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## GOING LOCAL – then global? – discovering censorship at Community Radio 3CR By Michael Mazur - [mazur@iinet.net.au](mailto:mazur@iinet.net.au)

**This is the Talkback portion on Community Radio 3CR Melbourne on 6 August 2010. Hosts were Sigrid, Bill and Chris. Caller was Michael.**

**Chris:** We do have another caller now and we'll talk to Michael, good morning Michael.

**Michael:** Good morning Chris, good morning Sigrid, good morning Bill. Before i start, just a recommendation to Frank, who was on the line just before, that he ought to be advocating for a referendum on the issue of immigration, refugees and matters related to that.

**Bill:** Why, so he can join you racist bunch?

**Michael:** Do you mean to say that the populace is not allowed to decide over you Bill?

**Bill:** No no, not saying that at all, I'm simply saying there are racists and there are racists and there are racists, and they will continue to focus on the most obscure, and I continue to be get rubbish emails that say refugees receive three times as much as an unemployed person, or a pensioner, free housing. It is all just designed to create the paranoia and the stupidity that this debate rests on.

**Chris:** But here again Michael you're falling for the same thing, you're allowing the politicians to have you and i talking about 4,000 refugees which is of no significance whatsoever to the future of Australia.

**Bill:** Michael is concerned about the future whiteness of Australia and everywhere else.

**Chris:** Given the original inhabitants . . .

**Michael:** C'mon fellas, look, it's for the people in a country to decide who joins them. For whatever reason, it's their business.

**Chris:** Yes, of course.

**Michael:** OK, so we can have a referendum, no political parties are mentioning it, No lefties are mentioning it for sure.

**Bill:** That's true.

**Michael:** Alright, OK,

**Bill:** That's a stupid idea.

**Chris:** OK, alright, OK.

**Bill:** Thanks Michael.

**Michael:** Hang on, I want to say something.

**Bill:** Cheers, sorry, bye.

**Chris:** No no.

**Michael:** Do I get to say something ?

**Chris:** Yes.

**Bill:** mmm

**Michael:** This is about the Black Panthers of the United States, an African American grouping that started round about the . . . 1970s.

**Sigrid:** I think we know about them.

**Michael:** OK, good, in case people don't. Now, one of them was speaking on YouTube, it's not dated, but there it is, he's there, he's addressing his own people, and haranguing them you might say, and he says this, "I hate white people, all of them, every last iota of a cracker. I hate him, your enemy cannot make you free, fool. You want freedom you are going to have to kill some crackers, you are going to kill some of their babies".

**Chris:** What's the point?

**Bill:** What's the point you are trying to make?

**Michael:** That's OK then, alright, I'll tell you the point I'm trying to make. Now look, he can say whatever he likes, but we have in this country right now, according to the ABC, something like 500,000 Africans.

**Chris:** Yes, and?

**Michael:** OK now, what the government wants to do, and I include the Liberals in this, I see them as two sides of the same coin. What they want to do is set a situation within the next generation where White and Africans and Aborigines are fighting one another.

**Bill:** Ah look, Chris, we don't have to put up with this rubbish . . . it is absolute palpable rubbish . . .

**Sigrid:** Alright . . .

**Chris:** Thankyou Michael . . .

**Sigrid:** Goodbye . . .

**Bill:** GOODBYE!

**Chris:** Good morning, John.....

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After the initial pleasantries, John slips in, "...and also Michael, what would we do without Michael, he's always so pertinent . . .".

Panel there had never before ended a call using the word `Goodbye`, let alone emphatically, the significance of which I had not long to find out, which the history of the subsequent correspondence from/to 3CR follows.

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----- Original Message -----

**From:** Libby Jamieson [stationmanager@3cr.org.au](mailto:stationmanager@3cr.org.au)

**To:** 'michael' [mazur@iinet.net.au](mailto:mazur@iinet.net.au)

**Cc:** James McKenzie [jamesmckenzie\\_1@yahoo.com.au](mailto:jamesmckenzie_1@yahoo.com.au)

**Sent:** Friday, August 06, 2010 2:40 PM

**Subject:** Complaint about Talkback calls

Att: Michael Mazur

A complaint has been made about your comments on Solidarity Breakfast talk back on Sat 24 July and today on Keep Left.

I am recommending that until the Committee of Management meets on Tues 17 Aug and makes a determination on the content of your calls that you be suspended from using 3CR talkback programs.

I have contacted the Exec of Committee who have endorsed my view therefore I am directing the producers of all talkback programs to not put you to air. You will be notified of the outcome of the meeting in due course.

CC James McKenzie

**Libby Jamieson, Station Manager**

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** michael [mazur@iinet.net.au](mailto:mazur@iinet.net.au)

**Sent:** Sunday, 8 August 2010 10:47 AM

**To:** Libby Jamieson [stationmanager@3cr.org.au](mailto:stationmanager@3cr.org.au)

**Subject:** Re: Complaint about Talkback calls

Libby Jamieson,

It doesn't need Fidel to tell us what we already know; we are in a pre thermo nuclear war situation, but 3cr cares not about that at all - it never really did.

I've heard the nuclear disarmament themes often enough on cr to know that the thrust of them is to mention Israel fleetingly so to avoid any accusation of being a front for Israel - which cr is.

Let me explain; anytime some ziofcuk rings up to complain about `that michael` and you bend to accomodate, you are abdicating your responsibility to think through that the real issue for jews is to bring on ww3, and this is facilitated by radio stations and other media they control being especially deferential to everything Israel does, by skimping on the detail, but preferably not mentioning it at all.

And you lot at cr are like that too.

In the late 70s cr had a program - down the memory hole within a year - called jews against zionism; didn't last long, of course, the zionists prevailed at cr.

Do they still?

The multicultural/multiracial ethos to which you are committed is a zio tool to bring on a nationless borderless world controlled by Israel which by then will have borders.

At this time recalcitrants, like Iraq and Afghanistan were, are either invaded on some set of complete lies or nuked, as will be the case of Iran soon with tens of millions dead. When that is happening the ziofcuks everywhere will go all euphoric as all the Palestinians in both the West Bank and Gaza will be murdered - about 4,000,000 of them.

Certainly if they hold back from doing it then it will only be because they can see that ww3 is imminent as a intended consequence of the assault on Iran, and so they will the better be able to carry out this mass murder of Palestinians unnoticed as hundreds of millions will be dying elsewhere.

Were i to have a 15min program of my own, that and its precursors i would talk about as thermo nuclear war is only possible if its precursors are encouraged through your radio silence. I would have called my program WarWatch.

The commercial and govt stations are a dead loss in this regard, being more zio controlled than you are.

When the northern hemisphere is nuked and after six months the poisonous clouds seep across the equator - earth's rotation tends to keep the air masses separate for longer, we will have longer to reflect on our passing as a species for having given all leeway possible to a sociopathic group of people who do have as their goal the extermination - by any and all means - of very nearly all of humanity.

Of late, Jeff Prager, a most courageous jew - facebook - has stated that the Holocaust NEVER happened.

And it was this LIE which was the basis for the foundation of Israel - and for the countless subsequent acts, all of them diabolically evil, since that time, which will be capped off by thermo nuclear soon, thanks to cr (you do matter) being accomodating and deferential - in *all* of your political type programs, to these descendants of the biggest mass murderers in all of history.

But that's another story.

Enjoy the radioactive clouds soon to come. You wanted them, you'll get them. I didn't, but i'll get them too.

Michael Mazur

Brunswick

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**18 August 2010**

**ATT: Michael Mazur**

Further to recent correspondence.

The 3CR Committee of Management has approved a recommendation placing a ban on you, Michael Mazur, from participating in 3CR talkback.

This ban is effective immediately.

**Juliet Fox, Acting Station Manager**

**Libby Jamieson, Station Manager**

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## **ABC RADIO NATIONAL: Why History Matters: Historians Remap the World, 16 September 2010**

Do we need our history to be global? Work, leisure, war and peace, these are some of the themes that historians are now mapping on to a global past. Along the way they are changing the ways in which we see and map our own world, and ourselves. Today historians from the US and the UK talk about how they approach the past globally, and then share their stories about our round world.

### **Guests**

#### **Glenda Sluga**

Professor of International History, University of Sydney. She has published widely on the cultural history of international relations, and is currently researching two new books, one on the Congress of Vienna, and the other on the United Nations. Her publications include *The Problem of Trieste and the Italo-Yugoslavian Border: Difference, Identity and Sovereignty in Twentieth-Century Europe (2001)* and *The Nation, Psychology and International Politics (2006)*.

#### **Joyce E. Chaplin**

James Duncan Phillips Professor of Early American History, Harvard University.

Her interests include topics in the history of science and in environmental history. She is the author of *An Anxious Pursuit: Agricultural Innovation and Modernity in the Lower South, 1730-1815 (1993)*, *Subject Matter: Technology, the Body, and Science on the Anglo-American Frontier, 1500-1676 (2001)*, and *The First Scientific American: Benjamin Franklin and the Pursuit of Genius (2006)*. She is currently writing a history of circumnavigation.

#### **Sunil Amrith**

Lecturer in History Birkbeck College, University of London. His research is on the history of the Bay of Bengal region since the late eighteenth century, currently focusing on the history of migration and cultural circulation between south India and Southeast Asia. He is currently writing a short general history of Migration and Diaspora in Modern Asia for Cambridge University Press. Sunil Amrith's earlier work was on the history of public health in South and Southeast Asia. His book, *Decolonizing International Health: India and Southeast Asia, 1930-65 (2006)* examined the international exchange of ideas about health in Asia in the mid-twentieth century.

**David Armitage**

Lloyd C. Blankfein Professor of History, Harvard University  
He is currently working on three books: a history of the idea of civil war from Rome to Iraq, a study of the foundations of modern international thought, and an edition of John Locke's colonial writings. Among his nine books to date are *The Ideological Origins of the British Empire* (2009) and *The Declaration of Independence: A Global History* (2007).

**Erez Manela**

Professor of History, Harvard University  
His current research is on international campaigns against disease, specifically the global campaign to eradicate smallpox and its significance for postwar international history. He is also working on conceptual and methodological aspects

of the history of international society. He is the author of *The Wilsonian Moment: Self-Determination and the International Origins of Anticolonial Nationalism* (2007).

[http://www.abc.net.au/cgibin/common/player\\_launch.pl?s=rn/bigideas\\_item&d=rn/bigideas/audio/items&r=bia\\_16092010\\_180.ram&w=bia\\_16092010\\_1810.asx&t=Why%20History%20Matters:%20Historians%20Remap%20the%20World%20%2016%20September%202010](http://www.abc.net.au/cgibin/common/player_launch.pl?s=rn/bigideas_item&d=rn/bigideas/audio/items&r=bia_16092010_180.ram&w=bia_16092010_1810.asx&t=Why%20History%20Matters:%20Historians%20Remap%20the%20World%20%2016%20September%202010)

Radio National often provides links to external websites to complement program information. While producers have taken care with all selections, we can neither endorse nor take final responsibility for the content of those sites.

<http://www.abc.net.au/rn/bigideas/stories/2010/3013917.htm>

**From: Captain May [captainmay@prodigy.net](mailto:captainmay@prodigy.net)**

**Sent: Monday, 11 October 2010 3:18 PM**

**Subject: OBAMA-RAHMA! Windy and Bayou cities await false flag**

**I hope you will enjoy and post my last article. It's in the text below, or you can simply click this link for a fine version of it at <http://204.74.214.194/forum1/message1217245/pg1>**

**Captain Eric H. May CO, Ghost Troop <http://tinyurl.com/5f93lb>**

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**OBAMA-RAHMA!**

**Windy and Bayou cities await false flag**

**By Captain Eric H. May: Intelligence Editor,  
The Lone Star Iconoclast**

**HOUSTON, 10/9/10** – Barack Obama needs a quick fix in a big way. Earlier this month, Iran spoke the unspeakable 9/11 truth at the United Nations. The United States led a walkout of two dozen nations who agreed that this was anti-Semitic conspiracy theory. The same two dozen nations are currently engaged in war against the Middle East for oil and Israel, under U.S. leadership.

His approval ratings are plummeting just three weeks before the mid-term elections, inviting Republicans to run against him and Democrats to run away from him. His cabinet has been partly purged, and his Chief of Staff, Rahm Emanuel has gone to Chicago to run for mayor. Pakistan is under attack and in revolt, as Afghanistan crumbles. The Jewish Nation's renewed settlement of Palestine has derailed his regional peace plans, if he ever had any. In short, the Obama presidency is doomed – unless something changes.

For the last four years The Iconoclast has rated Houston and Chicago the most likely false flag terror targets in the nation. Recent events in the two cities have us especially worried about them now. The departure of Rahm Emanuel from Washington D.C. may be the arrival of the false flag supervisor to Chicago. The extended closure of the Houston Ship Channel resulted in the arrival of hundreds of federal officials and military members to BP's backyard.

We urge all Americans to consider this danger, which they can explore through our early summer article:

Captain Eric H. May-Chicago, Houston "Treason Season" Begins 6/14/10

<http://theuniversaleduction.com/articles/captain-eric-h-maychicago-houston-treason-season-begins-61410>

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**URGENT UPDATES: Houston/Chicago False Flags**

**HOUSTON, 10/11/10** -- Several stories reported by the mainstream media today demand an update to my 10/9/10 warning: **OBAMA-RAHMA! Windy and Bayou cities await false flag,**

<https://gunnyg.wordpress.com/2010/10/10/captain-may-obama-rahma-windy-and-bayou-cities-await-false-flag/>.

<https://gunnyg.wordpress.com/2010/10/10/captain-may-obama-rahma-windy-and-bayou-cities-await-false-flag/>.

\*The Houston area has come under a terror alert, with Houston FBI in control as a result of 17 white powder letters received by Houston schools Friday and today: *Mail powder scare treated as terroristic threat,* <http://abclocal.go.com/ktrk/story?section=news/local&id=7717450>.

\*United Airlines is occupying 12 floors of the most notable terror target in America: *United Airlines begins move into former Sears tower,*

<http://www.rrstar.com/businessrockford/x1722968687/United-Airlines-begins-move-into-former-Sears-tower>.

\*The nation of Chile announced that it will begin to extract 33 miners marooned for over two months deep in the earth: *BACKGROUND: 'Phoenix' to pull Chilean miners out of the dark,* <http://www.earthtimes.org/articles/news/348132.pull-chilean-miners-dark.html>.

\*Both Chicago and Houston's southern neighbor, Texas City, are nicknamed "Phoenix City" because of the Chicago Fire and the Texas City explosion. Further, the flag of Chile is a close copy of the Texas flag. Finally, tomorrow is the anniversary of the Bali terror attack of 10/12/2002 and the USS Cole terror attack of 10/12/2000.

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To learn more about Captain May and his counter-terror operation with The Iconoclast and Ghost Troop, read: *Captain Eric H. May Deserves Congressional Medal Of Honor,* [http://lonestaricon.com/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=472:captain-eric-h-may-deserves-congressional-medal-of-honor&catid=31:editorial&Itemid=71](http://lonestaricon.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=472:captain-eric-h-may-deserves-congressional-medal-of-honor&catid=31:editorial&Itemid=71)

**THE JEWS NEED WAGNER'S MUSIC BUT WAGNER DOES NOT NEED THE JEWS**



**The Sydney Morning Herald**

**Wagner uproar October 10, 2010**

**BERLIN:** Outrage in Israel about leaked reports that one of the country's leading orchestras has been invited to open next year's Wagner festival in Bayreuth, southern Germany, has prompted the composer's great-granddaughter and festival head to withdraw the invitation.

Leaked reports about the planned visit provoked outrage among Holocaust survivors, who said it was inexplicable that the Israel Chamber Orchestra would break a decades' old unofficial boycott to perform music by Hitler's favourite composer, who also held anti-Semitic views. The orchestra will perform in the town of Bayreuth, in Bavaria, but not at the festival.

<http://www.smh.com.au/world/wagneruproar20101009-16d0r.html>

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#### **Adelaide Institute readers comment:**

Remember what Andrew Gray said about Jews playing Wagner's music? – they lose their Jewishness and transcend into human beings...whatever that means.

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Such a beautiful woman, in the best German sense. Yet apparently so misguided. 'Outrage in Israel!' Grotesque.

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They lack that trait of human beings like empathy, also something lacking in Psychopaths as well. Of course Wagner's music sends a chill to their "souls" because it's something they can't produce.

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Let the Jews keep their hate. It is Richard Wagner himself who is *blasphemed* when his music is performed by Zionist Jews at the Holy of Holies in Bayreuth! Incidentally, my paternal grandmother's name also happens to have been Katharina Wagner. Too bad the composer's great-granddaughter is not more sensitive to her great-grandfather's legacy and wishes.

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There are a lot of Holocaust survivors still around, I wonder where they all come from.

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#### **Discord in Israel over orchestra's plans to play at Wagner festival: Proposed performance at Bayreuth has reopened old wounds**

**By Catrina Stewart, *The Independent*, Thursday, 7 October 2010**

Nearly 130 years after his death, Richard Wagner still provokes a maelstrom of emotions. Katharina Wagner, the German composer's great-granddaughter, has pulled out of a trip to Israel where she was to announce that the Israel Chamber Orchestra would be invited to open the next season of the prestigious Bayreuth festival, the annual celebration of Wagner's music.

Ms Wagner cancelled the trip after the orchestra's participation was leaked to the Israeli media, prompting a hostile reaction in Israel. Wagner is widely shunned there for his anti-Semitic writings, which drew admiration from Adolf Hitler. Israeli orchestras have largely honoured a seven-

decade boycott of Wagner's work, partly out of respect for Holocaust survivors, who claim Jews were sent to the gas chambers while Wagner was played in the background.

Ms Wagner's decision will not affect the ensemble's participation at Bayreuth next year, which will be the first time an Israeli orchestra has taken part in the month-long festival.

"The decision [to take part] was not to break a taboo," Erella Talmi, who chairs the Israeli orchestra's board of directors, told Israel Radio. "The decision was to accept an invitation that showed a new openness."

Intended as a gesture of reconciliation between the Wagner family and Israel, Ms Wagner's trip was planned in total secrecy. Only a few weeks before, Ms Wagner told Israel's Yedioth Ahronoth newspaper she had authorised a group of historians to investigate her family's links with the Nazi regime, including her great-grandfather's influence on Nazi thinking.

Nevertheless, the efforts at a rapprochement have reopened old wounds in Israel, where the composer is still widely reviled. "Our fear is that this will legitimise Wagner in Israel," said Ephraim Zuroff, director of the Simon Wiesenthal centre, the world's biggest Nazi-hunting organisation. "Wagner cannot apologise. It's a closed book. There is no way of making up for his anti-Semitic writings."

The unofficial boycott of Wagner dates back to 1938, when the Palestine Orchestra, now known as the Israel Philharmonic, refused to perform his works in protest at the treatment of the Jews in Nazi Germany.

Although Wagner died some 50 years before the Nazis gained power, his espousal of German superiority over the Jews influenced Nazi thinking, and Hitler adopted him as his favourite composer. In his book *Jewishness in Music*, Wagner claimed that Jews could only produce populist, money-making music, rather than real works of art. He also claimed Germans were repelled by contact with Jews, who dressed and acted strangely.

In recent years, some in Israel have tried to bring Wagner to a domestic audience, but those efforts have met with a stony reception. Daniel Barenboim, the Argentinian-born Israeli conductor, performed part of Wagner's *Tristan and Isolde* in 2001, but he was heckled and some of the audience walked out. The performance created such a stir in Israel that several lawmakers called for a boycott of the Jewish maestro. Only a year earlier, an Israeli orchestra had performed Wagner's *Siegfried Idyll*, under the baton of the Holocaust survivor Mendi Rodan.

Colette Avital, an Israeli former politician, believes it could be years before Wagner can comfortably be played in Israel. "As long as there are survivors of the Holocaust, their sensitivity has to be respected and nobody should hurt their feelings," she said.

<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/middle-east/discord-in-israel-over-orchestras-plans-to-play-at-wagner-festival-2099990.html>

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– the following is an item written by an individual who cashes in on the financial crisis by offering financial advice

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### **39 years ago, this man successfully predicted America's current economic crisis.**

#### **The United States Is On The Verge Of The Most Devastating Financial Meltdown**

**In this urgent, time-sensitive warning...**

#### **What the BUREACRATS and Big Banking Fat Cats Don't Want You to Know:**

- Why President Obama's proposed economic stimulus plan has only delayed the impending collapse—and why that's the good news!
- How the single greatest case of criminal fraud ever perpetrated against the American people IS STILL HAPPENING RIGHT NOW...

• PLUS, URGENT SELF-DEFENSE: The ONE WAY OUT of this crisis, including simple steps you can take—immediately—to protect your family's well being and financial future, for as long as you live!

"Merrill Jenkins, author of the prophetic guide "Money" The Greatest Hoax on Earth, died in 1979, but his message is more alive today than ever. His out-of-print books are so valued, used copies go for as much as \$200 on Amazon—IF you can even find them!

But now, through a special arrangement, we've collected some of Jenkins most timely, most urgent research, advice and warnings about the imminent collapse of our financial system—and put them into a single book.

It's called ***The Great Money Myth: The Secret Source of Our Financial Crisis—and How to Survive the Coming Depression***—that we'd like to send you FREE. This exclusive manual will not only help you understand the "secret" cause of this financial crisis—it will also give you the simple steps you need to protect your family, and grow wealthier in the days and months to come. Read below for details."

Dear Fellow American,

In a moment, I'm going to invite you to send for your FREE copy of an exclusive manual I believe reveals...

The ONLY REAL WAY to Make It Out of the Coming Financial Meltdown With Your Health, Wealth and Savings Intact!

But before I do that, you need to know why we're all in such danger as Americans. And you must know how Merrill Jenkins, prophetic author of ***"Money" The Greatest Hoax on Earth***, published in 1971 was able to warn us about so much of what's happening today.

Only when you understand the true nature of the problem, will you be in the position to safeguard your income, your savings and your family's financial future.

Look, I don't need to tell you times are tough. If you've been watching the news at all, you already know that:

- Inflation is spreading like an infectious disease... contributing directly to the greatest deficit the United States has ever seen (with the national deficit rapidly approaching \$1.5 TRILLION Dollars)...

- Unemployment has skyrocketed... In January 2008 an average of 1,000 U.S. workers lost their paychecks every workday and the unemployment rate stood at 5.4 percent. By December 2008—just 12 months later—28,727 paychecks vanished per workday—nearly 29 times more... and the unemployment rate had climbed to 7.1 percent. By January 2010 unemployment had risen to a high of 10.6 percent and has stayed around 9 percent since.

- Even those paid to sell us "hope"—like the President and his staff—are alluding to dark days ahead. Barack Obama himself has warned that the unemployment rate will remain high for years.

Currently 15 million workers are without a job—more than during the depths of The Great Depression!

In a way, Merrill Jenkins told us this would happen. He warned of the progressing demise of our "paper dollars"—and how our labor would be exchanged for less and less value over time.

He warned that there would come a day when massive amounts of jobs would be lost... all confidence in the dollar evaporated... and eventually our economy would collapse.

Now, other leading experts are forecasting much the same. For instance, according to top economic trend researcher, Gerald Celente—a man who's been featured on The Today Show, Good Morning America, CNN, CBS, ABC, NBC, CNBC, The New York Times, Los Angeles Times, Chicago Tribune, Washington Post, USA Today, The Wall Street Journal and many more...

#### **The U.S. Is Staring Directly at the Greatest Economic Crisis in Its History!**

Celente recently told Fox News that by 2012, he believes America will become an undeveloped nation, that there will be a revolution marked by food riots, squatter rebellions, tax revolts and job marches, and that holidays will be more about obtaining food, not gifts.

Impossible? An exaggeration? Well, this is coming from the same man who successfully predicted the 1987 Stock Market Crash, the Fall of the Soviet Union, the 1997 Asian Currency Crisis and much more. ....

Hopefully he's wrong. But even the great Warren Buffet is more concerned than ever.

He also believes that the economy at large is in grave danger. As he said in an interview with Charlie Rose, "The patient that's on the floor with the cardiac arrest is not Wall Street. It's the American economy."

Now what if guys like Buffet and Celente are right? What if—in the words of President Obama—the economy has to get much "worse before it gets better?"

Well, I'll tell you: It means there's simply NO time to waste...

#### **You Must Take Steps Right Now to Safeguard Whatever Wealth, Savings and Income You Still Have Left!**

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- The deepest stock market decline since 1931...
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- The largest corporate financial failures of all time...

You've seen America's most powerful corporate executives forecasting disaster, confessing that they're going bankrupt, begging Congress for massive bailouts.

You've seen our government take gigantic, radical steps to end the crisis... only to be slammed by even larger disasters soon thereafter.

Bear Sterns... Lehman Brothers... AIG... Fannie Mae... Citigroup... General Motors... and others falling apart... all while we're forced to sit back and watch in horror.

With the nation's largest banks still struggling, and the federal deficit nearing \$1.5 trillion—it's hard to deny...

The Handwriting Is On the Wall.

#### **You Can Either Bury Your Head In the Sand, Or HEED the Sober Warning This Man Gave Us More Than 38 Years Ago!**

Hey, I'm honestly NOT trying to scare you. One of the reasons I'm writing you today is because I believe there IS a solution to all of this!

A solution for our country—and a solution for us as individuals.

But the solution will only make sense once you understand the cause.

You see, you've been lied to.

And only the truth will set you free.

As your FREE copy of ***The Great Money Myth: The Secret Source of Our Financial Crisis—and How to Survive the Coming Depression*** will show you... the trouble all started a little more than 200 years ago, when an elite group of central bankers began "naming" money.

It's a riveting tale of conspiracy, power and injustice that may seem suspiciously simple at first, but makes perfect sense in the end.

The story begins in the 1770s, when our nation was first created. At this time, and through much of its greatest years of expansion, gold and silver were used as universally valued and tradable currency. Their value was well known and exchanged at prices based on their weight and fineness.

But then—for reasons that will become clear in a moment—bankers began using the term "dollars" to refer to gold and silver coins of a specific size and weight.

For example, in 1794, a silver coin (weight and fineness specified) was first minted and called a "dollar." In 1837, the weight fixed at 412.5 grains .900 fine silver was called a "dollar."

...From 1849-1890, a gold coin 25.8 grains .900 fine gold was called a "dollar."

Seems like an innocent act, right? Yet...

### **This One Little "Name Change" Altered the Entire Course of American History!**

Why? Well, eventually there came a point when it no longer was convenient to carry around heavy gold and silver coins.

So paper certificates were issued—which took a variety of forms, and eventually the paper dollar bill in the 1860s—which was redeemable paper money that could be exchanged for gold and silver coins at any time. (With the only exception being the years of the Civil War.)

As the expression goes, these certificates were "as good as gold"—because they were in fact backed by gold.

At that time, confidence in the currency was as high as can be, because there was no question about its value. If you owned a paper money certificate, you could walk into a bank at any time and redeem it for its full value in gold or silver.

The economy was also virtually free of inflation, and any time the banks attempted to issue a currency that was not "backed" by gold or silver—something called Gresham's Law came into effect. Which meant that the "bad money" (unbacked) was exposed, there was a "run" on the banks... the unscrupulous banks would fail and the economy returned back to normal.

Unfortunately, this was bad, bad, bad for the banks!

Why? Because it is much harder for them to profit if they had to actually "back" the dollars they created with gold or silver!

Nope. This simply would not do. They needed a change.

So in one of the most corrupt events in our nation's history, they convinced the people that these bank runs were threatening their financial welfare—and that a central bank (with the power to create and regulate money) was necessary.

Thus they persuaded Congress to introduce the Federal Reserve Act in 1913—which created the Federal Reserve—and granted it, along with the U.S. Treasury, sole power over the money supply.

### **This Set Up the Greatest "Con" America Has Ever Seen—Because It Allowed Good Money to Be Mixed with Bad!**

You see, the banks were smart enough to know they could not immediately switch us over to unredeemable dollars. It had failed in all previous attempts before this.

But they understood if they created a central banking authority—under the mask of "helping the people"—with the power to create money, it changed the game entirely.

At this point, the Federal Reserve (a collection of private banks) began to issue unredeemable "legal tender." This meant—by law—the money they created MUST be accepted as forms of payment, despite not being backed by gold or silver.

Worse yet, this "bad money" was mixed in with the genuinely redeemable "real" money that was previously in circulation.

Starting to see the nature of the conspiracy? When unbacked money was called "dollars"—in the exact same way as backed money was... and the people were forced by law to treat them equally...

...It set the stage for the complete REMOVAL of all backed currency!

### **It is for this reason that Merrill Jenkins considered "money" (unbacked currency) the expropriation of wealth.**

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Consider the facts: In 1933, President Franklin Roosevelt issued an edict that recalled virtually all gold in the U.S.—and forbade Americans from owning it for investment or speculative purposes.

Eventually, coins that used to be 90% to 97% gold or silver were quietly reduced to 3% (with the other 97% being valueless metals like copper and nickel).

Yet, they were considered to be worth the same amount of "money!"

In 1965, silver redemption was completely repudiated. And on August 15, 1971, President Richard Nixon declared the dollar completely unredeemable in gold—a declaration that instantly rocketed all dollars everywhere into instant 100% inflation.

### **The World Has Yet to See the Significance of this Change... But You Will, And Hopefully Before It's Too Late!**

So what does this have to do with our present day economy? Well, it's just plain old common sense. When you have a central entity (the Fed, which is actually a private organization made to look like an arm of the government) that is able to "print" money without any labor or collateral... the consequences are dire indeed.

In fact, Jenkins explained it best using something he calls the "bad check principle"—which is quite illuminating:

Just as every bad check must at some point be exposed, there will come a day when the dollar is exposed for what it is... unredeemable and worthless.

Sometimes it is stated by the government that the dollar is backed by the full faith and credit of the government, the Gross National Product (GNP). If thought were applied to the use of the word "backed" it would lead to the remembrance that the dollar used to be backed by gold and silver; then backed was used to express redemption.

Yet if "backed" means "redemption" then where is the GNP stored that is held in reserve for the redemption of "dollars?" There isn't any! Then the dollar is not "backed!"

### **The dollars of today are only accepted as purchasing units because of the confidence that people have based on residual memory of their past worth in redemption.**

When the "bad check" nature of dollars is exposed their purchasing power will all but disappear.

To expand on this thought, he would typically walk his readers through an eye-opening hypothetical scenario based on the way the U.S. money supply actually works.

### **Understand This—And You'll See Why the U.S. Dollar Is Ultimately Destined to Collapse!**

To clearly comprehend the demise of the dollar and the inevitable collapse of our economy, just imagine the chilling make-believe scenario Jenkins described...

The situation begins like this: You have no money in the bank—but you DO have a checking account. And so you decide that you want to give yourself spending money in the amount of \$25 a day.

With this in mind, you begin by writing a check to yourself and then you go to a local bank and cash the check. That's your first \$25. You spend the money as you wish.

The next day, you go to another bank and write a check for \$50—\$25 for spending and then \$25 to send back to your bank to cover yesterday's check. Then the next day, it's \$75. \$25 to you, \$50 back to your bank to cover your previous check. And on and on—every single day.

As long as you keep covering the previous day's check, you can go on indefinitely like this. Without ever having worked for the money—without a single dollar in your account!

Of course, the dangerous problem is that the numbers will quickly inflate—and soon you'll need to write checks worth thousands of dollars each day just to cover your tracks (\$6,200 by the end of the first year).

And it will start to become physically impossible to make that many trips to the bank.

Which means that you will eventually be forced to stop... your original bad check will be exposed—and all checks written thereafter exposed, too.

**And Now the U.S. Economy Is In the SAME Situation... Forced to Account for Trillions of "Bad Check" Dollars!**

Every day new banks are going under, financial institutions are failing, hedge funds are collapsing, bail outs are needed on a regular basis.

And ultimately, it's all because of bad money.

You see, the government is funded in one of two ways: They tax the people or they issue (sell) debt (T-bonds). Federal Reserve Notes are the currency of the realm. United States T-bonds "secure" Federal Reserve Notes. T-bonds are paid for with Federal Reserve Notes.

Do you finally see the problem here? Just like our ridiculous check cashing scheme, debt is being used to secure debt. Credit is used to create more money and more debt, promises back promises.

It is a vicious cycle.

This is the primary cause of inflation and runaway debt. Since our currency lost all of its backing in the early 1970s, the U.S. has gone from the greatest lending nation in the world to the greatest debtor nation.

Moreover, the value of the dollar has continued to sink—eroding our purchasing power. Worse yet, the crisis continues to feed upon itself. Faced with a weakened dollar, the consumer turns to credit to finance his life, make purchases and buy real estate.

And up until this current crisis, the banks have been all too happy to oblige... because after all—issuing credit costs them nothing!

But what happens when the consumer cannot afford to pay back all the money and interest he has borrowed?

Well, you've SEEN what happens! You get a credit crunch... a wave of individual and corporate bankruptcies... and progressive losses in consumer spending, confidence and employment.

**This Runaway Train MUST Crash Sometime...**

**It's Not Question of "IF".**

**It's Only a Question of When!**

So given all this, what does our government and new President do in their attempt to solve the problem? You'd think something different, right?

WRONG! The solutions now being proposed are the very cause of the problem!

According to CIBC World Markets, the Obama administration will print money "at an unprecedented rate" to fund an economic stimulus package and address the growing federal deficit.

And Jeff Rubin, chief economist and strategist at CIBC World Markets, compared the coming inflation crisis America is about to experience to that of Argentina in the late 1980s and Zimbabwe today.

If you know anything about what Argentina looked like after their crisis, then you realize the scary picture Gerald Celente painted when talking to Fox News might not be far off.

Clearly, you CANNOT rely on the government to protect you from the consequences of all this money creation and crisis.

It's up to YOU to take the steps necessary to insulate your wealth, savings and future from this disaster.

But with the government not to be trusted... what are we to do? Who are honest Americans like you and I to believe?

Well, again—as ***The Great Money Myth: The Secret Source of Our Financial Crisis—and How to Survive the Coming Depression*** will show you, the solution is deceptively simple. You see...

Our Forefathers Were NOT Stupid.

There's a reason why the Constitution states that gold and silver coin is money—and paper is not. Nowhere in the Constitution does it allow for paper money to circulate as the currency.

As a matter of fact, the Constitution has a clause that clearly forbids bills of credit (paper money) from being used as legal tender between the states.

When you look around and see all the financial problems occurring now—and how they are ultimately being caused by the fact that our money is unbacked paper debt-money... then you also see a big, big part of the solution.

**An unbacked paper monetary system can only do what we are witnessing—self-destruct, because the more of it that is issued the more it loses purchasing power. It is like a cancer that eats its host from within.**

But what about gold and silver? "Expert" sources will often tell us that they are unwise investments, or that their prices are down.

Yet if history has taught us anything, it's that gold and silver are among the most stable, most reliable carriers of wealth ever discovered.

Sure their prices may fluctuate slightly... but both precious metals have internationally recognized and accepted value no matter what happens to the dollar or the U.S. economy.

Which makes them highly trustworthy, convenient insurance policies should the economy crumble as so many unbiased experts are predicting.

But What Types of Gold and Silver Should You Buy?

How Much Should You Buy? Where Do You Get Them?

These questions, along with many others, are covered extensively in the final chapter of ***The Great Money Myth: The Secret Source of Our Financial Crisis—and How to Survive the Coming Depression***.

You see, there's so much more I want to tell you about it...

...About all the scandalous details of America's monetary history... how big government and the banks fraudulently work together... and the one real way out of the crisis—for us as a nation and for us as individuals...

...But I simply don't have the time or space.

That's one of the reasons I'm inviting you to send for a FREE copy of ***The Great Money Myth: The Secret Source of Our Financial Crisis—and How to Survive the Coming Depression***—the hot-off-the-press new guide we've created to help you and your family make it through this crisis intact.

Just say the word and it's yours!

Not only is ***The Great Money Myth: The Secret Source of Our Financial Crisis—and How to Survive the Coming Depression*** the distillation of Jenkins prophetic wisdom (based largely on his out-of-print books that often sell for \$150 and up on Amazon)... it goes one step further and reveals things like:

- American hero... or EVIL SWINDLER? This legendary banker is still admired by many—yet few know how he conspired to control America's money supply... it's economy... and the entire future of our nation!

- The "secret meeting" that destroyed our Constitution in 1910. (Learn the shocking story of how a U.S. Senator went to Jekyll Island in 1910 and consorted with some of Europe's banking elite... to undermine the Constitution and usurp economic authority from the American people!)
- The REAL REASON why the Federal Reserve exists—and why it has almost nothing to do with the "official" reasons! (Understand this, and you see why our economy is crumbling right now)...
- Question: The dollar is plummeting... so why isn't the price of gold rising faster? Answer: Because the Bureaucrats and Greedy Bankers are artificially manipulating its price! (Why they do it, PLUS how to know the TRUE price of gold).
- The cheap psychological "trick" that the authorities use on you during times of crisis. (This diverts your attention, and makes their crimes seem like mere "accidents." How to never be fooled again!)
- Shocking but TRUE: Every U.S. President who has spoken out against THIS EVIL GROUP—has experienced multiple assassination attempts! (Andrew Jackson was fortunate enough to escape, but Lincoln... Grover Cleveland... and John F. Kennedy were not so lucky.)
- Why our President is really just a puppet—and who is REALLY pulling the strings!
- The Great Depression was an unfortunate accident, right? WRONG. It was intentionally engineered in order to steal even more rights, freedoms and economic independence from the American people. (PLUS, why the very same thing is happening now—and what you must do to defend yourself!)
- The top 100 "must-have" items you'll need to survive—IF the economy ever fully collapses. (Many of these will be even more valuable than gold or silver, because of their usefulness and difficulty to obtain.)
- And so much more!

So how am I able to just GIVE you a valuable book like this? Well... recently, I was fortunate enough to establish a relationship with the son of Merrill Jenkins.

And after speaking with him, I realized that his father's message was simply far too urgent and valuable to not share with anyone who'd listen.

**And That's When I Came Up With This Seemingly Crazy Idea...**

You see, even though Jenkins' message is more timely now than ever before... a lot has happened since he published his original books in the 1970s. On top of that, even though he explains the fatal flaws in our money system... he never fully exposes WHO is responsible—or why this group has gone to such great lengths to pull the wool over your eyes.

So with that in mind, I put on my detective cap and got busy updating Jenkins' prophetic message for these tricky modern times. I didn't necessarily plan on it... but that seemingly small undertaking suddenly became a full blown exposé.

And this put me in something of a dilemma. Because even though used versions of Jenkins' out-of-print books sell for \$100 to \$150 a copy (sometimes more).....I consider the information inside *The Great Money Myth: The Secret Source of Our Financial Crisis—and How to Survive the Coming Depression* too urgent and far too crucial to your survival in the months and days ahead to force you to pay that price.

Which is why I've decided to send it as a gift to the first group of individuals who read this letter and subscribe to *The Bob Livingston Letter* (while supplies last).

It's my way of sincerely saying "thank you" for giving my newsletter a try.

Besides... *The Great Money Myth: The Secret Source of Our Financial Crisis—and How to Survive the Coming Depression* is the perfect compliment to *The Bob Livingston Letter*. It tells you exactly what the Fat Cats and greedy establishments have attempted to hide from you for years! Believe me, at a time in America when the stakes are unbelievably high—when your life and complete economic well being are at risk—you NEED accurate, unbiased information.

**You need the TRUTH.  
The "Other Side of the Story" for 41 Years!  
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You see... back in 1969, I started publishing it to give folks like you the "other side of the story"—the truth behind today's biggest health and wealth headlines.

Probably much like you're experiencing now... I came to a point where I could no longer stomach all the lies and half-truths the mainstream media was feeding me. Especially since I knew it was all just a smokescreen so that the Fat Cats in power could better keep me "under control" and following their own private agenda.

From risky, unnecessary medical procedures... all the way to the many blatant lies being spoon-fed to us by the talking heads on Wall Street... I refused to just blindly accept what I was told.

And I learned the hard way that doing my own research... establishing my own network of trusted contacts... and relying on hard facts and legitimate, scientific or medical evidence is the best way to live.

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In the Years to Come!**

Over the years, *The Bob Livingston Letter* has been diligently alerting Americans just like you about big government, greedy financial institutions and our dangerous medical establishment because, let's face the facts, it's in their best interest to keep you ignorant.

Which is why they HATE the fact that our subscribers were among the very first to learn about things like:

- The 10-minute heart attack stopper (strophanthin—a medical marvel discovered in Germany, 1996)...
- Easy 89% investment gains in oil (January 2000)...
- The cholesterol hoax that fooled 39 million Americans...
- The crash of Internet and dot.com stocks (May 1999)...
- The astonishing healing miracles of Vitamin D (later confirmed by the *New England Journal of Medicine*)...
- The great High Fructose Corn Syrup scam (how "they" sneak this ingredient into your food to secretly make you hungry and fat!)
- And way more than I can list here!

The fact of the matter is, when you want to know something FIRST—when you want the real facts that will protect your health and wealth—then there's no better resource than *The Bob Livingston Letter*. Not only will you be thrilled and fascinated with each month's issue... you'll see that getting the "other side of the story" is your key to living independently healthy and wealthy for the rest of your life!

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# The Armenian Weekly

**Sassounian: Turkish Foreign Ministry Should Remove Lies from its Website and Issue Apology**

**Harut Sassounian, Monday October 11 2010**

Turkish officials have been misrepresenting the facts of the Armenian Genocide for years. Even though this is saddening and even sickening, it is not surprising. Wrongdoers usually cover up their guilt and proclaim their innocence.

What is truly surprising is that the descendants of victims of the Armenian Genocide, having been accustomed to such Turkish distortions, no longer see the need to put up a vigorous fight against denialist "historians," politicians, diplomats, and reporters.

Why is it that descendants of the Jewish Holocaust go to great lengths to counter denialist historians, neo-Nazis, and other revisionists, while Armenians seem to be oblivious to those who distort their own tragedy? Is it because they are simply tired of hearing the same old Turkish lies year after year or do they feel powerless to put an end to these distortions?

Earlier this year, the House Foreign Affairs Committee adopted a resolution on the Armenian Genocide by a slim 23-22 majority. Regardless of what excuses the 22 members came up with for voting against this resolution, the fact is that when the time came to stand up and acknowledge the truth, they did not have the moral fortitude to be counted among the righteous! Instead they chose to side with the liars, deniers, and mass murderers!

And what has been the Armenian reaction to the despicable behavior of these 22 members of Congress? No outrage was expressed by Armenians! Not a single Armenian official condemned these scoundrels in Congress. Where is the organized effort by Armenian-Americans to target for defeat the Congressmen who voted against the Armenian Genocide resolution and are running for reelection on November 2<sup>nd</sup>?

Imagine what would have happened if a single member of Congress had voted against a resolution on the Holocaust! Would Israel's leaders and Jewish-Americans have remained silent? They would have rightly done everything in their power to ensure that such a member of Congress is not reelected!

The question is not whether the Armenian-American community is as influential or powerful as the Jewish-American community. Regardless of its actual political prowess, the Armenian community must mount a vigorous campaign to defeat its political opponents. Once word spreads in Congress that anyone who votes against the Armenian Genocide would be targeted for defeat, those immoral and spineless members of Congress would quickly conclude that denying the Genocide for a fistful of Turkish Liras is not in their own best interest!

Here is another blatant example of genocide denial that has gone unnoticed and unchallenged by Armenians and the international community. The Turkish Foreign Ministry's website includes countless distorted statements on the Armenian Genocide. The website provides deceptive

responses to innocently-worded questions, such as: "What happened in 1915? What is the total number of the Armenian deportees? Did all the Armenian deportees die? Is it a crime to describe the events of 1915 as 'genocide' in Turkey and are the ones whom (sic) argue this exposed to legal investigation?"

On its website, the Turkish Foreign Ministry goes to absurd lengths in a vain attempt to make Turkey look good by claiming that "Turkey is the only country where the events of 1915 can be discussed in a free manner!"

The website also makes the false claim that "there is no one in Turkey now who has been tried or prosecuted due to the reason that he/she described the events of 1915 as 'genocide.'" The Turkish Foreign Ministry conveniently forgets that Armenian journalist Hrant Dink was tried and found guilty for using the word "genocide" in an interview. He met a worse fate than serving a jail term. He was shot and killed! Nobel Prize winner Orhan Pamuk was also charged under the infamous Article 301 of the Turkish Penal Code ("Insulting Turkishness") for stating that one million Armenians were killed! After intense international pressure, however, the charges against Pamuk were dropped, and subsequently reinstated! Many other Turkish journalists and writers have been taken to court for writing about the Armenian Genocide. There should be a concerted effort by Armenian officials, Diaspora Armenians, and the international community, demanding that the Turkish government immediately remove those insulting lies from the Foreign Ministry's website and issue an apology to Armenians.

Until then, no Armenian official should have any contact or meetings with Turkish leaders. Just imagine if the German Foreign Ministry's website stated that the Holocaust never happened! Would Israel's leaders have carried on business as usual with Germany?

<http://www.armenianweekly.com/2010/10/11/sassounian-turkish-foreign-ministry-should-remove-lies-from-its-website-and-issue-apology/#comment-21602>

## **Fredrick Töben comments:**

Surely the important matter should be about finding out the truth about this genocide. Remember the politics of it also manifested itself in the Polish mindset where until 1989 it was a crime to assert the truth about the Katyn Massacre. Stating the Russians did it meant a death sentence, literally and professionally. Ten years later Poles joined NATO and before that they enacted Holocaust laws, i.e. if they did not accept the official conspiracy theory that Germans exterminated 6 million Jews, then that meant a political death sentence. Surely this makes it all the more important to have free expression about historical matters. If you Google my name all relevant, and irrelevant, information about my person will be at your fingertips.

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**COMMENT & BLOGS**

# The Wild West of the blogosphere can revitalise the Church

The full text of Anna Arco's speech at the World Press Congress in Rome last week

By [ANNA ARCO](#) on Monday, 11 October 2010

The blogosphere is as old as the internet. There are well over 100 million blogs, according to a 2008 Technorati estimate. Once the domain of computer geeks and tech nerds, the blogosphere is now respectably populated by soccer moms, fashion conscious teen-agers, political dissenters, pyjama-clad college students and the Cardinal Archbishop of Boston among others. Most mainstream newspapers use blogs now, and I imagine most people in this room have a blog or at least a Twitter account. As more and more people have flocked to the internet to discuss topics dear to their hearts, a lively, loud and argumentative Catholic blogosphere, which has challenged bishops, magnified Church controversies, helped attract new faithful and put off others in turn, has flourished.

Interactive, easy to use and speedy, the blog provides an accessible medium both for author and reader. It gives voice to those who might not necessarily be heard. Because of links, referrals and blog-rolls, groups of blogs can develop into interlinked and interconnected communities which share interests and give refuge to those who feel misunderstood or disconnected.

And yet the blogosphere continues to be viewed with suspicion, even hostility within both the traditional media and within the Church, where blogs are often seen as hurtful, aggressive, angry "voices from below", engaged in polemic, gossip mongering and scandal. The Catholic blogosphere been described as a Wild West, where barroom brawls are commonplace and mob lynchings not unheard of, while Catholic bloggers have been described as a sort of Catholic Taliban, self-appointed defenders of the Magisterium.

**My own early experiences with the blogosphere were overwhelmingly negative. In 2008 I interviewed the now notorious SSPX Bishop Richard Williamson.**

When our story broke in February 2008, so did the waves of vitriol in the internet. Although some blogs offered legitimate criticism of the way in which the story was reported and written, most of them were filled with personal invective. Countless pages on the web questioned whether I could really be a "true friend of the Catholic faith" while others made slurs on the basis of my appearance. Much of what was said is unrepeatable here today. To give an indication of the nastiness I met, I haven't Googled myself since then, which, given the size of journalists' egos, is saying something.

Just as the people of God are varied, so also is the Catholic blogosphere. You have blogs which help your prayer life, others like GodzDogz, a blog run by the English Dominican students that helps to explain tenets of the Catholic faith. There is Rocco Palmo's Whispers in the Loggia which covers Church news, curial appointments and John Allen Jr's National Catholic Reporter blog which offers in-depth analysis of Church affairs. There are predominantly liturgical blogs, like Fr John Zuhlsdorf's What does the prayer really say? and blogs which tell conversion or vocation stories. There are group blogs, like the one run by America Magazine or by my own newspaper, which cover a multitude of different areas of discussion, from atheism to human consciousness, from the founding of Ordinariates to saints, from film reviews to bioethics. Then there are those blogs, like the Hermeneutic of Continuity, which are run by active parish priests and nuns, men and women in the trenches, which cover a multitude of

subjects, from advertising discussion groups, pilgrimages and talks, to offering criticism, theology and news analysis.

This year, at a talk given at New Orleans, Archbishop Claudio Celli expressed his concerns about the challenges facing the Catholic blogosphere. Drawing from examples in politics, he said that blogs could lead to increasing polarisation within the Church, in which people only engage with those media which reflect their already entrenched views.

He said: "I would be worried that a similar phenomenon could be emerging in the world of Catholic media, especially in the blogosphere, where often it seems not enough for protagonists to propose their own views and beliefs but where they tend also to attack the arguments, and even the person, of those who disagree with them. It is natural that debates about faith and morals should be full of conviction and passion but there is a growing risk that some forms of expression are damaging the unity of the Church and, moreover, are unlikely to draw the curious and the seekers to a desire to learn about the Church and its message."

It is true that the tone in the blogosphere is often angry – and sometimes not without cause. People have turned to blogs because they have not been heard, because their concerns are not being listened to or even taken seriously. If their criticism of local bishops is uncharitable, it is possibly because is a real rupture in the communion of the Church that needs to be addressed. I know of more than one case where Church authorities have attempted to shut down blogs that are critical, using arguably the same sort of aggressive tactics they accuse the bloggers of using.

Isolation and polarisation are not problems which affect only the new media. One need but look at the United States, where the National Catholic Reporter and the National Catholic Register show the deep fault-lines of a polarised Church, to see that old media are similarly affected. The blogosphere merely amplifies and speeds up human communication. Because of the speed there is sometimes a disconnect between pressing the button to publish a post or a comment and the reality that such a comment could be hurtful or even irresponsible.

During the Holy Father's recent visit to Britain, several prominent British Catholic bloggers were given access to the media centre where they were able to use the facilities and interact with journalists. Like everybody from the official Church bodies, the Catholic bloggers also wanted the visit to be a success. The moment they became part of the conversation and part of the common endeavour, they were able to be genuinely positive about the Pope's visit – and the joy they were projecting seemed all the more genuine because these bloggers are not afraid of giving criticism where criticism is due. By treating the bloggers as members of the media, the Church authorities' were effectively saying that these voices were worth respecting and worth listening to. And because someone was listening, it gave bloggers the incentive suddenly to be more careful about the tone of their posts.

Rocco Palmo, of Whispers in the Loggia, describes a similar experience. He says he had three readers until his blog took off and he found out his name was being passed around the 2005 papal conclave on a napkin. When he learned this, his first instinct was to kill the blog off, but he persevered. He

says the watershed moment came a bit later, when he was leaked a letter which was being circulated calling for a vote of no confidence in Cardinal Edward Egan of New York. He published the letter and received a great deal of criticism. It was the realisation that what he was saying mattered that helped him become a more responsible blogger.

For the Church, blogs can be an incredible boon because their reach extends far further than that of the traditional Catholic media. Whispers in the Loggia has between 90,000 to 100,000 visits a week, while the highly respected Jesuit America Magazine has a print circulation of 45,000 – it also has excellent blogs. While Whispers and other Catholic blogs can be stumbled upon while browsing on the internet in the privacy and comfort of one's own home, access to traditional Catholic media often requires a visit to the local Church, an active subscription, a phone call.

It is important to remember that not all bloggers are journalists and not all journalists are bloggers. For journalists, Catholic journalists in particular, the internet and the blogosphere come with particular challenges. Because speed is essential in the blogosphere, there is a temptation to break stories before they are fully verified or to build up stories based on outrage. The success of a blog is sometimes measured on "hits" alone. The more controversial a topic, the more likely it is to harvest hits for a blog post, because search engines react to certain key words and other bloggers are more likely to link to a controversial post. Here the temptation is to generate controversy just for the sake of more web traffic.

Journalists' blogs are best when they reflect a journalist's expertise. Most bloggers don't have the time to look at news stories in depth, or scour the web – though some do it pretty thoroughly – so journalists can offer analysis and new developments on stories that are being discussed on the web. Catholic journalists have an advantage over their peers in the mainstream media – they are specialists on the workings of the Church and can therefore offer a place to which mainstream journalists can turn when Catholicism dominates the news. The blogs' informal format and lively discussion can also contribute to interpersonal relationships between journalists, their readers and their fellow bloggers.

While the Pope was in Britain, it was the personal aspect of the blogs and the sense of community and interconnectedness that thrives in the blogosphere that helped the enthusiasm spread. The Catholic Herald was live-blogging the papal events: live blogging means you offer a running, blow-by-blow account of what is happening. We

were also live tweeting, which is similar to live blogging but on Twitter. We found from the feedback we received that the live blogs were useful for people who were at work and wanted to follow the papal visit without interfering with the things they had to do. With the live blog they were able to check every few minutes and still have the sense of following the Pope's visit in real time.

At a time when trust in institutions from the big newspapers to the Church is seriously undermined, blogs and micro-blogs like Twitter give people a sense of a personal connection with the source of their news and opinions. The blogosphere has vibrancy and gives a sense of what people believe, something that has perhaps been lost a bit in the traditional media.

If the Church can find a way of harnessing the power of non-journalist bloggers, who write about the Church and the faith because they are compelled to, through love or passion, then it will be in possession of a very strong tool for evangelisation, namely the witness of the lay faithful.

One blogger to emerge from the Pope's visit to Britain is a young woman who goes by the internet handle of Pilgrim Claz. Her blog is enthusiastic, encouraging and positive. During the build-up to the papal visit, when much of the Catholic press was focused on all the problems of organisation which seemed to spell a disaster for the Pope's visit, her blog sounded a note of hopeful, positive Christianity, but without sounding forced or phoney.

In an age when people are cynical about the messages they receive from both the hierarchical Church and the traditional media and are used to spin the Catholic blogosphere can offer a refreshing antidote. Genuine discussion and genuine witness, by real people.

Pope Benedict, during his visit to Britain called on the lay faithful to "not only to be examples of faith in public, but also to put the case for the promotion of faith's wisdom and vision in the public forum. Society today needs clear voices which propose our right to live, not in a jungle of self-destructive and arbitrary freedoms, but in a society which works for the true welfare of its citizens and offers them guidance and protection in the face of their weakness and fragility."

Blogs offer a unique opportunity to reach out to others, to put the Catholic case, but it is important to remember that the blogosphere will only ever be as good as the Christians the Church shapes.

<http://www.catholicherald.co.uk/commentandblogs/2010/10/11/the-wild-west-of-the-blogosphere-can-revitalise-the-church/>

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### **The Rick Sanchez Affair**

CNN today fired anchor Rick Sanchez a day after Sanchez assailed The Daily Show host John Stewart as a "bigot" and suggested that CNN and the other networks are run by Jews. Sanchez made his rant Thursday on the Sirius XM radio show "Stand Up! with Pete Dominick". CNN acted within 24 hours. "Rick Sanchez is no longer with the company. We thank Rick for his years of service and we wish him well," the Time Warner cable news channel said in a statement. Sanchez recently lost his afternoon show on CNN Rick's List, which was by CNN Newsroom. He then hosted a primetime version of the show until this week when a new program hosted by former New York Gov. Eliot Spitzer and columnist Kathleen Parker launched in the slot. The Daily Show considered

Sanchez an intellectual lightweight compared to CNN stars Anderson Cooper and Wolf Blitzer and made him the butt of jokes, which Sanchez resented and thought was racist. (He's Hispanic.) CNN has always fought some perceptions that it is pro-Arab and anti-Israel. In July, CNN fired veteran Middle East correspondent Octavia Nasr after she tweeted about the passing of Hezbollah's Mohammad Hussein Fadlallah saying that she respected him a lot. So this is the second dramatic dismissal of a CNN personality over outside comments. TV Editor Nellie Andreeva

<http://www.deadline.com/2010/10/cnns-rick-sanchez-gets-the-boot-after-anti-jon-stewart-and-anti-jew-rant/>

## The cost of telling the truth in the United States

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"Rick Sanchez is no longer with the company. We thank Rick for his years of service and we wish him well." This frosty statement was the conclusion of Rick Sanchez's 6-year-long career with the United States' cable news network, CNN.

The award-winning Sanchez who had served in CNN's Spanish service and covered the September 11 attacks for the network was fired on October 1 after granting an interview to the Sirius XM's radio show "Stand Up With Pete Dominick" in which he implied that the Jews are dominating the mass media in the United States and just pretend to be a downtrodden, subjugated minority.

Sanchez criticized CNN's Jewish "Daily Show" comedian Jon Stewart for directing offensive jokes at him in his nightly programs and called him a "bigot". Answering a statement by Pete Dominick that Stewart belonged to a Jewish minority, Sanchez said: "Yeah, very powerless people. [laughs] He's such a minority. I mean, you know, please. What—are you kidding? I'm telling you that everybody who runs CNN is a lot like Stewart, and a lot of people who run all the other networks are a lot like Stewart. And to imply that somehow they, the people in this country who are Jewish, are an oppressed minority?"

The skirmish between the two renowned media personalities became public when Stewart scoffed at Sanchez who had said in his "Rick's List" show that he had received a Tweeter message from the House Republican leader John Boehner. Stewart called it a case of "send a twit a tweet". Sanchez responded by telling Pete Dominick that Stewart couldn't tolerate the media achievements of somebody who is of an ethnic minority: "He's upset that someone of my ilk is almost at his level."

Rick Sanchez explained that he grew up in a poor family whose members, including his father and mother, were subject to prejudice and oppression due to their Hispanic ethnicity. He complained that someone with a sumptuous background such as Jon Stewart can't relate to what he has experienced during his life.

"I can't see someone not getting a job these days because they're Jewish," he said.

And Sanchez is right. The most prominent media conglomerates of the United States are being run by influential Jews. Turner Broadcasting System's chairman and

CEO Philip I. Kent is a Jew, TimeWarner's CEO Jeffrey Bewkes is a Jew, FOX NewsCorp's CEO Peter Chernin is a Jew, Chairman of the Board of the National Amusements theater chain Sumner Redstone is a Jew, Paramount CEO's Brad Grey is a Jew, Walt Disney/ABC's CEO Robert Iger is a Jew, CBS's CEO Leslie Moonves is Jew and NBC Universal's CEO Jeff Zucker is a Jew.

By firing the Cuban-American news anchor and host, CNN demonstrated that those who assert that the United States is a "beacon of freedom" just make baseless and unfounded claims.

Although the circle of Zionist journalists began to applaud CNN for firing Sanchez immediately after the statement of his expulsion was released, the public opinion is well aware of the veracity of what Sanchez tried to imply. The mainstream media which are linked to the multinational corporations are being controlled by a troupe of well-off propagandists who advocate the interests of the state of Israel in the United States and raise funds to holdup AIPAC and other Zionist lobbies.

Over the past decades, pro-Israel billionaires and influential Jews made serious attempts to take over the media companies of the United States and promote their interests this way. In April 2007, a Chicago billionaire, Sam Zell bought the Tribune Company which is America's third largest newspaper chain and includes the Chicago Tribune, the Los Angeles Times, Newsday and 23 TV stations. Zell is a major contributor to AIPAC.

There are several such instances which show that the media in the United States have simply lost their independence and succumbed to the Zionist lobbies. Whoever tries to cross the red line by touching on this issue will be silenced, even at the cost of switching off the beacon of freedom!

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### **Rick Sanchez: Jews Run CNN & All Media**

<http://america-hijacked.com/2010/10/02/rick-sanchez-jews-run-cnn-all-media/>

<http://tinyurl.com/SanchezJewsruncnnandallmedia>

### **Pro-Israel bias in the American media:**

<http://america-hijacked.com/2010/10/04/pro-israeli-bias-in-the-media/>

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## ARE JEWS TO BLAME FOR AUSCHWITZ?

The distinguished English historian, David Irving, was once asked by a Jew: "Are you saying that we are to blame for Auschwitz?" Irving responded: "If you want the short answer the sort answer is yes."

Of course, Irving qualified the answer by saying that was skipping from A-Z. But he was right. Jewish behavior landed Jews in Auschwitz. Jews will scream that this is "blaming the victim". But who victimized whom? The Jews victimized a lot of people after the First World War.

They victimized the Germans by buying up German real estate and businesses during the post-war inflation. The Germans lost everything; foreign Jews moved in and cleaned up.

Terrible Communist upheavals shook Germany and Hungary after the war. In every case, the Jews were the revolutionaries. The people of Russia were victimized by the most brutal mass murder machine the world has ever seen. Again, the Jews did it. The Arabs of Palestine had a Jewish state imposed on them in the form of a declaration by the British Empire.

The Jews never consider these unpleasant facts in asking: "Why us? Therefore, David Irving is absolutely right. Jews are to blame for Auschwitz.

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