

## Pagan 'Earth Summit' opens in Rio de Janeiro

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The U.N. Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED), which opened in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil on June 3, represents the world oligarchy's efforts to impose a cultural and philosophical paradigm shift upon the people of this planet. With the opening of the Earth Summit, as the conference is known, the Christian concept that man is in the living image of God, and was given the Earth to populate and subdue it, is now being replaced by the pagan concept that man is no better than an animal, and indeed, somewhat worse!

Anglo-American world power has employed the U.N. to pull off the largest international meeting in history, with a gathering of over 100 heads of state. The goal of the summit is to have these governments now translate this philosophical paradigm shift into formal treaties for the depopulation of their nations, through mass sterilization, legalized abortion, euthanasia, and economic genocide.

As was discussed at the founding conference of the Ibero-American Solidarity Movement (MSI), held in Tlaxcala, Mexico on May 18-22 (see *EIR*, June 5), the Earth Summit has nothing whatsoever to do with "protection of the environment." Rather, it represents the implementation of the "new world order" promoted by U.S. President George Bush, in which such pseudo-scientific frauds as "sustainable growth," the "ozone hole," "global warming," and so forth are put forward as part of an irrationalist and genocidal malthusian agenda based on the myth of finite resources.

U.N. secretary general and Anglophile agent Boutros Boutros-Ghali, in his June 3 inaugural speech to UNCED, most clearly summarized the fascist perspective of this new order. Ghali condemned to death millions of human beings, when he asserted that "nature no longer exists in the classic sense of the term. . . . We no longer have the right to the logic of the infinite. It is this enormous epistemological break

which, in the end, the Earth Summit symbolizes for the historians."

The U.N. bureaucrat delivered the *coup de grace* to the world's surviving confidence in science and technology as the foundation upon which to build prosperous nations, by describing this fundamental principle of economic science as antiquated and void, to be replaced by the fallacious notion of sustainable development. "We need to begin with an act of collective reflection," said Boutros-Ghali. "We should equip ourselves with great courage, because this reflection implies risks: the risk of our being forced to give up our sacred myths and economic principles."

The mores of this new order, which augurs more economic and moral destruction than that already caused by the usury of the International Monetary Fund (IMF), were also presented by Boutros-Ghali, who inaugurated the Earth Summit with a two-minute silence in honor of the Earth, that is, to the pagan goddess Gaia.

### Stopping the 'birth clock'

The Earth Summit organizers have set off an avalanche of demographic terrorism. For example, at the entrance to the conference center, they placed an enormous clock which registers the number of births occurring throughout the world, in contrast to the area of productive land on the planet, which is shown as shrinking in direct proportion to the increase in population.

The conference's malthusian purpose is not merely propagandistic: Drastic reduction of world population growth is one of its primary short-term goals. Thus, UNCED Secretary General Maurice Strong, a Canadian millionaire and member of the malthusian Club of Rome, joined Boutros-Ghali in the opening session to warn that humanity was facing the danger of runaway population growth. "The population needs to

stabilize itself, and quickly. If it does not do so, nature will do it more brutally," he threatened.

Stopping the clock could be achieved by controlling growth rates or by strangling the economic capacity of Third World nations. Either path gives official sanction to the population policy designed in 1974 by former U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, whose National Security Study Memorandum 200 maintains that population growth must be controlled if natural resources considered "strategic" to the United States are to be safeguarded.

World Bank President Lewis Preston backed the idea of Mostafa Tolba, director of the U.N. Environment Program, of launching an ambitious program of global family planning linked to foreign debt reductions. Lewis proposed that his institution open a line of credit for programs that would reduce population growth rates, given that such growth "is putting unsustainable pressure on the use of natural resources."

The malthusianism consecrated at the Earth Summit was an urgent demand of the Anglo-Americans, and is the essence of the ecologists' bible *Our Common Future*, by Norwegian Prime Minister Gro Harlem Brundtland. One of the brains behind the Earth Summit, she has never denied that her thesis was taken from the *Global 2000 Report* prepared by the Trilateral Commission administration of Jimmy Carter, which demanded the elimination of one-third of the world's population by the year 2000.

The British monarchy, which has played a central role in the Earth Summit, has been intransigent on the population question, which explains why it is battling the Catholic Church. At the Rio meeting, Perfidious Albion went out of its way to make its fight with the Vatican public. It reached the point that, the conference scarcely begun, the British delegation issued a harshly worded official note opposing the concerns of the Vatican representative to the summit, Archbishop Renato Martino. The archbishop had delivered a powerful defense of life and the dignity of man to a plenary session, during which he ridiculed the lies of Britain's Thomas Malthus which impregnate the formal working document of the Earth Summit, known as Agenda 21.

### **Environmental tyranny**

An idea of the tyranny the Earth Summit would impose upon the world was revealed by Brazilian Foreign Minister Celso Lafer, a renowned Zionist and Frankfurt School alumnus, in a May 31 interview with the daily *Jornal do Brasil*. Lafer asserted that what was required was a set of legal instruments to enforce a "new environmental order." He inclined toward creation of an environmental police force, under the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the U.N., as has been proposed by the Brundtland Commission and enthusiastically embraced by, among others, former French Prime Minister Michel Rocard. "This is a matter that is open. One of the ideas would be to broaden the definition of the U.N. Economic and Social Council to include the environmental issue," said Rocard.

Lafer elaborated the details of the colonialist new order: the new era of diplomacy will be one of "creative adaptation"; accepting limits on sensitive technologies transfer; and all of Ibero-America would be subject to IMF free-market dictatorships.

The Earth Summit protagonists, especially the group of nations seated on the U.N. Security Council and their lesser allies like Brazil, have packaged their proposals in Agenda 21, a flood of rules and regulations which the governments have committed themselves to fulfilling, and in the draft slated to become the Declaration of Rio de Janeiro. In both, the central idea is to formalize a system of supranational control over political, economic, and financial processes, guided by environmental concerns. Rewards will be apportioned to those nations which self-impose so-called sustainable development.

Such protagonists of the "environmental order" as the United States, Britain, and Norway, seek to turn the World Bank into just such a financial police force, whereby economic aid would only flow to those nations which yield to the environmental dictates of the eco-fascists. Specifically, the Norwegian delegation is asking that the International Development Association of the World Bank—which finances aid programs to the poorest nations of Africa and Asia—be turned into the principal financial channel for the environmental protection programs of Agenda 21.

The 27-point Declaration of Rio de Janeiro, which will be signed by the heads of state at UNCED, is a masterpiece of dictatorial design, drafted by the one-worldists without even lip-service to the concept of national sovereignty. Those governments which do not wish to live outside the bounds of the new environmental legal order will have to alter the juridical foundations of their states, creating legal procedures for compensating ecological damage while conditioning all national development projects on not "causing damage to the environment of other states."

### **A new religion?**

The confrontation between the Vatican and England lies at the center of the paradigm shift represented by the Earth Summit. For some time, the British royal house and their oligarchical associates have taken up the green banner as the guiding doctrine behind a new religion to replace Christianity.

Martin Palmer, ecological adviser to Prince Philip, has just published a book whose central thesis is that the tradition of Plato and the fathers of the Catholic Church, particularly St. Augustine and St. Thomas Aquinas, is responsible for placing "the human mind at the center of everything." Similar complaints are being made by the Club of Rome, one of the organizations responsible for launching the aberrant new cultural parameters symbolized by the Earth Summit. Its president, Ricardo Diez Hochleitner, told the Spanish daily *El País* on June 3 that the summit could bring about a new religion that would recognize "man's limits" and bring "peace with nature."