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Publisher's Note

Peace is the inherent nature of all human beings. In peace truth prevails and love flowers. Quite rightly we learnt in childhood that **Truth is God** and **God is Love**.

R. Ramachandran Nair's feelings on Iraq War News as expressed through his spontaneous messages posted in Yahoo News Messages Board are thought provoking. These are relevant for all times as his feelings are influenced by Mahatma Gandhi's teachings and his love for peace. It is amazing that he could quickly lay his hands on various thoughts of Mahatma Gandhi as quoted by him in various messages as published in this book. As he calls this collection of his own feelings a Birth Centenary Tribute to his Guru Dev GR Mama, we in Madhavimanidram Loka Seva Trust consider it our duty and proud privilege to publish it, especially for the younger generation to understand the contour of a peace loving human mind in the midst of war talks.

I have personally known him for more than three decades and earlier through his correspondence with GR Mama. He learnt from GR Mama and Mahatma Gandhi's teachings "fearlessness". That is very much evident from his feelings freely expressed in his wartime messages through internet. If everyone of us express our feelings fearlessly that can do wonders and avert reckless actions

and war initiatives of national and world leadership and help establish peace in the universe without destroying human civilization through wars.

This Birth Centenary Tribute to GR Mama is invaluable and quite appropriate for a man who was a true Shanti Sainik and remained fearless until he breathed his last.

Neyyattinkara, November 30, 2005

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Preface

As I love peace, I love dove. This book **DOVE OF PEACE** is the expression of my feelings for peace, not for
me alone but for the mankind as a whole. I believe in
expressing one's own feelings without suppressing the
same. If feelings are suppressed, the outcome is mental
depression, which can lead to aggression of all kinds.

In the year 1965, at 18 years of age, I took up a job in Gandhigram Rural Institute founded by Late G. Ramachandran and Soundram Ramachandran, which later became a prestigious Deemed University. Within a few days of reaching Gandhigram I got under the great influence of G. Ramachandran and the teachings of Mahatma Gandhi. In March 1966 G. Ramachandran took me to Delhi to work for the newly constituted National Committee for Gandhi Centenary. That was the time Vietnam War was going on.

G. Ramachandran was then a Member of Parliament (Rajya Sabha) and Secretary of Gandhi Peace Foundation. I was initially accommodated in Gandhi Peace Foundation premises and my duty was to provide secretarial assistance to Late R. R. Diwakar, who was Honorary Secretary of National Committee for Gandhi Centenary as well as Chairman of Gandhi Peace Foundation and Gandhi Smarak Nidhi (Gandhi National Memorial

Trust). That time I was a silent witness to innumerable peace initiatives and meetings. The outcome of these initiatives and meetings was the Indian Peace Delegations that visited U.S.A. and U.S.S.R. and ultimate end of Vietnam War. R. R. Diwakar was a member of the Indian Peace Delegation that visited U.S.A. and G. Ramachandran was a member of the Indian Peace Delegation that visited U.S.S.R.

Vietnam war costed U.S.A. itself with lives of 54,000 young men and women. As far as U.S. Government was concerned it was just a number. At the same time for the respective families of the deceased the loss was irreparable.

Unilateral U.S.A. / U.K. led blowing hot and cold war against Iraq sadden me. All the more saddening is the lukewarm attitude taken by the world community towards this uncalled for war. My sympathy is not for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein alone but for both Iraqi and American people. Failure is human and mechanical too. With enormous number of nuclear warheads piled up all over the world with the largest in the command of U.S.A. what catastrophe is in store for humanity, is for anyone to imagine. Let the worst not happen. This is the silent prayer of this humble peace-loving citizen of the Global Village.

During the last months of 2002 and thereafter I expressed my views on this matter through internet Yahoo News Messages Board in the absence of space in Indian Newspapers to publish the views of an insignificant

Indian citizen howsoever significant the same may be. On the advise of some of my close friends I have tried to compile these together in a book form for the present and future generation to know as to how day-to-day war news created thought waves in a human mind. My feelings I expressed freely without suppressing the same.

I am extremely thankful to Yahoo for giving space in Yahoo News Messages Board for the feelings expressed by me. I am also very grateful to Advocate John Mathew, Kochi for allowing me to stay in his office during 2002-03 and to use his office computer and internet facilities. The messages that I posted during 2002-03 in Yahoo News Messages Board are now compiled together to publish in a book form for what worth it is. I am not sure as to which publisher will boldly come forward to publish it. Whosoever does it will help the future generation read the contour of the wartime mind of a peace lover.

Kochi, April 1, 2003.

R. Ramachandran Nair

Postscript

The preface was written on April 1, 2003. The book remained unpublished for more than two years with no one coming forward to publish it. I remained a fool not to understand it that cowardism has swallowed the publishing world. More than that the thoughts and writings of an insignificant are not of any commercial value, especially when the media is led by commerce. This cannot be cured. What cannot be cured has to be endured. This is what I have done.

Media continue to be filled with news of Saddam trial and more than that news of Volcker Report that has reportedly named U.N.Secretary-General Kofi Annan's son, Indian External Affair's Minister Natwar Singh, etc. taking kick-backs in Iraq's war-time oil trade for its food requirements. In India Natwar Singh has already been stripped of the external affairs portfolio. Also two enquiry committees have been appointed – a non-judicial enquiry headed by Mr.Virendra Dayal and a judicial enquiry headed by Justice R. S. Pathak. Before the enquiry reports come out to public much water will flow down the rivers Ganges, Sindhu and Brahmaputra.

Feelings come and go. Feelings are for expression and not for suppression. Suppression can cause

mental depression and that can ultimately lead one to aggression of all kinds. I chose to express my feelings through writings and those writings are more relevant today than ever before.

During 1992 I was in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. During that time I had some correspondence with a young Chinese Student doing a Master of Arts degree in International Relations and International Economics in the Johns Hopkins University, School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) in USA. It was none other than Mr.Wu Hong, grandson of Late Shanti Tseng, who was with Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore in Shanti Niketan and Mahatma Gandhi in Sabarmati. I had the privilege of providing hospitality to Shanti Tseng during his visit to Sewagram and he remained a good friend of mine until he breathed his last in Sewagram.

On January 6, 1992 Wu Hong wrote to me as follows from Washington D.C.:

"Washington is a great city, I think it is as good as any city in representing American social structure. One part of the city, holds the seat of ultimate power in this country: White House, Capital Hill (the Congress), various government agencies and powerful law practices and lobbying groups; the other part of the city is the crime capital of the country, with over 400 deaths per year, mostly due to the drug trafficking, reckless shooting, and gang fights. Homeless is a common problem in this city that has hundreds of million-dollar

houses. One can see the most affluent people in the world in this city during the day, and hundreds of homeless people in the night. It is, in my opinion, a representation of what is wrong with this country."

In response I wrote to Wu Hong as follows on April 30, 1992 from Riyadh, Saudi Arabia:

"After the two world wars, the cold war is also over. But the flame of hatredness for one another is still unextinguished. This in itself can have dangerous consequences and turn out to be a great threat to peaceful co-existence of mankind. Who has got the magic touch to extinguish this flame? This flame is much dangerous than the nuclear arsenals. As I can see, there is none in the present-day leadership. May be from out of the present-day crisis somebody from your generation would emerge to extinguish the flame of hatredness, give peace and love to the mankind, create an economy of permanence and a world order where everyone can live peacefully and with contentment, without the rich exploiting the poor and the strong exploiting the weak.

After the collapse of the erstwhile USSR, if America is thinking that it is a world policeman they are absolutely mistaken. What is the strength of a chain? Nobody can deny the fact that the strength of a chain is equivalent to the strength of the weakest of its links. For instance, we have a heavy roof on uneven and unequal pillars. The weaker ones will break first and then the whole weight will be on the strong one. The heavy weight can weaken the strength of even the strong one and break it, which results in the break of the roof, crashing very pillars that held it up so long and the people who took shelter under the roof with great hopes.

Wu Hong, I personally feel that the present structures of United Nations should be thoroughly changed to make it a really representative body of mankind. No more it can afford to be a handtool in the hands of a handful of rich and strong nations. For this we should not wait for a third world war. When the present U.N. Chief Mr.Boutras Ghali presents his much awaited report sometime in July, I wish there is something worthwhile in it. A strong debate on this topic is required throughout the world. We should have a world currency as well for international trade. USD, YEN, DM, PDS playing with the lives and future of other countries should stop."

I wonder now as to how such thoughts came to my mind then! Even after a decade, the same is very relevant. Similarly my spontaneous feelings expressed through internet Yahoo News Messenger Board is more relevant today than ever before. Let this help young minds to think, open up their mind, express their feelings fearlessly and help translate one's feelings in to concrete

actions to establish peace in this world. Peace is invaluable, inevitable and the true nature of each human being. The humanity is interdependent. No longer the world can live in isolation. Late Marin Luther King rightly said once:

"Before you finish eating breakfast in the morning, you have depended on more than half the world. This is the way our universe is structured, this is its inter-related quality."

I am very glad Sister Mythili, spiritual daughter of my Guru Dev G. Ramachandran and Managing Trustee of Madhavi Mandiram Loka Seva Trust, has boldly came forward to publish this book. I salute her for this courage. Courage is needed to do any worthwhile service to mankind. This book of mine is a humble Birth Centenary Tribute to my beloved Guru Dev and Mama G. Ramachandran.

Thiruvananthapuram, November 7, 2005.

R. Ramachandran Nair

I wish I lived long

wish I lived long, to see peace in the world, already weary of haste and wars, blown hot and cold by seasonal wind.

I wish to live not to see wars, but the warmthness of love and affection, mankind always longed for to live long, before the death knocked at one's doorstep.

I wish to live not to get wounded, but to wind up my life after living to its full length, fulfilling my worldly obligations as a whole, to leave behind for children a world worth living.

> I wish to live a life worth living, not in hospital beds but happy homes, with kith and kin around, dancing with joy as life gets unwounded.

Will the world leaders help me, and the mankind as a whole, to live in a world of wonders, and not wars weary hell I abhor?

> Hove to learn the art of living, and not the art of dying, to make this world worth living, and help the mortal towards the exit for immortality.

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1 WHAT A SUICIDE!

Alas President Bush is armed with House Approval to use military force against Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein! What else can the humanity expect from a Government of a few people, for a few people and by a few people warmongers, weapon manufacturers and marketers!! If President Bush dares and push a war and spill blood, be it that of Iraqis or Americans, he will go down in history as the last butcher of humanity. American Government and Congress this way can never achieve peace in this world other than totally destroying it.

Peace lovers all over the world remember that even one peace lover is enough to stand erect and straight against the destroyers of humanity and the universe as a whole. Trees have all been cut down and now the bushes too will be cut down leveling and clearing the ground for fresh shoots of trees to come up and give a green signal for peace for mankind and the universe as a whole without self-destruction.

Let the countries constituting U.N. remember Mahatma Gandhi's own words that "Non-violence of the weak is bad and violence of the impotent is worst". Vietnam to Arab World, American politicians like President Bush learned little. Let the time teach them. In the present mode of action President Bush and American Congress are only creating more and more Saddams.

2 SECRACY SIGN OF MALIGNANCY

All nations and its leadership proud of democracy and human rights must understand that secrecy is a sign of malignancy. In a democracy i.e. a government of the people, for the people and by the people, there is no room for secrecy. Secrecy may be relevant only when democracy is reduced to a level of a government of a few people, for a few people and by a few people.

In the modern age of information technology everything has to be transparent. Transparency is a must and invaluable for democracy.

Let the secrecy be sacrificed for the healthy growth of democracy and all round human development and help create a healthy global village.

Will the world leadership care?

3 WHITHER REGIME CHANGE!

U.S. Government plan for a regime change in Iraq is to be suicidal, whether U.S. President Bush believed it or not. His absolutism is going to be his own destability, whether he believed it or not.

A regime change is badly needed in U.S. and the same will one day be enabled by the U.S. people themselves. No need for anybody else in the world to give even a finger touch for that. The change would be not from one Bush to another Bush, but change from Weapon-Manufacturers-Marketers-Managers-Politicians-Nexus to Peace Loving / Longing U.S. People's Nexus. Such a change of guard in U.S. would help smooth change of guards elsewhere in the world including that of Iraq. The present ruling nexus only helped the rise in power of people like President Saddam Hussein of Iraq and also their consolidation of powers.

If the U.S. Government first dismantled its own nuclear arsenals and military hard / softwares, others including North Korea, Iraq and their lot are bound to do so. In that case young American children would stop playing with guns / bombs and instead would start playing with doves of peace and spread the message of peace and love the world over. In that case the United Nations Orga-

nization will get peacefully transformed itself into the United Peoples Organization and awake the people all over the world to real "freedom" as beautifully explained by Noble Laureate Poet Rabindranath Tagore in the following lines:

"Where the mind is without fear and the head is held high,

Where knowledge is free,

Where the world has not been broken up into fragments by narrow domestic walls,

Where tireless striving stretches its arms towards perfection,

Where the clear stream of reason has not lost its way into a dreary desert sand of habit,

Where the mind is led forward by thee into ever widening thought and action,

Into that heaven of freedom, my father, may my country* awake."

(*Read the word "country" as "world")

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PUSH BUSH TO FALL ON OCEAN OF PEACE

Russia has done the right thing in rejecting U.S. sponsored Iraq resolution for Security Council. Let President Bush be pushed down deep into the Ocean of Peace for the survival of humanity in this universe. Let him be liberated from the tight catch of "War Mongers-Weapon Manufacturers-Marketers-Managers-Politicians Nexus" and the arrogance of power to personally experience for himself the universal human urge for peace. Presently he is held blind by the arrogance of power.

It is time Peace Lovers from all over the world march as a human chain to Capital Hill and White House and snatch from President Bush the Nuclear Button so that he doesn't ignite a nuclear war even by mistake.

President Bush is called upon to learn the teachings of Mahatma Gandhi. Not simply read but understand it and think over it. Let him learn to catch the substance leaving the shadow. He has been hither to catching the shadow leaving the substance. Then, he is bound to realize that peace is not the absence of conflict but it is the ability to cope with it. Mahatma Gandhi's "satyagraha" is based on love, not on hate: on loving one's opponents and suffering to convert them. It is resistance to sin and

not to the sinner. Aggressiveness is not an essential part of human nature. Combativeness can be replaced by meekness and gentleness. Satyagraha demands discipline and may entail self-sacrifice, suffering, fasting, imprisonment, and death, yet it has the supreme virtue of providing means consonant with the highest ends. The Cross indicates that the love, which suffers, is more powerful than the force, which inflicts suffering. This is what noble souls have been teaching.

As the Late Philosopher President of India Dr.S.Radhakrishnan wrote in Mahatma Gandhi Birth Centenary Commemoration Volume - Mahatma Gandhi 100 Years:

"We are at the crossroads of history. Man's greatest enemy is not disease or famine or demographic explosion, but nuclear weapons which in war may completely destroy civilization and in peace inflict grievous and lasting damage on the human race."

Starting with United States of America down to India, Pakistan, North Korea and all other countries possessing nuclear weapons are requested to destroy the same for Universal Peace and survival of the humanity.

Let President Bush be the last advocate for war and be the first one to ignite the light for peace by destroying all bombs in his command and custody.

5

WAR CRAZY BUSH BE PUSHED DOWN

War Crazy Bush is pushing a war, which can lead to a total disaster for the world and wiping out the humanity from this universe. How can U.N. act when it is totally immobilized by U.S.A. and its war crazy leadership of Bush? The U.S. citizens as a whole should rise up and reach White House as a human chain, immobilize Bush, snatch away from him the nuclear button and then push him down to ocean of peace so that he is totally washed out of all hitherto accumulated war craze and look fresh. Such leadership is not only a threat to U.S. citizens but the mankind as a whole, whether one believe it or not.

Let President Bush first disarm himself and think of the unemployed, underemployed, uncared and sick people of U.S.A. first. What should be Bush's priority? Wiping out Saddam Hussain or caring his own people. Bush's all talk of God...God's will etc. are just political rhetoric's. If he is a true Christian and he follows Christ and His invaluable message of love, he would give up all plans for war. Let him take note as a talisman the following message of Mahatma Gandhi:

"I will give you a talisman. Whenever you are in doubt, or when the self becomes too much with you, apply the following test. Recall the face of the poorest and weakest man whom you may have seen, and ask yourself, if the step you contemplate is going to be of any use to him. Will he gain anything by it? Will it restore him to a control over his own life and destiny? In other words will it lead to Swaraj for the hungry and spiritually starving millions? Then you will find your doubt and your self melting away."

Note: Swaraj means independence and a control over one self.

Will President Bush care the above talisman for a while? Will he first think of the poorest and weakest people of U.S.A. first? If not and he push another war on humanity, he will be the last Butcher the world ever saw.

The world badly need is peace. That is possible and feasible. People like Bush are a threat to peace and the very existence of humanity in this universe.

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CAN PRESIDENT BUSH DISARM NATURE?

President Bush can manipulate an election victory and can manipulate an U.N. resolution against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, but he has neither the strength nor the means to fight with nature storming the south...east... and like that and killing the innocent people.

If Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is a dictator, U.S. President Bush is a worst dictator and that too in the garb of democracy. Neither U.N. nor the rest of the world together can disarm him. Cuba to Cambodia, Philippines to Vietnam and Afghanistan to Iraq, are all the creations of whom? All loud talks of arresting / containing terrorism are to create a smokescreen to cover up one's own larger than globe size terrorist outlook.

The present day events remind me of the following illuminating words written by Late J.C. Kumarappa in his famous book "ECONOMY OF PERMANENCE" published in 1945 with a foreword by Mahatma Gandhi:

"All activities in human society present two points of view, the long range view and the short range view. Many of us are not capable of taking a long range

view because it means working for years before the fruit of one's labors can be seen or obtained and men do not like to wait. We are all inclined to take a short-term view. We want to eat, drink and be merry. Ninety-nine out of hundred people take this short-term view. But there are certain matters which have got to be done for the benefit of the whole society and which call for a long-range view. This is what a democracy arranges for. We require men with a long-range view to be at the head of Government if Government is to succeed and the well being of the majority is to be achieved. People who take a short-range view are a danger to society, if they be at the head of Government. They will promote wars by their short sighted policy.

"Judged from this viewpoint, England and America are anything but democracies. These countries are under absolute dictatorships. When these countries were faced with the grave danger of war, what was the form of Government that prevailed, democracy or dictatorship? Barefaced dictatorship came into being in these countries. That was not mere a coincidence; it was bound to happen. These countries have been using centralized methods of production, which means central control and regimentation, which ultimately leads to dictatorship. We cannot have dictatorship in economics and at the same time, democracy in politics. If it serves the needs of the people it does not matter what such service costs. It has got to be rendered. That is the fundamental principle

that we have got to remember. Here is a big difference between private economy and public finance. Public finance takes a long-range view. While planning for democracy, every citizen is to be made conscious of the part he has to play in the whole scheme."

Has President Bush the wherewithal to make every U.S. citizen conscious of the part he is playing in the whole scheme as regards Iraq? Will his resolutions for futile actions bring job to the jobless Americans? Will he be able to provide health care to the needy who are unable to pay even for insurance? Will he be able to create an America where no child will be out of home and take night shelters underneath road-bridges and other vulnerable areas?

Before the Christmas stars and lights start illuminating the American sky, let noble thoughts prevail upon President Bush to shed his war plans and make world peace possible and feasible through transparency in dealings and patient negotiations without preconditions.

Let this be the thought for the day. Let everyone pray for the departed souls of those Americans killed in Vietnam and elsewhere but for the shortsighted actions of ignorant and war crazy elected Presidents of a great nation and its great people.

ZERO TOLERANCE OF INTERNATIONAL ROBBERY

U.S. President Bush at last succeeded in glorifying his perversions and achieved a temporary success through a U.N. Resolution and Weapon Inspection of Iraq. One should wish that after the Iraq weapon inspection, the rest of the nations on U.N.Security Council should bring forward a resolution for a weapon inspection of the United States of America by an Inspection Team constituted of Arabs, Chinese, Japanese and Indians.U.S.A. cannot be proud of a civilization as that of Greece and Rome. These two civilizations perished leaving behind just their ashes of greatness to tell their tale as a warning to the rest of the world and the civilizations. Why did it happen?

Since time immemorial man has used his freewill in trying to break up work into its component parts, passing on the routine to those who are helpless to resist and appropriating to the strong the pleasures to be derived from work. The routine was shouldered on the slaves while the master enjoyed the fruits of his labor. The civilizations of Greece and Rome were based on such misappropriation of pleasure and avoidance of routine. Not heeding the above, the modern industrial empires like U.S.A. are repeating the same effort. Such efforts are bound to fail. As Late Joseph Cornelius Kumarappa wrote in his famous book "Economy of Permanence":

"Generally speaking, the man in the street will acknowledge the futility of this method which has to be sustained by periodical slaughter of the innocents. Therefore, to confuse the issues, all the means available - advocating a complex standard of living, a system of education giving false values, glorifying violence - have been used to mislead the public, whose unquestioning support is needed to maintain such an order. The devastating effects of such propaganda are to be noticed in mothers sacrificing the lives of their sons with pride for such a purpose, and wives urging their husbands to risk themselves on the battlefields. It is natural for a mother to take pride in the fact that her son has been trained to murder other innocent sons on a mass scale and get killed himself in the effort? Can loving wife contemplate the sacrifice of her beloved on the altar of International Robbery? Yet, these results have been obtained by infusing into the minds of the people a scale of false values, which treacherously enforces them to use their freewill to stray into paths of violence and destruction, which in their normal lucid thinking they would naturally flee from."

Are hapless mankind all over the world destined to wait and watch U.S. President Bush's glorifications of his own perversions?

As Kumarappa wrote:

"Murder in retail is visited by capital punishment. But murder in wholesale of innocent young promising lives is rewarded by national honor being accorded to the doers of such dastardly deeds, by the conferment of titles, by erecting monuments in their memory in holy places of worship such as the Westminster Abbey or St. Paul's Cathedral. Is there not something radically wrong in a system, which has to resort to such devious ways to maintain itself? The public is rendered senseless by having its inner feelings benumbed by this topsy turvy order."

President Bush, President Saddam and their lot are exactly doing the above and the mankind is rendered senseless by having its inner feelings benumbed. How to come out of it?

8

SI-LENT LE-GES IN-TER AR-MA

Si-lent le-ges in-ter ar-ma! Alas! The laws are silent in the midst of arms. Where? Nowhere else other than in the United States of America, a country proud of law and the 'rule of law'. Thanks to President Bush and the Capital Hill filled with law firms and lawyers of all kinds lobbying for everyone and everything except for the hapless people of America and the rest of the world.

The United States of America cannot boast of a civilization as Greece and Rome had once, which later perished leaving behind just their ashes of greatness to tell their tale as a warning to the rest of the world and the civilizations. But the post industrial revolution America succeeded in building a distinctive machine culture and a system of governance in the garb of democracy. Perhaps President Bush is installed in the White House to see through the perish of a machine culture leaving behind just its ashes of greatness to tell their tale as a warning to the surviving Americans and the rest of the world!

While American President Bush and his supporters celebrate American victory over President Saddam Hussein, Iraq, the rest of the world and the United Nations, let all of them note the following words of Mahatma

Gandhi as told to Indian people while celebrating the Indian Independence Day:

"What are we celebrating today? Surely not our disillusionment. We are entitled to celebrate the hope that the worst is over and that we are on the road to showing the lowliest villager that it means his freedom from serfdom and that he is no longer a serf born to serve the cities and towns of India but that he is destined to exploit the city-dwellers for the advertisement of the finished fruits of well-thought out labors, that he is the salt of the Indian earth, that it means also equality of all classes and creeds, never the domination and superiority of the major community over a minor, however insignificant it may be in numbers or influence. Let us not defer the hope and make the heart sick."

As American President Bush continue to remain unchallenged and he storms over the U.N. and the rest of the world, the hapless member countries of United Nations will go that way and, like the proverbial moth, burn itself eventually in the flame around which it dances more and more fiercely. As Mahatma Gandhi did until he breathed his last, let all peace loving people of America and the rest of the world try to protect the humanity from such a doom. While doing so, the peace lovers can keep to heart the following words of Mahatma Gandhi:

"To establish a Socialist order we may not look on things philosophically and say that we need not make a move until all are converted to Socialism. Without changing our life we may go on giving addresses, forming parties and hawk-like seize the game when it comes our way. This is no Socialism...Socialism begins with the first convert. If there is one such, you can add zeros to the one and the first zero will account for ten and every addition will account for ten times the previous number. If, however, the beginner is a zero, in other words, no one make the beginning, multiplicity of zeros will also produce zero value."

U.N. SHOULD PUSH BUSH & BLAIR TO BACKSEAT

A situation has reached that the U.N. through its Secretary-General should forthwith push Bush and Blair to a back seat and drive the U.N. Peace Mission on its own. Both the nations' leadership had the notoriety of enslaving the whole world and impoverishing the humanity around the world fooling their own nationals through myths. If the U.N. is impotent to act through its Secretary-General, it is pushing the humanity towards a third world war in order to bury alive the U.N. and to create a U.P.O. (United Peoples Organization) sans the war mongers like U.S.A. and U.K. and their created leaderships like Saddam Hussein.

The world community is not U.S.A. & U.K. and its dictatorial exploitating leadership. These people only created people like Saddam. Now they are after his blood and his country Iraq to cover up their own past wrongs. The humanity cannot be fooled all the while.

A time has come the peace loving and bread laboring people all over the world make a human chain and imprison Bush, Blair and their lot and save the humanity and the universe as such and leave it safe for the future generation. Let this not be deferred or neglected for we

shall not pass this way again. Let us remember the following noble words:

"One life to be lived, and only one,
And not what we gather, but what we give,
Is the measure to God of the life we live,
And of work that is bravely done;
One life to be lived, for the life unseen,
Is but the fulfillment of the life we see,
When we rise beyond what we strove to be,
To reach what we might have been;
One life to be lived, and out of the past,
We gather our hope for the future strife,
For to-day holds the germs of tomorrow's life,
And God kept His best till last."

STOP CRUCIFYING HUMANITY

The so called world leadership headed by American President Bush and tailed by British Prime Minister Blair is seen rehearsing the crucification of humanity and destroying the universe, taking the Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and his twenty five million hapless people as the cross! Alas! The rest of the world pretending mute and dumb watches the whole rehearsal, as they may not be able to watch their own crucification.

This peace loving citizen of the Global Village is reminded of what Mahatma Gandhi remarked seeing a painting of the crucified Christ in Rome:

"What would not I have given to be able to bow my head before the living image at the Vatican of Christ Crucified? It was with a wrench that I could tear myself away from the scene of living tragedy. I saw there at once that nations like individuals could only be made through the agony of the Cross-and in no other way. Joy comes not out of infliction of pain on others but out of pain voluntarily borne by oneself."

The joy of Bush and Blair is not out of pain voluntarily borne by themselves but on inflicting pain on others starting with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and twenty-

five million hapless Iraqi citizens. What a curse on humanity and on this universe!

Mahatma Gandhi regarded Islam to be a religion of peace in the same sense as Christianity, Buddhism and Hinduism are. He wrote as early as in 1927:

"No doubt there are differences in degrees, but the object of these religions is peace. I have given my opinion that the followers of Islam are too free with the sword. But that is not due to the teaching of the Koran. This is due, in my opinion, to the environment in which Islam was born. Christianity has a bloody record against it not because Jesus was found wanting, but because the environment in which it spread was not responsive to his lofty teaching."

Will U.S.A. and U.K. spare the Islamic Community the world over to live in peace and in peace fast and pray for the welfare of mankind as a whole so that the humanity as a whole can celebrate Merry X-Mas in peace and find joy in loving each other breaking all artificial boundaries?

Bush and Blair are bound to justify their actions as their pleasure and conscience. Let them note what Mahatma Gandhi said: "Conscience is not the same thing for all. Whilst, therefore, it is a good guide for individual conduct, imposition of that conduct upon all will be an insufferable interference with everybody else's freedom of conscience."

In this hour of uncertainty it is better way for all: "The propagation of truth and non-violence can be done less by books than by actually living those principles. Life truly lived is more than books." Mahatma Gandhi speaks this from his grave dug for him by his own countryman professing his own religion. How illuminating these words are! Will U.S. President Bush and British Prime Minister Blair see the light enabling the wisdom prevailing upon them to stop their mad actions?

11 IT IS TIME FOR EVERYONE TO GO

It is time for everyone to go. Why Saddam alone? Why not all including Bush, Blair and their lot. After all absolutism is a sign of destability. Let everyone go the following way:

"Go to one, who does not come to you;
Talk to one, who does not talk to you;
Make up with one, who is displeased with you;
And all these, not for their good but for your own;
For the world is a creditor and we are the debtors."

If everyone acts the above manner as said above in the words attributed to Mahatma Gandhi, the world would be today a paradise on earth.

When Bush, Blair and their own creations like Saddam act the manner they do, the rest of the mankind as a whole including their respective leadership are not able to develop a firm attitude of purposeful hostility to the danger of universal destruction. We are courting it by our attitudes and actions. We seem to be moving towards a world catastrophe with our eyes wide open and our ears deaf to the voice of truth.

The world today need a leader like Mahatma Gandhi who fully understood that before God there is neither Greek nor barbarian, neither rich nor poor, neither master nor slave. They are all citizens of the one commonwealth, members of one family i.e. Global Village of today. For Gandhi religion is a personal encounter with the Divine. For people like Mahatma Gandhi the light of truth manifests itself in holy living. A truly religious person cannot hold back but should lead. He cannot remain silent when he should speak up. He should not compromise when he should stand fast.

Mahatma Gandhi's faith in brotherhood was not a transcendental absolute but a call to make it immanent in the facts of life. His demand was not a counsel of defeat and despair.

Ethical values have relevance to social facts. We must face up to the ugly facts of sin, pride and greed as we see today aplenty all around. Human nature is essentially good and it is opposed to tyranny, injustice and authoritarianism as we see today in leaders like President Bush of U.S.A. and Prime Minister Blair of U.K. representing two countries who hitherto continued perpetuate all evils and at the same time pretend and act as if they are world policemen and saviors of mankind.

As the noble words of Mahatma Gandhi and others from all over the world appealed in the past when different problems humanity faced, let it be the privilege and duty of the present generation of young men and women

all over the world without any discrimination as that of U.S.A. or U.K. or Iraq, to root out fear, guilt and faith in force. Let this be the "Divine Appeal" to the hearts of mankind all over the world.

As Late Philosopher President of India Dr.S.Radhakrishnan wrote over three decades back:

"Peace is not the absence of conflict but it is the ability to cope with it. Satyagraha is based on love, not on hate: on loving one's opponents and suffering to convert them. It is resistance to sin and not to the sinner. Aggressiveness is not an essential part of human nature. Combativeness can be replaced by meekness and gentleness. Satyagraha demands discipline and may entail self-sacrifice, suffering, fasting, imprisonment, and death, yet it has the supreme virtue of providing means consonant with the highest ends. The Cross indicates that the love which suffers is more powerful than the force which inflicts suffering."

BECOME ONE WITH GOD AND STOP WAR

Mahatma Gandhi said: "There comes a time when an individual becomes irresistible and his action becomes all-pervasive in its effect. This comes when he reduces himself to zero."

U.S. actions become all-pervasive in its effect only when it reduces itself to zero. It is unable to reduce itself to zero for the simple reason of arrogance on the part of its leadership that it is the only one power in the world and it can override on any country including Iraq. This absolutism is itself a sign of its own destability.

U.S. claims it to be the strongest democracy in the world today. As Late J.C.Kumarappa said: "Democratic government based on representatives requires an opposition to direct its working. The water in a river is kept to its course by the banks. If the banks are of rock it is best. If not the banks get eroded and the river silts and shifts its course. Hence there can be no competition between the banks and the water for the bed of the river."

There is no opposition worth its name for the U.S. President Bush within U.S.A. or outside it. Naturally there is none to keep the U.S. Governance to its course of do-

ing welfare to the people of U.S.A. and through them to the whole humanity. Such governance would do more damage to its own people.

Reportedly U.S. Government is taking steps to lay foundation for action in Iraq. This foundation is going to be weak as the cementing factors that helps a strong foundation is non-existent.

There is every reason to believe that President Bush badly need President Saddam safe in his present position so that he can fight safe the next U.S. Presidential election and continue for a second term of U.S. Presidency. All the foundation laying ceremonies and all talks of war are all to fool the American citizens in particular and the humanity in general.

Mahatma Gandhi rightly said: "Non-violence of the weak is bad. But the violence of the impotent - impotent violence - is worse."

More than the foundation laying for Iraq war, a great change needs to take place in the fundamental constitution of modes of thought of American leadership especially the U.S. President Bush.

U.S. President Bush may take note of the following noble words of Mahatma Gandhi: "If we shatter the chain of egotism and melt into the ocean of humanity, we share its majesty. To feel that we are something is to set up a barrier between God and ourselves; to cease feeling that we are something is to become one with God."

Oh! Mr. President Bush let us all become one with God and stop a war.

Please remember: "A drop in the ocean partakes of the greatness of its parent, although it is unconscious of it. But it is dried up as soon as it enters upon an existence independent of the ocean." How illuminating are these words of Mahatma Gandhi!

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PROVERBIAL MOTH DANCING TO BURN ITSELF

War mongerers are more visible and their noices are more heard and not that of peace lovers. Peace lovers are invisible and make little noise. Wars cannot afford to last long and it is short living like water bubbles. Even cold war did not last long. Peace just happens and it is ever lasting. If messages appearing in the message board are any indication, it will appear as if warmongers are more. Peace lovers need not worry on that score. Peace lovers need to take to heart the following words of Mahatma Gandhi:

"I must not fear if the world today is going the wrong way. It may be that India too will go that way and, like the proverbial moth, burn itself eventually in the flame round which it dances more and more fiercely. But it is my bounden duty up to my last breath to try to protect India and through India the entire world from such a doom."

Mahatma Gandhi was not spared by his own countryman.

As the soldier turned writer N. Kunju wrote in his famous book "Nuclear Myths" published by Gandhi Media Center, New Delhi a couple of years back, the peace lovers all

over the world need to "expose the conspiracy and maneuvers of the Military – Industrial - Bureaucratic alliance of the West in maintaining their nuclear capability (For the sake of maintaining the power of the Generals and strength of their armed forces, the profits from arms production and safeguarding against the closing down of the military production units, this unholy alliance may go to any extent)". N. Kunju further wrote and suggested to: "interact with countries like Israel, Iraq, Iran, Libya and North Korea and dissuade them from their nuclear ambitions."

Mahatma Gandhi's words lived through great men like Martin Luther King Jr. in USA. Martin Luther King too became a martyr of his own countryman like Mahatma Gandhi. But his following words live to rule the heart of peace loving persons all over the world as that of Mahatma Gandhi:

"The civilized world stands on the brink of nuclear annihilation. No longer can any sensible person talk glibly about preparation for war. The present crisis calls for sober thinking, reasonable negotiation, and moral commitment. More than ever before the Gandhian method of non-violent direction must be applied in international affairs. This method must not be seen as merely a method to be used in conflicts within nations. It must be seen as a method, which can be creatively used to resolve conflicts among the power blocs in the world today.... Through such non-violent demonstrations as sit-ins, stand-ins, and

picketing, the leaders of the Western Powers and the Soviet Union must be reminded of the dark night of destruction which hovers over all of us..."

Who can disagree with Late Martin Luther King Jr.'s illuminating words for all the time to come. There is no Soviet Union and there is no Western Powers as such and there is now only one power bloc and that is United States of America and that bloc needs to be peacefully removed to open the way for peace for mankind as a whole. This is possible and feasible through sit-ins, stand-ins and picketing all over the world by peace loving people. Human energy is more powerful than atomic energy. It is yet to be proved otherwise.

U.S. SHOULD STOP TREATING U.N. AS ITS SLAVE

It is unfortunate President Bush and U.S. Secretaries should treat U.N. as one of its own subordinate departments and U.N. Secretary-General as one of its own Under Secretaries. The whole world is watching this abuse. Enough is enough. If U.S. President Bush Administration is bend upon to blame at U.N. and its Secretary-General Annan for all its own failures due to high-handed arbitrary actions, the loss will be that of U.S. administration. Due to its arrogance it may not be able to see its invaluable loss.

Other nations constituting U.N. should act in a much more responsible manner and protect U.N. and its Secretary-General from the use and abuse by U.S. Administration. Otherwise U.N. will have the fate of League of Nations.

Are there dearth of world statesmen worth the name to challenge U.S. President Bush and his administration for arbitrary high-handed actions against U.N. and its Secretary-General?

If U.S. administration thinks that it can buy nations and even U.N. by its dollar power, it is highly mis-

taken. It will damage them more than anyone else. But for the lunatic actions of U.S. administration, the hapless U.S. people will have to pay a heavy price later on. Let this not happen.

It is time for everyone to take note of the following words of Mahatma Gandhi: "My conviction is hardening every day as a result of experience that an edifice built upon money tumbles down like a house of cards. Cease to put your faith in money therefore. It is essential that there should not be the slightest deviation."

Also everyone need to take note of the following words of Einstein: "I am absolutely convinced that no wealth in the world can help humanity forward, even in the hands of the most devoted workers in the cause. The example of great and pure character is the only thing that can produce fine ideas or noble deeds. Money only appeals to selfishness and always tempts its owners irresistibly to abuse it."

Let the U.S. use / abuse of U.N. against hapless nations / people stop for ever in its own larger interest.

VAX PO-PULI VOX DEI

U.S. President Bush pushed NATO anti-terror efforts bring to one's mind the following words of Leo Tolstoy:

"I sit on a man's back, choking him and making him carry me, and yet assure myself and others that I am very sorry for him and wish to ease his lot by any means possible, except getting off his back."

If President Bush can afford to push off the American Government's Heavy Weight from the backs of millions of Americans and billions of the rest of the world, that alone will help the terrorism getting vanished on its own. Not otherwise. American Heavy Weight should also be off the back of United Nations and its Secretary-General.

America and its lead NATO alliance are unable to read the writings on the wall. This malignant alliance will create more terror than removing terrorism.

In the year 1968 the then U.N. Secretary-General U.Thant wrote as follows:

"Today we live in a violent world. Everywhere there is a mood of restlessness and a desire for change. I have often expressed the view that if people in authority the world over cannot read the writing on the wall and accept the necessity for change, inevitably change will be brought about by violent means. I believe that, in line with the Charter, changes brought about by peaceful means are not only more desirable but more durable.

Gandhiji's philosophy, to me, has a meaning and significance far beyond the confines of his country or of his time. Many of his principles have universal application and eternal validity, and I hope the passing years will show that his faith in the efficacy of nonviolent pressure as an agent for peaceful change is as justified today all over the world as it was in his time in India."

Since then Berlin wall collapsed, U.S.S.R. got disintegrated and the cold war is gone. Still the wars are on thanks to U.S.A. and its leadership vested in people like President Bush. There is some blockage in the thought process of American leadership. This is a typical malignancy and it needs to be cured first before terrorism can be wiped out. The new and terrible dangers of the world today are nothing but the malignancy of Bush Administration.

Heal thyself, Mr.President Bush. Vox po-pu-li vox Dei!

16 VIN CIT OM-NIA VE-RI-TAS!

Truth conquers all things - vin-cit om-nia ve-ri-tas! This is the message on the wall / message board for all to read and think before the writings get erased by those without a mind to think about it and correct themselves.

Iraq protests U.N. Inspections Plan is to the advantage of U.S. President Bush and his plans for war to oust President Saddam Hussein.

Any leader or nation playing in the hands of powerful leaders / nations and play monkey game on their directions, will have the same plight of President Saddam Hussein and Iraq today. The message on the wall for all nations is: "Stop playing monkey for others".

Just as U.S.A. justify Iraq Weapon Inspection; the precedent created thus can one day help U.N. Inspection of weapons in U.S.A., U.K. and their allies. Why not Japan / Korea / Vietnam / Cambodia / Cuba initiate U.N. weapon inspection of U.S.A., U.K. and their allies?

World leadership should take to heart the following talisman given by Mahatma Gandhi:

"I will give you a talisman. Whenever you are in doubt, or when the self becomes too much with you, apply

the following test. Recall the face of the poorest and weakest man whom you may have seen, and ask yourself if the step you contemplate is going to be of any use to him. Will he gain anything by it? Will it restore him to a control over his own life and destiny? In other words, will it lead to Swaraj for the hungry and spiritually starving millions? Then you will find your doubt and yourself melting away."

Will American lead mission help American people or the poorest of the poor in the world? Or, will it add another burden on the back of the poorest of the poor in U.S.A. and Iraq but all over the world?

THE GREATEST GOOD OF ALL

U.S. President Mr. Bush's initiated and forced upon U.N. Weapon Inspection in Iraq make one believe that President Saddam Hussein and Iraq are the root causes for terrorism all over the world and wiping out terrorism is possible and feasible only through disarming Iraq or dislodging President Saddam Hussein from Iraq. Bush prescription is considered a panacea by the rest of the member nations of U.N.

It is worth watching with patience the outcome of this Bush prescription. Will it be par-tu-ri-unt mon-tes, nas-ce-tur ri-di-cu-lus mus? The mountains are in labor and a ridiculous mouse will be brought forth.

Weapon trading nation states with the bloodstained money power can prescribe as panacea only 'war'. Nothing more and nothing less. This is to be understood by humanity. Better late than never!

Peace lovers and votaries of Ahimsa (non-violence) cannot subscribe to this. Then, what would be the greatest good of all? Let us note that from Mahatma Gandhi's own words as he wrote in Young India on 9-12-1926 which is more relevant today than ever before:

"A votary of Ahimsa cannot subscribe to the

utilitarian formula (of the greatest good of the greatest number). He will strive for the greatest good of all and die in the attempt to realize the ideal. He will, therefore, be willing to die, so that the others may live. He will serve himself with the rest, by himself dying. The greatest good of all inevitably includes the good of the greatest number, and therefore, he and the utilitarian will converge in many points in their career but there does come a time when they must part company, and even work in opposite directions. The utilitarian to be logical will never sacrifice himself."

Let the present humanity judge through patience as to who would do the greatest good of all.

AMERICAN ARMY MUST LEAVE

A time has come American Army must leave other lands, leaving those lands to those people whom it really belongs to protect themselves. What they cannot protect themselves, all the forces of U.S. cannot protect. Let the U.S. Defense Personnel protect its own land and people.

What are American people really going to gain from such military presence of their defense forces in other countries? Nothing other than disturbing their own peace and helping their own political and apolitical defense leaderships and weapon manufacturers amaze wealth at their cost.

In 1931 during his journey to England for Round Table Conference when Mahatma Gandhi was asked about his view about the industrialization of India, his reply was as follows which are relevant today for industrialized countries like America and the rest of the world:

"Industrialism is, I am afraid, going to be a curse for mankind. Exploitation of one nation by another cannot go on for all time. Industrialism depends entirely on your capacity to exploit, on foreign markets being open to you and on the absence of competitors. It is because these factors are getting less and less ev-

ery day for England that its number of unemployed is mounting up daily. The Indian boycott was but a fleabite. And if that is the state of England, a vast country like India cannot expect to benefit by industrialization. In fact, India when it begins to exploit other nations - as it must if it becomes industrialized - will be a curse for other nations, a menace to the world. And why should I think of industrializing India to exploit other nations? Don't you see the tragedy of the situation, viz. that we can find work for our 300 millions unemployed but England can find none for its three millions and is faced with a problem that baffles the great intellects of England. The future of industrialism is dark. England has got successful competitors in America, Japan, France and Germany. It has competitors in the handful of mills in India, and as there has been an awakening in India, even so there will be an awakening in South Africa and its vastly richer resources - natural, mineral and human. The mighty English look quite pigmies before the mighty races of Africa. They are noble savages after all, you will say. They are certainly noble, but no savages, and in the course of a few years the Western nations may cease to find in Africa a dumping ground for their wares. And if the future of industrialism is dark for the West, would it not be darker, still for India?"

Indian leadership is blind of these noble words.

American leadership will never be able to understand it. If

American army is present everywhere else in the world, it is to protect their own industries and less to protect American land and people. Hence American democracy is reduced to a "Government of a few people, for a few people and by a few people". World, including America and India, badly need "government of the people, for the people and by the people with the art and science of mobilizing the entire physical, economic and spiritual sources of all the various sections of the people in the services of the common good of all". This thought bringing together to practical reality the thoughts of Mahatma Gandhi and Abraham Lincoln.

Any better alternative?

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UNPARALELLED CATASTROPHE

Happenings around the world, especially the killings of the innocent, brings to this peace lover's mind the words of Albert Einstein said decades back viz. "The splitting of the atom has changed everything, save our mode of thinking, and thus with drift to unparalleled catastrophe."

That was the words of Atom Scientist. Look at what the Peace Scientist and Apostle of Non-violence Mahatma Gandhi said decades back:

"The West is today pining for wisdom. It is despairing of the multiplication of the atom bomb, because atom bombs mean utter destruction not merely of the West but of the whole world, as if the prophesy of the Bible was going to be fulfilled and there was to be a perfect deluge. It is up to you to tell the world of its wickedness and sin - that is the teaching your teachers have taught Asia."

There is a less known and reviewed book titled "NUCLEAR MYTHS" written by N. Kunju and published last year by The Gandhi Media Centre, G-75/A Laxmi Nagar, Delhi-110092, India. Page 110 of this book is devoted for the following "The question":

My great grand grandfather
Stood up and shed his tail
And stared into a future of revelation
And started a new species A generation of men
Who conquered the world
And in quest of power
Stumbled on power
That can destroy creation,
Me as well as nature.

And now, I, as a child
Stand precariously
At the brink of future
And ask:
Is my super-developed brain
Evolved through generations
Going to be smashed into atoms
By Atom?

Any one capable of providing an apt answer to this question?

As the great Indian writer Arundhati Roy writes: "My world has died. And I write to morn it's passing... The nuclear bomb is the most anti-democraftic, anti-national, anti-human, outright evil thing that man has ever made."

Billions of people all over the world mourn its passing - the world that died with nuclear bombs stocked

aplenty with the largest stock in U.S.A.

Will the present U.S. leadership, especially the present U.S.President Bush note what the Late U.S. President John F. Kennedy himself said decades back:

"Every man, woman and child lives under a nuclear sword of Damocles, hanging by the slenderest of threads, capable of being cut at any moment by accident or miscalculations or by madness. The weapons of war must be abolished before they abolish us."

U.S. had the distinction of killing its finest leaders like John F. Kennedy, Martin Luther King Jr. etc. who were all against bombs and stood for peace. Let President Bush not push forcefully the nuclear sword of Damocles hanging over the hapless humanity by the slenderest of threads to fall on the humanity and abolish humanity as a whole. This is the only prayer left for humanity to pray and resign to its own destiny.

20 GOD IS ONE FOR EVERYONE

God is one for everyone. Then, why this fight between each other? Where is the question of which one is superior or inferior?

"Religions are different roads converging to the same point. What does it matter that we take different roads, so long as we reach the same goal? In reality, there are as many religions as there are individuals." - Thus wrote Mahatma Gandhi in 1939. Who can afford to dispute with this?

Earlier in the year 1926 he wrote in Young India:

"It has been my experience that I am always true from my point of view, and am often wrong from the point of view of my honest critics. I know that we are both right from our respective points of view. And this knowledge saves me from attributing motives to my opponents or critics. The seven blind men who gave seven different descriptions of the elephant were all right from their respective points of view, and wrong from the point of view of one another, and right and wrong from the point of view of the man who knew the elephant. I very much like this doctrine of the manliness of reality. It is this doctrine that has taught

me to judge a Mussalman from his own standpoint and a Christian from his. Formerly I used to resent the ignorance of my opponents. Today I can love them because I am gifted with the eye to see myself as others see me and vice versa. I want to take the whole world in the embrace of my love."

Is it impossible for every one in humanity to take the whole world in the embrace of one's own love and make this universe an ocean of love?

BE PACKED WITH DIVINE GRACE

Messages and messages are posted. Commands and commands are made by one believers to the other believers to pack little knowing that one's own packed and blocked minds are to be opened for the Divine Grace to fall on all without getting clouded. Let all be packed together as inseparably one by the Divine Grace. After all everyone breathes the same air and everyone live and rest on the lap of mother earth. All are children of God and God is one for everyone even if called in different names. Let us all together sing and remove our mental blockades so that noble thoughts come to everyone's mind. While posting this Peace Message this peace loving and dreaming brother sing as follows:

"Why the world so weary of haste, be it in the name of religion, be it in the name of a country or region, be it in the name of language, caste and creed?

We breath the same air, we come out of the same mother earth, we go back to the same mother earth, we come and go as we breath in and out. Why not we love each other, as we love the fresh air, that we breathe in and out, without which we shall gasp for life?

Why should not we belong to each other, as we come from the same mother earth, and go back to the same mother earth, lighted and warmed up by the same Sun, which rise and set for us to believe its existence?

Let us all learn the art of living, to whither away the weariness, convert haste into a heap of love, to rest on each other's laptop, feeling a sense of belonging to each other, which we hitherto longed for and eluded us."

AN OPEN LETTER TO U.S. PRESIDENT BUSH

Honorable President Bush!

Will you please remove the war cloud from this universe's horizons and let the light of peace illuminate the universe in order that our children, grand children and great grand children are left with a universe worth living and a part of humanity they can be proud of? Can you stop terrorism by unseating President Saddam Hussain of Iraq or for that matter by attacking Iraq? If you think so, that is just a hallucination Mr.President. We cannot prevent war and we cannot check terrorism by another war or state terrorism be it that of a mighty power like that of the United States of America.

Mr. President, you can take lessons from the teachings of Mahatma Gandhi. It is only peace that people will remember. Have Buddha, Christ and Mahatma Gandhi waged wars like you contemplate? They continue to rule the hearts of millions as they stood for peace and love. If you wage war, you will also be listed along with Hitler and Mussolini and forgotten. Almost 99.9 percent of the world population love peace and want peace. Only a fraction of people like yourself and Saddam can talk of war.

Remember, absolutism is a sign of destability. As Late Philosopher President of India Dr.S. Radhakrishnan wrote in 1968:

"We are at the crossroads of history. Man's greatest enemy is not disease or famine or demographic explosion, but nuclear weapons, which in war may completely destroy civilization and in peace inflict grievous and lasting damage on the human race.....

We are not able to develop a firm attitude of purposeful hostility to the danger of universal destruction. We are courting it by our attitudes and actions. We seem to be moving towards a world catastrophe with our eyes wide open and our ears deaf to the voice of truth."

Warmongers are requested not to be deaf to the voice of truth and dare to deafen the humanity.

A Peace Lover

YES, THERE IS EVIDENCE OF WEAPONS

Yes, there is evidence of weapons of mass destructions to wipe out the universe as a whole, under the thumb and in the control of the United States of America and its so-called President Mr. George Bush. That is what he himself inspected and unearthed. He cannot sit on it like this forever. Just like a monkey he is curious to open it, taste it and use it. All reasoning of his finding weapons in Iraq and that too under the control of President Saddam Hussein, is to justify his tasting the things already in President Bush's own possession.

What a tragedy, the whole mankind and the nations constituting the U.N. are blind, deaf and dumb over this matter.

If the Iraqi Inspection was that of an U.N. Team, the team would first report the matter to U.N. Secretary General, who will place it before the Security Council or General Assembly and then release it to the whole nations and public. Alas! no such practices and U.S. President Mr. George Bush himself is a law unto himself to accept and report to the whole world that there are weapons of mass destructions in Iraq and that too under the thumb of its President Saddam Hussein.

An American Democratic System which failed to count in numbers its own Presidential Electoral votes correctly and declare to the Americans and the world as a whole as to who was the real winner - Bush or Gore, is incapable of any inspection and counts. U.S.A. has reduced itself to be a democracy with a government of a few people, for a few people and by a few people i.e. Bush Family and their supporters by way of weapon manufacturing and marketing companies and their authorized agents.

Honorable U.S. President Mr. George Bush should realize that he can fool a few people for a few times and not all the people all the time. He is reminded wholeheartedly and with a very open mind by this Peace Lover and Universal Citizen that his own absolutism will be his own destability. Experience the Truth. Truth is God. God is love. Love is peace. Peace is for the survival of humanity and leaving the earth undamaged for our children, grand-children, great-grand children and like that.

Perhaps Honorable President Mr. George Bush is all in one - no children, no grandchildren ... etc. These sorts of people are the suicidal destroyers of humanity. And, such people are always on the hunt of suicidal bombers. What a hallucination?

World and Humanity must awake instead of remaining blind, deaf and dumb.

Awake, Arise and Act Oh! All Peace Loving Universal Citizens.

WHY NOT ECONOMY OF PERMANENCE?

Alas! U.S. President Mr. George W. Bush found scapegoats for the ailing economy. In a country - a so-called democracy with a government of a few people, for a few people and by a few people - all war mongerers; the economy is bound to ail. It may even be in an advanced stage of malignancy.

President Bush could shake O'Neill, Lindsey, etc. and he remains unshaken and unchallenged. That task is left with the Divine Force, which will act with vengeance one day unless U.S. President Mr. George W. Bush amend himself and amend his conduct in governance - warmongering.

It would be appropriate for President Bush to read the book "ECONOMY OF PERMANENCE" written and published in 1945 by J. C. Kumarappa with a foreword by Mahatma Gandhi.

As J. C. Kumarappa writes in his preface of the book:

"Religion, as practiced today, is largely institutional and ritualistic. It has lost its grip over the everyday actions of men. Hence there are many who have lost faith in it and regard it as a superstition to be shunned. As the natural consequence of excluding religion from life, economics has been divorced from moral considerations on the plea of business being business. In the traditional archives of knowledge, religion, sociology and economics have all been reserved their separate and exclusive spheres. Man has been divided into various watertight compartments. The left hand is not to know what the right does. Nature does not recognize such divisions. She deals with all life as a whole. Hence, in this little book an attempt is made to co-ordinate the various principles governing different departments, and to focus them all on the many problems of everyday life of man as an integral undivided unit."

"The object of the present quest is to relate our spiritual and higher self back to life so that the daily routine of mundane existence may be regulated in accordance with the dictates of our better self, and to find a way of life that will lend purpose for existence and action to such as have no use for the present day traditional religion because of the other worldliness from humdrum every day life. An effort is here made to bring all walks of life into alignment with the universal order. What men of religion term 'eternal life' or 'Union with the Godhead, has been interpreted in relation to the everyday life of man in the title of this book as 'The Economy of Permanence'."

The post world war II generation of people and their leaders like U.S. President Mr. George W. Bush must read "THE ECONOMY OF PERMANENCE" by J.C.Kumarappa with a foreword by Mahatma Gandhi. Better late than never! Good luck to Americans and the whole world.

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WHY BLOWING HOT & COLD ON WARS?

Humanity watched in the past two world wars. The wall erected dividing people, is not there any more and its shattered pieces are in different homes as ornamental pieces. Cold war is also over. Still wars are on, blowing hot and cold. Where? In the hearts of leaders and weapon manufacturers.

Wars are no answers to revitalize stagnated economies. Just for the sake of wars world leadership find scapegoats in nations like Vietnam, Cuba, Libya, Afghanistan, Iraq, etc. and leaders like Fidel Castro, Mohd Ghadaffi, Saddam Hussein, etc. Let us stop such research using malignant human brains.

There is a limit for wars and research on weapons and wars. Science went on dividing matters to reach atom. What next? Ignite the nuclear arsenals and wipe out humanity as a whole including the igniter himself. Peace cannot be achieved by wars and force.

The best is conciliation and not confrontation. The best is not wars but the warmthness of love and affection for one another. The best is to do bread labor and find peace.

Immediately after Indian independence, the largest political organization of the country i.e. All India Congress Committee passed the following resolution, may be inspired by Mahatma Gandhi who was still alive:

"The All India Congress Committee has noted with regret that there is a growing desire on the part of some organizations to build up private armies. Any such development is dangerous for the safety of the State and for the growth of corporate life in the nation. The State alone should have its defense forces or police or some guards or recognized armed volunteer force. The activities of the Muslim National Guards. the Rashtriva Swayamsevak Sangh and the Akali Volunteers and such other organizations, in so far as they represent an endeavor to bring into being private armies, must be regarded as a menace to the hard-won freedom of the country. The A.I.C.C. therefore appeals to all these organizations to discontinue such activities and the Central and Provincial Governments is to take necessary steps in this behalf."

Post independent Indian leadership failed to act on it and the first victim was Mahatma Gandhi himself. Rest down to Gujarat is history.

Let all nuclear warheads be destroyed / diffused all over the world. Let all trading on weapons stopped forthwith. Weapons manufacture be for one's own use by police duty bound to protect the people and the defense forces duty bound to protect the national boarders. Let

the weapons not go in the hands of children.

The earlier all nations do it, better for themselves and the humanity as a whole.

The Internet has reduced the world to a Global Village. Let this small beautiful village be made a Sewagram (Village of Service). This is possible and feasible as Peace for mankind. Any dispute on this? Any better alternative?

Jai Guru Dev.

BE GUARDIAN OF PEACE AND NOT DESTROYERS

Iraq weapon inspection has been made a mockery by the United States of America. How long it can go on fooling the humanity? Both United States of America and Britain instead of becoming guardian of the peace of world through their own moral strength, they are both fast becoming destroyers of peace. Their Intelligence Agencies have the so called intelligence / super sense but totally lack "common sense". Let both the countries first destroy their own weapons of mass destruction, gain moral strength and then through that be a guardian of the peace of the world. Without that they cannot disarm Iraq or its President Saddam Hussein. What, they cannot even disarm their own children possessing weapons of destruction. This is so especially as there is a great deterioration of moral strength.

This writer is reminded of what Mahatma Gandhi told the students of Eston Public School in Britain decades back in 1931:

"You occupy a big place in England. Some of you will become prime ministers and generals in future and I am anxious to enter your hearts whilst your character is still being moulded and whilst it is easy yet to enter your hearts. I should place before you certain facts as opposed to the false history traditionally imparted to you. Among high officials I find ignorance, meaning not absence of knowledge but knowledge based on false data, and I want you to have true data before you as I think of you, not as Empire builders, but as members of a nation which will have ceased exploiting other nations and become the guardian of the peace of the world, not by force of arms but by its moral strength. They forget that they cannot go on for long with a discontented rebellious India - true ours is non-violent rebellion, but it is rebellion nonetheless. Freedom of India is superior to the disease, which for the time is corroding some portion of the community, and if the constitutional question is satisfactorily solved the communal distemper will immediately vanish. The moment the alien wedge is removed the divided communities are bound to unite. There is, therefore, no Hindu case, and if there is one it must go by the board. If you study this question it will profit you nothing and when you go into its exasperating details you will, very likely, prefer to see us drowned in the Thames."

The moment the alien wedge of the United States of America and Great Britain is removed from the U.N.O. and the humanity as a whole, all other problems that we see in the universe today including weapons of mass destruction in Iraq, North Korea, etc. will get vanished on

its own. Two nations viz. Great Britain and United States of America, who hitherto exploited the nations all over the world, cannot represent the world and humanity as a whole. Similarly Indian BJP does not represent the one hundred crore Indian people or for that matter the so-called Hindus.

Leadership all over the world, be it U.S. President Bush or British Prime Minister Blair or Prime Minister Atal Behari Vajpayi and his BJP leadership has to learn a lot from Mahatma Gandhi. Better late than never!

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PENTAGON'S PANIC - CURSE TO HUMANITY!

Pentagon's panic driven order asking Navy to ready for Iraq, is Bush Administration's intellectual malignancy. It has no concern for its own people. By this way it is neither defending its own borders nor helping the survival of democracy. Bush administration has no long term plans for its own people viz. jobs for the jobless, health care for the needy, disarming the children with arms, safe homes for children so that they don't have to sleep in pavements, etc., care of the old and cure for the most dreadful disease like cancer. Bush Administration found in Iraq a golden opportunity to escape from its domestic responsibilities. While it names a few unequal nations as Rogue States, it is proving itself to be the greatest rogue and a menace to humanity's peace and survival.

A time has come for the peace loving people all over the world make a human chain and stop a Third World War and/or wars of any kind.

If there are any Rogue States in the world today, they are all the creations of U.S. Administration and its Weapon Manufacturing and Marketing Industry driven for the motive of profit. They find scapegoats in countries like

Iraq.

How long the hapless humanity can wait and watch this International Rogue State disturbing the humanity as a whole. Are we destined to leave behind a hell for the future generation?

Let wisdom prevail upon President Bush and Pentagon to stop forthwith the posthaste actions capable of wiping out humanity from this universe. Otherwise, who will be there to survive and write history of the Last Butcher of Humanity - be it Pentagon or President Bush or President Saddam?

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PUSH BUSH TO CONSTRUCTIVE THOUGHTS!

The so called Arab leaders are in a fools' paradise if they think an U.S. Iraq-War can be avoided by pushing Iraqi President Saddam to exile. Is it not these very Arab leadership that pushed Iraqi President Saddam and Iraqi people into this predicament? Who made President Saddam and Iraqi people fight with Iran for so long and sacrifice men and material alike? American story alone is not history. That may be President Bush's story or for that matter anybody else not "history" as such.

Can President Bush and U.S. Administration push for democratically elected governments in all Arab countries? America made a mockery of election in the last U.S. Presidential election itself. How can such people talk of elections and democracy? After all they are a democracy with a Government of a few people, for a few people and by a few people.

At the moment all this talk of U.S.-Iraq war and war preparations are to fool the people all over the world, including Americans. Bush's concern and the concern of the vested interests to push Bush to the U.S. Presidential Chair, are well known. If President Bush fails to get elected

in the next U.S. Presidential election, he will be pushed to exile in Texas Bushes.

The very word "Exile" and sending people to exile are all the colonial hangovers. Exile is no answer to any of the problems confronting the world today.

What is badly needed for the so-called American leaders and Arab leaders? They need to first of all push to "EXILE" their own degenerative thoughts. What a pity most of the Arab leaders are functioning like American Ambassadors rather real leaders of their own countrymen!

The earlier wisdom prevails upon the so-called Arab Leaders to stop playing monkey games, the better for them. Otherwise one day their own hapless people will rise up against them and they will have to take exile in America. Let that worst do not happen.

Whether one believe it or not, the Human Energy is much powerful than Oil, Gas and Nuclear Energy. The leadership all over the world including American and Arab leadership will one-day experience this to believe it.

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HUMAN TRADE vs. HUMAN SHIELD

U.S. acquisitions and arguments after arguments, justifications after justifications and pretensions after pretensions as if U.S. is the only protector of humanity, make amusing reading to those with common sense and not the so-called malignant super sense. People who were historically notorious in human trade and committed heinous crimes on humanity now started blaming "Human Shield".

U.S. leadership, be it its President or Secretary of State or Secretary of Defence must understand that a human being only become a military man or a President. He is a son, he is a husband, he is a father and may be a grandfather. Beyond that and over that only he is a military man. Even a soldier's loss, be it American soldier or Iraqi soldier or any other soldier are all human beings first and then a uniformed soldier. Whatever U.S. contemplating is in itself a crime on humanity. No need for explanations after explanations as well as clarifications after clarifications.

There is every sign of U.S.A. bend upon to destroy even the last fabric of U.N.O. The world leadership has turned blind, deaf and dumb towards U.S.A. and its mad leadership who only created Saddams.

U.S. leadership is called upon to heal thyself and stop all Cow Boy Style actions, for the sake of their own citizens and all round human development including that of theirs.

30 WHO IS AFRAID OF WHOM?

U.S.Secretary of State Colin Powel's statement that antiwar nations like France that oppose swift military action against Iraq are afraid of upholding their responsibility to disarm Baghdad by force, reads amusing. Who is afraid of whom? The greatest living coward country today is U.S.A. Else it would not have gone hysteric as of now.

A Retired General like Powell will find quick remedy for all international and national problems through wars. There is nothing to be surprised about it. Wars and weapons have solved no problems of the world anywhere anytime. On the other hand wars and weapons have only multiplied and institutionalized human sufferings. Two world wars are over and the cold war is also over. Yet the wars are on. That is U.S.A.'s lucrative business today. U.S.A. conveniently finds scapegoats in perpetuating wars of one kind or the other. Once U.S.A. disarm itself and stop trading of weapons of all kinds including manufacturing knowledge thereof, others too would follow suit. A rogue would not like to surrender to another rogue but to only a saint or a noble man.

U.S.A. bombed Japan. Hiroshima and Nagasaki are living monuments of U.S.A.'s skill in creating hell for mankind in this universe itself. The so-called international

community cannot afford to have any more such living monuments. Will U.S. President Bush and his Secretary of State Powell keep a note of it? Else they would be destroying U.S.A. and millions of its hapless citizens.

U.S. President Bush and Secretary of State Powell are called upon to stop wars as well as the very thought of it and concentrate on providing jobs to the unemployed, providing shelter to shelter less sleeping on pavements, and finding remedies for dreadful degenerative diseases like cancer. If this is not possible and feasible, it is better to have an American Style free style wrestling of U.S. President Bush and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein before the U.N. General Assembly with the Security Council playing the role of a referee. No foul game please. The proceeds of this game shall be utilized to save the lives of hundreds of children suffering from leukemia. Let this suggestion be not ignored. May God bless American Citizens in particular and the world citizens in general.

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WELL DONE TURKEY'S PARLIAMENTARIANS

Well-done Turkey's Parliamentarians. No country worth its name should allow any other country's troops inside its land. All other countries around the world should follow the same. Let American troops and its weapons be confined to its own land. Any country or its leaderships allowing American Troops and/or its weapons of mass destruction to be on its own land, is doing great dis-service to its own people or rather destroying one's own land and its people.

It may not be surprising that one day the very American soldiers would refuse to fight and die in other lands except on its own or in the immediate neighbourhood. That may perhaps happen during George W. Bush's presidency. Such a situation can be averted only if George W. Bush learnt "politics with principles" sans "politics without principles".

U.S.President George W. Bush must understand that winning a war is not like manipulating a few electoral votes, claiming victory in U.S. Presidential election and then calling for national unity. American people remained united to save its own democracy. That doesn't mean they

can afford to swallow the idiosyncrasies of its own electoral votes elected President going reckless and destroying and defeating the very credibility of American People and its own hard won freedom.

Much can be done and achieved in peace rather through war. President George W. Bush must understand that even a rogue leader or nation would love to surrender to a noble leader or nation and not to another rogue leader or nation.

Turkey's Parliamentarians given lesson is only one of its kind for President George Bush to learn. Many more lessons will be taught by the people around this tiny Global Village.

Stop war of all kinds and work for peace, Mr. President George W. Bush. Peace can only save Bush Presidency in the next U.S. Presidential election and not wars of any kind including the one planned with Iraq and President Saddam Hussein.

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THE GAME OF DECEPTION!

U.S. President Mr. George W. Bush now sees "game of deception" in everything like a person with yellow fever seeing everyone and everything as yellow.

When and where the "game of deception" started Mr. President? Is it not in the last U.S. Presidential election? Can American people and/or people around the world forget December 13 and September 11?

December 13 Bush claim of victory in U.S. Presidential election and his call for national unity was the kick start of the game of deception as we see today and as U.S.President Mr. George W. Bush reminds the world today. Can people's memory be too short? How can all suddenly go blind, deaf and dumb!

WHAT AN ACHIEVEMENT MR. BUSH!

U.S. Troops rolled into Iraqi Capital costing American Tax Payers billions of dollars. What an achievement Mr. Bush! Can you rush into your own people's ill health and destroy all diseases making millions of Americans healthy?

Remember and be warned Mr. Bush that one day the very U.S. Troops may roll into your own Presidential Mansion. Your own current actions contain the germs for your own tomorrow.

There is no more moral left in you Mr. Bush. If you think in a cow boy style of wanted dead or alive you can handle the problems of America by ordering your troops to roll into Iraqi capital, you are the greatest fool the world ever saw.

Will you throw away your cowboy cap and act like a civilized man to keep up the sacrifices of American freedom fighters? Don't destroy America any more.

You are once again advised U.S. President Mr. Bush, to note the following words of Mahatma Gandhi:

"Go to one who does not come to you,
Talk to one who does not talk to you,
Make up with one who is displeased with you;
And all these, not for their good but for your own,
For the world is a creditor and we are the debtors."

WHAT A CRIME & WHAT A SHAME!

American led coalition's action on Iraq is a heinous crime and a shame for the surviving humanity. What a shame the United Nations and its Security Council have been reduced to Divided Nations and most Insecured Council!

Let American President Bush be last butcher of humanity. What are Americans going to gain with this war other than destroying humanity?

Let President Bush and his lots be sent to American Bushes for seeking peace and save humanity.

A time has come for American soldiers to defy their insane leadership and save Americans as well as the whole humanity.

Will people all over the world rise up to resist this forced upon undesirable war on humanity?

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ABANDON WAR PLANS AND NOT U.N. RESOLUTION

U.S. President Bush should abandon all war plans and not abandon U.N. resolutions. If he does so it will be suicidal for himself and the United States of America. Much can be achieved with peace and negotiations and less through wars. The greatest achievers in this world achieved the same through peace and not through wars viz. Lord Buddha, Jesus Christ and Mahatma Gandhi. The choice for U.S. President Bush is to join the lot of Hitler and Mussolini OR Buddha, Christ and Gandhi.

This peace loving global citizen once again appeal to U.S. President Bush to abandon all war plans and settle issues through peace and negotiations. This way only the humanity can survive and the present generation can leave behind a better universe for the future generations.

36 DISARMING

There is no meaning in U.S.A. asking Iraq or any other nation to disarm, when it is buried in arms, especially with nuclear warheads. U.S.A. must first disarm itself, and then tell others to disarm. Achievements by war and terrorism are limited. But achievements by peace and love are limitless and invaluable.

U.S.A. killed its own 54,000 or more soldiers in Vietnam. What have it gained from Vietnam War?

President Bush has asked Iraqi military to disobey President Saddam. President Bush take care that his own army doesn't disobey him one day without anyone asking it to do so.

Experimenting on war is limited to total destruction of the universe. Nuclear Bombs when gets activated voluntarily or involuntarily have no eyes as to see which is U.S.A. or Iraq and who is Bush or Saddam.

If we experiment in peace we can have blissful experiences. Even a terrorist or a war monger would love to surrender not before another terrorist or war monger but to a peace loving world statesman. Has President Bush that moral for people like Saddam to surrender?

Mr. President Bush, instead of waging war on Iraq or anyone else in the world, wage a war on dreadful diseases like cancer eating thousands of Americans. Find safe homes for each and every child of U.S.A. where child will get loving care and protection. Find health insurance for all Americans and health care for all. Find job for all American citizens. Stop exploiting other nations.

If you really bring before your mind the face of an American child needing a loving home, the face of a suffering old American man or woman longing for medical care, and the face of an angry young man of America eagerly looking for a job for his living, Mr. President Bush all thoughts of Saddam and War on Iraq will all disappear.

U.S. PRESIDENCY - 1902 & 2002

Until the year 1902 the American Presidency was considered a weak force as far as its national politics was concerned. The White House was called "A Bully Pulpit" by none other than the then President Theodore Roosevelt himself. In 1902 President Theodore Roosevelt made the office of the American President and The White House to be incomparably the most powerful force in national politics.

The White House is no more "A Bully Pulpit". Presently it is not only the most powerful force in American National Politics, but also in international politics. The force has reached to that level of even relegating the position of U.N.O. (United Nations Organization) to a level of playing second fiddle to America. It may not be surprising if one day this absolutism will in itself turn out to be its own de-stability. Whether one believes it or not, absolutism of any kind is a sign of de-stability.

When Theodore Roosevelt occupied The White House at his prime age of 42, he brought with him to the American Presidency his own personal experience first as Police Commissioner of New York City and then as Governor of New York. This no doubt helped him to convert

American Presidency into incomparably the most powerful force in American national politics.

Exactly after a century, in the year 2002 The White House is occupied by President Bush who had the rare privilege of watching at close quarters the statecraft of his father Bush as CIA Chief, as Vice-President and as President of the United States of America. Apart from this he picked up practical-skill in statecraft working as a Governor before getting elected as President of United States of America. What he will make of the White House is worth watching. All that one, especially Americans, wish is that he doesn't bring to The White House a cowboy culture of "wanted dead or alive" in national and international politics.

One cannot clean up America or the world as a whole in the cowboy style of wearing a white cap and holding a pistol and considering himself the last of the good guys. In this case, The White House replaces the white cap and American Army, Navy and Air Force replaces the pistol. While all the phrases of President Bush such as "with the grace of God" and "God willing" give an impression of taking The White House back to the prior 1902 position of "A Bully Pulpit" or taking it forward to be just a memorial of The Destroyed World, it is desirable for everyone to pray God to save America and the whole mankind.

WAR AND TERRORISM

War is no answer to terrorism. America cannot bring peace anywhere in the world including India and Pakistan. One terrorism cannot be fought with another terrorism, be it state terrorism.

The world leadership, be it Bush or Blair or Putin or Vajpeyi or Musharaf, has to learn a lot from Mahatma Gandhi's teachings. Gandhi is a much used and abused name. All the same there is much to learn from Mahatma Gandhi and his teachings are more relevant today than ever before.

Terrorism is not something new as what we see today. It has been there before and it is there even today and there is no sign of wiping out terrorism except through measures suggested by Mahatma Gandhi to British in 1931 as below:

" I am as convinced as I have ever been that terrorism is the worst kind of action that any reformer can take up. Terrorism is the very worst thing for India in a special manner, because India is a foreign soil for terrorism to flourish in. I am convinced that those young Indians who are giving their lives for what they consider to be a good cause are simply throwing

away their lives, and that they are not bringing the country one inch near the goal, which is common, I hope, to us all.

... But let me go a little step further, in order to drive home the truth that is in me. If Bengal was autonomous, that autonomy itself would really remove terrorism from Bengal, because these terrorists foolishly consider that their action is the shortest cut to freedom; but, having attained that freedom, the terrorism would cease.

Today, there are a thousand young men, some of whom, I would dare swear, have absolutely nothing in common with the school of terrorism, a thousand young men who have not been tried and who have not been convicted; they have all, every one of them, been arrested in suspicion We now see there has been a flag-showing ceremony, and in making this demonstration all the military forces have been concentrated together in Calcutta, and these demonstrations have gone through the streets of Calcutta.

At whose expense and what will it do? Will it frighten the terrorists? I promise you it will not. Will it then wean the Congress from Civil Disobedience? It will not do so. The Congress people are pledged to this thing. Suffering is the badge of their tribe. They have determined to go through every form of suffering. It cannot, therefore, frighten them. Our children would

laugh at this show, and it is our purpose to show the children that they must not be terrified, they must not be frightened by the display of artillery, guns, air force and so on."

But for this even while fighting with the mighty colonialists Mahatma Gandhi was actively engaged in constructive works of all kinds. He found time even for two time community prayers. That is not the case with present day leaders. Present day leaders think that through Mouth, Media, Money and Muscle (4 M's) they can win the people. That is absolutely wrong. They may feel succeeded for a short while and will be a great failure in the long run.

If the world leadership including that of India and Pakistan do not change their attitude and go to the teachings of Mahatma Gandhi, the worst days are ahead. If they don't change themselves, the nature has got its own corrective mechanism, which may act with vengeance. In that case the most innocent will suffer. Let that not happen again.

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UNLIKE ANY OTHER IN HISTORY!

Yes, American led war on Iraq is unlike any other in history. It is to be "Bush's story" of destabilizing the United States of America and uncover the mask of its democracy. Bush has proved himself to be a great dictator than Hitler, Mussolini and their lot. Bush is insane and a mad dictator than President Saddam Hussein.

Yes, this will be a history of the total destruction of warmongers of the world, who are the slaves of weapon manufacturing industry lobby of U.S.A. President Bush and his own led U.S. Army are the greatest cowards mankind ever saw or read in history. Let Bush's story as the last butcher of humanity be confined to himself. Instead of American and Iraqi people fighting each other and getting killed each other, let Bush and Hussein go in for a free style American wrestling and see as to who would win. Why kill others, Gen. Tommy Franks like Bush's dogs.

If you all generals won't correct yourselves, the Divine Nature has got its own corrective mechanism which will correct you, whether you believe it or not.

This peace loving citizen of Global village once again appeal to all "stop wars"

WHAT A PROGRESS MR.PRESIDENT BUSH!

What a progress Mr. President Bush! Yes President Bush is progressing fast to get himself declared as the last butcher of humanity.

It is time for the global community to declare American President Mr. Bush, British Prime Minister Mr. Blair and their lots from Spain, Portuguese, etc. as war criminals and punished severely. They are to be pushed into the bushes of lots like that of Hitler and Mussolini. They are unfit for the universe as they have proved themselves insanes bend to destroy the humanity as a whole.

Have leaders from all other countries including United Nations Organization and its security council gone impotent?

If the Security Council is the most insecured council with Bush and like insane leaders, it is better to be wound up. Also, United Nations Organization should be fast converted into a United Peoples Organization. Nation States with the type of leadership like Mr. Bush and Mr. Blair and their lot are a threat to humanity and the universe as a whole.

More than the words of this peace loving global village citizen, time and events will prove. When Bush's God and everyone else's God will start acting, Bush will realize the truth.

It is time for all Americans, be it ordinary citizens and those serving American army to abandon Bush and leaders of his lot as well as wars of all kinds and work for peace, to leave a better world for the future generations.

Will you all listen to this feeble voice of a peace lover, if you have all not gone blind, deaf and dumb?

American President Mr. Bush has created precedence for others to militarily even intervene America and order people to send Bush to exile.

Before the worst happens, let wisdom prevail upon President Bush to stop war.

Vietnam war killed over 54,000 young American lives. What have America and those young men and women's family gained? What the world gained? What the humanity gained?

Absolutism of the kind being perpetuated by American President Bush is a sign of destability. Destabilize President Bush and not America and democracy. If this is the type of democracy America is exporting, it is worth to abandon it for the sake of humanity and future generations.

OCCUPY HUMAN HEARTS THROUGH LOVE & PEACE

Dearest American President & Rulers,

It would be wiser for you and for the survival of mankind in the universe, for you all to occupy the hearts of billions of people of this universe rather occupying Iraq. If you all don't care and dare for love and peace for the mankind, go the way you are bend upon and get yourself destroyed and the whole mankind.

During Vietnam occupation and war you lost 54000 precious lives of Americans, each one of them so precious and invaluable for the respective families. If you are bend upon to occupy Iraq, how many like that are going to be lost forever God only knows. You may succeed in ousting President Saddam Hussein and in that process kill thousands of both Iraqis and Americans. At the same time you will be out of the hearts of the billions occupying this universe. Remember it. Choice is yours. May God help wisdom prevail upon President Bush and American Rulers.

A Peace Lover

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INSECURED SECURITY COUNCIL

U.N. Security Council is today the most insecured organization. The threat to its security is from none other than the United States of America. United the states and nations, the divided the people all over the world. This division engineered by nation states with leadership merely a captive of Weapon Manufacturers-Marketers-Managers-Politicians Nexus, is a threat to humanity and the universe as a whole. Let this nexus be broken into pieces first. Let a new nexus take shape with peace loving / longing people from all over the world. This is possible and feasible. This is absolutely essential for the survival of humanity and the security of the universe. The present Security Council and the nation states constituting the same are the most insecured. A change is unavoidable. Let the change happen peacefully just as the cold war ended. Let there be a United Peoples Organization sans United Nations with divided people.

It is worth noting here what Mahatma Gandhi said decades back:

"In this age of wonders no one will say that a thing or idea is worthless because it is new. To say it is

impossible because it is difficult, is again not a consonance with the spirit of the age. Things undreamt of are daily being seen, the impossible is ever becoming possible. We are constantly astonished these days at the amazing discoveries in the field of violence. But I maintain that far more undreamt of and seemingly impossible discoveries will be made in the field of non-violence."

Let the whole world constituted of nation states be free from warmongers and dictators. Let the nation states die so that the human race may live. Again, remember here the words of Mahatma Gandhi said decades back, which are more relevant today than ever before:

"Just as the cult of patriotism teaches us today that the individual has to die for the family, the family for the village, the village for the district, the district for the province and the province for the country, even so a country has to be free in order that it may die, if necessary for the benefit of the world. My idea, therefore, of nationalism is that my country may become free, that if need be the whole country may die, so that the human race may live."

The world badly needs "universal interdependence" rather than "independence". The strength of a chain is equivalent to the strength of the weakest of its links. This is common sense and mathematical sense too. The strength of United Nations Organization is, therefore,

equivalent to the strength of the weakest of the nations. Naturally the Security Council's strength is also equivalent to the strength of the weakest of the nations constituting U.N.O. United States of America and its sponsored resolutions are going to make the Security Council more insecured than ever before, whether one believe it or not.



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"If we exist, if our parents and their parents have existed, then it is proper to believe in the Parent of the whole creation. If He is not we are nowhere. He is one and yet many; He is smaller than an atom, and bigger than the Himalayas. He is contained even in a drop of the ocean, and yet not even the seven seas can compass Him. Reason is powerless to know Him. He is beyond the reach or grasp of reason. But I need not labor the point. Faith is essential in this matter. My logic can make and unmake innumerable hypotheses. An atheist might floor me in a debate. But my faith runs so very much faster than my reason that I can challenge the whole world and say, 'God is, was and ever shall be'."

- MAHATMA GANDHI



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