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## Final Conflict 2012? Engineering World War III By ADRIAN SALBUCHI, September 28, 2012

In today's increasingly interdependent and interactive world, every action has a myriad of causes, meanings, objectives and reactions; many visible, many invisible. Some, openly admitted and declared; others no one would dare confess.

When trying to come to grips with the many complex conflicts going on in the world and the dizzying pace at which they transpire, it would be a mistake to approach them in isolation. Only a holistic bird's eye view gives us the picture of where we are and, more importantly, where to we are being dragged.

21st century geopolitics cannot be understood applying a silo mentality. Syria's civil war, Egypt's Arab Spring, the destruction of Libya and Iraq, growing China, crippled Japan, the Eurozone crisis, America's missile shield in Poland, Iran's nuclear program, the coming Latin American Spring Approached haphazardly, the picture we get is one of utter chaos. Approached applying the right model of interpretation, we begin to see how things interrelate, react and move in obedience to extremely powerful and dynamic, albeit mostly invisible forces silently driving today's world.

### **Don't (just) Read the Newspapers**

It's good to be informed; it's useless, however, if you cannot format that information into proper intelligible models. Too much unprocessed information will send your brain into overdrive. Thus, it's good judgment to step away from all the noisy headlines, breaking news, terror alarms and show-biz news anchors. It's like when you look at a Claude Monet impressionist painting: if you stand too close, you only see a maze of little coloured dots, but when you take a dozen steps back then the beauty of the work unfolds before your eyes.

In today's information overdrive, we must join the dots correctly in spite of the global media's insistence that we connect them all wrong.

By now, most of us have realised that ours is a planet at war; not at war with some alien world – that would make things easier to understand!. Rather, we are a civilisation waging civil war with itself and against itself. Reading the global press, you might think this is a war between sovereign nations, but it's more complicated than that. This world war is waged by a hugely powerful, illegitimate, authoritarian but numerically tiny Global Elite, embedded deep inside the public and private power structures of just about every nation on Earth; notably, the United States of America.



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Like a cancerous malignant tumour, we can't remove it outright; we can only hope to weaken it and arrest its growth before it metastasizes, killing mankind's whole body politic. What the world needs now is some subtle sort of virtual political chemotherapy to remove and destroy this malignant tumour governing the world.

A key manifestation of this social and political illness lies in the extreme inequalities that exist in the USA, where

the richest 1% of the population owns 35% of the country's wealth, whilst the bottom 90% must do what they can with just 25% of national wealth. Worse still, the overwhelming majority of Congressmen, Senators, and top Executive Branch officers fall under the top richest 1% category.<sup>1</sup>

Understanding hidden intentions, long-term plans, hegemonic ambitions and the unconfessable plots necessary to achieve them is particularly important for US, UK, European and Australian citizens. After all, it's *their* leaders who formally order their countries' armed forces to ransack and destroy target countries.

When voters in Argentina, Colombia, Nigeria or Malaysia choose the wrong leaders, they themselves are the sole victims of their bad electoral judgment. But when US, British or French voters in their folly put the wrong people in power in their countries, then hundreds of millions around the world suffer from their bombs, drones, invasions, interference and regime changes.

#### **Report From Iron Mountain**

An old book from the late sixties called ***Report from Iron Mountain on the Possibility and Desirability of Peace***<sup>2</sup> was allegedly authored by the Hudson Institute future-prying think-tank at the request of then US Secretary of Defense Robert S McNamara. Many say the book is a hoax. But it uncannily reflects the realities of the past half century.

The book includes the claim it was authored by a Special Study Group of fifteen men whose identities were to remain secret and that it was not intended to be made public. It concludes that war, or a credible substitute for war, is necessary if governments are to maintain power.

***Report from Iron Mountain*** states that, wars are not caused by international conflicts of interest. Proper logical sequence would make it more often accurate to say that war-making societies require and thus bring about such conflicts. The capacity of a nation to make war expresses the greatest social power it can exercise; war-making, active or contemplated, is a matter of life and death on the greatest scale subject to social control. The report goes on to explain that, the production of weapons of mass destruction has always been associated with economic waste. ***Iron Mountain*** stresses that war is an important tool, because it creates artificial economic demand, a demand that does not

have any political issues: war, and only war, solves the problem of inventory.

Not surprisingly, ***Iron Mountain*** concludes that world peace is neither desirable nor in the best interests of society, because war not only serves important economic functions but also plays key social and cultural roles.

The permanent possibility of war is the foundation for stable government; it supplies the basis for general acceptance of political authority. War is virtually synonymous with nationhood. The elimination of war implies the inevitable elimination of national sovereignty and the traditional nation-state. Thus, war has been the principal evolutionary device for maintaining a satisfactory balance between gross human population and supplies available for its survival. It is unique to the human species.

So, in order to guarantee its own survival through its entrenchment inside the US, UK, European and other power structures, the Global Power Masters *need* war, the threat and rumours of war, just as fish need water, tigers need weak prey, and dogs need trees and all for similar reasons!

But the United States, Britain and their allies cannot have just *any* enemy. They need a credible, dangerous, scary enemy: first it was Germany, then Japan, the Soviet Union, the global Red Menace; today it's Islamic Fundamentalist Terrorism and, increasingly, China and Russia are going centre-stage on the Global Power Masters geopolitical radar screen.

#### **The Case of Russia**

In recent times, Russia has variously played the role of Buffer, Brake and – now, hopefully – Wall against Western power aggression.

When Russia acts like a *Buffer*, the world feels frustrated as the cases of Serbia, Iraq, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Libya and Palestine show. In all these cases, Russia sounded adversarial, confronting the US/UK/EU/Israel in word but certainly not in deed. The Western powers always got their way, even at the UN.

In recent times, however, Russia is increasingly acting as a *Brake* on Western hegemonic ambitions, notably in Syria and Iran. In November 2011 and February 2012, Russia vetoed two US/UK/French sponsored UN Resolutions against Syria which, if passed, would have had the same devastating effect on Syria as UN

Resolution 1973 had last year on Libya. Also, Russia has refused to support IAEA – International Atomic Energy Agency – pseudo-reports and sanctions against Iran over its nuclear program. In addition, Russia has dispatched credible dissuasive military forces to counteract NATO's militarisation of the Persian Gulf and Mediterranean.

Here we begin to wonder whether a gunfight might actually break out. This has had the sobering effect of forcing the US, UK, France and Israel to drag their feet in carrying out their threats of unilateral attacks on Iran and Syria. The downside is that this is cornering the US and its allies to resort to covert and criminal tactics involving engineered insurrection and civil war aka Arab Spring – see below.

The key question is what needs to happen what outrage must the Western powers commit for Russia to start acting as a solid *Wall*, telling the Western powers in no uncertain terms, This is as far as we'll let you go; this is as much as we will tolerate!

If and when Russia finally does that, will the Western powers stand down or will they bulldoze their way through the Russian Wall? This is the key question because it holds the answer of whether or not the near future will see the unleashing of World War III.

More importantly regarding the West's decision-making process, all we say about Russia also holds for China which the Global Power Masters see as their real long-term enemy, because of its huge economic, political, demographic and military growth, and China's increasing geopolitical control over the Pacific Basin and Indian Ocean.

### **The Case of China**

As great air and naval powers, the US and UK well understand that China has many more options to control major oceans than does Russia, which is basically land and ice-locked. Add to this the fact that China holds over two trillion dollars in US-Dollar denominated government bonds, plus another trillion in Euros and then we begin to understand that China holds the financial valve that can trigger sudden collapse of US Dollar hegemony.

We must move away from just thinking in economic/financial terms as most in the West do, concluding that China would never swamp international markets with one or two trillion in US Treasuries because that would destroy their worth and, in a

boomerang process, have a negative economic impact on China itself whose reserves would thus evaporate.

But China, the Empire of Ten Thousand Years, has a different thought process. China bides its time when it plays chess with the American Adolescent Empire. China might even decide to play a geopolitical not financial-economic card, sacrificing all its Dollar reserves just to cripple the US behemoths monetary free-ride with which it pays for its gigantic military machine. Will China fire the first geopolitical shots on the global financial stage?

In 2010, Wikileaks reported that in 2009 then Australian prime minister Kevin Rudd discussed with US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton how to deal with China, both voicing their fears over its rapid rise and multi-billion dollar store of US debt, prompting Hillary to ask, How do you deal toughly with your banker? Both agreed that the Western powers should try to integrate China into the international community, while also preparing to deploy force if everything goes wrong.

The Pentagon knows full well that its long-term enemy after 2020 is China. *US News & World Report* quotes Aaron L. Friedberg a former close Dick Cheney advisor, PNAC<sup>3</sup> and Council on Foreign Relations member, and Princeton University professor as saying that the US should spare no effort to keep the Chinese dragon in its lair because strength deters aggression, and warning this will cost money.

Keeping China in mind helps to better understand US moves in other far-away places as direct or indirect stepping stones on the road to China.

Take the Middle East, for instance, where geopolitical positioning and control over oil reserves by the US also acts as a beachhead into Russia's Heartland and is geared at closing off oil sources to China notably from Iran.

Wikileaks also exposed Kevin Rudd telling Hillary Clinton that China was paranoid about Taiwan and Tibet, adding that the West should promote an Asia-Pacific community intended to blunt Chinese influence. Yet another example of Western double standards and misrepresentation because contrary to the US and Europeans, China has no *global* hegemonic ambitions.

Rather, China seeks to continue being the dominant power in the Asia-Pacific basin steering traditional Western intrusion, colonialism and interference away.

The West's worst nightmare-scenario as noted by Samuel Huntington in his *Clash of Civilisations* theory in the 1990s is if China achieves two key geopolitical goals on which it is progressing slowly but surely:

- \* Bonding closer ties, cooperation and agreement with Russia and India on the Asian continent, and
- \* Negotiating closer cooperation and overcoming the distrust of the past with Japan. If Japan and China agree a common geopolitical strategy as France and Germany did after World War II – leading to the EU, then the whole Asia-Pacific region powerhouse with two-thirds of the world's population would be hands-off for the West. Just imagine marrying Japanese cutting-edge technology with Chinese resources and manpower!

### **The Five Types of War**

When *Report From Iron Mountain* was written back in the sixties, its authors went so far as to study whether substitutes could be developed for war but alas they surmised that war had to be maintained, even improved in its effectiveness. War could, however, take on unexpected and more subtle characteristics. The *Report's* recommendations included:

1. A giant space-research program whose goal was largely impossible to achieve – a black hole, budget-wise and hence able to feed the economy;
2. Invent a new, non-human enemy: the potential threat of an extra-terrestrial civilisation;
3. Create a new threat to mankind: for example, pollution;
4. Implement new ways of limiting births: via adding drugs to food or water supply;
5. Create fictitious alternate enemies.

Almost a half century later, some of these recommendations have been achieved, e.g., **1**: a military and civilian space program, others are on-going or in the making; **3**, **4**, and, if Hollywoods PsyOps machine is any indication, number **2** is no doubt on the books, but **5** is the real keystone: creating fictitious alternative enemies, of which we've seen so many recently: Iraq, Afghanistan, Serbia, Libya, Venezuela, Cuba, North Korea, Islamic Terrorism, and now: Iran and Syria.

The huge challenge mankind faces is that the US is increasingly resorting to covert, clandestine and technology-driven warfare over outright invasions, as

Vietnam, Iraq and Afghanistan looked really bad on the Evening News

Thus, there are basically five types of war used by the Global Power Masters through their US/UK/NATO proxies, each characterised by increasing PsyWar and strategic/logistic complexity:

**Military Invasion** Clearly visible, very territorial and using overwhelming military force and economic strength. As the Colin Powell Doctrine from the 90s recommends, the US should only wage war against foreign enemies where American military power is so overwhelming that victory is guaranteed. Can a more ruthless doctrine by a major power be imagined? Cowards bombing people half-way around the world using a joystick and screen inside some safe facility.

**Military Coup** Identifies dissident and treacherous elements inside the target country's armed forces, egging them on to removing the local legal authorities and backing them with arms, money, positive global and local media coverage and diplomatic support. A favourite method used against Latin America in the 50s, 60s and 70s, it's still being used here and there, as Egypt shows.

**Financial Coup** Consists of first cornering a country into an unpayable sovereign debt morass with the powerful global mega-banks. Then, when the target country cannot service that debt, the banksters send in the IMF/World Bank leeches supported by global media and rating agencies. They trigger economic and social hardship, financial and monetary collapse leading to widespread social upheaval, thus justifying regime change. Throughout Latin America they perfected the Sovereign Debt Model that is now being wielded against Greece, Spain, Italy, Ireland and soon to come the UK and US.

**Social Coup** consists of financing political activists to bring about controlled regime change in the target country. Here the local US/UK/Israeli embassies support all sorts of dissident groups rendering them ample financing and media coverage, plus the logistics to generate constant street turmoil, which ends up grouping around some US-friendly political party or movement. In the 80s, they used the so-called human rights movements in Latin America of which Argentina's Mothers of Plaza de Mayo were a leading case.<sup>4</sup>

**Engineered Civil War** Consists of financing, arming and supporting militarised opposition groups against the

target country's on-going government. Normally, a key national liberation or some such council is set up, as in Libya, Egypt, Syria and elsewhere, around which other militant groups, thugs and mafias can revolve. Here, CIA, MI6 and Mossad fronts play a key role and, in the cases of Libya and Syria, CIA offshoots like Al-Qaeda also play a fundamental freedom-fighter role. In the Middle East, they dubbed this the Arab Spring, presenting it to global public opinion as a spontaneous, genuine and legitimate fight for freedom by the local population against allegedly repressive and authoritarian regimes.

Thus, local conflicts ready to explode are taken advantage of: regimes that have been in power for too long – as in Egypt and Libya; religious divides – Shiites against Sunnis. It comes as no surprise to learn that Bassma Kodmani, a member of the executive bureau and head of foreign affairs at the Syrian National Council, attended the Bilderberg Conference last June in Virginia, USA.<sup>5</sup>

Lately, this author has been warning of the rise of a Latin American Spring that takes advantage of grave social and political grievances throughout Latin America reflecting the huge divide that exists between the very rich and the very poor. Normally, the rich are very US-aligned and the poor have leaders that mainly point to Yankee corporate exploitation as the sole culprit, missing really fundamental political and social factors.

Signs of this coming Latin Spring can be seen in the recent Monsanto-orchestrated coup in Paraguay, the money-sloshing election fraud in Mexico, and increasing US militarisation in Colombia and elsewhere in the region.

Often these types of war start at a lower level say, a social coup and are then escalated into full-fledged civil war insurrection mode if it suits Global Power Master objectives. Libya, Syria, Egypt are examples of this.

### **What, Why, When & Where**

What then exactly does this all add up to? Basically, we can see that such chaos engineered by the Global Power Masters, although *chaotic* locally in specific countries and regions, really points to a new world *order* on a global scale.

The chaos part is deployed to destroy whole countries, especially those that have come this far preserving their national sovereignty in one way or another. That is a key

characteristic shared by all attacked rogue states Libya, Iraq, Serbia prior to them being invaded.

The same goes for on-going targets like Syria, Iran, Cuba, Venezuela, North Korea and Ecuador. The more sovereign states can be weakened, the better for the one-worlder's who, after all, basically want to drag us all towards a single, communist-like global state under their total control.

All those Arab – and Latin – springs, invasions, no-fly zones, sanctions; all that rogue state rhetoric, are ground-clearing exercises geared at positioning the Western powers and their allies for the final assault on Asia which means war with Russia and China.

Of course, such a war would be a gross contradiction of the Powell Doctrine. China and Russia are very powerful, so messing around with them carries huge risks. If God forbid! it ever comes to war between China/Russia and the West that dragged in other powers like India, Pakistan and Brazil, hopefully it won't happen any time soon. However, that's what lies beyond the 2020 threshold. Its preliminaries are being played out today in different hotspots.

Why is all of this being done? Maybe imperial overreach and the grossly hyper-inflated dollar that saved the Money Power Bankers – don't say that too loudly! – has cornered the Western Elites into an irreversible and unsustainable corner.

It's like chess: What do you do when all possible moves only lead to checkmate? Well, basically, you have two options on the table: **1.** admit defeat, or **2.** kick the chessboard and go for your gun.

### **Footnotes**

**1.** See Zbigniew Brzezinski, 14 October 2011 acceptance speech of the Jury du Prix Tocqueville Prize, bestowed upon him by former French president Valery Giscard D'Estaing. Not surprisingly, both belong to the Rockefeller/Rothschild Trilateral Commission, a key rich and powerful decision-making body.

**2.** Originally published in 1967; re-published 1996 by the Free Press - Simon & Schuster.

**3.** PNAC Project for a New American Century; the Neo-Con think-tank group from the late nineties that designed and planned the invasions of Afghanistan and Iraq, promoting Israel's strategic interests in the Middle East, that served as a blueprint for US post-9/11 policies to this day.

4. Its leader Hebe Bonafini is known to have embezzled millions of dollars.

5. See official Bilderberg site [www.bilderbergmeetings.org/participants2012.html](http://www.bilderbergmeetings.org/participants2012.html).

Characteristically Ms Kodmanis' nationality is described as International. She serves her international masters very well.

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## Freedom of Expression and Bankruptcy

### Message from Fredrick Töben

**From:** Fredrick Toben [toben@toben.biz](mailto:toben@toben.biz)

**Sent:** Tuesday, 25 September 2012 6:58 PM

**To:** [Tony.Abbott.MP@aph.gov.au](mailto:Tony.Abbott.MP@aph.gov.au)

**Subject:** Bankruptcy report inaccurate - Executive Council of Australian Jewry wants Töben's pound of flesh as well...

Dears - in view of Tony's comment about the RDA's Section 18c needing to be abolished, here is a brief narrative that highlights its logical conclusion as expressed in the physical world where the law is applied to enforce its absurd aim of protecting 'hurt feelings' - but more so in fulfilling the underlying aim of stifling open debate on historical matters now over 70 years in the past.

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### Memo from Töben

**Sydney, Australia, 25 September 2012**

1. Please note the below media reports contain inaccuracies. Mr Peter Hartung has been the Director of Adelaide Institute since 2009. I was imprisoned in Germany in 1999 because of a letter I had written to legal individuals in Germany about the Günter Deckert case. The matter went to appeal where a re-trial was ordered, which would have happened had the October 2008 London extradition attempt on an European Arrest Warrant succeeded. Last year Justice Dr Meinerzhagen advised me that the action against me has been stayed indefinitely. Note that media reports claim 'antisemitism', 'Holocaust denial', 'racism', et al, are the matters that are dealt with during such court proceedings. This is only half the story because the matters of fact of my case were never canvassed in open court - nothing was ever defined as claimed by the media. When in

November 2007 I offered an apology for upsetting the court the Jewish media latched on to it by claiming I had given a 'Holocaust denial' apology', in effect re-canting my 'Holocaust views', as David Irving, David Cole and Christian Lindtner had done. I still do not understand why Irving did this because he is not an expert on matters Holocaust but the world's greatest historian of World War Two. When I saw those 'Holocaust denial' headlines in the *Australian Jewish News* I knew I had to withdraw my apology. I had in effect already deleted so-called offensive material from Adelaide Institute's website but I stopped deleting links from the pages to other websites, something that was not covered by the apology. So, be wary about apologising. Also, after I gave my apology to the court I felt sick - after I unilaterally withdrew the apology I felt much better.

I don't mind apologising because if what I say is said rudely or crudely but not if it is what I believe to be the truth of a matter. Hence, I wondered what was the aim of a request for my apology when in 1997 Jeremy Jones wished me to apologise to HREOC in the following terms:

Order that the Respondent apologise to the Applicant in the following terms:

"To Mr Jeremy Jones

Executive Vice President

Executive Council of Australian Jewry

146 Darlinghurst Road

Darlinghurst NSW 2010

I hereby unreservedly and unconditionally apologise to you and to the Australian Jewish community for having published material inciting hatred against the Jewish People in contravention of the *Racial Discrimination Act*. I undertake that neither I nor any employee or agent of

mine (actual or ostensible) will publish any such material in the future and that all such material which is presently published by me, or by any employee or agent of mine (actual or ostensible) in any print or electronic media (including the Internet) will forthwith be withdrawn from publication”.

Order that the respondent forthwith, and at his own expense, undertake a course of counselling by a conciliation officer of the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission as to the rights and responsibilities of the Respondent under the provisions of the Racial Discrimination Act.

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Note that the HREOC conciliator could not conciliate our differences because Mr Jones refused to go into mediation, and he immediately sought a public hearing, which he then followed up with the costly legal action in the Federal Court of Australia. Note also that I wiped the content of Adelaide Institute’s website after the HREOC decision in 2000 and again after the Federal Court of Australia decision – and began again.

And note again that I submitted the JS Hayward thesis to the HREOC commissioner and to the FCA judge, which both of them ignored because Jeremy Sean Jones claimed before both that there is no such thing as questioning matters Holocaust and those who do are ‘Holocaust deniers’.

Hayward had sent me his thesis copy in 1998 and I submitted it as part of my defence. Then began the hounding of Hayward who recanted, as he informed me later, because he and his family received death threats. Canterbury University, New Zealand, reacted to New Zealand’s Jewish groups agitating to have the thesis demoted to a B.A: ‘The Fate of Jews in German Hands: An Historical Enquiry into the Development and Significance of Holocaust Revisionism. Thesis (M.A.). University of Canterbury, 1993’. It refused because it considered Hayward not to have been dishonest in his research.

When Hayward recanted, I asked him to give me the factual reasons on which he had based his decision to re-cant – I am still waiting for such reasons. In 1983 German Judge Wilhelm Stäglich had his 1951 awarded doctorate of law revoked by the University of Göttingen on account of Stäglich having written *The Auschwitz Myth – Legend or Reality*, a book detailing his experiences at Auschwitz during World War Two.

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Asking questions can be upsetting for those who have lived on a lie for a lifetime, who have built their world view on a factual lie, but that does not mean such individuals should have legal protection on account of hurt feelings experienced when someone asks them probing questions. On account of my German background I take it as my right to ask questions what happened during World War Two and openly enquire whether my father was a part of the alleged mass murder machine operating during the war in Germany and in territories under its control.

**2.** Last year, 2011, I paid court costs of \$56,000+, all up over \$75,000, and I did this by selling my modest home of 27 years in country Victoria. This action was preceded by an offer of settlement in November 2010, which was refused, my then lawyer stating that ‘they don’t want your money. They want to bankrupt you’.

**3.** Lawyer Steven Lewis, on 20 July 2010, during his political speech as Labor candidate for the seat of Wentworth predicted: ‘We’re about to bankrupt Töben’: - at 17.40 minutes into clip:

<http://www.iwire.com.au/news/wentworth-candidates-address-board-of-deputies-plenum/10541>

**4.** This year another claim for court costs of over \$175,000 was made in the knowledge that I now have no assets – but the Executive Council of Australian Jewry and its henchmen want their pound of flesh, as per Shakespeare’s Merchant of Venice.

**5.** I am now hoping to find a court that resembles the Duke of Venice’s court of law where lawyer Portia appears and asks Shylock/Executive Council of Australian Jewry, to show mercy towards me because it *‘is twice blest: It blesseth him that gives and him that takes’*.

**6.** The whole saga began in 1996 when the Executive Council of Australian Jewry, Jones, et al, took their complaint to the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission-HREOC where Commissioner Kath McEvoy – also law lecturer at the University of Adelaide, applied the Racial Discrimination Act - RDA. Under Section 18c anything said or written ‘that is likely to offend’ is deemed to cause an offence and activates the powers of the RDA. This section in effect protects ‘hurt feelings’ – and when Holocaust material is openly debated, then hurt feelings begin to flood and those who seek the physical truth of a matter are found guilty of an offence.

**7.** More on the history of this 17-year battle later because some of those judges involved in making

legal decisions on a number of occasions shamefully 'bent to Executive Council of Australian Jewry pressure' and found against me, thereby revealing their own moral and intellectual bankruptcy.

**8.** I shall never re-cant my views because the essence of being human is to be able to cherish free expression on any topic, unless of course someone in open debate produces factual information that further clarifies an issue/problem. In 1999 I penned the following: 'If you take away my freedom to think and to speak, you deny me my humanity, and you commit a crime against humanity. Truth is my defence.'

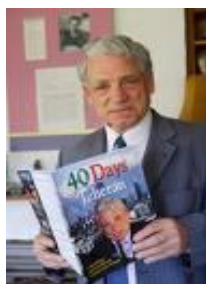
The Jewish media outlets carried the FMC decision soon after it was made.

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## Holocaust Denier Bankrupt

**September 25, 2012 Agencies**

Fredrick Toben, the Holocaust denier who was jailed in 2009 for contempt of a court order banning him from publishing anti-Semitic material on his website, has been declared bankrupt.



**Fredrick Toben**

Toben, who is based in Adelaide, was ordered last year to pay \$56,000 in court costs to Jeremy Jones, who filed the original case against him on behalf of the Executive Council of Australian Jewry. When Toben failed to pay the court costs, Jones lodged a bankruptcy claim against him.

In the Federal Magistrates Court Monday, Registrar Anthony Tesoriero, on the application of the ECAJ, made a sequestration order against Toben, declaring him bankrupt. He has 21 days to appeal.

Despite his financial woes, Toben says on his Adelaide Institute website he will "not recant and continues to denounce the Holocaust lies."

Jones said today's declaration was an administrative ruling. "It has nothing to do with the legal or moral argument at all," he said.

<http://www.jwire.com.au/news/holocaust-denier-bankrupt/28433>

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## Breaking News

### Holocaust Denier Forced to Bankruptcy

## Australian Fredrick Toben Published Anti-Semitic Web Site

**By JTA, The Jewish Daily Forward, Sept 24, 2012.**

Sydney — A Holocaust denier living in Australia was declared bankrupt after a claim against him by a Jewish leader.

Adelaide-based Dr. Fredrick Toben was jailed in 2009 for contempt of a court order banning him from publishing anti-Semitic material on his website.

Toben, who was born in Germany, was ordered last year to pay \$56,000 in court costs to Jeremy Jones, who filed the original case against him, on behalf of the Executive Council of Australian Jewry. When Toben failed to pay the court costs, Jones lodged a bankruptcy claim against him.

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<http://forward.com/articles/163315/holocaust-denier-forced-to-bankruptcy/#ixzz27QGbRi00>

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After I forwarded the above memo to the Jewish media agencies the articles were re-published with the corrected bankruptcy amount but no mention was made of the earlier bankruptcy attempt, which I avoided by selling my home – on which my 'pound-of-flesh' claim rests.

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## Holocaust denier Fredrick Toben declared bankrupt in Australia, September 24, 2012

SYDNEY (JTA) -- Dr. Fredrick Toben, a Holocaust denier living in Australia, was declared bankrupt after a claim against him by a Jewish leader.

The Adelaide-based Toben was declared bankrupt in Federal Magistrates Court on Monday. He has 21 days to appeal.

Toben was ordered last year to pay \$175,000 in court costs to Jeremy Jones, a former president of the Executive Council of Australian Jewry, who filed the case against him. When Toben failed to pay the court costs, Jones lodged a bankruptcy claim against him.

Despite his financial woes, Toben said on his revisionist Adelaide Institute website that he will "not recant and continues to denounce the Holocaust lies." The Germany native was jailed in 2009 for contempt of a court order banning him from publishing anti-Semitic material on his website.

Jones said the bankruptcy declaration was an administrative ruling. "It has nothing to do with the legal or moral argument at all," Jones said.

<http://www.jta.org/news/article/2012/09/24/3107766/holocaust-denier-in-australia-declared-bankrupt>



## A "professional Aborigine" says goodbye to race

**Andrew Bolt** Thursday, September, 27, 2012, (12:10pm)

I was taken to court over two articles suggesting people identifying as Aboriginal could choose another "racial" identity or none at all if they had non-Aboriginal ancestry as well.

The vilification I received in court was outrageous. I am still awaiting the apology of Ron Merkel QC for claiming my thinking was in line with that of the Nazis who drew up the Nuremberg race laws. But here's the thing. Those articles were declared unlawful under the Racial Discrimination Act, but Kerry Pholi now writes she has just made the very choice I was told was offensive, factually incorrect and even unlawful to suggest was open to people like her. She even uses the phrase "professional Aborigine" for which I was grilled in the dock:

*I am a person of Aboriginal descent...I used to identify as Aboriginal, and I have worked in 'identified' government positions only open to Aboriginal people. As a professional Aborigine, I could harangue a room full of people with real qualifications and decades of experience with whatever self-serving, uninformed drivel that happened to pop into my head. For this nonsense I would be rapturously applauded, never questioned, and paid well above my qualifications and experience.*

*I worked in excellent organisations that devoted resources to recruiting, elevating and generally indulging people like me, simply because other people like me told these organisations that's what they needed to do to 'overcome Indigenous disadvantage'.*

*In these organisations I worked alongside dedicated, talented and highly skilled people - and there may have been room for one more dedicated, talented and highly skilled person if I hadn't been there occupying a position designated for someone of my 'race'.*

*In my years of working as a professional Aborigine, I don't think I did anything that really helped anybody much at all, and I know that I was a party to unfairness, abuses of power, wastefulness and plain silliness in the name of 'reconciliation' and 'cultural sensitivity'.*

*Aside from a nagging sense of feeling like a complete fraud, things were reasonably OK until I made the mistake of reading works by Kwame Anthony Appiah, Amartya Sen's Identity and Violence and Thomas Sowell's Affirmative action around the world: an empirical study....*

*After that, I could no longer ignore the fact that my career was built on racism. Not 'reverse racism' or 'positive discrimination' - just plain racism, of benefit to nobody except a select gang of privileged people with the right genes and a piece of paper to prove it. In other words, of benefit only to people like me.*

*About 18 months ago I burned my 'proof of Aboriginality' documentation... I walked away from the Aboriginal industry for good.*

*It hasn't been easy, and I am still working out what to do with myself from here, but it has been rewarding. It feels great to simply identify as a human being...*

The Federal Court has banned me from republishing my two unlawful articles. All I can say is that if you were free to read them, you would find they made the very same points as Pholi does now, and are informed by the same abhorrence of

racism. If you were free to read them, you'd find exactly the same wish that people identified not as members of some "race" or tribe, but as individuals. Human beings.

(Thanks to readers Bernie, John and Stanley.)

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### Töben emails Andrew Bolt:

Andrew, why did you not take your matter on appeal to the Full Court of the FCA and then to the High Court?

I didn't let the Federal Court judgment stop me from making comments that I thought needed to be made because I would have been a moral and intellectual coward. Why? Where truth is no defence immorality prevails and I refuse to submit to such because the truth concept is the foundation of our civilisation - and it meant going to prison for it!

Since 1996 I've been battling the RDA's S18c and because of the horrendous court costs awarded against me have since 24 September 2012 been declared a bankrupt.

Don't you think that free expression is a value worthy of protection, even against the slurs that I've been tainted with, for example: hater, Holocaust denier, antisemite, racist, Nazi?

My academic training was in philosophy and as such I never shied away from asking questions - not even from asking questions about matters Holocaust or other issues involving, among other things, Jewish interests.

Now I note you are pulling out the antisemitic label in order to label and hunt down individuals with whom you disagree.

Do you think this may perhaps damage your moral and intellectual integrity?

As a person who is physically bankrupt I now enjoy my freedoms because I am not morally and intellectually bankrupt.

Finally, and this will be my last communications with you, I recall how Geoff Muirden, bless his soul, used to keep you informed on matters that mainstream media outlets shied away from. He celebrated you as someone who did not fear the principle of 'guilt by association'.

Cheers

Fredrick

30 September 2012

[http://blogs.news.com.au/heraldsun/andrewbolt/index.php/heraldsun/comments/a\\_professional\\_aborigine\\_says\\_goodbye\\_to\\_race/](http://blogs.news.com.au/heraldsun/andrewbolt/index.php/heraldsun/comments/a_professional_aborigine_says_goodbye_to_race/)

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**Analysis and views on the issues of the day**

**27 September 2012**

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## **Why I burned my 'Proof of Aboriginality'**

**Kerry Pholi**



***After a career spent in jobs reserved for Indigenous Australians, Kerryn Pholi has had enough of being a "professional Aborigine". Far from closing the gap, she now believes these strategies are racist.***

I am a person of Aboriginal descent. This is nothing special; all it means is that I could trace my ancestry back to a stone-age way of life more easily, with far fewer steps, than most readers.

When I think about my Aboriginal ancestry, I feel gratitude. I feel gratitude because modernity has given me a life of ease, pleasure and privilege beyond anything an Aboriginal woman in pre-invasion Australia could possibly imagine. As a person of Aboriginal descent, and a female at that, I am grateful that I had the good fortune to be born here in Australia in 1975, and not here in say, 1775.

Perhaps life for my Aboriginal ancestors (the Bundjalung people of what is now northern NSW) had its good points prior to invasion, just as European life around 5,000 BC couldn't have been *all* bad ... though nobody seems to miss that particular lifestyle much or yearn to have it back.

Perhaps some readers are disgusted that a person with Aboriginal ancestry would be grateful to the 'white invaders', given the historical horrors they brought upon 'my people'. Nonsense; I can feel gratitude for my personal good fortune without needing to be grateful to anyone in particular.

I don't feel particularly proud to be Aboriginal. No-one likes to see a skinhead thumping his chest and saying he is proud to be white; how is pride in an Aboriginal racial identity any different? And yet in a way I am proud of my Aboriginal ancestors.

Some Aboriginal people say they are proud to be *survivors*. They are proud to be members of a (somewhat nebulous) racial/cultural group that has survived (sort of) for thousands of years.

I don't share that perspective, but I have my own version of 'survivor pride'. The fact that I am here, with a bit of Aboriginal in my genetic mix, means that at some point my Aboriginal ancestors had the wit to take advantage of what was on offer, and so they survived where others did not. I feel pride that my forbears had the sense to discard unhelpful traditions and cultural

attitudes, and make the best of their lot for themselves and their offspring.

Unfortunately for me, I did not inherit the smarts of my Aboriginal ancestors. While they were obviously willing to do what they could to make the best of their situation, I simply can't do it anymore.

I used to identify as Aboriginal, and I have worked in 'identified' government positions only open to Aboriginal people. As a professional Aborigine, I could harangue a room full of people with real qualifications and decades of experience with whatever self-serving, uninformed drivel that happened to pop into my head. For this nonsense I would be rapturously applauded, never questioned, and paid well above my qualifications and experience.

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In my years of working as a professional Aborigine, I don't think I did anything that really helped anybody much at all, and I know that I was a party to unfairness, abuses of power, wastefulness and plain silliness in the name of 'reconciliation' and 'cultural sensitivity'.

Aside from a nagging sense of feeling like a complete fraud, things were reasonably OK until I made the mistake of reading works by Kwame Anthony Appiah, Amartya Sen's [Identity and Violence](#) and Thomas Sowell's [Affirmative action around the world: an empirical study](#). (Please - stop reading what I have to say right now. Go and read this instead).

After that, I could no longer ignore the fact that my career was built on racism. Not 'reverse racism' or 'positive discrimination' - just plain racism, of benefit to nobody except a select gang of privileged people with the right genes and a piece of paper to prove it. In other words, of benefit only to people like me.

About 18 months ago I burned my 'proof of Aboriginality' documentation (a letter from the NSW Department of Education acknowledging that I was Aboriginal, on the basis that my local Aboriginal Lands Council at that time, circa 1990, had said so). I walked away from the Aboriginal industry for good.

It hasn't been easy, and I am still working out what to do with myself from here, but it has been rewarding. It feels great to simply identify as a human being, and to work alongside colleagues that only know me as another ordinary wage-slave, and not as a pampered mascot with the power to ruin a career with an accusation of 'insensitivity'.

It also feels good to do proper work; sitting around a government office essentially being paid to be Aboriginal is both undignified and boring. I miss the money of course, but I don't miss the racism.

If you are an Aboriginal person with the literacy and media access to be reading this, you are not 'disadvantaged'; you are one of the most fortunate people on the planet. You don't *need* special assistance because you are Aboriginal, you are not *owed* recompense because you are Aboriginal, nor do you

possess special powers to perform tasks that others could not.

To accept preferential treatment on the basis of one's race - in employment, academe, the arts, the media - is to participate in racism. It does not 'close the gap', promote role-models or let you 'challenge the system from within'.

To genuinely challenge racism we need to stop rationalising our individual self-interest, reject preferential treatment, compete in the open market for jobs, grants and audiences, and accept the financial and career consequences of refusing to be bought.



***Kerryn Pholi has worked in Indigenous research and policy in various government agencies and NGOs. View her full profile [here](http://www.abc.net.au/unleashed/4281772.html).***

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## **Tony Abbott address to the Institute of Public Affairs, Sydney 6 August 2012**



### **FREEDOM WARS**

Right now, Australians are understandably and necessarily impressed by China, a country which has liberalised its economy without liberalising its polity. Lifting several hundred million people from poverty into the middle class in a single generation certainly is one of the great economic transformations in human history.

China's success, though, need not mean that liberal democratic freedoms are merely an optional extra for countries that take nation building seriously. The communications revolution is affecting China no less than everywhere else, despite official misgivings. The blogosphere and tweeting could soon give even China the "question everything" mindset that has been so important to other countries' creativity and weight in the world.

Then there's India which has achieved a scarcely less remarkable economic transformation while largely preserving democracy, the rule of law and comparative freedom of speech. Two decades after Francis Fukuyama jumped the gun to proclaim the end of history and the triumph of liberal democracy, it would be equally presumptuous to conclude that western civilisation's moment has largely passed. History's lesson is still that countries are stronger, as well as better, with democratic freedoms than without them.

Freedom of speech is not just an academic nicety but the essential pre-condition for any kind of progress. A child learns by trial and error. A society advances when people can discuss what works and what doesn't. To the extent that alternatives can't be discussed, people are tethered to the status quo, regardless of its effectiveness.

Freedom of speech can't be absolute. A persuasive case can be made to limit people's freedom to publish material that might breach national security, prejudice a

fair trial, or deliberately mislead consumers about the performance of a particular product; but there is no case, none, to limit debate about the performance of national leaders. The more powerful people are, the more important the presumption must be that less powerful people should be able to say exactly what they think of them.

Parliamentary speeches have always been privileged against defamation suits because it has been taken for granted that MPs had to be absolutely unmuzzled if parliament was to do its job. On matters of the greatest moment, all that should ever gag individual MPs is their own judgment. They should face criticism, censure, loss of office and electoral defeat if they misuse their freedom but they should never be legally constrained from expressing what they think the national interest demands.

Freedom of speech is an essential foundation of democracy. Without free speech, free debate is impossible and, without free debate, the democratic process cannot work properly nor can misgovernment and corruption be fully exposed. Freedom of speech is part of the compact between citizen and society on which democratic government rests. A threat to citizens' freedom of speech is more than an error of political judgment. It reveals a fundamental misunderstanding of the give and take between government and citizen on which a peaceful and harmonious society is based.

At an even deeper level, free speech is essential to human integrity. It enables us to express who we are and what we believe. Freedom of speech empowers Christians, Muslims, Jews, atheists, environmentalists, climate change sceptics, conservatives, socialists, gays, gen Ys and gen Xs, baby boomers, veterans, everyone and anyone publicly to affirm whatever it is that is

important to their identity. They can do so free from fear of a knock on the door in the middle of the night or a subpoena from a tribunal in the middle of the day.

It's human nature, of course, to support free speech as long as it's agreeable. The trouble is deciding which opinions can be censored. The danger is that a government that can censor a free press is quite capable of censoring a free people.

The price of free speech is that offence will be given, facts will be misrepresented and lies will be told. Truth, after all, only emerges from such a process. Thanks to free speech, error can be exposed, corruption revealed, arrogance deflated, mistakes corrected, the right upheld and truth flaunted in the face of power. On issues of value, purpose and meaning, there is no committee, however expert, and no appointee, however eminent, with judgment superior to that of the whole community which is why the best decisions are made with free debate rather than without it.

Free speech can be restrained at the margins but only in order to secure other important rights. As my colleague, George Brandis has noted, there are "exceptions to this rule" but never counterweights. Free speech shouldn't be restrained just to prevent hurt feelings and it should never be restrained in order to protect poor performance.

This might normally be regarded as a statement of the obvious. Imagine the reaction, for instance, had the Howard government sought to gag naval personnel after "children overboard". It badly needs re-affirmation now, though, because of the current government's attempts to bully critics into silence.

When roof batts routinely catch fire, damaging hundreds of homes and killing four installers; when \$16 billion has been spent building school halls that could have normally been constructed for less than half the price; when more than \$50 billion is being spent on a National(ised) Broadband Network that the government originally claimed could be done for a tenth the cost; when more than 20,000 illegal boat people have arrived because the government assumed there was no longer a problem and dropped the policy that worked; when a carbon tax that the prime minister said would never happen has been introduced to save her political hide; when a well-respected speaker of the parliament has been forced to resign to protect the government's parliamentary numbers; and when the system of justice seems incapable of dealing swiftly with an MP who's clearly ripped off union members, the ability to be critical of government is more important than ever.

Yet instead of ruefully conceding that criticism under these circumstances is only a fair cop likely to spur better performance, the current government's response has been thinly veiled intimidation of critics masquerading as proposals for better regulation. Instead of mounting a better argument, this government's inclination is to disqualify its critics. Its instinctive response to criticism is to bully people rather than to reason with them.

This is not a government that argues its case. Mostly, it simply howls down its critics using the megaphone of incumbency. There's the jihad against mining magnates for daring to question the government's investment-sapping mining tax. There's the claim that Gina Reinhart is a "danger to democracy" because she dared to buy an interest in a newspaper group and refused to endorse the Fairfax group's existing editorial culture. There's the

assault on mum-and-dad anti-carbon tax protestors in Canberra as the "convoy of no consequence" or even the "convoy of incontinence". The ferocity of this government's return of serve often goes way beyond reasonable counter-argument to become a form of state-sponsored bullying.

Late last year, Communications Minister Stephen Conroy accused the Sydney Daily Telegraph of a deliberate campaign to "bring the government down". The Prime Minister had a screaming match with former News Ltd boss John Hartigan over an article about her prior-to-entering-parliament dealings with a union official. The government's Green allies have been consistently critical of those whom ex-Senator Bob Brown tagged the "hate media". The prime minister personally insisted that News Ltd in Australia had "questions to answer" in the wake of the UK phone hacking scandal even though she was not able to specify what these might be. It seems obvious that her real concern was not Fleet Street-style illegality but News Ltd's coverage of her government and its various broken promises, new taxes and botched programmes.

To Justice Ray Finkelstein's credit, there's no specific "get News Ltd" vendetta evident in the report of his "Independent Inquiry into the Media and Media Regulation". Still his recommendation that a powerful News Media Council should "set journalistic standards", "enforce news standards" and "have power to require a news media outlet to publish an apology, correction, or retraction" looks like an attempt to warn off News Ltd from pursuing anti-government stories.

The "community, industry and professional representatives" that Finkelstein wants appointed to the new regulator are unlikely to be truly independent of the government that will fund it. We know the current government's attitude to tough reporting from people such as Steve Lewis and Kate McClymont because it is constantly complaining about it. Perhaps the most shameless example was Senator Doug Cameron accusing the "Murdoch press" of actually "fabricating stories" stories about the prospect of a Rudd challenge - for which he was, himself, one of the numbers men!

Especially in the hands of the current government, any new watchdog could become a political correctness enforcement agency destined to suppress inconvenient truths and to hound from the media people whose opinions might rattle Phillip Adams' listeners. It's easy to imagine the fate of Andrew Bolt or Alan Jones, for instance, at the hands of such thought police. Their demise, you understand, wouldn't be because the government didn't like them but because they'd persistently breached "standards".

In response to a strongly worded critique of the Finkelstein recommendations, the government has just replied to seven media CEOs saying that it might not proceed with a new regulator if the media were to establish more effective forms of self-regulation. In other words, "censor yourselves or we will do it for you". Any government that demands changed behaviour from the media under circumstances like these is not trying to raise journalistic standards but to lower them to the long-term detriment of our country.

The Coalition rejects the Finkelstein proposals and calls on the government to do likewise. The Coalition opposes any coercion towards greater self-regulation and calls on the government to repudiate it. The Coalition rejects calls for the introduction of a public interest test or any

other "suitability" test for those with a stake in our media and calls on the government to do likewise.

Australia does not need more regulation of the mainstream media but we do need a new debate about freedom of speech because it's important for the current government to reveal its true colours. So far, a hung parliament hasn't made this government more responsive. Instead, the constant struggle to survive has brought out its authoritarian streak.

It is not the role of government to manage the day-to-day practices of journalism; to dictate who can and who can't control Australian media outlets; or to "score" media coverage against unavoidably subjective standards of fairness. The job of government is to foster free speech, not stifle it. It's to increase the number and the range of people who can participate in public debate, not reduce it.

Additional regulation is one current threat to free speech in Australia. Another is the operation of section 18C of the Racial Discrimination Act, which prohibits statements that "offend, insult, humiliate or intimidate" another person or a group of people on grounds of race or ethnicity.

At the time of its introduction, oblivious to its Orwellian overtones, the then-minister, Nick Bolkus, said that it was designed to prohibit "speechcrime" over and above the traditional tort of defamation. Making the likelihood of causing offence to a group the test of acceptable behaviour goes way beyond the time-honoured remedy when a particular victim has been brought into hatred, ridicule or contempt.

Let's be clear: insulting, humiliating or intimidating others on any grounds, racial or otherwise, is deplorable. It should be everyone's goal to elevate the standards of public debate, not lower them, and to demonstrate respect rather than disdain for the various components of our community. Still, a "hurt feelings" test is impossible to comply with while maintaining the fearless pursuit of truth which should be the hallmark of a society such as ours.

As Sir Robert Menzies declared in one of his "Forgotten People" broadcasts: "The whole essence of freedom (of speech) is that it is freedom for others as well as (for) ourselves ... (It is) a conception which is not born with us, but which we must painfully acquire. Most of us have no instinct at all to preserve the right of the other fellow to think what he likes about our beliefs and to say what he likes about our opinions... (But) if truth is to emerge, and in the long run be triumphant, the process of free debate - the untrammelled clash of opinion - must go on".

The article for which Andrew Bolt was prosecuted under this legislation was almost certainly not his finest. There may have been some factual errors. Still, if free speech is to mean anything, it's others' right to say what you don't like, not just what you do. It's the freedom to write badly and rudely. It's the freedom to be obnoxious and objectionable. Free speech is not bland speech. Often, it's pretty rough speech because people are entitled to be passionate when they are arguing for what they believe to be important and necessary. Speech that has to be inoffensive would be unerringly politically correct but it would not be free.

If it's alright for David Marr, for instance, to upset conservative Christians, in his attempt to have them see the error of their ways, why is it not alright for Andrew Bolt to upset activist Aboriginals to the same end? The

rallying cry attributed to Voltaire, "I disapprove of what you say, but will defend to the death your right to say it", should have been invoked to defend Bolt, no less than it has been to justify robust speech from different points in the philosophical compass.

The Coalition will repeal section 18C in its current form. Any prohibitions on inciting hatred against or intimidation of particular racial groups should be akin to the ancient common law offences of incitement and causing fear.

Expression or advocacy should never be unlawful merely because it is offensive. It ought to be inconceivable that a commentator offering an opinion should fall foul of the law rather than a wave of criticism. This is not a matter of agreeing or disagreeing with Bolt. It's a matter of an expansive or a repressive view of the right to free speech.

It won't just be the current government that the debate over new restrictions on free speech will test. It will be all the commentators and organisations that have ever thundered in defence of free speech but find their indignation highly selective when it's their commercial rivals or philosophical opponents who are in the dock.

The Australian left has long cited the Menzies government's attempt to ban the communist party as an egregious assault on freedom. What will they make of any Gillard government legislation to restrict freedom of speech? Menzies, it has to be said, sought to restrict freedom in order to defend the country. The Gillard government, by contrast, seeks to restrict freedom in order to defend itself.

The Coalition is often tagged the "conservative side of politics" and John Howard has rightly pointed out that the Liberal Party, in this country, is the political representative of both the liberal and the conservative traditions. Essentially, we are the freedom party. We stand for the freedoms which Australians have a right to expect and which governments have a duty to uphold. We stand for freedom and will be freedom's bulwark against the encroachments of an unworthy and dishonourable government.

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## **Abbott's vow to ditch racist speech law attacked**

**Michelle Grattan, August 7, 2012 - 7:58AM**

**THE controversial finding against News Ltd journalist Andrew Bolt is the best known contravention of the racial vilification law, but the government yesterday pointed to "Holocaust" cases to reject Tony Abbott's argument for scrapping it.**

In one, publication of a document on the Holocaust-denial Adelaide Institute website was unlawful, because it was reasonably likely to humiliate and intimidate Jewish people.

In another case, *Jeremy Jones v The Bible Believers' Church*, it was found that material published on the internet denying the Holocaust deliberately used provocative and inflammatory language. An Aboriginal woman won an apology and damages in a case she brought alleging her white neighbour abused her and called her names such as "nigger".

In an address titled "Freedom Wars", Mr Abbott said that while insulting, humiliating or intimidating others on

any grounds, racial or otherwise, was deplorable, a "hurt feelings" test was impossible to comply with while maintaining the fearless pursuit of truth.

Highlighting the Bolt case - Bolt alleged that some "fair-skinned Aboriginals" choose to identify as Aboriginal for personal gain - Mr Abbott said the article for which Bolt was prosecuted was almost certainly not his finest and may have contained some factual errors. But freedom of speech involved freedom to write badly and rudely and to be obnoxious and objectionable.

"The Coalition will repeal section 18C in its current form. Any prohibition on inciting hatred against or intimidation of particular racial groups should be akin to the ancient common law offences of incitement and causing fear. Expression or advocacy should never be unlawful merely because it is offensive," he said.

A spokesman for Attorney-General Nicola Roxon said that section 18C had provided protection for many vulnerable people. "This legislation also helps to protect the community against those who advocate violence on the basis of race."

Labor MP Michael Danby, who is Jewish, said Mr Abbott's promise might give the green light to bigoted groups such as the far-right LaRouchites and Adelaide Institute.

The Jewish community and many others had fought for these laws because racial hatred from some elements in the community was getting out of hand in mid-1990.

"We don't want to go back to that darkness," he said. He said that some people had been left uncomfortable with the Andrew Bolt decision. "I know Andrew Bolt and he may have been misguided, but he is not a racist."

But "will this be the kind of Australia we might expect under Tony Abbott where laws are varied to suit mates, whether they be Clive Palmer, Gina Rinehart or Andrew Bolt?"

Mr Danby said Mr Abbott's announcement was a mistake born of his listening "too much to Sydney talkback radio. He should be listening to the rest of Australia too ... Getting rid of those laws could again unleash bigotry on ethnic communities in this country".

In his speech, Mr Abbott opposed the News Media Council proposed by the Finkelstein inquiry into the press. "It is easy to imagine the fate of Andrew Bolt or Alan Jones, for instance, at the hands of such thought police." He also opposed the public interest test advocated by Communications Minister Stephen Conroy, and strongly criticised the government's attacks on and questioning of News Ltd.

<http://www.smh.com.au/opinion/politicalnews/abbotts-vow-to-ditch-racist-speech-law-attacked-20120806-23q8a.html>

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## Human rights on deaf ears

David McLennan, August 7, 2012 - 5:12PM

A substantial number of complaints to the ACT Human Rights Commission will now go unanswered and the statutory authority will stop offering free training to community groups.

The decision comes after the commission - along with other ACT government agencies - had its funding cut in the recent territory budget, and after several years of it

struggling to cope with the rising number of complaints it has had to deal with.

In a statement on its website, the commission blamed the cuts on "resource pressures". "We have not made this decision lightly, and are currently undertaking a review of all activities undertaken by the Commission. We hope, sometime in the future, to be able to re-commence publishing [quarterly newsletter] Humanity and offering our full range of training," it said. "The Commission is also discontinuing the consideration of certain categories of complaints, which will substantially reduce the number of complaints considered by the Commission."

Children and Young People Commissioner Alisdair Roy said the commission took complaints about services for children and young people, disability services, discrimination, health services and services for older people.

"We have yet to finalise the categories of complaints we will be unable to consider, yet anticipate that there will be a substantial reduction across all of the five areas," he said. "We anticipate that the majority of the regular training will cease, and that tailored training will only take place on a fee-for-service basis," he said.

The commission offers training in several areas, including workplace discrimination, sexual harassment and bullying, human rights in the community sector and human rights obligations. It said in its most recent annual report that "expert training for the community and public sector is a key role of the Commission". It held three training sessions a month, on average, and they were free for community sector members.

In 2010-11, the commission trained 214 members of the community sector and 182 people from the private sector.

Attorney-General Simon Corbell said the commission, like all other ACT agencies, had been required to find savings as a result of the recent territory budget.

"This is a function of the current financial climate," he said. He said the commission was a statutory authority, and the allocation of resources was "mainly a matter" for commissioners.

"It is appropriate for all agencies to set targets and to make decisions about the allocation of funds to deal with their business. Where that business includes complaints-handling, decisions for agencies such as the Human Rights Commission may involve assessing which complaints to consider in detail, and which not," he said. "I understand that the Commission will reduce its consideration of complaints which do not result in serious adverse consequences, and will instead focus on more serious complaints. This triaging of case management is appropriate."

<http://www.canberratimes.com.au/act-news/human-rights-on-deaf-ears-2012080723rzq.html>

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**More of Töben's reflections ...**



**On 2 October 2012 shortly before my midday flight back to Adelaide – I'm thinking about what?**

I returned home to Adelaide now a financial bankrupt. However, I have retained my moral and intellectual integrity because in my legal ordeal that goes back to 1996 – or even to 1985 if I count my decade-long fight with the Victorian education bureaucracy over that teacher dismissal on grounds of 'incompetence' and 'disobedience' - I reject outright an application of the immoral Racial Discrimination Act, especially Section 18c. It was applied on me by University of Adelaide Law lecturer and then Commissioner for the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission - HREOC, Kath McEvoy.

Interestingly, both Mrs Olga Scully and I walked out of our respective hearings after the commissioners refused to confirm or deny that TRUTH was a defence in the proceedings, which it wasn't, of course.

In other words, the complainant for the Jewish community, Jeremy Sean Jones, did not have to prove that the words we had written actually caused him to experience psychological hurt. The commissioners, and later the Federal Court of Australia judges, never demanded proof of hurt in the form of a doctor's certificate! It was deemed enough proof that the material '... is likely to cause offence...!' Well, we all know that even a look can be deemed to be offensive by those who want to become victims of life without ever growing up!

That academically trained individuals enforced such a ruling speaks of their moral and intellectual bankruptcy.

As no Jew was involved in our proceedings either as a commissioner or as a judge my maxim becomes a truism: 'Don't blame the Jews; blame those that bend to their pressure!'



And also on this day there was more bread and circus on the morning news! The 'guilt-by-association' brigade is having a field day on the Alan Jones issue – it's time we get away from the political correctness concept and return to basic good manners.

- and I reflected on the frenzied defamation of Germans that's still going on over an issue some 70 years ago, which still causes individuals to salivate with hatred against Germans.

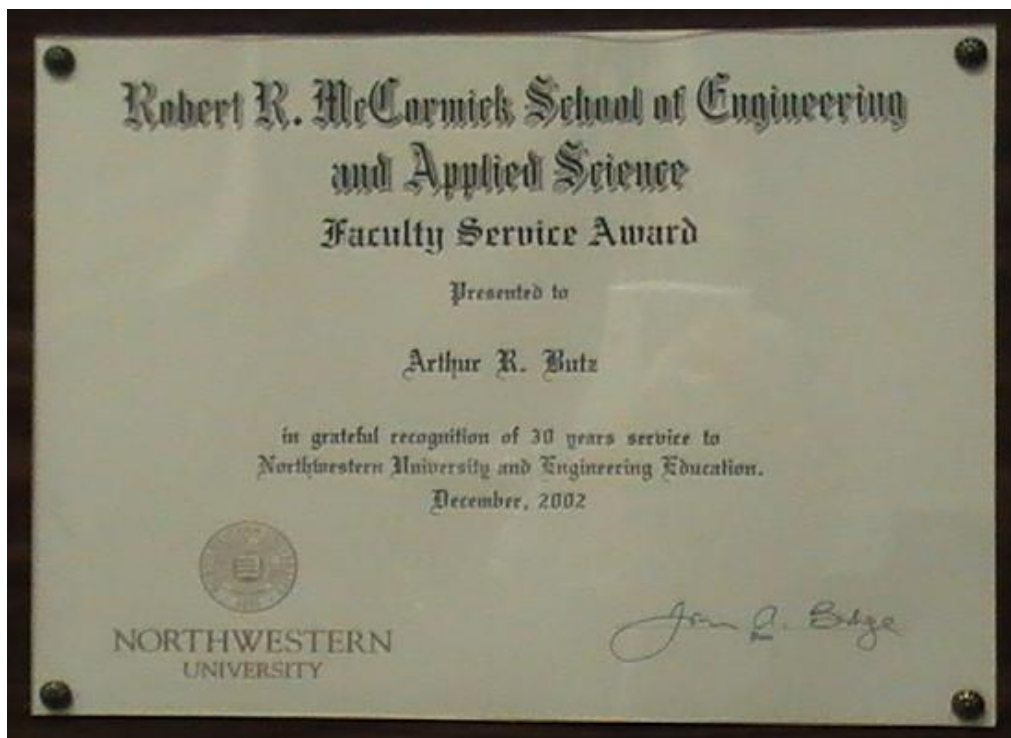
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