

The Men Who Run the World

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Remember those heady six years when Mikhail Gorbachev dominated world events so completely that Ted Turner said he was the greatest world leader in the last 2,000 years? The Velvet Revolution, the fall of the Berlin Wall, the end of the Cold War, the birth of the New World Order, a Nobel Peace Prize and the dissolution of the Soviet Union all occurred in such rapid succession that it almost took our breath away. Then suddenly he was gone. Did he just burn himself out? Does such a dynamic leader become content to just fade into the pages of history? Or has he perhaps found other ways to pursue the lofty goals of his much-vaunted New World Order?

Gorbachev left the Soviet Union in 1991. He immediately, as though it had already been planned, launched the Gorbachev Fund. He described the Fund as a think-tank whose purpose was to explore the path that global governance should take as mankind progressed into the interdependent global society. Working with Maurice Strong, General-Secretary of the highly publicized Earth Summit of 1992, Gorbachev founded an international environmental organization called Green Cross International. He also managed to be named president of this new organization. Since that time, environmental issues have asserted their dominance over every business, building project, military activity and individual life.

Green Cross International is no fly-by-night organization. Gorbachev was immediately able to enlist Yoko Ono (widow of John Lennon), Olivia Newton John, John Denver, Carl Sagan and Javier Peres de Cuellar (ex-Secretary-General of the UN) to serve on the board of directors. His two presidential advisors for Green Cross International are Robert Redford and CNN's Ted Turner.

Maurice Strong

Who is this Maurice Strong with whom Gorbachev seems to have so much in common? Strong is a Canadian multi-billionaire, an avid believer in global government and a convinced socialist. Interestingly, he owns a 10,000-acre ranch in Colorado that serves as a new-age spiritual retreat for believers in universal spirituality. A Zen Buddhist temple has been built there, Zoroastrians have a worship center there, as well as many other like-minded New Age cults.

Kofi Annan

The deeper we investigate, the stranger this story becomes. In the early 90's, President Clinton became unhappy with the operation of the United Nations. He claimed the organization was in desperate need of reform. Using the U.S. veto, he blocked the appointment of Boutros Boutros-Ghali for a second term as UN Secretary-General. He then handpicked his successor--the present Secretary-general, Kofi Annan. Annan proceeded to create a new position at the UN--Under Secretary-General for UN Reform. He then announced the person chosen to reform the United Nations, preparing it for world governance in the emerging 21st Century. Why were we not surprised when he chose New Age, globalist, socialist Maurice Strong?

Ted Turner

In the meantime, Gorbachev admirer Ted Turner believes so strongly in the destiny of the UN that he decided to give the largest single gift ever granted to an organization. He announced that he would bestow \$1 billion dollars to advance the UN's mission. This is the same Ted Turner that has controlling interest in Time Warner, which has now entered into partnership with America Online (AOL).

Al Gore

Once Strong joined Annan at the UN, it was decided that a visit to the White House would be in order. The U.S. Congress was refusing to pay close attention to \$1 billion in back dues to the UN. This had been done in order to prod the UN into accomplishing the needed reforms. Strong was asked to accompany Annan to the White House in an attempt to obtain payment because Strong had a very close friend in the Clinton administration--Vice-President Al Gore. Both Strong and Gore are avid environmentalists and globalists. Of course, Gore is the author of his now famous environmental book, *Earth in the Balance*.

Timothy Wirth

Ted Turner didn't want his \$1 billion UN contribution to be wasted. He needed someone to administer the proper distribution of the donation. Timothy Wirth, serving as Under-Secretary of State for Global Affairs in the Clinton State Department, accepted the job. However, when we see how intertwined the U.S. and the UN really are, it becomes clear that, when Wirth left the U.S. State Department to administer the grant, he was still working with the same people toward the same goals.

Bill Clinton

Let's pause a moment to pull this web of power together. President Clinton handpicked Kofi Annan; Annan appointed Maurice Strong; Strong is a good friend of Al Gore; Strong works hand-in-hand with Mikhail Gorbachev; Ted Turner is presidential advisor to Gorbachev; Turner donates \$1 billion dollars to the UN; Wirth leaves the Clinton administration to work for Turner.

You have to admit that this is getting interesting! But believe me, we have only scratched the surface.

Strobe Talbott

In 1992, Strobe Talbott wrote an article for *Time* magazine, entitled, "The Birth of the Global Nations." In the article he stated that U.S. sovereignty as we have known it will cease to exist in the 21st Century. He asserted that all nations would soon answer to a single global authority. But why should we care at all what Strobe Talbott says?

Talbott has been very close to President Clinton for a long time. They were roommates while attending college as Rhodes Scholars in London. When Clinton took office in 1993, one of the first things that he did was to make Strobe Talbott Deputy Secretary of State. Talbott has been the key foreign policy advisor to Clinton throughout his entire administration. So one of the most powerful members of the U.S. State Department believes that United States' sovereignty is soon to be over!

Robert Muller

Where in the world does Strobe Talbott come up with these outlandish ideas? It's interesting to notice that Robert Muller published a book in 1991 titled *The Birth of a Global Civilization*. In 1992, Talbott wrote his article, "The Birth of the Global Nation."

It appears that Muller's book was what inspired Talbott's article. At least, the principles set forth in Muller's book certainly sound like the ideas advocated by Talbott. So who is this Robert Muller? He worked in the UN for thirty-eight years as Assistant UN Secretary-General to three Secretary-Generals--U Thant, Kurt Waldheim and Javier Peres de Cuellar. He wrote so prolifically about the future of the United Nations that he was given the name "Prophet of the UN."

Another of Muller's books *New Genesis-Shaping a Global Spirituality*, reveals Muller's extreme interest in spiritual things. During one conversation that I had with Muller, he stated that the world had gone as far toward unity as politics could carry it. He asserted that total world unity could only be completed by coming together spiritually. That belief is what inspired him to write *New Genesis*. Another of Muller's outstanding achievements is the writing of his World Core Curriculum. He authored the World Core Curriculum in order to provide young people with the global education that he felt they need to compete in our increasingly interdependent world. Muller credits the teachings of Alice Bailey and the Tibetan teacher Djwhal Khul for providing the basis for the World Core Curriculum.

Alice Bailey

Who is this Alice Bailey? In the early 1920's she founded a publishing company called Lucifer Publishing Company (You may have heard of Lucifer!). Bailey used her "demonic" publishing company to disseminate her radical New Age ideas around the world.

Most people were not inclined to seriously consider adopting views produced by Lucifer Publishing. When the negative effects of the company's name became apparent, Bailey shortened the name to Lucis Trust. Amazingly, Lucis Trust was headquartered at the United Nations Plaza for many years. Recently, it was moved to Wall Street.

Djwhal Khul

Of this entire mysterious web, the identity of Djwhal Khul is the most bizarre. Djwhal Khul never existed. He was Alice Bailey's spirit guide. Think of it! The Assistant Secretary-General to three Secretary-Generals of the UN crediting a "spirit guide" and Lucifer Publishing for his inspiration. No wonder the United Nations is so effectively carrying out Satan's plan of one-world government!

So how does all this work? Djwhal Khul inspires Bailey; who inspires Muller; who then writes the World Core Curriculum to train our children. In the meantime, Maurice Strong operates his New Age ranch, complete with a Zen Buddhist temple, while reinventing the United Nations, preparing it to rule the world. Having a hard time believing all of this? I don't blame you. It is absolutely incredible, but it's true!

Bishop William Swing

Robert Muller stated to me that he felt it was a pity that the political leaders of the world were able to meet and talk daily at the UN while the spiritual leaders of the world would hardly speak to each other. He pointed out that the constant dialogue, which takes place at the UN, had enabled the world to speak together and act together as the World Community. Muller, the "Prophet of the UN," believed that an organization should be created that would do for religion what the UN has done for the political world. Since Muller had expressed this idea to me, I was not surprised to hear a couple of years later that the United Religion Initiative had been launched. Robert Muller, employee of the UN for thirty-eight years, was one of the three original signers of the Initiative.

Another signer of the original United Religions Initiative was Bishop William Swing, Episcopalian Bishop of Grace Cathedral in San Francisco. Swing has become the driving force behind the United Religions. He also was one of the speakers at Mikhail Gorbachev's Global Forum in 1996. Also in 1996, Bishop Swing traveled the world to assess the level of support among the religious leaders of the world for a United Religions effort. He met with the Dalai Lama, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Mother Teresa, the Pope and Cardinal Francis Arinze of Nigeria, the Vatican's Director of Inter-Religious Dialogue. What he heard in his discussions convinced him that the time for a United Religions Initiative had arrived.

Swing has been holding conferences and working diligently since that time. As a result, the constitution for the United Religions Initiative will be signed June 26, 2000--the 55th anniversary of the signing of the United Nations Constitution. That date was chosen because Swing hopes that the United Religions can do for religion what the United Nations has done for the nations of the world. He hopes that ongoing religious dialogue can slowly bring about an agreement of thinking among the religions until a level of global spirituality can be achieved.

Cardinal Francis Arinze

Cardinal Arinze is the Pope's representative for inter-religious affairs. Arinze and Swing have worked together in advancing Interfaithism. Some people believe that Cardinal Arinze could become the next pope upon the death of Pope John Paul II.

Pope John Paul II

Pope John Paul II is very much a player on the world geopolitical scene. In the new Catechism of the Catholic Church (Item #841), the Pope stated, "The plan of salvation also includes those who acknowledge the Creator, in the first place amongst whom are the Muslims: these profess to hold the faith of Abraham, and together with us they adore the one, merciful God, mankind's judge on the last day." With this statement, Pope John Paul II came down solidly on the side of Interfaithism.

He also is a longtime friend and partner of Mikhail Gorbachev. On March 9, 1992, the *New York Times* carried an article by Mikhail Gorbachev titled, "My Partner, the Pope."

In *U.S. News and World Report* on May 18, 1992, an interesting article was published under the title "Papal Promoter." This report stated, "Pope John Paul II is promoting Mikhail Gorbachev--to be the ideal presiding officer of a United Europe."

Strange, strange, strange

Who would have dreamed that Mikhail Gorbachev, Bill Clinton, Kofi Annan, Pope John Paul II, Maurice Strong, Ted Turner, Strobe Talbott, Robert Muller, Alice Bailey, Djwhal Khul, William Swing and many, many others are working together to usher in a new age New World Order?

The Mystery of Iniquity certainly is already working, and it will soon culminate in the one-world government and one-world religion prophesied in the Bible. It is nothing short of THE ANTICHRIST CONSPIRACY!