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The price of Freedom is eternal vigilance –

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: "American Economy R.I.P. The U.S. economy continues its slow death before our eyes, but economists, policymakers, and most of the public are blind to the tottering fabled land of opportunity. In August jobs in goods-producing industries declined by 64,000. The US economy lost 4,000 jobs overall. The private sector created a mere 24,000 jobs all of which could be attributed to the 24,100 new jobs for waitresses and bartenders. The government sector lost 28,000 jobs.

In the 21st century the U.S. economy has ceased to create jobs in export industries and in industries that compete with imports. U.S. job growth has been confined to domestic services, principally to food services and drinking places (waitresses and bartenders), private education and health services (ambulatory health care and hospital orderlies), and construction (which now has tanked)..."

– Paul Craig Roberts, *Countercurrents.org* 12 September, 2007

CURRENCY BY STEALTH, OR BY THEFT? by James Reed: Passed on by e-mail down the chain to me was this 2006 report by Jerome R. Corsi at WorldNetDaily.com for 28/11/06, which now appears to have been 'near the mark'. George Bush has been working with great intensity to create an Americus economic block to 'rival' the E.U.

The block will take in, at first, Canada, the U.S. and Mexico, but probably later, the whole of South America. The Americus currency will be the "Amero" which will replace the Canadian and U.S. dollar and the Mexican peso. The dollar will fall in value with China announcing that it would diversify its foreign holdings, instead of concentrating on holding U.S. dollar foreign-exchange reserves. So, it seems the dollar may have had its day.

Most Americans know little about the new world order plan to abandon the "United States" and create a borderless Americus. The same strategy is happening in the Asia-Pacific where the process of "Asianisation" is being used to bring us into line and prime us for the elimination of Australia.

Are you ready, to cease to be? Day by day, the world as we know it, is rubbed out a little more on the great blackboard of international finance.

The long-term consequences of the bloc-ization of the world will most likely be global economic collapse. A report at www.worldreports.org notes the French and German financial authorities distributed national banknotes to their banks on 15th December 2006. This could be an insurance policy against the possible failure of the E.U. collective currency, the euro.

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If France and Germany really did have confidence in their own Frankenstein's financial monster, then they would never have taken the precautionary measures of stockpiling banknotes, like chestnuts, for the rainy day when the euro washes into the seas.

In this context worldreports.org contends that the "Amerofrenzy" issue 'on the boil' not so long ago, was a disinformation campaign "timed to throw sand in our eyes, while the internationalist crooks continue with their financial raping and pillaging operations in full daylight."

Maybe so: but it is precisely the day-to-day financial raping and pillaging operations of the Masters of International Finance that builds up economic momentum for economic blocs and common currency.

OUR RETIREMENT AND RUSSIAN ROULETTE by James Reed: I may wish that I had taken control of all my "super" and even spent it when I had the chance. Australians have sunk well over \$530 billion into superannuation funds but as early as 2002 the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority warned that many super schemes were at a high risk of collapse. The risk is not just for the small funds but for the big boys as well, as the collapse of HIH and the Nasdaq crash well showed.

Super funds are not immune from fraud and generally the government's super safety measures are weak. In these unstable financial times, should the super bubble burst, so too will the lives of those that revolve around it.

'AIR BRUSHING' HER HISTORY? I know that photographers 'air-brush' photographs to present the subject in his/her most flattering light. But now we learn that politicians are doing the same thing with their CVs.

The *Sydney Morning Herald's* Paul Sheehan has been most 'ungentleman-like' and gouged out the 'wrinkles' Julia Gillard had 'air-brushed' out of her CV.

He wrote: "I do know she has air-brushed her past. According to her entry in Who's Who, this was her working career prior to federal politics: solicitor 1987-95, partner 1990-95; chief of staff to the Victorian leader of the opposition, J. Brumby 1995-98. On the Labor Party's website it says: "In 1983 she was president of the Australian Union of Students ... She began working with Slater and Gordon in Melbourne in 1987 as an industrial lawyer and was admitted as a partner in 1990."

The problem with this official history is that her working career does not start until she is 26. The closest we come in her official history to filling in the missing link is her maiden speech, on November 11, 1998, when she made this passionate aside:

"While experience in the student movement inspired those on the other side of the house to dedicate themselves to the destruction of unionism, it inspired us to work with and for unions ... Our youthful anger may now be tempered by experience, but the same beliefs in fairness and the same fire remain." What exactly is she talking about, or rather, not talking about? Between 1984 and 1986 she worked full-time for Socialist Forum, a group that formed after another schism in the Communist Party of Australia, with the aim of advancing the socialist agenda in Australia. She served as a member of Socialist Forum's management committee until 1993, well into her career as a lawyer.

Melbourne University's archives confirm: The Socialist Forum was established in 1984, initially by disaffected members of the Communist Party of Australia: <[http://www.lib.unimelb.edu.au/collections/archives/collections/pdfs/socialistforum\(102~28\).pdf](http://www.lib.unimelb.edu.au/collections/archives/collections/pdfs/socialistforum(102~28).pdf)> (CPA).

The question is asked: Is Gillard ashamed of her past that she fails to mention an allegiance that spanned nine years?"

Comment: Julia may not be the only politician who might want to 'air-brush' his/her curriculum

vita. But let's not stop there. Let's look at the members of the Coalition and follow the threads back to their former – and present – allegiances. We might be surprised by the facts!

What about the Fabian Socialists within the Labor hierarchy? A short history of the early Fabians and their links to Soviet Russia and the pursuit of power were recorded by Malcolm Muggeridge in "The Great Liberal Death Wish". His father was an early member of the Fabians and an associate of Sydney and Beatrice Webb. In the early days, the Fabians would meet in the Muggeridge family home and Malcolm, as a young boy, would sit in on the meetings. He eventually married the niece of Sydney and Beatrice Webb.

In later life he wrote: "It's difficult to convey to you what a shock this was, realizing that what I had supposed to be the new brotherly way of life my father and his cronies had imagined long before, was simply on examination an appalling tyranny, in which the only thing that mattered, the only reality, was power."

IN THE SPIRIT OF FREEDOM WITHIN A DEMOCRACY by Betty Luks: A N.S.W. Upper House committee has ruled that Cardinal George Pell was not in contempt of the State Parliament when he warned Catholic MPs they would face "consequences" if they voted in support of a stem cell-related bill. The Melbourne Age, 20/9/07, reported that the privileges Committee of N.S.W.'s Upper House released its findings following an investigation into comments made by the cardinal earlier this year.

Cardinal Pell released a statement welcoming the decision, which he said was "no surprise and a win for religious freedom". He added: "Christians in Australia have long played an important part in ensuring that fundamental human rights are respected. My contribution to the public discussion on human cloning was made in this spirit and tradition (and) to prevent religious leaders from publicly stating their claims to truth would stifle religious freedom and hamper open debate on matters of public interest."

Australians have lost sight of the fact that even exalted parliamentarians are subject to the moral Law as are the rest of us. Australians are a long way from understanding that God's mills grind slowly – but they do grind exceedingly small. Australia needs more Cardinal Pells to remind us of this, not less.

For those Australians who don't know, Archbishop Stephen Langton was the guiding light and authority for that group of Englishmen who, in the 1200s, challenged King John's tyrannical policies. They were willing to fight unto death for their rights and the Church in England, through Archbishop Stephen Langton, backed them and helped set out their grievances and the policies necessary to right the wrongs in that most famous of charters – Magna Carta.

That document proved to be an inspiration for the hatching of rights and freedoms of the British peoples for years to come. It also insists on the rights and freedoms of the Church!

The first clause of Magna Carta declares: "That the Church of England shall be free, and enjoy her whole rights and liberties inviolable."

Racial and religious vilification legislation: Charles Francis QC ("Freedom of Speech", *Endeavour Forum*, May 2007) rightly observed: "Those Australians who believe in political correctness and their right to stifle philosophies which conflict with it may well consider that in the first decade of the 21st century their golden era has begun..."

"Freedom of speech is a priceless asset within a democracy, but we are now being governed by people who no longer value that freedom and who want their own philosophies to govern our lives... Judges and administrative tribunals are not qualified to determine religious or theological matters and the State has no business encroaching into matters of religious belief and values."

ANOTHER WAR FOR THE MADMEN IN THE WHITE HOUSE? David Isenberg of UPI (9/9/2007) asks has the public relations blitz for an attack on Iran begun? Is there a September roll-out for an attack on Iran by America? "White House Chief of Staff Andrew Card once famously said of the administration's 2002 campaign to get support for the invasion of Iraq: "From a marketing point of view, you don't introduce new products in August."

Now August is behind us, and – right on schedule – marketers both in the White House and among their supporters outside are rolling out their newest product, a public relations blitz urging a U.S. military adventure in Iran.

Consider the recent speech by President Bush to the American Legion. In it he said, "Iran's active pursuit of technology that could lead to nuclear weapons threatens to put a region already known for instability and violence under the shadow of a nuclear holocaust."

Scare us, Mr. President!

"Iran's actions threaten the security of nations everywhere. And that is why the United States is rallying friends and allies around the world to isolate the regime, to impose economic sanctions."

"We will confront this danger before it is too late," he concluded.

Of course, President Bush's speech, not for the first time, stood in 180 degree contrast to reality.

The day before, while making public the recently completed agreement with Iran regarding its nuclear program, Olli Heinonen, deputy director of the International Atomic Energy Agency, said, "We have in front of us an agreed work plan. We agreed on modalities on how to implement it. We have a timeline for the implementation."

BOMB IRAN WITH THE BEACH BOYS by James Reed: Republican 2008 presidential candidate John McCain was asked a question about a possible US attack on Iran over its nuclear weapons programme. He responded by croaking to the Beach Boys' "Barbara Ann" – "Bomb Iran,... bomb, bomb, bomb, bomb". And we thought Bush was bad. May I suggest dropping McCain, and the Beach Boys for that matter, on Iran, either with McCain's bomb or without!

FOR THE NEW CLASS WHITE IS BLACK AND BLACK IS BLACKER by James Reed: The front page of *The Weekend Australian*, 5-6/5/07, featured a "black boy" and a "white baby" and the headline: "Why Life's a Black and White Issue". The point to be made is presumably that race is a social construction and that life expectancy between the two races is also a social construction.

Articles that followed raised the familiar black armband view that we are a long way from "reconciliation," that more money will need to be poured into the reconciliation pot (or black hole, depending on how it is viewed) etc., etc. It has all been heard before.

This would have been a good time to discuss again the shocking incidence of sexual abuse and violence against women and children in Aboriginal communities. The effects of violence and alcohol in lowering Aboriginal life expectancy could have been dealt with instead of going down the standard 'white guilt' path. But that approach implies a high degree of responsibility for one's own plight. It is far easier for guilty white liberals to spend the tax dollars of hard working Australians than to deal with an issue where their own distorted "altruism" has had such ill effects, on a people they claim to want to help.

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