
Editorial

Goebbels Sends His Greetings

The warnings of Russian security experts concerning preparations by the Bush-Cheney Administration for war against Iran must be taken absolutely seriously, for Russia has well understood that Cheney's threats are not ultimately directed toward Iran, but toward Russia, China, and India, whose claim of national sovereignty is seen as an impediment to any idea of world empire. The world finds itself dangerously close to the brink of a new world war, which would develop as an asymmetric escalation following a military strike against Iran. The background for this war danger is the climaxing systemic crisis of the world financial system.

The representatives of the leading financial interests apparently believe that the big casino game can be played for a few more rounds, in which the small investors, looking for profits, can be enticed, in a new bubble, to invest in the CO₂ emissions certificate trade. At the same time, they would bring the world's population, apparently willingly, under a new, planned ecological dictatorship, to fulfill the demands of those such as British Tory leader David Cameron, who call for an 80% reduction of CO₂ emissions, as the answer to climate change, ostensibly caused by human activity. Practically, this would mean that industrial production would be strangled, leading to conditions which the greater part of mankind in the developing nations would not survive.

And how would the population be induced to agree to such an enormous fraud, and genocide? With the same methods that have always been used to manipulate the mass of the population: bread and circuses, and the collective hysteria which Goebbels induced in the sports arenas. This technique has been massively improved in the age of mass media dictatorship, or as William Paley, former head of CBS once expressed it, it is now possible to "out-Goebbel Goebbels"—to surpass Goebbels in his own methods.

This is in fact being planned by Al Gore, the chairman of the board of the Generation Investment Funds—which is heavily involved in trading CO₂ emissions certificates. He is organizing a mammoth 24-hour outdoor gathering for July 7, to be staged at seven locations on five continents simultaneously, with 120 rock and pop

stars, which is intended to draw a combined television and Internet audience of 2 billion (!) people. This "Live Earth Concert" is supposed to be the "symbolic opening shot of a worldwide change of consciousness," as Gore formulated it. Wow! Goebbels would faint from envy if he could see that! One gets a real foretaste of what Big Brother would look like in this planned global ecological dictatorship. Repeating history as a bad caricature: a modern Nuremberg Rally, simulcast on every channel, so to speak, but this time without Leni Riefenstahl.

We have to consider the fact that the rock and pop counterculture has become appreciably ever more morbid since Paley made his observation. For example, Madonna has taken pains to shoot a whole series of videos, before July 7, with content so thoroughly Satanic, that they rate as an expression of what the late Pope John Paul II termed the "Culture of Death." The trend in the so-called "youth" counterculture is toward emotional insanity and devastation so deep, as to destroy even the possibility of truly human feelings, such as agapic love.

After the failed French Revolution came to a close, Friedrich Schiller observed that a great moment had found a little people; that though the objective possibility of changing the course of history existed, the subjective moral possibility was lacking. Therefore, the development of this moral sensibility is the most urgent task of our time; and therefore, any political improvements can occur only out of this ennoblement. If these ideas were relevant for Schiller's time, they are even more relevant for us today.

The dramatist Gotthold Lessing had already observed, that in the education of men, everything is pernicious which subordinates man as an individual, into the mass. The idea of a "mass" of 2 billion people, where everyone from shrieking teens to aging Boomers with bald spots and pony tails, joining together in Dionysian convulsions, is somewhat spooky. One can only hope that the green specter will pass quickly. Fortunately, the LaRouche Youth Movement, for whom the question of a new humanist Renaissance is absolutely urgent, provides a counterpole.

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