise, how are we, the ordinary peoples from different tribes and nations on this vast and diverse planet, to rationally discourse with each other - in order to understand each other, in order to resolve our disputes justly and fairly rather than through the alpha-males "might is right" clubbing the weaker into submission - in order to come to live in congruent harmony?

We are in the first decade of the 21st century and still really only employing the art of discourse learned in the Neanderthal times, of the one wielding the biggest club winning the argument, despite all the wisdom and all the lofty teachings of the sages through the ages since then. A period of a zillion thousand years! Is this pathetic or what, that the Homo sapiens, with our vast and fancy accomplishments, have experienced absolutely no evolution in our basic characteristics in the last 100,000 years. *"Hegemony is [still] as old as mankind"*, as Zbigniew Brzezinski unabashedly admits when arguing the *"American primacy and its geostrategic imperatives"*!

Or is hegemony indeed an inevitable evolutionary condition? Unable to evolve past "might is right" because it's a prerequisite to propagate the strong, the master races, the hectoring hegemons, for the survival and enjoyment of the fittest in the greatest creature comforts and luxury? After all, the standard context of evolution is indeed "natural selection" of dominance, isn't it? Thus every free nation, and every free person, must now eagerly possess the 'Sampson Option', as it is the only rational path to survival - since not all can be dominant - by credibly threatening the annihilation of everyone else we acquire a bizarre equilibrium of stalemate where all can at least survive and live as free men and women in free nations in any status quo, justice or not. Some remarkable legacy to leave our progeny!

I invite the astute and careful reader to examine this brief email exchange. Not for its

contents per se, although he or she may follow up on that too if it's interesting to them on its own merit, but mainly as a detached judge or an impartial first grade school teacher on why Harvey and I talked past each other, what role did our respective beliefs play or not play, and what were those beliefs, whether implied or stated, and despite an earlier lofty understanding of seeing things from the interlocutors eyes to inform one's own self, why did we fail? What might we have done better?

If a rational penetrating dialog between two close childhood friends, even if one of them happens to be a gorgeous female Pooka Rabbit, cannot occur on matters of grave political concern when they bring vastly different perspectives, what hope is there for the general populace, let alone a peace makers dialog among nations and civilizations already at daggers drawn with each other?

All this talk of 'dialog among civilizations' to avert what some chauvinists have projected as the inevitable "clash of civilizations", is doomed to be just an eyewash - and perhaps even a deliberate red herring - without considerable thought to the "process" to productively enable such dialogs.

Before such dialog can fruitfully take place, some **"rules of engagement"** for the dialog must be defined that are agreeable to all parties, and then all parties must stick to them. But how is that to be enforced when self-interests and hidden agendas might be at play, and when one party among the participants is overwhelmingly wielding a big stick?

Just sitting around a table and chatting likely does not bring one closer to any better understanding and appreciation of why the other person is the way they are, why they think that way, is there any merit to the way they think that inspires respect or further evaluation? When there is no such merit, as one perceives it, how is one to proceed?

Should one just say "I am not going to talk to you because you a priori believe so and so", or not believe such and such? Is just agreeing to disagree sufficient to foster understanding of each others' world views? How is it sufficient to create any understanding whatsoever if one is so axiomatic that one will not objectively scrutinize the other's positions? What axioms must be beyond scrutiny? Should any axioms be beyond scrutiny? Why? How are the "initial conditions" for any dialog to be determined?

Indeed, when one civilizations heroes are another's villains, which is often the case, especially in these modern times with Alexandrian adventurers and wars a plenty, how is there to be any mutual understanding at all, if each one does not scrutinize



each others heroes and villains, using the exact same yardstick and criterion? How is a common definition of "virtue" and "vice" to be arrived at, and coerced upon the participants in the dialog, in order for the dialog to have any substantial meaning at all and not have it degenerate into charges of double standards and hypocrisy?

What rules are required to really productively engage in rational dialog whose outcome is actual comprehension and better overall understanding among all peoples, and which actually points towards reasoned solutions that are "just" and "fair" and unhyprocritical, and not just dictated by the chauvinist prerogatives of "might is right"?

As in the pursuit of science and problem solving on physical matters, defining the set of "**initial conditions**" that all participants can agree upon in political matters, while non-trivial, is certainly the only hope of productively addressing the dialog among civilizations. And as in science, beyond the initial conditions, 'the process' that moves the research, investigation, or dialog forward must be well defined and rational for the explicit purpose of efficaciously uncovering truth from falsehood in all matters, with all sides exhibiting fidelity to the process. Otherwise, as in science, disqualification for fraudulent practices must occur within the process itself by virtue of its very design, and the chauvinism of the culprits exposed to all the peoples to whom the dialog matters.

Then as in science, it is my belief, that the outcome of such a process of dialog, will automatically lead to objective and verifiable results. It is indeed my belief, that in this political space, these objective results will also automatically point to "just" and "fair" resolutions to the most pressing and dangerous conflicts among mankind. This will help us, all the ordinary peoples of this planet, at least to learn "what is the just and fair resolution" to this or that insoluble political problem du jour. Beyond that, it is up to the world's peoples to act to force its realization, or not.

Today much obfuscation surrounds every issue precisely because people are not able to discern what is indeed the right solution. A recent example can illustrate this better than many more words from me. Former American **President Jimmy Carter's new book: Palestine Peace Not Apartheid**" has attracted a lot of attention. Regardless of which side of the opinion stream one might fall on, this interview piece in NPR's "Morning Edition" dated January 26, 2007 is very illustrative of the issues of obfuscation that bedevils the ordinary man. I found the following dialog most amazing. This is a snippet of an interview with Prof. Kenneth Stein, a historian from Emory University, who quit his fellowship from the Carter Center in Atlanta in protest to Carter's book. "Morning Edition's" Steve Inskeep asked him:

**Q:** *A layman might look, though, at some of the facts, and let's*

*emphasize some of the facts, here, and say, "well we've got this area, it's under Israeli occupation (that's the United Nations definition), you've got barriers, you've got segregated communities, you've got segregated highways connecting those communities to one another, why not call it 'apartheid'?" A layman might ask that question.*

**A:** *A layman would have every right to ask that question. But that doesn't mean, if it looks like a duck and it smells like a duck and quacks like a duck, that it's a duck.*

**Q:** *And the difference to you is?*

**A:** *The difference to me is, that part of this problem is that the Palestinians have chosen to use terrorism. And every time they've chosen to use terrorism, the Israelis have come into the territories, or they have closed the territories, and they have made it more difficult for the Palestinians to have regular life. There's not doubt that the Israelis have confiscated Palestinian lands, confiscated Palestinian lands illegally. But if you tell the Arab-Israeli conflict, and you tell the history of it, you cannot unpack it in such a way that one side is just seen to be responsible. History always tells us that truth is some place in between.*

NPR's interview with Kenneth Stein is at:

<http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=7022490>

Kenneth Stein's full rebuttal to Carter's book is at:

<http://www.meforum.org/article/1633>

NPR's interview with President Carter is at:

<http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=7004473>

Well, in a genuine dialog among civilizations with agreed upon "initial conditions", and fair "rules of engagement" that were fervently abided by, the right solution would be manifest and not subject to the above obfuscation. The poor "Morning Edition's" host did not have either the wherewithal or the courage to dissect this response further: *"History always tells us that truth is some place in between."* Perhaps the host had not heard of the Nuremberg Military Tribunals, and the established principles of accountability such as **"All the evil that follows"** to apportion responsibility, based upon which, the German Nazis were held accountable for all the bombings of German civilian centers by the American Allies, including the death of millions of innocent non-combatant German civilians at Allies' own hands (see my

letter to Amnesty International [here49](#) on red herrings). It would have been interesting to pursue this line of questioning to unravel and identify the primal first cause here, the highest order bit, so to speak. And even if the "Morning Edition's" host had, the guest was still free to continue in the same vein as there were no binding agreements on how to conduct such a dialog.

It is not surprising to note that in the above interview with NPR, Kenneth Stein almost mirrors Harvey in her positions. Indeed, it is interesting to read the other two references cited above to uncover further curious things in this debate. NPR's Steve Inskeep and President Carter have this exchange, on January 25, 2007 in "Morning Edition", where the former American President is openly and un-apologetically echoing a thread similar to what some Palestinians might express:

*Q: Mr. President, perhaps I could begin with the title of your book, which has caused a bit of debate. Could you just make, briefly, the best case you can for the why "apartheid" is the best word to use?*

*A: Well, I'll try to make a perfect case. Apartheid is a word that is an accurate description of what has been going on in the West Bank, and it's based on the desire or avarice of a minority of Israelis for Palestinian land. It's not based on racism. Those caveats are clearly made in the book. This is a word that's a very accurate description of the forced separation within the West Bank of Israelis from Palestinians and the total domination and oppression of Palestinians by the dominant Israeli military.*

But note that the antagonists of President Carter are not being as forthright in identifying their affiliations openly in this dialog. Indeed, President Carter's American detractors invariably present themselves as being objective in their critique of his book, and their own cultural, social, political, or religious affiliations and attachments to the other side remain publicly unidentified in the dialog, either by the media, or by themselves. Thus for instance, it would be interesting to examine the affiliations of all those who resigned from the Carter Center in protest to determine their so called "objectivity" or partisanship in the positions they have taken against Carter's book. And one might rightly wonder why is it so important to continue challenging Carter in this way which largely echoes the official position of the State of Israel and its Zionist supporters, and not identify it as such? Indeed, even the Speaker of the House, Nancy Pelosi has also criticized Carter's book. It would be worth visiting her speeches to the AIPAC in 2003 and 2005, and understanding the hidden in plain sight dynamics [here50](#), [here51](#), [here52](#), and [here53](#), to glean her own political attachments and partisanship. Here is one example each from her two AIPAC

speeches:

*“I'm so pleased to be joined by three of my colleagues-Congressman Howard Berman of California, Congressman Sander Levin of Michigan, and Congressman Bob Matsui of California. All are strong supporters of Israel. Thank you to all the members of AIPAC, especially those who have traveled so far from California and the Bay Area. The special relationship between the United States and Israel is as strong as it is because of your fidelity to that partnership and the commitment of every person in this room today. I am honored to be here to speak about something that can never be said enough: America's commitment to the safety and security of the State of Israel is unwavering.” (Pelosi AIPAC 2003)*

*“One thing, however is unchanged: America's commitment to the safety and security of the State of Israel is unwavering. America and Israel share an unbreakable bond: in peace and war; and in prosperity and in hardship” (Pelosi AIPAC 2005)*

Some of the a priori axioms that are plainly visible in those speeches remain critically unexamined by their interlocutors in the press to put the antagonism of the detractors in their proper perspective. Thus an impartial observer may easily note that the vested interests in the loud opposition to an American President's controversial book that is sympathetic to one side and clearly apportions the blame to the other side, are entirely being ignored as the hue and cry aliases itself as an objective scholarly critique.

So let's just say that we, the conscionable readers of this Preamble, are smarter than all the talking heads in the news media and have unpeeled the top few layers of the onion to correctly note the respective affinities of the participants in this dialog. So here is a second example, serendipitous in its timing with my own conversation with lovable Harvey, of a dialog among civilizations where the two participants, it may be convincingly argued, are the self-appointed but knowledgeable exponents of the two sides in this conflict. A former President of a superpower nation who once had first hand access to all the classified and top secret information any history detective would salivate over, and who was awarded a Nobel prize for his pivotal role in bringing the two sides together for an Accord; and a history professor who is intimately familiar with the subject through some first hand experience of his own as President Carter's close colleague. And yet, the dialog remains as obfuscating and frustrating to witness as my own with Harvey. Why is it failing?

Should we put this conversation to the same litmus tests and analysis? What a priori

axioms remain unexamined and unscrutinized? What questions should be brought up for discussion that are not? What assumptions are made, or not made, and disclosed, or not disclosed? What seems to be the intent in engaging in this dialog? What are the "forces" at work in the environs within the civilizational constructs of the participants - they obviously do not work in a vacuum - that is creating more obfuscation than already exists? This could have been an excellent opportunity to open up a genuine dialog on the real issues in the conflict due to President Carter's surprising and unexpected book with such an interesting title, seeding the debate. But the dialog has largely become only about Carter and his book, not about Israel and Palestine. Why? See Stein's detailed critique of Carter's book, as well as follow some of the links in the NPR interviews to witness the incredibly bizarre scope of this debate - all strewn with red herrings a plenty (also see "[the endless trail of red herrings](#)"). What shape or form would the positions of Kenneth Stein and President Carter respectively take, if a full contextual civilizational dialog along the much sought after "rules of engagement" imagined here, with well specified "initial conditions", were in force?

The astute readers, sociologists, scientists, moralists, and all non-hare brained peoples of conscience and in full possession of their thinking faculties are invited to reflect on these questions. The exploration of these issues with a critical mind contextualizes the deliberate scope-containment of this discussion that the American audience is being shown in public.

Okay, a cynical reader might argue, let's imagine we did have such an honest dialog, with all the "initial conditions" and "rules of engagement" in place. And let's grant the optimistic premise that it led to an understanding of the 'right thing to do', and automatically pointed to the "just and fair solutions space". So how could merely knowing the path to "just and fair resolutions" make any impact whatsoever? If the "just" solution is against the grain, against the interests of the power-brokers, against the interests of those who wield the biggest sticks, how is to be implemented? A reasonable person may further argue that the power brokers and hectoring hegemony are least likely to accept solutions or outcomes of such dialogs that are against their own vested interests, even if such dialogs are forced upon them or allowed to occur in the nation in public view by magic. Is this simply a Utopian epiphany, the stroking of the mind, of little practical significance in real life?

No! It makes an immediate impact because this is why well intentioned peoples continually 'not learning the right thing to do' is so necessary in order for the few hectoring hegemony to perpetuate their hegemony and vested interests!

Conscionable peoples knowing the right solutions, the just and fair solutions,

positively yank from underneath the hectoring hegemons, the very power base with which they rule over ordinary peoples - the power to deceive. From Machiavelli to Nietzsche to Strauss, and the emperors before and after them - the supermen beyond the pale of ordinary morality who tell Noble Lies to rule over the lambs - deception has been the real source of their power.

The power to deceive, and the power to corrupt in order to create accomplices, are the twain weapons of any ruling elite. Disarm them of one of their most primary potent weapons, and the hectoring hegemons are left naked, unmasked. Does it also make them impotent? Whom will they send to fight wars if the peoples know and comprehend the real intents behind the wars and understand all the pretexts that create the conditions of war and conflict?

Every conscionable peoples must indeed demand, create, and force such genuine civilizational dialogs upon the consciousness of their nations (as opposed to the faux one being driven in the United Nations under the bombastic name "Dialog Among Civilizations").

A battle initiated with intellectual capital, can also be ended with intellectual capital - the only peaceable way. The alternatives are too horrible to contemplate.

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### **III**

#### **Humanbeingsfirst Dialog among Civilizations Algorithm**

What is the point of this dialog analysis and all this verbage?

The point is a matter of life and death for nations. That is the point of this. Let me be very precise.

Either the United States, or Israel, are poised to attack Iran, as noted by many commentators in the World press, and as was also noted by the honorable Republican Congressman from Texas, Ron Paul in his speech in January 2007 (see [here15](#)):

*"As I said last week on the House floor, speculation in Washington focuses on when, not if, either Israel or the U.S. will bomb Iran-- possibly with nuclear weapons. The accusation sounds very familiar:*

*namely, that Iran possesses weapons of mass destruction. Iran has never been found in violation of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, and our own Central Intelligence Agency says Iran is more than ten years away from producing any kind of nuclear weapon. Yet we are told we must act immediately while we still can!"*

Even the inexplicable Zbigniew Brzezinski, unabashedly candid as always, as in his chauvinist Grand Chessboard, plainly stated the following on February 1, 2007 before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, reading from a carefully prepared statement ([here54](#)):

*"a plausible scenario for a military collision with Iran involves Iraqi failure to meet the benchmarks, followed by accusations of Iranian responsibility for the failure, then by some provocation in Iraq or a terrorist act in the US blamed on Iran, culminating in a "defensive" US military action against Iran that plunges a lonely America into a spreading and deepening quagmire eventually ranging across Iraq, Iran, Afghanistan and Pakistan"*

This is March 2007. I have two imperatives before me: **A)** I do not wish to hear in 2010 that there was an "intelligence failure", that it was another Gulf of Tonkin, or some other new contrivance from the imaginative and fertile mind of the hectoring hegemons. **B)** I am a helpless victim of my humble conscience and compelled to act upon its diktats as any ordinary human being first might.

If you are like me, you likely will share in these imperatives. Hence show your support to your own conscience and to your own moral imperatives, by considering doing the following, in your own respective local spaces, worldwide.

I would like you to seed peaceful and rational conversations among the public on any and all topics of contention - a dialog - to figure out what "rules of engagement" are needed in a genuine dialog whose intent is to reach amicable and just settlements of contentious and fractious issues, and how to expose and unmask the criminal bully when the intention of one or many among them in their pretentious participation in the talks is merely to deceive, or to buy time.

I would like to have the following coarse grained recipe for conducting a dialog refined with wisdom gleaned from your own experiences - now that you have become cognizant of the layers upon layers of issues involved.

This initial coarse grained 5 step commonsense algorithm - "**Humanbeingsfirst™ Dialog among Civilizations Algorithm**" – may be summarized as follows:

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**Step 1.** There must not be any undefined, unexamined, unagreed upon axioms. Thusly, before anything, reach specific and documented agreement on values - how to define various "value" concepts with a consistency that is applicable to all sides. Thus for instance, a definition for what do these terms mean: "good", "bad", "just", "unjust", "terrorism", "truth", "falsehood", "aggressor", "aggressee", "preemption", "self-defense", or any other fundamental concepts that may become axioms for the dialog. If new axioms are uncovered during the dialog whose definitions have not been agreed upon, suspend the dialog immediately, and return to this step 1. Good starting criterion for defining these terms might be the Universal Golden Rule: "do unto others, as you have others do unto you", and the Universal Principle of First Cause: "all the evil that follows".

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**Step 2.** There must not be any undefined, unexamined, and unagreed upon rules on how to conduct the dialog, the rules for presenting evidence, what constitutes evidence, how the discussion is to proceed in terms of cycle of response and counter response to evidence, and how to ensure that all sides abide by these rules. A policing mechanism has to be agreed upon through which all parties will be compelled to stick to these pre-agreed upon rules. These "rules of engagement" must be as completely defined as possible before proceeding to step 3 to start with. If in the process of dialog, it is discovered that new or additional rules are required, or need to be fine tuned, suspend the dialog immediately and return to this step 2.

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**Step 3.** Define the set of "initial conditions" for the dialog after both steps 1 and 2 have been completed and written down. There must not be any dialog that is conducted outside the band of "initial conditions". This foundation, like any other foundation, must be enacted first, and in order to



do so, make diligent attempt to establish the relevant set of "initial conditions" that is acceptable to all sides, and document these set of initial conditions. The dialog must not be initiated until steps 1-3 have been agreed by all parties. The policing mechanism of step 2 must be employed to ensure compliance with the "rules of engagement" while defining the "initial conditions".

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**Step 4.** Once Steps 1-3 have been signed and agreed upon, explain them to the public. Only then must the actual dialog be commenced. This is what will keep the dialog honest and accountable. Be this any dialog - between husband and wife quarreling over marital problems - in which case making public means explain it to the policing mediator who may also be the witness, or family members may be the witnesses; or between "US and Iran", or "Israel and Palestine", or "India and Pakistan", or "Shia and Sunni", or "Catholics and Protestants", or "WMD and false pretexts", or "globalization and anti-globalization", or "war on terrorism and war on freedom" - all quarreling on clever spins and entirely and purposefully obfuscating the real issues from surfacing before the ordinary peoples of this planet. The policing mediator in all these cases could easily be the UN, and the witnesses, the world's public.

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**Step 5.** Commence the actual dialog and allow witnesses to observe - if it is between husband and wife, a mediator must be witnessing it and acting as the policing party to ensure "rules of engagement" are followed to rationally arrive at the honest and just solution. If it is between US and Iran in the United Nations for instance, or around a round table, the world public must witness this exchange, be able to provide their input if they perceive the agreed upon and documented "rules of engagement" are not being followed, or the "policing" itself has been compromised by it showing a bias for one side or the other. Do not allow any party to quit, without forfeiting their positions, or reaching whatever logical end conclusion that is the rational outcome as the natural

output of this process. That outcome is the 'right solution space' and the "right thing to do'.

How long will it take? I refuse to accept that this is an NP complete algorithm. But I do concede that it will likely be difficult to get past even steps 1 and 2 in a highly contentious situation such as Israel-Palestine, or US-IRAN, where one side is overly powerful and insists on "might is right" defining the terms. And this is precisely the point of this algorithm, that all 5 steps are entirely conducted in the global public view so that all can see, the milk easily separating from the adulterating water!

It is my humble belief that following this Humanbeingsfirst™ Rules of Dialog among Civilizations, in contrast to the Hectoring Hegemons arbitrary rules of "might makes right" engagement, all issues among mankind can be resolved to the point of **"knowing the right thing to do"** space. There will no longer be any confusion of who is right, and what is "right", who is the aggressor, the oppressor, and who are the aggrieved, and the oppressed. At that point, whether or not the right thing to do is pursued further, is up to the members dialoging, their respective constituencies, and their moral imperatives if they are human beings first.

So how do we get to the "right thing to do space"? How do we implement such a dialog between US and IRAN, or between Israel and Palestine with this algorithm?

Public pressure, from all human beings first!

I know of no other way! Such pressure, non-linearly applied, can even move the earth, as noted by Archimedes.

This document will be attempted to be submitted to the United Nations for their kind consideration - as the voice of an ordinary humanbeingfirst™ - to use it to seed the process for establishing worthwhile and meaningful dialogs in the UN.

If you would like to assist, please contact (write a letter, send an email, call, fax) the United Nations Secretary General's office and request, very politely, that they, as representatives of human beings in this august international body, represent you, the human beings, espousing the ideals of humanbeingsfirst™ over hectoring hegemons, in the manner of your own choosing. Namely, that they conduct their deliberations according to the algorithm outlined here. Get them to read this document. Get your own government leaders, congressmen, lawyers, doctors, scholars, and the talking heads in the media, to talk about how to dialog using ideas gleaned here. If 50 million people make this contact with their leaders in every nation, and leave a distinct paper trail of their making the contact, it may yet be a ray of hope for mankind that we are indeed a bit more evolved than the Neanderthals.

Whether we actually are or not, will entirely depend on how we act subsequently.

Additionally, it is of immense importance to engage the honorable and erstwhile scholars par excellence, Samuel Huntington and Bernard Lewis, the progenitors of the notion of "clash of civilizations", by attempting to seed public discussion both at Harvard and at Princeton Universities, the former for his decade old book, provocatively titled "Clash of Civilizations", the latter for his book, again interestingly and provocatively titled, "Crisis of Islam - Holy war and Unholy Terror". If you are at these campuses and would like to help, go for it.

I would like to seed some discussions at MIT, quite prominent in the Vietnam anti-war movement but now laying dormant as dissent is out of fashion in most American Universities and Colleges. MIT is also the distinguished home of my erstwhile and luminary Professor, Noam Chomsky, with whom I have many disagreements. I would love to engage him based on the process disclosed here in a rational non-fundamentalist dialog among civilizations in the context of his publicly stated positions on Israel-Palestine and the two-state solution, or even his best selling booklet, 911, the former an excellent example of profound double standards, the latter of unexamined axioms based on new found faith in his Government.

It would indeed be interesting to conduct such dialogs among civilizations on many American college campuses among the many proponents to the various solutions on Israel-Palestine, vocalists for "war on terrorism", and vocalists for "empire", inviting David Horowitz of [Frontpage magazine](#), the famous academic [Alan M. Dershowitz](#), the notable founder of [Campus Watch](#), [Daniel Pipes](#), and the erstwhile founder and editor of neo-con's influential [Weekly Standard](#), [William Kristol](#) - all outspoken champions and exponents of American and Israeli primacy and its geostrategic imperatives - to participate.

Dare they accept the challenge of ordinary human beings first? Do we matter, or are we just fodder at the altar of Noble Lies?

Indeed, a brand new series of interviews conducted by NPR with former President Jimmy Carter and his detractors, on his book "Palestine, Peace not Apartheid" would be mighty illuminating, now that we have seen above how such dialogs only added to the public's confusion without benefit of the rules developed here.

Please write to both NPR's correspondent Steve Inskeep and President Jimmy Carter, politely suggesting that they review what is disclosed here in order to mitigate all the obfuscation that has surrounded "Palestine, Peace not Apartheid".

If you are in America and would like to seed small debates among civilizations in

your own universities and communities, do invite the organization [Campus Watch](#) (see [here55](#), [here56](#), [here57](#), [here58](#)) - nicely - and have them participate. That is the entire point of a debate, to learn to talk to each others' antagonists in a productive way, either unmasking them before an audience, or reaching a state of enlightenment for the "right thing to do" space. This is easier said than done however as was witnessed at Columbia University in 2004 (see [here59](#), [here60](#), [here61](#), [here62](#)). The same professors and participants involved can perhaps consider engaging in a more productive dialog using the algorithm developed here.

Indeed, If you are at UCLA, invite the pro-war Republican groups that invited James Woolsey to speak, where he deployed the ingenious catch phrase "[World War IV](#)" in 2003 at a pro-war rally, to participate.

If you are a Republican, invite your Democrat brothers and sisters and fellow Americans to dialog employing the steps outlined here on any topic of contention but especially on 'war on terror' and the Democrats equal if not greater zest for bombing Iran; if you are a Pakistani, invite your Indian fellow human being to dialog; if you are a Mainland Chinese, invite your fellow Taiwanese brothers and sisters to dialog; if you are a Muslim, invite your fellow Jews and Christian brothers and sisters to dialog; if you are an Israeli, invite your Palestinian neighbors to dialog; and if you are a presidential candidate in any country that has elections rather than selections and appointments or outright usurpations, invite your worthy opponents to engage using the algorithm of rational and fair discourse developed here to really enlighten the audience on the global issues that impact all of us today.

The two most bedeviling situations in the world today, apart from the superpower primacy and its geostrategic imperatives, are Israel-Palestine, and India Pakistan over Kashmir, both generous legacies of the British. And their talks continue to fail bringing misery to the ordinary peoples on the ground who continue to live and die under brutal occupations. Is it possible that new dialogs are seeded with the algorithm developed here, and conducted entirely in public? Can it be tried? Yes it can if ordinary people start demanding it, start doing it themselves in their communities with their arch nemeses, some superstars pick it up, and the media catches on! Okay "I am a dreamer, but I hope I am not the only one"!

The best place to start is in the academe!

If you are an academic, a teacher, a professor, please consider teaching/developing the art of civilizational dialog in your own classes. Make this document an assigned reading for your English class, or writing class, or humanities class, and get them to critique it, and hence indirectly expose them to the concept of why the "process" of dialog itself almost invariably always determines the success or failure of any dialog

on any contentious topic. For instance, you may consider using the straightforward analysis presented in "[The endless trail of red herrings](#)" to seed your own objective classroom debates on Israel-Palestine as a case study for the new dialog process, and make the contentious discourse actually productive for a change.

Consider initiating a new class, or evening seminar in your organization for "dialog among civilizations" - in elementary school, high school, university, even graduate school, adult education center, as an extra curricular activity - as the most essential and crucial lesson to teach and learn for the 21st century to the members of our communities. Use role playing in class - using the dialog among civilizations algorithm developed here - and show the two parallel cases to the class, one where these rules are not employed, and one when they are.

Encourage the class to write letters to the United Nations Secretary General, and to their President, as a class activity, sharing the light bulbs that go on in their heads after such role playing, and requesting, politely as always, that as their representatives, these leaders employ the same devices for conducting their own deliberations with other nations as what appear to be intractable problems in foreign affairs can become amenable and very peaceably tractable overnight without requiring endless wars and trillions of dollars in defense budget that can now be better utilized in building more libraries and better public schools for them.

Unless we can teach our new generations the genuine "art of dialog" when they are brimming with idealism and aspire to do good in the world, after they become cynical adults corrupted by the realpolitik, it may be too late for internalizing the concepts. We are only constrained by our imagination in how many ways we can learn and teach the concepts outlined here. With a renewed emphasis in almost all nations on rational dialog with the "war on terrorism" on, this is a great opportunity to actually make a tremendous difference - and yes just by talking, but not randomly, and not by shouting past each other!

We have a profound saying in my native Pakistani language, Urdu, in transliteration: "dood ka dood, aur pani ka pani" - loosely translated it means, separation of the adulterating water from the pure milk. Watch all the milkmen run! Will there be any milkman left standing at all after the world really learns why talks fail, and why indeed does uncovering fair and just resolutions continue to bedevil many of us?

It's our job, as human beings first, to force contestants in our respective societies into the lab of humanity for a fair and honest, rational and scientific measurement of their products - the lives of civilizations, nations, millions of peoples, long suffering at the hands of hectoring hegemony of all shades and stripes, depend on it!

Only a constructive and genuine dialog among civilization can avert the pain and suffering that the fiction of "clash of civilizations" is bringing upon ordinary peoples of the world. If you want to avert it, and not perpetuate it, your imperatives have been made manifest here. Do we lead forth with our conscience for the sake of our children and grandchildren as human beings first, or remain silently bespectating as impotent zombie bystanders while a mere handful of monumentally criminal hectoring hegemony continue to reign supreme in our names?

If you, dear reader, participate in such dialogs among your friends, interest groups, campuses, community centers, in the media, or if you witness them, and uncover pieces of wisdom that can fine tune, optimize, or transform this algorithm for conducting productive dialog among civilizations to make it even more productive - please do not hesitate to share them.

Often we ask, "what can I do?", "I am just an ordinary human being!". Here is a proposal that can possibly strip all hectoring hegemony buck naked, without firing a single shot! Please try it before someone puts on that vest, or gets into that F-16, as mere pawns, and victims, and monumental murderers, on the Grand Chessboard!

Why do I call this document Part-1? Because I hope 'human beings' will exist to write a Part-2!

Thank you.

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It appears that a majority of conscionable peoples opposed to their nation's war mongering for "*imperial mobilization*" in the guise of fighting the 'war on terrorism', have actually given up on the idea that they can preemptively prevent wars.

The experience of the dismal failure of anti-war demonstrations since 911, and other inefficacious symbolic protests has taught many of us once again that this isn't the Vietnam era of the 1960s. The social control is enormous, the attachments to the pursuit of the elusive 'American Dream' even stronger, and hence all consuming, and despite tethering at the brink of financial bankruptcy, the nation still persists in participating in the 'war on terror', still persists in paying its taxes to fund the war, and

still persists in shedding its own blood. But mainly the 'lesser' blood of economic conscription.

Thus in a sense, with rising disparity in wealth and increasing unemployment in the American nation, there is a concomitant supply of recruits right out of high school from among the lesser privileged class, who, for the lure of a sign-up bonus, or the promise of an education and good living, are not shy of shedding other peoples' blood to get 'ahead' in life. It matters little that if they even come back in one piece physically, they are usually shattered mentally – for then, these 'rejects' of economic conscription and battle fatigue are as dispensable as those whom they had earlier made dispensable. A self-sustaining system of recruiting soldiers is being constructed domestically within the United States that parallels the self-sustaining system of creating the 'terrorists' to fight the perpetual 'war on terror' against, for the entire slated lifetime of [“World War IV”](#).

It is amazing how politically astute President George Bush was when he dismissed the anemic protests throughout the United States of America before the buildup of war on Iraq in February 2003, as simply a “focus group”, [stating](#):

*“First of all, you know, size of protest, it's like deciding, well, I'm going to decide policy based upon a focus group. The role of a leader is to decide policy based upon the security -- in this case, the security of the people.”*

Most conscientious peoples who abhorred the idea of war mongering, at the time made fun of President George Bush – without appreciating the treadmill that had been constructed for them to keep them ineffectually occupied while the 'war on terror' made incremental baby-step progress through small feats accomplished of continually creating more *“revolutionary times”* in the *“Global Zone of Percolating Violence”* which made, what was otherwise *“inconceivable in normal times”*, entirely *“possible”*. It spanned the gamut of peoples willingly giving up their *“essential liberties for a bit of temporary safety”* from the ubiquitous terrorists hiding under their beds, to acquiescing to invade other unarmed, disarmed, and sitting-duck nations with the barbarianism of unparalleled *“shock and awe”*. With all newsmedia cheerleading the war effort, most peoples in America were initially not impacted by the wars being fought 20,000 miles away in some exotic lands of the unknown 'barbarians' who had dared to attack America!

But seven years have now passed, and most Americans are now indeed being impacted even in their daily lives due to the far away battles. With diminishing social spending, as a major chunk of the national budget is going into *“imperial mobilization”*, which in FY 2009 is slated to be 3.2 trillion dollars, the soaring gas

prices that is now past \$4.0 a gallon, and the cost of living shooting skywards in sync with rising bankruptcies and housing crises, most peoples have had enough.

And yet, the same handful of conscientious rabble rousers are no where near doing anything different from what they were doing 7 years ago. Most are still clamoring for “*impeachment*”, still clamoring for mindless protests in streets, and still merely paying lip service to the proverbial dissent on the treadmill of inefficacy. Instead of trying to understand the reasons for their inefficacy and failure, instead of conducting post-mortems to understand the nature of the beast that is driving the train of “*imperial mobilization*”, or indeed, what “*imperial mobilization*” really means in practice apart from its bombastic sounding import, and instead of studying its methods and tactics, instead of using Jujitsu and Judo on the opponents in astute gamesmanship on the 'Grand Chessboard', the conscionable peoples have continually worked outside the pale of the very institutional frameworks which the 'hectoring hegemons' have figured out how to exploit effectively to seize the many instruments of 'empire' in order to realize their own objectives of “*full spectrum dominance*”. At best, some sit as [spectators in imposing testimonies](#) by various 'hectoring hegemons' before the Congress, holding merely their placards or courageously shouting “*Bring them home! Bring them home!*” and “*promptly [being] escorted out of the committee room and arrested.*” How effective!

[Vladimir Putin](#) summed up the achievements of the 'hectoring hegemons' so aptly last year that it is worth repeating to the Americans over and over again:

*“what is a unipolar world? However one might embellish this term, at the end of the day it refers to one type of situation, namely one centre of authority, one centre of force, one centre of decision-making. It is world in which there is one master, one sovereign. And at the end of the day this is pernicious not only for all those within this system, but also for the sovereign itself because it destroys itself from within. And this certainly has nothing in common with democracy. Because, as you know, democracy is the power of the majority in light of the interests and opinions of the minority.”*

And yet the dissent space and its glorified dissenting priests still wander-on aimlessly, or perhaps deliberately, condemned for the entire lifetime of World War IV to remain on the treadmill of inefficacy, lost, so to speak, searching for the 'land of Canaan'.

For the past seven years, since 911, not a single institutional frame-work construction was pursued by the dissent space. Some of these ideas were outlined



in [Chapter 7 of this 2003 book "Prisoners of the Cave."](#) Not a single post-mortem was conducted to understand why dissent has failed. Yet hundreds, or perhaps thousands of public speeches and gatherings have been enacted, and hundreds of books have been written to make lots of big bucks for a handful of dissenting priests. A majority of these books contain no prescriptions, only rehearsed histories or narratives of various crimes in progress. Yet, not a single institution has been constructed that could become an effective counterpoint to the 'hectoring hegemons', nor any institutional changes vigorously pursued that could efficaciously 'check' the hectoring hegemons' attempts to further their diabolical craftsmanship of "*imperial mobilization*".

Only proclamations, platitudes, and bravados is all that is on record from the famed American dissent space and its dissenting priests. As a mere plebeian, I too am equally guilty of failing to stop "*imperial mobilization*" [despite much vigorous 'jihad' on the 'treadmill'](#). It's high time to end that losing streak on this treadmill of inefficacy that has worked great in favor of the hectoring hegemons don't you think? Indeed, if I was one of them, I'd just love this dissent space! For it simultaneously achieves two purposes: one, it evidently makes little domestic impact on "*imperial mobilization*"; and two, it gives a convenient illusion to the conscionable peoples who are sure to arise in any community, that they are engaged in serious battle for their 'Civil Rights', for 'World Peace', for 'Justice', for motherhood, and apple pie.

Well let's pull the plug from that treadmill shall we?

The impending Nuclear Attack on Iran is looming ahead, as noted in this ominous analysis: [Heads-up warning to the American Peoples – Nuclear attack on Iran appears imminent!](#)

And some 'activist' members of the Congress who oppose the war mongering and invading of other nations on false pretexts, have already resigned themselves to the idea that there is nothing they can do about the imminent attack, and instead, have become content in only issuing what they will do afterwards, even gaining some traction among the [dissent stream](#):

*"He [John Conyers] is circulating a letter among his colleagues for signatures, a letter addressed to Bush letting him know that an attack on Iran will result in impeachment hearings. LET'S ASK EVERY MEMBER OF CONGRESS TO SIGN ON! I know it seems bassackwards and we want impeachment before a new war, not after, but this is a way for us to show Conyers the support that will be there any time he moves forward."*

Surely the lives and tabula rasa of 70 million peoples in that densely populated region of humanity – the cradle itself of the Western civilization, and among the oldest on earth – cannot be a foregone conclusion?

Surely this isn't merely a game? A dog thrown on the freeway in Los Angeles gets more sympathy from the entire American nation than the 'lesser' peoples who experienced, are experiencing, and surely will experience – unless the courageous peoples of America and the world put a stop to it – [the imperial “algebra of infinite justice”](#).

There must be a better way than just empty and entirely vacuous threats of what one will do afterwards, ex post facto, such as *“impeachment”*.

So what, even if this 'magic bullet' was magically unsheathed and lodged into a single instance of monumental criminals after more than 2000 'targets' are obliterated, some with nuclear weapons, in a defenseless nation that possesses no effective deterrence against predatory high-tech nuclear invasion? And these *“impeached”* criminals will be replaced by another of the same genre of 'hectoring hegemony' soon enough. What one does after the nuclear 'Rubicon' is crossed becomes rather irrelevant to the victims don't you think? Surely it mattered much to the cataclysmic destruction of Iraq and Afghanistan, and the entire *“Global Zone of Percolating Violence”* from Kosovo to Lebanon, how hard the antiwar protesters yelled in the streets of America? Or that it mattered greatly to the dead Vietnamese, or the forgotten Cambodians, and the even lesser known Laotians, that Nixon left office in disgrace! I can imagine someone suggesting that surely, we ended up saving several millions of the 'lesser' humanity by ending the American killing spree sooner! It would be interesting to see if a restitution court ordered an 'eye for an eye' restitution plus fair compensation for pain and suffering by the standards of the aggressor civilization itself, that whether anyone from the aggressor civilization might still think so!

The entire point must be that the nuclear Rubicon is NEVER ever crossed.

That *“imperial mobilization”* is itself derailed as the DNA imprint of America's foreign policy abuses upon the 'lesser' humanity. It is perhaps easy to imagine the gravity of the matter if the roles were reversed, and the Iranians, now the new sole superpower, sought regime change in 'the Great Satan' with preemptive 'Deathstar' like 'Phaser' strikes that had no defense known to man? (oops – I just gave away the secret for the next mantra)

As is expressed in this humble letter by Project Humanbeingsfirst to the [Journal of 911 studies](#) courageous scientists still busily engaged in figuring out how the towers

fell:

*“I hope you would also permit me to share this one final lament. I sometimes sense that even well intentioned peoples in the United States often tend to forget that other's dead and destroyed are not mere statistics to their loved ones. Sitting 20,000 miles away from the murderous war zone, it is easy to become engrossed in solving the riddles of 911, or rehearsing interesting histories in conference halls that are already fait accompli. Can the conscionable peoples in this nation at least make it a point to also sometimes imagine, as a shocking thought experiment, that with every falling American bomb upon a 'lesser' peoples, paid for from their own tax dollars, their mom, dad, sister, brother, kids, wife, and the family dog is killed? What courses of action, and with what urgency, would one take then?”*

let's together renew focus on how to efficaciously prevent further *“imperial mobilization”* under any pretexts. We have already seen that what worked in the 1960s era as a peoples' mass antiwar movement, has absolutely no traction in the modernity du jour. There are no masses to move.

The following seed idea from the [heads-up warning](#) cited earlier is based on one key insight: *“Imperial mobilization”* is institutional, and all encompassing. Yes a truism of course. But it leads to the following corollary: Any real resistance to *“imperial mobilization”*, in order to be effective, also has to be institutional, and under institutional frame-works.

If astutely and vigilantly pursued – with 'moves' look-ahead, employing both 'pawn' tactics and strategies as in a geopolitical chess game played on the 'Grand Chessboard' against 'ubermensch' Grandmasters – then it can surely create real impediments to new *“imperial mobilizations”*. And certainly at this stage of the domestic 'game' when the American peoples are already war-weary, deception-weary, and precariously perched at the brink of financial insolvency. In other words, the conditions are ripe in America for the following to become an efficacious measure, if it can be brought to fruition through proper 'political' planning and resource mobilization before the inevitable “oops, too late!”

*“Firstly, anything, including all 'nuclear terrorist acts' on American soil, or anywhere in the world, all shocking revelations by whistleblowers, all leaks in newspapers, and all phantasmal mantras that distract from the afore-stated goal, regardless of how compelling the reasons, must be treated by the unwary and gullible American public and its intellectual dissenting-chiefs, as red herrings, pretexts, and*

*deceptions for premeditated "imperial mobilization" by their nation's rulers."*

The quoted paragraph above is obviously where the outstanding work already done by many conscientious peoples and forensic detectives over the past several years on analyzing false pretexts for the previous phase of *"imperial mobilization"* to *"birth-pang the new Middle East"* based upon the *"catalyzing event like a new pearl harbor"* of 911 and the various *"doctrinal motivation"* based upon the fictions of WMDs and 'radical Islamism', can be useful.

However, previous expositions of history is not sufficient, even though perhaps a necessary part of the bigger picture, because, the antagonist is not uni-dimensional – but rather 'uber' sophisticated, and diabolically imaginative.

For instance, see the following [letter to Messrs. Matthew Bunn of Harvard](#) on his testimony before the Committee on Homeland Security on Nuclear Terrorism in April 2008, and the following re-assessment of the so-called '[shocking](#)' [whistleblowing disclosures by the genuinely courageous Ms. Sibel Edmonds](#) that is also occupying the attention-span of the 'dissent space' but the significance of which, in the humble opinion of this scribe, is really that of a political red-herring.

Thus, the new mantras being deftly spun, starting from the 'loose nukes' of Pakistan that will miraculously be hijacked by the 'al-qaeda', to the presciently proclaimed 'The Day After' as prognosticated by President George Bush himself *"that will make Sept. 11 pale by comparison"*, are the obvious setups to be blamed upon Iran. Zbigniew Brzezinski had already laid out a plausible scenario in February 2007 while testifying before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. See a further outlandishly plausible scenario that can culminate in drawing both Iran and Pakistan into *"shock and awe"* as the culprit nations, in the following [wakeup call to the Pakistani peoples](#).

There are many analyses available from Project Humanbeingsfirst™ at <http://humanbeingsfirst.org> that already go into sufficient analytical depth to warrant reproducing any further evidence here that the 'war on terror' is a total fabrication diabolically crafted for *"imperial mobilization"* to achieve *"full spectrum dominance"* in the guise of fighting 'synthetic terror' that is easily synthesizable, especially among the Muslims today by "shock and awe" them, maligning their religion, and ensuring that both sides or all sides are kept armed and financed in the ensuing 'Muslim on Muslim' violence. For that constructs the much needed *"revolutionary times"* further enabling all the necessary pretexts, mantras, and phobias to keep the American and Western peoples scared silly that these stick-wielding antediluvians are their biggest nemesis since Hitler. And these same guys in the Hindu Kush mountains will now

perpetrate the next new 911.

This new *“catalyzing event”* will surely be so shocking – for what else can *“make Sept. 11 pale by comparison”* – that the Congress, which has a history of almost trivially being arm-wrestled by the Executive branch into 'United we Stand' with them, will authorize a nuclear 'retaliatory' attack as *“defensive' US military action”*.

This is where there is an immediate institutional opportunity for astute intervention by the *“populist democracy”* which is projected to be *“inimical to imperial mobilization”* – the hectoring hegemons' worst nightmare:

*“Secondly, if there is reason for the United States to nuclear decimate any country or any peoples in purported 'self-defense', the American peoples must demand a ratification of the decision to go to war through a public referendum – let its great “populist democracy” speak directly in the modernity of the 21st century before it is called upon to make its sacrifices, before it is called upon to pay its taxes to fund the war, and before it is called upon to acquire innocent blood on its hands!”*

The quoted paragraph above is what Project Humanbeingsfirst humbly proposes become the new focus of all conscionable peoples on how to institutionally derail *“imperial mobilization”* from within America by its genuine American patriots. Externally, on the 'Grand Chessboard', it will only be derailed in a détente which will only come about when new *“full spectrum alliances”* are constructed among the Asian nations for the *“full spectrum deterrence”* from all foreign marauders. An example of that being the SCO (Shanghai Cooperation Organization) overnight turning into a NATO like alliance – the Asian Treaty Organization – of all the Asian countries. The ruling elite in these nations has so shrewdly been co-opted by the world's sole superpower that even in their own genuine self-defense against foreign invaders, they are unable to unite – when even the lowly buffalos are able to come together to defend their own against any ['hectoring hegemons' of nature](#).

Thus, staying focussed on the topic at hand, for domestic resistance to imperial barbarianism from within the United States, the idea is that enormous public pressure is immediately put on the Congress to create public hearings to examine the devolution of their powers to declare war, and to seek the pulse of the nation through direct public ratification in a public referendum, before using their own Constitutional powers to declare (or not declare) war. Please do examine this approach.

This is eminently within the existing Constitutional framework and does not require

any Constitutional Amendment, as the Congress is merely creating another 'gating-input' to its decision making. Such a law would also mandate, in order to be practicable, creating credible 'systems' under which such public voting under any proposed 'declaration of war' by the Executive Branch under any circumstance can be affected within 24 to 72 hours - or that order of time-frame. It is the same time-frame under which the Congress itself labors, and thus, seeking external ratification will not hamper its own deliberation when done in parallel, but it will eventually be controlled by external public ratification – by a public whom they purportedly represent anyway under the Constitution.

Today, technologically speaking, such rapid public referendum is not only feasible, but quite practical, whereas it wasn't quite the case in the previous decades. Of course, we will not get into how 'such systems' can also be subverted-type red herring conversations here, except to note that by law, these 'systems' can also be mandated to be open-sourced, with 'legal' and public bodies mandated to oversee the systems, the processes, and the deployment and execution.

Furthermore, while the following may be thought by some as excessive polemics, it can be the real impetus for the 'next move' on the domestic 'Grand Chessboard', so to speak:

*“Even better, draw the soldiers, officers and war-technicians from the pool who vote for war! If they can vote yes to invade other nations and wantonly shatter the tabula rasa of a 'lesser humanity', then they must also first be willing to sign up for doing it themselves – instead of having a draft of economic conscription. Every 'yes' voting home in America must have at least one 'patriot' from the immediate family show up on the front-lines without exception – or their 'yes' vote is void!”*

The solution-space outlined in the preceding paragraphs is but one institutional approach. There may be others. **But whatever the case, the resistance to “imperial mobilization” must be elevated to the national institutional-level framework somehow.**

And the Congress compelled to setup public hearings on the very subject matter of 'prevention' before the fact, rather than 'reaction' ex post facto, in blanket recognition of their dastardly proclivity to be bulldozed by the Executive, and co-opted by special-interest lobby groups.

Such public hearings can be used to further explore the solution space of how Congress can temper their non-independence from the Executive. And as in the

case of the overarching suggestion made here, examine devolving some of their powers to create a limited checks and balance upon their own decision making powers for certain important national decisions through direct public referendum.

This idea also creates a more participative democracy, and without requiring any Constitutional changes (and that is an important consideration for the response times needed here). Additionally, since law making at some point involves the Executive to sign-off, the Congress can examine the devolution as part of their own deliberation process, thus side-stepping the Executive. An outsider can only speculate on the modalities of implementation, and peoples more capable must look at the issues involved – but not be deterred by roadblocks that are surely to be thrown ones' way by sophisticated Straussian 'hectoring hegemons' who can construct any 'Noble Lie' and any 'technique of infamy' on the fly. One must be prepared to effectively counter the various and sundry circus clowns and patsies who will incessantly bleat nay-saying on the air.

There may still be time before the cataclysmic nuclear Rubicon is crossed. Although the attack on Iran appears imminent, it is not yet a fait accompli. There is many a slip between the cup and lip – and until that tipping point has rewritten history, the operative principle for the conscionable peoples in the United States of America must be to work on its prevention. Perhaps prominent peoples, prominent scholars and lawyers, and prominent (former) statesmen can be enlisted in this cause with an immediacy and urgency as if the lives of one's own family, and one's own loved pets, depended on it! There are supposedly 46 Congresspersons who are seeking impeachment. Perhaps they can be the beginning.

I long for that day when all nations' foreign policies, trade relations, and all international laws and interfaces are built upon the principle espoused in the Biblical Golden Rule – for what a reign of justice and peace of a thousand years would that be! Truly a *“Zion that will light up all the world”*. Why not?

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