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"It is important to say loudly and clearly that one single worldwide criminal network, the criminocracy, is, behind the scenes, running everything from the WEF to the WHO, the UN to the EU, BlackRock to the World Bank"



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PREFACE

The theme of international resistance to the global system has featured in my online writing since the very first day of 2023.

On that occasion (January 1, 2023), I reported for *The Acorn* bulletin on an event I had just attended here in southern France, launching a significant special edition of the review *Écologie & Politique*.

This focused on the threat posed to humankind by biotechnology, eugenics and transhumanism and several important fellow campaigners addressed the meeting, including philosopher Renaud Garcia; Silvia Guerini of the Italian network Resistenze al nanomondo; writer Bertrand Louart; editor and academic Jacques Luzi and representatives of Alpine technocritics Pièces et Main d'oeuvre.

The issue of the journal was so powerful that it had come under attack from what I called *The Voice of the System*, here making itself heard by means of four pseudo-environmentalists who, it turned out, all worked for the French state and/or European foundations promoting vaccines

and smart cities.

This familiar tone or technique, I said, "never argues with those who challenge its so-called truths, nor does it present its objection in terms of a disagreement. Instead, it invariably condemns the objects of its hatred as morally bad and connected to everything else that it has already declared to be beyond the political pale".

Anyone who fundamentally opposes the system is likely to be rebuked by this voice, as I was to witness time and time again in the months to follow.

Indeed, only three weeks later, in *Ramping Up the Global Inquisition* (January 21, 2023), I described more instances of this mendacious smearing in the UK and New Zealand, explaining that this was not something confined to one country or even to one continent, but "a worldwide assault on free speech".

I pointed out that one of the smearing techniques often used by the global inquisitors was to attempt to contaminate one person's reputation by linking them to another person whose reputation they had already contaminated by some dishonest means.

"Each lie they tell therefore becomes a launching pad for further lies and can be used to attack heretics without the need for any further 'incriminating' evidence".

In Fighting Off The Encroachment (February

8, 2023) I again turned to the subject of resistance and concluded that all the varied campaigning with which I had been involved throughout my life had in fact been directed against one single phenomenon, "an expansion, an accumulation, a malignant growth", which was "always encroaching, confiscating, stealing, developing, destroying".

I added: "They just won't leave us in peace, to live our lives as we wish. Our horizon is permanently darkened with the menace of their next state of emergency, their next all-changing war, their next technological advance, their next fake pandemic, their next Great Leap Forward, Five Year Plan, thousand-year Reich or Great Reset.

"To oppose this invasive process, which we might term the Encroachment, is not to be a disruptive anti-social trouble-maker but to be a defender of what we already have, what we used to have and what we deserve to have again".

In Anarchy, Alchemy and Awakening (March 8, 2023), I marked the tenth anniversary of the appearance of my first book, *The Anarchist Revelation*, by looking back on its message and the reaction it sparked in various quarters.

And I found great relevance for today in words that I originally penned in 2013: "An awakening is required on a scale never seen before, an awakening that will spread like a

tsunami around the globe, sweeping away the machineries and mindset of hateful oppression and denial.

"It is not so much a revolution that is needed, but a revelation – a lifting of all the veils of falsity and a joyful rediscovery of the authentic core of our existence".

The report on *London's Secret Smart Stations Roll-Out* (March 13, 2023) was only possible because a friend inside Transport for London slipped me a "restricted" internal document detailing the testing of SMART infrastructure (Self-Monitoring, Analysis, and Reporting Technology) at a tube station in the English capital.

I explained that the prospect of real-time surveillance, monitoring people in terms of named categories, suggests an entirely predictable link to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and impact capitalism, the 21st century digital slave-system which is in fact the driving force behind the whole smart cities agenda.

And I concluded: "The agenda is clear. The very fact that it is being *hidden* from us shows that the Global Public Private Partnership knows full well that it is *not* something we welcome".

Unauthorised Fragments of Freedom (March 19, 2023) introduced a piece of fiction which I

wrote 17 years previously and which described "an England of curfews, timed travel restrictions, limits on the number of people that can gather for a party in a private home".

I noted: "A great sense of sadness imbues the book, a sadness that is also a kind of suffocation, a feeling that the walls are slowly but surely closing in on human freedom, with most people seemingly unaware of what is happening".

But, then and now, I like to stress the possibility of resistance and the main emphasis of the work was on "ordinary people's courage in refusing to obey the system's diktats, in testing the actual limits of its apparent total control by just saying 'no".

The WEF are Life-Hating Liars is a talk I gave to a conference in London on March 25, 2023, organised by my friends at Real Left, who are playing an important role in helping build the new international resistance movement.

I warned that the global system aims to advance its control agenda with the active support of the left and "the language and general tone of the left is weaponised against the very values that the left is historically supposed to defend".

But, of course, this is all lies and posturing aimed at disguising the reality of the same old venal and destructive industrial racket.

"Painting it green and draping its infernal

machineries with rainbow-coloured bunting changes nothing".

In *Targeting the Enemy* (April 11, 2023), a piece for *The Acorn*, I described the ongoing revolt against the Macron regime in France and how it had been met with military-style repression.

I commented: "This looks less like a 'liberal democracy' than a colonial government of occupation, determined to 'put down the natives' at any cost. And this, of course, is exactly what it is! France is not run by representatives of the French people, but by representatives of the global money power, the criminal gang which owns pretty much everything, everywhere".

In the same *Acorn*, I assessed a dismissive label that has been applied to my political views for decades now and asked: *Who are the Real Extremists?* (April 11, 2023).

I also supplied the answer, identifying "those who are already *extremely* rich but want to get even richer; those who are *extremely* deceitful and dishonest in their dealings; those who have an *extreme* disregard for the lives and well-being of others and an *extreme* fear of real democracy, along with a deeply unpleasant propensity to use *extreme* violence to protect and expand their power".

In *Remembering Who We Are* (April 18, 2023) I explored the power we find within

ourselves when we become aware of our belonging to something greater than our individual being. I argued that this power, which I called "with-energy", is our greatest weapon against the criminal ruling class.

I wrote: "When we come together and feel with-energy, we connect to that reality. When we understand what this with-energy is, we are remembering that reality. When, together, we consciously use our with-energy to reclaim our belonging to that reality, we will become so strong and so free that no system will be able to hold us down".

The article When Protest is Branded Terrorism (April 25, 2023) was sparked by the French government's use of the term "intellectual terrorism" to describe the opinions of its critics and by the deployment of "anti-terrorism" legislation to ban people from banging saucepans in protest at Macron's presidential visits, as well as by the detention and questioning of a young French publisher by British police under Section 7 of the Terrorism Act 2000, purely on the basis that he had attended anti-government protests in his own country.

Recalling that I myself had been detained under the same law in 2013, I noted: "The term 'terrorism' has been deliberately twisted out of all recognition in order to smear political dissent and to judicially enable police-state repression of protest".

Macron's bankster regime was again the focus of my writing in *Adieu to the Illusion of Democracy* (May 2, 2023), in which I reported and reflected on the massive Mayday protests in France, which had been met with brutally violent repression.

"France, like so many other countries I might mention, is not an actual democracy but a plutocracy which has, until very recently, managed to pass itself off as a democracy. The only interests that matter are those of Big Money, of Capital. The opinions and well-being of the people are of no interest to Macron and his former employers, the Rothschilds".

I mentioned a new slogan, Travail, Ordre et Progrès, which seemed to have been adopted by the regime to replace Liberté, Égalité, Fraternité, and I followed this up in a subsequent piece entitled Work. Order. Progress. (May 15, 2023).

Drawing on research I had carried out for *The Great Racket*, I provided historical insights to explain the connection between the Macron regime's proximity to the Rothschilds and the fascistic tone of its politics.

I remarked: "What better way of ensuring 'order' and sustainable prosperity for the ultrarich than by banning troublesome trade unions and left-wing political opposition, sourcing prison camp labour for private gain, embarking on

massive industrial and military spending and remodelling human life to answer the needs of their greed machine?"

The Worm Behind the Facade (May 23, 2023) was not so much an essay as a piece of creative writing, imagining our resistance to the corrupt global system as an attack on a vast parasitical grub, long hidden behind the facade of nation-states.

"Again and again you struck and as you did so you were joined by others, dozens of others, hundreds and thousands, all using whatever weapon they had come across to stab at the worm, some even tearing at its flesh with their bare hands.

"Others set about ripping the tubes from its body so that it could no longer grow fat from the flesh of their children".

An important point in the evolution of my personal political terminology came with the publication of *Criminocracy and its Lies* (June 26, 2023).

Discussing how best to describe the gang that rules the world, I wrote: "These ultra-rich are not rich by chance or because they work harder or better than the rest of us. They are rich because they are criminals, who have, like dry rot, gradually taken over the whole structure of our societies. The system under which we live is therefore a criminocracy, rule by criminals".

Referring to the dishonest language with which this gang invariably attacks its opponents, I observed: "In the inversion that is so typical of the system, exposure of their criminal activity and associated lying is, itself, defined as 'criminal'".

This issue was again to the fore in *The Money Behind The Smears* (July 5, 2023), a contribution to *The Acorn*.

I explained that I myself had been denounced by the inquisitorial voice of the system, which on this occasion had issued forth from the mouth of a supposedly anarchist website in Quebec.

"So why the attention now, three years after I was first excommunicated by the High Priests of the Central Global Church of Woke Pseudo-Anarchism?

"I think a clue lies in the reference to other like-minded thinkers with whom I have been collaborating both in the English-speaking world, partly via *Nevermore*, and also in France and Italy.

"The article warns of 'a transnational echo chamber of conspiracists who have been embracing increasingly reactionary, transphobic, and antisemitic ideas'. In other words, they are worried that we are coming together and regrouping outside of the controlled woke-left mind-prison to begin to form a coherent longterm international resistance movement!"

The Church of England: Enslaving God's Children (July 12, 2023) addressed the hypocrisy of this supposedly Christian entity in apologising for its historical collaboration with the transatlantic slave trade, while being involved in its contemporary digital equivalent, namely impact capitalism.

I concluded: "We should remember that this state institution is, after all, headed by the man who launched The Great Reset in 2020 and whose family has, for generations, acted as an important link between the British Empire and the private financial interests to which it is still entirely subservient".

The article BRICS in the Wall of Global Greed (July 17, 2023) was primarily aimed at those who, like me, oppose the British-American plutocratic empire but who somehow imagine that the "multi-polar" version now being wheeled onto the global stage is new, different and less dangerous.

Drawing, again, on previous historical research, I showed that Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa had all long been in the grasp of the criminocracy and that they were spearheading its current insidious agenda.

I warned: "A world order is still a world order, whether or not it terms itself 'multi-polar'. The poles in question are merely geographically

diverse manifestations of the same overall network and any 'shift' in power towards BRICS can only be regarded as a manoeuvre, an internal reorganisation within the public-private global governance".

Shining Light on the Climate of Manipulation (July 29, 2023) was a talk I gave to fellow resistance campaigners in Italy.

Referencing the work of Cory Morningstar and Jennifer Bilek, as well as my own research, I explained how various aspects of "woke" dogma were being used by the criminocrats to impose their global agenda.

I remarked that in the contemporary "labyrinth of lies", it had become very difficult to distinguish fact from fake, reality from spin.

"The best indication of something or somebody's integrity is that they are denounced as criminals by the system and the strongest warning sign of misinformation is when a certain proposition is presented as sacred truth, protected from contradiction by a special taboo status".

And I stressed: "We urgently need to see the emergence of a new international movement of resistance against this toxic entity, given that it has successfully disabled and recuperated so many existing 'radical' groups".

The starting point for Cogs of Corruption and Control (August 15, 2023) was a social media

post from a business in Rwanda, East Africa, promoting "mobile money services" leading to "financial inclusivity" and "economic & social gains".

My investigation into Vanguard Economics Ltd of Kigali shed much light on the new wave of corporate-colonialism targeting Africa, which is based on impact capitalism and the closely-related UNSDGs.

I remarked: "While its direct ownership may be hidden from public view, the firm's list of 23 'partners and collaborators' not only gives us a clear indication of its allegiances, but also helps us identify some of the cogs that make up the corrupt contemporary machine of global greed and control".

For a Convergence of the Uncorrupted (August 28, 2023) was a heart-felt call for a reshaping of the political landscape, for a coming-together of all those whose outlook is based not on self-interest and obedience to power, but on the deep, innate values naturally shared by decent human beings of all backgrounds.

"Imagine if all these people could shake themselves free from the constraints of political or religious allegiance, or from their hesitation to step forward! Imagine the power of a convergence of all these streams of uncorrupted thought, united in their rejection of the global dictatorship and in their demand for a free future!

"The essence of their individual ideals would not be lost in the process, but embraced within one mighty river of righteous revolt".

Finally, while all the links in the articles were valid at the time that they were published, there is a growing tendency, that other researchers have also noted, for inconvenient material to disappear from the internet, even from archive sites, and by the time you read this, some of them may no longer work.

I regard this, along with the increased stifling of dissident views on social media, as being not only an inevitable stage of our struggle against the criminocrats, but also a telling sign of weakness on their part.

They know that we have seen them. They know that our resistance is under way. And they are frightened of us!

Paul Cudenec, September 2023

THE VOICE OF THE SYSTEM

January 1, 2023

Just before Christmas I travelled 100 miles or so from my home to Aix-en-Provence for a significant political event.

This was the launch of a special edition of the review *Écologie & Politique*, entitled 'Les enfants de la machine', which focuses on the threat posed to humankind today by biotechnology, eugenics and transhumanism, with a particular focus on artificial reproduction.

The contributors who spoke at the event included Silvia Guerini of the Italian network Resistenze al nanomondo; [1] philosopher Renaud Garcia; [2] writer Bertrand Louart (whose latest book was reviewed [3] in *Acorn 78*), Jacques Luzi of Bretagne-Sud University and representatives of Pièces et Main d'oeuvre, the technocritical outfit that published Alexis Escudero's [4] 2014 book *La reproduction artificielle de l'humain*.

I found the talks, and indeed the articles on which they were based, extremely pertinent.

They amount to a multi-faceted condemna-

tion of what the authors variously describe as "biocapitalism", "the technocratic order", and the "abandonment of the body".

Like Jennifer Bilek [5] in the USA, they also see a link between Big Bio's transhumanist agenda and the "transgender" phenomenon.

This, of course, is currently one of the system's holiest of holy cows and Garcia asks how it can be that the issue has taken on such visibility, and thus such apparent importance, in contemporary society.

He writes of the media messaging, the propaganda coming from international partnerships, the psychological state of activists, industrial interests and a cultural mutation and says he finds it "impossible for the moment to establish an order of priority".

I would venture that the industrial and financial interests clearly lie behind all the media and institutional propaganda which has artificially manufactured a cultural mutation and fanatical authoritarian mindset.

Garcia tells the story of the late academic and psychiatrist Colette Chiland who worked with "transgender" individuals and wrote about the "illusion" rather than the reality of changing sex.

As a result she was "the victim of an intimidation operation that started at 7 o'clock each morning" and she was dragged through the mud by national left-liberal newspaper Libération.

Garcia remarks that to call somebody a "transphobe" is essentially to scream "shut up!" and wonders where "the real fascists of our times" are to be found.

Having personally witnessed both Garcia and Escudero being (separately) hate-mobbed for daring to challenge techno-capitalist orthodoxy in a left libertarian venue, I was half expecting to encounter a picket outside the event in Aix.

But it turned out that the inevitable attack had already taken place the day before, via an allegedly "environmentalist" website.

Four members of *Écologie & Politique's* editorial committee were given a slot on the *Terrestres* [6] site to condemn the excellent special issue of their own publication.

As I read their nasty smear piece, I was overcome by a strange feeling of recognition.

I knew this tone, this technique – I was listening to the familiar Voice of the System.

This voice never argues with those who challenge its so-called truths, nor does it present its objection in terms of a disagreement.

Instead, it invariably condemns the objects of its hatred as morally bad and connected to everything else that it has already declared to be beyond the political pale.

So it is that these thought-police authors slap the label "reactionary" on the rebel writers.

They don't at all appreciate the contributions of Guerini and Luzi, but particularly single out Garcia, saying that his article comes at the same time as "the rise of the extreme right" across Europe – thus insidiously trying to imply that he is part of this rise!

They go on to talk about attacks and even murders of minorities, as if to suggest that this is somehow the fault of people who dare challenge the system's woke propaganda and its role in promoting the transhumanist agenda.

And the inquisitors don't stop there, dropping in references to "nostalgists for fascism" taking power in Italy and 89 "extreme right MPs" winning places in the French Parliament, all for the purpose of saying that Garcia and the other dissident voices have a moral duty to shut up and toe the authorised "left-wing" line.

"The alliance between feminist movements, LGBTQI movements and environmental movements can only be made by getting rid of a retrograde vision of nature, including human nature", they declare.

There's the vitaphobic ideological agenda laid bare in one sentence!

Because the dissident position does not correspond to their official Central Committee version of left-wing thought, the authors invoke the oft-cited threat of "convergences" and "confusion" between "left" and "right" critics of the system they defend, giving two gratuitous namechecks to French New Right thinker Alain De Benoist without feeling the need to demonstrate the slightest relevance to the question in hand.

By littering their article with names and labels that frighten their target readership, without any factual justification, the witchfinders seek to discredit and marginalise their opponents by foul means.

They even condemn the cover of the journal, a drawing of a mother and child, as reflecting "an iconography instrumentalised by conservative currents" and find their opponents guilty of the serious thoughtcrimes of "giving credit to conservative arguments surrounding gender and promoting a fatalistic vision of technical and scientific evolution".

On a lighter note, their repeated use (*five times!*) of the term "problématique", to describe views with which they do not agree, made me laugh out loud, reminding me of Francis Aaron's excellent music video 'Problematic'. [7]

Having marvelled at the utter dishonesty of this attack on dissident views, I thought I would have a quick look at the identities of the four smear-mongering authors.

The first, **Renaud Bécot**, is an "expert" from the Fondation Jean Jaurès, a "progressive think tank" [8] funded by the French state and

considered [9] to be close to the Macron regime.

The second, **Fabrice Flipo**, is a senior researcher [10] at Telecom EM, [11] which "trains innovative managers and entrepreneurs who are open to the world and who will guide organizations through the digital, energy and ecological, economic and industrial transitions that will be at the heart of tomorrow's society" and is the business school [12] of the Institut Mines-Telecom, a public-private body which boasts a "dual governance structure" in which the French State's supervision is "complemented by the participation of large companies".

The third author, **Laurent Garrouste**, is a state-employed inspector who is also a member [13] of the Fondation Copernic, a purportedly radical organisation that regards [14] Covid "vaccines" as a "great success" and demanded that they be rolled out universally.

And the fourth voice of the system is **Benoît Monange**, director of the Fondation de l'écologie politique, [15] French partner [16] of the Green European Foundation, [17] which is funded by the European Parliament and is very interested in smart cities. [18]

Say no more!

RAMPING UP THE GLOBAL INQUISITION

January 21, 2023

A few weeks back I wrote a piece about the way that anyone who challenges the dominant political agenda is liable to undergo a shaming, smearing, witch-hunting attack by what I called "the voice of the system".

The case in question concerned a leftenvironmental publication in France which had dared to state its opposition to transhumanism and artificial wombs and was therefore depicted as "reactionary" by representatives of the publicprivate technocratic nexus.

Since then, other instances of the same phenomenon have come to my attention which confirm, once again, that this is not something confined to one country or even one continent, but is a worldwide assault on free speech which can only be described as a sinister global inquisition.

Case 1: Andrew Bridgen MP

I have in front of me a copy of the international edition of *The Daily Telegraph* of Thursday January 12 2023, whose front page features a story entitled "Bridgen loses whip over Holocaust tweet".

Here we learn that a Conservative member of the UK parliament, Andrew Bridgen, [1] has been disowned by his party, and condemned by his Prime Minister Rishi Sunak, on account of a remark he made on Twitter.

As a journalist, the first thing that strikes me about the article is that it is completely one-sided. There is no response, from Bridgen or anyone defending him, to balance the three accusatory voices wielded against him – not even a line saying that he had been approached for comment but had not responded at the time of going to press.

This is not good practice for a newspaper which pretends to be objective!

The second, and more important, remark I would make is that the headline and the framing of the story, indeed of the whole "scandal", bear little relation to the reality of the situation.

Bridgen has become very unpopular in certain circles because he has addressed the issue of Covid "vaccines" and warned of the secondary effects and deaths which these muchpromoted injections are demonstrably causing.

His now-deleted tweet came in this very context, stating: "As one consultant cardiologist said to me, this is the biggest crime against humanity since the Holocaust".

Anyone paying attention will immediately grasp that Bridgen, or rather the doctor he was quoting and endorsing, did not say that this was a *bigger* crime than the Holocaust, or even that it was on the *same scale*, but that it was the biggest crime against humanity in the post-war period since 1945.

However, under the new inquisition, even to have noticed this flaw in the smearing narrative is, in itself, to have committed a thought crime, as Conservative local councillor Alex Stevenson discovered when he was suspended from his party [2] for having made this very observation!

We learn from the *Telegraph* article that former health secretary Matt Hancock accused Bridgen of expressing "disgusting, anti-Semitic, anti-vax conspiracy theories", which Sunak for his part described as "utterly unacceptable", declaring that he was "determined that the scourge of anti-Semitism is eradicated".

The Board of Deputies of British Jews, which seems to have been the first to pinpoint Bridgen's tweet, stated: "For an MP to suggest that Covid vaccines are the biggest crime against humanity since the Holocaust is unconscionable".

It is clear to me that the fabricated outrage over the reference to the Holocaust is merely the pretext under which Bridgen has been attacked, as reflected in the support he received from a Jewish human rights activist [3] living in Israel.

His real offence is obviously to be challenging the "vaccine" narrative and thus the interests of the pharmaceutical-military-financial complex which profits from it.

We are witnessing a small-scale re-run, in the Conservative Party this time, of the manufactured "anti-semitism" scandal that led to Jeremy Corbyn being replaced as leader of the Labour Party by Keir Starmer, a 2023 Davos attendee [4] and longstanding member of The Trilateral Commission, [5] the globalist organisation founded in 1973 by David Rockefeller.

The real issue was never that of antisemitism or even of Israel and Palestine, but the inconvenience that Corbyn's social-democratic programme, with its emphasis on the "many" [6] taking on the "few", risked causing to powerful global financial interests.

Indeed, there is even a demonstrable continuity between the pre-Covid smear campaign against Corbyn and the subsequent smear campaign against Covid dissidents, in the form of the Center for Countering Digital Hate, as we pointed out in a special Winter Oak report [7]

back in March 2020.

We wrote: "This organisation previously came into prominence for its role in the Labour Party 'anti-semitism' controversy and its patron is Rachel Riley, the pro-Israel TV presenter who famously pointed the finger at Jeremy Corbyn.

"Its CEO, Imran Ahmed, used to work as a spin doctor [8] for Labour Party politician Angela Eagle.

"But the CCDH has now suddenly, and inexplicably, switched its focus [9] to attacking those who dare to challenge the official line on the coronavirus.

"In doing so, it is using the very same language ('hate', 'populism', 'conspiracy theories') that it has previously used in an entirely different context. Very strange indeed!"

Case 2: New Zealand

New Zealand is on the other side of the world to Britain, but it is of course part of The Commonwealth [10] and thus deep within the global system [11] which the British Empire helped build.

Under the now-resigned Jacinda Arden [12] it has long been ramping up authoritarian rhetoric [13] against dissent and spreading the idea that "urgent" action is needed to combat the threat of "conspiracy theories" which have led to

important pro-freedom protests.

An article [14] on the *newshub* site this month reported on a "not-for-profit organisation" that wants to introduce political indoctrination in schools in order to "combat the spread of misinformation around COVID-19".

This organisation, Tohatoha, (not 'Tohaohas' as the report ironically misinforms us) apparently received funding during the pandemic, providing 10-week programmes for 24 schools per term, but, tragically, "its funding is set to run out" – hence the need, presumably, to present an "urgent" need for its services!

It echoes the messaging of Britain's CCDH in its plea [15] to "build social cohesion by calling out hate" and, intriguingly, pursues a parallel agenda [16] to make New Zealand "a digital nation with a digitally sophisticated population", to enact "digital transformation" and create "a just and equitable digital world—for Aotearoa and the planet".

Its chief executive Mandy Henk, [17] a founding member of the People's Library at Occupy Wall Street, is attached [18] to DePauw University in Indiana, USA, an institution which prides itself on its "global impact". [19]

Just how far New Zealand's "transformation" into a model techno-fascist society has advanced can be judged by the treatment meted out to Australian dissident magazine *New Dawn*. [20]

A campaign launched by the *Stuff* [21] website led to the publication being withdrawn from sale in bookshops across New Zealand.

Again, I suspect that the real reason it has been targeted is that it challenges Big Pharma's "vaccine" story, the most important narrative of the moment.

But the attack was principally launched on the basis of an article about the Christchurch Mosques shootings of 2019.

The *Stuff* article quotes Kate Hannah, director of something called The Disinformation Project, as saying some of the commentary in *New Dawn* was "borderline in legality".

However, she and *Stuff* are, themselves, guilty of disinformation in claiming that the article "describes the content of livestreamed video of the Christchurch shootings, as well [as] where it had been published, which could encourage people to seek it out", with the warning that "watching and distributing the video is illegal in New Zealand, following a ban from the Chief Censor". (*Yes, such a person really exists!*)

As anyone can see by taking a look at the *New Dawn* issue in question, [22] it merely refers to the shooter's livestreaming without providing any means or encouragement for readers to view it.

As well as playing the usual "hate" card by

claiming the article was "harmful to the Muslim community, the wider Christchurch community, and to social cohesion in New Zealand", Hannah added another level of alarmist insinuation to the mix by warning: "People who see and/or consume such content must understand that there are larger and more dark agendas present, particularly the Russian connections, which aim to destabilise liberal democracy".

When Hannah says "liberal democracy" she really means the authoritarian global public-private power structure [23] that has revealed its existence to so many since 2020.

Hence she declares that "the older conspiratorial narratives are now completely embedded with contemporary or newer ones, such as Covid-19 conspiracy and denial, false flag narratives, and the concept of the grand conspiracy called The Great Reset".

The absurd dishonesty of her implication that The Great Reset [24] was invented by "conspiracy theorists", rather than publicly announced by Klaus Schwab [25] of the WEF and launched by King Charles III, [26] points to the toxic falsity of her associated implications that false flag terrorism [27] does not exist and that seeing through lies amounts to "denial".

Disinformation expert Hannah certainly has a vested interest in defending the global system. She is Principal Investigator for Te Pūnaha Matatini ("Data, Knowledge, Insight"), [28] an organisation "committed to increasing equity, diversity, access, and inclusion in science and research" [29] and whose advisory board [30] includes Pieta Brown [31] of Orion Health, [32] a global healthcare digital data firm, and Atawhai Tibble, [33] who is interested in "the measurement of cultural capital" and works for the Social Investment Agency, [34] the state organisation rolling out public-private impact [35] investment in New Zealand.

Hannah also works [36] with the Global Partnership on Artificial Intelligence, [37] a "multistakeholder initiative bringing together leading experts from science, industry, civil society, international organizations and government" whose Secretariat is hosted at the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), whose origins and activities I have previously explored. [38]

Case 3: Aseem Malhotra

One of the smearing techniques often used by the global inquisitors is to attempt to contaminate one person's reputation by linking them to another person whose reputation they have already contaminated by some dishonest means.

Each lie they tell therefore becomes a launching pad for further lies and can be used to

attack heretics without the need for any further "incriminating" evidence.

This method was used by *The Guardian* on January 13 2023 in its assault [39] on cardiologist Aseem Malhotra [40] when it complained that "Malhotra recently retweeted a video by the MP Andrew Bridgen, who had the Tory whip removed on Wednesday after comparing the use of Covid vaccines to the Holocaust".

The outrage was sparked by the fact that Malhotra had somehow managed to express his concerns about the Covid jabs on BBC rolling news, explaining that his own research showed they carried a cardiovascular risk and calling for them to be halted pending an inquiry because of concerns over excess deaths.

His video of the interview was apparently viewed more than 800,000 times in under four hours.

Because Malhotra deviated from the system's authorised script – he "made unprompted claims" in the BBC's terms – he was laughably accused of "hijacking" his own TV interview!

The Guardian stated: "Experts have criticised Dr Aseem Malhotra's appearance on the corporation's news channel on Friday, accusing him of pushing 'extreme fringe' views, which are 'misguided', 'dangerous' and could mislead the public".

Ah yes, of course, experts... As if a cardiologist has no claim on that label!

The Deadline website's report [41] on Malhotra also chose to throw in a reference to Bridgen, described here as a "disgraced lawmaker who compared Covid shots to Holocaust".

Its trump card in refuting Malhotra's truthtelling was the declaration that "Malhotra's research has been debunked by Health Feedback, a World Health Organization-backed group that verifies scientific claims made about vaccine safety in the media".

Criticism of the pharmaceutical-financial complex can credibly be "debunked" by that same system? Highlighting dangers to people's health is, in itself, "dangerous"? Professionals with the courage to tell the truth as they see it are misleading the public with "extreme fringe" views?

Every absurdity becomes a possibility in the reality-inversing world of The Great Racket and its global inquisition.

FIGHTING OFF THE ENCROACHMENT

February 8, 2023

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I belong to that much-maligned breed of people who have spent their whole lives protesting about various things.

I have demonstrated – enthusiastically! – against road-building and fracking, against surveillance cameras and "anti-terrorist" laws, against arms fairs and drone factories, against privatisations and bankster bail-outs, against the City of London and the British ruling class, against NATO and its wars, against the G8, the G20 and the Bilderberg conference, against lockdowns, masks and vaccine passports.

One of the hostile remarks often made about people like me is that we are incoherent. By jumping from one issue to another at regular intervals we reveal ourselves to be rudderless, shallow, a mere "rent-a-mob" who protest just for the sake of protesting and don't even really understand why we are there.

A second criticism is that we are negative. We are always *against* something, rather than for it. We are the "antis", anti-everything.

And a third complaint is that we are a public nuisance, an irritating and self-important minority who try to impose our preferences on other people and won't simply let ordinary decent folk get on with living their ordinary decent lives.

Naturally, I regard all three of these judgements as mistaken!

On the first count, I am increasingly aware that everything I have been protesting against over the years is part of one and the same phenomenon which, by way of shorthand, many of us refer to as the system.

It is obvious enough that there is a connection between the arms trade and NATO, for instance, or between the City of London and privatisation, but I have come to understand that these two realms are themselves facets of the same overall entity, as is pretty much everything undesirable you can think of, from globalisation to "vaccines".

Fighting for decades against all these manifestations of the one phenomenon has, thus, been anything but incoherent...

The second complaint, about being "antis", is only valid if you believe that opposing a bad thing is negative.

While the banners under which we fight our

various campaigns are not always couched merely in terms of opposition, it is certainly true that there does tend to be an underlying theme of being against something.

But this is inevitable! The reason why people mobilise and organise and take action is that something undesirable is happening that they want to stop.

All these different campaigns and struggles therefore amount to one decentralised and largely uncoordinated attempt to halt, or at least to slow down, the harmful activities of the overall phenomenon threatening us.

I am using the word "phenomenon" because at this point the term "system" starts to feel inadequate. A system could easily be something static, something that is already in place and is hard to remove.

But the central problem with the phenomenon in question is that it is never static or still and is constantly expanding.

That is what it is, in fact: an expansion, an accumulation, a malignant growth.

This is why it is always seen by people like me as a threat, something to be resisted. It is always encroaching, confiscating, stealing, developing, destroying.

If I had been born into a world full of surveillance cameras, I don't suppose I would ever have had the idea to protest against them. Calling for a demonstration against a road that has been in place for the last 50 years would not result in a big turn-out, even from the most hardline "antis".

It is the threat of *change* that motivates us, change that we can see is bad or dangerous.

And, to address the third common criticism, it is not us, but the ever-encroaching system that won't simply let ordinary decent folk get on with living their ordinary decent lives.

This was the case when rural English people were thrown off their land by the enclosures and shunted into the factories of the first industrial revolution and it is the case today as rural African people are pushed off their land and towards the smart-city slavery of the fourth industrial revolution.

It is the case with every traditional way of life that is bulldozed in the name of development and modernity, every individual who is socially distanced from family and community, every new poison that is introduced into our drinking water, our air, our food or our bodies.

It is the case with every nail hammered into our freedom, every screw tightened on the total control of the system, every opinion now declared a "crime" by those who want to take everything from us.

They just won't leave us in peace, to live our lives as we wish. Our horizon is permanently

darkened with the menace of their next state of emergency, their next all-changing war, their next technological advance, their next fake pandemic, their next Great Leap Forward, Five Year Plan, thousand-year Reich or Great Reset.

To oppose this invasive process, which we might term the **Encroachment**, is not to be a disruptive anti-social trouble-maker but to be a defender of what we already have, what we used to have and what we deserve to have again.

I picture serial refuseniks like me as being scattered all around the edges of a great mass of men, women and children, who are being herded, steadily, towards the gates of a gigantic fleshmill where they will be ground down into liquidity to feed the gluttony of their evil overlords.

Brandishing our tattered flags, banners and placards, we fight a rearguard action against the batons and electric cattle prods wielded by mercenary stormtroopers who are just doing their job of ensuring that we shuffle sustainably and inclusively towards our deadly fate.

Sometimes, when there is a particularly violent attack from the stormtroopers, as happened in 2020, there is a disorientating surge and, to our surprise, we suddenly find ourselves on the other side of the great crowd, fighting the same enemy alongside people we have never seen before.

On and on the oppressors encroach, forcing the people ever closer to the grim gates, and for all our efforts we are forced to retreat.

But all the time we keep calling out, over our shoulders, to the massive numbers still advancing obediently to their doom, explaining to them what awaits them and urging them to join us in our resistance.

And we are spurred on in our apparently futile efforts by the certain knowledge that if ever a large part of the crowd wakes up, turns round and heads back in the opposite direction, the stormtroopers will be trampled underfoot as we throng joyously and triumphantly into freedom.

ANARCHY, ALCHEMY AND AWAKENING

March 8, 2023

It's been ten years now since the publication of my first book, *The Anarchist Revelation: Being* What We're Meant To Be.

A lot has happened in my life since then, but re-reading it today I find that it very much provides the pillars of my personal philosophy in 2023.

This is perhaps to be expected. I was already 50 years old a decade ago, with more than 30 years of political activity and introspection behind me, and well beyond the stage where my ideas were likely to veer dramatically off in a different direction.

There are a lot of quotes from a number of different authors in the book and many of these have since made their way on to the Winter Oak Quotes website and are thus familiar old friends.

But there are one or two I had forgotten, such as the words ascribed to the Sufi poet Rumi, when he told his hearers that they were "ducks being brought up as hens" and "they have to realise that their destiny is to swim, not to try to be chickens". [1]

I am pleased to report that I was already explicitly condemning the idea of "sustainable development" back in 2013.

It has also given me some pleasure to rediscover and re-identify with some passages I wrote about our contemporary era, "as we plunge into days of darkness and impending disaster". [2]

I noted: "There's a falsity here, which pervades everything we do. Things are never what they seem to be. We are rapidly losing touch with truth and have been for some time". [3]

I condemned the modern world on account of "its fake democracy; its violence, persecution and corruption; its lies and hypocrisies; its relentless propagandising and mind-manipulation; its denial of history; its restriction of language and thought to its own shallow and self-referential level". [4]

The passing years have only confirmed my opinion of the authority under which I was living. I warned back then: "The British state, along with others of a similar kind, would stop at nothing to protect its power – as witnessed by its actions up to this point, designed to ensure that dissidents can never push events so far that the state is forced to reveal itself to all as the callous, murderous beast that it has always been". [5]

The only thing that slightly jars now is my

rather starry-eyed conviction that I was part of an anarchist movement that shared all my own principles.

I claimed at the time: "In the blood of each and every anarchist flows the need to question everything, to accept no limits to the freedom of the individual and – therefore, as a logical consequence – the community". [6]

Today, having observed the Covid complicity and assorted insanities of so many so-called comrades, I would feel the absolute need to insert the adjective "real" before the word "anarchist"!

When I wrote that for an anarchist "being free as an individual is absolutely non-negotiable", [7] little did I think that seven years later anarchists would be taking me to task for even using the term "individual freedom" [8] and snottily placing inverted commas around the words to emphasise their distaste for a concept that they associated uniquely with Donald Trump, libertarian American capitalists and "Covid deniers".

The preface reminds me that I had already had a hint of the divisions that were to follow, in the shape of feedback on the draft of the book that I had received from a fellow anarchist.

He had felt my outlook was overly individualistic and he contested my assumption that the anarchist personality was essentially that of an "outsider", alienated from others in contempo-

rary society.

I retorted: "The anarchist vision is so profoundly at odds with everything on which our current society is based – all that domination, exploitation and control enforced by statesanctioned violence – that it is not possible to be an anarchist and *not* feel alienated from that world and the mindset that uncritically accepts it". [9]

My subsequent comment that "there may be those who are happy to label themselves 'anarchists' for superficial reasons", [10] was a small foretaste of a realisation that was later to be fully forced upon me.

I had several encouraging reactions to *The Anarchist Revelation*, such as from the poet Helen Moore in *Permaculture* magazine [11] and from Austrian anarchist author Gabriel Kuhn. [12]

My work also caught the attention of well-known US green anarchist writer John Zerzan (later to take a disappointing stance over Covid), who declared it to be "the least pessimistic book I can recall reading" and said that "it brings anarchist resistance and the spirit together in a very wide-ranging and powerful contribution". [13]

I was honoured when the book was later reviewed in the academic *Anarchist Studies* journal. [14]

The reviewer, Brian Morris, was quite affable when I later met him, and his write-up was no hatchet job, describing *The Anarchist Revelation* as "well-researched and written in a lively style" and "highly readable and engaging".

Morris added: "Cudenec's lively discussion of anarchism and his critique of industrial capitalism and the state are very worthwhile, and full of interest".

However, his review revealed to me an immense and hitherto unsuspected gulf between my own outlook and that of a certain seemingly dominant version of anarchism.

He complained, to my surprise: "To describe contemporary Western people as brain-washed, as alienated from the natural world and as completely 'supine' before the forces of the modern state and industrial capitalism, let alone describing them as all 'insane' (following the ardent primitivist Derrick Jensen) is arrogant and elitist and insulting towards ordinary working people".

What?

But where I had evidently most irritated Morris was with the "mystical" aspect of my personal anarchist philosophy, which was completely at odds with his own staunchly materialist worldview.

He insisted: "Beliefs in ancestral spirits, or in some deity or in a world spirit have no reality apart from the social practices in which they are embedded... Spirituality, state power and capitalism are intrinsically linked, as is exemplified by fundamentalist religious movements throughout the world".

Morris did make me smile when he wrote that I seemed to be "stuck in the medieval era", as I often secretly wish that this was the case!

A very unmodern spirituality was certainly at the core of the philosophy I advanced in *The Anarchist Revelation*, including my identification of the need for individuals and society alike to undergo a purifying and renewing transformation, a "descent into, and re-emergence from, some kind of flaming ordeal on the metaphorical alchemist's stove". [15]

Implicit in my attempt to combine anarchism and esoteric spirituality was the feeling that "mainstream" anarchist thinking would benefit from what the Sufi thinker Idries Shah describes as "the purification of the dross and the activation of the gold". [16]

I wonder now whether the Covid years have been that purifying ordeal, not just for many of us personally, but for the resistance movement that I had always described as anarchist.

In the book, I quoted Gustav Landauer when he said: "There is no need to fear a lack of revolutionaries: they actually arise by a sort of spontaneous generation – namely when the

revolution comes". [17]

And I imagined a hypothetical moment of crisis in which anarchist revolt was not a funpacked teenage house-wrecking party but a grim and lonely responsibility in the face of seriously adverse circumstances.

I wrote: "This is when the real anarchists are needed, the anarchists who will *always* be anarchists regardless of whether or not they find themselves buoyed up by the warmth and friendship of others with the same aims.

"But where do they come from? Who are these people who will emerge from among the children of today to become the liberators of tomorrow? What kind of individual could wrench themselves free from the mental and physical confines of our society and brave all the derision, isolation and persecution to take on a struggle with a sense of necessity that is incomprehensible to most of their fellow citizens?" [18]

Since 2020 we have had some answers to this question and it seems that the courageous and clear-minded freedom fighters who stepped forward to defy tyranny were mostly *not* people who described themselves as anarchists, while many of those who *did* use the label turned out to be sadly unworthy of it.

I insisted in the book that transformation and renewal on a personal level has to be seen as part of the same process as transformation and renewal on the social plane.

And this process might also take place, at a time of unprecedented global danger for humankind, within the collective social antibody, the "resistance movement" if you like, that the species generates for its own protection.

The dross of spiritless and conformist posturing that appeared on the surface to be "anarchism" was burnt away by the flaming alchemical ordeal, allowing a renewed form to emerge.

This may have lacked the label, and precise political form, of anarchism but nevertheless carried within it the vital energy that had gradually dried up and withered away inside the hard and dogmatic shell still bearing the name.

The gold of genuine resistance had emerged from the ashes of despair!

And it is this resurgence of life, love and the yearning for freedom, unwittingly created by the forces of repression themselves, that can act as the catalyst for a worldwide alchemical miracle.

As I wrote in 2013: "A remarkable transformation is required if we are to shake off the mental disease that is condemning humanity, and the planet, to a slow and ignoble death by ignorance and greed.

"An awakening is required on a scale never seen before, an awakening that will spread like a tsunami around the globe, sweeping away the machineries and mindset of hateful oppression and denial.

"It is not so much a revolution that is needed, but a revelation – a lifting of all the veils of falsity and a joyful rediscovery of the authentic core of our existence". [19]

LONDON'S SECRET SMART STATIONS ROLL-OUT

March 13, 2023

The digital slave-system of the Fourth Industrial Repression [1] is being imposed on us by stealth.

Various aspects of the sinister technology have gradually crept in over the years under the excuse of fighting crime or terrorism or, more recently, of combating the spread of a so-called pandemic.

As we saw in our recent article [2] on "15 Minute Cities", we are now being told that it is all about urban planning and making life generally more pleasant for everyone by reducing traffic congestion and pollution.

Anyone who sees through this greenwashing attempt is dismissed as a paranoid fool or as a dangerous conspiracy theorist spreading fear and disinformation.

And yet the whole premise of this official spin is blown out of the water by the fact that SMART infrastructure (Self-Monitoring, Analysis, and Reporting Technology) is being rolled out in contexts that have nothing to do

with private vehicle use.

We have got hold of a very interesting document from Transport for London on the current testing of smart surveillance at Willesden Green tube station, which is due to continue until March 31, 2023.

If this project were really about "providing the best possible service" to passengers on the British capital's underground railway network, as claimed, then you would think that it would be loudly and proudly announced and discussed, with information widely available in a democratic public consultation.

But the fact that the document, entitled "Smart Station Proof Concept", is marked "restricted" for internal TfL use reveals the secrecy being deployed to sneak through this new stage of the incremental theft of our freedom.

In the public interest, we have decided to publicise its contents.

The "exciting" project for the Jubilee Line station combines existing CCTV cameras with "visual analytics technology" to provide 24-hour real-time monitoring, via a "Smart Stations Dashboard".

As well as counting everyone entering and leaving the station, the smart spies will be issuing "notifications" for a range of "triggers" including not just gate-jumping or smoking, but also "loitering" or a "person sat on a bench

(Excessive Time)", which turns out to be anything more than ten minutes!

The document reveals that this will be achieved by identifying body language, movement, behaviour and "some protected characteristics", which apparently include disability, age and pregnancy/maternity.

But don't worry: "All identification is performed in accordance with our data protection impact assessment and equality impact assessment".

The document is disingenuous when it declares that the "smart station" system will allow TfL to "deliver an even more attentive service to Customers. We will have 24 more sets of eyes watching for incidents 24/7/365" and in claiming that "Smart Station technology will not replace station staff".

One of the main purposes of 4IR technology, as famously championed by Klaus Schwab of the World Economic Forum, is to get rid of pesky, demanding and expensive human employees. In the longer term, the robot "eyes" at tube stations are designed to replace most of the human ones, rather than to add to them.

Even more concerning is the agenda that lies behind digital facial recognition. [3]

It is stressed that, in the Willesden Green trial, this aspect of the smart project is not being activated, but with the Chinese-style technology already in place [4] elsewhere on the London transport network, this looks like a time-buying "frog-boiling" manoeuvre.

As specific individuals are apparently not being traced, the document insists that the "most protected characteristics" will not be identified.

It lists these as including "gender, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, race (ethnicity), religion and belief, sexual orientation".

But the very fact that the category of "most protected characteristics" exists and has been carefully defined, only to be specifically excluded from this particular trial, merely confirms that it forms part of the totalitarian tracking involved with the full facial-recognition version that will eventually be unleashed everywhere.

And the prospect of real-time surveillance which monitors people in terms of these particular categories suggests an entirely predictable link to UNSDG-based impact capitalism, the 21st century digital slave-system which is in fact the driving force behind the whole smart cities agenda.

As we wrote in 2021, the aim is to create a "digital twin" of each and every one of us, stored on blockchain and allowing financial interests to commodify, and speculate upon, our lives. [5]

For this, they need total real-time surveillance of all our movements and interactions, via 5G or 6G.

They want to shunt us into "a world of geofencing and e-carceration, of facial recognition and predictive policing, of biometric data and sensor networks, of behavioural insights and eugenics, of nudging and shaping, of the internet of things and the internet of bodies", we warned.

Three "technology partners" for the Smart Stations project are named in the document.

One of these is **Virgin Media/02**, the London-based telecommunications giant [6] jointly owned by British-Dutch-American multinational Liberty Global [7] and Spain's Telefónica, [8] which are both World Economic Forum partners. [9]

Another is **Telent**, which describes itself [10] as "a leading technology company and specialist in the design, build, support and management of the UK's critical digital infrastructure".

Its Chief Technical Officer, Gerard Donohue, nicely sets out the overall plan when he writes of a "new dynamic" based on "Smart Cities, autonomous vehicles and the emergence of Internet of Things (IoT)". [11]

He adds: "As these environs emerge in the 21st century, this means that physical infrastructure such as roads, rail and pathways become a pivotal asset in ensuring this can be achieved.

"This next generation of mobile and connectivity will be delivered by 5G technology – the enabler for higher quality, content rich data services.

"Many more new 5G base stations will need to be deployed to match the coverage of existing networks — this is the challenge. The most notable difference between 4G and 5G will be that 5G will act as a gateway for IoT applications delivering the scale and breadth of connected users (human and machine) that can be met on a global scale".

And the third partner is **Integration Wizards**, which was also involved in the Covid-pretexted phase of the global techno-fascist acceleration, in the shape of "face mask compliance", "social distance monitoring" and a "face-recognition attendance app". [12]

The firm is now part of SparkCognition, [13] a US business which openly boasts [14] that its aim is to "power an industrial metaverse". [15]

The agenda is clear.

The very fact that it is being *hidden* from us shows that the Global Public Private Partnership [16] knows full well that it is *not* something we welcome.

It is up to us to convert their fake "democracy" into a reality by refusing to go along with it.

We urgently need to jump off the technologi-

cal train transporting us, through a dark tunnel of deception, towards a grim future of digital concentration camps.

UNAUTHORISED FRAGMENTS OF FREEDOM

March 19, 2023

An England of curfews, timed travel restrictions, limits on the number of people that can gather for a party in a private home...

All of that must have seemed utterly absurd 17 years ago, which is maybe why I was unable to find anyone willing to turn my 47 Random Fragments of Unauthorised Hope and Despair into a book.

In those pre-Winter Oak days, the only option was to post it on the website of a rabble-rousing local newsletter, where it remained until the site disappeared.

Today, re-reading the work, now available as a free pdf book, [1] the aspects that seem most unreal to me are those which at the time reflected my real life.

I hear the distant voice of a previous me, who was a married man, living in Sussex, England, and working as a professional journalist.

On the other hand, the nightmare future I

described is uncannily familiar, as the Covid softening-up turns into a full-spectrum 2020s techno-totalitarian coup, in which we are to be herded into smart prisons under the false flag of fighting climate change.

Random Fragments was no prophecy, of course. Many of the details have not come true: "universal compulsory dream-monitoring" still does not seem to be a thing, for instance...

More generally, I envisaged the post-9/11 "terrorism" bugbear still being the system's fear-weapon of choice, rather than viruses or the weather.

Rather than predicting anything, I was merely extending into a fictional future a process that I had watched unfolding over the years and which the likes of Aldous Huxley [2] and George Orwell [3] had already identified many decades previously.

This future is described by means of "fragments" written in different styles and from different imagined perspectives.

While most take the vantage point of those subjected, and standing up, to the tyrannical system, others are presented in the words of the oppressors, occasionally with dark irony.

Several showcase the insidious role of journalists in normalising this corporate-totalitarian dystopia and in discrediting dissidents.

Fragment 40, for instance, consists mainly of

an imagined sneering description of pro-freedom protesters by the kind of smart-alec pseudo-leftie sell-out hack often to be found writing for the likes of *The Guardian* and *Time Out*.

A great sense of sadness imbues the book, a sadness that is also a kind of suffocation, a feeling that the walls are slowly but surely closing in on human freedom, with most people seemingly unaware of what is happening.

This is most plainly expressed in Fragment 11, when a man has to carefully disable a sensor in his own (smart-style) home in order to break "the laws on window-opening" and taste the fresh air he is being denied by his artificially-controlled environment.

"He couldn't breathe", I wrote, and the meaning was broad.

If that piece belongs to those which provide the despair in the title, there is also plenty of fuel for hope.

This is mainly presented in the form of ordinary people's courage in refusing to obey the system's diktats, in testing the actual limits of its apparent total control by just saying 'no'.

There is Jack, who defies an authoritarian satnay to spend a glorious moment in the forbidden countryside; Katrina, who dares to deny the official historical 'truth' that people have always been microchipped; Jon, a newspaper editor who risks his career by

changing two weasel words in a Central Information press release; Oliver, who unplugs his VR pod to remember the stars.

But the hope also takes the form of a faith in the power of collective memory, the knowledge that propaganda and censorship will never destroy truth in the human heart.

I felt that I was living in a time of blindness and ignorance in which the best I could do was to try to pass the baton, as it were, onto future generations, to help keep the spark of freedom alight, even if it was not about to roar into flame.

This is symbolized in the final fragment when a fearful and law-abiding citizen, burning unauthorised literature he has found in his attic, accidentally lets a small piece of scorched paper, bearing the remains of the word "liberty", fly away on the breeze.

It lands in a nearby garden where a little girl picks up it and puts it carefully away in a special wooden box in case it "might somehow prove useful one far-off future day".

Has that day now come?

THE WEF ARE LIFE-HATING LIARS

March 25, 2023

[I was delighted to be able to travel back to England for the first time in three years and take part in the March 25 conference held in London by the Real Left, [1] at which I was on a panel presenting "the ecological case against the WEF". This is the text of my talk, delivered to around 100 people]

The ecological case against the WEF is, for me, simply that this organisation represents everything that real ecologists oppose.

Its apparent interest in the environment exists solely in the realm of what it likes to call its "narrative" – its boss Klaus Schwab even published a book last year entitled *The Great Narrative*.

The real meaning of this term, in plain English, is lies. Whopping great lies. The WEF and their friends in what is sometimes called the Global Public Private Partnership know that we don't want what they have in store for us, so they need to lie to us about what they are doing, and

why they are doing it, so as to fool us into going along with it all.

Their general aim, across the whole spectrum of their current agenda — under all its various names — is to push us through into a new phase of central capitalist control with the active support of the left. This is why this conference is so important. We have to break that support.

By dressing up their insidious fascistic programme as a good and worthy thing, they hope to occupy the moral high ground often associated with the left and from that lofty position to be able to sneer down on their opponents as being selfish, backwards-thinking right-wingers.

We saw this with Covid, of course, and now with 15 minute cities and so on and I think the same trick lies behind the whole "woke" agenda, which is why so many instinctively sense its underlying hypocrisy.

What we are talking about is the continuation, *ad absurdum*, of the very old lie of using the terms "progress" and "progressive" to describe the expansion of the industrial capitalist cancer.

The language and general tone of the left is weaponised against the very values that the left is historically supposed to defend – freedom from central control and from exploitation, a strong sense of community, a way of living based on the self-fulfilment of the many rather than the self-

enrichment of the few.

In the environmental realm, this deceit is not difficult to identify. After all, at the same time as championing so-called sustainable development, the WEF defines its overall mission as "laying the groundwork necessary for stakeholder capitalism to thrive". [2]

When we consider that the WEF's partners include the likes of Coca-Cola, Nestlé, Procter and Gamble, Google, Bayer, Unilever, Volvo, Volkswagen, Lockheed Martin, Boeing, BP, ExxonMobil, Shell, Rio Tinto and Heathrow Airport... we can have a fairly good guess at the actual importance it places on protecting the natural world. [3]

We hear a lot of talk about "renewable" technology from the WEF and its friends but as many critics [4] are now pointing out, this is not at all what it claims to be. It is just another form of greenwashing.

Electric cars, for instance, don't stop pollution, but merely displace it elsewhere, not just to the power stations that generate the electricity but to the mines which provide the lithium and cobalt for their batteries.

The manufacturing, transport and disposal of the tools of "renewable" energy, such as wind turbines and solar panels, involves hideous levels of environmental damage, not to speak of human suffering, as well as large quantities of the fossil

fuels they are supposed to be replacing, but never really can.

Klaus Schwab's inspiring "environmental" vision, as revealed in his books, includes installing giant mirrors in the stratosphere to deflect the sun's rays, chemically seeding the atmosphere to increase rainfall and fighting climate change with the deployment of nanoparticles. [5]

For him, "clean" energy includes nuclear fusion [6] and he looks forward to the day when satellites will "blanket the planet with communications pathways". [7]

Schwab also very much regrets all that red tape preventing the unhindered onward march of genetically modified food, warning that global food security will only be achieved by loosening regulations on GM produce. [8]

Ultimately it's all just another way of making money. Schwab dreams of "profitable carbon-capture and use-production facilities" and of turning carbon dioxide from a greenhouse pollutant into an asset. [9]

The WEF's actual stance on ecology is also, of course, confirmed by the very fact that it is explicitly promotes the so-called Fourth Industrial Revolution – Schwab wrote two books on the subject.

The promotion of transhumanism and the construction of an all-inclusive virtual

"metaverse" in which our lives are digitally reproduced, is in itself the opposite of a "green" approach – just think of the electricity needed to power this matrix and the raw materials required to construct it.

But, it's even worse than that. The agenda being pushed by the WEF, and the wider global financial system which it represents, aims not to protect nature, but to commodify it, to use it as a new market into which its economy can expand, to turn it into yet another source of financial speculation and profit.

The WEF supports the so-called New Deal for Nature, otherwise known as NaturePositive or 30×30, whose apparent aim of "protecting & restoring nature", amounts to nothing less than a trillion-dollar land grab, particularly in Africa. I'd recommend people look up the No Deal For Nature [10] campaign to learn more about that.

Another aspect of this commodification can be seen in Environmental Impact Bonds, part of the broader impact capitalism publicly launched by venture capitalist Sir Ronald Cohen, [11] a friend of Tony Blair and Gordon Brown.

This scam takes advantage of the lack of funds available to cash-strapped debt-ridden governments to advance yet further the profitable privatisation of roles traditionally played by the public sector.

The approach has been described as the

"monetization of future cost savings". [12]

In the case of Environmental Impact Bonds, investors hope to earn substantial returns on their money by financing so-called "solutions" to environmental problems on an outcome-based "pay-for-success" model.

Whether or not these "solutions" are really helpful in the long-term is not so important – if they can tick the "outcome achieved" box and grab the cash, who cares that the hundreds of trees that were planted all wither and die in the summer heat because nobody came to water them?

Environmental success, in this very narrow context, can even be defined as helping businesses to find cheaper ways of complying with government regulations or of side-stepping them in some legal but ethically dubious way. [13]

The real point of these "conservation finance opportunities", their *raison d'être* from the point of view of an impact capitalist, is that they "make economic sense". [14]

That's to say that they make money and can prove highly lucrative, especially as the bonds can be traded.

Not just the success but also the failure of these environmental "solutions" therefore has considerable potential value for a skilled speculator. In general, the very term "sustainable development", as championed by the WEF, is a deliberately misleading one. It's not the natural world which is intended to be sustained, but the development that is destroying it.

This term is of course the basis of the UNSDGs, which the WEF officially promotes, and which provide the thematic structure for the whole range of impact investing.

"Sustainable development" represents the continuation and acceleration of the development agenda that has long been promoted by the UN, along with sister bodies like the World Bank and the Commonwealth.

Even the term "development" [15] very much forms part of the deceptive narrative that I described earlier. It carries the implication of being something benign, even good, something inevitable and bound up with the necessary onwards march of "progress".

But behind this is a deliberate programme aimed at forcing through the expansion of the capitalist system and thus the wealth and power of those at the top of the pyramid.

The UN's first official "Development Decade" was the 1960s and by 1986 it was publishing its Declaration on the Right to Development with its absurd statement that "the right to development is an inalienable human right" (another example of the way it hijacks the political language of the

left to serve its own capitalist agenda).

It said its aim was to bring about "a new international economic order" and insisted that "States have the duty to co-operate with each other in ensuring development and eliminating obstacles to development".

The UN and associated organisations are the "public" part of the Global Public Private Partnership, providing the legal infrastructure by means of which their private sector partners can profit, at the expense of humanity and nature.

If we picture industrial capital as a locomotive, belching smoke and steam as it thunders endlessly on towards still greater "prosperity", we would see this global administrative infrastructure as the rails on which it travels.

The rails, the perceived "need" for ongoing development, the in-built presumption that society must organise itself in the interests of the growth of capital, only exist to carry the locomotive.

And the locomotive would not be able to get where it wants to go if the rails had not been laid down for it, and all obstacles to its advance duly eliminated, this being in truth not so much a public-private "partnership" as the complete hijacking of the public realm for private interests.

The locomotive of capital is not "sustain-

able", "environmentally friendly" or "green".

It is a process of dispossession, despoliation and destruction in the narrow self-interest of its sociopathic owners.

It feeds off the flesh of nature, sucks up life and spews out death.

Painting it green and draping its infernal machineries with rainbow-coloured bunting changes nothing.

TARGETING THE ENEMY

April 11, 2023

The invasion of BlackRock HQ [1] in Paris on April 6 by a crowd of angry protesters and strikers revealed to the world that something very important is happening in France.

From a long distance, it may look like just another trade-union-led fightback against an increase in the retirement age.

From a closer distance, it might be evident that more general grievances against the Macron regime have temporarily amplified that unionled struggle.

But, in reality, it goes a lot deeper than that.

The revolt is a continuation, in fact, of the Gilets Jaunes (Yellow Vests) uprising, [2] which began in November 2018 and only came to an end with the Covid clamp-down.

Many Gilets Jaunes, unlike the top-down sold-out left, were involved in the massive wave of protest against vaccine passports [3] that swept across the country in 2021.

Although the GJ uprising could itself be seen as the continuation of previous struggles, such as

those against the *Loi Travail* [4] or in support of the ZAD [5] at Notre-Dame des Landes, it represented a significant shift, which alarmed the authorities.

The movement was essentially uncontrollable, accepting no leadership or centralised structure, and also broke through the usual left-right divide, being a generalised revolt against the system.

The response of the Macron regime to the revolt only deepened the split between government and people.

The contempt, smears and brutal police violence unleashed against the GJs by the ruling clique, together with a refusal to take their demands seriously, shocked a large part of the French public.

This didn't look like the kind of modern "Western" government that we are all used to, which likes to pretend to represent the people and to respond to their concerns.

Instead, Macron came across as a nasty tinpot dictator, throwing his weight around with arrogant impunity.

Exactly the same thing has been happening in 2023. The government ignored weeks of massive and peaceful protesting, forced the law through parliament without a vote and then started banning demonstrations and mutilating protesters with military-style repression.

This looks less like a "liberal democracy" than a colonial government of occupation, determined to "put down the natives" at any cost.

And this, of course, is exactly what it is!

France is not run by representatives of the French people, but by representatives of the global money power, the criminal gang which owns pretty much everything, everywhere.

This power has decided to ditch the pretence of democracy so as to accelerate its control, under the pretext of various "emergencies", whether Covid or climate.

Having bought up the mainstream media, it was confident that the overall picture could never be seen by the ordinary men and women it so despises.

But it is being seen.

All across the world, people are grasping that their local political chiefs are pawns of the WEF.

They know, as well, that the WEF is just one part of a global institutional network including the likes of the UN, the WHO, and Commonwealth.

They are fast finding out that these bodies are entwined with financial organisations such as the IMF, the World Bank and the Bank for International Settlements.

These entities, like pretty much every single multi-national corporation, are controlled by the financial nexus built around BlackRock and Vanguard.

This is the entity that rules France, as it rules almost every other country.

It has managed to grab this chilling and unprecedented degree of global power by stealth, by hiding its existence behind front after front after front.

But now, in its impatience, it has made itself visible to the extent that striking rail workers in Paris know exactly where to find it.

The game has changed. The emperor is known to be naked and the people are turning on him in disgust and in anger.

WHO ARE THE REAL EXTREMISTS?

April 11, 2023

After a few decades, you can get quite used to your opinions being perpetually categorised as "extremist".

You watch what you say to work colleagues and certain family members, you express yourself anonymously or pseudonymously, you seek refuge with like-branded individuals and mentally set yourself apart from society as a whole.

This, of course, is what the label is intended to achieve: the marginalisation, stigmatisation and, eventually, criminalisation of dissenting views.

I have long been aware of the nature of this device and have sometimes sought to turn it into a badge of honour.

In the 1990s I penned an unpublished (and probably unpublishable!) novel called *The Extremist* and later nodded in the same direction with the sub-title of 2019's *No Such Place As Asha* ("an extremist novel").

But lately it has struck me that the "extrem-

ist" tag is fundamentally and outrageously unfair!

Is it really "extremist" to think that our society has taken a seriously wrong direction which urgently needs to be rethought?

Is it really "extremist" to seek to defend basic freedom from the encroachment of authoritarian police-state control?

Is it really "extremist" to object to the destruction of the natural world in the pursuit of material greed?

Is it really "extremist" to protest against resource-grabbing wars waged under false pretences at the cost of endless innocent lives?

Is it really "extremist" to be appalled by the ever-accelerating accumulation of wealth and power in the hands of a tiny gang of criminal sociopaths?

Is it really "extremist" to see through their lies, to investigate their activities and to denounce their insidious scheming?

No, of course it isn't!

Until now, the "extremist" smear has been very effective. It works even better than terms such as "unacceptable", "fringe" or "beyond the pale" because it also serves to slice up dissenters into two opposite camps.

Once labelled "extreme left" or "extreme right", we are supposed to cling to that manufactured allegiance, to adopt all the opinions peddled by its self-appointed leaders, never to agree with anything said by the "other extreme" and, indeed, to consider these rival dissidents as our principal enemies, instead of the power-nexus itself.

I said "until now", because it looks as if the rigid "left-right" divide is finally breaking down, as people realise that the crucial battle is in fact between "below" and "above", between "us" and "them".

When the illusion has been shattered of opposing "extremes" flanking a moderate "centre", the overall picture becomes a lot clearer.

It becomes apparent that the real "extremists" are those who are already extremely rich but want to get even richer; those who are extremely deceitful and dishonest in their dealings; those who have an extreme disregard for the lives and well-being of others and an extreme fear of real democracy, along with a deeply unpleasant propensity to use extreme violence to protect and expand their power.

The forthcoming collapse of their mendacious narrative and the long-overdue awakening of the people promises to be *extremely* interesting!

REMEMBERING WHO WE ARE

April 18, 2022

The other day, as I sat drinking a coffee at the local Sunday morning *puces*, the flea market, I suddenly noticed how happy everybody seemed to be, despite all that has been going on here in France.

Browsing racks of clothes or crates of secondhand books, bumping into friends with smiles all round, chatting away at the tables in the café, these people were quite obviously pleased to have come together in the gusty spring sunshine.

The same thing is true of the little gatherings of our village pro-freedom group.

Here, we devote our time, in between eating and drinking of course, to discussing the dangers ahead of us and how we can best play our part in countering them, but we have nevertheless noted the pleasure we feel in simply being there with each other.

I experienced an intensified form of this feeling in March 2021, in the heart of the grim Covid clampdown, when I travelled to the small town of Les Vans for a defiant *fête de la*

résistance, featuring rebel musicians HK et les Saltimbanks.

The joy that we all felt at being together again, at walking and dancing and singing as one, unmasked and uncowed by the reign of fear, was of the kind that literally brings tears to the eyes.

What exactly is it, this powerful and primal surge of happiness that courses through our veins when we are united with other people with some kind of common aim, even when this aim is simply to enjoy ourselves?

In the spirit of the terminology that I developed in *The Withway*, I would say that it is *withenergy*, the power we find within ourselves when we are aware of our belonging to something greater than our individual being.

The system knows that this with-energy is its greatest foe.

It demonstrated this quite blatantly with its Covid-pretexted demands for "social distancing", allied with a raft of "emergency" measures aimed at ensuring that we came together with as few people as possible in real life and that all our relationships were mediated by its matrix of control.

But, in truth, it has long been working towards the same aim, destroying living communities everywhere, replacing horizontal relationships with vertical ones, peddling a creed of pseudo-individualism in which each of us is supposed to be at the same time meekly obedient to central power and blindly callous to the needs and wishes of our fellow citizens.

It ever seeks to divide us, into anti-this and pro-that, anti-that and pro-this, into "left" and "right", into the red team and the blue team, into hundreds of different "genders" and "identities", into successive generations that reject everything their parents and grandparents ever thought and whose views and tastes have been deliberately manufactured so that they can enjoy no reference to the past and can be guided only by the inverted morality of the system itself.

However, the global gangsters are seriously deluded if they imagine that all this will succeed in eliminating our innate with-energy.

Their plastic excuse for a "philosophy" imagines that people are merely separate individuals, random units that can be brought together or separated from each other by the firm hand of their authority.

And yet this is not so. One of the fundamental insights of the organic radical tradition is that the individual level of being — crucially important as the only direct and unpollutable channel between the collective soul and the physical realm—is not the only one.

The reality, of which we are not always aware because of the practical need to deal with

our individual living, is that we are merely temporary flowerings of a greater organic entity, which embraces not just humankind, but the whole of nature and indeed the cosmos.

The tingling with-energy that we feel, when we are reminded of our belonging to an aspect of that greater organism, is a sensation taking place within the body of the Whole, a shared sense of existing on a larger scale than the merely individual.

That belonging is always there, in fact, so these moments of *with-pleasure* amount to a rediscovery of something of which, deep down in our blood and our bones and our belly, we were already aware.

The joy we gain from coming together with other people is the joy of remembering our belonging to a greater natural entity, the joy of remembering who we are.

The system wants us to forget. It wants us to forget our history, it wants us to forget all the crimes it has committed against us, it wants us to forget that we need love and freedom in order to flourish, it wants us to forget that we belong to something much older and much more powerful than its ephemeral money-based empire.

But ignorance or denial of that belonging does not affect its reality.

When we come together and *feel* withenergy, we *connect* to that reality. When we *understand* what this with-energy is, we are *remembering* that reality.

When, together, we consciously *use* our withenergy to *reclaim* our belonging to that reality, we will become so strong and so free that no system will be able to hold us down.

WHEN PROTEST IS BRANDED TERRORISM

April 25, 2023

Just a month ago, I felt the need to distance myself from a dystopian future I had once described in a fictional work (See 'Fragments of Unauthorised Freedom').

I explained, rather apologetically, that at the time I had envisaged the post-9/11 "terrorism" bugbear still being the system's fear-weapon of choice, rather than viruses or the weather, as was now the case.

However, I think I may have spoken too soon!

With the Covid excuse wearing impossibly thin, it seems that the global governance is reverting back to "anti-terrorism" as a principal pretext for removing our rights and our freedom.

French interior minister Gérald Darmanin has this month been describing opposition to the widely-detested Macronist regime as "intellectual terrorism". [1]

Moreover, last week I reported [2] from a protest in the Hérault department of France at

which the authorities used "anti-terrorist" laws to ban the banging of saucepans, though it didn't really work!

A similar decree, again based on "antiterrorist" legislation, was used by the Loir-et-Cher department to outlaw protest and noisemaking around Macron's visit on Tuesday April 25. [3]

This is clearly a strategy that has been decided at a higher level than the merely regional.

Meanwhile, on Monday April 17, Ernest Moret, a young French publisher, was detained by UK police on arriving by train at St Pancras station in London under Section 7 of the Terrorism Act 2000. [4]

He was questioned for six hours, had his phone and laptop seized, and was then arrested for alleged obstruction in refusing to disclose the passcodes to his devices.

The justification for all this was that he "had participated in demonstrations in France".

Ten years ago I was detained [5] under the same law on leaving the ferry at Dover, in connection with the Carnival Against Capitalism [6] being staged in London [7] by the Stop G8 network, of which I was part.

Schedule 7 makes it a crime not to provide information to an officer if the questions are intended to investigate 'terrorism'.

But a fellow campaigner and I refused to comply, insisting that the police's questions were, instead, targeting political dissent.

The use of Section 7 against protesters has been going on for while, as a 2006 report [8] illustrates.

"Is It Really About Terrorism?" asked the heading to the article, and the answer is clearly still "no".

The common factor to all these cases is, in fact, protest – protests against the global money-power, its gatherings and its stooges.

The term "terrorism" has been deliberately twisted out of all recognition in order to smear political dissent and to judicially enable police-state repression of protest.

We have been covering this issue for some time on the Winter Oak site.

In 2015 we summarised [9] an important article from Guccio, [10] an international radical magazine.

This explained that "anti-terrorism" was not at all what it seemed, but part of a global psychological war waged against most of humanity by a small controlling gang.

The authors said that the idea that antiterrorist laws were a reaction to actual "terrorist" threats was false.

"It is known that among the 11 proposals for international anti-terrorist legislation submitted by the EU during the autumn of 2001 'in reaction to 9/11', six had already been formulated before the attacks, four were already in preparation and only one, concerning asylum and immigration, was actually new.

"We also know that the UK, one of the main engines behind this whole process, had already passed the Terrorism Act 2000 which, without saying so openly, was aimed at 'subversive' political movements, mainly the antiglobalisation movement".

That is, of course, the very legislation used last week against the aforementioned Ernest, a "subversive" who had dared protest against France's president, an all-too-obvious puppet [11] of the global money-power.

The worldwide control of the financial power nexus, [12] so evident to so many since 2020, was identified in the *Guccio* article.

The opposition, once called "the antiglobalisation movement" and now perhaps "the freedom movement", was failing because it kept on fighting repression on the national level "whereas it represents a global policy", they wrote.

They also suggested that the way we conducted our struggles could help undermine the absurd smear of "terrorism".

"When their tactic consists in ascribing a feeling of terror to any revolutionary movement, we must make people laugh, mock our enemies, show a great deal of wit. A funny terrorist is already not a terrorist any more".

They said that the "anti-terrorist" establishment had long tried to associate opposition to the system with a feeling of fear, whereas the feeling for those on the streets was one of liberation.

They wrote: "It is crucial to break this spell... spark complicity. Bind together once again the idea of revolution with the idea of increasing power, of joy".

When "anti-terrorist" laws are deployed against people banging pots and pans and when this merely provokes mockery and further saucepan-related protest, [13] we may be setting off on the right path to exploding the "anti-terrorism" scam.

But this is likely to be a painful journey, since the global empire of greed will stop at nothing to hold on to its power.

Historical moments of impending mass liberation have a strange tendency to be interrupted by some kind of emergency...

Does the renewed use of "anti-terrorist" excuses mean we can expect a resumption of terror attacks, after a period when they mysteriously became as rare as cases of old-fashioned influenza?

If so, our critique of fake "anti-terrorism" is

going to have to include an understanding of actual terrorism, not least NATO's notorious Gladio network. [14]

And we would do well to bear in mind the wise words of Gianfranco Sanguinetti in his book *On Terrorism and the State*, published more than 40 years ago.

He wrote: "I have never said that the secret services were behind every single attack, given that these days even a Molotov cocktail or a workplace sabotage are considered to be 'attacks': but I have said, and I have been saying for nearly ten years now, that all spectacular acts of terrorism are either remote-controlled, or directly carried out, by our secret services". [15]

ADIEU TO THE ILLUSION OF DEMOCRACY

May 2, 2023

The rejection of president Emmanuel Macron's bankster regime by the vast majority of the French people could hardly have been clearer on Monday May 1, 2023.

Massive crowds filled the streets across the country, with the demo in Marseille, for instance, described as "perhaps the biggest mobilisation in the history of the city". [1]

Overall, it is estimated that 2.3 million people showed their opposition to Macron's pension "reform" and to his neoliberal agenda in general.

With opinion polls putting disapproval of the new law at 80 or even 90 per cent of the population, in an actual democracy it would immediately be withdrawn, or subjected to a referendum.

But France, like so many other countries I might mention, is not an actual democracy but a plutocracy which has, until very recently, managed to pass itself off as a democracy.

The only interests that matter are those of Big Money, of Capital. The opinions and wellbeing of the people are of no interest to Macron and his former employers, the Rothschilds. [2]

This utter contempt for the hoi polloi was very much in evidence on May Day, with scenes of shocking, brutal police violence against protesters and journalists. [3]

The sight of a man on the ground being kicked in the face by a cop [4] was just another snapshot of the ongoing armed robbery of humanity by a psychopathic global criminal gang.

For the ruling clique and its corporate media, of course, the shocking element was that people are increasingly refusing to be simply trampled underfoot, or scared off the streets, by an army of "lawful" enforcers of the Rule of Greed.

Glorification of historical revolution and resistance is a constant feature of the rhetoric of La République Française, and yet when confronted with the real-life current-day thing, the attitude of its leaders suddenly becomes that of powdered ancien régime autocrats or of wartime Nazi collaborator Philippe Pétain.

Interior minister Gérald Darmanin not only called for draconian sentences against anyone who resisted the "forces of order" on May 1 but also restated his desire for a new law that would mean anyone deemed by the state to be "a threat of particular severity to public order" could be banned in advance from all protesting. [5]

Meanwhile, Macron's gang are intent on replacing a commitment to *Liberté*, *Egalité et Fraternité* with the new unholy trinity of Work, Order and Progress. [6]

Try that out in German and see how it feels: "Arbeit, Ordnung, Fortschritt".

Hmmm....

When prime minister Élisabeth Borne condemned "scenes of unacceptable violence" [7] on May Day, she was naturally not referring to the actions of the heavily-armed police.

There was no official concern for the protester who had his hand torn off [8] by a police grenade in Nantes or the hundreds of others who were injured. [9]

Instead, the tooled-up robocops who spent the day viciously attacking protesters on behalf of the money-power were depicted as innocent victims, thanks largely to one Parisian molotov cocktail that found its intended target.

Some of the police "injuries" were self-inflicted, such as when a hapless cop threw a grenade at his own colleagues!

And what a shame that so many banks and insurance companies had their premises trashed in Lyon, Paris and elsewhere.

Through the clouds of tear gas and propa-

ganda, a fundamental fact is becoming very obvious in France today.

This is that the monopoly on violence claimed by the system has no basis in either democracy or morality.

It sends its hired thugs out to attack you and smears you as "violent" if you dare to resist them.

This is not new, of course. The great Leo Tolstoy [10] declared more than a century ago: "Laws are rules, made by people who govern by means of organized violence, for non-compliance with which the non-complier is subjected to blows, to loss of liberty, or even to being murdered".

But all the time that people believe that they live in a democracy, they find it difficult to see this.

When the illusion of democracy disappears, as I think it is doing in France at the moment, the picture becomes very different.

On Monday I attended the enormous demo [11] in Montpellier, along with 18,000 others.

The protest was so big that I managed to remain blissfully unaware of the clashes that apparently broke out further ahead when police moved in to confiscate a banner and I was left with the general impression of a festive parade in the Mediterranean sunshine.

I spoke to some of the protesters to find out

why they were there.

Two of them were teachers with concerns about the decline of the education system under Macron.

"I'm angry about what is happening in our schools", said Corinne, describing a degraded system where classes were too big and it was impossible to do the job properly.

Christine added that with the latest changes, pupils would be taught to meet the requirements of private businesses.

"It's not so much educating them as training workers, employees".

Nicolas said he was fed up with politicians in general and Macron in particular.

"He is a back-to-front Robin Hood, robbing the poor to give to the rich".

His mother Sonia added: "The policies are unfair. It's always the same people who lose out".

Charlie told me he attends the May Day protest every year, but on this occasion he wanted to express his unhappiness at the way Macron was pushing through his policies without the consent of the public, having won the election run-off only thanks to widespread opposition to Marine Le Pen.

"He couldn't care less about the people," he said. "Today, we can show him that we exist".

Carole explained that she wanted to participate in the current movement of solidarity across

the country.

"We have shown that France does not agree with this reform. The people has spoken".

Agnès revealed that before the pension controversy, she had only ever been on one demonstration in her whole life.

But she was there to express her opposition to the law, as was her husband, a company boss.

She said that under Macron, certain people had too many privileges and he acted as if he were king.

"He looks down on the French people. It's intolerable. It's not worthy of French democracy.

"We are French and when we are unhappy we take to the streets. It's in our blood!"

WORK. ORDER. PROGRESS.

May 15, 2023

A certain degree of confusion seems to have been caused by my recent article about the fast-disappearing illusion of democracy here in France.

Somebody asked me how I could, at one and the same time, point to the Macron regime's proximity to the Rothschilds and also to the fascistic tone of its politics, notably its new catchphrase of "work, order and progress" (see 'Adieu to the Illusion of Democracy').

Surely, they said, the famous Jewish banking dynasty represents something entirely different to Adolf Hitler's odious state, even its direct opposite?

Well, not really, as anyone would realise who had read *The Great Racket* right through to the end.

But because not everyone has the time to tackle a 300-page book of essays, let alone the sources from which I assembled the information, I thought it would be useful to summarise the ways in which the fascistic "Work-Order-

Progress" agenda is, also, thoroughly Rothschildian in tone.

Work

The Rothschilds have been identified by their critics since the 19th century [1] as exploiters of the people and still enjoy using the term "human capital" today. [2]

They are always keen on the idea of other people, little insignificant people, being obliged to work hard to make more money for them.

Natty Rothschild (1840-1915) sneered at "the much pampered and not over-worked British workman" [3] and Alphonse de Rothschild declared in 1897: "I am sure that, generally speaking, working people are very satisfied with their lot... One has to distinguish between good and bad workers. Those who demand the eight hour day are the lazy, incapable ones. The others, the steady serious fathers of families, want to be able to work long enough to provide for themselves and their family. But if they were all compelled to work only eight hours a day do you know what the majority of them would do? Well they would drink!... What else would you expect them to do?" [4]

The Rothschilds were delighted to profit from free prison labour in their nickel mines in the French colony of New Caledonia in the late 1800s. [5]

A vision of workers with no rights and no wages is the holy grail for any self-respecting financial parasite.

In a bid to minimise the costs of paying workers, their global empire never hesitates in uprooting vast numbers of us from our homelands and dumping us in some other part of the world.

One notorious example is that of the Chinese workers their associates shipped to South Africa at the start of the 20th century to work in the mines for less money than black workers.

Comments historian John Hamill: "These Chinese were brought over in the prime of life to be broken on the wheel within three years for the purpose of grinding out ever greater profits for the monsters of greed who owned them". [6]

Order

The Rothschilds have always been big fans of order, of keeping the plebs in their place.

In the early 19th century they backed "the forces of the Counter-Revolution", [7] explains historian Jean Bouvier: "Everywhere they helped to provide money to absolute monarchies and prince-tyrants in difficulties". [8]

When revolution broke out in France in 1848, rebels targeted the profiteering Roths-

childs and their railway infrastructure.

A Rothschild chateau in the Parisian suburbs was set on fire and a section of their Nord railway line near Paris suffered more than a million francs of damage. [9]

Eventually "order" was restored and it was business as usual for the dynasty.

They got worried about losing control and profits again at the time of the Paris Commune of 1871.

Alphonse de Rothschild warned in internal correspondence that France risked becoming "a hotbed of anarchy". [10]

He initially hoped to deal with the threat of insurrection by means of controlled opposition, "moderate" republican leaders "who under the present circumstances could be called on to exercise an influence on events" and who had personally reassured him of their commitment to maintaining "order". [11]

But when that didn't work, it was time to take off the velvet gloves.

Alphonse did not hide his hatred of the "dangerous classes" of Paris. The state had to "get rid of all those vermin, veritable gallows fodder who constantly threaten society", he fumed. "Purge France and the world of all those rogues". [12]

In the Bloody Week which followed in May 1871, some 20,000 people died, including 10,000

Communards lined up and shot in improvised "abattoirs" at the orders of the army commanders. [13]

In the 1880s, when British warships bombarded Alexandria after riots had broken out in the Egyptian city, Alphonse de Rothschild wrote enthusiastically of the establishment of "law and order". [14]

In 1893 Arthur de Rothschild described the use of murderous force against the Matabele people of southern Africa as "a sharp engagement... 100 of them having been killed, whilst there was, I am happy to say, hardly a single casualty on our side".

The main interest for him was that this had resulted in what he called "a little spurt in the shares" of his family's business. [15]

In the 20th century the Rothschilds' murky and self-concealing financial empire, in particular through its J.P. Morgan front, [16] funded Benito Mussolini's [17] and Adolf Hitler's regimes. [18]

What better way of ensuring "order" and sustainable prosperity for the ultra-rich than by banning troublesome trade unions and left-wing political opposition, sourcing prison camp labour for private gain, embarking on massive industrial and military spending and remodelling human life to answer the needs of their greed machine?

Progress

Progress is, of course, a deceitful term used to sell us industrialism and its machineries, which are designed to cut labour costs, increase profits for the overclass and ramp up their control over the rest of us.

As I detail in the book, the Rothschilds have been heavily involved in everything to do with industrialisation for the last 200 years, as major players in railways, mining, steel, oil, chemicals, plastics, pharmaceutics, uranium and the nuclear industry.

They are, of course, fully aligned with the "progress" associated with the Great Reset. Their employee Kate Bingham was acclaimed by *The Guardian* in November 2022 for "putting the UK on the front foot for early deployment of vaccines during the pandemic" and said to be calling for an "expert leader" to coordinate the country's future vaccine policies. [21]

Victor Rothschild, who worked for MI5 and for Royal Dutch Shell as well as for N. M. Rothschild & Sons, was a pioneer in the world of biotech, which is closely linked to transhumanism. [22]

The Rothschilds are also involved in impact investment, the insidious means by which speculators aim to turn human lives into digital commodities, for instance through the Asset Management division of Rothschild & Co, with its "social impact investment fund", [19] or via their St James's Place Charitable Foundation. [20]

The Swiss-based Edmond de Rothschild entity happily endorses the whole Fourth Industrial Revolution circus in the form of "Farming 4.0", [23] "Digital Lifestyle", [24] "Cybersecurity" [25] and "Sustainable Governance" [26] and has established a strategic partnership in the realm of "innovative food", technology linked to "alternative proteins", new agricultural systems and the creation of "digital solutions" to nutrition. [27]

It uses the same pompous tone deployed by Klaus Schwab of the Swiss-based WEF in depicting itself at the vanguard of "progress".

It declares: "We are bold builders of the future... At Edmond de Rothschild, we believe that wealth is what tomorrow can be made of". [28]

Their wealth, that is, of course...

THE WORM BEHIND THE FACADE

May 23, 2023

The mighty edifice of the Nation-State is a glorious thing to behold.

It towers imperiously above you as you dutifully play your civic role in keeping the Great Treadmill turning.

Decked out in the national colours, it boasts huge frescoes illustrating your country's origins, its traditions, its heroes and its martyrs.

It celebrates the pillars of its rule: its democracy, its wealth and its strength.

Moving parts bring this heritage to life, as the scales of justice tilt to and fro before finding equilibrium, as the sword of the law strikes down on imaginary wrong-doers and as coloured wooden figures representing the dominant political parties revolve in and out of sight through the mechanical doors of power.

The Nation's great monuments and feats of engineering are depicted, in awe-inspiring relief, and above that images of recent heads of state topped by a 20-foot portrait of the current Leader, jaw jutting forward in princely pride.

Above, so high that you have to strain your neck and shield your eyes from the glare of the sun, are writ the words that bestow ultimate legitimacy on the State, a God-given commitment to the highest of human ideals.

And all the while blares out, from the imposing pipes of an automated and gaudily-decorated fairground organ, your national anthem, and other patriotic melodies designed to stir within you all those fine feelings required by the State: credulity, obedience, submission and conformity.

When it declares yet another state of emergency and demands that everyone run twice as fast on the Treadmill, and take half as many breaks, you are happy to comply.

When it calls upon you to denounce any neighbour seen to be shirking or complaining, you enthusiastically unleash your moral outrage.

When it calls for a million more children to be fed into its Official Orifice in order to maintain Growth and Prosperity, you leap into action with your virtue fully signalled.

The State's spectacle has entirely dominated your world since you were four years old and first stepped on to the Training Treadmills it so generously provides.

It is unquestionable, invincible and irreproachable, its non-existence simply unimaginable.

And yet, one strange day, when you felt sick

of the crowds during your Treadmill break, you wandered far to the edge of the Inclusive Comfort Zone and saw something that changed your life.

From your new perspective, you saw that the edifice was nothing more than a facade, propped up from behind like film-set scenery.

And you were horrified to see little creatures running around the place behind the scenes, busily manipulating the moving parts.

Before you could see any more, you were spotted by a Public Protection Patrol and frogmarched back to the Treadmill, to the boos and jeers and pointing fingers of all those good citizens who knew better than to venture to the fringe.

For a while, you kept your curiosity at check, fully aware that you were under observation.

But then, later, you took the risk and wandered casually to the opposite side of the Zone to see behind the scenery from another angle.

Again you noticed the nasty little figures scurrying about and as you tentatively walked nearer you saw that they looked something like goblins, or perhaps minor demons.

As they moved the levers behind the scenes, the scenery on the facade pivoted in the opposite direction, the illusion thus relying on inversion.

With a start, you realised that the Patrol was after you and, knowing that there was no way back from a second offence, you made a dash

for the facade itself.

As you grew closer, closer than anyone was ever supposed to get, you saw that the paint was clumsily applied and chipping off in places, while parts of the oh-so impressive surface had clearly been glued back into place after falling off.

Rounding the corner, you sent goblins running for cover. "Ultra-extremists! Left-Right conspiracy terrorists!" they shrieked, evidently scared out of their little wits by the sight of a real human being crashing into their cloistered world.

With the Patrol at your heels, you dashed forward, with just one glance over your shoulder to see the vast empty wooden expanse of the back of the facade, which, like the props which held it up, was obviously rotting away to the point of inevitable collapse.

You found yourself running parallel to a great plastic pipeline leading from the Official Orifice to what you now saw was a huge reservoir or lake, with some kind of mechanical arm moving back and forth across it.

To your horror, when you drew near you realised that this reservoir was full of the bodies of the children delivered through the Orifice and the arms were blades, cutting their flesh into bloody pulp.

Giant tubes reached up out of the grim mess, sucking the flesh-pulp still further on.

As you rushed forward, breathless, in your determination to elude the pursuing Patrol, you nearly stopped dead in your tracks when you identified for the first time the recipient of this food.

An enormous white worm, or grub, lay on a kind of grotesque throne, wriggling and palpitating as it swelled still further in size thanks to the incoming pulp from not just one but hundreds of tubes attached to its slime-covered scaly body.

And how this worm stank! You felt you were going to vomit as you advanced into its miasma of gangrenous greed and putrid power.

You saw now, as you clambered on to the lower parts of the worm-throne, where the other tubes were coming from.

In each direction they reached from the back of a facade much like that of your own Nation, though the outlines and sizes differed greatly in character.

You could hear music, as well, coming from all around, a confused cacophony of patriotic pride interjected with stern announcements and decrees in a hundred different languages.

Looking behind you, you saw the Patrol advance and feared the worst. But then, inexplicably, they hesitated and turned round.

What was this? A small group of people had followed you in your dash behind the scenes and

were waving frantically at you as they advanced.

Another Patrol was following them, but on their heels was an even larger group of intruders.

In fact, you realised with a thrill, there was a massive flow of people leaving the Zone and penetrating behind the facade.

You heard a shout and over at the other side of the worm you saw two people waving at you, who had evidently made a journey like yours from another Nation.

Over there, another! And another! And behind them, partly hidden from view, great floods of humanity rushing in your direction.

The people, everywhere, had broken through and there were just too many of you for the Patrols to do anything about it.

Emboldened by all this, you started to climb the sides of the worm-throne and, as you did so, you broke off a length of wood hanging loose and ragged from the ancient and unsteady structure.

Trying not to breathe too deeply of the rancid air, you reached the top and before you lay the flesh of the beast.

Without even thinking, you plunged your wooden stake into the vile body, and when you pulled it clear, you did well to avoid being sprayed by the evil fluid that spurted forth.

Again and again you struck and as you did so you were joined by others, dozens of others, hundreds and thousands, all using whatever weapon they had come across to stab at the worm, some even tearing at its flesh with their bare hands.

Others set about ripping the tubes from its body so that it could no longer grow fat from the flesh of their children.

You had no notion of time passing, but when the worm was dead, the throne demolished, tubes hacked into pieces, goblins banished, facades pulled down and treadmills turned into firewood, for the first time ever you felt free and truly alive.

CRIMINOCRACY AND ITS LIES

June 26, 2023

Why is it so notoriously difficult to apply an accurate and generally-accepted political label to the society we live in today?

Officially, we in the West are still supposedly in a condition of **democracy**, although as our rights and freedoms rapidly disappear and the power of unelected global networks becomes increasingly blatant, this now seems like a sick joke.

Many of us have long used the term **capitalism** to describe the status quo, fully aware that capitalism depends on the power of the state to impose its rule, but because so many apparently regard capitalism as describing free enterprise as opposed to state control, and see the current reality as something other than "pure" capitalism, the label always provokes objections.

The attacks on the middle classes, small businesses and low-level private property being launched under the Great Reset lend ammunition to those who regard it as representing the rise of **communism**. But "pure" communism

(which, like "pure" capitalism, has probably never existed), could not amount to the domination of the ultra-rich over the people, so the label is not helpful.

For several years, [1] I and others have been drawing attention to the close parallels between contemporary state-corporate totalitarianism and historical **fascism**. For me, this equation is merely confirmed by the fact that it is declared inadmissible, even offensive, by the powers-thatbe and that they often use that same term to smear dissidents. However, I do take the point that fascism was merely one particular form of an evolving entity and that the obvious superficial differences between Hitler and Mussolini's regimes and today's Woke World Order render the label confusing for some and thus not universally convincing.

Some like-minded observers prefer to use the term **technocracy** and, for sure, the unquestionable domination and control of Technik, at the expense of all human values, is a key characteristic of today's system. But, for me, the notion of rule by scientists and experts misses out the key element of what lies behind that technocratic rule. If actual power resided with technicians, we might be prepared to take them at their word, that they are ruling us in the common interest, or at least in what they *think* is the common interest. But this is far from being

the case, as Technik is a tool of the global ruling class, designed to maintain and increase their power and wealth with no regard at all for the common good.

In truth, the system today combines elements from all the labels I have mentioned. It is the rule of an ultra-rich group which is prepared to abandon the veneer of "democracy" and use its Technik to impose a global industrial slave-system sharing many of the worst characteristics of historical fascism, while hiding behind a communistic, egalitarian, "green" facade.

Even this does not tell the whole story, however. These ultra-rich are not rich by chance or because they work harder or better than the rest of us.

They are rich because they are criminals, who have, like dry rot, gradually taken over the whole structure of our societies.

The system under which we live is therefore a **criminocracy**, rule by criminals.

No wonder it is so difficult to find the appropriate political label to stick on their global operation, their Great Racket — they are motivated by no belief-system at all, other than the ruthlessly sociopathic pursuit of their own self-interest. [2]

Political ideas and movements are just devices for them, masks to be worn and discarded as suits their needs, labels to be attached to others so as to divide, distract and divert them.

Lying is always a key component of criminality, above the merely brutal level. *It is, after all, important not to be found out!*

An apprehended shoplifter will usually say they forgot to pay before leaving the premises; a clever burglar caught red-handed climbing out of your back window with your TV might claim he was putting it back, having chased off the actual offender; a murderer may well provide a seemingly watertight alibi for the night in question.

When people do something bad and then lie about it, it is up to society to find out the truth, expose the lie and then act accordingly.

But what happens when that society is run by the criminals themselves?

Under a criminocracy, the lies of the criminals become official truth.

Because they know that these lies are ultimately flimsy, and there will always be amateur detectives who will see through them, any challenge has to be crushed.

Gaslighting is deployed on a vast scale by the criminocrats to silence their truth-seeking critics.

Investigating and revealing their lies is presented as demented "conspiracy theory", as harmful "disinformation" or as dangerous "hate speech".

In the inversion that is so typical of the system, exposure of their criminal activity and associated lying is, itself, defined as "criminal"!

I am noticing a certain panic in the air as more and more of us wake up to the sordid reality of global corruption, greed and theft.

They are not going to get away with this.

The criminocracy is nothing but a house of cards, fabricated by professional con-artists, and very soon now the fresh breeze of truth is going to blow it down.

THE MONEY BEHIND THE SMEARS

July 5, 2023

Back in 2020 I was on the receiving end of a lot of vitriol [1] from so-called "anarchists" who objected to the fact that I refused to abandon my commitment to truth and freedom in the face of the Covid coup.

That all went quiet after a while and, moving on, I stopped even caring what these confused people thought about me.

So it was a bit of a surprise to find, via my comrades at *Nevermore Media*, that I had been targeted by a few unpleasant paragraphs on the *Montreal Counter Information* website. [2]

The main target of the attack was one of their own former associates, the Canadian activist known as Crow Qu'appelle, and one of the ways they tried to blacken his name was through his ideological association with me, so my name therefore had to be tainted with the odour of badness.

In predictable fashion, they condemned my exposures of the agenda behind the Great Reset, including the collaborative role of anarchists and the Left, as "full-throttle conspiracy mongering".

Moreover, because I have dared to criticise the Rothschilds and challenge the transhumanist/transgender industry, I am apparently guilty of "propagating far-right conspiracy theories about Jewish bankers and trans people"!

When even the likes of George Galloway, Scots left-winger (and jab enthusiast), can be labelled "far-right" [3] for challenging one aspect of the global mafia's domination, the term has clearly been redefined to the point that it has no actual meaning.

But I do still find it irritating to be seriously misrepresented by an anonymous hack (possibly a spook, as Crow writes) who clearly has no interest in understanding where I am coming from but has merely set out to attack me.

So why the attention now, three years after I was first excommunicated by the High Priests of the Central Global Church of Woke Pseudo-Anarchism?

I think a clue lies in the reference to other like-minded thinkers with whom I have been collaborating both in the English-speaking world, partly via *Nevermore*, and also in France and Italy.

The article warns of "a transnational echo chamber of conspiracists who have been embracing increasingly reactionary, transphobic, and antisemitic ideas". In other words, they are worried that we are coming together and regrouping outside of the controlled woke-left mind-prison to begin to form a coherent long-term international resistance movement!

A similar angle was adopted by an article in the UK's *Freedom News* which is referenced by the Montreal hatchet job.

This attack [4] on feminist Jennifer Bilek claims she is a "source of growing anti-semitic conspiracy theories in the gender-critical movement".

Again, the "antisemitism" here is an invention. It just so happens that many leading players in the transhumanist/transgender industry, as identified by Jennifer's excellent research, [5] have Jewish backgrounds.

She is obviously not saying that all transhumanists are Jewish, nor, of course, that all or many Jews are transhumanists.

Criticising transhumanism cannot logically be regarded as automatically "antisemitic", whatever the ethno-cultural identity of those involved!

The spectre of "antisemitism" is merely being used here to close down any analysis of, and challenge to, the multi-billion dollar industry in question.

It seems very strange indeed to me that "anarchists" would use fabricated political

smears to cancel criticism of rich and powerful movers and shakers in the medico-pharmaceutic complex and in the global banking system.

I mean, we're supposed to be against the domination of an ultra-rich ruling class, aren't we?

Perhaps some might imagine that this is merely a side-effect of the woke ideology, that their fixation with the threat from anything regarded as "far-right" blinds them to the bigger politico-economic picture.

But there is another line in the *Freedom News* article which is even more alarming.

Pointing to Jennifer's previous involvement in Deep Green Resistance, it depicts that organisation not only, predictably, as "transphobic" but also as an "eco-terrorism promoting organisation".

How could anyone identifying as an anarchist glibly roll out a phrase that sounds like it has been issued from the corridors of authoritarian power?

Real environmentalists are "terrorists"? Writing about real environmentalism is "promoting" terrorism? There is something deeply fishy about the *Freedom News* angle here.

I have previously written about the dubious connections enjoyed by many so-called "radicals".

In November 2020 I exposed [6] the ultrarich "impact" capitalists of the WEF-linked

Guerrilla Foundation who fund "activists" in the hope of profiting from "systemic change", even paying them to hobnob with what should be their enemies at "Unlikely Allies" Impact Hubs.

In February 2021 I investigated [7] Edge Fund, (aren't they clever, with their pun?), a dodgy organisation which has been seeking to fund anarchists since 2013.

Deeply embedded in the global "philanthropy" network, Edge Fund enjoys links to Big Society Capital, set up by "impact capitalist" Sir Ronald Cohen. [8]

In April 2021 I showed how woke "intersectionality" is, like the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, closely aligned with the impact industry. [9]

And in January 2023 I looked into the four so-called "environmentalists" who had been smearing my French and Italian comrades and discovered that each one of them worked for the Macron regime and/or European foundations promoting vaccines and smart cities. [10]

With regard to the strange "eco-terrorism" line in the *Freedom News* report, it turns out that they in fact lifted the phrase directly from a March 2021 article by the Trans Safety Network. [11]

The network is a member [12] of Consortium, which describes itself [13] as "the national infrastructure and umbrella body for Lesbian,

Gay, Bisexual and Trans+ groups across the UK".

My personal alarm bells were immediately set ringing by the fact that Consortium's website includes [14] an "Outcomes & Impact" section in which "we aim to help LGBT+ groups identify the changes their work is making and how to demonstrate this".

Measuring "outcomes" is a key element of the digital slavery system known as impact investment [15] and is one of the reasons why the global power nexus is trying to force us to lead our lives online, in an all-inclusive "metaverse" in which our digital twins are commodified for exploitation and speculation.

To this end, Consortium boasts [16] of its Outcomes Framework which "sets out a standardised structure of five core areas of impact and associated sub-outcomes, as well as three underlying principles".

Stressing the importance of "monitoring, evaluation and learning", it complains of "an evidence gap around the achievements of the LGBT+ sector in the UK".

Consortium explains that the impact outcome framework was produced with the help of Traverse, which it describes as "an independent social research and evaluation consultancy".

It is with Traverse that we can see the real agenda behind Consortium's outcomes obsession,

the related activities of its members such as Trans Safety Network and the anti-radical smears parroted by the useful idiots in the notso-alternative woke media.

One of the businesses with which Traverse proudly announces [17] that it works is Arcadis NV, [18] a Dutch "global design, engineering and management consulting company" involved in the construction of London City Airport, the A2 motorway in the Netherlands, the Millau motorway viaduct in France, the Tietê River Project in Brazil, and the Long Beach International Gateway, in California, USA.

Others are CITB (Construction Industry Training Board) – "It's our job to help the construction industry attract talent and to support skills development, to build a better Britain" [19] – and Horizon Nuclear Power. [20]

Now why would any of the above want to smear real environmentalists (as opposed to tame corporate puppets) as "eco-terrorists", I wonder?

Worse is to come. Two further businesses with which Traverse works are Wellcome Trust, [21] the rotten heart of Big Pharma in the UK, and Big Society Capital, [22] the entity with which Ronald Cohen launched his impact capitalism racket.

What was that again, about Traverse being "independent"?

This is all damning enough, but the trail doesn't even end here: Traverse, it turns out, is itself "a member of Sonder, a group of organisations".

The Traverse site tells us: "The Sonder Group and its individual members have been appointed to a series of government [sic] frameworks which allow Direct award of contracts in the Health Sector and other Public Sector fields". [23]

Ah, right! So it's part of the ongoing privatisation of the public sector, including the NHS, by big business parasites – a process of which impact investment is very much a part.

Sonder, on its own site, says its aims are to "create change" and "achieve sustainable impact". [24]

It seems very close to a business called PPL, with two PPL co-founders and managing partners, Simon Morioka and Claire Kennedy, on the Sonder board.

PPL actually stands for Private Public Ltd, [25] a name which evokes the business-state merger pioneered by Benito Mussolini and Adolf Hitler in the early 20th century.

Unsurprisingly, it is heavily into the impact capitalism scam.

Its Impact Report for 2020-21 brags how it had been "supporting the London Covid-19 vaccination effort" and announces that "we are working to launch a new charitable foundation which will help to ensure that the social impact funding we generate forms part of a long-term investment in local people and communities". [26]

And the following year's impact report (2021-2022) declares that it aims to "maximise the impact of our growing social impact fund" and "spread our impact more widely than we have done previously". [27]

So we have seen that Trans Safety Network is part of Consortium, whose framework was provided by Traverse, which is a member of Sonder, which is run by business people from the likes of Private Public Ltd.

More light is shed on the nature of Trans Safety Network (originators of *Freedom News*' "eco-terrorism" smear) by the fact that a glowing profile of its director Shash Appan [28] features on the ILGA Europe website. [29]

This organisation, the European region of the International Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Intersex Association, describes itself as "an independent, international non-governmental umbrella organisation uniting over 700 organisations from 54 countries across Europe and Central Asia". [30]

ILGA Europe enjoys consultative status at the United Nations Economic and Social Council and participatory status at the Council of Europe [31] and can boast of some heavyweight financial backing, not least from the European Union and the Government of the Netherlands. [32]

Another of its funders is the Oak Foundation, set up by British billionaire businessman Alan Parker [33] who made a "fortune" in "hedge funds and high tech" [34] and is now happily installed, with his money, in Geneva, Switzerland.

Oak Foundation, itself Swiss-based, says it "comprises a group of philanthropic organisations based in various countries around the world". [35]

It seeks to "achieve high impact" and explains: "We define the impact of our investments in consultation with partners and support their capacity to assess and measure progress".

This ties in nicely with the LGBT+ impact outcomes framework produced by Traverse for Consortium and thus, by extension, for its member Trans Safety Network.

A further funder of ILGA Europe is the EVZ Foundation (Remembrance Responsibility Future) which says its mission is "to keep the memory of National Socialist persecution alive". [36]

It explains that it "raises awareness of the intellectual and cultural heritage of Germanlanguage Judaism in schools and universities. Particular attention is drawn to the Jewish

contribution to Europe's political, economic and cultural development". [37]

It talks of its "substantive impact goals" and its involvement with the controversial IHRA definition of "antisemitism". [38]

For unspecified reasons, EVZ is also keen on "Support for Ukraine". [39]

It is likewise unclear *why* EVZ funds LGBT+ campaigning. I have the uncomfortable feeling that there may be some convoluted connection here with the "growing anti-semitic conspiracy theories in the gender-critical movement" of which *Freedom News* has been warning.

Indeed, this intuition is confirmed by the identity of the final listed funder of ILGA Europe, Wellspring Philanthropic Fund, formerly known as the Matan B'Seter Foundation. [40]

Jewish media source *The Algemeiner* explains that it is part of a web of trusts and foundations set up by "a trio of philanthropists, who took great pains to conceal their giving" and provided "extensive support for Jewish charities". [41]

Its article explains that "for more than two decades, the partners at little known hedge fund TGS Management – Andrew Shechtel, David Gelbaum and C. Frederick Taylor – have coordinated their donations through lawyers who have helped them cover their tracks".

As well as the \$13 billion distributed

through this secretive network, "an additional \$1 billion was donated through public foundations such as the Vanguard Charitable Endowment Program, which distributes funds for thousands of donors, making the ultimate destination of their contributions impossible to determine".

And yes, before you ask, this is indeed part of the same Vanguard empire that seems to own [42] pretty much every major business in the world, along with sister companies like BlackRock and State Street.

Predictably, Vanguard Charitable says it is dedicated to "charitable impact through strategic and thoughtful philanthropy". [43]

The lesson from all of this is that people, particularly those on the "left", urgently need to wise up.

They have to understand that the smears against us dissidents are *false flag operations*.

They appear on "anarchist", "environmentalist" or other "left" websites and are couched in the appropriate language, passing themselves off as condemnations of the "far-right", "antisemitism" or "fascist drifts".

But the source of the propaganda is identical to that of the funding channelled furtively down to these public-facing groups and individuals.

Both money and smears issue from a secretive global network of "philanthropy", "charity", "impact", "umbrella groups", "consultancies",

"foundations" and "funds" closely tied to national and international institutions.

The likes of *Montreal Counter Information* and *Freedom News* like to pretend they are punching "up", against a threat emanating from some kind of international "far-right" conspiracy, whereas in fact they are punching "down", against free-thinking rebels, on behalf of the ruthless global criminocracy.

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND: ENSLAVING GOD'S CHILDREN

July 12, 2023

Last month I spent some time back in England, where I spoke at the launch of the short documentary film 'Spirit of the Downs' in Sussex, [1] and at an event organised by the Real Left in London. [2]

I also visited family and friends around the country and found myself, for the first time, inside Bristol Cathedral.

The magnificent Gothic building was hosting an exhibition, entitled 'All God's Children', in which the Church of England was apologising for its links to the transatlantic slave trade in the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries. [3]

It seems that some 200 people buried or celebrated in the cathedral and its grounds had a close connection to the city's slavery business, and information boards were strategically placed to draw attention to this.

Bristol's role in the slave trade has been highly controversial in recent years – in 2020 a statue of slave trader Edward Colston, at the

same time a "philanthropist" according to *The Guardian*, was toppled from its plinth and pushed into the docks by protesters. [4]

I thought the exhibition was very worthwhile. It was shocking to be reminded that slaves in the West Indies were literally regarded as possessions, like cattle or furniture, with their children automatically "belonging" to the slave owners.

Those slave owners were given tens of thousands of pounds in compensation for their "loss" when slavery was abolished, while there was no compensation at all for those who had been enslaved!

The Church of England really bent over backwards to say sorry for its historical role in supporting and celebrating Bristol's slave-trade economy, even apologising for the possibility that the wording of its apology might itself be considered offensive!

A few days later I was in Manchester and, again, couldn't resist taking a peek inside the cathedral there.

Here I came across a small display celebrating the building's history, which included a section describing "Vision 2030", which is apparently "the strategic and business plan for the Cathedral".

This aims for "medium and long-term sustainability as a result of departmental budgets,

approved by the Chapter, that cover costs and generate income".

I thought this sentence was interesting in itself, for its correct use of the term "sustainability" as a question of finance, rather than of the environment!

But the Vision 2030 statement continued: "We shall consistently explore means by which to challenge contemporary society and achieve greater equality, diversity and inclusion. We shall become digitally connected".

It surprised me a little to read this kind of New Normal language, with the reference to 2030, in a religious building, until I remembered that the Church of England is an extension of the British state, which was used by the criminocracy to build their global empire of greed.

Having now done some research, I can report that the Church of England, so keen to apologise for its past involvement with exploitative slave-traders, is in fact in bed with their present-day equivalents in the neo-colonial impact investment business, who regard today's children across the world as mere "human capital" to feed their sustainable prosperity.

If you don't know what the impact industry is, take a quick look at this double-sided A4 leaflet [5] on "wising up to the impact scam".

Spearheaded by venture capitalist "Sir" Ronald Cohen, [6] it basically means privatisa-

tion of the public sector pushed further than ever before, in which big businesses make money by "investing" in various sectors tied in to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, and by turning these investments into commodities, that can be traded and speculated upon.

Children, with their whole lives ahead of them and ready to be plugged in and monitored for decades in the financiers' digital smart-city panopticon, are the prime target of the impact vultures.

Apparently forgetting its concern for the welfare of "All God's children", the Church of England has jumped on board this lucrative impact-slavery bandwagon.

In 2021 it announced [7] its first social impact investment, in collaboration with Resonance Ltd, "one of the UK's leading social impact investment companies" [8] which seeks "profit through purpose", [9] and Patron Capital, which describes itself as "one of the leading opportunistic real estate managers in Europe" [10] and which Wikipedia calls "a European private equity real estate fund" representing around €4 billion of equity. [11]

If you are wondering where real estate comes into the deal, the impact project concerned involves "providing housing for vulnerable women".

Resonance's chief investment officer, Simon Chisholm, declared: "The fund is now at £26m and the Church of England £1.6m is invested in the most recent round of investment, so that's an important step forward for the fund at this point". [12]

Explaining its involvement, The Church of England says: "In 2020, the Archbishops' Council set up a Social Impact Investment Programme, funded by the Church Commissioners, to deploy social investment capital to advance the Church's missional objectives.

"Through this programme, the Church of England is making £16 million available for a social impact portfolio, which will seek investments targeting deep positive impact.

"An Investment Committee has oversight of the social investment programme and the programme is managed by the Head of Social Impact Investment.

"The Programme's first Impact Report was published in May 2023 outlining investments made by the Social Impact Programme in its first two years". [13]

There is plenty of useful information in the C of E's first-ever impact report, hidden away among the usual do-gooding platitudes, and I would recommend readers to have a look for themselves. [14]

For one thing, there is a helpful reminder

that investment is not the same as giving and the end goal is profit, for the Church as for all the other players involved.

The report says: "Total capital committed to date is £5.7m and the investments offer a net return in the region of 3-7%".

We also learn of the Church's involvement in a Recovery Loan Fund managed by Social Investment Business, which turns out to be the trading name for the Social Investment Business Foundation. [15]

This body insists, with predictable virtuesignalling, that its "impact" is to "provide finance and support to build a more equal society". [16]

It began life in 2002 as the Adventure Capital Fund, created by the UK Government to advance "social investment".

More recently it was involved in setting up the Resilience and Recovery Loan Fund and its successor the Recovery Loan Fund, launched during the Covid-19 "crisis".

The Church's report explains that its Social Impact Investment Programme "aims to mobilise capital in a way that stimulates innovation and inclusion while bridging finance gaps".

This "Impact First" approach involves support for "innovation and risk taking" and something called Catalytic Capital.

The report states: "The Church aims to play a catalytic role in drawing more capital into maximum impact solutions".

It adds, at another point: "We will also seek to more clearly articulate our impact in working with mission-aligned investors and the catalytic role we can play in attracting further investment to impact solutions".

So this is no casual, hands-off, involvement in the impact industry, but a key one, intended to boost the expansion of the profitable financial racket.

Needless to say, the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, the structural basis of impact capitalism, make an appearance in the report!

The Church says: "We monitor how our investments contribute to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals" and provides artwork to show exactly how they do so.

So who are the people tasked with "oversight", with making sure that the Church of England's impact investing project complies with its Christian ethics?

Chair of the Archbishops' Council Investment Committee is **Carl Hughes**, a non-executive director of EnQuest Plc, the oil business notorious for its role in a 2021 corruption controversy, [17] and for more than 20 years an audit partner at Andersen and Deloitte, a firm linked to the Enron scandal. [18]

Next on the list of committee members is

John Spence, a career banker [19] who has been head of business banking at Lloyds Bank and chief executive of LloydsTSB (Scotland) and has chaired the British Banking Retail and Small Business Committees. [20]

He was a non-executive director of Capital for Enterprise Ltd, a UK public-private outfit handling the government's partnerships with venture capital funds, which later became part of the British Business Bank. [21]

Spence was also for many years deputy chairman of Business in the Community, [22] the organisation set up by the current King Charles III and which enthusiastically advances all aspects of the Great Reset and the Fourth Industrial Revolution, as I have previously reported. [23]

In 2013 Spence was honoured by the British state for "services to business", [24] which says it all.

Another committee member is **Mark Sheard**, formerly of Stretch the Horizon direct marketing agency, [25] who since 2020 has been CEO of World Vision UK, which offers "corporate philanthropy with a global social impact". [26]

World Vision works with the United Nations [27] to "help children" and "transform children's futures" and "to ensure the greatest possible impact on the lives of children". [28]

But while you wipe the tears of gratitude

from your eyes, you might want to note that the invitation to form a Corporate Charity Partnership additionally promises "a lasting impact – on your business". [29]

Also on the committee is **Steven Skakel**, former managing director of NextiraOne UK Ltd, which he described in 2006 as "one of the foremost providers of IP communications solutions and managed services in Europe". [30]

It seems that the business boasted "a significant UK presence in local government and private sector organisations".

Skakel talks in a 2011 video [31] about the "impact" of a course he had just attended, run by Common Purpose, a so-called "charity" which has been described as "an elitest pro-EU political organisation helping to replace democracy in UK, and worldwide, with CP chosen 'elite' leaders" which "is funded by public money and big business, including international banks". [32]

The last two listed members of the committee, **Danielle Walker Palmour** and **Alex Goodenough**, particularly caught my eye.

Palmour is currently a director of Friends Provident Foundation, [33] another "charity", whose "portfolio" [34] includes Snowball Impact Management – "a ground-breaking new 100% impact investment fund". [35]

Goodenough is Innovative Finance Lead at British International Investment, which boasts of being "the world's first development finance institution, with 75 years' experience as an impact investor in emerging economies". [36]

BII is eager to stress that it is keen on investing for the usual "sustainability" and "inclusivity". [37]

But the bottom line is that it is "investing for productivity... from accelerating digital transformation to building modern infrastructure, from strengthening financial services to supporting livelihoods".

In a jointly-written article on the BII site, Goodenough enthuses over a recent Global Impact Investing Network forum in the Netherlands, attended by "over 1,000 impact investors from more than 60 countries". [38]

He reports that "impact investing continues to gather momentum" and that "the size of the impact investing market has reached \$1.164 trillion".

The BII's history is an interesting one, illustrating the clear continuity between the British Empire/Commonwealth and the contemporary public-private global governance. [39]

It was established in 1948 as the Colonial Development Corporation by the Overseas Resources Development Act of that year.

Read that again! "Colonial Development". "Overseas Resources". Anyone detect a whiff of

profiteering imperialism in the air?

The BII/CDC's triumphs include establishing a cement works in Zambia to supply the construction of the Kariba Dam in 1949, investing in the Kenyan tea industry in 1964, backing India's tech industry in the late 1990s, establishing the Ghana Venture Capital Fund in 1992 and developing the mobile phone industry in Africa.

What Goodenough of BII has in common with Palmour of Friends Provident Foundation, apart from their membership of the Archbishops' Council Investment Committee, is that they both previously worked for Ronald Cohen's Big Society Capital, he as investment director and she as non-executive director. [40]

For full details on Cohen and his activities, I will refer the reader to my 2021 article, 'Ronald Cohen, impact capitalism and the Great Reset'. [41]

Suffice to say here that Cohen, "the father" of impact investment, is notorious in the UK for bankrolling the neoliberal New Labour governments of Tony Blair and Gordon Brown.

These days he is involved with Klaus Schwab's World Economic Forum, whose website describes him as "a preeminent international philanthropist, venture capitalist, private equity investor, and social innovator, who is driving forward the global impact revolution". [42]

Cohen is also a member of the United Nations Development Programme's Global Steering Group for Impact Investment, SDG Impact, which aims to "accelerate investment towards achieving the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals by 2030". [43]

And, finally, what do we know about the Head of Social Impact Investment, the individual who "manages" the programme?

Vanessa Morphet, the Church is pleased to tell us, [44] came to them straight from the UK Government's Inclusive Economy Unit, an entity set up in 2016 with what looks to be the sole aim of enabling the impact industry!

Its mission involves encouraging "private investment and support markets that deliver social impact as well as financial returns", and "increasing social impact". [45]

Prior to that she worked for "venture philanthropy" organisation Impetus — The Private Equity Foundation, a "charity" [46] that says it "transforms the lives of young people" [47] and whose trustees [48] include Rohan Haldea, also coincidentally one of the trustees of The Apax Foundation alongside the aforementioned Ronald Cohen. [49]

Morphet's earlier career in "the financial services sector" featured stints at Goldman Sachs and Wellington Management, [50] both very much part of the secretive and densely interlinked BlackRock-Vanguard-Rothschild financial complex. [51]

Wikipedia devotes a whole page to "Goldman Sachs controversies", noting: "In a widely publicized story in *Rolling Stone*, Matt Taibbi characterized Goldman Sachs as a 'great vampire squid' sucking money instead of blood, allegedly engineering 'every major market manipulation since the Great Depression'." [52]

This all may seem like strange company for the oh-so-ethical Church of England to be keeping.

But we should remember that this state institution is, after all, headed by the man [53] who launched The Great Reset in 2020 and whose family has, for generations, acted as an important link between the British Empire [54] and the private financial interests to which it is still entirely subservient.

BRICS IN THE WALL OF GLOBAL GREED

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When we think about the make-up of the global system, we tend to think in terms of nation-states like the USA, Britain, France and Germany and of international institutions such as NATO and the EU.

Indeed, for many years the might of the American state has been the main physical means by which the money-power has imposed its control across the world, it having taken over the role once played by Britain.

For this reason, many fellow antiimperialists are rejoicing at what appears to be the collapse of this Western empire and its imminent replacement by a "multi-polar world order" based on the BRICS countries — Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa.

However, they would do well to bear in mind that a world order is still a world order, whether or not it terms itself "multi-polar".

The poles in question are merely geographically diverse manifestations of the same overall

network and any "shift" in power towards BRICS can only be regarded as a manoeuvre, an internal reorganisation within the public-private global governance.

This labyrinthine entity, most visible today in the form of its Vanguard-BlackRock financial network, has emerged from the Rothschild dynasty's long-assembled financial, industrial and institutional empire.

I will here provide historical background showing how each BRICS country has long been under the influence of this worldwide power nexus and then give a brief snapshot of their current participation in the Fourth Industrial Revolution and Great Reset agenda promoted by the same interests.

There is inevitably some overlap with previous writing, particularly my booklet on the Rothschilds, *Enemies of the People*, but I also present plenty of fresh and relevant material and so I hope readers will bear with me...

BRAZIL

THE BACKGROUND

Brazil, of course, has never been part of the formal British Empire or Commonwealth, that foundation of today's global Great Racket. [1]

But in his book on the Rothschilds, Niall

Ferguson explains that the London-based financiers enjoyed a "traditionally close relationship" with the massive Latin American country. [2]

Brazil was heavily targeted for exploitation by the Rothschilds from the 1820s onwards, [3] with the coffee trade forming an important aspect of their involvement.

Historian Carroll Quigley writes about the process of commercialization and incipient industrialization of Latin American society which "was largely a consequence of foreign investments, which introduced railroads, tram lines, faster communications, large-scale mining, some processing of raw materials, the introduction of electricity, waterworks, telephones, and other public utilities and the beginnings of efforts to produce supplies for these new activities". [4]

Notes Ferguson: "The long history of Rothschild involvement in Brazil shows that they did not regard formal imperial control as a precondition of profitable capital export". [5]

He reports that the Rothschilds loaned £1 million to Brazil to fund its war with Argentina and Uruguay in 1851 [6] and afterwards came the "need" to finance the rapid growth of the country's railway network, which sparked a £1.8 million loan from the same source.

"It was just the beginning of an exceptionally monogamous financial relationship between the Brazilian government and the London house which, between 1852 and 1914, generated bond issues worth no less than £142 million", [7] adds the historian.

A lull in Brazilian government borrowing in the 1870s, with the only major issue a £5.3 million loan in 1875, was followed by a fresh bout of activity in the 1880s in which "once again the Rothschilds acted as the government's sole issuing agent in London". [8]

Altogether, says Ferguson, the Rothschilds were responsible for Brazilian government bond issues totalling £37 million between 1883 and 1889, as well as £320,000 for the Bahia-San Francisco railway company. [9]

Between 1890 and 1914, the London bankers issued a "staggering" £83 million of Brazilian public sector bonds and a further £5.8 million of private sector securities. [10]

He comments: "Plainly, the Rothschilds had substantial financial leverage over Brazil". [11]

Indeed, during the First World War, the US ambassador in Brazil commented that "the Rothschilds have so mortgaged Brazil's financial future that... they will place every obstacle in the way of her entering into banking relations with any other house than their own". [12]

When the Brazilian government approached the London Rothschilds in 1923 for a £25 million loan "to liquidate the floating debt and set Brazilian finances in order", the bankers proposed a mission to Brazil in the hope of imposing "some palatable form of foreign financial control", [13] as they themselves put it.

Despite a spat between Brazil and Britain, the Rothschilds "continued to exercise control over the coffee support scheme", writes Ferguson, and resumed their "dominant role" on Brazilian federal bond issues when Brazil returned to the gold standard in 1927. [14]

The Rothschild agent in Brazil, Henry Lynch (known locally as 'Sir Lynch' after his knighthood), "remained a key figure in the country's finances throughout the period". [15]

Brazil's debts were at times so crippling that governments were forced to suspend repayments on several occasions and Ferguson records that in the 1930s a complete restructuring of the Brazilian debt was arranged with the Rothschilds and other foreign lenders.

"By issuing new bonds, the government was able to pay around £6-8 million annually between 1932 and 1937, though it was not until 1962 that all the sterling bonds were finally liquidated". [16]

Ferguson reports that in 1965 the Rothschilds helped raise £3m for the Inter-American Development Bank and in 1968 the bank "organised two major loans totalling £41 million to its old client Brazil". [17]

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Today, Brazil is considered an "advanced emerging economy", with a GDP that is the highest in Latin America and in the top ten worldwide. It was recently rated the 9th largest military power on the planet. [18]

Current president Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva was given the World Economic Forum's first-ever Global Statesman award in 2010 [19] and this "left-winger" is so keen on Klaus Schwab's corporate pressure group that he even attended its conference on Africa in a period when he was out of office. [20]

The WEF has now opened a "Centre for the Fourth Industrial Revolution" in Brazil, which it says aims to "encourage the adoption of new technologies and to improve Brazil's global value chains, increasing the productivity and competitiveness of Brazilian companies". [21]

This is described as "a public-private partnership between the Federal Government of Brazil, the Government of the State of São Paulo, and many private sector founding partners".

In 2019 the Brazilian state launched a programme to "establish indicators and goals and implement solutions to turn Brazilian cities into smart cities". [22]

Delights in store there include CCTV cameras, face recognition, "farming surveillance" and

electronic health records.

Impact investing is well underway in Brazil, "with new investors emerging in the country and the volume of capital available for impact investing increasing", says one report. [23]

And Brazil's central bank plans to launch its digital currency in 2024. [24]

Incidentally, the Brazilian flag features the motto "ordem e progresso", Portuguese for "order and progress". This is strangely close to "work, order and progress", the new motto adapted by the Macron regime in France, which at least one commentator considers "thoroughly Rothschildian in tone". [25]

RUSSIA

THE BACKGROUND

Russia, past and present, has a reputation for being outside the financial power structures that dominate the West. But the historical facts suggest otherwise.

Professor Jean Bouvier, who was a specialist in banking affairs at the Sorbonne in Paris, says Russia played a key role in the Rothschilds' multi-polar "financial pre-eminence", which he dates back to 1818. [26]

Ferguson depicts the Rothschilds at this time as being key backers of The Holy Alliance, authoritarian monarchies defending the old aristocratic order.

"They enabled Austria, Prussia and Russia – the members of the Holy Alliance – as well as the restored Bourbons in France, to issue bonds at rates of interest only Britain and Holland had previously been able to enjoy". [27]

The Rothschilds played a role in Russia's "financial preparations" for the European war over Italian independence in 1859. [28]

They were also heavily involved in a series of loans for railway-building in Russia, particularly in the 1870s and 1890s. [29]

Widespread control of the railway infrastructure tied in nicely with heavy involvement in the oil industry.

Historians Gerry Docherty and Jim Macgregor write: "The Rothschilds, behind a myriad of different company titles, constructed oil tank wagons for the railways, storage depots and refineries for the production of petrol and kerosene, and bartered with Government departments over concessions and favorable rail cargo fares". [30]

They were notably involved in the Russian oilfields around Baku, now in Azerbaijan, where they "amassed vast and highly profitable investments". [31]

"Immobilising vast capital" in a refinery at Novorossiysk and an oil depository in Odessa, the French Rothschilds' investments in Russian oil by the end of the 19th century were worth some 58 million francs. [32]

Says Ferguson: "At peak, around a third of Russian oil output was Rothschild-controlled".
[33]

The Rothschilds also went into partnership with Pollack & Co, a Russian shipping firm, and the International Bank of St Petersburg to form a new company, Mazout, so as to expand their sales to the Russian domestic market. [34]

Relations between the Rothschilds and Russia were not always easy. Their French branch tried and failed to "establish a new Rothschild foothold" in St Petersburg on a number of occasions. [35]

But between 1870 and 1875, the London and Paris Rothschilds jointly issued Russian bonds worth a total of £62 million, "thus finally securing that influence over Russian finances which had eluded them for so long". [36]

This was also, says Ferguson, "profitable business" for the Rothschilds, with the price of the bonds leaping up by 24% between 1870 and 1875. [37]

In 1889 the Paris Rothschilds undertook two major Russian bond issues with a total face value of some £77 million, with the London Rothschilds joining in these operations by taking a share in a third £12 million issue in 1890. [38]

There was controversy in Russia over the terms of the 1889 Rothschild loan to the Russian Treasury, which was more costly than a previous "non-Rothschild loan". [39]

Having reasserted their financial links to Russia, "the Rothschilds now sought to exert pressure on the Russian government", publicly criticising its treatment of Jews. [40]

But, says Ferguson, "the Rothschilds had strictly financial reasons for blowing hot and cold towards Russia". [41]

He cites in this context short-term deposits of Russian gold with the London Rothschilds and disagreements about Russian trade policy – "specifically its protective tariffs on imports of rails and its new tax on oil exports". [42]

This policy was bound to be an issue, given the Rothschilds' serious involvement in both railways and oil in Russia.

The Rothschilds appear to have been finally persuaded to resume financial operations with Russia by the appointment of a new finance minister, Count Witte, whose wife was reported by German diplomat Count Münster to be "an intelligent and very intriguing Jewess" who was "of great help in bringing about an understanding with the Jewish bankers". [43]

Comments Ferguson: "The fact that the Rothschilds privately alluded to the Jewish origins of Witte's wife lends credibility to this

interpretation". [44]

He adds that the Rothschilds may also have been "attracted by Witte's stated objective of putting Russia on to the gold standard, which accorded with their global interests in gold mining and refining"! [45]

A 400-million-franc Rothschild-led loan to the Russian government in 1894 was followed by another for the same sum in 1896, for which Alphonse de Rothschild was decorated with the Grand Cross by the czar. [46]

Finance was an increasingly important factor behind geopolitical "diplomacy" and war at this time.

Ferguson writes: "Of all the great powers, Russia relied most heavily on foreign lending in the period before 1914; and the predominance of France as Russia's main source of external finance had as its corollary a diplomatic rapprochement between the two powers...

"This Franco-Russian entente was one of the defining diplomatic developments of the 1890s; and the Rothschilds played a central role in it – despite their strong antipathy towards the Tsarist regime's anti-Jewish policies".

In 1901 Russia took out yet another loan from a Rothschild-led consortium, this time for 425 million francs. [48]

After secretly financing the Japanese in their successful war against Russia in 1904-1906,

and then openly lending £48 million to help build back the post-war Japanese economy, [49] the Rothschilds also profited from the war on the Russian side.

"Russian industry recovered spectacularly thanks to the Rothschilds and other international bankers who poured massive loans into the country", [50] Docherty and Macgregor note.

The official Rothschild attitude to the 1917 Russian Revolution and the new Bolshevik regime was negative – "As late as 1924, in the period of the New Economic Policy, Rothschild views of Soviet Russia remained so hostile as to preclude even the acceptance of a deposit from one of the new Soviet state banks", says Ferguson. [51]

However, the "socialist" victory was not what it seemed. As eye-witnesses like the Russian anarchist Voline were at pains to point out, the event in fact amounted to a counter-revolution against the threat of an authentic people's revolt.

The secretive involvement in the Bolshevik coup of Rothschild associates, including that great British believer in the "highly-organised state", Alfred Milner, [52] is well documented in Professor Antony C. Sutton's brilliantly-researched book *Wall Street and the Bolshevik Revolution*. [53]

Another important player was banker William Boyd Thompson, who in 1914 had become the first full-term director of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

Thompson, explains Sutton, "became an ardent supporter of the Bolsheviks, bequeathing a surviving symbol of this support – a laudatory pamphlet in Russian, 'Pravda o Rossii i Bol'shevikakh". [54]

Docherty and Macgregor explain that Thompson was "a loyal Morgan man" and stress that J.P. Morgan and the entire Morgan Empire were "very firmly connected to Rothschild influence". [55]

They add: "Writing in 1974, Professor Sutton was clearly unaware that virtually the entire international banking cabal was linked through a complex chain that led back to the Rothschilds in London and Paris". [56]

In addition to its role in suppressing real people power, the Soviet New Normal benefited Rothschild interests by pushing massive industrialisation, including electrification dependent on their copper supplies, and by forcing peasants off the land and into factories in a manner typical of each of the industrial so-called "revolutions".

Quigley comments that Marxist theory was generally welcomed by the rich and powerful in Russia because it "postponed revolution until after industrialization had proceeded far enough to create a fully developed bourgeois class and a

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Russia, the largest country in the world, today has the ninth highest population. [58]

Foreign investment and high oil prices saw the Russian economy boom at the start of the 21st century.

President Vladimir Putin has a long history of involvement with the World Economic Forum, [59] dating back [60] to 1992, [61] though he has not been invited to Davos since the Ukraine conflict began.

In 2021, the WEF announced the opening of a Centre for the Fourth Industrial Revolution in Russia, for which "artificial Intelligence and IoT are key areas of focus". [62]

The market for "solutions for smart cities" in Russia exceeded 81 billion rubles at the end of 2019, says one report. [63]

Another article adds: "Moscow sees the UN's Agenda 2030 as an excellent opportunity to enhance the livability of Russia's capital and transform it into a smart city". [64]

This is being boosted by "Investment Strategy 2025", which is "a series of reforms that aim to attract foreign investors by creating a favourable investment climate by cutting bureaucracy".

Russia already boasts its own "impact investing industry" [65] and is to start piloting a "digital rouble" in August 2023. [66]

As Moscow-based journalist Riley Waggaman puts it on his Edward Slavsquat blog: "Yes, Russia is complicit in the Great Reset". [67]

INDIA

THE BACKGROUND

India was, of course, an important part of the British Empire and so, until 1950, various private financial interests enjoyed access to its vast wealth via the "law and order" imposed on their behalf by the British state.

Quigley adds: "Britain was obsessed with the need to defend India, which was a manpower pool and military staging area vital to the defense of the whole empire". [68]

"British rule in the period 1858-1947 tied India together by railroads, roads, and telegraph lines.

"It brought the country into contact with the Western world, and especially with world markets, by establishing a uniform system of money, steamboat connections with Europe by the Suez Canal, cable connections throughout the world, and the use of English as the language of government and administration". [69]

India's subsequent inclusion in the Commonwealth was, as Quigley points out, a long-planned ploy to keep it firmly within the British sphere of control despite its apparent "independence".

He quotes a letter from British imperialist Lionel Curtis in 1916 which states: "We must do our best to make Indian Nationalists realize the truth that like South Africa all their hopes and aspirations are dependent on the maintenance of the British Commonwealth and their permanent membership therein". [70]

British imperialists perfected state-corporate rule, otherwise known as public-private partnerships or stakeholder capitalism, centuries before it was adopted by Benito Mussolini and Adolf Hitler.

By the start of the 1600s it was clear to the merchants of London that "there were big profits to be made in overseas trade", writes historian Christopher Hill. [71]

The East India Company, formed in 1601, was making a profit of 500% by 1607 and basically administered India in a public-private arrangement with the British state until 1858.

Hill notes that the company, like The Royal African Company, "enjoyed the peculiar patronage of the government" and that both were "deeply involved in politics". [72]

In A People's History of England, A.L. Mor-

ton describes the firm as "the real founder of British rule in India", [73] being "the first important joint stock company" which allowed it "a continuous development", [74] which would today no doubt be termed "sustainable development".

The East India Company was also notoriously corrupt and violent, to the point that in the 18th century even the company's own directors were forced to condemn the fact that "vast fortunes" had been obtained by "the most tyrannic and oppressive conduct that was ever known in any country". [75]

Indian freedom fighter and metaphysician Sri Aurobindo (1872-1950) writes of "a radical and congenital evil implied in the very existence of British control". [76]

He adds: "The huge price India has to pay England for the inestimable privilege of being ruled by Englishmen is a small thing compared with the murderous drain by which we purchase the more exquisite privilege of being exploited by British capital".

Ferguson says that the Rothschilds, "in a league of their own as an authentically global operation", made important "advances" in India in the mid 19th century.

There was no telegraph link from Europe until 1866 and "the Rothschilds' traditional system of semi-autonomous agents, correspond-

ing regularly but not in daily contact, remained unsurpassed". [77]

Part of the interest for the Rothschilds lay in India's opium, used for trading with China and also brought back to Europe, and by the late 1850s they were in regular correspondence with a Calcutta firm, Schoene Kilburn & Co. [78]

This involvement meant that anti-imperial uprisings like the Indian Mutiny of 1857 "had a resonance in New Court [the Rothschilds' London HQ] which previous Asian upheavals had lacked", [79] explains Ferguson.

"For the first time, the bank was becoming involved in the commerce of the British Empire, a field it had previously left to others".

This involvement attracted some controversy in 1875 when prime minister Benjamin Disraeli turned to his friends the Rothschilds to finance Britain's purchase of nearly £4 million of shares in the Suez Canal, [80] a crucial aid for British trade with India, shortening the sea route to Bombay (Mumbai) by more than 40 per cent. [81]

The outraged former Chancellor of the Exchequer Sir Robert Lowe pointed out that the Rothschilds' total charges of £150,000 for a three-month loan amounted to 15 per cent per annum interest! [82]

Ferguson says that despite their business dealings in India, and the naming of a tea plantation after them by relatives Gabriel and Maurice Worms, the Rothschilds were not greatly interested in the sub-continent for much of the 19th century.

"After 1880, however, that changed. Between 1881 and 1887, Charlotte's [Rothschild] sons were responsible for issuing Indian railway shares worth a total of £6.4 million". [83]

Part of this "blossoming of the Rothschilds' interest in India" [84] was thanks to prime minister Lord Salisbury, whom the Rothschilds had "fervently" wished to remain in power at the end of 1885. [85]

Salisbury appointed, as Secretary of State for India, a politician by the name of Randolph Churchill, father of Winston, who died owing an enormous £66,902 to the Rothschilds. [86]

While planning the issue of a loan for the Indian Midland Railway, Churchill specifically told the Viceroy, Lord Duffering: "When the loan is brought out I shall fight a great battle against [Bertram] Currie to place it in the hands of the Rothschilds". [87]

Ferguson adds: "Churchill's biographer Roy Foster suggests that the Rothschilds did indeed help to place the new company's shares. Contemporaries also assumed that Churchill's decision to annex Burma – announced on New Year's Day 1886 – was linked to his growing intimacy with the Rothschilds". [88]

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India's population is now the biggest of any country in the world, having just overtaken China's 1.425 billion. [89]

This is a huge market for global profiteers: the International Monetary Fund judged the Indian economy in 2022 to be nominally worth \$3.46 trillion. [90]

Prime minister Narendra Modi has been a regular attendee at the World Economic Forum's Davos events, where he has "pitched for India as an investment destination" emphasising efforts to "improve the ease of doing business". [91]

He says: "The ability of Indians to adapt to new technologies, their spirit of entrepreneurship, can give all our global partners renewed energy". [92]

Ah, those all-important "global partners"!

Modi says that India has the ability to lead the Fourth Industrial Revolution, citing "decisive governance" as a key factor — Mussolini and Hitler are no doubt applauding from the pits of hell.

India's "heavy industries minister" Mahendra Nath Pandey declared: "India is moving towards becoming a hub of global manufacturing... 3D printing, machine learning, data analytics and IoT are key to promoting industrial growth". [93]

India, too, has its own Centre for the Fourth Industrial Revolution, in Mumbai, announced by the WEF in January 2018. [94]

It also boasts an official Smart Cities Mission, [95] whose "partners" include the British, French and American governments, US Aid, The Rockefeller Foundation and the World Bank. [96]

I have already reported how the digital slavery that is impact investment is being promoted in India both by King Charles III's British Asian Trust, cheered on by venture capitalist Sir Ronald Cohen, [97] and by Ashoka, a strange organisation funded by "charitable foundations". [98]

But it seems the global impact vultures are now getting even more excited about the profits they can extract from the Indian people.

"India is one of the most fertile environments for impact investors to seek opportunities", declares a report on the WEF's website. [99]

The authors enthuse: "Digital penetration in India has allowed tech-enabled businesses to scale impact and drive innovation across sunrise sectors, such as climate-tech and future of work".

The WEF also shares the wonderful news that "India's central bank has rolled out a pilot of its proposed digital rupee, enlisting nine private and state-owned banks". [100]

CHINA

THE BACKGROUND

After millennia of proud independence, the Chinese were dragged into the modern commercial world-system by what they call the "hundred years of humiliation", which began in 1839 with the first of two "Opium Wars". [101]

This was nothing short of a disaster. As Quigley writes: "We can see the process by which European culture was able to destroy the traditional native cultures of Asia more clearly in China than almost anywhere else". [102]

Here he finds the cause of subsequent revolutionary violence: "The impact of Western culture on China did, in fact, make the peasant's position economically hopeless". [103]

The agenda behind the Opium Wars, waged by Britain and France, was blatantly a business one, as "Chinese resistance to European penetration was crushed by the armaments of the Western Powers, and all kinds of concessions to these Powers were imposed on China". [104]

China was forced to open specified treaty ports (including Shanghai) to Western merchants and cede sovereignty over Hong Kong to the British Empire. [105]

The immediate issue at stake was the Chinese bar on the importation of opium from

British-controlled India in exchange for Chinese teas and silks, a lucrative if ethically dubious trade in which, as mentioned above, the Rothschilds had a hand.

Ferguson states that the war of 1839-1842 "created attractive new possibilities for British business" and eroded the power of Chinese merchants. [106]

He adds that by 1853 the Rothschilds' business "was in regular correspondence with a Shanghai-based merchant firm, Cramptons, Hanbury & Co, to whom it made regular shipments of silver from Mexico and Europe". [107]

Two decades later the dynasty's obvious power in Chinese affairs was such that when the British magazine *The Period* published, in 1870, a cartoon depicting Lionel Rothschild as "The Modern Croesus", a new Rothschild "king" upon his throne of cash and bonds, one of the lesser rulers he was shown lording it over was the Emperor of China. [108]

In the light of today's talk of a "multi-polar" world order, it is interesting to read Ferguson's comment that the Rothschilds favoured "cooperation between the European powers" in China and that they generally preferred "what might be called multinational imperialism". [109]

Natty Rothschild wrote in 1899 of his pleasure at Germany's "desire to combine with

England (and possibly with America and Japan) for commercial purposes in China". [110]

Ferguson describes in some detail the Rothschilds' key role in Anglo-German co-operation over China.

"Since 1874, the date of the first foreign loan raised for Imperial China, the Chinese government's principal source of external finance had been two British firms based in Hong Kong, the Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation [HSBC] and Jardine, Matheson & Co". [111]

But German profiteers wanted a piece of the action and banker-imperialist Adolphe Hansemann approached the Rothschilds and HSBC with a proposal to divide Chinese government and railway finance equally between the British and German members of a new syndicate.

"The Rothschilds had no objection to this", [112] notes Ferguson and indeed their Frankfurt operation was one of the German banks that formed the Deutsche-Asiastische Bank in 1889.

The Rothschilds' involvement in both prongs of this transnational imperialist partnership is further confirmed by the fact that they financed a fact-finding trip to China by one of the younger members of the German-based Oppenheim banking family. [113]

One of the Rothschilds' main French operations, Banque Paribas, also got involved, in 1895,

participating in a £15 million loan to China, which passed through the intermediary of the Russian state. [114]

There was a strange echo of this manoeuvre in 1954, when the USSR offered "Soviet finance, equipment and specialized skills for an all-out industrialization of China (the so-called 'great leap forward')". [115]

Was Russia again merely an intermediary in this arrangement? What was the ultimate source of the finance for an earlier version of the industry-accelerating Great Reset?

Back in 1895, Natty Rothschild and Hansemann "sought to promote a partnership between the Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank and the new Deutsche-Asiastische Bank", hoping for "suitable official backing from their respective governments". [116]

An agreement between the two banks was duly signed in July of that year.

Ferguson writes: "For Natty [Rothschild], the main aim of this alliance was to end competition between the great powers by putting Chinese foreign loans in the hands of a single multinational consortium". [117]

At a conference of bankers and politicians in London in September 1898 it was agreed to divide China into "spheres of influence" for the purpose of allocating rail concessions; leaving the Yangste Valley to the British banks, Shantung to the Germans and splitting the Tientsin-Chinkiang route. [118]

Ferguson explains that a real pattern of collaboration had been established: "When the Germans sent an expedition to China following the Boxer Rising and the Russian invasion of Manchuria in 1900, they used the Rothschilds to assure London that 'the Russians won't risk a war', and in October Britain and Germany signed a new agreement to maintain the integrity of the Chinese Empire and an 'Open Door' trade regime.

"This was without doubt the high water mark of Anglo-German *political* co-operation in China; but it is important to recognise that *business* co-operation continued for some years to come". [119]

Any criticism of this financial-imperialist stitch-up was, of course, unwelcome.

When *The Times*' correspondent in Peking/Beijing attacked the cosy arrangement between British and German banks in China in 1905, Natty Rothschild complained to his editor. [120]

As mentioned in passing, the Chinese Revolution, sparked by the effects of a hundred years of destruction and exploitation by imperialist profiteers, only made things worse.

Quigley says Mao's "Great Leap Forward", which began in 1958, was "a social rather than simply an agrarian revolution, since its aims included the destruction of the family household and the peasant village.

"All activities of the members, including child rearing, education, entertainment, social life, the militia and all economic and intellectual life came under the control of the commune.

"In some areas the previous villages were destroyed and the peasants were housed in dormitories, with communal kitchens and mess halls, nurseries for the children, and separation of these children under the communes' control in isolation from their parents at an early age.

"One purpose of this drastic change was to release large numbers of women from domestic activities so that they could labor in fields or factories.

"In the first year of the 'Great Leap Forward', 90 million peasant women were relieved of their domestic duties and became available to work for the state". [121]

The Communist Revolution in China didn't seem to worry the Rothschilds, who today proudly announce on their website: "Our business was one of the first Western business institutions to re-establish relations after 1953". [122]

THE PRESENT

China is today the most important BRIC in the wall of global greed.

In 2022, WEF founder Klaus Schwab told Chinese state media that the country was a "role model" for other nations and praised its "tremendous" economic achievements over the last 40 years. [123]

Addressing the WEF's 14th Annual Meeting of the New Champions in Tianjin, China, in June 2023, Chinese premier Li Qiang said: "China is committed to building world peace, promoting global development and upholding the international order.

"Today, the Chinese economy is deeply integrated into the world economy. China has developed itself by embracing globalization, and grown into a most staunch force for globalization". [124]

Because China is a "Unitary Marxist– Leninist one-party socialist republic" [125] run by the Chinese Communist Party, some people conclude that the Great Reset agenda pushed by its friend Schwab is a "Communist" one.

But it is never a good idea to accept a label at face value without having a proper look at the content.

The theme of the conference addressed by the Communist Party's Qiang was "Entrepreneurship: The Driving Force of the Global Economy" and the WEF is a *business* organisation, which describes itself as "the global platform for public-private cooperation". [126]

What the financial forces behind the WEF like about Chinese-style Communism, and liked about Soviet Communism, Italian Fascism and German Nazism, is that authoritarian one-party control frees them from the constraints and complications of public accountability.

It allows them to get on with the task of extracting as much profit as possible from people and planet by means of undemocratic "agile governance", in Schwab's words, or "decisive governance", in Modi's.

When China reinvented itself as a "socialist market economy" in the late 20th century, it first opened up the country to foreign investment and then privatized and contracted out much stateowned industry. [127]

Today China has become known as "the world's factory" not just because of its famously low labour costs (ie. underpaid workers) and use of child labour, but also because of its "strong business ecosystem, lack of regulatory compliance, low taxes and duties, and competitive currency practices", says the *Investopedia* website. [128]

China was being hailed by the WEF for its leading role in the Fourth Industrial Revolution

in 2019, [129] even before the Covid starting-gun was fired and, like Brazil, Russia and India, it has its own Centre for the Fourth Industrial Revolution. [130]

Chinese tech giant Tencent didn't waste any time in announcing, in June 2020, that the "post-pandemic world" needed smart cities like Net City, "a 2 million square metre (21.5 million square feet) neighbourhood in the southeastern city of Shenzhen". [131]

"More than 500 smart cities are being built across China, according to government data, equipped with sensors, cameras, and other gadgets that can crunch data on everything from traffic and pollution, to public health and security.

"Net City will use technologies such as artificial intelligence (AI) and autonomous vehicles".

In China, the impact investing industry "remains in its initial stage of development" but it seems "advances" have now been made "in areas such as healthcare and financial services". [132]

China's controversial social credit system [133] is plainly a model the global ruling class would like to see rolled out everywhere and it also seems to be ahead of the game regarding digital currency — "139 million people have now used China's digital yuan app, as the country

accelerates toward a more digitized economy", claims the WEF. [134]

SOUTH AFRICA

THE BACKGROUND

The last of the five supposedly "independent" emerging BRICS countries, South Africa, is not only part of the British Empire/Commonwealth but also played an important role in the growth of the Rothschilds' prosperity and power.

One of their key historical collaborators there was Cecil Rhodes (1853-1902), the British imperialist who gave his name to Rhodesia, now Zimbabwe.

Rhodes had emigrated from England to South Africa as a young man and, while working at the Kimberley diamond fields, he attracted the attention of a Rothschild agent, who was assessing the local prospects for investment in diamonds.

Docherty and Macgregor explain: "Backed by Rothschild funding, Cecil Rhodes bought out many small mining concerns, rapidly gained monopoly control and became intrinsically linked to the powerful House of Rothschild". [135]

Ferguson remarks that Natty Rothschild "drove a hard bargain" when Rhodes sought his financial backing for his De Beers diamond company to buy the rival Compagnie Française.

"Essentially, Rothschilds advanced £750,000 in cash in return for 50,000 new De Beers shares at £15 each, plus £200,000 in debentures.

"For this, they received a commission of £100,000, but also half the difference between the £15 price paid for the De Beers shares and their London market price on October 5, 1887". [136]

This apparently implied an additional £150,000 so that the Rothschilds were paid £250,000 for lending £750,000!

The Rothschilds ended up holding more shares in the company than Rhodes himself [137] and had "a substantial financial hold over Rhodes", stresses Ferguson. [138]

When the new De Beers Consolidated Mines had control of 98 per cent of South Africa's diamond output, the next step was to establish global domination of the market.

In 1890 De Beers created a cartel with "five friendly firms led by Wernher, Breit & Co". [139]

Says Ferguson: "As this was the kind of thing the Rothschilds had traditionally done to maintain the price of mercury and were also doing with copper, the syndicate soon received Natty's blessing". [140]

Gold had also long been an area of interest for the Rothschilds and via the Exploration Company – an "obvious" Rothschild front according to Ferguson – they were enthused by "the dramatic expansion of South African gold production". [141]

He adds: "The Rothschilds' indirect participation in the South African gold boom through the Exploration Company has often been underestimated... Small wonder the English Rothschilds encouraged the spread of the gold standard". [142]

Rhodes was also involved in exploiting South African gold and again turned to the Rothschilds for political and financial backing.

In particular his firm, Consolidated Gold Fields, wanted to grab previously untapped gold fields north of the Transvaal, ruled by the Matabele King Lobengula.

Rhodes wrote to Natty Rothschild, in 1888, to say: "The Matabele king... is the only block to Central Africa as, once we have his territory, the rest is easy, as the rest is simply a village system with a separate headman, all independent of each other". [143]

Rhodes and the Rothschilds got their way, thanks to the helpful intervention of the British army in 1893.

King Lobengula's 8,000 spearmen and 2,000 riflemen [144] were, unsurprisingly, no match for the British troops' modern machine guns, supplied by Maxim-Nordenfelt, an arms firm in which the Rothschilds had a substantial

shareholding. [145]

Arthur de Rothschild described this defeat of the Matabele warriors as "a sharp engagement... 100 of them having been killed, whilst there was, I am happy to say, hardly a single casualty on our side".

He was pleased to report "a little spurt in the shares" of his family's business. [146]

The Boer War of 1899-1902 was essentially a grab of gold and diamond resources for Rothschild interests, including De Beers.

Natty Rothschild pretty much confirmed this through the wording of a letter to Rhodes.

He warned his collaborator: "Be careful in what you say regarding the conduct of the war and your relations with the military authorities.

"Feeling in this country is running high at present over everything connected with the war and there is a considerable inclination, on both sides of the House, to lay the blame for what has taken place on the shoulders of capitalists and those interested in South African Mining.

"It would be a great pity to add fuel to the fire and you would only be playing into the hands of the opposition which I am sure you want to avoid.

"I hope, therefore, that you will be careful in your utterances and if you have any complaints to make against the War Office underlings, you will no doubt have opportunities to do so privately". [147]

It is interesting to note that in 1889 The British South Africa Company, set up by Rhodes, received a Royal Charter modelled on that of the British East India Company.

Right up until the mid 20th century it remained "a very lucrative investment opportunity, yielding very high return to investors", says Wikipedia. [148]

Financially backed by the Rothschilds, it is a prime example of the public-private partnerships favoured by global imperialists.

THE PRESENT

Contemporary South Africa's economy is the most industrialized and technologically advanced in Africa and at the same time it has a high rate of poverty and unemployment, being ranked in the top ten countries in the world for income inequality. [149]

Its president, Cyril Ramaphosa, is an eager participant in the WEF's attempts to "accelerate action on Africa" and he has declared: "This is Africa's century, and we want to utilize it to good effect". [150]

He told the Davos event in 2019: "We have entered a new period of hope and renewal, and over the last year have taken decisive steps to correct the mistakes of the recent past and put the country back on the path of progress that we embarked upon in 1994.

"We have placed the task of inclusive growth and job creation at the centre of our national agenda.

"At the inaugural South Africa Investment Conference in October last year, both local and international companies announced around \$20 billion of investments in new projects or to expand existing ones.

"Direct foreign investment into South Africa increased by more than 440% between 2017 and 2018, from \$1.3 billion to \$7.1 billion". [151]

Ramaphosa added that they aimed to further increase this foreign investment by "our efforts to create an environment that is even more conducive to investment".

He did not spell out what exactly that might imply for the people of South Africa.

On becoming president, Ramaphosa "put the Fourth Industrial Revolution (4IR) into his national economic strategy", explains one report.

But it adds: "South Africa has a significant skills shortage, due to failings in its education system, limiting the supply of managers, researchers and workers needed for 4IR. There are also problems of poor quality infrastructure, reflecting weak governance and state capture". [152]

In 2020 Ramaphosa launched the Mooikloof

Mega-City development in Pretoria, one of three smart cities projects in South Africa.

The mega-city is a public-private collaboration with developers Balwin Properties and "may end up becoming the world's largest sectional property development". [153]

Another report says smart cities are offering South Africans "a glimpse of a connected future".

It adds: "With the UN declaring Internet access a human right, many people are realising that online connectivity is just as important as other services like water or electricity.

"Smart cities are the encapsulation of achieving the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), as set out by the United Nations". [154]

In July 2023 Cape Town in South Africa hosted the Africa Impact Summit – "Unleashing African Potential through Impact Investing". [155]

Impact Investing South Africa [156] says it wants to "learn from and share with the Global Steering Group for Impact Investing", an organisation funded by the likes of The Ford Foundation, The Rockefeller Foundation, George Soros' Open Society Foundations, the UK government and the Rothschilds' BNP Paribas bank. [157]

Its chairman is Ronald Cohen, "the father of British venture capital", whose activities will by now be familiar to my regular readers. [158] In May 2021 the South African Reserve Bank embarked on a study [159] to look into the feasibility of a central bank digital currency and in 2023 was said to be "still investigating and testing". [160]

POSTSCRIPT: THE BANKER BEHIND THE BRICS BRAND

It is surely no coincidence that the man who invented the BRICS acronym, Jim O'Neill, [161] now Lord O'Neill of Gatley, worked for Goldman Sachs, Bank of America, Marine Midland Bank (later HSBC Bank USA) and the Swiss Bank Corporation.

He is a WEF contributor [162] and is connected both to European economic "think tank" Bruegel [163] and to the World Bank. [164]

O'Neill is a former UK Treasury minister [164] and, significantly, was chairman of Chatham House, [165] also known as The Royal Institute of International Affairs, which has long played a central role in advancing the global corporate-neocolonial agenda.

Granted a Royal charter in 1926, it was set up by imperialist schemers such as Milner and Curtis and helped on its way with a gift from J.P. Morgan, which we already know to be yet another Rothschild front. [166]

Quigley warns that when one understands

its real origins and purpose, the influence of pseudo-independent Chatham House "appears in its true perspective, not as the influence of an autonomous body but as merely one of many instruments in the arsenal of another power". [167]

It seems to me that this description applies equally well to the BRICS entity given its name by Chatham House's former chairman.

And so for what purpose is BRICS an instrument in the arsenal of a certain self-concealing power?

O'Neill himself spelled it out in a 2021 interview with the International Monetary Fund – it is nothing less than the creation of a new form of "global economic governance". [168]

SHINING LIGHT ON THE CLIMATE OF MANIPULATION

July 29, 2023

[Text of a talk given to the Resistenze al Nanomondo international conference near Alessandria, Italy]

In this debased modern world we often find ourselves in the dark.

Ours is a society built entirely from artifice and illusion, and so in this labyrinth of lies, this demonic hall of mirrors, it has become extraordinarily difficult to distinguish fact from fake, reality from spin.

Indeed, we have pretty much now arrived at a stage of complete inversion.

The best indication of something or somebody's integrity is that they are denounced as criminals by the system and the strongest warning sign of misinformation is when a certain proposition is presented as sacred truth, protected from contradiction by a special taboo status.

The question of climate change, and so-called

"climate justice", is a prime example of this.

The truth about the issue is elusive, to say the least. Piers Corbyn, the affable English scientist and freedom campaigner with whom I shared a platform at the Real Left conference in London earlier this year, argues that there is no man-made global warming. [1]

He says that CO2 accounts for a mere 0.04 per cent of the atmosphere and that humanity's contribution, 4 per cent of that 0.04 per cent, is far too insignificant to change the earth's temperature in the way that is suggested.

CO2 levels are, in fact, not a *cause* of changes in temperature, but a long-term *effect* of those we have previously experienced, which were brought about by the activities of the sun, he insists.

Additional CO2 created during warm periods is swallowed up into the cold deep ocean and emerges elsewhere in the world 500 to 800 years later, argues Corbyn, so that the current increase in CO2 levels is an after-effect of a warm period in the Middle Ages.

On the other hand, Canadian investigative journalist Cory Morningstar, who spoke at the same event by video link, has long taken the position that man-made climate change is real enough, but that it has been systematically exploited for the distinctly non-environmentalist purposes of global capitalism.

She has been exposing this hijacking process for many years now and the mass of detailed evidence she has accumulated is conclusive.

Cory has been particularly important in demolishing the myth of Greta Thunberg as a "schoolgirl with a conscience" whose one-person school strike just happened to capture the attention of the world and lead to her addressing the UN, the WEF, and the European Parliament, as well as being featured on the cover of *Time* magazine, which named her a "next generation leader", meeting Barack Obama and Emmanuel Macron and being nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize...

Cory's forensic research revealed the key role of Callum Grieve, a "communications specialist" based in New York.

Grieve worked for five years for The Climate Group, which in 2014 launched We Mean Business in order to "catalyze action around climate change and bring it back to the top of the global agenda".

Cory reported: "The founding partners of We Mean Business are Business for Social Responsibility, the B Team, Carbon Disclosure Project, Ceres, The Climate Group, the Prince of Wales's Corporate Leaders Group and the World Business Council for Sustainable Development. Together, these entities represent the world's most powerful corporations and investors". [2]

It just so happens that on the very first day of Greta's protest on the Stockholm pavement, August 20 2018, Grieve sent her a Twitter message declaring: "We're right behind you. Stay strong".

Another key figure exposed by Cory was Ingmar Rentzhog, the man who spoke to Greta on the pavement on that fateful day in August 2018 and tweeted to the world about it.

CEO of the climate campaign network We Don't Have Time, Rentzhog is also, like Grieve, a PR professional.

According to the manufactured Greta myth, he came across her protest by chance while walking to work and it was this piece of luck which ensured her voice was heard so widely.

As journalist Frank Chung noted: "Despite its name, We Don't Have Time did have time to produce a short film about Ms Thunberg, which it posted to Facebook the next day". [3]

Remarkable!

The story of a chance encounter with Greta fell apart when Rentzhog later admitted that he had already done PR work for her mother and that he had been "tipped off" about the protest in advance.

"The commodity contemplates itself in a world of its own making", as Guy Debord put it.
[4]

On the Wrong Kind of Green website, Cory

describes in great detail a global network of corporate-linked climate groups, including Fridays for Future, which organised the school strikes.

The European Climate Foundation, for instance, has listed its funders as including Bloomberg Philanthropies, The Rockefeller Brothers Fund, the Hewlett Foundation, the Growald Family Fund and the Oak Foundation, which I will mention again later. [5]

I myself started digging into the issue four years ago, when Extinction Rebellion in the UK launched its XR Business website.[6]

This, along with a letter to *The Times* newspaper in London, declared support for XR, as Extinction Rebellion is known, from various "business leaders".

It was no surprise to see the name of Gail Bradbrook, one of the XR founders and director of something called Compassionate Revolution Ltd.

But others on the list were a little less expected, for a campaign group that was attracting support from anti-capitalist environmentalists.

It included impact capitalists like Seb Beloe of WHEB, which says it is "focused on the opportunities created by the transition to a low carbon and sustainable global economy".

Then there was Amy Clarke, co-founder of

Tribe Impact Capital LLP, which boasts the snappy tagline "A New Wealth Order".

Another XR supporter was Paul Polman, until recently CEO of Unilever, the massive transnational consumer goods company.

Some of them had obvious vested interests in the "sustainability" scam, such as Samer Salty of Zouk Capital, which was manoeuvring to manage a £400m UK Government investment fund aimed at helping to increase the uptake of electric vehicles.

The same was true of Michael F. H. Bonte-Friedheim of NextEnergy Capital, "the leading international solar investment and asset manager".

But perhaps most telling of all was the inclusion of Charmian Love, a businesswoman engaged in "Mobilising Movements" and "Reimagining Corporate Capital" via a website called Corporate Impact X, which is "designed to support corporations in developing high impact venturing, collaboration and investment strategies".

The XR Business initiative did not go down too well with their grassroots activists and the website was quickly taken down.

But it was too late. The cat was out of the bag, as we say in English. The capitalist fat cat in this case!

More evidence quickly emerged of the reality

behind the green facade of Extinction Rebellion, such as a 2016 article written by one of its "business leaders", John Elkington. [7]

It turned out he was also involved in the Tomorrow's Capitalism Inquiry backed by companies like Aviva Investors, Covestro, and (once again) Unilever.

In the article, Elkington enthused about the potential financial opportunities involved in what he himself called the "Sustainability Industry" – "businesses that can help drive progress towards UN's Sustainable Development Goals".

He wrote: "As leaders learn to 'Think Sustainably,' they will also need to learn to 'Think X,' shorthand for 'Think Exponential'.

"In the same way that they once looked to activists and social entrepreneurs for evidence of where markets were headed, they must now engage a very different set of players.

"These new players are not happy with 1% or even 10% year-on-year improvements, instead pushing towards 10X – or 10-fold– improvements over time".

Later, in 2020, I discovered that Extinction Rebellion UK, along with other "climate justice" groups in the UK, Spain, the Czech Republic and the Netherlands, was receiving money from Berlin-based fake-radical corporate funding conduit Guerrilla Foundation, which describes its aim as "bringing about major systemic change across Europe in line with the Great Transition".
[8]

Here in Italy, Ultima Generazione is funded, as its own website shows, [9] by the A22 network, which is itself funded [10] by Climate Emergency Fund in the USA, an entity cofounded by billionaire Aileen Getty of the Getty oil dynasty, [11] which says that it "was formed as a bridge between philanthropy and climate activism". [12]

In short, it is absolutely clear that the "climate justice" movement is a manufactured one, created by the billionaire class as a PR tool that will enable them to raid the public purse, under the pretext of a climate "emergency", and channel trillions of dollars into their own pockets.

It is not "the planet" that they want to save, but the global capitalist system, which will be able to expand into new areas, commodifying nature itself as a source of speculation and profit. [13]

We can see a similar phenomenon behind the transgender cult, which uses the pretence of defending a newly-discovered human right, the right to pretend to be a member of the opposite sex, to advance an industrial-capitalist agenda.

Jennifer Bilek, the American eco-feminist journalist and researcher, who, incidentally,

praised your protest at the Baby Fair in Milan earlier this year, has spent the last decade examining and exposing the transgender movement. [14]

She has shown that it is very closely linked to the biotech industry, pointing out that "Martine Rothblatt, a transsexual, transhumanist lawyer and entrepreneur, who authored the first 'gender bill', writes and speaks often about 'transgenderism' fertilizing the ground for transhumanism". [15]

Denouncing the current reality behind the LGBT+ agenda, Jennifer adds: "LGB signals human rights. The supporting characters, T+, work to obscure the industry and technology behind the façade of human rights, moving at warp speed".

Earlier this month, I also had a little dig into the networks that promote "trans rights". [16]

I first traced back an article on the supposedly "anarchist" *Freedom News* website to the Trans Safety Network, a member of Consortium, which describes itself as "the national infrastructure and umbrella body for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Trans+ groups across the UK". [17]

Consortium explains that it is helped in its efforts by Traverse, which it describes as "an independent social research and evaluation consultancy". [18]

But Traverse's "independent" status is cast into doubt by the fact that it proudly announces on its own website that it works with the likes of: Arcadis NV, a Dutch engineering firm involved in building motorways and airports; Horizon Nuclear Power; Wellcome Trust, the rotten heart of Big Pharma in the UK, and Big Society Capital, the impact capitalism firm run by Ronald Cohen. [19]

Traverse is also "a member of Sonder, a group of organisations", which aims to profit from the privatisation of the public sector in Britain and is, indeed, closely tied [20] to a company actually called Private Public Ltd, which is heavily involved in impact capitalism. [21]

We see a similar thing with ILGA Europe, the European region of the International Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Intersex Association, which describes itself as "an independent, international non-governmental umbrella organisation uniting over 700 organisations from 54 countries across Europe and Central Asia". [22]

ILGA Europe enjoys consultative status at the United Nations Economic and Social Council and participatory status at the Council of Europe and can boast of some heavyweight financial backing, not least from the European Union and the Government of the Netherlands. One of its benefactors is the Swiss-based Oak Foundation, also one of the funders of The European Climate Foundation, as revealed by Cory Morningstar, and which says it is "a group of philanthropic organisations based in various countries around the world". [23]

I describe in my article how ILGA Europe is also funded by other wealthy foundations interested in what they describe as philanthropy, impact investment, fighting antisemitism and supporting Ukraine.

I found that an important role in this shadowy network of "trans rights" funding is played by the Vanguard Charitable Endowment Program, which insists it is dedicated to "charitable impact through strategic and thoughtful philanthropy" [24] and is, of course, part of the Vanguard-BlackRock entity which so dominates global finance. [25]

The fact that both the "climate justice" and "trans rights" movements are false flags for corporate financial interests is not a coincidence, but part of a systematic and wide-ranging plan.

In order to be able to push their own agenda, which goes completely against the interests of the majority of the population, the rich and powerful have always needed to hide behind something else.

For many centuries, that something has been "the nation" or "the king" or "God" or "tradition" or "civilization" or "law and order".

They have exploited people's sense of loyalty to their homeland, their sense of decency, their fear of foreigners or of change, to rally them behind the flag of their ongoing domination.

But today they are seeking their social licence elsewhere and are instead using what might appear to be "radical" or "left-wing" principles as the basis of their manipulation.

Their exploitative investment – investment for profit – is rebranded as philanthropy, as doing good, as having a positive "impact" on society or the environment.

This new form of venture capitalism, socalled "impact" capitalism, is being championed by the world of international finance, the World Economic Forum, King Charles III and indeed Guerrilla Foundation, funders of "climate" activism

The "wokewashing" language in which it conceals its real intentions is typified by British venture capitalist Ronald Cohen in his 2020 book, *Impact: Reshaping Capitalism to Drive Real Change*, which I analysed in January 2021. [26]

He says that impact capitalism "will lead us to a new and better world" by "helping those in need and preserving our planet".

It will address "a variety of social issues", including homelessness, affordable housing,

community organizations, childhood obesity and mental health, not to mention "poverty, undereducation, unemployment, an aging population and environmental destruction".

And it will do this by "helping disadvantaged young people", supporting "refugee and immigrant integration" and boosting "women's empowerment and gender equality".

Impact projects aim to provide "financial services for the poor" and "affordable and green housing".

Cohen declares: "We must shift our economies to create positive outcomes".

These "positive outcomes" are in fact the trigger for dividends in what he calls his "payfor-success investment models", and depend on full-spectrum real-time surveillance of all aspects of our lives using Fourth Industrial Revolution technology.

Cohen is a member of the United Nations Development Programme's Global Steering Group for Impact Investment [27] and the UN's Sustainable Development Goals are closely linked to the impact project.

They define specific areas in which governments should be taking action and require them to find money to pour into these issues.

The UN steering group boasts that its "transformational impact on lives around the world" will involve "opening up \$12 trillion in

market opportunities". [28]

All the "woke" language used to describe these various impact agendas is thus nothing but window dressing for a vast financial coup, a scam of unbelievable proportions carried out against 99.9 per cent of humanity.

The central involvement of the United Nations tells us a great deal about the nature of the entity behind this scam.

The excellent English researcher Iain Davis describes it as "the global public-private partnership". [29] But I have recently come to the conclusion that although this term is helpful as a stepping stone to understanding the scale of what we are up against, it is also slightly misleading.

It is misleading because the framing of the relationship between public and private as a "partnership" is that provided to us by those involved.

In reality, the public and private are not separate entities, but one and the same thing.

Thanks to countless decades of systematic corruption, private interests have entirely taken control of all the major public institutions, national and international.

Because this corruption cannot be admitted to the public, the notion of a "partnership" is used to explain away the fact that these two facets of the same entity are pursuing exactly the same agenda.

We urgently need to see the emergence of a new international movement of resistance against this toxic entity, given that it has successfully disabled and recuperated so many existing "radical" groups.

And I believe that the first necessary step we need to take if we are to effectively oppose the corrupt global entity is to recognise its existence.

It is important to say loudly and clearly that one single worldwide criminal network, the criminocracy, is, behind the scenes, running everything from the WEF to the WHO, the UN to the EU, BlackRock to the World Bank.

We then need to put each specific branch of its activities into that overall context, so that everybody can see how they are related, part of the same overall agenda.

I am seeing encouraging signs that this is already beginning to happen. The Real Left conference in London, for instance, opposed not only the fake "green" agenda, but also smart cities, the Covid "vaccine" cover-up and other aspects of the very broad "Great Reset".

The global power nexus itself is also realising that this is happening, hence its increasing use of insults such as "conspiracy theorist", "reactionary", "anti-semitic" or even "terrorist" against anyone who challenges its mendacious narrative.

We can see exactly which aspects of its domination it wishes to hide from scrutiny by the taboos it carefully constructs around these issues, designed to close down all debate with smokescreens of moral indignation and fear of political contamination.

We saw evidence of that in the smears levelled against this very event two years ago, against the special issue of the French journal *Écologie & Politique* to which several people participating in this conference contributed [30] and against the Australian journal *New Dawn*, which has republished a number of my articles over recent years. [31]

A couple of months ago, the Inquisition pointed its finger at Crow Qu'appelle, the Canadian green anarchist behind Nevermore Media, and also at me, because we have often worked together.

An anonymous writer on the Montreal Counter Information site accused me of "propagating far-right conspiracy theories about Jewish bankers and trans people". [32]

So, to dissect that: exposing the official narrative is now called propagating conspiracy theories and all conspiracy theories are automatically "far-right"; criticising the global financial system is "anti-semitic" purely because a number of individuals within that system are Jewish, and criticising the transgender industry

necessarily amounts to a personal attack on "trans people".

These same absurd and dishonest one-sizefits-all smears are wheeled out again and again when anyone steps out of ideological line.

But they are ringing increasingly hollow and I detect a whiff of panic in the air.

The Montreal article warns of "a transnational echo chamber of conspiracists who have been embracing increasingly reactionary, transphobic, and antisemitic ideas".

In other words, they are worried that we are coming together and regrouping outside of the controlled woke-left mind-prison to begin to form a coherent long-term international resistance movement!

While Crow suspects that the article in question was written by a 'spook', an intelligence agent, the system depends on being able to mobilise genuine but deluded activists as its shocktroops against authentic dissent.

And I think that here there is a weakness that we might be able to exploit.

Because, in their hearts, these people, on the left, are actually opposed to corporate control – even if they don't currently recognise its presence in the struggles in which they are involved – revelations of corporate manipulation could change their allegiance.

What is currently blocking them from listen-

ing to such revelations is that they are being told they are coming from an unacceptable and politically toxic place – "the far right", the "fachosphère" as they call it in France.

So at the same time as denouncing corporate scams like the "climate justice" and "trans rights" movements, we need to be very clear about the position from which we are doing so.

Regarding the conflict between Ukraine and Russia, we are supposed to believe that the "alternative" position to blindly supporting Zelensky and Ukraine is to blindly support Putin and Russia.

Likewise, there are elements of the post-2020 "freedom" movement that seem to be intent on turning it into a kind of mirror image of the pro-lockdown, pro-system, left — an anti-lockdown but pro-system right.

In automatically being against everything that the fake-left says it is for, it ends up supporting the real agenda being advanced by the global system, the one they have hidden behind all the woke dogma.

We saw this recently with Robert Malone, the American scientist who apparently turned whistleblower against the mRNA "vaccines" he helped develop and is thus regarded by some as a leading dissident voice.

But in an article he published on July 18 this year, supposedly against "green colonialism",

he in fact peddled all the same imperialist "development" arguments which have long been used by the system, talking about African women being in "poverty" because they hand-wash their families' clothes and, crucially, describing this as "a waste of human labor. Labor that could be put to better and more productive uses". [33]

As authentic dissidents, if we challenge the climate narrative it is not because we don't care about the Earth's future or the effects of industrial society, but for exactly the opposite reason — that we can see that a "green" industrial-capitalist future would spell disaster for the natural world.

If we challenge the transgender narrative, it is not because we want to force people, in all their individual diversity, into narrow gender-based categories, but because we can see how the need for that diversity is being exploited by corporate interests and turned into a mutilation and lifelong drug dependency that represents the very opposite of personal freedom and self-fulfilment.

If we oppose 15-minute cities, it is not because we cheerlead car-culture and wouldn't like to see a scaled-down localised world, but because we have understood that the project is a Trojan Horse to introduce the smart city digital concentration camps of the dystopian Fourth Industrial Revolution.

In parallel with our critique of the global entity, the criminocracy, we need to be advancing a positive philosophy based on values that may well, in truth, be shared by many of those who have currently been duped into following the official agenda.

A recent booklet that we brought out at Winter Oak, a collection of conversations between Crow and me, names these fundamental values as truth, beauty, nature and withness, withness being our belonging to each other, to the world around us and indeed to the cosmos as a whole. [34]

If these core values shine through with powerful authenticity in everything we say and do, then we can break through the system's wall of lies and spark the flame of righteous revolt in the hearts of many millions of others.

After all, how many people out there, of whatever political background, would not prefer our values of truth, beauty, nature and withness to the system's agenda of lies, ugliness, artifice and separation?

The world is currently in the hands of what is nothing less than a psychopathic death cult, whereas our resistance is a force for life.

We need to be aware of that and to communicate that in all that we do and say, along with the joyful conviction that despite the darkness of the current era, it is life that will, eventually and inevitably, prevail.

As the title of our booklet declares: "There is nothing more powerful than an idea whose time has come".

COGS OF CORRUPTION AND CONTROL

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It is only in the last year or two that I have grasped the reality that our world today is literally ruled by one single corrupt financial-industrial-military institutional entity, the thing that I have taken to calling the criminocracy.

Thanks to my research and reading, I am now absolutely certain that this is so, but I know that it is a picture that can seem exaggerated and outlandish to many.

Even some fellow dissidents still imagine that Russia and China remain outside of the Rothschild-led global banking system, for instance, and thus welcome the emergence of the BRICS hegemony.

Like me, they applaud African impatience with Western neocolonialism, but without fearing, as I do, that all the talk of self-determination is just cover for a transfer of imperialist "development" of the continent and its people into the hands of the new "multi-polar" world order.

The other day, I happened across an intriguing social media post from a business in Rwanda, East Africa. [1]

This stated: "Did you know that 60% of the Rwandan population uses mobile money services? Today's #FridayFact depicts how as a result of #COVID19 Rwandans increasingly used the tech advancement, mobile money. This lead [sic] to financial inclusivity & paved the way for economic & social gains".

Well, that's pretty telling in three different ways, I thought to myself.

Firstly, they are pretty much confirming the "conspiracy theory" that Covid was not a real pandemic, but just a means to boost an agenda featuring "tech advancement".

Secondly, the use of the term "financial inclusivity" to describe the use of mobile money services shows the real meaning of the buzz word "inclusivity", which pretends to be all about helping and loving every single person on the planet.

And finally, there is that admission that all this "paved the way for economic & social gains". Needless to say, the recipients of these "gains" are not actually identified...

The name of the business behind this statement was Vanguard Economics Ltd, which I assumed had to be part of the global Vanguard-BlackRock empire headed by the Rothschild

Gang. [2]

But it only describes itself on its website as a "boutique research and advisory firm based in Kigali, Rwanda" [3] even though I later discovered that it is registered in the USA as an "International Organization". [4]

It also boasts: "We understand the context. We can mobilise rapidly. We have the networks. We can reach a large number of stakeholders rapidly". [5]

This all seems a bit odd for a "boutique" local African business...

Created in 2015, Vanguard Economics Ltd insists that it "delivers top-tier research, advisory and implementation services for Africa from within Africa".

Its vision is of "a future where populations shape their own destiny" – very much playing the anti-imperial self-determination card – and its mission is to "identify, design and implement homegrown solutions to the challenges populations face on their path to sustainable and inclusive prosperity".

Sustainable and inclusive prosperity – a phrase which really makes my skin crawl!

It adds: "Our work is focused on maximising the impact private sector development, trade & logistics, and the commercialisation of agriculture can have on delivering transformation for markets and populations across Africa". Maximising the impact of private sector development, commercialising agriculture and "delivering transformation" of African peoples?

Isn't there a slight contradiction here with the notion of "a future where populations shape their own destiny"?

It turns out that Vanguard Economics Ltd's idea of letting Africans decide their own fate is to recruit them to work for their international financial project and pretend it is all a homegrown initiative.

It pursues policies "designed to nurture the next generation of Rwandan thinkers and leaders" and says that it was founded on the understanding that "social change is not a project that one group of people carries out for the benefit of another".

Rather for the benefit of themselves, while only pretending to do so for the benefit of the other, perhaps?

The reality of Vanguard Economics Ltd's interest in Rwanda is made clear by the way that it regards young people, who make up over 60% of the total population, as "valuable resources for the country's development" [6] — as human capital, in other words.

Vanguard Economics says it "specializes in quantitative and qualitative data collection for development in East Africa" and in "impact modelling and assessments for development

partners". [7]

What this means is that it hopes to milk the financial value of Rwandan youth, for its own benefit, via impact capitalism, the public-private digital slavery system which lies at the heart of the global mafia's "sustainable development" agenda.

In 2023 it launched the new Vanguard Economics Young Impact Associate scheme, [8] a "paid fellowship [9] focused on laying the foundations for a successful career in the field of Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL)".

This "aims to create 30 million dignified and fulfilling jobs for young people in Africa by 2030". [10]

It is funded by, and implemented in partnership with, [11] the Mastercard Foundation, [12] a Canada-based organisation currently targeting Africa through its Young Africa Works scheme and which liaises closely with the United Nations Sustainable Development Group.

As its name suggests, the Foundation was set up by the global financial corporation Mastercard.

But don't let that make you imagine that it is not motivated by the finest of philanthropic principles!

Describing itself as "a funder, a convenor, and a catalyst for change in Africa", it declares: "The young people of Africa will determine their future. They are leading the way. With the right planning and policies, they will transform a vibrant continent into a powerhouse for global prosperity". [13]

Being put to work to provide a major new source of prosperity for the global money-power? Is that really the future of which young Africans dream?

The Young Impact Associate scheme is not only being rolled out in Rwanda, with Vanguard Economics, but also in Senegal, Ghana, Nigeria, Ethiopia, Uganda and Kenya. [14]

In Nigeria, one of the other organisations involved [15] is an outfit called Global Integrity, [16] based in Washington DC, USA, which "connects frontline actors and global players to help them navigate complex governance challenges with a systems change mindset".

A keen "partner" of Vanguard Economics in its recruitment efforts is a firm called Bridge2Rwanda or The Bridge 2 Talent. [17]

This was founded in 2007 "to accelerate Rwanda's growth by encouraging global direct investment". [18]

It says of its database of professionals: "This pipeline of talent is the key to achieving Rwanda's ambitious Vision 2050 and establishing the country as [a] market-driven, middle-class economy and model for all of Africa". [19]

Under the heading "Accelerating Rwanda's

Economy", it adds: "The BRIDGE is committed to ensuring that global investors have the resources and talent they need to achieve their long-term, strategic goals".

You can't get clearer than that!

I was interested to note that one member of The Bridge's team, Vanessa Nkesha, [20] is also vice-curator of the Kigali hub [21] of Klaus Schwab's Young Global Shapers, the WEF's worldwide "youth" organisation which I wrote about in 2021. [22]

Vanguard Economics Ltd is listed as "privately held" [23] so it's not easy to prove who is ultimately behind it.

It was founded by the not-very-African Mads Knudsen, who formerly worked in the World Bank and Development Section of the Danish Embassy in Washington, DC, and for the Department for UN and Global Development in Denmark's Ministry of Foreign Affairs and was once a board member of Oikos Bank. [24]

And managing director [25] Kato Kimbugwe previously worked as a "private sector development advisor" for the UK's Department for International Development, "helping to deliver private sector development and growth objectives in the British Overseas Territories". [26]

However, while its direct ownership may be hidden from public view, the firm's list of 23

"partners and collaborators" not only gives us a clear indication of its allegiances, but also helps us identify some of the cogs that make up the corrupt contemporary machine of global greed and control.

These organisations are:

UNDP. The United Nations Development Programme, which "plays a critical role in helping countries achieve the Sustainable Development Goals". [27] Its Strategic Plan 2022-2025 promises "solutions for greater impact", adding: "Powerful enablers – strategic innovation, digitalization and development finance – will further accelerate and scale results". [28]

UNECA. The United Nations Economic Commission for Africa says it wants to "achieve accelerated job creation, sustained economic growth and prosperity through leveraging the role and resources of the private sector, promoting innovative financing solutions and creating the environment in which private sector investments for agribusiness, energy, infrastructure, and other sectors can become viable". [29]

IFC. International Finance Corporation, part of the World Bank Group. It says: "As pioneers in impact investing, we fuel growth where it's needed most. Our strategic capital empowers visionary entrepreneurs to bring sustainable solutions to scale". [30]

Trade Mark East Africa. Funded by the development agencies of Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, Netherlands, Norway, UK, and the USA, it "seeks to increase trade by unlocking economic potential anchored on 2 key outcomes: reduced barriers to trade and improving business competitiveness". [31]

Development Bank of Rwanda. "Maximazing the development impact", as it puts it, [32] it is facilitating the emergence of a "vibrant private sector" under the "guidance" of the National Bank of Rwanda, which is believed by researchers [33] to be owned and controlled by the Rothschilds.

Sida. Sweden's government agency for "development cooperation" says [34] it invests in "sustainable development for all people". It collaborates with several organisations and "a large part of the support goes to various UN agencies and the World Bank". [35]

Irish Aid. Boasts [36] that Ireland has an "expanding development cooperation programme" which has "a particular focus on sub-Saharan Africa". It adds: "The private sector is increasingly playing a key role in achieving development outcomes". [37]

Institute of development studies. An "independent charity" based at the University of Sussex, UK, it says: "Through equitable and sustainable partnerships, we work with

governments, philanthropic foundations, nongovernmental organisations, academics and civil society to transform approaches to progressive social, political and economic change". [38] Its "impact" includes "long-term development" and "economic growth" in Rwanda. [39]

Access to Finance Rwanda. Set up in 2010 by the UK and Rwandan governments, [40] it is also funded by the Mastercard Foundation, Sweden and Jersey Overseas Aid. "AFR's strategic focus is stimulating the financial sector development by partnering with financial institutions and other stakeholders to increase access to and use of quality financial services". It is part of the FSD network, "a family of Financial Sector Deepening programmes" seeking "inclusive growth" in Africa, "guided by the imperatives of the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals". FSD funders include the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. [41]

GIZ. Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH. "We are guided by the principles of our social order, act in the interests of Germany and, first and foremost, support the development policy of the German Government". [42] In Rwanda GIZ "provides advice on developing the local pharmaceuticals industry, including the production of vaccines". [43]

Oxfam. International charity, posing as

corporate-critical, which urges "lifesaving aid" to Africa because of "the impact of the war in Ukraine on global food systems". [44] Its line on Covid: "To end this pandemic, we need a vaccine that is free, fair, and available to all. We need a People's Vaccine". [45]

RTI International. A US-based "independent" research institute dedicated to "improving the human condition" by means of "science-based solutions", [46] insisting that "AI enhances our capabilities and services". [47] A member of the Global Health Security Agenda Consortium Steering Committee, it says: "Our high-impact, life-saving responses range from strengthening surveillance and health information systems for rapid detection of infectious diseases to supporting vaccine roll-out". [48]

Enabel. The development agency of Belgium's federal government, it seeks "a sustainable world where all live under the rule of law" [49] and focuses on "digital governance", such as "digital civil registries and digital identity". [50]

GSMA. Global System for Mobile Communications Association, an organisation which "represents the interests of mobile network operators worldwide" [51] and advances the UNSDGs by "accelerating innovation in digital technology". [52]

Nathan. Economic consulting firm with

International Development offices in Arlington, Virginia and London, UK. [53] It is now part of Cadmus, a global business with "drive for impact" which aims to "leverage transformative technologies" via more than 1,000 worldwide "consultants". [54]

spark. A Dutch-based "independent" international development organisation, which wants to create "impactful jobs" for youth and "boost entrepreneurial ecosystems". Its Strategy 2030 is "aligned with the UN Sustainable Development Goals". *Of course!* [55]

USAID. Declares itself to be "the world's premier international development agency and a catalytic actor driving development results", whose work advances "U.S. national security and economic prosperity" and, apparently, "demonstrates American generosity". [56]

World Food Programme. An executive member of the UN Sustainable Development Group, a consortium of UN entities that aims to fulfil the UNSDGs. Since 1992, all executive directors have been American. [57]

World Vision. An international US-based "Christian humanitarian organization" supporting "transformational development".[58] Boasting that it is The World Food Programme's "largest food distribution partner", it aims to make "a life-saving impact" (that word again!). [59]

African Development Fund. The concessional window of the African Development Bank Group, [60] "at the center of Africa's transformation". [61] On Monday August 14, 2023, *The Financial Times* revealed [62] that the ADB's \$55m "anti-corruption" fund had been unused for seven years and it had failed to deploy any of the money reserved to fight graft on the continent. The report adds that this "could raise questions about the efficiency of an institution through which western governments channel billions of dollars to development projects".

Message House. A UK-based "research and communications consultancy" whose mission is to use "smart insight" for "narrative development". [63] Clients include the Tony Blair Institute for Global Change. [64] Founder and managing director Matt Carter [65] was, as secretary general of the UK's Labour Party, involved in the Cash for Honours scandal, and was UK CEO of Burson Marseller (now Burson Cohn & Wolfe), a PR firm notorious for supporting the chemicals and whose main institutional industry shareholders include two sections of Vanguard, the global entity whose relationship to Message House "partner" Vanguard Economics Ltd remains obscure! [66]

Rockefeller Foundation. US "philanthropic" entity which says it is "making big bets that promote the well-being of humanity in the 21st century" [67] and "channeling private capital toward deep social impact". [68] It seeks "more inclusive global growth" and "long-term investment prospects" by taking "pioneering risk through catalytic capital investments". It gave more than \$400,000 to Vanguard Economics Ltd in Rwanda in 2020 [69] and another \$100,000 in 2021. [70]

World Bank. Very interested in "human capital" [71] and in "human capital-led economic growth in Africa". [72] A typical agenda item [73] at its July 2023 summit in Tanzania [74] was: "Africa's prosperity depends on youthful demographics. How can Africa utilize its young population fully to achieve Agenda 2063?" [75]

We can see quite plainly here how the UNSDGs form the basis of a long-term global development "structure plan", aimed at accelerating industrialisation and control, not least in Africa, whose land and peoples are seen as being ripe for exploitation by financial imperialists.

The "good causes" championed by the UNSDGs really represent industrial-financial sectors, whose profit-seeking efforts are aided and abetted by global institutions and national governments dedicated to promoting this virtue-signalling agenda.

Public money supposedly deployed to "fight poverty" or "save the planet" is in fact being used to build a nightmarish "smart" world, an allinclusive digital slave-labour camp in which both human and natural capital are sources of sustainable enrichment and power for the global parasites.

One single multi-faceted self-concealing worldwide public-private empire is behind this vile agenda.

Its power is great and its pockets deep, but its core movers are few and in order to succeed they need to hide their corrupt monopoly from the rest of us behind a convincing do-gooding facade.

Since 2020, many cracks have been appearing in this facade.

As writer and commentator Neil Oliver asked on the same day as Vanguard Economics Ltd issued the post that prompted this article: "When enough people realise they've been had, all their lives, by corrupt, lying, politicians and captured institutions bought and paid for by criminal, unelected, unaccountable transnational entities... what then?" [76]

FOR A CONVERGENCE OF THE UNCORRUPTED

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It sometimes baffles me how the global ruling class, whose core is tiny, manages to hold 99.9% of humankind under its domination.

The criminocrats use every weapon in the book to achieve this, from propaganda to police violence, from bribery to blackmail, from dishonesty to debt.

But one of their main ways of keeping us under control is to split us up into competing sects and camps so that we spend our lives attacking each other rather than focusing on our real enemies, the people at the top of the global pyramid of power.

The leading lights of political, social and religious organisations have all been corrupted and so large numbers of their followers are also corrupted, albeit indirectly and provisionally.

But many people in these various currents are there out of honest conviction.

Their hearts are pure.

They are the uncorrupted.

Uncorrupted anarchists

Despite the sorry state of the contemporary anarchist movement, about which I have already written far too much, I have been pleased to discover that there are still numerous uncorrupted anarchists around the world. Uncorrupted anarchists, or real anarchists, [1] know that state-corporate control prevents human beings from living the free and happy lives we are meant to lead. They know that mutual aid and solidarity are natural human values which will flourish when the iron fist of authority is removed and when both individuals and communities are able to blossom organically, from below.

Uncorrupted environmentalists

Uncorrupted environmentalists care deeply for the natural world, our belonging to which is the source of their primary values. They have not been misdirected into the corrupted path of calling for industrial solutions to the problems caused by industrialism, but understand that the only hope for the future of humankind and our world lies in bringing an end to the profit-driven "growth" and "development" destroying everything. They often look for inspiration to the non-industrial, traditional ways of living which

have been largely wiped out by the criminocracy.

Uncorrupted conservatives

Uncorrupted conservatives want to conserve what is good about society and maintain certain traditional values threatened by a general descent into ignorance and fragmentation. They have noticed that corrupted so-called conservatives are nothing of the kind and that their money-orientated outlook is not just destroying the natural world but also degrading society and human relationships. They also see the way in which the corrupted left is part of that process, in calling for change that in fact amounts to the dismantling of the structures of a decent society.

Uncorrupted leftists

There are uncorrupted left-wingers everywhere around us, although they are often invisible. They are trade union representatives, grassroots community activists, teachers and social workers trying to do the right thing and sticking up for the values that they believe in. Uncorrupted left-wingers believe in fairness, in compassion, in everyone's right to a decent life and they dream of a just and natural world in which there is no ruling class of ultra-rich tyrants to make everyone else's life a misery. They do believe that

some kind of state organisation is needed in order to bring about this future — otherwise they would be anarchists — but they genuinely aim for this to fade away and be replaced by the democratic rule of the people, from below.

Uncorrupted patriots

Uncorrupted patriots, or nationalists, make a distinction between the nation-state, which rules from above, and the nation, which they see as a natural and organic entity. Unlike corrupted patriots, they are not motivated by hatred of other nationalities, or a sense of superiority, but rather by a positive love of their own homeland, culture and people. Self-determination is the key value for them and they believe that peoples everywhere have the right to decide their own destinies, free from interference, domination and by supranational exploitation or institutions and powers. They also realise that freedom within their nation is crucial for its people's health and happiness.

Uncorrupted believers

Uncorrupted believers are primarily motivated by inner faith and values. Even though they probably subscribe to a particular tradition, and tend to stay loyal to that tradition because the notion of loyalty forms part of their faith, their attachment to a particular organisation is not unconditional. If, at any time, the line taken by the leaders of that organisation does not accord with their own personal and natural sense of ethics and religious belief, they reserve the right to set off on their own path or to join with others who share their true convictions. They feel a strong duty to defend good against evil and to always do the right thing, against all odds and regardless of self-interest.

Uncorrupted others

Politically-minded people, like me, tend to forget that the vast majority of those around us don't give themselves any kind of political label, don't subscribe to any particular set of beliefs and tend to react to any new situation in a spontaneous way. Some of these have been corrupted by exposure to corporate media and their lack of firm conviction makes them easy fodder for manipulators. But the uncorrupted apolitical will source their opinions from their own personal values and, as we saw in France with the Gilets Jaunes and everywhere in the Covid period, will suddenly step forward from the obscurity of their private lives to stand with others in defence of what they feel is natural and right. They are a powerful force against which the system finds it difficult to defend itself.

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Imagine if all these people could shake themselves free from the constraints of political or religious allegiance, or from their hesitation to step forward!

Imagine the power of a convergence of all these streams of uncorrupted thought, united in their rejection of the global dictatorship and in their demand for a free future!

The essence of their individual ideals would not be lost in the process, but embraced within one mighty river of righteous revolt.

Such a convergence is, of course, the stuff of nightmares for our rulers, sweeping away as it would the false categories of "left" and "right" that have successfully divided and controlled us for so long.

Consequently, their trolls tend to smear any such prospect as something highly sinister, such as a "red-brown" alliance combining the worst totalitarian aspects of the USSR and Hitler's Germany.

But, in truth, both Soviet Communism and Nazism lie firmly on the "corrupted" side of our equation and are *diametrically opposed* to the convergence of the uncorrupted.

Indeed, I have often pointed out [2] that it is

the current system itself which is closest to this kind of centralized authoritarian industrialist regime, as reflected in its love affair with contemporary social-credit China.

The uncorrupted of all backgrounds entirely reject dictatorship, by any kind of entity at any level – national, supranational or global.

And what is it that positively motivates all of them, that makes this convergence feasible as well as desirable?

You may have noticed that the word "values" crops up in every one of the descriptions above.

Idealistic uncorrupted people form their opinions from underlying values, a sense of right and wrong that they source from within their own hearts.

There is often a conflict between what they *feel* to be the right thing and what they are *told* is the right thing by those they usually trust – political or religious leaders or thinkers.

Because this same kind of person often tends to be loyal to the cause they defend, they can put up with a certain mismatch, overlook it in the interests of overall good.

But if this goes too far, if they really feel that their own values are not being reflected in the movement or tradition they follow, they will walk away from it.

The criminocracy has no values: it merely pretends to have them in order to gain support –

think of greenwashing, for instance. [3]

At the current time it is accelerating its agenda towards the initial target date of 2030 and, in moving faster, is running the risk of losing the support of principled people.

We are seeing individuals all over the place deciding that their personal tipping-point has been reached and saying that they can no longer go along with what is happening.

As the agenda is accelerated still further in reaction to this, including increased censorship and repression, so even *more* principled and uncorrupted people will react against it, in the name of their deeply-held values.

Another term which appears in all my descriptions of the uncorrupted is "natural".

This is to be expected, because the values that we feel deep in our hearts are natural values.

They are innate values, values we have inherited and which we share with other members of our species.

In my 2022 book *The Withway* I write: "The Withway is an old way asking to become the new way. It is the eternal way, the human way within the natural and universal way". [4]

And I conclude: "Listen carefully. The Withway is calling us home".

I don't think that it is a coincidence that the latest song from American folk singer Oliver Anthony, the follow-up to his viral hit *Rich Men North of Richmond*, [5] is called *I Want to Go Home*. [6]

Oliver seems to very much belong to the Uncorrupted Others current, having a strong sense of values without subscribing to any political ideology.

The way in which he came forward with his message to the world, and the enormous and widespread enthusiasm with which it has been heard (outside of the usual pro-system circles) is a source of great hope for me.

It makes me feel that, although I am calling here for a convergence of the uncorrupted, I don't really have to bother doing so. It will happen all on its own.

The healthy, uncorrupted, part of the human organism will, naturally, activate its antibodies [7] to see off the sickness that has been laying us all low for so long.

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