# Genocide Lobby Refutes Need For Emergency Food Production

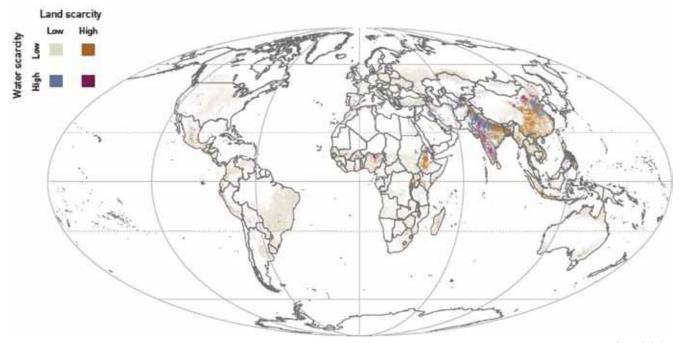
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Dec. 5—The UN Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), on Nov. 28, issued what it calls a flagship report, "State of the World's Land and Water Resources for Food and Agriculture" (SOLAW)—on the lack of security of the food supply, and of the means of production of food output. The report launches what is to be an ongoing world assay, from the Malthusian viewpoint that natural resources are so depleted from overpopulation, that the most that can be done, is to just keep on trying for "sustainable" ways to eke out more food. Who and what are to blame? According to the report, blame "human pressure," global warming, and fixed resources.

The message behind the jargon is: People must die. Don't even try for emergency measures, because the planet is at the end of the line, and the situation is hopeless. The report names five countries, out of its survey of 93, which are considered to have exceeded their resource base.

What this FAO report, and others like it, represent, is just the latest salvo from the genocide lobby, to confuse, deter, and threaten any government leader or citizen, from mobilizing for emergency action on food and other economic measures. Behind the genocide lobby is the network of financial and political interests, best called the British Empire, which has imposed glo-

FIGURE 1
Agricultural Systems at Risk: Human Pressure on Land and Water



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balization and monetarism over the past 40 years, and systematically obstructed the needed geo-engineering projects to upgrade the natural resource base, and build up national economies on all continents. This same lobby has even blocked the R&D of crop and livestock genetic improvements, by imposing private-patent control over food lifeforms and biotech methods. It has determined what crops get produced, where, and how.

That destructive process created the conditions shown on the hallmark map presented by SOLAW, titled, "Agricultural Systems at Risk, Human Pressure on Land and Water" (Figure 1). The report states that present-day agriculture systems "face the risk of progressive breakdown of their productive capacity under a combination of excessive demographic pressure and unsustainable agriculture use and practices."

Empirically, the map accurately depicts some of the extent of depletion and degradation of soils and water in many crop regions. For example, the drawdown of the Ogallala Aquifer in southwestern United States. Or the water shortage in the Yellow River Basin in northern China. But the truth is, this picture isn't "natural" or inevitable. These conditions resulted from the practices imposed as policy by the British Empire, over decades of globalization.

In any case, so-called "natural" resources are always actually man-made, and always have been. The FAO map shows the result *intended* by the British Empire. Instead of the world having the means to adequately feed our current 7 billion people, we have 1 billion people going hungry. And many more millions face sudden food shortages in the coming months. Spokesmen for the Empire, such as Prince Philip himself, have called for a culling of people down to 1 billion. This lies ahead, unless stopped cold.

# The Human Solution

Visualize the opposite to all this evil: a well-fed, productive, creative, populous world. Imagine the Earth today, if the post-World War II projects around the globe had been carried out as planned, beginning in the time of the Atoms for Peace years, in the 1950s. In the Americas, there would be the North American Water and Power Alliance. In South America, the full development of the Pampas, the Cerrado, and all the northern potential. In Eurasia, huge water management programs, including diverting southward some of the Ob-Irtysh Rivers. In Africa, the grand TransAqua program.

(See "The Extended NAWAPA: Project Overview," *EIR*, Jan. 28, 2011.)

Altogether, these programs would have added millions of hectares of productive land, with plentiful water, and improved crop types and advanced animal husbandry. Agriculture-in-space would be well underway, and providing breakthroughs for application on Earth. These projects are now life or death.

This is the conceptual vantage point from which to consider emergency measures here and now, even short-term. Moreover, we are at the point of do-or-die; no lesser "reforms" or quick fixes are possible. The British Empire system is itself crashing. Break with the myths and mind-control systems—such as in the FAO report—and it is evident how to launch the needed emergency measures.

The essential first step is to demand the ouster of Barack Obama from the Presidency. He and his Administration are in lockstep with London on agriculture and food policies now leading to famine, as surely as Obama and London are conducting insane foreign policy moves, threatening to start World War III.

# **Scope of Food Shortages**

The scope of today's food crisis is dramatically obvious. The current range of total annual world grains output (all kinds) of 2,200 million tons, is less than that of two years ago. Add the annual output tonnage of other staple foods, such as potatoes and cassava, and the maximum is about 4,600 million tons—still less than is required for 7 billion people, for direct consumption and secondarily, to supply animal protein through the livestock chain.

The situation in Africa makes the point. Food production there per capita has dropped over the last 30 years, to the point that 12 million people in the Horn of Africa, as well as millions elsewhere, are without adequate food, and without even the prospect of sufficiency or minimal food security.

Adding to the food shortage danger everywhere, is the condition of weather extremes associated with the presently unfolding solar and galactic cycles. The recent pattern of crop losses, hitting during the same season in several of the world's major agriculture regions makes the point.

Among the severe episodes over the last 18 months: 1) the 2010 Eurasian drought which dropped the Black Sea wheat crop by 35%; 2) the ongoing drought in the southern High Plains of North America, which dropped

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the 2011 wheat crop in Texas by 30%, and is the occasion for mass cattle liquidation; the 2011 U.S. peanut crop fell by 30% under southern drought conditions; 3) the current flooding in Indochina, resulting in major rice crop losses; 4) the Horn of Africa drought, now broken, but by heavy rains and flooding; 5) epic flooding in the farmbelt of northeastern Australia, in December 2010/January 2011; and so on.

# **Short-Term Emergency Measures**

In the short term, there are two fronts of action required, considered in terms of the actual physical requirements of production, and the related realm of financial measures.

Firstly, there must be direct support for the maximum output possible in the pre-existing crop regions, and in pre-existing areas of meat and milk production systems. This can be done by intervention to assure the timely supply of all crop inputs required: seed, fertilizer, agro-chemicals, fuel, mechanization, transport, and storage. And likewise, the backing of supply of inputs to maintain and expand meat animal and dairy herds—fodder, water, veterinary, transport, and processing.

The opposite seasons of the two hemispheres can be used to maximum advantage. Politically, there is significant readiness to back this from specific leaders. Argentina President Cristina Fernández de Kirchner has called for a doubling of her nation's food production as soon as possible, and steps are underway to do that.

Leaders associated with the BRICS—Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa—are talking in similar terms. On Dec. 2, a call was made for these countries to collaborate on increasing agriculture and food cooperation to increase production. Bai Lichen, vice-chairman of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference—an advisory body to China—said, at the first BRICS Forum of local governments, in Hainan, that "The BRICS countries will contribute a lot to global food safety if their grain production is greatly increased. Given that they are home to 43% of the world's population ... [they] should not rely too much on the global food market."

As of early December, the sowing of Springplanted crops is well underway in the Southern Hemisphere. For example, corn in South Africa, Argentina, and Australia; soybeans in Argentina and Brazil, and so on. Whatever is required during the growing season—pest control, fertilizer—to protect and maximize the harvest, must be done. The harvesting of Winter wheat in the Southern Hemisphere is nearly done now.

In the Northern Hemisphere—the half of the globe with the most cropland mass—Winter wheat is already planted. But provisions should be made for the maximum planting of food crops of all kinds in the Spring. This can be done through opening up set-aside land, and other measures specific to crop potential in different nations.

In areas considered likely to be hit by weather extremes of flooding, drought, winds, and storm damage, all measures should be put in place to mitigate agriculture damage. Such measures range from rush-repair and replacement of levees, and other flood-control systems, to contingency plans for relocating endangered cattle herds to safe ground and alternative pastures, and similar fallback plans.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in October testified to Congress, begging for at least \$1 billion to speed repairs of flood control systems on the Missouri and Mississippi Rivers.

The most immediate increase in the food supply, can come from the elimination of food crops going into biofuels, especially corn for ethanol. In the United States at present, nearly 40% of the entire corn harvest is going into ethanol. This grain can instead be redirected to milling for livestock feed and food uses, and the agriculture capacity involved in producing that corn, preserved intact, through parity prices for the farmer.

#### **Financial Measures Needed**

Secondly, there are a series of obvious financial steps, going along with the physical emergency measures. First, farmers must be guaranteed a parity, or floor price, to cover their costs of production, plus a reasonable profit, to eliminate uncertainty, and to relieve them from recourse to bogus "risk-management" by gaming on the out-of-control futures exchanges. Wherever required, grants, credits, and disaster-aid to farmers must be forthcoming.

Speculation on the Chicago Board of Trade and others, must be banned outright. Food price controls must be imposed at key points in the food chain and supply lines for farming inputs.

Anti-trust and patent-reform is required to break the

chokehold by a few select cartel companies over crop and livestock genetics, and procedures. The seed and crop research control by Monsanto, Syngenta, BASF, DuPont, and a few others, is based on the wrongful claim to patent rights over lifeforms.

Essential to all these measures is to cancel the World Trade Organization. Nations must be able to strike bilateral and multilateral trade attangements wherever it is in their mutual interest, and escape from the one-world control system imposed by the WTO on behalf of the British Empire nexus of commodity cartels, operating against the interests of nations.

This is deadly clear when it comes to food. At present, mega-firms, from Cargill to Wal-Mart, are imposing crazy cross-flows of food, such as fruit and vegetable exports from Africa to Europe and North America. China is the third-biggest supplier of food to the U.S., after Canada and Mexico.

# **Long-Term Measures**

The long-term measures to increase food production can be seen in two related categories: First, the upgrading of land and water for high-technology, but conventional open-field cultivation of crops, and animal husbandry. And second, to vastly expand farming operations utilizing "protected agriculture," ranging from what is called plasticulture in fields—plastic coverings of row crops, to greenhouses, to hydroponics, to aeroponics, and even Earth-based closed-cycle agriculture systems, as under development for space travel.

The long-stalled continental-scale projects—e.g., TransAqua in Africa, or NAWAPA in the Americas—will vastly increase the land area for food cultivation, by bringing water for use in former deserts, but also by bringing power and transportation to currently remote areas, where more energy-intensive systems of protected agriculture can be established, such as in Alaska and the Yukon.

In doing this, we are "returning to the future." For example, in 1944, then-Vice President Henry Wallace, formerly three-term Agriculture Secretary in the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Administration, toured Alaska and Siberia, and called for the North Pacific to become the "New Frontier" of the post-war period. He stated his support for the formation of an Arctic Agriculture Society, to further farming in the Far North. This initiative was just part of his overall approach in initiating the research effort which became the Green Revolution for vastly expanded agricultural production.

It is a lie that we are bound by shrinking natural resources.

# **Food Genocide Lobby**

The new SOLAW FAO report is thus seen as yet another propaganda piece for Green Fascism. A similar policy statement was issued Nov. 29 in Washington, D.C. by Worldwatch Institute, in the release of its latest "Vital Signs Online" publication. In it, Worldwatch researcher Richard Weil reviews how wheat, rice, and corn output have increased in the last 50 years, faster than global acreage of these crops, but, he claims, this is bad for the environment. "Production increased worldwide, but there was greater reliance on irrigation, synthetic fertilizers, and pesticides—all of which take resources, can be costly, and may cause substantial environmental degradation."

The FAO, Worldwatch, and related high-publicity false authorities assert that people are exceeding the Earth's "carrying capacity," and polluting the environment. The SOLAW and Worldwatch reports came out on the eve of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) event in South Africa, which continues to push the Big Lie that mankind's activity is a threat to the Earth, leading to doom. A number of networks are hyperactive on this same theme right now.

One of the most well-funded is the AGree outfit, formed in Summer 2011 by nine foundations, including the Rockefeller, Wal-Mart, Ford, and Bill and Melinda Gates foundations. The intent is to pressure governments to stay in line with the "global food system" as is, while spewing out goody-goody lines about corporate partnerships to improve nutrition, and aid "smallholder farmers." AGree co-chairman, former Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman, is a high-profile activist on this in Washington, D.C. On Dec. 5 and 6, he is to keynote the annual *Farm Journal* event Forum 2011, sponsored by the Howard G. Buffett Foundation, run by the son of Warren Buffett.

Howard Buffett and Bill Gates are representing themselves as champions of "smallholder farmers" worldwide, while advocating radical depopulation. In October, the two were given the McGovern Leadership Award in Washington, for their action against global hunger. Attending the ceremony were Dr. Rajiv Shah, former employee of the Gates Foundation and now Obama's appointed director of the U.S. Agency for International Development, and Greg Page, CEO of Cargill.