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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

**Against Collective Integration:** In his review of the book 'The Undiscovered Self' by the psychiatrist and philosopher Carl Jung, Maxwell Cynn suggests that:

"Dr. Jung noted that whenever individuals are pressed into a group an averaging effect occurs and part of the individual Self is sacrificed in order to fit-in to the norm of the group. We stop thinking in terms of Self and the group becomes our personae. The larger the group the more the individual suffers. He pointed to the Iron Curtain as a physical manifestation and symbol of a psychic schism within mankind.

He also warned that the freedom-loving West was not immune to the psychic infection of the communist Eastern Block, but rather more susceptible because of our free and open-minded societies. The fall of the Iron Curtain in modern times did not symbolize an end to the schism Jung described, but more ominously the acceptance in the West of collective ideals.

Jung's words ring soundly today in our modern electronic society of larger groups, stronger connections, greater integration, and socio-political correctness. Our nationalism has turned to internationalism and our group has become global. Individualism is under greater assault today than at any point in history – Jung's words live on in an almost prophetic sense. The Self continues to drown in a sea of collectivism."

-- Jennifer Marohasy, 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2013 Online Opinion

<http://jennifermarohasy.com/2013/11/against-collective-integration-carl-jung/>

**Wendell Berry on His Hopes for Humanity:** When men and women have lived long and sincerely with respect to each other and our natural world, their wisdom can be refreshing and inspiring. At 80 years of age, Wendell Berry is one of those people. This documentary, featuring a rare public interview with the man, is challenging and inspiring, humorous and hopeful... worthy of reflection by those who care for each other and the Earth...

<http://permaculturenews.org/2013/11/01/wendell-berry-hopes-humanity/>

TARGETS FOR THE WEEK

The new Australian Parliament met for the first time last week; have you contacted your Representative? Let them know you are interested how you are represented in the Parliament. Also ask to be kept informed whenever new Bills are introduced into the House for consideration. It does not matter which party your representative supports... they all vote!

On page 8 of this issue a book by Grant Lock is listed ... it offers a perspective of life in Pakistan and Afghanistan that you will not find in the mass media. Why is it that the Western countries, and Christians in particular, give realistic help in these places. It appears the mark of a civilised country is how its womenfolk are treated ... but then you should buy the book and read it for yourself.

Page 6 leads with a plea for support for the 'Basic Fund'. We know many of our supporters are under financial pressure but if you can spare a 'dollar or two' it will be greatly appreciated to assist spreading the 'Social Credit' message.

The page 7 article is about the "Kinshasa Symphony Orchestra" of the Congo people. It illustrates how classical western music has an uplifting effect amongst the poorest African people. *nd*

## UNCLE RUPERT'S MEDITATIONS ON THE DISRUPTION ECONOMY: by James Reed

Rupert Murdoch – speaking on the topic of “The Global Australian” at the Lowy Institute, Sydney 31 October 2013 (*The Australian* 1 November 2013, p.12) thinks that Australia can do better than Singapore, Taiwan and Hong Kong, becoming an “egalitarian meritocracy” with “more than a touch of libertarianism”.

What! – Surely, according to the textbooks these diverse political philosophies are inconsistent with each other? But no matter, Uncle Rupert ploughs on saying that we’ve got immigration, immigration, IMMIGRATION! “Which adds its own dynamism to any economy”. Tell that to China, if they are still listening, or the rest of Asia. Better yet, Australia will be an economy

thriving on “disruption”. Australia is set to become the world’s most diverse nation, giving us “an incredible competitive advantage”. Why? Well, because of this racial diversity we get trade ties, as if economics doesn’t decide these matters. This is the money elites’ equivalent of “multiculturalism gives us good food” - because locals can’t read cookbooks or establish trade deals. It means that

racially homogenous societies like China and Japan can’t do trade deals. It is utter politically correct nonsense. Murdoch wants disruption in the “creative destruction” sense of Joseph Schumpeter. He may well live to see what hyper-capitalism is actually set to deliver to the world: “destructive destruction” and ultimately a Mad Max warlord world. And there will be no way off of the third rock from the sun.

## HISTORY AS IT IS NO LONGER TOLD: BELLOC ON CHARLES I AND CHARLES II, by James Reed

Hilaire Belloc (1870-1953) was one of the best nonfiction prose writers of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. No jargon, just clear explanation and description; the reader immediately knows where he stands. Belloc was also one of a group of insightful wise Englishmen (Belloc was born in France, later becoming a naturalised Englishman) who did not mindlessly accept capitalist myths of the inevitability of progress, and that economic growth and technological development would produce unquestionable good for humanity. As with J.R.R Tolkien (1892-1973), who used fiction in *The Hobbit* and *Lord of the Rings* to express his own personal dread that the West was losing its soul and spiralling out of control, Belloc used nonfiction works such as *The Servile State* (1912) to articulate his own views of the often self-destructive nature of the modern myth of “progress”. In his historical works Belloc vehemently rejected Whiggish history, one which

looks back at “how we won the war”, seeing the world as a logical progression to the superior present. For the Whigs, science is assumed to dispel superstition and produce an age of Enlightenment. As well, although not as frequently mentioned, modern institutions such as banking, are taken by Whiggish humanists to be an improvement over other systems of commerce. The possibility that a tyranny has been created is not considered because it is outside of the conceptual framework. Belloc did not accept this assumption, that the power behind money served the common good, and he was one of a select group of intellectuals who was aware of, and prepared to write in opposition to the money power. Interestingly enough, Belloc was a true Traditionalist and not a naïve believer in the virtues of democratisation. This was a more retrospective vision, seeing a monarchy as preferable to a

parliamentary democracy because a democracy required only the monarch to be good to work, but a parliament required most of the parliamentarians to be good, which is expecting a miracle of human nature. **Charles I (1600-1649) and Charles II (1630-1685)**, tell the story of the retreat of monarchy under the guise of representative democracy. The axe which killed Charles I was the endgame of the moneyed class on their road to power. These fascinating histories show that both circumstance and character resulted in the death of monarchy. I won’t spoil the plot by offering a potted summary: read these books in place of the badly written fictions that line bookshop shelves. With Christmas approaching, and that time of year when we traditionally recharge our batteries, *Charles I* and *Charles II*, are two ideal gifts.

Listen to C.H. Douglas 1934 BBC address on Youtube.

“The Causes of War” Part1: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sw28HmvNNS>  
And the “National Dividend” Part 2: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gpHJdApvtO0>

## EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT COMMITTEE AND NSA MASS SURVEILLANCE

European Parliament: The Committee has designated an inquiry into NSA Mass Surveillance of EU Citizens.

NSA Whistleblower Thomas Drake’s Statement Before EU Parliament Committee by Government Accountability Project on September 30, 2013: “Thank you to the European Parliament and the Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs Committee for inviting me to speak before your critically important public hearings – and the challenge you collectively face regarding the National Security Agency’s surveillance programs and their impact on your respective member countries as

well as the privacy of citizens in my country and yours. The fundamental issue before your Committee is a foreign government (often in league with the intelligence apparatus of other countries as well as cooperating internet, phone and data service providers), spying on you under the guise of protecting its own interests in the name of national security – a convenient constraint of monitoring and control especially when conducted in secret - outside the purview of law and

public debate - while subverting your sovereignty. I used to fly as a crypto-linguist on RC-135 reconnaissance aircraft in the greater European theatre during the latter years of the Cold War. My primary target of interest was East Germany. The Stasi became monstrously efficient using surveillance to enable their pathological need ‘to know everything’ – their very operating motto. However, I never imagined that the US would use the Stasi

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playbook as the template for its own state sponsored surveillance regime and turning not only its own citizens into virtual persons of interest, but also millions of citizens in the rest of the world. Do we really want to become subject to and subjects of a secret surveillance state? In a surveillance state everybody is suspicious and laws protecting privacy and citizen sovereignty are regarded as inconvenient truths bypassed in the name of keeping the rest of us safe and secure as justification for the wanton and surreptitious bulk copy collection and unbridled access to vast amounts of data about our lives. Unfortunately, this

surveillance regime has now grown into a globe girdling system that has gone far beyond prosecuting terrorism and other international crimes and wrongdoing. Your Committee faces the challenge of dealing with a secret hidden shadow surveillance state dissolving the very heart of freedom and liberty and our respective citizen rights and using this power to expand sovereign-free zones – even when it undermines the very fabric of society, breaks trust between nations and endangers the very mechanisms we use for commerce and trade.

This exceptionalism gives rise to an ends justifying the means mentality in violating the sovereignty of other nations and citizens far beyond the real threats we do

face from those who would cause us real harm, but often exaggerating those very threats in public for access to all of our data behind the scenes. When national security services are more than willing to deliberately compromise the very information technology services and protocols that so many citizens as well as commercial and private enterprises rely upon and enjoy for legitimate confidentiality, data protection, and security in order to conduct their day to day business, it becomes very difficult to maintain trust in those systems. Nothing less than the very sovereignty of our citizens and states are at stake in the face of an unfettered surveillance state apparatus....”

**Drake's full statement and a video of Drake reading the statement here: The Whistlebligger / 2013**

## WANG, PUP AND COMPANY PROBLEMS by Richard Miller

For all PUPies out there, those who voted for the Clive Palmer United Party in Western Australia, and gave us Australia's first Chinese-born senator Zhenya Wang – did you know that the public company led by Wang is in financial trouble? According to *The Australian* (15 October 2013, p.2) this company has been saved from insolvency in the last three months by a cash injection of \$421,000 from the man Clive himself. At the moment Wang can draw a salary as chief executive. Previous to the cash injection, Wang was hired as a casual

contractor as part of an austerity drive. The company had ceased paying director's fees six months ago. But don't worry, Wang will swing into the Senate on 1 July, 2014 and will be funded by all of us, from taxpayers' money. Have a look at "Professor" Clive's solution to the illegal's problem. He thinks America is on the right track, selling illegal's \$400 flights and assessing persecution claims on arrival. He thinks that is what the US does. It's not that simple. Asylum-seekers are still held in detention while claims are assessed. Our

immigration lawyers will run to court to keep them here as soon as their plans touch down. Then if rejected, they return by boats. (*The Australian* 15 October 2013, p.2) I am deeply concerned about PUP which may turn out to be worse than even the Liberals. Wake up Australia, please! \*\* The latest news is that Mr. Wang missed out on that Senate seat. But the disputed count could go to the High Court and even result in a new election.

## FROM THE LEAGUE'S ARCHIVES: THE DISTORTION OF HISTORY

On Target, 9th April, 1965 Vol.1 No.10: Walk into any bookshop in Australia, ask for a book on Communist China and it is probable that you will be offered the Pelican publication, "The Birth of Communist China" by C.P. Fitzgerald. It is significant that the same Pelican publication is offered in Communist bookshops. Why? Because this book ignores the well-established truth that China passed under Communist control primarily because of Communist influence **on top policy making decisions in the U.S.A.**

Having trained in Moscow, Chiang Kai-shek knew that a coalition Government with the Communists, **insisted upon by Washington, would be fatal.** But when he resisted, Chiang Kai-shek's military supplies from the U.S.A. were cut off. This loss of military supplies was a vital factor in Chiang Kai-shek's defeat at the hands of the Communists.



**Chiang Kai-shek 1887-1975.  
Former President of the Republic of  
China 1928-1949**

C.P. Fitzgerald ignores this aspect of the

Chinese story, generally presenting the view advanced by the Communists. Who is C.P. Fitzgerald? He is Professor of Far Eastern History in the Australian National University, Canberra. His book is dedicated to Sir Douglas Copland, who said, following his term as Australian Ambassador to China, that the Chinese Communists were not real Communists, but only "agrarian reformers". This was pure Communist propaganda.

A survey of much of the "history" being taught in Australian schools and Universities today shows that young Australians, the leaders of tomorrow, are being brainwashed to accept viewpoints which favour the Communists, even if only indirectly. And still we hear naive people exclaiming, "I cannot see any evidence of Communist influence in Australia!" (emphasis added..ed) -- On Target, Vol.11No.10, 9 April, 1965 <http://www.alor.org/Volume1/Vol1No10.htm>

## COMMUNIST 'FAT CATS': FORBES COUNTS 168 BILLIONAIRES IN CHINA

Whatever happened to the Communist utopian vision of the State withering away and the Proletariat living 'happily ever after'?

*Chinese 100-Yuan notes featuring a portrait of late communist leader Mao Zedong*



*Source: The Conversation. Author is Mark Beeson, Professor of International Politics at Murdoch University, 23 October 2013.*

There are a record 168 billionaires in China, according to the most recent Forbes list. Adam Nelson "To get rich is glorious" – Deng Xiaoping's famous aphorism has clearly been taken to heart by at least 168 people in China. That's the number of billionaires identified in Forbes' annual China Rich List. Second only to the United States, the swelling ranks of the spectacularly wealthy are at best an incongruous anomaly in what is still notionally the People's Republic. At worst they are a threat to the legitimacy and durability of the existing political order in China. No doubt many will think this is no bad thing. China is, after all, an authoritarian regime with limited tolerance of opposition and dissent. It's human rights record doesn't withstand close scrutiny – unless lifting millions of people out of grinding poverty is recognised as a not insignificant contribution to the life chances of the most disadvantaged. For those who wonder why there hasn't already been more unrest about growing levels of inequality in China, this has to be part of the answer. The reality is that the benefits of successful economic development have been widely shared, even if some have done significantly better than others.

### **Big Earners: China's Top Five**

**Moneybags:** Wang Jianlin has made a fortune out of developing real estate in China and is expanding his business around the world.

**Wang Jianlin (\$14.1 billion):** Joined the

army in 1970 and the Communist Party in 1976. Sits on a number of powerful state bodies. A property developer, owns a chain of cinemas in the US, is building a \$1 billion hotel in London, loves celebrities.

**Zong Qinghou (\$11.2 billion):** A self-made man, borrowed money to start a small drinks business which is the now the largest in China. Has been a delegate to the Chinese National Congress since 2002.

**Li Robin (\$11.1 billion):** Received the highest high school scores in his state and was sent to the State University of New York. Worked for Dow Jones and Infoseek in the US before making his fortune with Baidu, China's largest search engine.

**Li Hejun (\$10.9 billion):** Originally acquired small dams until he built the world's largest privately owned hydropower station in western China. Has a fast expanding renewable energy business. Enjoys golf.

**Ma Huateng (\$10.2 billion):** Owner of enormous internet company Tencent, which has a series of products with messenger services, online games and video players. The problem for the Communist Party of China and the elite group of its members who actually run the show is that they have yet to develop a discourse that actually makes sense of this fundamental "contradiction", as the Marxists used to say.

It is not simply that inequality is becoming an ever more visible part of the

contemporary social order in China. There is also the problem that some of the comrades are clearly benefiting from their connections to China's expanding capitalist class. Indeed, many in the senior ranks of the Communist Party of China – or close members of their families – are the capitalist class. When the *New York Times* revealed last year that former premier Wen Jiabao's mother had, amongst other things, a \$120 million investment in a financial services company, more than eyebrows were raised. Despite the Chinese government's efforts to limit discussion on increasingly influential social media outlets, the damage to "Uncle Wen's" man-of-the-people image was significant. China's netizens (internet users) have become similarly indignant and outspoken about the antics of the sons, and occasionally daughters, of China's ruling class. Not only has conspicuous consumption apparently become de rigueur, but so has an expensive education at the most prestigious schools and universities in the West. The fact that disgraced former power-broker Bo Xilai's son had been educated at Harrow was one of the more bizarre revelations of the recent political turmoil in China. The idea that Bo represented "the left" in China and was the inheritor of Mao Zedong's socialist mantle was equally confounding. Perhaps it is no more unlikely than a plutocrat like Mitt Romney claiming to be a regular guy..."

Read further here... <http://theconversation.com/search?q=mark+beeson+23+October+2013>

Readers would do well to also read what Solzhenitsyn had to say of the new 'Russia' when he had returned to his native land - "What Kind of 'Democracy' Is This?", *New York Times*, January 4, 1997 (<http://www.alor.org/Library/WhatkindofDemocracy.htm#1a>)

It was so easy to take over the reins of state-controlled systems after the 'implosion' when one is in the driving seat.

## Have you heard? 10 Million Intend to Move to Australia over Next Decade

*Source: ABC.* Brian Johnson forecasts that Australia is only seeing the beginning of Chinese property investment. Research from CLSA China\* estimates that more than 10 million wealthy and middle-class Chinese intend to move to Australia over the next decade."

(<http://www.abc.net.au/worldtoday/content/2013/s3882001.htm>)

\*CLSA: Investment banking company. Founded: Hong Kong, China

## THE SO-CALLED 'ECONOMIC REFORMS' OF GORBACHEV AND YELTSIN

*The New Times May 1997:* "The so-called economic reforms - Mikhail Gorbachev's between 1987 and 1990, then Mr Yeltsin's from 1992 to 1995 - are another problem. <http://www.alor.org/New%20Times/pdf/NT6105.pdf>

Having noisily proclaimed the slogan of perestroika, Mr. Gorbachev was probably concerned with smoothly transferring party personnel into the new economic structure and safeguarding the party's own funds. He took no steps to create small and middle-level private manufacturing, though he did wreck the system of vertical and horizontal links in the existing Communist economy, which, though it worked badly did work. In that way, Mr. Gorbachev opened the door to economic chaos, a process further improved by Yegor T. Gaidar's "reform" and Anatoly B. Chubais's "privatization".

Genuine reforms are a co-ordinated, systematic effort combining numerous measures aimed at a single goal. But from 1992 on, no such program was ever declared. Instead, there were two separate actions, which were not co-ordinated with each other, let alone with the economic benefit of the country. The lack of any competitive environment meant that the monopolistic producers could inflate costs of production while at the same time reducing its volume and the outlay for it. This sort of "reform" quickly began to destroy production and, for much of the population, made consumer goods and many food items

prohibitively expensive..."

**Solzhenitsyn did warn us the Communists were still in control, May 1997:**

"After the collapse of the Soviet system, Solzhenitsyn returned to his native Russia. He went on to warn that Communists were still controlling Russia. And as the Communists of Russia and China moved closer, the International Bankers insisted on pouring billions into sustaining Russia which in turn is helping to finance Communist China. The mass media of the West chose to ignore Solzhenitsyn's warning..."

<http://www.alor.org/New%20Times/pdf/NT6105.pdf>

## AND NOW FOR THE 21st CENTURY SILK ROAD - TPP 'EURASIA'

Australia has seven FTAs (Free Trade Agreements) currently in force with New Zealand, Singapore, Thailand, US, Chile, the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) (with New Zealand) and Malaysia. The countries covered by these FTAs account for 28 per cent of

Australia's total trade. Australia is currently engaged in nine FTA negotiations - five bilateral FTA negotiations: China, Japan, Korea, India and Indonesia; and four plurilateral FTA negotiations: the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement (TPP), the Gulf

Cooperation Council (GCC), the Pacific Trade and Economic Agreement (PACER Plus), and the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (RCEP). The countries covered by these negotiations account for a further 45 per cent of Australia's trade.

**Website: Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade**

## GAY MARRIAGE AND THAT 'IRRITATING' CONSTITUTION: by Ian Wilson LL.B.

Predictably enough, legal advice from the Commonwealth Solicitor-General to the Abbott government about the ACT's gay marriage laws, has concluded that the ACT laws are invalid because of an inconsistency with the Commonwealth Marriage Act. (*The Weekend Australian* 5-6 October 2013, p.1,4)  
It is interesting to see Labor's Bill

Shorten's response to the Abbott government's proposed High Court challenge to the laws: "In principle, I support strongly the Territory's right to make laws and I obviously support marriage equality". Well, in the past the Labor Party had a different attitude to State's rights of autonomy on the homosexuality issue (Tasmania) and

with the Franklin Dam issue. Basically, I think for Labor, state laws are to be upheld if they are consistent with modern Labor "values" and rejected otherwise.  
What would the Founding Fathers of the Labor Party think if they could see what this party has become today?

## A "JAMES REED" THEME PARK - AT LAST! By James Reed

I may have to leave Australia for I have found my ultimate politically incorrect town – Taiji, Japan. Forget about racial and radiation politics, for here is a place where at a marine mammal park one can swim with dolphins and then eat a dolphin burger! Dolphins and whales are slaughtered nearby, done by stabbing the cute little fellows with sharp stakes, as documented in the film, "The Cove". And, silly me, I thought that the Japanese employed special aqua-samurai, who beheaded dolphins with a single swipe of

their mystical Katana swords, the same type of weapon used to behead Aussies in World War II. By the way, no hard feelings about that one, trading pal. The Japanese believe that they have a right to harvest "fruits of the sea" such as whales and dolphins. Yes, they are proud of kujira katsu (whale burger) and as one Japanese official has said to The Australian (8 October 2013, p.8) "we do not aim to cease our legitimate business because of criticism from outside". That's the spirit. After all, given

multiculturalism, how could this cultural practice by non-whites be criticised at all?  
The Indian government now regards dolphins as non-human persons; the Japanese as burger fillings. Who is right and how, given political correctness, can we whites even squeak about this topic? I think I will just have to throw another dolphin on the Barbie while I work that one out.



## BASIC FUND

Contributions to the Basic Fund are few and far between so far. We seriously need a great burst to get the Fund 'up and running'. Will you please consider the League's ongoing needs in this matter. The figure stands at \$7,015.56

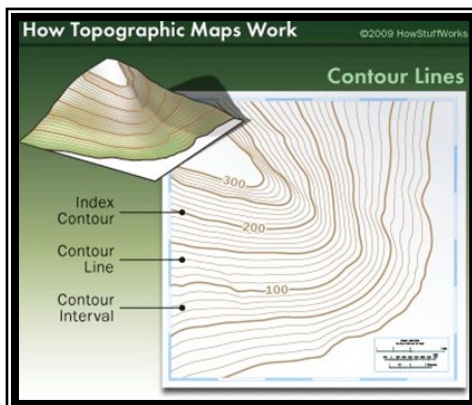
## THE MACHINE STOPS SERIES... by Arnis Luks

Beata and I were interested to hear Harry Dreckow (a longstanding League supporter) talk about contour ploughing of his farm. Harry had chisel-ploughed his paddocks following the topographic contour of the land for 40 years; this caused the rain to go deeper into the soil and stay in the trenches instead of going to run-off, with a subsequent increase in the total depth of the topsoil. Our front yard has a northern sloping aspect that lends itself to this type of methodology.

Immediately following heavy rains we dug trenches following the contours and re-aligned the roof downpipes to feed into the first (highest) trench. Along the length of this first trench we fitted perforated black ag-pipe to evenly distribute the rainwater. All the soil excavated from the trench was placed immediately downhill to form a contour dam and this became our main growing area.

At a pre-determined water level the first contour dam would overflow into the next ag-pipe and dam and so on down the face of the front yard. This causes most cloudbursts to meander slowly across the property feeding the soil, in

particular the downhill side of each dam. We backfilled all the open trenches with timber chips as a safety measure to ensure the finished surface level, apart from terracing, was fairly even.



We have initially planted peas, beans and lupins as a manure crop and also to provide some produce. We have used timber chip mulch elsewhere across the front to minimize moisture losses, reduce weeds as well as feed the soil. This method is not new, but it is new for us as we rely on our victory gardens\* to do more with less.

Harry's knowledge, part of the social credit of our community, has been used

correctly. Building on from this, with our current understanding, will provide a legacy for the next generation. The natural world, which supplies all our physical needs, and our home communities and fellowship, combine to supply all our social and spiritual needs, and form the real economy. This way of life is vitally necessary to us, and we have the skills, the knowledge, the resources and the faith to put it into practice - as 'the machine' continues on with its terminal convulsions.

\*Victory Gardens: Victory gardens, also called war gardens or food gardens for defence, were vegetable, fruit and herb gardens planted at private residences and public parks during World War I and World War II to reduce the pressure on the public food supply brought on by the war effort... These gardens produced up to 40 percent of all the vegetable produce being consumed nationally. Philippians 4:19 And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

\*\* A DVD of Harry Dreckow's life-time work on his farm was earlier produced and is available from Heritage Bookshop Services and Veritas Online.

## Snowden: A Manifesto for the Truth by Edward Snowden

This short article by Edward Snowden was published 11/03/2013, in the German publication *Der Spiegel*, here translated by Martin Eriksson for International Clearing House:

In a very short time, the world has learned much about unaccountable secret agencies and about sometimes illegal surveillance programs. Sometimes the agencies even deliberately try to hide their surveillance of high officials or the public. While the NSA and GCHQ seem to be the worst offenders - this is what the currently available documents suggest - we must not forget that mass surveillance is a global problem in need of global solutions.

Such programs are not only a threat to privacy, they also threaten freedom of speech and open societies. The

existence of spy technology should not determine policy. We have a moral duty to ensure that our laws and values limit monitoring programs and protect human rights.

Society can only understand and control these problems through an open, respectful and informed debate. At first, some governments feeling embarrassed by the revelations of mass surveillance initiated an unprecedented campaign of persecution to suppress this debate. They intimidated journalists and criminalized publishing the truth. At this point, the public was not yet able to evaluate the benefits of the

revelations. They relied on their governments to decide correctly. Today we know that this was a mistake and that such action does not serve the public interest. The debate which they wanted to prevent, will now take place in countries around the world. And instead of doing harm, the societal benefits of this new public knowledge is now clear, since reforms are now proposed in the form of increased oversight and new legislation.

Citizens have to fight suppression of information on matters of vital public importance. To tell the truth is not a crime.

# Kinshasa Symphony

A remarkable orchestra plays heroically despite its musicians' daily struggle for mere survival.



For fifteen years the Kinshasa Symphony Orchestra in DR Congo has continued to play despite two coups, war, and exasperating power cuts.

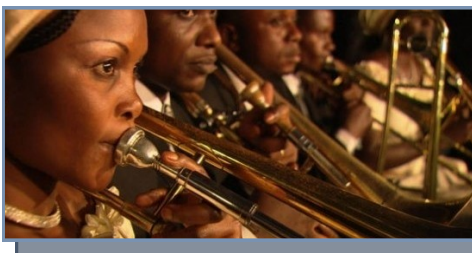
Being Central Africa's only symphony orchestra, it is an inspiration to all those who join it and go to their concerts. The musicians and singers are ordinary working people passionate about classical music who leave their day jobs to rush to rehearsals.

They battle dust in their throats, electricity cuts and the competing noise of local bars. They build instruments when they have none of their own, and improvise when even that proves impossible. They struggle to make ends meet but their passion for music lifts them out of the hardships of daily life.

orchestra.

**Filmmaker: Claus Wischmann**

Three years ago, when I heard of this extraordinary orchestra for the first time, I could hardly believe that it existed. The musicians partly



construct their instruments themselves and perform Mozart and Verdi in public places in Kinshasa in front of thousands of people. They interpret Carmina Burana as if their own lives were at stake - every note expressing an exclamation mark of the will to survive. I felt that nothing could be more different from the reality of subsidised classical music in the West.

**Filmmaker: Martin Baer**

Observing people doing something with all their passion is the kind of subject that appeals to me in the field of documentary film and cinematography. This is what the musicians of the Orchestre Symphonique Kimbanguiste do. They do things we would never have dreamed of. They know that they cannot achieve everything they have aimed to do but they are determined to try anyway.

**Producer: Stefan Pannen**

Sometimes you have films which are just different; because they tell

us about the unexpected; because they show people and stories that touch you in a very special way; because they find images which do both, they surprise us and they focus on what the film wants to make a statement about.

*Kinshasa Symphony* is such a film, and I am grateful that we were able to produce it.

**Producer: Holger Preuße**

From the beginning, the most exciting thing about this documentary project was the chance to show DR Congo and Kinshasa from a different perspective. The directors did not want to tell a story about poverty and illness, about hunger and violence, but equally they did not want to hide this reality.

In my view the film has mastered this balancing act remarkably well. The film allows us to witness the hope and joy of the people, their desires and day-to-day worries, their power and determination without letting us forget the sad side of their lives in Kinshasa.

The film invites us to share the fate of these people, and I am very glad that we took the risk to pave the way for this film.



This uplifting film follows several determined characters whose lives have been transformed by the

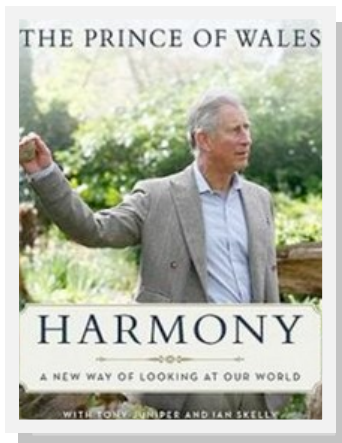




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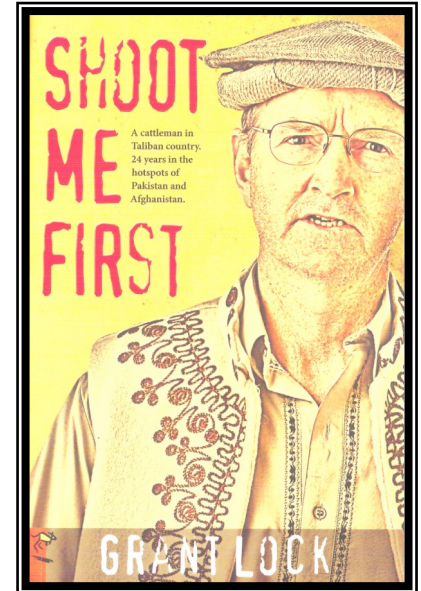
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