

Greetings from Tyler,

A president has already been elected and confirmed to head the newly constituted European Union and given something of an acceptance speech. He is the Herman van Rompuy, Prime Minister of Belgium and is ready to assume the office of President of the new EU which he claims heralds a new era of global management. Consider his own words, quoted from his appearance broadcast by the BBC yesterday, Nov. 19. "2009 is also the first year of global governance with the establishment of the G-20 in the middle of financial crisis. The climate conference in Copenhagen is another step towards the global management of our planet." (Emphasis added)

There you have it. It appears that a combination of financial crisis and artificially induced panic over global warming have been the excuses cited for all the nations of Europe to cede their national sovereignties to the new European super state.

Earlier in his little speech he cited "the big questions of the European project. I'm thinking more specifically of the economic and social agenda, and this is a particularly urgent matter because of the environmental and energy challenges we face." He goes on to talk of living amid a difficult period of anxiety due to economic worries and "climate crisis which threatens our very survival."

All the nations of Europe have been browbeaten into giving over their leadership to a central government not only on the basis of economic trouble, but also on the basis that our survival is threatened by climate crisis! European politicians have been beating the "climate crisis" drum for years, and with the worldwide economic crisis instigated primarily by Washington's attempts to achieve "social justice" in the housing market, Europe will begin to operate as a single financial, political (and potential military) entity on the world stage.

Will the United States also give up its national sovereignty to the EU as it takes on "global management of our planet"? Who could be surprised, given the backgrounds and beliefs of so many in high offices who obviously despise our unique freedoms and prosperity? Freedom and prosperity is already under threat here in the United States from a group of politicians preaching exactly the same themes as the new EU President; economic/social justice and climate crisis. Those themes are the basis for the enormously complicated (2000 pages and more) "bills" or laws pending before the legislative branches.

Garner Ted Armstrong occasionally speculated that Europe might unite as the result of economic crisis, and he was right on the money. But who knew that "global warming" would be the excuse to give some world body enforcement powers over energy usage and taxation, particularly here in the formerly freedom loving bastion of the U.S.A.?

If the current political/media agenda succeeds, our very own central government will have taken control of nearly every aspect of private finance, industry, everything to do with insurance, pharmaceuticals, doctors and hospitals, energy production and usage... What will be left which government bureaucrats won't control?

We're living in a period of historic and prophetically important upheaval, and there is more on the horizon. Who would have believed that our government would bankrupt the United States to prop up financial institutions deemed "too big to fail"? Who would have thought that we would plunge the nation into ruinous long-term debt in the interests of government-run healthcare? The themes of social justice and "saving the planet" have taken hold as the new conventional wisdom, and apparently our Constitution that prospered and sustained our nation well beyond anything in world history can now be distorted or ignored in the interests of the new politically correct

religious doctrines.

You already know the incredibly dangerous situation with Iran, Israel and the Middle East. We're aware that Pakistan is in danger from not only the Taliban, but also from radical elements in its own military. Given the nuclear arsenal at stake, it would be hard to overstate the seriousness of that situation. But you may not have heard that the UN's IAEA is convinced that Syria is also operating at least two secret nuclear facilities. This, you can be sure, has not escaped Israel's attention. The world is in for a wild ride. This is a time for serious introspection. It's a time of preparation, physically and spiritually for events we hoped we wouldn't live to see.

The Garner Ted Armstrong program this week brought 429 requests with one hundred eighty nine first time contacts. Let's enjoy our Sabbath, and pray that we and our progeny be spared the ignominy of "global management" by these politicians so arrogant as to pretend they can "save the planet." Only God can do that, but it won't have anything to do with our carbon footprint!

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