

# SPOTLIGHT ON TYRANNY

## THE SUPREME COURT'S BAD SCIENCE AND BAD DECISION

BY ALAN CARUBA

In March of 1857, in the famed Dred Scott decision, the United States Supreme Court declared that all blacks, slaves as well as free, were not and could never become citizens of the United States. It also declared that the 1820 Missouri Compromise was unconstitutional, thus permitting slavery in all territories and future, new States. By 1861 the United States was fighting a Civil War.

Sometimes the Supreme Court makes spectacularly bad decisions and this was manifest on April 2 when five of its nine members yielded to the specious argument by twelve States and several environmental organizations that the science of "global warming" was so conclusive that it could declare that carbon dioxide (CO2) should be regulated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency as "a pollutant."

CO2 is not a pollutant. It exists in the earth's atmosphere and every blade of grass and every great tree is utterly dependent upon it. In that regard, other than the oxygen on which all living creatures depend, CO2 is the second most essential gas for its ability to harness the energy of the sun and, through photosynthesis, maintain every form of vegetation on earth.

The court's ruling, however, insures that the cost of every automobile, truck and tractor in America is likely to increase for no good reason. The many mandated formulations of gasoline that are part of its cost might also increase.

As William O'Keefe, the chief executive officer of the Marshall Institute, noted in December 2006, "Given current automotive technology," the only way to further reduce CO2 emissions "would

be via mandates for hybrid or diesel vehicles costing \$3,000 to \$5,000 more than gasoline counterparts." Consumers are not buying hybrid cars. Their sales currently constitute just over one percent of the market.

Requiring the auto industry to manufacture hybrids and convert diesel engines would have, O'Keefe noted, "serious economic effects." That's a nice way of saying it would be a disaster that any sane nation would avoid.

In March the leaders of General Motors, Ford, Toyota and Chrysler, along with the head of the United Auto Workers, made a rare joint appearance before a House subcommittee. According to an Associated Press report, "They stressed that proposed increases in gas mileage standards would be extremely expensive and could have calamitous results."

The UAW leader, Ron Gettelfinger, noted that it could include the closing of additional facilities and the loss of tens of thousands of automotive jobs.

It's not like CO2 even constitutes a problem. According to the Department of Energy, CO2 represents a concentration in the earth's atmosphere of 368 parts per million or 0.0368 percent, i.e., three hundred sixty-eight ten-thousandths of one percent! It used to be even less, but in the past there weren't six billion humans exhaling two and a half pounds of it every day.

For a long time environmentalists and political fear-mongers who have been attempting to foist the strictures of the global warming theory on the world through the Kyoto Treaty were stymied by the legislative process. The Senate

totally rejected it. Now they have found five members of the Supreme Court who decided to ignore its own 1993 standard for scientific evidence.

At the time the court said that, "the trial judge must insure that...all scientific...evidence is not only relevant, but reliable." How reliable is the science of climate change when the U.S. government continues to spend billions of dollars every year just to study it?

In the recent decision, however, Supreme Court Justice Stevens declared that CO2 is "the most important...greenhouse gas." There is no scientific proof of that. Moreover, there is no proof that human activity has anything to do with the greenhouse effect.

What is the most significant greenhouse gas, accounting for an estimated 95% of the earth's greenhouse effect? It is water vapor. Its origin is 99.999% natural. If you wondered where the snow goes when it melts, it becomes for a time, water vapor. The vast percentage of the earth's surface is water!

John A. Charles, Jr., president of the Cascade Policy Institute, notes that, "emissions of hydrocarbons from cars and trucks in the U.S. have fallen 99.3% on a per-mile basis since 1968, and carbon monoxide emissions have declined by 96 percent." We already have clean air and this has occurred despite increased motor vehicle and energy use.

Contrast that with a U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization report that the global livestock sector is responsible

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# THE DEWEESE REPORT

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## DAWN OF THE ERA OF COMMON-ISM

By Tom DeWeese

The lines used to be so clear. On one side were free markets, free societies and openly elected representative governments, normally defined as democracy. On the other, was the force of totalitarianism choking off individual initiative, private ownership of property, cynically providing a ballot box with but one choice, normally defined as Communism. In the end, the "Evil Empire" disintegrated under the weight of its own ignorance of human nature. Or did it?

Conservatives hailed the victory, dispatching Communism to the "ash-heap of history." Many Conservative leaders have put forth the idea that we are living in a "Conservative era," using as proof the Republican takeover of Congress and the worldwide movement toward democracy and free trade. The demise of Communism, some say, now allows a spirit of cooperation among nations that will bring on the benefits of worldwide prosperity and a universal increase in the standard of living.

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Yet many Americans are concerned that the same leaders who proclaim American ideals are spreading across the globe have failed to protect constitutionally guaranteed liberties here at home. The assaults on property rights and personal privacy along with the transformation of local schools under federal programs, and above all, the seeming lack of concern for national sovereignty and protection of the nation's borders are the obvious contradictions to the proposition that Conservative ideas now reign supreme.

Other goals seem to be taking center stage. The rule of law in our Republic, designed to insure individual rights from intrusive government, is being replaced by a new ideology; one that tends to allow the concerns of interest groups to supersede the inherent rights of the individual. Further, the interests of the United States of America now seem to take a back seat to something called the "Global Commons." National identities and individual religions appear to be morphing into non-descript and indistinguishable arrangements to some unidentified whole. Science has been reduced to little more than a convenient political tool to promote agendas. Self-determination is being replaced with group-think.

What is happening to our way of life and to our nation, as it once was? Communism is dead. Capitalism is fading. We have begun a new era called Common-ism.

### A NEW THREAT FOR A NEW CENTURY

When the walls of Soviet Communism fell over a decade ago, the world changed. Once-proud nations, that had been swallowed up by the Soviet empire, emerged as a new "democracy movement." Western forces were expected to rush forward and promote their ideology and bring Communism's formerly oppressed victims into the fold of free markets and freely elected representative government. But it didn't happen.

Instead, international Communists refused to hang their heads in defeat and leave the world stage. In fact, with the "death" of Communism, they were now freed from its negative baggage. They could begin a new movement able to reach across national boundaries – even into the West. As long as the title "Communist" was not hung around their neck to raise Western fears, the ideas of international Socialism could move forward unhindered. The world has responded in almost thunderous support. Thus, Common-ism was born.

The distinctive feature of Commonism is its intention to transform private intellectual property and nationally controlled natural resources into common property in the name of the "common heritage of mankind." The ideology of Commonism is based on political concepts and spiritual values, such as global commons, global village, global spirituality, equalitarianism,

democratism, disarmament, environmentalism, interdependence, interconnectedness, and participation in world peace.

Commonism is a political ideology containing both a doctrine and a device for its expansion. Commonism advances on the idea that problems cross national and local boundaries. In that way, natural and political boundaries are conveniently traversed through treaties, legislation and policy statements, all under the excuse that it is necessary for improvement of the common good.

President Bill Clinton boldly announced a new initiative to “reinvent government.” That reinvention was Commonism. Under Clinton’s direction, the Federal Government began implementing Commonism policy. The promise of the reinvention was that “certain tools, approaches, and strategies...could result in more environmental protection, less economic cost, and ... greater opportunity for the poor and disadvantaged.” The core program of the reinvention, publicly presented as a way to protect the environment, also mysteriously involved itself in racial, economic and equality issues.

This is no accident. It is a tactic of Commonism to meld together a seemingly unconnected array of issues into one cause. It allows the formation of partnerships among a long list of interested parties.

The Clinton Administration explained how these partnerships were to be a first step. “Learning to use new approaches to achieve interrelated goals simultaneously will be an evolutionary process. It needs to build on the strengths and overcome the limitations of current economic and regulatory systems and recognize the interrelationships between economic and environmental policies.” In describing “Intergovernmental Partnerships,” the Administration explained, “Federal, state, and tribal governments need to work together in partnership with local communities to develop place-based strategies that integrate economic development, environmental quality, and social policymaking with broad public involvement.”

In other words, local or state elected officials were no longer considered to be capable of making development decisions

for the community. It was now necessary to expand the process through common consensus of an endless number of private organizations with their own political agendas. In this way the boundaries of government are blurred along with the clear definition of the rule of law.

That then was the new invention of government. Top-down control in partnership with private advocacy groups and international corporations.

The doctrine of Commonism is promoted through a restructured education system where old ideas of schools as centers of academic learning are replaced with systems designed to moderate behavior that will accept the aspects of the new Commonism. The very meaning of Outcome-based Education (OBE) is that students will leave school fully indoctrinated with, and sensitive to, the Commonism agenda.

### THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS

Throughout the doctrine of Commonism one rarely hears use of the words “freedom” or “liberty” as they would pertain to individuals. Instead, one hears much about the need for justice. Economic justice. Environmental justice. Racial justice. Social justice. Rights, too, are important. The rights of the child. The rights of women. The rights of indigenous populations. All of these rights and calls for justice serve a very important purpose; the need for more laws, rules and regulations to enforce them and, since these urgent needs cross international borders, there must be some sort of international power with the ability to keep it all under well-ordered control.

The United Nations’ Millennium Summit held in New York City on 2000, saw the official transfer of the UN from what many perceived as an international organization of sovereign nations to that of a global organization. In the spirit of Commonism, UN power would be switched to an “Assembly of the People,” populated by selected NGO’s, giving international scope and power to partnerships in local communities. The UN Millennium Assembly was the culmination of efforts started in 1974

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### ACTION TO TAKE

Congress is not known for its defense of landowners’ rights, and it loves feel-good “environmental” programs and pork-barrel spending; both attract lots of squeaky wheels.

1. Become a squeaky wheel yourself. Tell your Congressmen that you oppose H.R. 319 and S. 278 because they represent more federal grabs of private property and will only serve to fill the pockets of special interest groups with federal (YOUR) tax dollars. Then tell them a better bill is Roscoe Bartlett’s H.R. 1270 because it better protects private property while honoring the historic events that occurred there.

2. Focus your contact on minority leadership, and your own Representative. Rep. John Boehner is the House Minority Leader. The Minority Leader office number is (202) 225-4000; Rep. Boehner’s regular office number is (202) 225-6205. Sen. Mitch McConnell is the Senate Minority Leader. His office number is (202) 224-2541.

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strong urging of Rep. Wolf) opted to ignore the concerns of Congressman Bartlett and many others.

Congressman Rob Bishop (R-UT), a member of the House Committee on Resources, recently made several excellent points while discussing a similar NHA bill. Rep. Bishop pointed out:

“At a time when the National Park Service is trying to reduce the maintenance backlog at existing park units (estimated at \$3 billion by the GAO in 2003), I question the responsibility of further increasing their burden by creating another National Park.”

“We are often told that we should support heritage areas because they are preferable to designating National Parks (but) we can see clearly that this is not the case. In fact, it would appear that the designation of a heritage area is now the first step to designating another National Park.”

Rep. Wolf’s bill, H.R. 319, is a bad bill. And worse, if it passes, it will significantly grease the skids for a much more dangerous bill, S. 278, the National Heritage Areas Partnership Act, introduced by Senator Craig Thomas (R-WY). Currently in the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, if this bill is enacted, it will establish a permanent NHA program under the National Park Service.

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for a higher share of greenhouse gas emissions than transport. According to the report, livestock account for 9% of anthropogenic CO2 emissions, 37% of methane emissions, 64% of ammonia emissions, and 65% of global nitrous oxide.

The Supreme Court decision suggests that a global warming of significant and dangerous proportions is actually occurring, but that too is wrong. The earth has not warmed significantly since around 1850 when a century of “warming” ended with an increase of just one degree Fahrenheit.

We are going to pay the price for this decision that empowers the Environmental Protection Agency to consider CO2 “a pollutant” worthy of regulation. The court had previously ruled that the EPA is forbidden to consider cost when setting national ambient air quality standards.

The court’s decision also impacts many of the nation’s power plants dependent on inexpensive coal. They are going to have to increase their rates to customers to cover the cost of major renovations. Fully half of the all electricity generated nationwide relies on coal-fired plants.

The twelve, mostly northeastern states that brought the case argued that their air quality was being adversely affected by these plants. According to an Associated Press report, “The states want to reduce the current limit by one or two micrograms of soot allowed per cubic foot of air. The current maximum is 15 micrograms.”

A microgram is one millionth of anything, such as soot, being measured. Their idiotic lawsuit ignores the fact that particulates from as far away as the Sahara desert routinely show up in the U.S. They might as well have sued several African nations.

The 2007 court has given its blessing to the environmental movement’s irrational hatred of all forms of energy that improves our lives. It’s a nasty world in which the environmentalists want us to live.

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# INSIDER'S REPORT

## “HALLOWED GROUND” LAND GRAB IS BACK AND ON FAST TRACK IN CONGRESS

By Kathy Lehman / Editor - APC NewsWire

U.S. Representative Frank Wolf's (R-VA) controversial Journey Through Hallowed Ground National Heritage Area Act is nothing more than private property targeted by environmentalists and the National Park Service for regulation and land acquisition. The proposed National Heritage Area (NHA) does NOT enjoy the broad local support that its supporters claim. Yet it has passed out of committee in both the House and Senate, and could come up for a vote in the Senate at any time.

Rep. Wolf's legislation, H.R. 319, would create a 175-mile long preservation zone, stretching across four states, from central Virginia through West Virginia and Maryland and into southern Pennsylvania. The Act purports to preserve a significant portion of Civil War battlegrounds and increase tourism to the area. But with preservationist groups and the National Park Service directed to create a “management” plan, including an “inventory” of all property in the area that should be targeted for preservation, the NHA would more likely result in strict land use restrictions or outright land acquisition.

“Heritage Areas are permanent units of the National Park Service from their moment of inception,” according to Peyton Knight. Knight is Director of Environmental and Regulatory Affairs for the National Center for Public Policy Research, and arguably the nation's leading expert on National Heritage Areas.

“Heritage Areas are federal land use mandates foisted upon local communities,” Knight said. “Heritage Areas have boundaries, and those boundaries have consequences for property owners unfortunate enough to reside within them.”

When an area becomes an NHA, the Park Service partners with an environmental special interest group to “preserve,” “support,” “conserve,” “protect” and “interpret” anything and everything. Language in H.R. 319 would “promote heritage, cultural and recreational tourism,” “develop educational and cultural programs”,

“recognize and interpret important events and geographic locations”, “recognize and interpret the ... Civil War ... and post-war reconstruction”, and “enhance a cooperative management framework” over every square inch with the NHA boundary. But property rights protections are nowhere to be found.

The original bill contained a “private property protection” section that actually did little to protect property rights. Yet, even that weak protection was then stripped from the bill by the Dems on the House Resources Committee, with Wolf's blessing.

But the real danger comes under the “management entity” having authority to disburse federal moneys to entice state and local governments to create local zoning laws which technically are not part of the heritage area, but the zoning laws are only put in place because of it. It gives them plausible deniability and conditions favorable to their plans for the land.

The bill failed in the last session of Congress. But someone on the Appropriations Committee attached a one million-dollar earmark into the 2005 federal transportation bill to fund (with YOUR tax dollars) the principal lobbying group, the Journey Through Hallowed Ground Foundation.

Congressman Roscoe Bartlett (R-MD) has introduced an alternative bill, H.R. 1270, to address some of the concerns identified in the Wolf bill about rights of landowners, federal overreach and pork-barrel earmarks. The Bartlett bill provides transparency, requiring that property owners be notified, in writing, of any pending Heritage Area designation that would encompass their land. It also would require local governments wishing to participate in the NHA to provide fair market value compensation to property owners in their jurisdiction if their property is devalued as a result of government action. The Wolf bill does not include any of these provisions.

Rather than give Congressman Bartlett's legislation its due consideration, the Democratic majority (at the

by a band of international socialists that sought to stress Common-ism rather than revolutionary Communism.

They called the process social and economic democracy. Democracy is a positive term in the West. However, understanding the use of this word by international socialists is the key to understanding Commonism and today's changed world. To Conservatives, democracy means civil and political decisions made within the framework of a free society and a free market. It means moving from closed elections (or none at all) to free and competitive elections among multiple parties. In the United States, democracy particularly means that defense of individual rights and property is paramount to government dictate.

To the Socialist or Communist, democracy primarily means economic or social equality with or without parliamentary means. To the Socialist, if property, wealth, choice or communication need to be taken from one group in order to create “equality” for another, that is social democracy. In Socialist philosophy, law becomes an instrument to advocate the redistribution and intrusion of rights, riches, privacy and property, under the excuse of economic equality in order to “enforce” a new international economic order.

### COMMISSIONING COMMONISM

During the early and middle part of the Twentieth Century, international Socialist David Multrany pioneered the path to Commonism using the common cause approach to find global “common security” and “common future.” His ideas were fully entrenched in international policy through a series of four UN-sponsored international commissions in the early 1980s.

The four international commissions were led by prominent European international socialists and dealt with the interconnection, integration and “democratization” of economic development, disarmament, environment and communications.

In 1980, West German Chancellor Willy Brandt chaired the commission on international development. The Commission report, entitled “North-South: A program for Survival,” said: *“World development is not merely an economic process, [it] involves a profound transformation of the entire economic and social structure...not only the idea of economic betterment, but also of greater human dignity, security, justice and equality...The Commission realizes that mankind has to develop a concept of a ‘single community’ to develop global order.”*

Also in 1980, Sean MacBride, a recipient of the Lenin Peace Prize, headed up a commission on international communications, which issued a report entitled, “Many Voices, One World: Towards A New, More Just And More Efficient World Information And Communication Order.” The Commission, which included the head of the Soviet news agency, TASS, believed that a “New World Information Order” was prerequisite to a new world economic order. The report was a blueprint for controlling the media, even suggesting that international journalists be licensed.

In 1982, Olof Palme, the man who single-handedly returned socialism to Sweden, served as chairman of the Independent Commission on Disarmament and Security Issues. His report, entitled “Common Security: A Blueprint for Survival,” said: *“All States have the duty to promote the achievement of general and complete disarmament under effective international control...”* The report went on to call for money that is saved for disarmament to be used to pay for social programs. The Commission proposed a strategic shift from “collective security,” such as the alliances like NATO, to one of “common security” through the United Nations.

Finally, in 1987, came the granddaddy commission of them all, The Brundtland Commission on Environment and Development. Headed by Gro Harlem

Brundtland, Vice President of the World Socialist Party, the commission introduced the concept of “Sustainable Development.” For the first time the environment was tied to the tried and true Socialist goals of international redistribution of wealth. Said the report, *“Poverty is a major cause and effect of global environmental problems. It is therefore futile to attempt to deal with environmental problems without a broader perspective that encompasses the factors underlying world poverty and international inequality.”*

These four commissions laid the groundwork for the Common-ism agenda. A controlled media would dictate the flow of information and ideas and prevent dissent. Control of international development manages and redistributes wealth. Full disarmament puts the power structure into the hands of those with armaments. And tying environmentalism to poverty and economic development brings the entire socialist agenda to the level of an international emergency.

One world, one media, one authority for development, one source of wealth. One international army. The construction of a “just society” with political and social equality rather than a free society with the individual as the sole possessor of rights. It's all wrapped up in nothing more than Orwellian single-think and double-talk. Exclusive and universal power in the newly reformed United Nations. Welcome to the world of Common-ism.

### A NEW AMERICA IN THE NEW GLOBAL ORDER

In the wake of the euphoria following the fall of the Soviet Union and the Berlin Wall, socialists wasted little time implementing their plans. The former Soviet Empire gave birth to a hoard of Socialist democracies. Western Europe fell in line, discarding once-proud sovereign nations, and forming the European Union with its common regulations, common currency and common Socialist agenda.

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## ABSOLUTES....!

...THESE THINGS REALLY ARE HAPPENING!

## The Global Warming Debate: As the skeptics score points, the political climate starts to change

By Tom DeWeese

With great fanfare, in March, Al Gore took Capitol Hill like a conquering hero as he testified on Global Warming before both houses of Congress. Fresh from conquests at the Academy Awards where his adoring Hollywood elites showered him with coveted golden statues for spreading their favorite propaganda, Gore was determined to turn his personal conquest into draconian federal law and ultimate human misery.

Gore's words to Congress were predictable. The earth is warming. The polar ice caps are melting. Polar bears are on the run. And it's man's fault. Solution? Ban or control human activities. The mantra of the religion of Global Warming is getting a little boring. It's quite possible, however, that Gore's appearance on the Hill actually represents the beginning of the end of his influence on climate policy rather than the start of a legislative tsunami.

Why? Because even after the Global Warming storm troopers, armed with billions of dollars, the backing of the Hollywood elite, the news media and most of academia have done everything possible to threaten, bully and force their one-sided propaganda on us, the so-called global warming skeptics seem to be coming out of their hiding places in ever greater numbers. The debate is now taking a dramatic change. As the skeptic side is heard, more Americans are beginning to understand that there are legitimate reasons for skepticism. Here are just a few of the latest developments.

**Item:** Just days before Gore's charge up Capitol Hill, a high profile climate debate between prominent scientists ended with global warming skeptics being voted the clear winner. Before the start of the debate, held in New York City, the audience polled 57.3% to 29.9% in favor of believing that Global Warming was a crisis. But following the debate the numbers completely flipped to 46.2% to 42.2% in favor of the skeptical point of view. Conclusion -- when people hear both sides they can easily judge for themselves what is truth.

**Item:** On March 13, The New York Times, one of the most adamant promoters of the Global Warming gospel, published a landmark article stating "scientists argue that some of (former Vice President Al) Gore's central points are exaggerated and erroneous."

**Item:** French scientist Claude Allegre, a prominent French Socialist and supporter of Global Warming dogma, recanted his belief in man-made catastrophic global warming and now says promotion of the idea is motivated by money.

**Item:** One of Israel's top young scientists, Nir Shaviv, recently

reversed his opinion, declaring that the link between emissions and climate variability has nothing more than "circumstantial evidence."

**Item:** The United Kingdom's famed environmental activist David Bellamy also recently converted to skepticism, as did Meteorologist Reid Bryson, who has switched from the 1970's global cooling scare to a global warming skeptic.

**Item:** A report by the Heartland Institute, entitled "What Climate Scientists Really Say About Global Warming," exposes the weakness of the "consensus" claims of Global Warming shock troops. To reach its findings the report examined two surveys conducted among climate scientists; the first in 1996, and the second in 2003. Both surveys confirm scientists are divided on the issue. Says the report --

- More climate scientist "strongly disagree" than "strongly agree" with the notion that climate change is caused by humans.
- Most climate scientists do not believe "the current state of knowledge is able to provide reasonable predictions of climate variability" over 100-year periods.
- Only 2 percent of climate scientists surveyed "strongly agree" that modeling programs designed to predict climate changes are accurate, and
- Almost all climate scientists agree that climate change could have "positive effects for some societies."

**Item:** After Global Warming propagandists rushed to declare that the UN's Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) report proved conclusively that Global Warming was caused by human action, (a report by the way that won't be released until May) the just released summary predicts less global warming than was forecast by previous IPCC reports.

**Item:** New research by international scientists is revealing that the sun has been a major driver of climate variability. Solar specialist Henrik Svensmark of the Danish National Space Center explained "We have the highest solar activity we have had in at least 1,000 years."

As Senator James Inhofe (R-OK) sums it up, "The usual suspects will still insist that there is a 'consensus' of scientists who agree with Gore. And yes, many governing boards and spokesmen of science institutions must toe the politically correct line of Gore-inspired science, but rank and file scientists are now openly rebelling.

As real debate finally forces fact over headline-making one liners, the truth will become ever more inconvenient to Al Gore and his Global Warming zealots.



It seems government will go to any measure to sell bad policy. Case in point these billboards that are springing up all over Texas to sell the folks on the virtues of the Trans-Texas Corridor. "Less Traffic, Faster Emergency Evacuations and More Jobs." Who could be against that? Of course the State conveniently leaves out the part about 580,000 acres of private land that will be taken by eminent domain to build it. Also left out is the fact that the Corridor is being built by a foreign company with a 50 year lease and a no-compete clause that prevents the State from upgrading other highways located close by. And more jobs? From where? The Teamsters and the Longshoremen hear a great sucking sound as their jobs go south of the border. It's great when government represents its own people, isn't it? Thanks to *Parmenio Iglesias of San Antonio for providing the pictures.*

### Dawn of the Era... (Cont'd from Pg. 3)

Today, in the United States the agenda is moving forward faster than any Socialist could ever have hoped. Of course the effort was greatly advanced under President Clinton's Executive order pen as he began the full implementation of Commonism as official U.S. policy. That brought the United States into much closer compliance with the UN's Agenda 21 agreement, first signed by former President George H.W. Bush in 1992.

Republicans too, have embraced the agenda, all the while proclaiming the Commonism brand of free trade as the vision of our founding fathers. Even after the Republicans gained control of the Congress, Speaker-to-be Newt Gingrich agreed that the lame-duck 103<sup>rd</sup> Democrat-controlled Congress should reconvene to pass the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA).

Many freedom-loving libertarians have argued that NAFTA is about free enterprise and universal global liberty. Yet a comparison of the NAFTA document show it to be literally indistinguishable from the agenda outlined in the Brandt and Brundland Commission reports from the 1980's. Meanwhile, most Republicans continue to dismiss the United Nations and its policies of global governance and Commonism as no threat to U.S. sovereignty.

It seems the soothing positive-sounding double speak of Commonism lulls them to a peaceful sleep. Only a radical, they say, could oppose world-wide democracy and free trade.

However, the noose continues to tighten

as three elements are now being promoted for an American union similar to the European Union. First are efforts to harmonize diplomatic relations in the North American countries of Canada, Mexico and the United States. Second are steps to homogenize economic relations into a North American trade agreement. Third is a strategy to dilute traditional concepts of the rule of law, which protect individuals and property. A new system would "humanize" or democratize the Americas, in which such things as property and liberty are not automatically protected, but rather decided by a majority.

The effort to create a North American Union took a huge step forward in March, 2005, when President George Bush, Mexican President Vicente Fox and Canadian Prime Minister Paul Martin signed an agreement to create common policies concerning various economic and security areas among the three nations. The agreement, called the Security and Prosperity Partnership (SPP), authorized the creation of twenty tri-national working groups to establish policies leading to a European-style Union.

The blueprint being used to formulate the Union in undeniably a book written by Robert Pastor entitled "Building a North American Community." Dr. Pastor, one of the architects of the Panama Canal Giveaway in the 1970's, has argued that "Countries are benefited when they changed these (national sovereignty) policies, and evidence suggests that North Americans are ready for a new relationship that renders this old definition

of sovereignty obsolete."

Once such a union is established and has the full faith and credit backing of the U.S. government and commercial banks, the United States will certainly be less free or independent to act according to its national interests. As the United States forfeits its national sovereignty to the Union, Mexico and Canada will grow more determined to ensure the redistribution of wealth and power between the three nation states, and more within the commonwealth of North America.

The Socialists' dream of a "Global Commons" is quickly nearing completion. Yet Americans, about to lose their national sovereignty, remain surprisingly ignorant to that fact. The policies are being implemented all around them, by every department of the federal government, by every state government, by every county commission and by every city council in the nation. Yet no alarms are sounding. Politicians never mention it on the campaign trail. Certainly no vote has been taken by the American people.

How is it being done? Step by step, town by town across the country, through the policies of community development, historic preservation, environmental protection, and school restructuring. The root of such policies are not locally created, rather they come from a central plan; a blueprint from an international agreement called Agenda 21. It works under many names including Commonism, the Third Way, and the most widely used -- Sustainable Development.

