London's 'Governance' Gives Haiti Cholera

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Nov. 19—The cholera epidemic ravaging Haiti, and poised for the Caribbean, is the direct, predictable result of decades of destructive actions behind the front of "governance" by non-governmental organizations. First, look at the sweep of the last 40 years of NGOs and globalization, then, some recent specifics.

Instead of policies to strengthen nationhood—building economic infrastructure and agro-industrial capacity, interventions have been carried out in Haiti and other locations, under the pretense of "good governance" and "stabilization," all intended to *undermine national sovereignty*. These involve enforced free trade, lack of water and power systems, and also, imposed myths of environmentalism.

As of late 2009, even before the Jan. 12, 2010 earth-quake, Haiti had one NGO for every 3,000 persons! Some 3,000 NGOs among 10 million people. The United Nations has had operations in Haiti since 1990.

Yet last Winter, Haiti lay more vulnerable than ever to storms and epidemics. It ranked among the worst in the world for rates of illiteracy, malnutrition, disease, poor sanitation, and unsafe water. Its soil fertility, housing, power, and transportation were woeful. The main electricity source for the entire one-third island nation was the 1950s hydro-plant at the Péligre Dam in the upper Artibonite River basin, in bad repair. Its lake is 30% silted up.

Then came the quake in January.

Behind the NGOs

The source of the destitution and vulnerability in Haiti is to be found in the financial interests opposed to the nation-state system itself, best understood as the neo-British Empire. A marker date in the process is 1971, when the world shifted to floating currency-exchange rates, on the explicit idea that "markets," not nations, should control finance. At that time, the Inter-Alpha Group of select banks was formed, centered on London, and operating internationally, to

extend greater and greater control over finances and economies.

This Inter-Alpha Group fostered swarms of NGOs, and positioned operatives in key institutions of nations—universities, government offices, research centers—to promote their anti-nation-state policies.

At the UN, this agenda has been carried through, especially under the banner of the Millennium Development Goals (MDG), established in 2000, to talk a line about improved living conditions, while backing harmful measures to undermine national economies—the real goal of the MDG operation. This is reflected by the common practice of refusing aid to nations, which could decide where to apply it, and instead, sending it straight to localities, private institutions, and the like.

These institutions are mostly controlled by a group of well-known billionaires, such as George Soros, Warren Buffett, Bill Gates, and other philanthropofascists, who are dedicated to population reduction, while funding such operations as the "Global Health Initiative" (2002), and the "Global Agriculture and Food Security Program" (April 2010).

Obama Opens the Door to Cholera

President Obama, obeying the Inter-Alpha globalists, outright refused, in February, to intervene in Haiti, to mass-relocate quake victims to safe, high-ground camps, for interim plans to rebuild the nation, along the lines of U.S. President Franklin Roosevelt's Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC). He pulled the U.S. military out altogether by June. Instead, U.S. handouts to NGOs in Haiti were made through the U.S. Agency for International Development, whose Obama-appointed director, Rajiv Shah, was a former eight-year Gates Foundation staff member. He did nothing to provide safe water, housing, power, and agriculture. It was "when," and not "if" cholera—a disease of poverty—would appear.

Shah gave funds to CHF International and other privateer "development" firms, to, for example, set up neo-plantation-style mango operations, for Coca-Cola to export. In the meantime, none of the additional \$1 billion funding pledged by the United States in April, for the larger help-Haiti international operations, was disbursed at all, as of October. Obama and the UN, NGO "governance" crowd blocked every attempt to relieve and rebuild Haiti.

Now, with the drive in the U.S. to remove Obama from office under the 25th Amendment, there is hope for Haiti, and the world.

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