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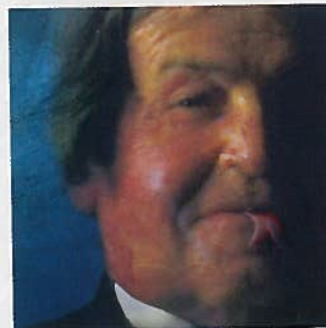
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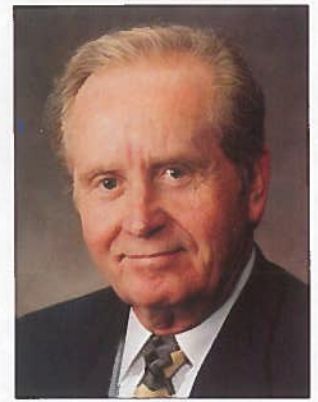
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Israel's Lost Vision

On the eve of Yom Kippur, 1994, in *Ma'ariv*, an Israeli newspaper, Shmuel Schnitzer lamented, "For the first time in 2,000 years, we are preparing to deny our historical rights, both the divine promise and in terms of referring to the land by the name of its people, 'The Land of Israel'—a land which belongs to the children of Israel, from then and to eternity...."

"We are a generation that is betraying its forefathers, their faith, and their sacrifice. We are now engaged in tearing out the heart of the land from ourselves, undercutting everything which we nurtured.

"An entirely new Jewish people is being created before our very eyes. A nation which doesn't belong to its land, which doesn't continue the past, which will inherit nothing, and is promised nothing. THE BIBLE IS NO LONGER OUR CALLING CARD. IT'S A MERE HISTORICAL CURIOSITY."

He is writing about a lost vision. It is a serious problem that afflicts the American and British people as well. Without this vision, nations perish! (Prov. 29:18).

Let's look back at Israel's recent history.

When World War II ended, there were many Jewish refugees with no place to call home. Most of the world became sympathetic to these Jews.

After a bitter struggle in the United Nations, on May 14, 1948, Israel (biblical Judah) was declared a state. The Palestinians, supported by five Arab armies, attacked immediately.

The Jews had no real army. They were losing the war after three weeks. Then the Arabs strangely called for a temporary truce. This is exactly what Israel needed to re-arm and train their weary troops—many of them civilians who carried guns.

Shortly thereafter the Arabs started fighting again. This time the Jews were well prepared and soon won the war. It was a MIRACLE from God. Many Jews acknowledged that fact. They were to experience many miracles in the following years.

The Jews were determined fighters. This was their first sovereign nation in 2,000 years. Only death could make them surrender their new and only homeland.

There continued to be many problems between the Jews and Arabs. The problems became so intense in 1967 that almost every nation in the world believed the Arabs were

about to attack Israel again. The Soviet Union was strongly urging Egypt to attack. Egyptian troops poured into the Sinai and ordered the UN forces out. War seemed imminent.

Egypt, Jordan and Syria were allied to start a war. So the Jews felt compelled to strike first.



MOUNT SINAI in the Sinai Peninsula—the region Israel returned to Egypt over 20 years ago.

Jewish war planes flew into Egypt and destroyed 300 Egyptian combat fighters in three hours. The Jews captured all of the Sinai, the Suez Canal, East Jerusalem, the West Bank and the Golan Heights in just six days.

Again, a series of MIRACLES by God saved the Jewish nation. This event was also prophesied. (Write for our free booklet *Jerusalem in Prophecy*.) Tourists began to pour into Israel. The Jewish state became prosperous and complacent. The Jews were lulled into a false sense of security.

In late 1973, the Jewish military ignored serious intelligence reports that the Arabs were again going to attack. The attack occurred on October 6—during the Jewish holiday of Yom Kippur.

The Jews won the war in three weeks, with much aid from the Americans. Egypt was beaten, but not humiliated. Once again Israel was MIRACULOUSLY saved.

Menachem Begin was elected prime minister in 1977. President Carter persuaded him to give the Sinai back to Egypt in the late 1970s.

This was the beginning of the Israeli-Arab peace pact. The Jews gave up land for a piece of paper.

When the Jews gave the Sinai back to Egypt, that probably included Mount Sinai, where God gave the Ten Commandments to Moses. THIS FIERY MOUNTAIN SPECTACLE GAVE BIRTH TO THE NATION OF ISRAEL! The Sinai area was where the children of Israel wandered for 40 years, as they rebelled against God's law.

Biblical Judah, or today's Jewish state, is only a small part of the modern descendants of ancient Israel. America and the British people are also Israel. The United States and Britain were both instrumental in pressuring the Jews to give the Sinai back to Egypt, even though our ancestry was also a part of Israel when God's law was given on Mount Sinai.

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The Last Crusade

Most people think the crusades are a thing of the past—over forever. But they are wrong. Preparations are being made for a final crusade, and it will be the bloodiest of all!

BY GERALD FLURRY

THE CRUSADES WERE A SERIES of Roman Catholic “holy” wars to wrest control of the Holy Land from Muslims. They produced some of the bloodiest battles in history.

Did you ever wonder how the Catholics reconcile that “holy” slaughter *with the Bible*, which states, “Thou shalt not kill”? Or how they can read the Sermon on the Mount and still lead the religious world in spilling rivers of blood?

They are called the *Christian Crusades*. That label itself is a deception. They were primarily *Catholic Crusades*. Other Christian religions have their problems, but let’s not blame them for what the Catholics did—and *will do*. Some background will help us understand.

Pope Urban II

In A.D. 622, Catholics fought and were defeated in a crusade against the Persians and the Jews. Some 60,000 Catholics were killed, and 35,000 enslaved. The fall of Jerusalem left the Catholic world shocked and mourning.

This war left Catholics bitter against the Jews for the role they played in the

war. Much anti-Semitism began because of it.

Some historians consider this the First Crusade. But the Crusades we best remember came later, beginning in the 11th century.

Pope Urban II unleashed a savage Catholic army and started these later Crusades. This “righteous” army marched 3,000 miles to conquer the Holy Land.

Here is an excerpt from the book *Crusades*, by Terry Jones and Alan Ereira, which became a BBC television series (emphasis mine here and throughout): “By summoning an army under the banner of the Cross, THE POPE WAS EXTENDING THE CHURCH’S MANTLE OVER ALL CHRISTENDOM. THIS WAS THE IDEA AT THE VERY HEART OF THE REVOLUTIONARY PAPACY; in place of separate local churches at the center of discreet communities, THERE WAS TO BE ONE OVERARCHING CHURCH, RULED BY ONE OVERARCHING POPE. The Crusade was to be its expression and its instrument.”

They state that this thinking was AT THE HEART OF THE PAPACY. The popes wanted to rule any church called Christian. Through the Holy Roman Empire,

they also tried repeatedly to rule the entire world. They have succeeded six times and are about to succeed again, for the last time, according to Bible prophecy. (Write for our free booklet *Germany and the Holy Roman Empire*.)

The Protestant churches are prophesied to be brought back into the Catholic Church (Isa. 47). Mostly this will be done through bloodshed. Remember, this wish to rule all Christianity is at “the very heart of the revolutionary papacy.” That means this philosophy has motivated them for nearly 2,000 years. And they still believe violent and bloody crusades are righteous. Have they ever truly repented of this condemning history? The answer is no. The best they have managed is some recent vague apologies.

History proves the Catholic Church to be one of the most militant institutions ever created. They do not believe in a democratic philosophy. They have often “converted” people by the sword. And yet, this world seems unwilling to hold them accountable for their war crimes.

Modern historians have shown how closely they worked with the Nazis. It was through the Catholic Church that

most of the leading Nazis escaped after World War II. We have shown in past articles how well documented that history is. No one should doubt it. (Read *The Unholy Trinity* by Mark Aarons and John Loftus, available at bookstores.)

And doesn't that crime reveal that the Catholics were deeply involved with the Nazi war machine?

This subject is too important to let our emotions stand in the way, because the worst is yet to come!

The last crusade will be the supreme inquisition of all history. It is time we understood the bloody history of the Crusades and let it be a warning!

The world seems almost unaware of these monstrous crimes.

The Jones and Ereira book continues, "Urban's army would also rescue Jerusalem, the spiritual (and therefore the physical) CENTER OF THE UNIVERSE. He hoped that the redeemed Jerusalem would be directly ruled by the church."

"Every man who enrolled for the struggle must mark himself out by wearing a cross and, most important, vow to continue on his way until he reached Jerusalem."

"Urban's method of raising this army was completely original; as well as pay, he could offer paradise—anyone who took part had all their sins forgiven. 'Whoever for devotion alone, not to gain honor or money, goes to Jerusalem to liberate the Church of God can substitute this journey for all penance.'"

Any Bible student ought to know that *only God* can offer paradise and forgive sins. But that is the big problem with most Christians: They don't believe and obey the Bible!

The whole world, including the religious world, is deceived (Rev. 12:9). Enormous problems like the Crusades will continue until we confront our own deception.

Jones and Ereira conclude, "By saying that carrying out a military/political enterprise would make you a better person, wiping out past sins, Urban had invented a way by which every person could internalize papal policy. Fighting in the pope's cause was not only an obligation, it made you righteous. With that one idea, mass political action was launched. With that one idea, ideology was born. With that one idea, the Crusade was set in motion. URBAN DID NOT UNDERSTAND WHAT HE HAD DONE."

This pope certainly did not know what he had done. What he began led to a number of indescribably brutal wars between Catholics and Muslims.

The real tragedy is that the world, like Pope Urban, still doesn't understand what he did, and what the Catholic Church *continues* to do. Their real beliefs surface when they gain power. Today, they are building the greatest



POPE URBAN II convinced followers to kill heretics for penance.

power they have ever had. If you understand their history, their future is very predictable—far more than most historians believe. Add Bible prophecy to that equation and you will see that this world faces a frightening specter.

Fighting on Both Sides

The Crusades created rivers of blood. And it was all done in the name of God. Of course, the Muslims responded with massive slaughters against the Crusaders, also in the name of God. Does it make any sense for God to be fighting on both sides? Or are these warring factions just giving our God of love a bloody reputation?

Jerusalem is considered a holy place by *both* religions. It is indeed considered the "center of the universe" to the Catholics. They believe conquering Jerusalem makes them righteous. That has been their ideology from the beginning. It is still true today. The fruits are there to prove it. The Bible says that "by their fruits you shall know them." They believe in war as an instrument to achieve their religious goals.

"The following morning the Crusaders re-entered the al-Aqsa Mosque

and slaughtered every Muslim sheltering there. No one knows how many died; the Muslim chronicler reports 70,000. ONE OF THE CRUSADERS REPORTS PICKING HIS WAY THROUGH A MESS OF BLOOD AND BODIES MORE THAN KNEE-DEEP" (ibid.). This is only one episode of many. Many people have seen pictures of this very mosque.

How many Muslims still remember the history of this mosque being knee-deep in Arab blood? And all of this savagery supposedly made Catholics righteous! A warrior who burned Arab babies in the Crusade was considered worthy to gain glory for all eternity! Does this really make sense to a sound mind?

"But killing, the pope now declared, need not be a sin after all. It depended on who you killed. In fact, if you killed the enemies of Christ, killing did not require penance—it *was* the penance. HOLY SLAUGHTER COULD BE AS EFFECTIVE A DEVOTIONAL ACTIVITY AS PRAYER, OR FASTING, OR PILGRIMAGE...."

The pope said, "Now we are proposing that you should fight wars which contain the glorious reward of martyrdom, in which you can gain the title of present and eternal glory...."

"The pope had also pointed out the importance of rescuing Jerusalem from the infidel. He seems to have suggested that 'rescue' meant 'seize and keep'" (ibid.).

The pope also said, "Take the road to the Holy Sepulcher, rescue that land from a dreadful race and rule over it yourselves."

Muslim and Jewish inhabitants of Jerusalem were slaughtered like pigs. And all of this was done by Catholics who presumably became more righteous in the process.

Were these killers true Christians? A true Christian is one who follows Christ. If we look in the gospels, Christ tells us to love our enemies, even die for them—not kill them!

The memory of such horrendous massacres still lives in the minds of many Arabs.

Those memories have provoked Arabs and Jews to massacre Catholics throughout history in a similar manner—all in the name of religion.

King Peter's Crusade

King Peter launched his crusade from the little Mediterranean island of

Cyprus, which was captured by Catholic Crusaders during the Third Crusade. Here is what Steven Runciman wrote about King Peter's Crusade in *A History of the Crusades*: "King Peter arrived at Rhodes early in the month, and on the 25th the whole Cypriot fleet sailed into the harbor, 108 vessels in all, galleys, transports, merchant ships and light skiffs. With the great galleys of the Venetians and those provided by the Hospital, the armada numbered 165 ships. They carried a full complement of men, with ample horses, provisions and arms. Not since the Third

there having performed their task were killed. THE WHOLE CITY STANK WITH THE ODOR OF HUMAN AND ANIMAL CORPSES."

This author said, "THE CRUSADES WERE THE POPE'S WORK." The Crusade philosophy has made Catholic popes the bloodiest religious leaders ever!

Still, most people try to hide from this frightening reality. That is the main reason why the worst Catholic crusade is yet to come. Mankind refuses to believe the truth and believe God.

The world so quickly forgets. And because they do, the massive bloodshed continues. The Catholics did

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And it was all done in the name of God. Does it make sense for God to be fighting on both sides? Or are these warring factions just giving our God of love a bloody reputation?

Crusade had a proportionate expedition set out for the Holy War....

"During the Friday night there was a fierce Muslim counterattack through one of the southern gates, which the Christians in their excitement had burned down. It was beaten off; and by the Saturday afternoon, all Alexandria was in the Crusaders' hands.

"THE VICTORY WAS CELEBRATED WITH UNPARALLELED SAVAGERY. TWO AND A HALF CENTURIES OF HOLY WARFARE HAD TAUGHT THE CRUSADERS NOTHING OF HUMANITY. The massacres were only equalled by those of Jerusalem in 1099 and Constantinople in 1204. The Muslims had not been so ferocious at Antioch or at Acre. Alexandria's wealth had been phenomenal; and the victors were maddened at the sight of so much booty. They spared no one. The native Christians and the Jews suffered as much as the Muslims; and even the European merchants settled in the city saw their factories and storehouses ruthlessly looted. Mosques and tombs were raided and their ornaments stolen or destroyed; churches too were sacked, though a gallant crippled Coptic lady managed to save some of the treasures of her sect at the sacrifice of her private fortune. Houses were entered, and HOUSEHOLDERS WHO DID NOT IMMEDIATELY HAND OVER ALL THEIR POSSESSIONS WERE SLAUGHTERED WITH THEIR FAMILIES. Some 5,000 prisoners, Christians and Jews as well as Muslims, were taken to be sold as slaves. A long line of horses, asses and camels carried the loot to the ships in the harbor and

these appalling, despicable deeds before the world. But has anyone heard them REPENT before the world?

There is good news: Jesus Christ will *personally* stop the next crusade! Sadly, however, that will only occur after the worst suffering ever on this Earth (Dan. 12:1; Matt. 24:21-22).

Cyprus

More than one crusade has been launched from Cyprus. Will we see the last crusade launched from there as well? Is history about to repeat itself?

Turkey, just north of Cyprus, has been a strong member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) for many years. Yet, a German-led European Union (EU) rejected them from joining the EU—even though they have been applying since 1963, when there were only six members! Nine new countries have joined since then, and 11 more are on the waiting list.

Cyprus is also on the list to join the EU. Their chances look good.

Why has the EU consistently rejected Turkey? Is it because Turkey is predominantly Islamic?

The EU is prophesied to be ultimately comprised of ten nations, or groups of nations, dominated by Catholicism. Already the EU is being called the Holy Roman Empire. It has traditionally been the enemy of the Muslims.

And why does it look like tiny Cyprus will become a member of the EU? Is the EU already thinking about Cyprus as a launching pad from which to protect its Jerusalem interests?

We don't know if Cyprus will become a member or not. But you can be certain that the EU is thinking about how to protect the holy places in and around Jerusalem. They have thought like this for almost 2,000 years!

There is a real crisis in Cyprus today. Some people fear a war between Greece and Turkey, who share the rule of this island. Greece became the tenth member state of the EU in 1981, and Russia has already sold missiles to Greece, whose intention is to bully Turkey with them.

At a conference in Cyprus in July, Dr. Osman Metin Ozturk explained that while EU membership of Cyprus would support the interests of Greece and the EU, it would stall U.S. and NATO interests.

Here is what Christopher Lockwood, diplomatic editor in Nicosia, wrote in the *Daily Telegraph*, March 30, 1998: "The EU has maneuvered itself into a position where it may soon have to take a bitterly divided island, with a propensity for violence and even war, into its bosom.

"It has poisoned relations with Turkey, a crucial NATO ally; made a solution to the Cyprus problem harder to achieve than ever...."

Why would Europe risk such serious problems, even warfare, over this tiny island?

Even the people building the EU don't fully understand what is happening. There is a spirit and force behind these events which the world does not see. "And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast. And THEY WORSHIPPED THE DRAGON WHICH GAVE POWER UNTO THE BEAST: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him? And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty and two months" (Rev. 13:3-5).

If this world truly understood what is happening in Europe, they would be trembling in fear.

Does this great evil spirit being, Satan the devil, have plans for Cyprus? Is there a final crusade planned to be launched into the Middle East from there? This evil spirit being knows Bible prophecy and what the future holds.

The beast will hold power for three and a half years, and then Christ will destroy that evil empire forever! We are entering the worst times ever, but they will lead into the best news we could ever receive!

Final Crusade Prophesied

One of the main tourist attractions in Jordan is the Crusader castles. The Catholics built most of them to war against the Muslims and control Jerusalem. These castles are stark reminders of the bloody past—and a far more bloody future!

The Jews have Jerusalem now. But not for long. Both Muslims and Catholics have designs for Jerusalem. These two great powers are about to clash again—go head-to-head in the final crusade over Jerusalem!

In 1997, Iran conducted major war games code-named “Road to Jerusalem.” Between 150,000 and 500,000 soldiers participated.

What could be more provocative? They are advertising their strategy to the world. Few people understand this Muslim passion for Jerusalem and its holy sites! They are the kind of passions that cause war!

Iran will undoubtedly lead what the Bible calls “the king of the south” (Dan. 11:40). This power will be comprised of the radical Islamic movement. Iran is working fiercely to lead this radically militant religion.

Iran has virtually destroyed the peace process single-handedly. But still, the world continues to talk about peace. Iran and radical Islam don’t want peace, and words won’t deter them.

Joseph de Courcy once wrote this in the *Islamic Affairs Analyst*: “Subscribers should be in absolutely no doubt about this. From Iran’s support for subversion in Bahrain, through its improving ties with Egypt, its support for Hezbollah in Lebanon and the Islamist revolutionaries in

Khartoum, to its close strategic alliance with Moscow, everything has the same ultimate purpose: *the liberation of Jerusalem from under the Zionist yoke.*”

The U.S. has tried to isolate Iran. Almost no other nation supports America. This attempt has failed. The U.S. is fighting against Bible prophecy.

Iran has nuclear bombs. They believe America can be neutralized by terrorism—perhaps nuclear terrorism.

Here is what Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat said in 1996: “We know but one word: struggle, struggle. Jihad, jihad, jihad. When we stop our *intifada*, when we stop our revolution, we go to the greater jihad, the jihad of the independent Palestinian state with its capital Jerusalem.”

Jihad is the Arab cry for holy war. They will get their war. But it will not be holy. It will lead to the worst suffering this planet has ever experienced!

“And at the time of the end shall the king of the south push at him: and the king of the north shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass over” (Dan. 11:40). This king of the south is undoubtedly the Iran-led radical Muslims. They are strong and are PUSHING others around in the Middle East.

Soon they will PUSH at the king of the north, the so-called Holy Roman Empire—the same religious power that was behind the Crusades. And that push will surely revolve around Jerusalem.

Just 20 years ago, nobody could have even imagined two world powers coming out of the Middle East and Europe. But God knew exactly what would happen. Nobody but God could have inspired these prophecies. Everybody can see these two great powers today.

Just look at what is happening in Eu-

rope—and has been for years. The present pope is working feverishly to revive the Holy Roman Empire. Twenty years ago, in Spain, November 9, 1981, he said this: “It can be said that the European identity is not understandable without Christianity and that it is precisely in Christianity that are found those common roots by which the Continent has seen its civilization mature: its culture, its dynamism, its activity, its capacity for constructive expansion in other continents as well; in a word, all that makes up its glory....”

“Find yourself again. Be yourself. Discover your origins, revive your roots. Return to those authentic values which MADE YOUR HISTORY A GLORIOUS ONE and your presence so beneficent in the other continents.”

During the Inquisition, OVER 50 MILLION innocent people WERE KILLED IN THE NAME OF “CHRISTIANITY”! That’s right—50 million! And you can add many millions more as victims of the Holy Roman Empire. Shouldn’t the whole world fear a pope who would say, “DISCOVER YOUR ORIGINS, REVIVE YOUR ROOTS. RETURN TO THOSE AUTHENTIC VALUES WHICH MADE YOUR HISTORY A GLORIOUS ONE”? Those “origins” and “roots” and that “history” caused many millions of people to die!

In Revelation 17, God paints a vivid picture of a great church as a lavishly dressed harlot, holding sway over the nations. God sees things as they truly are! Let’s look at God’s view: “And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration” (Rev. 17:6). God sees this whore “drunken” on the blood of the saints! Is killing God’s saints “glorious”?

The Holy Roman Empire will come at the king of the south like a whirlwind. Will there be a surprise attack from Cyprus? Will we see the final crusade launched from there? A whirlwind comes suddenly. So it doesn’t appear the attack will

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A BLOODY PAST The ruins of Shobak Castle in Jordan





The Counterfeit Peacemaker

Europe is trying to break into Mideast “peacemaking.” They aren’t interested in mediating. They want to take over.

BY JOEL HILLIKER

REMEMBER. THE WORD IS WRITTEN in Hebrew in front of six flames which perpetually burn above the main courtyard of the Jewish quarter of the Old City of Jerusalem. It is a memorial of the 6 million Jews killed in the Holocaust by the Germans.

Clearly, Israel and Germany have a tainted past. In fact, it was anti-Semitic persecution in Germany and other parts of Europe that precipitated the greatest flood of Jewish immigrants to Israel before its establishment as a state in 1948. Israel’s existence, at least in part, is a product of German hatred for Jews.

That is why what is happening today between Europe and Israel is so extraordinary.

The United States has been the primary arbiter of the

peace process between Israelis and Palestinians for almost a decade. But now, as violence between Jews and Palestinians wears on, as the prospect of a solution disappears over a dimming horizon, as every tried method of re-establishing order fails, the search for alternatives is growing more desperate.

In this context, new evidence is surfacing of the European Union’s subtle efforts to capture the Middle East peace process. In fact, the German-dominated EU is increasingly showing its true colors, particularly in relation to its desire to “Europeanize” the principal protagonist in the Middle Eastern quagmire—the tiny nation of Israel.

What is amazing in this scenario is that Israeli leaders are of the same mind! *Israel is increasingly looking to Europe—and, yes, to Germany—as an ally, a benefactor, a peacemaker. A savior.*

A NEW PAGE
Israel’s Sharon (left) visits Schröder in Berlin.

It may appear that the Palestinians and Israelis disagree on much. But one thing they do agree on is the involvement of the EU and the Vatican in a “final solution” to the Middle East peace process.

WHY? Of all conceivable solutions, why this? What draws Israel to its former arch-enemy? Does Israel not remember? Do those six flames not burn for a purpose?

What should be obvious to objective observers, and what *Trumpet* readers must understand, is that Europe is no casual third party trying to find the best solution for both sides of the conflict. And where America has been mostly talk, Europe is sure to be hands on.

The fact is, the EU wants to “Europeanize” Israel. They want to take over!

That fact does not bode well for the Jewish state. There are sinister forces at work beyond the understanding of most of the Jews in Israel. As much as Israel wants to believe that there will never be another Holocaust—that today’s Germany, today’s Europe, is different—they are in fact setting themselves up for the fulfillment of all their worst fears.

In this article we document the terrible facts—and explain the widely overlooked and hidden reasons *why* this unimaginable association is being pursued.

The New Mideast Heavyweight

Many Arabs accuse the United States of being unfair—pro-Jew. Their efforts to find support for their cause, and, more importantly, a more Arab-friendly referee in the peace process, have brought Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat on bended knee before heads of state all over the world.

Arafat has found particularly favorable reception in Europe. On the whole, Europe, in assigning blame for Mideast problems, habitually points to Israel.

In 1996, French President Jacques Chirac became the first head of state to speak to the Palestinian legislative council. He was loudly cheered for “treating the Palestinians to a rare feast of support and succor,” according to the *New York Times*. In his speech he called for Israel to concede all of the Palestinians’ main demands.

Who would have thought such a power play possible in the dark years following World War II? Europe—particularly Germany, soaked in Jewish

blood—wanted to stay as far away from anything resembling anti-Semitism as possible.

Nevertheless, in the five years since, while occasionally deferring to U.S. dominance of new peace measures, Europe has demonstrated what appears to be an ANTI-JEW BIAS with increasing frequency.

Here are the prophetic words *Trumpet* Editor in Chief Gerald Flurry wrote in response to Chirac's 1996 speech: "This is not just a serious slap at Israel. It's also a strong move against the Israel-American axis. It's a power move to TAKE OVER the peace process for Europe's great benefit. The European Union is moving to be the heavyweight in the Middle East.

"Europe is moving not only to be a co-sponsor in the peace process—they want to gain control of it!"

As time progresses, we are watching as these profound and revelatory words are proved true!

Europe Appears Pro-Arab

The European Union is the largest foreign donor to the Palestinian Authority, contributing more than \$150 million a year. It puts another \$550 million annually toward peace initiatives in neighboring Arab states Lebanon, Syria, Jordan and Egypt. These funds Europe writes off as donations to the Middle East peace effort.

Meanwhile, headlines detailing Europe's pressure on Israel—to halt settlement activity, to tone down military responses to Arab attacks—have been steady and sustained since the Chirac visit. The EU and its member nations have repeatedly called for the formation of an independent Palestinian state, formally declaring their support of the move in a 1999 Berlin summit.

Consider this excerpt from the May 24 *European Report* (emphasis mine here and throughout), typical of what is emerging from Europe: "The EU and its member states, including Germany, which for historic reasons [the Holocaust] has UNTIL NOW adopted a low profile regarding any condemnation of Israel, have called on Tel Aviv to put an immediate end to its settlement activities in the PALESTINIAN TERRITORIES. They have also denounced Israel's dis-

proportionate use of force against Palestine's civilian population." Germany—which fueled the furnace of the Holocaust—is once again showing itself unafraid to bully Israel!

Also in May, the European Parliament took up the nagging issue of whether to ban certain imports from Israel. The EU buys up almost a third of Israel's exports, making it Israel's biggest trade partner. Because Europe considers the West Bank and Gaza Strip *illegally occupied territory*, some officials insist that goods manufactured there should not carry the "Made in Israel" label that exempts them from customs duties, as most Israeli imports are. Thus, Europe is reviewing the origins of all sorts of imports from Israel, and may consider revoking Israel's duty-free status altogether.

Despite assertions to the contrary from European officials, they are most certainly exploiting this matter to turn the screws on Israel.

EU Observers

It is a portent of things to come. On this front, the Europeans are already moving in on the Middle East peace process.

Throughout the present conflict, Israel has been resistant to official international observation, arguing—not without reason—that the observers would be biased in favor of the Palestinians. Nevertheless, the *Christian Science Monitor* of June 5 revealed that European officials have rented rooms in a particularly volatile West Bank town, Beit Jala. Why? In the words of an unnamed European official, "to be able to get an objective view of what efforts are being made to implement the cease-fire and to have the ability...to be witnesses at the most sensitive points." They say they are not official observers—merely "witnesses."

Evidently, Europe cares not that this move directly opposes Israel's outspoken wishes!

"The European move will likely provoke Israeli ire and Palestinian delight," the article said. "While Palestinians have long called for international observers, the Israelis have rejected the idea, saying such monitoring would be one-sided, impractical,

and possibly provocative. But the European effort *appears to be taking place on the Palestinian side alone, without explicit Israeli approval.*"

One would think that a party so interested in the responsibility of arbitrating peace would at least be more careful to *appear* objective!

Europe in Israel's Politics

These issues rankle many Jews. But far more alarming and underhanded is increasing evidence that Europe is trying to *destabilize Israel* by influencing its politics.

A *Ma'ariv* reporter revealed in June that the EU Support Committee had earmarked \$342,000 for a committee dedicated to "preventing left-leaning new Russian immigrants from swinging to the right." Over \$200,000 was also committed to the liberal Four Mothers movement, which dissolved before the money could reach it. "Hundreds of thousands of euros are scheduled to soon reach Peace Now, the Committee Against Razing Homes, and the far-left group Ir Shalem"—a collection of radically liberal political groups (*Arutz Sheva News*, June 22).

Arutz Sheva further disclosed in its June 27 edition that the list of left-wing groups receiving EU money was even longer. "This is unbelievable," Knesset member Benny Elon was quoted as saying. "There is a whole network that looked for the weak links in Israeli society, and then started bankrolling them.... [O]fficial nations—not some private millionaire—were directly involved in Israeli politics...." This is precisely the pattern of double-dealing that Germany has repeatedly followed.

Remember how the EU clearly has exploited the liberal politics of Israeli Nobel laureate Shimon Peres to its advantage. As we detailed in our March-April issue, Mr. Peres has always placed great faith in the land-for-peace formula, cutting back-alley deals with the Palestinian Liberation Organization and the Vatican for Israeli real estate, all with the firm approval of the European Union.

Now carrying the political clout of the foreign ministership within the conservative Israeli government of Ariel Sharon, Peres recently revealed himself as a deserter! July 3, he warned "that he could step down from his post if the Israeli government does not



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stop trying to *undermine Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat*.... 'I will not be able to continue in my role if you keep trying to *delegitimize Yasser Arafat*' [he told] parliament's committee on defense and foreign affairs" (Agence France Presse, July 3).

Nothing could have made Europe more proud! Mr. Peres is surely dancing to the EU's tune as he virtually blackmails his own government into dealing with Arafat, a confirmed terrorist, on his own terms.

Realize the significance of these allegations. While publicly funding one side in the dispute—the Palestinian "government in exile"—Europe stealthily has cut the other side, Israel, down at the knees! Today's Israel is a fractious shell of its former self, ruptured through dozens of political parties, riven by a chaotic mess of political infighting even at the highest levels, never able to find consensus on how to approach peace with its neighbors because it cannot find peace within itself!

As in former Yugoslavia, so in Israel: Europe has created a monster, and now will offer to step in and smooth things over with its unique version of "peacekeeping"—that is, moving in and setting up camp.

Romancing the Jews

Consider now the regrettable fact of Israel's continued openness to Europe's overtures.

Conservative Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu worked to keep Europe out of the Mideast, undoubtedly because of a clear-eyed view of their anti-Jew orientation. It was during his term in office that Europe was secretly working to fortify the left-wing elements in Israeli politics.

Predictably enough, Netanyahu's successor, the appeasing Ehud Barak, welcomed Europe with open arms.

During an official visit to Israel by German President Johannes Rau in February 2000 for example, Barak spoke of the "genuine friendship" between Israel and "the new Germany of Adenauer and his successors." How much Israel wants to believe that Germany is a changed country!

"The Germany of today is one of Israel's most important friends in Eu-

rope," Mr. Barak said. He praised Germany for its "searing soul-searching" since World War II, a process that has "strengthened German democracy and returned Germany to the family of nations as a free society, open, pluralistic and humane."

In June of 2000, with Barak in office, Israel was granted Associate Member status of the European Union. That gave them preferential status in relations with the EU, a position ensuring "extensive co-operation in finance, information exchanges, scientific relations and other matters" (*Israel's Business Arena*, March 16, 2000). Here the love affair with Europe was taken to a new level.

Some would consider this association a mark of the great progress made since the Second World War. But the truth is that Israel's dangerous romance with Europe will end in a nation-threatening betrayal!

Soon after, when Barak's liberal peace policies exploded in his face, he was deserted politically and ousted after completing less than half his term. A conservative backlash in Israel's electorate put the hawkish Sharon in office.

But even Sharon has proved to be someone with whom Europe can work. Not only did he position Europe's point man Peres at his side as foreign minister, but he himself seems open to dealing with Germany and the EU. Witness his July visit to Germany and France, at which he praised Germany's "balanced approach to the Middle East"—while being advised by Germany to stop illegal settlements and instructed by France to stop undermining Arafat!

As for Mr. Peres, he wears his love for Europe on his sleeve. In April, he visited the Mediterranean island of Cyprus, another Middle East enclave that Europe seems intent on incorporating. He praised the Cypriots for taking advantage of EU moves toward "the Europeanization of the island in the heart of the Mediterranean." He was happy, he said, that Israel and Cyprus shared the goal of "Europeanizing the Middle East," a trend he believes will secure peace and freedom in the region. "Europeanization will change everything," he said.

Mr. Peres laid out his dream of the

future for Israel—a future in which Israel is, of all things, "Europeanized"! Peres's deal with the Vatican to give away half of Jerusalem to Rome had been made in secret, during the previous decade, at a time when it was not fashionable to talk of "Europeanizing" Israel. Now it is out in the open and the subject of a public lecture by Peres.

What a strange situation!

Think of it! Jews and Arabs are embroiled in insoluble conflict. Thus, Germany, the country responsible for the massacre of so many Jews, now makes a pretense of coming to their aid, wrapped in the cloak of European Union. Yet in so doing, it stands exposed as decidedly anti-Jew. And still, Israel increasingly clamors for its help, going so far as to want to become "Europeanized"! It is almost too surreal to be believed.

Nevertheless, these current events ironically echo the prophetic inevitability of events foreshadowed in the writings of the biblical prophets, which are now leaping into clear focus!

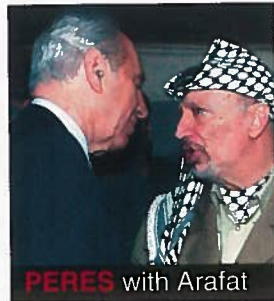
Why Israel Trusts Europe

We come now to a tough question: Why, given 20th-century history between Israel and Europe, and taking into account present-day EU statements on the Mideast, would Israel trust Europe as an ally? It is a true enigma in Mideast politics!

At its heart, the reason is essentially Israel's fatal *weakness*.

Mr. Flurry has written extensively on the biblically prophesied *collapse of WILL* being witnessed in modern-day Israel. The nation that was born and sustained in a hostile climate by *miraculous* protection has since turned on the God who made possible its existence. Like the ancient, biblical nation of Israel, it has taken to trusting in *men*—even, to its own peril, enemy nations—rather than the all-powerful God.

This *faithlessness* is the CAUSE for Israel's trust in the impotent, vain and terribly misnamed *peace process*. It has obliged Israel to give up site after biblically significant site to the Palestinians. ALL OF ISRAEL'S HOPES are pinned on a negotiation policy that has proved to be an utter catastrophe! And with U.S. measures proving inadequate, Israel is so weak, so desperate for another mediator to turn to, they believe their only remaining option is to look to



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Germany and the European Union.

Biblical prophecy illuminates Israel's deplorable posture. As Mr. Flurry has explained, the Bible refers to the present nation of Israel as "Judah" (hence the name *Jew*). Hosea 5:13 reveals the true nature of the peace process by calling it Judah's "wound." "When... Judah saw his *wound*, then went Ephraim to THE ASSYRIAN [the biblical name for modern Germany], and sent to king Jareb: yet could he not heal you, nor cure you of your wound." Judah's wound is *incurable*—and it takes them right into the waiting arms of Germany. *Gesenius' Lexicon* defines *wound*, "the pressing together, binding up of a wound; here used figuratively of a *remedy* applied to the wounds of the state." In other words, THE REMEDY IS THE WOUND!

Could a single word better describe Israel's "peace" process? Is there any more grievous *wound* than the naïve, strength-sapping negotiation that now has Israel going cap-in-hand to Europe for salvation from its troubles?

The Reason for the Holocaust

Now, our second tough question: Why Europe's meddling in the Middle East? Why its apparent Palestinian bias? Given 20th century history, why is it not more careful to be even-handed?

To answer, we raise another issue: The true cause of the Holocaust.

Volumes have been written exploring this grim, mysterious question. But what those books lack is understanding of the *spiritual dimension*—without which the very heart of the problem cannot be grasped.

There is an invisible spirit realm! The Bible reveals that mankind is fundamentally swayed by Satan the devil, the god of this world (II Cor. 4:4), who has tangled the minds of "the whole world" in deceit (Rev. 12:9). This supernatural being hates human beings, because it is in our race that God has planted the seeds of the eternal future—a transcendent potential that far surpasses any that Satan was ever offered.

In past *Trumpet* articles we have spelled out scriptures that show how God will one day unite all the nations of Israel—and eventually the world—under the throne of David, the *Jewish* king (i.e. Jer. 33:14-16). God will accomplish this by grafting the Gentile nations *into Israel* (i.e. Rom. 11:17). Jesus Christ Himself—the Lion of the

tribe of *Judah*, the Root of David (Rev. 5:5)—said that salvation is *of the Jews* (John 4:22); yet elsewhere, the Bible shows that God wills that ALL MEN be saved (I Tim. 2:4). In short, the biblical teaching is that in God's soon-coming Kingdom, people of *every nation and race* will become SPIRITUAL JEWS (which has nothing to do with race—Rom. 2:28-29). That is our future. This remarkable truth requires much biblical proof, which may be found in our coming book *The Key of David Vision*.

It is Satan's hatred for that truth that fuels *his hatred for the Jewish race today!*

What caused the Holocaust? It was human nature under the influence of the devil, playing out in horrific genocide his vicious, brutal program.

The Bible also reveals that the devil's most effective instrument of destruction, historically, has been the *Holy Roman Empire*—referred to biblically as a terrible beast with many heads, or resurrections (Dan. 7:23; Rev. 13:1-4). The German-Italian axis that produced the Holocaust represented the next-to-last resurrection of that beast power.

Before the present age of man ends, *Satan will use that same tool once more!*

The well-known prophecy of an end-time "abomination of desolation" (i.e. Matt. 24:15) is describing a European "peacekeeping" army moving into Israel—most likely *at the invitation of the Jews!* "And when ye shall see *Jerusalem compassed with armies*, then know that THE DESOLATION THEREOF IS NIGH" (Luke 21:20). That army will be directed by a powerful church with religious designs on the holiest of cities. And what will appear to be Jerusalem's ultimate salvation will suddenly become Israel's bloodiest holocaust!

It is for this reason that we must trumpet the alarm over Europe's increasing boldness in stepping into the Middle East peace process! THEIR APPEARANCE AS A PEACEMAKER IS A DEADLY COUNTERFEIT!

Pity the poor Jews who fail to recognize the resurrected spirit of the Holocaust, as events are marching inexorably in this very direction.

Taking Over the Peace Process

We conclude with an overview of chilling present-day events.

In a flurry of diplomatic activity during June, the EU, and Germany in particular, moved to cement its role in what is now emerging as the final act of the "peace process" being played out amid the violence of civil war.

After a pattern of U.S. failure, the Bush administration says it will not be as active in the Mideast as President Clinton was. The *Christian Science Monitor* of June 5 spoke of the frustration with America's lack of success.



"Recent meetings brokered by the U.S. apparently have proved fruitless. But where U.S. efforts have stalled or been limited to phone conversations, the *Europeans have been more visible and more successful.*" Yes, count on Europe to be waiting and ready to stand in the breach.

International perceptions are already shifting: *Perhaps Europe will succeed where the U.S. could not.* Even Israel, while being slapped, undermined and ignored by Europe, still appears to be grasping at this impossible hope!

In an uncanny coincidence, German Foreign Minister Joschka Fischer happened to be in town when a Palestinian suicide bomber blew up a Tel Aviv disco, killing 20 Israelis, on June 1. Fischer immediately moved to negotiate a cease fire between the Israelis and Palestinians. "As one Western diplomat put it, speaking on condition of anonymity, 'the EU is in the right place at the right time'" (ibid.).

Ten days later, EU representatives met with Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres and Nabil Shaath, the Palestinian Minister for International Cooperation. Shaath commented publicly that the cease fire negotiated by Fischer proved that "Europe does not always have to play second fiddle" in the peace process. Associated Press commented that "The EU suddenly

finds itself in a Mideast spotlight after Fischer crafted a cease-fire accord" (AP, Worldstream, June 11).

Not two weeks after that meeting, Shaath visited Fischer in Berlin and personally requested him "to return to the Middle East to represent the European Union in peace talks and to help...stabilize the peace process" (Agence France Presse, June 20).

Yet, as eager as they are to invite the EU in, even the Palestinians are wholly unaware of Europe's real intent. Prophecy reveals that they too will be blindsided when Europe's armies march into the Holy Land.

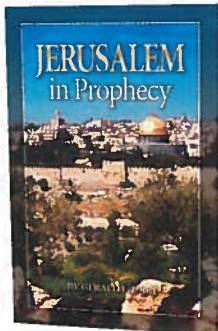
"And at the time of the end shall the king of the south [an Islamic consortium that will likely include a Palestinian contingent] push at him: and the king of the north [the German-led European Union] shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships [probably launched from a European outpost in Cyprus]; and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass over. He shall enter also into the glorious land [Israel], and MANY COUNTRIES SHALL BE OVERTHROWN..." (Dan. 11:40-41).

This is the terrifying end awaiting the inhabitants of the land of Israel! This is the terrible trap into which the Jews of Israel are directly walking! This will be the final "peacemaking" legacy left by today's rising unholy European empire! A worse massacre than Jerusalem has ever seen.

Events are hurtling toward this crisis at the close. Time is desperately short. The *Trumpet* is to serve as a warning. God promises protection for the truly repentant. "Say unto them, As I live, saith the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and LIVE: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for WHY WILL YE DIE, O HOUSE OF ISRAEL?" (Ezek. 33:11).

Heed God's warning—and live! ♦

If this article interested you, we highly recommend you order a free copy of Gerald Flurry's new booklet, *Jerusalem in Prophecy*.



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be launched from Europe.

We must understand the Holy Roman Empire and the Crusades to understand the Catholic passion for Jerusalem. They have a long history of spilling rivers of blood over Jerusalem.

Notice what their first action is after they are victorious. "He shall enter also into the GLORIOUS LAND, and many countries shall be overthrown: but these shall escape out of his hand, even Edom, and Moab, and the chief of the children of Ammon" (Dan. 11:41). They "enter" into the glorious land, or the Holy Land. The Hebrew indicates this is a peaceful entry—not forced.

The Jews appear to invite them in as peacekeepers. But it leads to a great double-cross, prophesied in Ezekiel chapter 23. (Write for our free booklets *The Ezekiel Watchman* and *Hosea*.)

This betrayal will lead to a disaster where no stone is left on top of another stone at the Wailing Wall (Matt. 24:1-3). Those are Christ's own words!

The Jews should remember the history of the violence and bloodshed by the Crusaders. Then perhaps they would choose differently.

"He shall stretch forth his hand also upon the countries: and the land of Egypt shall not escape. But he shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt: and the Libyans and the Ethiopians shall be at his steps" (Dan. 11:42-43). Other countries are going to fall to this great power too.

Twice it mentions that Egypt will not escape. For over two decades, Egypt has been the most moderate nation in the Middle East. Iran has PUSHED them toward their camp. That is because Egypt fears terrorism and their own radical Muslims. We have seen that happen before our eyes, just as God prophesied it would!

The Good News

At that point in prophecy, the Holy Roman Empire will face disaster. "But tidings out of the east and out of the north shall trouble him: therefore he shall go forth with great fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many" (v. 44). The Russians and Chinese will prepare for war with Europe. The Europeans will see it happening and strike

first. They will, however, be defeated.

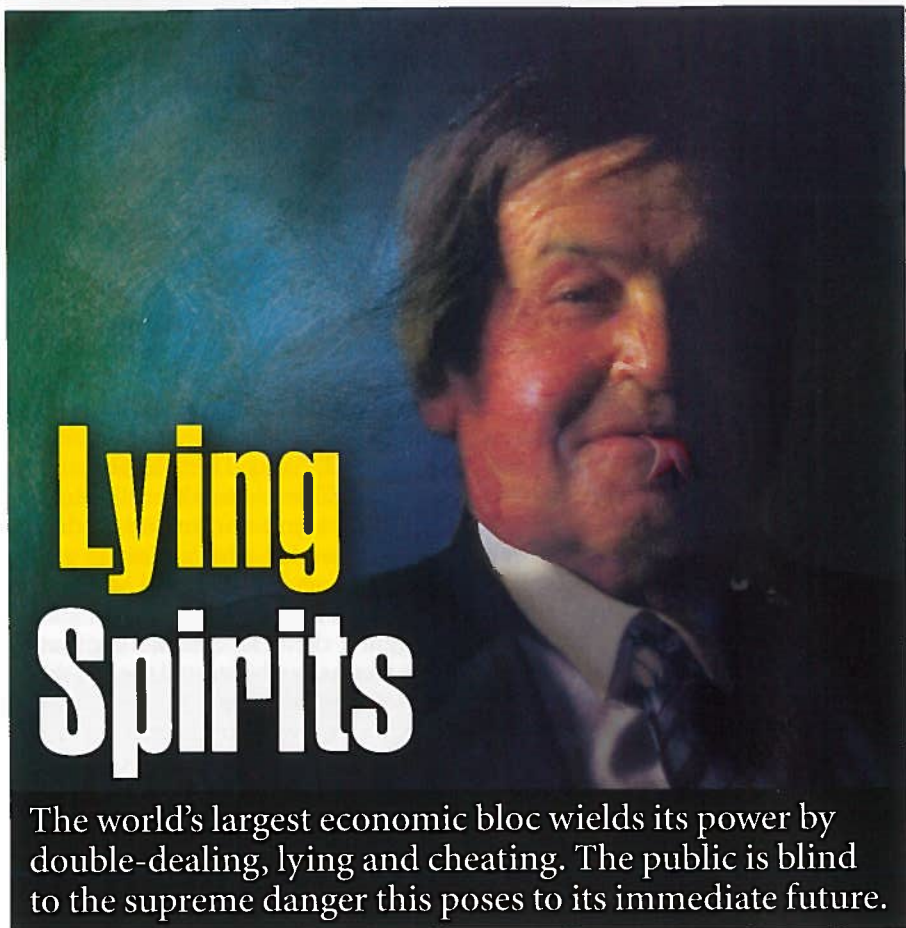
"And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain; yet HE SHALL COME TO HIS END, and none shall help him" (v. 45). Notice, the religious leader will move his headquarters to Jerusalem—and not just for protection. He could go to many other cities that would be safer. But this will be a religious act of faith. Jerusalem is considered to be his most holy place on Earth—the "center of the universe." Still, he will come to a most ignominious end. Nobody will be there to help him.

There should be no chapter break between Daniel 11 and 12. The story flow continues to illustrate that this religious war will trigger a nuclear World War III.

"And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book" (Dan. 12:1). There has never before been trouble like this. God promises to protect His people physically. Otherwise, they would perish in a nuclear nightmare.

As bad as this news is, IT LEADS TO THE BEST NEWS THIS WORLD HAS EVER HEARD! "And from the time that the *daily sacrifice* shall be taken away, and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, there shall be a thousand two hundred and ninety days" (v. 11). The *daily sacrifice* is referring to GOD'S WORK. That work will be taken away—removed when God takes His people to a place of safety (Matt. 24:15-16; Luke 21:20-21). That must happen because the abomination of desolation, or the king of the north, is going to conquer America and Britain—unless they repent. But when that happens, you will be able to start counting days to the return of Jesus Christ. He will end these "holy wars" forever.

Any child should understand that the fruits of these "holy wars" have been diabolical! There is no excuse for America and Britain not knowing the truth. God has been sending His message in power for over 60 years! They have rejected it repeatedly. That is why they now must suffer so intensely. Finally, God will get their attention and lead them to peace, full joy and abundance. ♦



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Lying Spirits

The world's largest economic bloc wields its power by double-dealing, lying and cheating. The public is blind to the supreme danger this poses to its immediate future.

BY RON FRASER

"EUROPE'S LEADERS MAY NOT EVEN fully understand what they're doing. The rest of the world hasn't a clue." The *International Herald Tribune* thus summed up the incredible rise of the European Union to the position of chief global economic power, in their July 3 edition.

The same article carried other startling statements: "Europe has seized control of much of the global economic agenda.... Europe's grasp for power will shape the global economy for decades to come."

Is this true? If it is, how come "the rest of the world hasn't a clue"? Well, it's a long story. Believe it or not, it started way back around 31 B.C. That's the year that the Roman Empire came to power.

Students of biblical history understand that the great image portrayed in Babylonian King Nebuchadnezzar's dream, as depicted in Daniel 2:31-35, is analogous to the four great Gentile empires that have held sway throughout the past three millennia. This is clearly explained in our booklet

Daniel—Unsealed at Last, which you may have, free of charge, by requesting it from one of the addresses shown inside the cover of this magazine.

It is not the purpose of this article to prove the identity of the Roman Empire as revealed in the prophetic scriptures. We have plenty of literature available to our readers which serves that purpose. It is sufficient for our purposes in this article to state that biblical prophecy reveals that, upon the destruction of the Roman Empire in A.D. 476, ten succeeding governments were to grow out of it. Justinian restored the empire in A.D. 554, in the process uprooting the first three governments (three barbarian kingdoms), which disappeared from history at that time. Justinian's restoration of the empire preceded the subsequent six resurrections of the "Holy" Roman Empire. These are facts of history.



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The seventh and last resurrection of that empire is now rapidly congealing into a federation of nation-states in Europe, spreading its tentacles globally via massive investment in, and take-overs of, international business.

Astonishing Rush

"Even the U.S. market is now less of an American market. As a unifying Europe asserts its regulatory muscle, its entrepreneurs are in flight to the United States, where they are less subject to...direction by bureaucrats. The rush is astonishing. According to Mergerstat, a Los Angeles research service, *foreign companies in the past three years have taken over 2,779 U.S. companies worth a stunning \$766 billion. Three quarters of that money is from Europe*" (ibid.).

This is *economic blitzkrieg!* As we have pointed out in previous articles, much of this investment is coming from Europe's dominant power, Germany. Norman Davies demonstrates in his masterful study of Europe that the old Holy Roman Empire was "the launch-pad of 'Germany'" (*Europe—A History*, p. 317).

Up to the time of World War II, Germany had spearheaded its dominance of Europe via the instrumentality of war. But those who blindly claim that the German nation has since miraculously transformed itself into a responsible democracy simply fool themselves. As British parliamentarian Sir Richard Body declares, German tactics changed in the mid-20th century. "...German power presented a threat. For a century Germany tried to impose her dominance by military means: now she is able to do so by economic means.... She is not going to agree to any developments that threaten her wealth or reduce her ability to follow her own course" (*The Breakdown of Europe*, p. 59).

Slowly—painfully slowly—and probably too late, Anglo-American thinkers are starting to wake up to the fact that what Germany failed at—global dominance imposed by war—in the two greatest wars in man's history, it is on the verge of gaining via global economic investment. Germany has done so under the cloak of avidly working as

a "partner" with other European countries, part of a federation of nation-states, ostensibly "Europeanized" away from its traditional Teutonic war-mongering tendencies.

Again, Sir Richard Body's views are incisive and reveal a real feel for both history and human nature: "To believe that Germany will become 'Europeanized' in the sense that she will surrender her own national interests to appease the other states of the Union, and that she will allow them to go on indefinitely feeding off the billions of deutsch marks that she provides with no apparent advantage in exchange—that is to dream of a new and very implausible theory of international relations" (ibid.).

Tainted Roots

To understand the real nature of the European Union, and the threat it poses to Anglo-American civilization, culture, society and economy, one has to dig into history. In fact, one has to go to the source of the modern "science" of geopolitics.

Geopolitics is simply the term coined to describe the study of the relationship between geographic and political factors as they relate to or influence a nation or region. One of the most prominent names associated with geopolitics is that of Karl Haushofer (1869-1946). He was a leading light in German intellectual life in Nazi Germany. Rudolf Hess, Hitler's close associate, was a student of Haushofer.

Silent Invasion



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Source: Mergerstat

in this particular geopolitical concept. Author John Laughland explains it thus: "The geopoliticians, indeed, ascribed precisely to the Reich the role of the bearer and realizer of European unity.... They thought that...the nation was too small for the modern interdependent world and economy" (*The Tainted Source*, p. 111).

Herein lies the connection between the Third Reich of Nazi Germany and the European Union of today. "Their

Reich theories, which accorded a greater role to the non-political factor of space than to the political arrangements which nations had in fact chosen, were explicitly predicated on the idea that the notion of sovereignty itself should be abandoned in favor of the higher interests of the 'community'" (ibid.; emphasis mine here and throughout).

It is a fact of recent history that no country close to Germany welcomed its unification. It scared France to death. In fact in a pathetic, last ditch stance, then French President Francois Mitterand paid a state visit to East Germany on December 20-21, 1989 (after the Berlin Wall had been breached), to reassure that shattering regime of France's support for the continuing existence of East Germany as an independent state. Only when unification was inevitable did the turncoat French leader sign a joint letter with German Chancellor Helmut Kohl, in April 1990, to initiate the process which was to evolve as the Maastricht Treaty on European unity 18 months later.

Without France at her side, then the creation of a monetary union including only the D-Mark zone countries (Belgium, the Netherlands, Luxembourg, Austria, perhaps some Eastern Europe states) would appear, very simply, as what it would, in fact, be: a new German Reich. With France in the picture, by contrast, German hegemony is disguised.... European integration was an escalator [France] was too frightened to get off" (ibid., p. 126).

Encircling the Globe

Germany's chief negotiator of the Maastricht Treaty, Horst Köhler, stated in 1996, "There is no alternative to European integration. Any other choice could cause the other countries of the continent, one day, to unite against us" (*Le Monde*, Feb. 6, 1996). This is mind-boggling rhetoric, considering that it was Germany who started the last three major wars in Europe!

Of all nations in Europe, it is Germany that has a European policy crystallized with dogged political will and single-minded purpose. The present-day policy of Germany for Europe is in fact a policy for domination. Few, indeed, can see it. Yet it was articulated, immediately prior to German unification, by two of Chancellor Kohl's senior advisers in July 1989. The document setting out Germany's post-unification blueprint for their new empire was, in fact, written immediately following the visit by Mikhail Gorbachev, the Russian president at the time, to Bonn to inform Chancellor Kohl that he would not oppose German unification.

One month after this visit, as reported by *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung*, July 17, 1989, the two advisers drew up the German "concentric circles" model for global domination. The authors of this paper maintained that German political integration should become the model for European integration. But it was not to stop with Europe! The paper showed a German-inspired "federal nucleus" of Europe to be the "focal point and center of gravity for an ever-expanding community."

How far is this community to expand? "This model can be seen as a system of concentric circles," the paper said.

Describing the German plan outlined in the paper, Mr. Laughland wrote, "Such a Europe [was] to replace

Here is the connection between the Third Reich of Nazi Germany and the EU of today: **"Their Reich theories...were explicitly predicated on the idea that the notion of sovereignty itself should be abandoned in favor of the higher interests of the 'community.'"**

At the heart of Haushofer's geopolitical ideology was a conviction that Europe's history of conflict could be overcome by an amalgamation of the nations of Europe and the sacrifice of their individual sovereignty to a single "common European idea and meaning." The idea of the German Reich had its genesis

Ever since, the French have played a subservient role to a united Germany in the bullying process of roping European nations into a federation under German leadership. John Laughland portrays this scenario in startling terms: "Germany knows what potential the axis with France offers her.

the current 'confusing diversity' of Europe's overlapping structures...with 'a singular consistent structure.' That structure was to consist of a 'European federal state,' the 'United States of Europe' as its 'centerpiece.' ...The second circle would be 'the European Community' including the 'United States of Europe' and the other seven EC states. The third concentric circle would be comprised of an 'Association of European States'...open to the Eastern European states, the Scandinavian countries and Switzerland. The final concentric circle was 'the common European home' itself...that is, *all of Europe plus the Soviet Union, Canada and the USA*" (*The Tainted Source*, p. 123).

As Laughland states, the authors of this grand design for global German dominion "never understated the breadth of their vision"!



"There is no alternative to European integration. Any other choice could cause the other countries of the continent, one day, to unite against us."

—Horst Köhler

That vision ought to send chills up your spine. Why aren't you hearing warnings about it in the press? Why no great international outcry? Simply because the EU, via its various unaccountable and unelected instrumentalities, has elected, by sleight of hand, deceit and outright lying, to hide the truth from the world.

Rotten Heart

While addressing a farmers' meeting in Britain on September 22, 1998, Bernard Connolly, author of the book *The Rotten Heart of Europe*, declared, "Cheating is what Europe is all about. Lying is what Europe is all about. Humiliating and subjugating Britain is what Europe is all about."

That humiliation of Britain extends to the EU using Britain to legitimize what the Franco-German axis is doing

in Europe and around the globe to give it "credibility" in the eyes of the world. Britain's faltering, more-cautious approach to full EU integration has led Romano Prodi, president of the Commission of European Communities, to state snidely, "In practice, if you don't fully participate in the family, your voice will be less heard. To be different

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makes you less important in the total decision-making process" (*Guardian*, London, Feb. 16).

In what amounted to a statement bordering on blackmail, Prodi also told political journalists that the UK would have "less strength" in the European Union's decision-making process outside the euro zone. "How can you control your economy being surrounded by the euro and not having your man inside the European Central Bank?" he said (*ibid.*).

As to Bernard Connolly's allegations of EU lying and cheating, one only has to remember that the collapse of the European Commission in 1999 was due to fraud of hugely embarrassing proportions being publicized by a lone Dutch auditor. The same Dutchman was hounded from office and declared *persona non grata* for his efforts. In a face-saving exercise, the EU replaced 20 of its commissioners and created a new anti-fraud office. A year ago, a report from the EU itself admitted that it had made no inroads into stemming the flow of fraudulently siphoned-off EU funds, nor checked any of the EU's rampant corruption!

"The new anti-fraud office created by the European Union to root out corruption in Brussels is no better than its predecessor and has failed to break free from political control, according to an internal EU report. A year and a half after the collapse of the Santer Commission amid allegations of fraud, nepotism, and dirty tricks by the Commission's security service, little seems to have changed" (*Daily Telegraph*, London, Aug. 30, 2000).

As of May this year, the utter failure of the EU to deal with the depth of fraud within its own ranks was once more highlighted in one of its own reports!

According to the Europe Informa-

tion Service, on May 15 the European Commission reviewed its protection of EU financial interests and the fight against fraud in the 2000 EU budget. The member states and the Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF) handled 6,955 new cases last year with an overall budgetary impact (real or estimated) of over 2 trillion euros—\$1.77 TRILLION! "This rep-

resents a record level of fraud and irregularities according to the report" (*European Report*, May 16).

The Source

It is difficult to conceive of a more inefficient, bureaucratic, undemocratic, unaccountable and corrupt institution than this European Union. Yet, if we only had eyes to see, we would not wonder at the extent of the dark deeds of the Eurocombine, for we would recognize its source.

The aging Apostle John, viewing from afar across the breadth of time, saw in his mind's eye, via his inspired vision documented in the book of Revelation, the true nature of this Eurobeast and the source of its corrupt and corrupting power. Speaking of those nations which are drawn into this great politico-religious-economic combine, John stated, "These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast" (Rev. 17:13).

But from where does this beastly Eurofederation, destined to shortly dominate the globe, gain its power? It is very clearly revealed in John's great apocalyptic vision: "the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority" (Rev. 13:2).

In the months ahead, the fractious nature of this final resurrection of the Holy Roman Empire will become increasingly evident. Great strains will be felt within the EU as it struggles to float its euro currency and prepares to absorb up to 13 more member nations. Watch for socio-economic disruption in Europe as its feet of clay appear (Dan. 2:41-43). Then watch for a powerful leader to rise up through flatteries (Dan. 11:21) to take on the overall leadership of the EU and ultimately steer it on a course of deathly confrontation with the Anglo-American peoples. ♦



DEMONSTRATORS smash windows in Genoa, protesting the G-8 summit.

◆ EUROPE

EU does it again

It was touch and go at the recent G-8 summit in Genoa, Italy. Wracked by riots instigated by the professional summit-disrupters that are now common at such events, the battle-scarred city was witness to the European Union delegates' triumph in negotiating agreement between 178 countries that are signatories to the Kyoto protocol on global warming.

As the G-8 countries (Group of Eight major nations—U.S., Britain, Germany, Japan, Russia, Italy, Canada and France) wound up their tortuous discussions on July 22, it seemed that Kyoto would fail. However, some adroit arm-twisting by the EU countries, and one small concession by them, by which they agreed to delay the final decision on the compliance mechanism, gained a final compromise which garnered the support of all signatory nations.

The U.S. had already, previous to the summit, announced its withdrawal from the Kyoto protocol. This leaves America, in the eyes of Europe in particular, as a pariah. It is claimed that the

U.S. produces 25 percent of greenhouse gases which contribute to global warming. America's enemies would dearly like to see its industrial base constrained (the likely effect of U.S. agreement to the protocol) and Amer-

ican competition for the lion's share of world trade thus reduced.

However, the U.S. is sticking to its guns on this issue. The fact that it was the EU that negotiated the final Kyoto deal, at a G-8 meeting in the EU's third most influential country, Italy, will not be lost on the world. It is yet another feather in the EU cap as it pursues world dominance as a negotiator of treaties and accords in the trade, economic, defense, security and now environmental global political arenas.

◆ IRELAND

Govt. "lost control"

The Tory spokesman for Northern Ireland, Lord Glentoran, told the British House of Lords on July 23 that the British government had "lost control" of the political situation in Northern Ireland.

Of particular concern to observers of the volatile Northern Ireland political scene is the startlingly accelerated draw-down of

troop levels and the closure of British military bases in the country since the Good Friday "peace" agreement was concluded in April 1998. Troop levels are at their lowest for 30 years, with 25 army bases closed or demolished since the agreement was signed.

The reduction of security in Northern Ireland is also being aggravated by the unseemly loss of nearly 1000 police officers over the first half of this year due to so-called police reforms. These reductions are just playing into the hands of the antagonists on both sides of the Irish dispute. As a weak, inept government in London sticks its head in the sand, the gun-runners and drug peddlers run rampant, and the Irish Republican Army (IRA) regrouped and deploys its murderous personnel in key locations, ready to mount their historic carnage at the first indication that England's leadership will not bow to their will.

No guns have been handed over in Northern Ireland. There is simply no basis for enduring peace between the Catholics and Protestants in this country. The caving-in by socialist do-gooder "leaders" to the whims of Sinn Fein-IRA leaders Gerry Adams and Martin McGuinness, neither of them having ever renounced their terrorist leanings, has now produced an untenable situation in this strife-torn patch of the emerald isle.

Conservative Upper House member Lord Tebbit was scathing in his condemnation of the Blair government's collusion with Sinn Fein-IRA to oust

Britain from Northern Ireland. In a government debate on the Northern Ireland situation, he declared of Blair's government, "Their objective is precisely the same as that of Sinn Fein-IRA, it is a united Ireland under the rule of Dublin by what is grandly called consent. Consent of a people left without an adequate police force at the mercy of a terrorist army which has not been required to give up a single one of its weapons" (Press Association, July 24).

◆ ISRAEL

Surrounded by armies?

In a further step toward the fulfillment of Christ's prophecy of Luke 21:20, UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan, in separate talks with German Defense Minister Rudolph Scharping and Foreign Minister Joschka Fischer, has called for an international monitoring mission to oversee the latest Middle East peace initiative.

At a news conference in mid-July, following these discussions, Annan declared, "I think Germany and the international community have a role to play. I think the European Union has a very dynamic role to play."

Shortly after this, U.S. President George W. Bush visited the pope. Although the subject of their discussions is secret, it is believed that the president was seeking papal support for the Mitchell Plan, a U.S.-sponsored, EU-engineered and CIA-influenced proposal, which is destined to reduce Israel's sovereignty by opening the way for foreign troops to be imposed on its precious land. Israel is on the back foot. The EU, papacy,



Adams

liberal socialist media and certain quisling Israelis are all stacked against them. The Palestinians have world opinion heavily on their side.

Israeli author Barry Chamish has long maintained that the present deputy leader of Israel, Shimon Peres, the Vatican and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat have colluded since the Madrid peace talks to impose a "final solution" on Israel which is to the advantage of the Palestinians, the Catholic Church and the European Union.



Annan

It is interesting to note the depth of involvement that the CIA has had with the Vatican in the

time of Pope John Paul II. It was the Vatican, in collusion with the CIA, supported by the well-placed spy network of West Germany, which brought about the separation of Poland from the former Soviet Union via the Polish solidarity movement which they largely funded and directed. That simply became the thin end of the wedge which ended with the collapse of the USSR and the freeing of Russia's Eastern European satellite nations to be drawn into Europe's net.

It is thus not surprising that we see the same combination working in tandem to impose a "final solution" on Israel, by drawing it into the EU net.

Watch for Jerusalem soon being surrounded by "international monitors." This will soon after lead to the fulfillment of Christ's prophecy: the Holy City being surrounded by armies.



◆ CHINA

Strategic hand

China's pledge to extend financial and other necessary assistance to Pakistan for the construction of two projects—a deep-sea port at Gwadar and an over-750-kilometer-long Makran coastal highway—has stirred some international concern, particularly in neighboring India.

The port has real strategic significance as a result of its location at the western end of the province of Baluchistan, making it the westernmost part of South Asia and the guardian of the Gulf of Oman and the Persian Gulf. Gwadar Port will be Pakistan's second naval outlet after its port at Karachi.

The *Business Recorder* reported, "The importance of Gwadar port for Pakistan can hardly be exaggerated. Located as it is, it may serve as a mid-country deep-sea port thereby making it possible to cut down the long distance between Karachi and the northern areas including Afghanistan which carries on trade with the outside world via Pakistan.... The economic significance of a seaport at Gwadar along with a new highway would prove to be a landmark in the development of the entire region" (June 13).

The Chinese have sought to downplay this significance. When asked if China had plans to use the Gwadar port to station its warships in the future, Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Zhang Qiyue responded that it would only be used as a trade port.

But it seems there is more to this than meets the eye. Gwadar is only one of numerous seaport interests that China has developed in recent years. Over the past half-decade, China has taken control of the following strategic sea gates (which in years past fell under British or American authority): Hong Kong, Kowloon, Panama and Freeport (Bahamas). On top of this, in June China sewed up a deal, with the European Union's consent, to take a 50 percent share in the control of the biggest international seaport in the world—Rotterdam. They also own the controlling interest in Britain's major port facilities.

A clear trend has emerged here. China is developing control over a number of prime sea lanes. These will promote its international trade, certainly, but the significance of these spots to China for *strategic* and even *military* purposes should not be overlooked.

◆ FAMILY

A political hot potato

Writing for the *Irish Times*, journalist Breda O'Brien poses the question, since when did *marriage* and *family* become unmentionable terms in politics?

She points to the last British government report

on families, which manages to completely avoid defining family and does not even mention marriage! As she exclaims, "This was quite an achievement in a document the size of a telephone directory" (July 7).

O'Brien claims that in Britain, "marriage and family are a hot potato politically." It seems that the motivation of the British government in avoiding any reference to marriage and family is to avoid stigmatizing those single parents who took no responsibility to legitimize their relationship before producing children with either one or, in many cases, multiple partners.

O'Brien also notes in the government "the lack of political courage to stand up to powerful lobby groups which... would like to pretend that all family forms are equally valuable in their outcomes for adults, children and society as a whole." But, as she points out, multiple studies conducted in Ireland all highlight the value of marriage, the most recent of which found that "being married, rather than single, separated, widowed or even remarried has a more powerful impact on well-being than either income or employment" (ibid.).

Based on such findings, O'Brien maintains that, for the good, welfare and survival of society, its citizens "should be supporting marriage. That



POLITICALLY INCORRECT The traditional family

may not be trendy or politically correct, but it is reality."



DIVIDED—SOON CONQUERED Macedonians protest against the elected government.

leopard-like moves of intense German diplomacy.

Post-War History

Marshall Tito established a new Constitution for Yugoslavia which, between the wars, was known as the Kingdom of the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes. The Serbs had initiated this first union of these three nations, following the collapse of the Hapsburg-ruled Austro-Hungarian empire at the close of World War I in 1918. Following World War II, Tito aligned himself with the Soviet Union in 1946. Two years later he broke with the Soviets, enacting his own brand of national socialism, popularly known as Titoism. Within five years he created a new federal con-

The Final Pieces Fall Into Place

The German-Vatican collusion that started in the Balkans ten years ago is about to be consummated in the divide-and-conquer strategy imposed by current EU/NATO initiatives involving tiny Macedonia.

BY RON FRASER

THEY'VE DONE IT AGAIN! AND THIS time they'll sew up the entire Balkan Peninsula by converting the small ex-Yugoslav state of Macedonia into a vassal state of the European Union.

One by one, nation by nation, the Yugoslavian union has been shattered. Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Kosovo and now Macedonia. By their expert and historic method of first creating a crisis, then imposing their chosen solution (craftily involving and draining every ounce of financial and military aid from the "legitimizing" Anglo-Americans, NATO and the United Nations), organizing a replacement government compliant with their wishes, shoring that up with an imposed military presence, then using economic blackmail to force continuing compliance, the Germans have worked step by step to colonize the Balkan states to become ultimately subservient to EU will.

German leadership, under the EU umbrella, is poised to conclude a Balkan *fait accomplis* which is destined to have staggering implications on the world's rapidly changing geopolitical order.

Beast on the Rise

In his masterful little booklet titled *Who is the Beast?*, Herbert W. Armstrong compared the biblical beast of

Revelation 13 to the fourth beast of the prophecy of Daniel 7:23. He wrote, "And thus, this fourth beast was unlike any wild beast of the Earth. It was stronger, greater, more terrible, than any. And so John, in Revelation 13, sees, not four beasts, but ONE beast. Not a leopard, but LIKE a leopard—possessing all its cunning, cruelty and speed."

Note the adjectives Mr. Armstrong employed to describe this beast power: *cunning, cruelty, speed*. Keeping this in mind, we read that the fourth kingdom of Revelation 13 "shall be strong as iron: forasmuch as iron *breaketh in pieces* and *subdueth all things*; and as iron that *breaketh all these, shall it break in pieces and bruise*" (Dan. 2:40).

The events that have occurred in the Balkan Peninsula since 1991 offer striking proof of the identity of this rising beast power mentioned in end-time prophecy in your Bible. For it has been the *cunning* efforts of this German-led European Union which, by the recognition of Slovenia and Croatia in 1991 as sovereign nation-states separate from the Yugoslav republic, inspired the *cruelty* of "ethnic cleansing" via the politico-religious Balkan wars that followed in quick succession in Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Albania/Kosovo and now Albania/Macedonia. This has *broken in pieces* the century-old amalgam of Yugoslavia.

Over 70 years of union has been riven apart by ten years of the cunning,

stitution, and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia was born.

For more than 40 years, until his death in 1980, Tito labored to realize his vision of a federal Yugoslavia where all nationalities would be equal.

Following the unification of Germany in 1990, the very first diplomatic initiative of the new German federation was their overt move to begin to destroy all that Tito had built to secure the unity of the peoples of the Balkans. The political *iron will* of Germany, which forced recognition of Slovenia and Croatia on the world, has taken but a decade to literally *break in pieces* and *subdue* all of old Yugoslavia.

It continues to succeed, with the conquering of Macedonia by EU-NATO-UN intervention, to *break in pieces* Balkan political unity and has, once again, heavily *bruised* Balkan civilians in the process.

What a powerful demonstration of prophecy in action!

Cruel Cunning

This most recent Balkan adventure of the EU with their all-too-willing partners in crime, NATO and the UN, was added to by yet another exercise in perverse diplomacy in late June.

Realizing that their claims of 10,000 slaughtered by Milosevic's troops in the Kosovo war will never be proven, the corrupt International Criminal Tribunal, headquartered at The

Hague, Holland, has brought Slobodan Milosevic to book on charges which do not even mention genocide.

In other words, the very reason which the governments of Washington and London used to prosecute their illegal war over the skies of Yugoslavia does not even figure in his indictment!

It is here that we see the *cruel cunning* of the rising beast power and the double-dealing (Hos. 12:1) of the Anglo-Americans in action. Many of the claims made about the demonized Milosevic remain unproven. Yet the West must save face, at all costs, over their illegal war. So they do a deal with the powers behind the throne in Serbia, mollify the charges against Milosevic and hold back much-needed aid, virtually blackmailing the Yugoslavs into coughing up Milosevic. In the process, they actively work to oust Yugoslav Premier Vojislav Kostunica, a real thorn in the West's side.

The outcome? Milosevic ends up in The Hague, the West's tarnished reputation is redeemed,

and Kostunica is isolated. A more compliant leader will be promoted in his stead, who will bow to the will of the German-led financiers and reconstructors of the Yugoslav economy and on-ground infrastructure.



DEMONIZED Milosevic at The Hague

As German Chancellor Gerhard Schröder said, "The obstacles that so far stood in the way of giving aid both bilaterally and multilaterally, and giving aid quickly, have been removed" (Associated Press, June 29).

Separately, the EU's chief reconstruction agent for the Balkans supported the blackmail diplomacy. "The head of the Stability Pact for South-eastern Europe, Bodo Hombach, suggested it was now up to Western countries to make the extradition 'worthwhile' for Yugoslavia by freeing up massive financial aid" (ibid.). In a perverse statement, this leading light within the blatantly undemocratic EU went on to declare, "Yugoslav and Serbian powers should stick together in building democracy" (ibid.).

Europe bared its rotten heart for the world to see in this cynical exercise in political and economic blackmail. The



Anglo-American nations showed no better character by their weak complicity to EU will in this messy business.

German-Albanian Gains

Even as they were proceeding in their blackmail diplomacy in Serbia, the EU led with the same tactic in their latest coup in Macedonia. "In Macedonia, the European Union told the country's foreign minister Monday not to count on fresh financial aid unless the government and ethnic Albanian opponents settle their differences" (Associated Press, June 25).

Cleverly, the EU has let NATO do all the grunt work in Macedonia, with the result that if things go wrong, the egg will be, once again, as in Kosovo, all over NATO's face, and a classic opening will ensue, at the right moment, for the new EU rapid reaction force to deploy and to "enforce" the "peace" in that ethnically and politically divided country.

By dividing Macedonia into separate Albanian and Macedonian enclaves, as U.S. think tank Stratfor points out, NATO will have been the unwitting accomplice in achieving the Albanian rebels' goal. "The Albanians, emboldened by NATO protection, will strengthen their hold on Kosovo and one third of Macedonia while expanding their Greater Albania campaign over other parts of the Balkans, such as southern Serbia, Montenegro and northern Greece" (www.stratfor.com, June 27).

Why is Albania so favored by NATO?

Remember, they are the *ally* of Germany, the leading nation in the EU. The huge illegal drug- and gun-running scams of the Albanian *mafiosi* could not operate without German cooperation. Their illegal drug- and gun-running corridor runs from Berlin through Kosovo and Tirana, via the

Adriatic, across the North Atlantic Ocean, clear through to Colombia. Remember, many Albanian insurgents in Kosovo were *trained* in Germany and supplied with German arms. The Albanians are simply in the pay of Berlin, operating under the umbrella or protection of none other than Anglo-American-led NATO!

Truly, the leopard has *not* changed its spots. The Eurobeast marches on. Meanwhile, Britain remains the silly dove (Hos. 7:11), and the U.S. is as ignorant and naïve in foreign policy as it ever has been.

The latest triumph of the shattering divide-and-conquer diplomacy of the EU and its lackeys, NATO and the UN, will not secure peace in the Balkans. What it will guarantee, however, just as it has in Bosnia-Herzegovina and Kosovo, is a continuing external military presence to enforce the will of the rising beast power upon this final set-piece of Germany's ten-year campaign to colonize the Balkans.

In this context, it is interesting to note that continuing NATO presence in Macedonia, to enforce the EU's political will, will probably not have the support of the Washington administration. The U.S. has even stated that it will not supply troops to man a peacekeeping force in Macedonia. The new EU rapid reaction force was created to intervene in situations where NATO will not have the full support of its member nations. "It will be interesting...to see whether the intervention in Macedonia becomes the testing ground for the new European army—which has been created for interventions where NATO as a whole chooses not to act" (*European Foundation Intelligence Digest*, June 13-28).

Has the EU, which insisted on pole position in the Macedonian affair, created the very crisis that will launch the new Euroforce on its first march into the Balkans to begin to secure its first colonial gains? ♦

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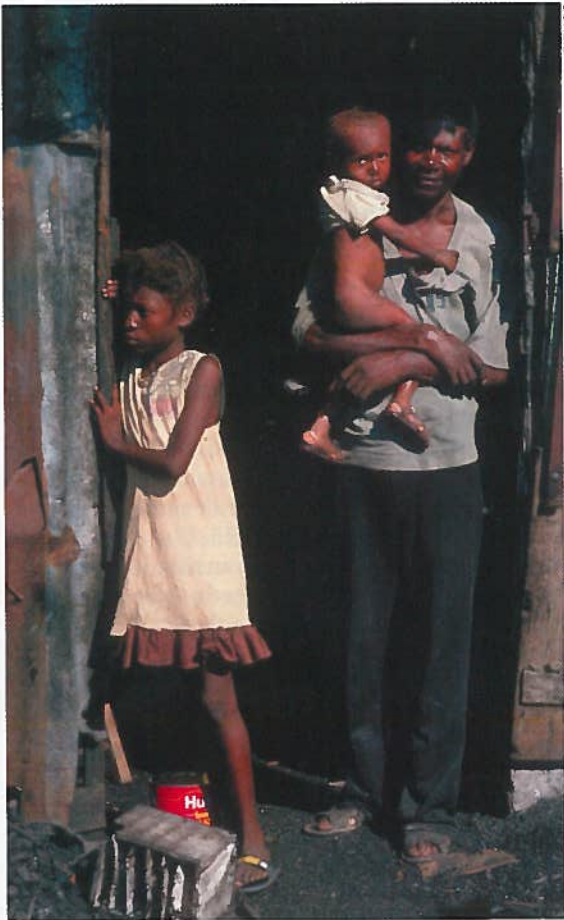


Europe's Caribbean Blueprint

How and why the European Union is steadily influencing the economic, political, social and religious future of the greater Caribbean region

BY GARETH FRASER

OWEN ARTHUR IS WORRIED. "ON BALANCE, the distressing circumstances in which the Caribbean community now finds itself, and the very fearsome prospects which lie ahead, do not create any grounds for the optimism that these are the best of times." With these foreboding words, Mr. Arthur, prime minister of Barbados, opened his address in Georgetown, Guyana, to the third gathering of the Caribbean Media Conference on May 5, 2000.



A PORTRAIT OF POVERTY Many in the Caribbean region are terribly poor, such as this mother and her children living in Haiti.

His speech, "The Future of the Caribbean Community and Common Market," painted a melancholy picture of neglect, corruption and socio-economic disorder amid a general public air of despair. Mr. Arthur pointed to a continued and lengthy "tendency toward disorder in just about every sphere of political, social and economic life." The Caribbean is smitten with the scourge of the HIV/AIDS epidemic, and beset by a malignant and growing drug culture using its islands as thoroughfares for South and Central America's drug trade.

Mr. Arthur expressed deep concern over ongoing regional problems in Haiti, St. Vincent, Suriname and Jamaica, noting the rapid fading of Caribbean geopolitical significance after the fall of the Berlin Wall and the end of the cold war. Disillusioned by exclusion from the North Atlantic Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) and the collapse of last year's World Trade Organization (WTO) talks in Seattle, Mr. Arthur highlighted the neglect by the United States and the growing "specter of international marginalization" that stalks the region. The prime minister conceded that at the start of the 21st century, the Caribbean is at a crucial crossroads.

Arthur's hopes rested upon the expansion of Caribbean Community (Caricom), broadening the 1973 Treaty of Chaguaramus into a document framing the structure for a greater single Caribbean market and economic trade zone—a Caribbean trading block.

The importance of this speech cannot be underestimated, for it underscored the future economic, political and social course the Caribbean region would soon chart.

"I offer no hostility," he said, "just an overwhelming sense of sadness about the fact that elsewhere in the Caribbean, a state of such utter despair has been reached regarding the prospects for national development that some are now proposing vari-

ants of recolonization, such as *applying to join the European Union*, as viable options in the Caribbean at the start of the 21st century."

The prime minister's fears were confirmed one month later, on June 23, in Cotonou, capital of the tiny African nation of Benin, when it, along with 76 other African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) nations, signed a 20-year partnership agreement with the European Union.

The Cotonou Agreement

This new deal, called the Cotonou Agreement, developed under the auspices of promoting peace and combating poverty, links the flow of 25 billion euros to the long-term economic, political and social advancement of the signatories.

Here is yet another example of how the EU, as the world's largest donor of developmental assistance, has *bought itself* phenomenal influence throughout the predominately poor countries of the world.

It must be stated that the EU has without a doubt achieved its goals and objectives via ink and paper. A lengthy paper trail of treaties, agreements, partnerships, programs and regional cooperatives has paved the way for the emerging federal Europe of today.

The Cotonou Agreement builds on 25 years of agreements between the EU and the world's poorest. This program of strategic regional influence between the haves and the have-nots dates back to the original 1957 Treaty of Rome, which created the European Economic Community. The Yaoundé I and II agreements of 1963 and '69 established European influence within Africa. Major nations of the Caribbean and the Pacific signed Yaoundé's successor, the Lomé I agreement, in 1975. Other ACP nations signed Lomé II, III, IV and revised IV between 1979-1995 (with the exception of Cuba).

"The new partnership agreement between the 15 European Union member states and the African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) states marks five generations of agreements between ACP-EU sovereign states. It is the world's largest financial and political framework for North-South cooperation" (www.europa.eu.int). In accordance with Article 38 of the Cotonou Agreement, a joint ACP-EC Ministerial Trade Committee was established, with its

representatives convening once a year.

To cope with the administration of the 25 billion euros, in January 2001 the EU created the Europe Aid Cooperation Office. The new office is directed by a management board chaired by EU External Relations Commissioner Chris Patten. Its chief executive officer is the EU's commissioner for development and humanitarian aid, Poul Nielson.

Speaking at the signing ceremony in Cotonou, Mr. Nielson, as the EU's representative, noted that the Cotonou Agreement was a "special and privileged relationship with the European Union." In his address to ACP representatives, he identified key objectives of the agreement for both the EU and ACP. Nielson outlined the EU's continued goals of eradicating poverty and increasing development and productivity in economic, social, political, cultural, environmental and private-sector spheres. "[T]he ACP-EU partnership agreement can make a difference for the benefit of the poorest," he said.

"Partnership goes hand in hand with ownership and mutual confidence," he continued. "In a constructive and positive spirit we have decided to define good governance as a fundamental element of the new agreement. This is a very encouraging signal that we are, together, sending to the legitimate beneficiaries of development cooperation and to the rest of the world."

In his closing statements about their "shared vision of the future of this relationship," Nielson subtly reminded the ACP nations of who was really in charge. "The Community will be behind you," he said, "and together with you, to achieve this objective."

Twenty Years

Perhaps the most telling factor in this new agreement is its length. Lomé I, II and III were all five-year agreements. Lomé IV was a ten-year agreement. The Cotonou Agreement spans the globe, bringing together 650 million people from 92 countries, linking them via mutual economic, political, social and cultural goals—all locked into a 20-year agreement.

Cotonou was more of a win for the EU than for the Caribbean and other ACP countries. Over the past 25 years,

the EU has worked on securing its economic toehold within the island archipelago. Caricom imports from the EU in 1998 were estimated at \$1.6 billion, with 11 of 19 countries reporting. Since 1980 the EU has been the destination for 17 percent of the region's exports. The primary beneficiaries of



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the relationship with the EU have been the larger, more prosperous countries of Barbados, Guyana, Jamaica, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago. Until Cotonou, the U.S. was the Caribbean's largest trading partner, with the EU just behind. However, as the rolling provisions of Cotonou are taking effect on Caricom economies, the EU will no doubt become the region's most-favored trading bloc.

The reality for the Caribbean and other ACP nations is that he who holds the purse-strings holds the power. It must be understood that agreements such as Lomé and Cotonou are part of Europe's larger global strategy. As the agreements have been implemented in conjunction with aid donations, the Caribbean and other ACP countries have had to adopt EU-led initiatives and economic procedures. It is a simple formula: Money plus economic influence equals POWER. Through Lomé and Cotonou, the EU has bought itself immense global power, influence and access to key regions, markets, economies and commercial gateways. The goals of good will, solving poverty and world peace do not obscure the reality of Europe's greater ambitions.

Despite the economic guarantee of banana, sugar, rum, rice and other product quotas for export to EU markets, overall—for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health, in life and in death—the agreement places the nations of the Caribbean at the behest of the EU for the next two decades. It appears to confirm Owen Arthur's fears that the region has reached a point of such despair that it has sought salvation via the economic, political and social might of the EU.

At the end of the day Caribbean nations had to make a choice: the U.S. or the EU. Miffed by NAFTA omission, discouraged by Seattle's WTO debacle and offended by the casual treatment of them during the Clinton administra-

tion, they made their decision. On June 23, 2000, they chose the EU.

Banana War

Over the past few years, while the economic monoliths of the U.S. and EU faced off over the ongoing dispute known as the banana war, Caribbean nations have found themselves wedged between two agitated economic superpowers. The trade tussle has thrust Caribbean suppliers into the comforting economic arms of Europe.

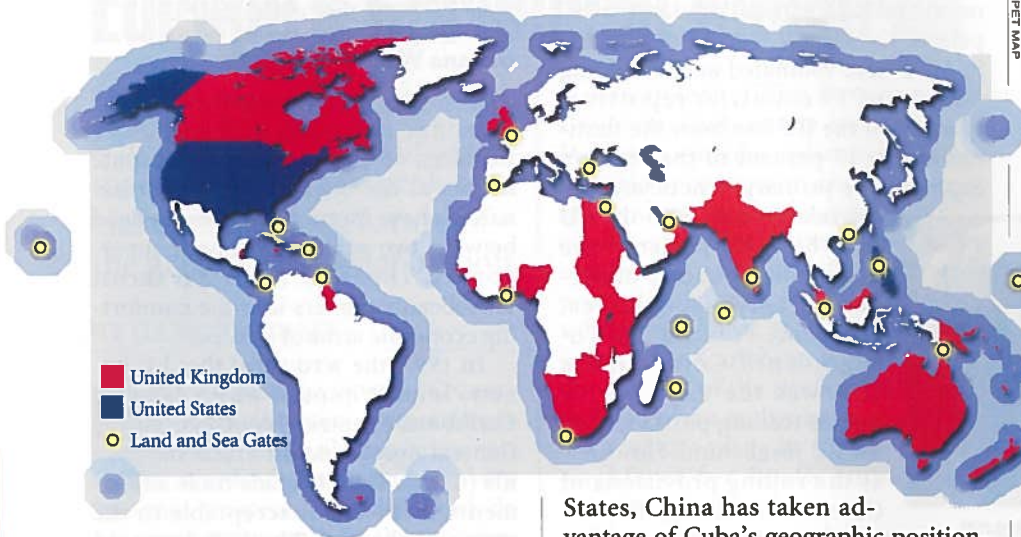
In 1997, the WTO ruled that EU banana import quotas, which favored Caribbean countries, contravened the General Agreement on Trade and Tariffs (GATT). The EU made trade adjustments that were unacceptable to the WTO and the U.S. The U.S. imposed 100 percent tariffs on over \$190 million worth of EU imports. Despite 1999 rulings by the WTO, the U.S. and EU are still fighting over the issue which has caused division in the WTO.

"Two Caribbean nations that benefited from the old EU banana import regime, St. Lucia and Dominica, actually attempted to block the U.S. sanctions but were rebuffed by procedural moves. Finally, Jamaica claimed that many of its farmers stopped planting bananas due to the uncertainty about access to the EU market and turned to drug crops instead" (Judson O. Berkey, *Washington International Report*, January/February 1999).

The banana war has been but a symptom of a growing and more pervasive fissure in regional dialogue. At its core it has highlighted the weakness of the two most dominant powers in Caribbean culture of the recent past—Britain and the United States. The British Empire, when it spanned the greater part of the globe, enveloped the Caribbean West Indies. After World War II, the acquisition of various islands strengthened the already dominant position of the United States in the Caribbean.

Casting an even darker shadow over U.S.-Caribbean relations was the recent cancellation of a regional meeting of Caricom leaders with the son of a Jamaican immigrant, U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell. The trip was canceled due to Powell's packed schedule; however, Caribbean politicians and business leaders appear to have reached exhaustion point as the future

BRITAIN AND U.S. Possessions and strategic gates at their height of power



of U.S.-Caribbean relations is increasingly cast into doubt.

Sea Gates

Gibraltar, Suez, Singapore, Hong Kong and the Panama Canal are all vital global sea lanes. Over the past century, primarily under the control of Britain or the U.S., commercial trade criss-crossed these lanes. "Britain and America came into possession of every such major 'gate' in this world!... World War II hinged on these 'gates.' They have become not only strategic passes, but the world's greatest fortifications" (*United States and Britain in Prophecy*, 1945 version, p. 51). He who held the keys to these gates held the prosperity and the power. Loss of the pride of their power (Lev. 26:19) and a self-inflicted colonialism complex have driven these superpowers of yesterday to turn over these crucial keys to other nations. Egypt got the Suez, China snagged Hong Kong and the Panama Canal, and it appears increasingly apparent that Spain will take over passage rights to Gibraltar.

Another key global port facility under foreign control is located in the Caribbean: Freeport, in the Bahamas.

China has worked hard on its relationship with the largest Caribbean island nation, Cuba. Chinese President Jiang Zemin's April visit to Cuba underscored the importance with which his aspirant nation views the Caribbean islands. Beijing and Havana have long-standing diplomatic ties dating back to the volatile Kennedy-Khrushchev Cuban missile crisis. Under the nose of its primary trading partner, the United

States, China has taken advantage of Cuba's geographic positioning and commonality of Communist ideology to enhance its standing throughout the South American theater.

At a time when U.S. foreign policy is struggling to find its identity, while a superpower focuses on internal issues, the nabbing of Freeport as another



TIES Castro hosts Zemin in Cuba.

maritime jewel in the Chinese sea gate war chest highlights just how out of touch the U.S. is with the strategic and economic power plays unfolding within its sphere of influence.

As a counterweight to China's appetite for Caribbean sea gates, the EU has wisely incorporated into the Cotonou Agreement key wording outlining plans for maritime development. Article 84 of the agreement speaks of "the efficient exploitation of marine resources and the marketing of products."

The seriousness of both Chinese and European motives toward Caribbean ports, sea lanes and inlets cannot be ignored. One thing is for sure. Europe's 20-year agreement provides a stable platform to work from in achieving its regional ambitions as part of its greater global strategy.

As the *Trumpet* has detailed, Europe

already has strong links to South America through the Mercosur trade agreement. Mercosur plus Cotonou provides the EU with significant economic, political, social, cultural and religious influence from Argentina in the south to the West Indies in the north.

Caribbean Queen

Of the 19 countries of the Caribbean, over half recognize Catholicism as their primary religion. Cuba remains the religious wild-card. Despite its Communist past, last year's much-publicized papal visit highlighted just how extant and strongly supported the Catholic religion is in Cuba.

During his tenure, the present pope has visited all 24 countries of Central and South America and key believing islands of the Caribbean. He has continually pressed for collective religious unity.

In his book *The Threshold of Hope*, Pope John Paul II recognized the centuries-old power and influence that Catholicism has harnessed. He wrote, "By the year 2000 we need to be more united, more willing to advance along the path toward...unity.... This unity is enormously precious. In a certain sense, the future of the world is at stake." Watch for the Vatican as the mother church of the European Union, South and Central America, to become the Caribbean queen as closer economic, political, social, cultural and religious ties are cemented.

As we have seen with the ACP-EU agreements, many countries have allowed themselves to be led into collusion with the rising Eurobeast, the seventh and final resurrection of the Holy Roman Empire. The EU's corporate war machine and the powerful religious influence of the Vatican state are quickly outsmarting Britain and America.

What's Ahead

On a 1968 trip to the West Indies, American broadcaster and publisher Herbert W. Armstrong noted the unique and impressive qualities of the peoples of the Caribbean. "They have an attitude of self-respect, and I have seen no racial prejudices. They seem to be a happier people than those of many other countries.... Nearly everyone here, it seems, listens. The fact many, perhaps even most, do not AGREE with

everything we say, only indicates that these people are a THINKING people.... Once they find what we say PROVED, [they] are willing to accept truth, and turn from former ideas and beliefs, and ways of life, when proved erroneous and wrong" (*Plain Truth*, February 1968).

Mr. Armstrong knew of the great supreme unseen Being that looks down



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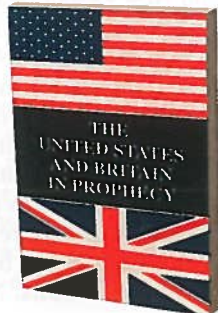
upon the circle of the Earth—the Creator of man. He knew and taught that the Caribbean people will soon find themselves freed from poverty, suffering and economic want. They will be freed from the oppressive hand of the Holy Roman Empire.

They, led by those few today who heed God's warning and join Him in His service, will be used by God to grow, develop, succeed and maintain happy families and successful businesses. Ultimately the future of all peoples of the Caribbean is bright, filled with joy and abundance!

For now, Europe's economic, political, social and religious foray into the Caribbean will continue. Events between these and other nations will aid in the formation of the greatest double-cross of all time. Once-great powers Britain and America have failed to heed the warning delivered in this end time and turn from their habitual national disobedience to the laws of God. As a result of their failure, their birthright promises are being stripped away: The Eurobeast will soon stride atop the world, supported by a great false church, enslaving these super-powers of the 20th century.

Their only real and last hope is to heed the warning of the *Trumpet* magazine, yield themselves to the power of Almighty God and return, on their knees, to obey their God in national repentance. ♦

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As the European Union assumes greater global power, a crucial element stands in its way: Nearly a century of British and American intelligence cooperation. Europe's new independent defense policy and its determination to protect businesses within the Union demand that Britain choose where it will stand: with the U.S. or the EU.

BY WILLIAM GHANNAM

IN THE REAL-LIFE GAME OF SPY VS. SPY, a breach of trust has been revealed between Britain and the rest of the European Union, due specifically to the United Kingdom's close relationship with the United States.

Strong nations require strong businesses. And in the business world, in an information-dominated society, a company's future depends upon possessing the right information. Having more knowledge than a competitor is vital for success. In other words, *keeping secrets* can be essential.

So with the latest revelation of ECHELON, the global spy network created by the U.S. and shared with England, EU member nations now find it more difficult to trust Britain. The United States' and United Kingdom's world spy network gives these countries an intelligence-gathering advantage. Suspicion of deliberate undermining of Europe's economic ambition has forced the EU to draw the line, thus forcing Britain to choose between America and the EU concerning a full-fledged intelligence partnership.

"[I]ntelligence gathering may be precisely the issue which forces the

United Kingdom to decide whether its destiny is European or transatlantic," said the European Parliament's Temporary Committee on the ECHELON Interception System draft report of May 18.

The French National Assembly claimed last year that ECHELON was no longer used for cold war purposes but for political and industrial espionage against other NATO states. However, the EU report of May 18 could not *prove* that the U.S. was using the system to spy on European companies for economic advantage. The report concluded, "The current legal position is that an ECHELON-type intelligence system is not in breach of Union law."

But, the report stated, if a member state (such as the UK) were to use the system for industrial espionage or give "foreign [eg. American] intelligence services access to its territory for this purpose, it would undoubtedly constitute a BREACH OF EC LAW" (emphasis mine here and throughout). Every member state is obligated first to defend the common interest of the EU.

EU's Spirit of Independence

For over 50 years, Western Europe has relied on the United States for protection, political guidance and an



TOO CLOSE FOR COMFORT U.S. spy station in Bavaria. Germany wants it closed.

infusion of enormous sums of capital beginning with the Marshall Plan. Consequently, their infrastructure and industries have flourished. Now the EU is cashing in on years of American generosity, taking ground *inch by inch*, to become *the* pre-eminent world power. A spirit of determination leads the advance.

One fundamental step to this ever-growing EU powerhouse is its intended creation of its own intelligence arm. With Europe's burgeoning 60,000-man rapid reaction force set to be ready by 2003, the EU report surmised, "The existence of such a multinational force will make the development of an AUTONOMOUS INTELLIGENCE CAPACITY INEVITABLE."

The EU report stressed this needed change by stating, "It is *inconceivable* that the intelligence services will be the last and only area not affected by the process of European integration." Assimilating existing EU member intelligence agencies or continuing reliance upon ECHELON was counted as *unacceptable*. The need to protect vital European industries from economic espionage originating from outside the EU supercedes the current intelligence arrangement with the U.S. by way of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

The EU wants to be a fully independent power incorporating economic and defense aspects, including the field of intelligence gathering. The report confirmed, "THE LACK OF SUCH A SYSTEM OF POLITICAL CONTROL... would be detrimental to the process of European integration." *Political control equals POWER.*

Britain's Divided Loyalties

"BRITAIN HAS ONE LEG IN EUROPE AND ONE IN MID-ATLANTIC," said Gerhard Schmid, vice president of the European Parliament and chairman of the com-

mittee that drafted the EU report on ECHELON (*Guardian*, April 25). Schmid added, "If there are conflicts of interest between the EU and the U.S., there could be potential conflict for the UK."

A house with *divided loyalties* cannot stand. This is a principle the EU vigorously agrees with. Most British leaders see no problem with having close ties to both continents. But the EU views things much differently.

In anticipation of future trade conflicts with the U.S., the EU is seriously reviewing its list of *team players*, confirming who is and who is not loyal to its economic team. And when it comes to the business of choosing sides, Britain has been found wanting.

"We thought Mr. Haider's Austria was endangering our freedom," said Jean-Claude Martinez, a French EU Parliament member, during a debate of the European Parliament on March 30, 2000. "But it is through Mr. Tony Blair's Britain... that 15,000 AGENTS, STATIONED IN GIBRALTAR, CYPRUS AND EVEN ON BRITISH TERRITORY, ARE SPYING ON US."

Most European officials have severe misgivings concerning England's sincerity regarding EU partnership. "BRITAIN MUST CHOOSE EUROPE OR BETRAY IT," declared a French official, insisting that Britain would not be able to play a leading role in the EU while maintaining its close security ties with the U.S. (*Prospect*, June 2000). Likewise, one Italian EU official complained that Britain's listening station in Cheltenham, which works with the U.S. national security agency, had already tested the EU Council of Ministers' encryption equipment; this council is directly in charge of the budding rapid reaction force (*Guardian*, April 25).

The U.S. has access to various listening posts throughout England to carry out surveillance of European citizens,

deeply irritating EU member states. This has spawned criticism of Britain, charging that it was in violation of Article 8 of the EU Convention on Human Rights, which guarantees right of private communication. To fight this, the EU's present response to America's and Britain's intelligence advantage is to encourage all businesses within the EU to encrypt their data before it is electronically transferred, thus attempting to render it unreadable by America's global spy network.

Nearly a Century-Long Bond

The United States and the United Kingdom have increasingly shared intelligence information since the First World War. It was in the area of signals intelligence (SIGNINT) that the most essential and crucial collaboration occurred. In the spring of 1941, British and American code-breakers teamed up at Bletchley Park in England to share their best technology with intentions of breaking Germany's code. Once considered unbreakable, the German Enigma code machine could put a message into code using a staggering 150 quintillion possible combinations. Breaking the German code was acclaimed as one of the greatest intellectual achievements of the last century.

During the war, British intelligence dominated the Nazis. In one instance, the Germans awarded the Iron Cross to a double agent, who was siding with England, for supposedly destroying a Mosquito bomber plant (BBC, July 5). London went so far as to fabricate news coverage and pictures to convince the Nazis the sabotage was a real success. Even today, the British are regarded as the best in the espionage business. Russian President Vladimir Putin's security adviser verified this in a remark last year (*Prospect*, June 2000).

America, Britain, Canada, Australia and New Zealand have been bound together by various intelligence agreements since the 1940s. Yet it was the UKUSA agreement that integrated their intelligence partnership. Because of the many years committed to this intelligence relationship, it would be very difficult for Britain to turn on its Anglo-Saxon partners. Even if it could, England would never be fully trusted by other EU nations. Nearly a century-

long bond cannot easily be severed. "This intelligence sharing among the five Anglo-Saxon countries is INSTITUTIONALIZED AT THE VERY HEART OF THE BRITISH SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT" (ibid.).

Each nation in UKUSA contributes to the ECHELON global espionage eavesdropping network. With a global network of supercomputers connected with the geosynchronous satellites of SIGINT, ECHELON is reportedly able to automatically search through billions of intercepted messages from faxes, telephone calls and e-mails, and then, with computer dictionaries, automatically flag specific words. ECHELON integrates the entire system connecting all the individual stations throughout the world. Where America doesn't have a listening post in one part of the globe, England has one—it's the perfect intelligence match. So trusting in this partnership, America's National Security Agency and Britain's Government Communications have been exchanging personnel for years.

The value of the UKUSA relationship is priceless. Even if the EU attempts to build a duplicate ECHELON, it would take years and an enormous amount of money to complete.

As long as the United Kingdom continues to work with the United States on intelligence matters, the U.S. will not give up its strategic spy network advantage over Europe. Therefore Britain will be required by the EU to make a decision concerning its support of either Washington or Brussels.

"Britain will have to decide where it wants to stand. How can we have a common European Union security policy if they continue with this attitude towards other member states," surmised Plooi-van Gorsel, 1st vice-chairman of the EU Temporary Committee (*European Report*, June 2).

Apprehension over becoming full members of the European Union has been the UK's enduring problem. Their initial commitment was half-hearted at best. Whether the UK stands with the EU or not, political integration in Europe is marching full stride ahead. The EU knows that it cannot openly compel the U.S. to submit to the EU Charter on Human Rights.

"Nobody can force the Americans to do it—BUT WE CAN FORCE THE MEMBER STATES [like Britain] TO ABANDON CERTAIN SORTS OF CO-OPERATION [as with America]," said Neil MacCormick, 2nd vice-chairman of the Temporary Committee on the ECHELON Interception System (*Sunday Business*, May 27).

A Matter of Trust

A notorious leader once said this about ruling over nations: "A shrewd conqueror will always enforce his exactions on the conquered only BY STAGES.... The more numerous the extortions thus passively accepted, so much the less will resistance appear justified in the eyes of other people." These are the words of Adolf Hitler in his book *Mein Kampf*, and they certainly mirror

Germany's present strategy regarding leadership and power over Europe.

The former British admiral of the fleet, Lord Hill-Norton, and ten other retired senior officers of the British and French armed services certainly recognize this ominous tactic being put into use by the EU. Candidly expressing their

warning message in a letter published in the *Daily Telegraph*, they said, "We wish to voice our concerns at the manner in which the *ability of our nations to protect our vital interests is being WHITTLED AWAY*" (June 12). They went on to say, "The actions of federalist politicians and technocrats... will only serve to weaken even further our national capabilities to the detriment of our own security and world stability."

Ironically, it was British Prime Minister Tony Blair who was one of two advocates and initiators of the EU's future 60,000-man rapid reaction force. Britain's support for this EU force endangers its bond with America. This is the heart of the matter.

In support of the above letter, British Vice-Admiral Sir John Roxburgh and Admiral Sir John Woodward fully concurred with the senior officers by letter the following day: "We believe it is far preferable to have a full and proper debate on the Euroforce than risk undermining our rare and *immensely valuable special relationship with the Americans*" (*Daily Telegraph*, June 13).

HOW WILL BRITAIN CHOOSE? It all breaks down to a matter of trust: America and Britain trust each other; the European Union does not trust either of them.

The Bible makes it very clear the direction Britain will go, and Herbert W. Armstrong understood this with great clarity. He stated back in June of 1956 that even after the Second World War, most Europeans couldn't understand why America was so willing to assist in rebuilding Europe. They suspected "ulterior motives," said Mr. Armstrong. Even today, nothing has changed.

Today the EU is able to stand alone because of years of American and British aid and protection. Europe no longer needs or wants to lower itself to a submissive role to America and Britain—two nations they have never *genuinely* trusted.

"The Germans are coming back from the destruction of World War II in breathtaking manner. Germany is the economic and military heart of Europe. Probably Germany will lead and dominate the coming United States of Europe," warned Mr. Armstrong in 1956. "BUT BRITAIN WILL BE NO PART OF IT!" he declared.

The *spirit* of a united Europe will eventually be revealed. Mr. Armstrong concluded that America's and Britain's "real number-one enemy has been perfecting its plans SECRETLY, UNDER COVER, IN EUROPE!"

This is why the EU wants its own secret intelligence network. Their agenda for the future is much different than the way Britain and the U.S. view it. The United Kingdom, America and the rest of the world will be awe-struck by this astonishing rise of the Holy Roman Empire. Sadly, Europe has, in part, Britain and the U.S. to thank for this newfound strength. The bonds of partnership, however, are breaking.

Although Britain cannot fully realize it now, it will NOT be allied with this European power—rather dominated by it.

"STRANGERS HAVE DEVOURER HIS [Britain's] STRENGTH, AND HE KNOWETH IT NOT" (Hos. 7:9). Both Britain and America need to restore their alliance with Jesus Christ! Such a choice would save them from great suffering in the soon-coming Tribulation at the hands of the Holy Roman Empire. When it comes to choosing sides, this would be the *intelligent* choice. ♦

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Revisionism—Good and Bad

Before we delve into revisionism any further, we must admit that history is NOT a mere record of facts. It involves interpretation by fallible, human historians with their own opinions, cultural influences and biases.

As historian Dr. Herman L. Hoeh wrote in his *Compendium of World History*, "A historian is not a scribe, but a judge of the evidence that is brought before him. He is his own final authority. He is not judged by, but sits in judgment of, history. Whatever evidence does not conform to the commonly accepted beliefs of the age or community in which he lives he summarily rejects!

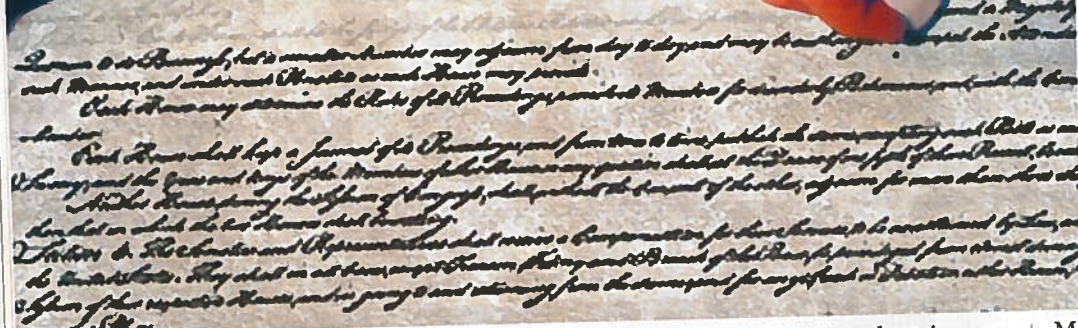
"History, in other words, is based only on that part of evidence which agrees with the prevailing opinions of the society in which a historian lives.... Historians admit it!"

And so do revisionists. They cry out with warnings against viewing history through the discriminatory bias of our Western eyeglasses.

Yes, history is an interpretation of the facts by the historians.

Rewriting History

How the search for a sanitized past is erasing its vital lessons
 BY RYAN MALONE



"THOSE WHO CANNOT REMEMBER the past are condemned to repeat it," said poet-philosopher George Santayana.

Winston Churchill said that the further you look into the past, the further you can see into the future.

But can we truly learn from history when its lessons are constantly being revised and rewritten before our eyes?

Popular today is the *revisionism* trend, where history is revised, seemingly, to reflect a more ACCURATE account, when—in most cases—it is mainly to appease the current social, political, economic, religious or racial biases of those who record it.

This dangerous trend of watering down history in the quest for "unbiased" and politically correct accounts is covering our eyes from history as a whole—averting our attention from those lessons of the past that we MUST learn, lest we be doomed to repeat those same mistakes.

Revisionism is the "advocacy of the revision of an accepted, usually long-

standing view, theory or doctrine, especially a revision of historical events and movements" (*Websters II New Riverside University Dictionary*).

L.S. Stavrianos wrote, "Each generation must write its own history, not because past histories are untrue but because in a rapidly changing world new questions arise and new answers are needed" (*Lifelines from Our Past: A New World History*, p. 13).

The revisionist movement gained momentum in the 1960s and '70s, "when the notion of shared American values was shattered by domestic turbulence and unpopular foreign wars," wrote Craig A. Lockard for the May 2000 *Perspectives*. "Many historians concluded that the old Western civilization course was outdated and that its approach gave students a misleading view of history reflecting only American orientations." What occurred, Lockard wrote, was a "paradigm shift" in historiography that reflected the rapid changes of the post-World War II years."

Many Western historians were affected by their biases—perhaps dismissing specific minorities from their accounts. To reflect the truth, certain historical inaccuracies or discriminatory slants must be altered.

Revising or rewriting history is admirable in some cases: When it is done in search of greater historical accuracy in light of new evidence, new facts, or facts that had been ignored because they disagreed with social and cultural interpretations of years past.

Over the past few decades, for instance, music history has been revised to include many African-American and women composers who definitely are worth mentioning in the hall of great composers—those who, we can only assume, were left out simply because of the exact kind of bias many revisionists warn against.

There certainly is good in these adjustments to history, as long as they do not go to the opposite extreme of totally ignoring the majority just for the sake of it being the majority—the equivalent of

rejecting Mozart's or Beethoven's contribution to music merely because they were Caucasian Europeans!

The extreme in historical revisions that unduly OVEREMPHASIZE minorities or "underdog" social groups is one of the dangers of revisionism. The other is revisionism's relation to relativism—a popular trend in education today. In the study of history, this trend not only states that man's account of history is lacking and, in many cases, not wholly accurate, but that, because of this fact, we must NEVER state with *authority* that certain things ARE historical fact. Historical conclusions are, thus, based mostly on *theories*.

Craig Lockard observed, in the reassessment of American history, that developments in this direction "did not establish a new consensus but did enlarge the debate." Modern education does not give answers; it stops at asking all sorts of questions.

How are we, or our children for that matter, supposed to learn the lessons of history—making sure not to repeat its mistakes—when we cannot decide what those lessons are?

Exalting Enemies of World War II

Now to some specific examples of harmful revisionism. Three recent studies have been issued in the past year that "soften the accepted image of Adolf Hitler, making the Führer appear more human and credible than ever before," reported Norman Lebrecht of the *Spectator* (Oct. 28, 2000).

The bloodthirstiness of this great tyrant and murderer of the 20th century, and his Nazi cohorts, is being severely undermined. The three works, *Hitler 1936-1945*, *Nemesis*, by Ian Kershaw; *The Third Reich: A New History*, by Michael Burleigh; and *The German Trauma*, by Gitta Sereny, all give Hitler and his Reich a softer face—relegating the demoniacal bigot to "just another conqueror, somewhat nastier than Napoleon or Peter the Great but equally huge and unavoidable" (ibid.).

Lebrecht concluded his review of the three volumes (emphasis mine): "The uniqueness of Hitler was his racial hatred, his urge to exterminate entire peoples. *If this distinction ever gets blurred, the lessons of history will have been lost forever.*" Yet, they will not be lost. If history teaches us anything, it states that those lessons will just have to be learned

AGAIN, this time even more painfully!

The greatest thrust of revisionism is a rewrite of many aspects of World War II, what Lebrecht calls "the greatest moral conflict in modern times." It is the lessons of this war that we must heed the most—especially today, as the world stands in a similar situation—poised and ready to dive into another great world war of more cataclysmic and nuclear proportions.

This may sound alarmist to those who have *forgotten* these lessons. But to those who remember the history of that great war, they can see the world is on the brink of another massive conflict.

Many of our own leaders warned us about repeating the mistakes of that great global fray. A document signed by Franklin Roosevelt and Winston Churchill about American-British policy on Germany in February 1945 stated, "It is our inflexible purpose to DESTROY German militarism and Nazism and to ENSURE that Germany will NEVER AGAIN be able to disturb the peace of the world. We are determined to disarm and disband all German armed forces; break up FOR ALL TIME the German General Staff that has repeatedly contrived the resurgence of German militarism."

We have ignored this proclamation. We are actually AIDING the rise of German militarism. Churchill warned about the "endless repetition of history." And it will repeat, once more.

At the end of World War II, General Douglas MacArthur saw the grave situation of the world, with the introduction of nuclear weapons. He realized that man could not survive if history repeated itself in the manner of world war. "Men since the beginning of time have sought peace," he said in a speech following the surrender of the Japanese armies. "...Military alliances, balances of powers, leagues of nations, *all in turn failed*, leaving the only path to be by way of the crucible of war. THE UTTER DESTRUCTIVENESS OF WAR NOW BLOCKS OUT THIS ALTERNATIVE. WE HAVE HAD OUR LAST CHANCE. If we will not devise some greater and more equitable system, our Armageddon will be at our door."

Yet we still choose to revise our view of the Second World War. In this revision, countless historians,

journalists and other giants of academia are not only trying to get us to see a more human side to Hitler, but even to the atrocities committed. Minimizing the horrific Jewish Holocaust is revisionism's large crusade of the moment: to show how it was not a calculated effort for genocide, that not nearly so numerous Jews were exterminated, that concentration camps were not for mainly extermination in the first place, that many photographs, films and recordings of speeches were faked, and that many eyewitnesses lied.

Yet the Bible warns of a great final war to end all wars—one even worse than World War II! It shows that many people will be taken into captivity in the worst time of suffering ever to strike the Earth (Dan. 12:1; Matt. 24:21-22)—a more grisly reoccurrence of the Jewish Holocaust that too many are willing to minimize!

And as we allow Germany and its dark hour of World War II to become sunnier in the pages of our history books, we are cozying up to the same country in a foreign-policy agenda that will assuredly bite us soon. We seek the friendship of a German-led European



IN TOKYO, people walk by a poster advertising the movie *Pearl Harbor*.

Union—a beast that is already showing its fascist fangs, as we have repeatedly shown in this magazine—yet most are too blind to history to see it. It is this economic, political and military union that is rising on the world scene as a beast that will devour our nation!

In the recent movie *Pearl Harbor*, in addition to the blatant historical inaccuracies (which Hollywood usually doesn't mind letting slip by), was the *humanizing* of Japan—shifting our view of the harbor's attackers from warmongers to glory-seeking soldiers.

This agrees with America's *revising* of its foreign policy toward this nation—letting Japan ignore its pacifist Constitution that the U.S. wrote for it after the Second World War so that

Japan would not re-arm again, but stay under the protection of the U.S. Now, we are letting Japan gain much strength militarily. We ARE forgetting history! And our weak memory will be our demise as the world is plunged soon again into war.

If this rose-colored view of our World War II enemies is not enough to make us see the dangers of revisionism, perhaps another trend, happening alongside these just mentioned, will help us to recognize those dangers.

Condemning Our Own History

As Japan, Germany, the Nazis, Hitler, fascism and tyranny are getting a more glamorous mention in the annals of history, British and American

history is being shoved into a corner—many of those great events that shaped our nations' identity are no longer taught in mainstream history classes. Leave it to our politically correct revisionists to exalt our enemies and abase our own values and beliefs!

Dr. Nick Tate, chief executive of the School Curriculum and Assessment Authority in Britain, has warned that factual knowledge in British history classes is being sidelined, that heroes and heroism are being debunked and nationalism is being regarded with distaste—with the emphasis now being on skepticism and the analysis of original sources, according to a September 19, 1995, article from the *Daily Telegraph*.

Dr. Tate's study of over 100 history

Reshaping the British Greats

TWO EXAMPLES OF HOW HISTORY IS BEING REWRITTEN. NOTICE THE less authoritative approach of today's textbooks, with phrases like "Traditional textbooks stress" or "Some historians say."

Lord Nelson

1934

"HE FOUGHT BRAVELY IN many battles at sea and came through them safely. But he lost his right arm and his right eye. His one fear was, not that he would lose his life, but that his country would have no use for a one-eyed and one-armed man.

"Both as captain and admiral, he was always most thoughtful for his men and they loved and trusted him.

"Nelson said nothing about fame or reward, for this was what he always taught: 'These other things—honor, glory, fame—may come if God wills; but in the meantime, do your duty.'"

—R.K. and M.I.R. Polkinghorne, *The York Histories*



ART TODAY (2)

1992

"ON 21 OCTOBER 1805 the British navy under Admiral Nelson defeated a combined French and Spanish fleet (Spain was an ally of France at the time) near Cape Trafalgar, off south-west Spain.

"Traditional British textbooks stress the importance of the Battle of Trafalgar in defeating Napoleon. 'Some historians

say that Britain's major contribution to Napoleon's defeat was a less dramatic and more varied one than winning battles."

—"Why Was Napoleon Defeated?" in *Societies in Change*, from the Schools History Project (for Year 8, 13/14-year-olds)

Queen Victoria

1923

"ALL THROUGH HER reign, but mostly during its last 20 years, she appealed to the common human heart of the plain people. When she said she was grieved by some calamity, people knew that her sorrow was sincere, and of the same nature as their own.

"There was nothing superfine about Queen Victoria in her widowhood.

"Nonetheless, she made the world recognize in her the symbol of all that was mighty and lasting in the life of England and of the races associated with England in Empire. Because she thus combined the very human and the very high, sentiment about her person became, at the end, akin to the religious."

—G.M. Trevelyan, *British History in the 19th Century, 1782-1901*



1992

"QUEEN VICTORIA WAS the Queen of Britain from 1837 to 1901. She had a family of nine children.... This is what two historians have written about Queen Victoria and her family:

"Historian 1: 'Above all it seems clear that Victoria hated pregnancy, hated childbirth, hated babies and hated children.'

"Historian 2: 'All the fun which Victoria had missed as a child she now had with her children: games of blind man's buff, visits to the zoo and scenes from plays.'

"The Royal Family was one of millions of families in Britain between 1837 and 1901. This period is known as the Victorian age, but how was Victorian life different from how we live today?"

—Grant Bage, *Victorian Britain*, Collins Primary History series

books showed that most treated their content superficially. Color pictures and photographs were plentiful, while written sources were few. "There was simply not enough information in some of these books to enable pupils to understand in any depth the periods they were studying," he said (op. cit.).

Of great concern to Dr. Tate was that Britain's sense of national identity was being undermined, even betrayed. "Pupils need a sense of the nation as an entity which stretches back in time and through whose continuing existence past and present are linked" (ibid.).

Another problem in the revised history as studied today: The "recognition of the significance of individuals is sometimes absent," Dr. Tate said (see p. 22). Yes, we are skeptical about those great figures of the past—we are quick to judge them for actions we find inexcusable today. (Yet, at the same time, we celebrate "celebrities from the world of pop culture about whom a much deeper skepticism might be in order," Tate said.)

"An understanding of the contribution of individuals," Tate believes, "helps pupils see themselves as part of a continuum to which they may contribute" (ibid.).

Finally, what Dr. Tate found problematic in the study of history in schools was a lack of teachers able to teach history any other way than that being foisted upon children from these textbooks. These teachers were allowed, in their degree programs (as Dr. Tate pointed out), to take such unrelated topics as "Early Near Eastern Civilization (c. 3000 B.C.)" and "Living and Working in Luton 1918-1980." They did not have a deep enough understanding of the scope and sweep of history to counter the shallowness of the grade school texts.

Certainly, the U.S. is not blameless in this history debacle. In 1994, the U.S. government allocated \$1.75 million into a rewrite of history. The resultant National Standards for United States History features George Washington merely as a footnote—not even mentioning that he was the first president. It does not mention the first gathering of the U.S. Congress. The Gettysburg Address is given a single mention.

According to the *Daily Telegraph* of November 5, 1994, "The World History Curriculum Task Force has excised

many of Britain's great political and military figures and battles."

Students of 20th-century history hear *no mention* of prime ministers Churchill and Thatcher, yet are required to "research the global influence of CNN in the past ten years." Another assignment might be, "Poll your classmates to find out how many consult astrology in newspapers."

Many great English literary figures are left out. Shakespeare is barely mentioned.

This revision of American and British history puts more emphasis on global history or non-Western elements—on Africa and the East. "Much emphasis is given to the role of women. Harriet Tubman, the Afro-American who helped rescue slaves, is mentioned six times, WHILE WHITE MALES OF SIMILAR ACHIEVEMENT ARE IGNORED. A typical question will be: 'Assess the role and status of women in Tokugawa, Japan'" (ibid.).

Colonization is severely condemned, and those who crossed the Atlantic several hundred years ago are labeled "intrusive European migrants."

Gilbert Sewall, director of the American Text Book Council, said: "This global historical revisionism is totally unbalanced. It compresses Western achievement in a poor and unflattering light that makes all the former colonial powers come off very badly, in particular Britain."

This philosophy pervades the educated of the Western world: Colonization is bad; imperialism is bad; monarchy is bad. But if the Germans demonstrate imperialist tendencies—as they revive the greatest of all world-domination plans: the Holy Roman Empire—it is okay, it is meant to be understood.

Those who condemn Britain's view of spreading their ways across the globe should consider for a moment the far less humane tactics of the Germans and the Holy Roman Empire over past centuries! Yet, we would rather HUMANIZE *that* history! How foolish.

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True History

We live in a world presently ruled by a great deceiver—a being who hates history. The Bible reveals that this being, Satan the devil, "deceiveth the whole world" (Rev. 12:9).

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On the other hand, the Creator God is the greatest historian there is. In His Word, the Holy Bible, He constantly admonishes His people to understand all things "from the beginning." The Bible essentially is a history book.

All knowledge, especially historical knowledge, must be based on God's Word. God is the

true, unbiased source. "Thy word is truth," Jesus said to His Father (John 17:17). God is no respecter of persons (Acts 10:34; Rom. 2:11). The Bible—though secular historians will never admit it, because they (with *their* biases) believe it to be extremely biased—is the greatest history book mankind could have. The Bible, its "bias" being the absolute TRUTH, answers many questions historians have never been able to answer.

Yes, history does need to be revised and rewritten—not to appease social standards or political correctness, but to reflect TRUTH and accuracy based on God's Word.

The Bible, in addition to being a book of history, is a book of prophecy—history written in advance. Prophecies show that mankind will repeat the devastating history of World War II. Though this time the suffering will be far worse, Jesus Christ will intervene before mankind annihilates himself (Matt. 24:21-22).

Upon His return, Christ will establish the perfect, peace-producing government of God on Earth. He will erase uncertainties and falsehoods from man's history books and teach him absolute, true history. History will be rewritten and revised once and for all. The rest will be history. ♦

Israel *from page 1*

The nations of Judah, Ephraim (Britain) and Manasseh (U.S.)—their Bible names—are prophesied to be conquered together just before Christ returns (Hos. 5:5). So the Jewish nation had to be established by God for that prophecy to be fulfilled. A miracle by God had to be performed.

Why are these three nations in such serious trouble today? GIVING THE SINAI BACK TO EGYPT IS AT THE HEART OF THEIR PROBLEMS!

If God were to give me the Sinai, I would never give it back unless God commanded it—which, I'm quite sure, He never would. The whole world could not influence or force me to do so.

Those three nations are looking to men for peace and not to the great God of Mount Sinai. THEIR HISTORY WITH GOD IS VIRTUALLY MEANINGLESS!

No other nation on this Earth was ever chosen as God's people—chosen *not* as a favorite people, but to lead the world to God. Israel has failed God miserably—anciently and today. Soon God will punish them as never before. We talk a lot about God, but we don't believe and obey Him. That is the real source of all our problems today. The nations of Israel are going to fall because of that faithlessness.

The Jewish nation was born and sustained by godly miracles. But they still refuse to trust God!

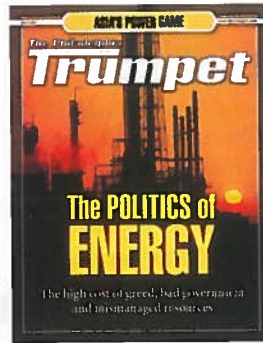
In our message today, we must tell Judah, America and Britain the real cause of their serious problems. It is their ONLY HOPE of survival!

God gave Bethlehem—the birthplace of Christ—to the Jews. In the midst of the "peace" process, they gave it to the Palestinians.

They rejected and crucified Christ almost 2,000 years ago. They still reject Him today. But then so do most of those people who profess to be Christians.

The Jews have given back many other biblical sites to the Arabs. America and Britain have strongly urged them to do so. We fail to realize that such a lack of faith is why all the adults of ancient Israel had to die in the Sinai wilderness.

We continue to make the same mistake our forefathers made. And unless we repent, we will have the same tragic end!



The Politics of Energy

“As a senior citizen whose university majors were political science and international relations, I find your global commentaries highly insightful and informative.”

Pacifica, Calif.

I WOULD LIKE TO SUBSCRIBE TO YOUR EXCELLENT magazine, which I came across during my research in a local library. I am reading for a degree in International Relations at the University of Malta. I found the *Trumpet* very helpful in my studies. Apart from that, it offered also interesting reading.

Malta

THE COMMENTARY BY RYAN MALONE, although “politically incorrect,” trumpets the truth loud and clear. As a former elementary teacher and mother of two grown children, I totally agree with his perspective. I stayed at home with my children while they were pre-school age, despite the scorn directed at me. While teaching fifth grade, I saw firsthand the damage inflicted upon this generation of children. Those who had stay-at-home moms were happier, less concerned with peer acceptance and more self-directed. Those from stable families in which both parents worked seemed driven and/or overwhelmed much of the time, constantly seeking peer approval. But most of those from divorced or single parent families were just “lost”—truly unhappy, having little interest in learning, and lacking a sense of direction. Work in the home has been tremendously undervalued. Although one report stated that it would take \$100,000 a year to pay for the work a mother and homemaker does, women who stay home are still seen as uneducated and lazy. Women, constantly seeking male approval (whether they admit it or not), have tried to imitate their male counterparts. Men, on the other hand, have at first welcomed, and later demanded, the financial help of a working spouse. It's the children who suffer the most in the end.

Mokane, Mo.

The U.S. Is Sliding

MR. FLURRY'S ARTICLE “WHAT IS TRUE Freedom?” was right on. As a former

drinker and smoker, I can say that addictions do not make you free. The U.S. is sliding into slavery from all these things rather quickly, not to mention all the crime and suffering that goes with it.

Coldwater, Mich.

I WAS SURPRISED TO FIND A MAGAZINE THAT had any information about the world, in this country. I don't like to be isolated from the events of our days, but in America that is the arrogant norm of the population. They think America will last forever, but they have forgotten history and the fall of all the great empires, and this will be the next. Thanks for all the news.

Homestead, Fla.

LET ME SAY I WAS VERY IMPRESSED BY YOUR wonderful magazines. I always had trouble understanding the Bible, so figured it wasn't for me and stopped reading it altogether. A friend of mine let me read a few of your magazines and the booklet *The U.S. and Britain in Prophecy*. After I read these things, I took a new look at the Bible. I wanted to just read and read; my eyes felt like they had just been opened. I never stopped to notice all that was happening in the world and how close the coming of Christ is. I don't understand why people can't see it happening. Mr. Armstrong's accuracy is astonishing. I thank you for restoring my interest in God and the Bible.

Iowa Park, Tex.

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GARY RETHFORD

Suffer Little Children

Of such is the kingdom of heaven—but look how they're treated on Earth.

WHILE MANKIND WORRIES OVER DECLINING NUMBERS IN some animal species, a much more significant disaster is happening.

According to the UNICEF Report of 1998, famines, wars and other catastrophes account for only a small part of child tragedy. Worldwide malnutrition accounts for much more. When the totals from all sources are added together, the stark reality is that children are the most preyed-upon form of life in the 21st century.

According to one source, hundreds of thousands of children are lost every year. In 1997 alone, 850,000 children were reported missing just in the United States. More than 12 million children under age 5 die each year from health conditions alone, and 10 million have been traumatized by war (UNICEF, "State of the World's Children," 1997). An entire generation of children is being destroyed.

Malnutrition has been called *the silent emergency*. It is implicated in more than half of all child deaths worldwide. If it doesn't kill, it cripples or destroys intellectually. It is no respecter of persons. Malnutrition exists in every strata of society in one form or another. Not dependent upon, but always following on, the heels of war and disease, it destroys individuals, families and communities.

Yet, in the media, the ups and downs of the stock market are accounted more newsworthy.

The global toll of such a ravage against the young is impossible to calculate fully, and, although certain isolated organizations have made valiant efforts, the worldwide crisis of hunger and malnutrition has failed to stir governments and societies to begin practicing ways which would bring prosperity to their land.

It is estimated that half of South Asia's children are malnourished. In Africa, one in three are underweight, and the situation continues to worsen in several countries of the continent. Not only does the problem become significant to the individual, but it also threatens the future success of offspring of that individual.

According to UNICEF, children affected by armed conflict in the past decade are estimated to include 2 million killed, 1 million orphaned and about 4.5 million disabled. BBC World Service states the following facts: Ninety percent of modern war casualties are children; half the world's refugees are children (12 million); and in the war in Chechnya, thousands of children still are homeless, and many hundreds orphaned.

In the short story *A Song for Europe*, Ferne Arfin drew the tragic images of children in the war for Sarajevo: a young girl terrified when she first saw stars because she had never seen them before. She was the youngest and smallest when the war began. Her memory included the guns that made "stars" when they fired against planes, and that's what she thought the night's stars were. The pictures she drew contained skies colored orange because she'd never seen a blue sky. Death was everywhere. She was an orphan found by other children who were themselves orphans of a terrible conflict.

They hide in fear, in cellars, scrounging for whatever food can be found, moving about at night in order to escape detection. This was the picture of life in Sarajevo, in a world where children are the victims. What will become of them? If they live, they could become child laborers—at least 250 million school-age children do so. They may work in a mill or sweatshop, ten hours a day, seven days a week, making the products that sell in affluent countries for bargain rates. Or they will become the fodder of child pornography.

"Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven" (Matt. 19:14).

There is a being alive today who was around when Christ made that statement. He is the reason for the war on children. This is his world (II Cor. 4:4). He hates mankind, because man has been given the opportunity to become a member of the God family which will ultimately rule the universe. He is the reason for the attack on children as he influences the governments of this world toward greed and fratricide—killing our own family.

The world has remained aloof from the killing of children. That is soon to change. If we do not begin to respect the life that belongs to God, the attack against humanity will come ever closer until it erupts with fury upon our own doorsteps. Then *our* children will be the ones hiding in cellars—crying, hungry, orphaned or worse!

There are organizations dedicated to the feeding and saving of children. We do not fault their efforts. They have purpose and determination. But at best, they can only partially treat *the effect*. Only the *Trumpet* magazine proclaims *the cause* for the problems of this world: *disobedience to God's law!* There is room for more laborers in this mighty cause.



INNOCENT An Afghanistani girl wears a cast after encountering a land mine.



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