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*The price of Freedom is eternal vigilance –*

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**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:** "Many intelligent people feel that 'Planning' is something which is self-evidently 'scientific' and sound. They employ the principle in their daily life, it is helpful, and they believe it to be the antithesis of haphazard incompetence. Of course, in connection with their own affairs, they are often right.

But the Planning in regard to which Dr Dobbs writes involves many factors which are quite unfamiliar to those outside a small circle of experts.

All plans are the static incarnation of ideas. In nearly every case they block other plans. In small matters this may not be very important but in Government plans it may be decisive.

Many large Plans are made without consideration or knowledge of effects, such as soil erosion, which may take years to ensue. The physical world is a congeries of balances; not a small water-course locates itself without a reason. And these physical balances have social and political effects, as any student of recent history can observe for himself. For these and other far-reaching reasons, it is necessary to recognise that size introduces an unfamiliar *quality* into the idea of a Plan..."

– Foreword by Clifford Hugh Douglas to Geoffrey Dobbs' *"On Planning the Earth"*, 1950

## **WATER 'WARS' OR WATER CONTROLS?** by Betty Luks:

*Finally*, the absolutely 'basic to survival' issue of regular water supplies has reached the 'public consciousness' through the mainline media! In South Australia it has taken the public release of a draft blueprint issued for comment by the State Government: *Water Proofing: A Thirst for Change*. The paper includes dire warnings interwoven with veiled threats should the public fall short of the demands contained in the blueprint.

The Adelaide Advertiser sets it out for us: *"Targets set on Water Use Cuts"*.

"We have been threatened – REDUCE water use by 25 per cent in 20 years or face the consequences of a dramatically changed lifestyle. Bans on watering gardens in summer and filling swimming pools, and limiting industrial development are just some of the examples of changed rules during a water crisis... If new water use habits are not implemented now, there will not be enough water to go around by 2025."

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**Let's repeat that:** If new water uses are not implemented NOW ... there will not be enough water to go around in fifteen years time. Environment Minister John Hill added, "That could mean dramatic and drastic water restrictions put in place along the lines of other cities."

They are looking for a *reduction* in water use by *households and industry* of 35 gigalitres a year.

### Three targets set for 2005:

A *doubling* of the reuse of treated wastewater to 30 gigalitres a year.  
The reuse of 10 times as much stormwater, to 20 gigalitres a year.  
Further aquifer storage and recovery research.

The proposals include changes to future council development plans to achieve water-efficient urban design, and a voluntary water *audit* scheme for households, parks, gardens, sporting grounds and other community organisations.

A voluntary water audit? HOW? After all, an *audit* means: an inspection of accounting procedures and records by a trained accountant.

Mr. Hill said the report's recommendations raised *logistical* questions, but he was confident they could be addressed. Logistics has to do with providing and handling of labour and materials. Does this mean we can expect extra meters and extra 'water' police?

But what was so astounding in the light of a predicted water scarcity was to read the SA government plans to *increase the population*.

"Not only are these targets achievable", Mr. Hill said, "but it's essential that we reach them."

Increase in population – essential for whom and for what?

Does the minister mean the government is going to reduce state charges and taxes, thus lightening the financial burdens on the backs of present South Australian families? Reducing this financial burden would financially free young couples to have more children if they so chose.

So, how's it going to happen, this government-planned increase in the population? South Australian readers need to ask Mr. Hill why the State's politicians have taken it upon themselves to decide we need an increase in population, especially in light of their gloomy predictions of 'water wars' with the present population numbers!

### What a contradiction!

An increase in population must mean more infrastructure, more housing, more production, therefore in every case, more pressure on (what we are told are) our dwindling resources such as water...

When seeking answers to the present problems facing our state the following factors are never taken into account:

- The planned obsolescence in present production. A criminal waste of finite resources.
- Over-production and rape of the soil driven by the present faulty financial system.



- The colossally wasteful advertising industry. Clear evidence of this unnecessary (and in so many cases just 'junk') production.

South Australians have *voluntarily* reduced their water use over the last year and they are now to be pressured to reduce it even further. If there is wanton waste, then no responsible person would object to constructive policies or a little pressure to reduce that waste.

But is this the *real* agenda the state government has in mind? Is it *really* to ensure the present population's water supply? I think not!

For those who would like to study – and act upon – the draft report *Water Proofing: A Thirst for Change*, phone 1300 365 422 and ask for a copy to be forwarded to you.

**IMMIGRATION INCREASE FOR "THE MARKET":** We have consistently warned the so-called business 'leaders' and politicians of this nation, driven by the twin ideologies of economic rationalism and financial whoredom, have high on their agenda, increased immigration to this country. The figure of 50 million has been quoted by chief executive of Visy Industries, John White and is on public record.

Visy Industries and the ANZ Bank both have vested interests in a greater population and control of our water systems. Deputy Prime Minister John Anderson (*Countryman*, West Australia, 5/2/04) crowed over the announcement Visy Industries' and the ANZ Bank intend to invest \$10 million a year for 10 years in Australia's developing "water allocation and management system." Please mark those underlined words.

**STEVE BRACKS WANTS TO IMPORT MORE CHINESE WORKERS:** Victorians should be interested in their premier's announcement he would support the use of Chinese workers to fill vacancies at Ballarat's MaxiTRANS. (Ballarat *Courier*, 26/11/04).

The Learmonth Rd company, Australia's largest manufacturing and supplier of trailing transport solutions, is considering hiring up to 30 Chinese welders as it struggles to fill vacancies from the Ballarat workforce.

The unemployed in Victoria would be pleased to learn the Bracks Government's Skilled Migration strategy is on track to lift Victoria's population to six million by 2025 and that "MaxiTRANS has hired an agent in China to seek out prospective workers, who would be employed on temporary four-year working visas."

Mr. Bracks said the State Government was willing to work alongside MaxiTRANS to fast track any visa applications. "We'll do what we can but remember there's Federal Government regulation as well," Mr. Bracks said. "But we'll make our best efforts to make sure it move as quickly as possible."

Employment and Youth Affairs Minister Jacinta Allen said the Victorian Government had sponsored more than 1,000 skilled migrants to fill job shortages in Victoria in 2003-04 – a 400 per cent increase from two years ago. She said her office would be in touch with MaxiTRAN to see what assistance it could offer.

**PEDIGREE OF THE IDEAS TRACED TO THE ASIA SOCIETY:** Can we expect John Howard to block the push for a population of 50 million as they continue the centralisation and control over our natural resources? People forget, that old fox Howard has been in politics for many a year and his record is there for all to see.

In *OT* May 1997, David Thompson wrote:



"It is reported that the party to celebrate the opening of the Crown Casino in Melbourne last week cost in the vicinity of \$60 million, with something like \$2 million spent on fireworks alone.) Such ostentatious extravagance seems almost obscene, when just down the Yarra, homeless children sleep under the bridges.

(Not too much *conservation and sound management of our resources* demonstrated by these people in this little party!...ed)

But while the casino opening might have been a spectacular circus, it was really only a sideshow, compared with the main event in Sydney. While Premier Kennett and the glitterati were performing in Melbourne, Prime Minister Howard was attending the launch of the *Asia Society in Australia*, in Sydney.

While Howard's attack on Hanson was anticipated, the real significance was the vehicle he used the *Asia Society*. Where did it come from, and what is the *Asia Society*?

### 'Asia Society' forerunner to Trilateral Commission:

"Peter Harcher, *The Financial Review's* Asia correspondent, outlined the background of the Asia Society on May 9th. It is not merely another study group or "think-tank" on Asia.

It was founded in 1956 in New York, by John D. Rockefeller III, as the American financial spearhead into Asia following World War II, when the American banking houses and multinationals were positioning themselves in Asia.

American business groups wanted, in particular, to establish a strong presence in Japan, which was then beginning to westernise. Rockefeller's *Asia Society* was the forerunner to the Trilateral Commission, which was established to begin to mould the world into three major trading blocs, in the Americas, Europe and Asia. This programme is now well advanced, and the *Asia Society* exists simply to facilitate the programme.

There are already several Asia study groups in Australia, like *Asialink*. Why establish yet another? Because the *Asia Society* has a political programme, organised 40 years ago by the Rockefellers in the United States. It would be amazing if Mr. Howard was unaware of this.

The key organiser of the *Asia Society* launch was Western Mining's Hugh Morgan, but some 400 of Australia's top industry and financial elite paid \$250 each to help launch it. Among them were BHP's John Prescott, Mrs. Janet Holmes a Court, and executives from Telstra, CSR, Woolworth's, James Hardy, Deutsche Bank, Visy Industries, Arthur Anderson, and many others. Many companies donated between \$5,000 and \$30,000, including the National Australia Bank, Australian Consolidated Press, and the ANZ Bank, which has emerged as a major sponsor of the *Asia Society*.

It is significant that there is no reference anywhere to any trade union representative attending the launch. How will the *Asia Society* help John Howard's "battlers", whom he loves to mention? How will the working Australian benefit from becoming further enmeshed with "Asia"? It is now becoming clear that many of the largest "Australian" companies have shifted their loyalties from "Australia" to "Australasia". The truth is that companies like BHP, although they like the propaganda fillip of being known as "the big Australian", are not really "Australian" companies at all. They are multinationals. They are fully prepared to contribute to closer connections with Asia, through the "American" (Trilateral) network. Their objective is increased profits, but the price of increased profits is the erosion of Australian sovereignty, the international centralisation of political power, and the disappearance of the Australian nation-state." (emphasis added...ed).

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