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Unwanted comments on a selection of darker issues

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A brief introduction

This is a collection of highly unwanted articles / essays published between 2000 and 2006. Times have been passing by like a sandstorm since 2000, and due to the unexpected responses to this collection I felt the need to produce a printable version in book format.¹

Here it is.

The essays cover a broad variety of issues that tend to never show up in the media, at least not in the way they really are. Good luck or bad luck (this is a matter of perspective) the internet provided and provides a useful tool to publish a lot of material that no one would have ever seen, sometimes useless, sometimes particularly interesting. After the printing press got introduced the inquisition remained quite inactive – the printed books were in particular bibles and related texts. Immediately after some people began to print their rather personal views on the issues of that time, the fist book seizures began....

.....sometimes one has to wonder whether times have changed so much. And, in particular, the internet has more wide-ranging effects than the printing press, to put it mildly.

It can be argued that due to a (regionally different) monopolization of news and related media there is a parallel world created in a laboratory, a soap opera version of the real world that serves the needs of tired and worn out TV – addicts that expect relief and comfort after they got home from work, and a confirmation that they are the chosen members of a superior race. Censorship in this context can be viewed a a filtering machine – in favor of those who run the government, that is. So, there was the printing press in the middle ages, and very soon followed the inquisition. And then there was the internet, followed by ECHELON, and government-sponsored gateway filters that cut out the unwanted data bits.

If you get into the matter of advertsing you will find that e. g. the marketing of politicians resembles the marketing of washing powder quite a bit. It even became more important to emphasize on the marketability rather than concrete results. Good politics is what sells – on TV.

In a next step the (virtual) media world can be expected to take over the real one. We face the phenomenon of – say – fabricated history. Versions of reality

¹ Please note that the downloadable version is not printable. To get it printed in a hardcover, you will be asked to pay a moderate license fee.

produced in a studio become commonly accepted realities, despite the fact that they are a virtual theater play, and e. g. enter courtrooms being defined as evidence.

The gap between the soap opera world and the real one has – in my view, but I am certainly not alone - become wider and wider. In cases there is an almost black & white contrast.

Then the believable real became (officially) the unbelievable unreal.

Remember that soap operas tend to blow up like a soap bubble once it gets too windy.

To illustrate this state of being I used a few techniques that appear to be worth a few explanatory notes. The wonderworld of conspiracy theories for example consists of facts – sold as conspiracy theory stuff. Everything is recorded, and not only once, but in many places. In the case of my favorite murder I seized a short story, grabbed the framework and the underlying pattern, and filled it with (today's) facts. The real world all of a sudden looked more bizarre than fiction, but almost no one noticed so far. The last flight is, as indicated, fictitious, but this, in a strange way, is a bit unbelievable. In the end I moved to straightforward facts presented as such....Still, even the worst sarcastic satirical product does not match the real chaos happening day by day, so describing the real thing you leave anything sold as a satire or a black comedy far behind.

The current version contains a few modifications, explanations and comments, and I found it quite interesting to verify the content after – in some cases – half a decade.

Another interesting project would be a collection of mere facts – sold as a black comedy to be believed. Or a sci – fi adventure like Dark Star.

Let's see....

Arne Rathjen, August 2006

**Dr. Deranged or why you better love
the government**

We live in a global village. We are getting closer to each other day by day. Circumstances become transparent. We are visible, and especially for the government, which tends to remain invisible when the power question is raised.

One of the most interesting aspects of psychology is the fact that once somebody fights his opponent a long time, both parties of the conflict become more similar to each other. The former commie bloc became a highly capitalist environment, with a bunch of former commies on top that would have delighted any 19th - century industrialist. On the other side of the former iron curtain, the structures and mechanics of the commie secret police system became one of the dominating elements in the western security apparatus, still not the commie ideology in particular. It remains unclear what the ideological driving force is....is it the quest for profit or absolute power ?

In a world without privacy, or, better, in a world with a lack of efficient measures that preserve privacy the question is: Who loses privacy rights as a matter of fact and can be labeled as morally doubtful ? Who can get drawn into a scandal for being morally or sexually unfit ? Who may suffer from endless investigations, literally annihilating privacy and leaving a stone - age - type scenario behind ? In these good old times privacy was not existent, and everyone noticed others' delights in the cave. Obviously the spying out of private lives is a political measure used to destroy one's enemies.

Who used it and uses it ?

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The commie secret police used this measure extensively. The Nazis used it. Expensive and long - lasting investigations to find something that could be used to produce a scandal were not really familiar within the ancient monarchy, strange enough. Once a scandal got coincidentally discovered consequences were taken, but the typical element of nowadays democrats is to look for something that can be used, and even spend enormous amounts on that. Nixon and friends do have a reputation related to privacy rights...

This style of removal was in fact introduced by commie and fascist dictatorships, and could similarly be observed during the good old times of the holy inquisition in the 14th - 17th century, when entire countries were emptied.

It was not really typical for the Roman empire, not for the early middle ages, and certainly not in the later days of European monarchies (especially the 18th century has a reputation for being very permissive, even by today's "superfree and supertolerant standards " - maybe standards that function exclusively as a PR - measure).

Well, the present " western " security system is based on the fascist and commie secret police. What they are looking for is unpleasant ideas, and not subversive deeds. At least, producing ideologically doubtful ideas may cause trouble, while it is no longer possible to predict what Big Brother regards as subversive. We do face a security system unprecedented in history that does not have the ability to define where the enemy is located. Only choice: Keep your mouth shut and stay out of politics - something that happens on a broadscale level in so called democracies.

Logically, the handling of sexual affairs in politics resembles that of former dictatorships quite a bit.

Who may become a target ? Those politically harmful for the ruling class, or the establishment, or our postmodern aristocrats. Not those morally questionable. No, the worst piggy being politically acceptable may stay in power or elsewhere. A holy monk being politically incorrect can be removed for being a perverted crook, or plainly one with a functioning marriage removed because of his sexual malfunctions.

Definition: Politically harmful for the establishment = morally inferior or perverted or insane.

Measures: Complete loss of privacy (this in itself is cruel, and in cases deadly enough), constant leakage of private details to press organs (integrated into the security system). Definition of opponent politically undesirable as inferior in moral or sexual terms.

The psycho - logic behind it: Those on the lowest part of the social ladder are people mentally or sexually deranged, worse than normal criminals. Say, the worst scum is not the criminal bandit coldly acting but the freak that gets crazy or a bit oversexed.

And: For commies and fascists the opponent is by definition the worst scum ever created. And for quite a few of today´s superdemocrats influenced by them. So the political opponent - if dangerous enough - becomes some decrepit scum almost automatically.

Moral standards are foggy, that is, and so are psychological standards. It became a matter of politics, not morals who can be defined as morally inferior.

Be a pro - government activist, in easy words, and f*(selfcensored...) around as you like, be an anti - government activist and automatically defined as some hyperneurotic with a distasteful sexual behaviour. Be an obedient servant of the governor, and maintain your

homosexual freak behaviour, unpublished, dislike him, be dangerous, and become a piggy.

Even Pentagon officials were not fired by Bush because of homosexual orientation, but Clinton, being relatively moderate, got problems for a few j*(selfcensored...) sessions. Hoover's peculiar activities were leaked long after the f*(selfcensored....) died.

If nothing is found, operations can be used to destroy relationships, f### &§ marriages, and produce neurotics that can be labeled as such in order to produce the desired defamatory effect - in the former commie bloc, and in western superdemocracies. Nixon's way: Just grab what you can get and use it somehow seems to have become a commonly used strategy.

The famous case of the priest swimming naked in an east german lake in the seventies, and GDR secret police putting a photograph of this on the church's entrance he worked in was gladly copied by western sec. bureaucrats, or even vice versa....

Of course, destroying marriages and relationships by various measures is a standard instrument of today's GDR heirs. This creates the desired piggy, the desired neurotic and so on, being the lowest s### imaginable.

Make people more politically disciplined by using subtle castration threats is the logic behind it. Message behind the public removal of moral bandits: Keep yer mouth shut, be politically correct and screw¹ around happily . Open your mouth, do something unpleasant for the establishment, and lose it, and find yourself on the front page of some newspaper.

¹ I was not really sure whether to selfcensor this or not, so „screw“ stayed there. Still I hope that this text will not be handed over to people below 25 years of age.

Well, the underlying threat for anyone in politics is close to a castration threat, because the loss of privacy as a form of punishment for being politically incorrect also means the loss of your sex life, totally or partly. Modern video surveillance equipment adds to the fun, enabling our freedom voyeurs to create their personal bedroom movies, in cases for personal or commercial use. The disadvantage of this castration threat measure is, funny enough, its effects on the establishment and its helpers and servants. The opponent is plainly terrorized, the establishment helper is disciplined and will not say a single word against his FÜHRER, and the rest scared without really knowing why - because in theory there is freedom of speech etc.. In reality you better watch out.

But this causes paranoia in the true clinical sense in the heads of those disciplined, and murderous rage on the enemies' side.

The arranged setups, hassles & harassments are enforced by people that had to be traumatized in order to be able to run that sort of thing; these traumatized folks traumatize others, many of them plainly environmental activists, trade unionists, journalists, lawyers and lots of others who function as a commie substitute to keep jobs for the intelligence community.

It creates a caste of destructive security weirdos also - running chaos operations, and everything into chaos - proved by history, thank you. And enemies that lose the slightest respect....treated as rats they may feel the need to slash back, and forget about moral & legal barriers. And a population totally uninterested in politics in terms of political action. Why is politics commonly defined as s^{ooo}?

Well, wonder. Still: Facing the rests of the Berlin wall it can be questioned why the hell² does the government broadly imitate methods of a decadent system that vanished ?

² This did not get censored.

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And: The paranoid produces results that resemble his paranoia, putting it into reality. This becomes evident when fictitious enemies are created, real ones forgotten about, and operations end up with distressed congressmen trying to find some explanation for the amounts of money that disappeared.

So (commie) GDR secret police became a capitalist new east German elite, very rich and proud of it. Workers, well, better not mention.

Former western democracies are on their way to become cages. Who won the cold war ? Who paid for it ?

Their fascist counterparts in the thirties certainly knew what castration threats are. Traditionally used to combat masturbation with no success, thereby creating a bunch of paranoid weirdos, its terrorizing effects were used in politics later.

What lags behind Billieboy's j* dilemma ?

The disclosure of the " royal " family's privacy and the (intentional ?) removal of Diana, the queen of hearts, not c*s, fits in the pattern. Was she happy with being - in her own words - the most expensive prostitute in the world ?

It should be remembered that neither KGB or allies did reach their goal, preserving the commie bloc. The decadence is visible....where to put their western counterparts broadly acting on the same level, remains a question.

ANNEX: Recommended links for further reading

A few reports produced for the European Parliament about usage & abuses & potential malfunctions of present state-of-the-art control technology). It is argued here that anything mentioned will be used to the furthest possible extent, due to inefficient control measures. European Human Rights' Court decisions can be quoted that label the present control regime a " perverted inquisition " and the STOA report on mechanisms of political control directly compares the " western " security apparatus with former east german STASI, its secret police , which probably was not the objective of the post cold war regime...or was it ?

[STOA report, An Appraisal of Technologies of Political Control, by Steven Wright, Omega Foundation, December 1997](#)

[Volume 4/5: "The legality of the interception of electronic communications: A concise survey of the principal legal issues and instruments under international, European and national law," by Prof. Chris Elliott:](#)

**Heading for perfect murder - just
another SciFi drama ?**

Traditional psychologists view the issue of ESP as some kind of dreamy confusion emerging from irritated minds of pseudo - scientists suffering from various diseases.

However, equalling every ESP researcher with a lunatic, is in itself scientifically intolerable. It can be held as proved that ESP - related phenomena DO occur, certain aspects are subject to closer scientific investigation, and the scenery clears up a little. Read Zimbardo's book on psychology for beginners (the ESP - related chapter), and face the perspective of ESP being treated as an existent phenomenon.

You'll learn that certain meditation techniques enlarge potentials, that the usage of hallucinogenic drugs does so, and so on.

Modern physics has already left the traditional view of a split world divided into matter and spirit behind, as well as the view of the world being entirely composed of matter with no spiritual quality in it.

Sheldrake has invested some time in researching paranormal phenomena, and concluded that they do not only exist, but do so on a scale that was not held imaginable in earlier ages. For example: People notice when they are watched - even from behind without (direct) sensory perception of the viewer. Scientists may produce expected results not just because some self - fulfilling prophecy is in function but because their mind - orientation drives people and objects into certain directions.

Yeh, believe it. People engaged in, say, psychological or behavioural experiments may act in a certain way *because the scientist evaluating the scenario expects them to do certain things*, or even wants his theory proved, wants people to act in a certain fashion and – they submit, or better, they are driven into statistically significant behavioural patterns.³

It is known, for example, that pupils regarded as stupid later produce less accurate results than those viewed as highly talented and intelligent from the beginning. Being labeled as intelligent they suddenly improve. Teachers can talk people down towards imbecility, and even the most intelligent are often regarded as silly - having to leave schools.

Or, opinions may easily be shaped by sub - groups representing the majority in a group, even if the view of the majority (or the sub – group) is obviously false.

Within Milgram's organizational pattern people even torture others to death - simply because a scientific authority tells them to do so, *without* any personal profit derived from that.

This raises the question if it is possible to manipulate a person's behaviour by ESP means instead of using conventional methods of social control extensively researched and analyzed. Also, there may be an ESP aspect behind the quoted phenomena. Behaviour of people may be modified because someone drives them into a certain direction by his willpower.

Is this possible ?

³ Therefore scientific experiments have the typical tendency of producing what the scientist expects or wants to happen, while the evaluated data still may be completely accurate. So there are even double-double-blind experiments, while the evaluating personnel does not even know what the object of scientific focus was.

Mystery freaks may refer to Fritz Langs early B & W movies and point their finger at the various victims of the infamous Dr. Mabuse, who managed to run precisely that.

So, head for the Berlin cinema museum⁴, and take a look (they show it regularly how Mabuse fools both poker players and a prosecutor by telepathically ordering them to commit mistakes, thereby raising some money in Berlin´s shadowy casinos in the twenties).

But you do not have to be a mystery freak.

There is some extensive research on the issue within the military industrial complex. This seems to be logical, because the exploitation of ESP - phenomena does have military value. Possible applications are widespread.

Machinery may be manipulated by psychokinesis, computers may crash. Planes may crash if their internal electronic devices do not function. The control of another person´s willpower is not just attractive for tyrants and sadists of various kinds, but also for military staff.

E. g. highly risky and (almost or not almost)self – destructive operations can be managed better if some conditioning of the suicidal hero is enforced. The Manchurian candidate - a Kamikaze assassin being hypnotically manipulated, brainwashed and used, is a REAL nightmare for every security expert, for security systems rely more on the prospect that the killer will get caught after the act, and less on the virtual invincibility of the person to be protected.

People can be manipulated to commit self - destructive acts, e. g. committing violent crimes while running demonstrations. Or throwing molotov - cocktails at others. One aspect of governmental mind control. This may be used against them, and violence makes resistance illegal, mostly.

⁴ And get lost somewhere, because it is closed now (2006).

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Heading for perfect murder you could argue that it may be possible to force someone of undesirable quality into self - destruction - using the well - known conventional means, that is, or maybe even using ESP.

Stated that control of the willpower (not the intellect) of a person is possible via ESP it even may be used to, say, make someone cross the road while the red light is on - BANG !

Prove that exactly this happened. Ever heard of a case like this ?

No....

... it must have come out of a mystery freak's acid head.

A notable scientist called Estabrooks claimed he could hypnotize people without their consent. And: They could be driven into acts they would not tolerate - if some acceptable justification is produced.

What is required to control another person's willpower ?

Higher energy level of the controller than that of the object (refer to this as an object, because the person's status is that of a plaything).

By: Enhancing the capabilities of the controller, e. g. by using certain meditation or similar techniques, on the other side reducing the object's capability to resist (e. g. by using conventional methods of brainwashing, deprivation, and the like).

The process of getting there may be unpleasant for the object - the more of its personality lasts, the worse for the controller. It is not really nice to reduce one's personality to some mumblejumble, or pudding you can move in one direction or another. Still, the usage of Kamikaze assassins proves that it is possible to go that far.

They can be stuffed with pseudo - religious material and may believe they will reach heaven after the deed is done.

To reduce fear of death and pain (still there despite the luminous perspective of paradise ahead), heavy doses of pharmaceuticals may be used (the Arab way). They may undergo ferocious treatment in a lunatic asylum, with a controller that sophisticatedly exploits emotional deficits, e. g. functioning as a parent substitute and lover all at once, creating heavy dependencies of the object, using hypnosis additionally, and the like (more European).

Another aspect is systematic abuse in sexual terms to create a split personality for cover purposes. Wonderful source of pleasure for contemporary secret service heroes. Be sure, that drives them wild.

Still, all this is not yet a perfect murder scenario.

Hypnotized Kamikaze objects may be used to recall memories of conditioning sessions.⁵ Drugged objects may fail, and testify. And so forth.

The desire for running a perfect murder may lead to the conclusion that it may be better to use ESP means. This cannot be proved till now. And: How to prove a scenario that is scientifically impossible in official terms ? Another aspect of perfection may be that it is possible to provoke suicidal acts by using ESP means, alongside with heavy conditioning or deprivation techniques. This would be perfect. The arrangement generated would look as some fatal accident, if e. g. someone is forced to jump out of the window or use lethal amounts of drugs, or do something similar. Legally invincible, and providing the controller with an imagination of absolute superiority over the opponent, thereby feeling invincible or superb in other ways (ideal for paranoid people that constantly fear they are losing control). And: Paranoia and reality co - exist.

⁵ So far, this has not taken place after the deed was done, but – who knows ?

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Other aspects using ESP would be less horrible. You could black out your opponent in a public discussion and make him talk bull^{ooo} all the time. You may make him give you his money (Mabuse). Or engage in sexual activities less appreciated. You could defend yourself by paralyzing the opponent temporarily, or remove him thereby.

Many people have tyrannic elements in their personality. Others willingly submit completely....

But how to provoke one's suicide and thereby create a perfect murder ?

In the first phase it is required to remove resistance. Put the object in a state of disorientation and fear, and allow it to get relief from your hands, that is. Produce an emotional situation of wanting to submit - seemingly for the object's profit. Provide it with the necessary emotional safety, trust etc.. Link relief with the prospect of removal of emotional deficits.

Make it dependent on you emotionally, maybe economically. And make it grateful under this aspect. The less stable the object is, the better. A dissolved personality consisting of various parts may be helpful.

Social ties are unwanted: Removal.

Deprivation plus controlled relief by the controller could also add to the fun. Providing the object with sexual satisfaction otherwise not available is another means. For operational use, this can be utilized in various ways:

Committing risky or even suicidal attacks or deeds others would never commit if provided with a clear consciousness, and gathering profit.

Spying out places, or smuggling drugs, or making dirty porno movies of the heavy kind. Subversives fully conditioned could be used to break up entire communities

by fucking them up in a frantic violence orgy. ESP could add productive aspects to conventional means within this strategy.

The logic is clear: Getting caught with a load of drugs is less risky for the controller if the object does not remember anything. Porn movies could be made in a more sleazy fashion. Also the controller may feel personally satisfied with the amount of power he (she) has.

For spies it is better to not remember anything, and sometimes run heavily risky businesses, at least from the controllers' point of view. For the spy himself it may be better to remember a lot, using his knowledge to negotiate if caught. The spy without knowledge is useless, and therefore subject to criminal prosecution. Or worse.

ESP may be helpful in running discreet maneuvers. You could communicate without paperstuff, and without being recorded or filmed. Seemingly ESP capabilities have developed more intensively in totalitarian environments, such as the former commie bloc, and therefore phenomena occur on a broader level than in the precious free west. The need to communicate without being taped all the time and evaluated by some totalitarian bureaucrat - this scenario being dangerous in itself for the lack of predictability - could have produced unconventional abilities in the communication sector. ESP abilities are often linked with existential crises of any kind - natural catastrophes, wars and so on. It can be argued that the need to do so in nowadays' democracy is almost equal to that in commie places, leading to a massive increase in paranormal phenomena used as a discreet communication device. Phones and computers are certainly by no means discreet, and the secret service both unpredictable and deadly. Orwell's system would not function when these communication channels are opened, and the fact that it is entirely deadly if used enlarges the need to expand the mind drastically.

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Being invisible for the government is as necessary for survival as being invisible for lions in a jungle...they may eat you.

Also, the current lack of privacy counteracts a billion - year - old genetically fixed scheme of desiring to be alone sometimes, and kept away from the cold and wild animals.⁶

Where is the moral difference between a modern government and wild animals that crash into your place and rob everything they can get ?

Stated that ESP is helpful against the government or at least helpful in surviving it, the government itself may use it.

ESP used as a channel to communicate may be helpful in giving orders to people that commit criminal acts, killers for example. Suggest to a Kamikaze object that when a certain signal arises in his head, he must kill A or B, otherwise the controller will exercise severe punishment or withdraw emotional rescue, and vice versa, that the deed will represent just the desired ideals of the object = BANG !

This requires previous conditioning sessions (maybe using hypnosis) and an ESP signal when the deed is to be done. It is also possible to use radio signals, but these can be intercepted.

**DO NOT LOSE YOUR HEAD ! WHERE ARE YOU ?
WHAT HAVE YOU GOT IN YOUR HEAD ?**

⁶ As you know, the genes of human creatures contain much, if not most of the genetic codes developed in less advanced organisms.

Your thoughts may be someone else's, this is for sure. You may not be the author of what you do, either.

It is argued that ESP is already being used by governments' mind controllers - to combat subversives, that is, or other purposes, like transmitting infos without being intercepted by the current mass of spies that exist. If results of an experiment can be manipulated by the expectation / willpower of the scientist that runs it, modifying behavioural patterns, it should be possible to channel energies. This requires enhanced knowledge of the controller, and reduced will to resist of the object, plus some increased sensitivity relating to ESP plus reduced awareness.

Receiving orders: Why does a soccer player hit a certain target exactly without being able to use his senses and intellect to coordinate the process ? It seems that concentrating intensively enough on the target in a mood of relaxed and complete awareness is enough, and move the ball via ESP channels.

The human mind is a strange thing. Yoga freaks spend a week in ice - cold water and move out with a smile on their face. Marketing companies do courses on how to walk on burning coal with bare feet - this to show their employees how much their will can do. Then they tell them how to raise money....thus producing a highly profitable enterprise - for the controllers, that is, not for the customers.

What a human head may do. If you can walk on that hot stuff, probably you can do other stuff.

Simply: Concentration can produce physical results by itself.

The human nervous system constantly produces electrical currents, fields, and structures that vary from situation to situation. Every nervous system could be compared to a

computer system processing data, using electrical signals in certain patterns to transmit messages.

Fields around a computer can be intercepted - you can read computer screens from a distance of a kilometer without being present. And they can be manipulated.

The nervous system functions on a very low energy level with minimal currents, but still, they do exist. If they get modified, behaviour is getting modified. Body functions get modified. And: Low - energy fields can be manipulated easily if you know how.

You can enlarge this energy by using yoga techniques. You can drive down your body temperature and your heart beat temporarily to enable you to survive a week in ice - cold water. Could you cause a headache ? Or increased blood pressure ? The Soviets experimented with frogs, attempting to stop a frog's heartbeat over a distance of 500 km by ESP. If you can stop your own, or reduce it, why not someone else's ?

What remains a bit unclear is the way of transmitting some superior energy to another field, and move it in a precisely defined direction.

WHERE IS YOUR HEAD ? GONE ?

How far does this influence go ? Or do we move within some undefined dimension where time and space do not count ?

The latter hypothesis would enable you to communicate without space barriers, and even maybe through time levels.

If ESP is limited to the influence, say, of electrical currents within nervous systems, it should decrease when a greater

distance is reached, making it possible to manipulate people close by, but not in Sidney while you are in London.

This is not really scientifically elaborated. Regarding the philosophical and practical aspects of the subject, it is likely that every confusing result is kept away from the public.

And: How much would a government pay if it had invisible power tools in its hand that would enable it to manipulate people without anyone being aware of this ? Cool: The feeling of being mentally controlled by another, or a group is classically defined as schizophrenia, so that everyone in that situation - in reality - can easily be labeled as insane. Well, the situation is insane, then. Regard someone as not healthy who does not control his own will, being replaced by someone else's. Still: No way out.

The prospect is that most of the scientific knowledge is kept behind closed doors and never published.

The perfect murder is one of the favorite subjects of various secret service megalomaniacs dreaming of absolute mind control. People that commonly use hypnosis, brainwash others and the like to commit most ferocious acts are the perfect addressee for programs that involve control tools like that.

And the political conditions favor this - the cold war has generated a worldwide decrease of democracy, and a widespread acceptance for tyrants - today we are grateful that we are not blasted away in a nuclear holocaust...

.... ESP as a perfect control tool for tyrants or a means to escape ?

The form of tyranny generated lags far beyond anything that was imaginable.

Imagine an ESP - manipulated object under constant video surveillance to verify that orders are perceived accurately. What is freedom of thought then ? The government already finances a lot of stuff that Orwell would have dreamed about. Thoughtcrime erased, freedom of thought abolished - worst tyranny ever. Real ?

If complete control of the object is reached, it can be driven into suicide (a dream for societies cleanup fanatic) or, at least, driven into weird sex acts, thus satisfying the government controller, one of his current democratic privileges in the most perfected democracy ever.

Well, the Soviets called their system democratic.

Everybody is a democrat today.

Still, Dracula would be scared by those superdemocrats.

Tiberius would be envious.

So, you could argue, being a god - emperor produced less real power than that for an ordinary contemporary democrat.

Most people want to submit ! Ordering them to do so is democratic.

Certainly the government apparatus is stuffed with people that dream of cleaning up society without having anyone notice this. They are afraid of getting caught in the cleanup. ESP helps them. It is invisible.

Controlling people's minds provides power without legitimacy....and puts rulers into Tiberius' position of the god - emperor, leaving Tiberius behind. There are enough sick little shits that need this to get attention, or feel legitimate, or better and smarter than others, or forget about their paranoia.

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The perfect murder, as sketched, could be the object of study already....

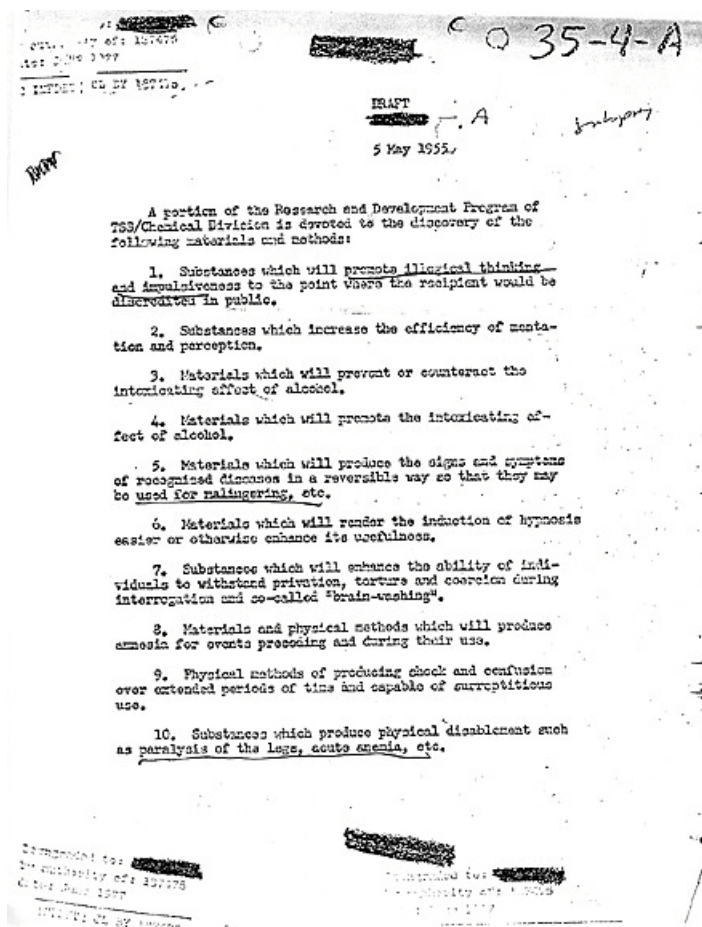
... and god - emperors could still act as true democrats (read it from their lips) when absolutely no one is able to prove how many people committed suicide or died in accidents.

In the **ANNEX** you find a few copies of CIA research – related files of the fifties (last century material). You may wonder who swallowed too many KO – pills and the like (Topic 4: Substances that increase the intoxicating effect of alcohol....for example). The files were released to the public due to the Freedom of Information Act. Still, if you feel dizzy in the morning, this may simply be a hangover.

It is not necessarily the effect of the knock-out pill mentioned in n°16.

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ANNEX: Good night.



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11. Substances which will produce "pure" euphoria with no subsequent let-down.
12. Substances which alter personality structure in such a way that the tendency of the recipient to become dependent upon another person is enhanced.
13. A material which will cause mental confusion of such a type that the individual under its influence will find it difficult to maintain a fabrication under questioning.
14. Substances which will lower the ambition and general working efficiency of men when administered in undetectable amounts.
15. Substances which promote weakness or distortion of the eyesight or hearing facilities, preferably without permanent effects.
16. A knockout pill which can surreptitiously be administered in drinks, food, cigarettes, as an aerosol, etc., which will be safe to use, provide a maximum of amnesia, and be suitable for use by agent types on an ad hoc basis.
17. A material which can be surreptitiously administered by the above routes and which in very small amounts will make it impossible for a man to perform any physical activity whatever.

The development of materials of this type follows the standard practice of such ethical drug houses as ~~_____~~ - 13
It is a relatively routine procedure to develop a drug to the point of human testing. Ordinarily, the drug houses depend upon the services of private physicians for the final clinical testing. The physicians are willing to assume the responsibility of such tests in order to advance the science of medicine. It is difficult and sometimes impossible for TSS/OD to offer such an inducement with respect to its products. In practice, it has been possible to use outside cleared contractors for the preliminary phases of this work. However, that part which involves human testing at effective dose levels presents security problems which cannot be handled by the ordinary contractor.

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Crime pays off...

...seemingly.

Our present legal system excludes, in a strange fashion, the biggest gangsters from being punished. The rule of survival for criminals seems to be:

The harder you do it, the smaller the risk.

Seemingly the government can remove people without any big bother: Manipulating the judiciary is easy. Consequently, a series of murderous activities remain a secret, other cases clearly indicate that police & judiciary do not intend to proceed against the authors of various terrorist acts and the like.

As a citizen (does this term fit ?) one faces an almost invincible adversary when conflicts are produced, equipped with an arsenal even the worst tyrants in history would not even have dared to dream about. Technology and infrastructure supply the government apparatus with weapons that can easily be used on unwanted elements of any kind, while the effect in terms of tyranny is heavily enlarged by a lack of predictability: It is impossible to foresee who will get hit, criteria are diffuse, and the tyrant certainly does not want to publish his elimination patterns.

Being democratic it is commonly denied that executions of various types occur regularly. The ruled flock gladly believes this and continues to sleep.

Even the borderlines between war and peace are not clear: The government still runs the place on a wartime legal

basis, using "threats" to justify innumerable unconstitutional or simply criminal acts. Acting like a criminal certainly provides them with further money, for sure.

We are used to view the holocaust as the most horrible of events. Denying this is a criminal offense. Being bothered by a media routine of marketing the holocaust you may be accused of being a " spiritual assassin " or something.

Still, the most horrible of events did not really produce accurate legal results. Strange it looks when big amounts of SS and Gestapo staff were utilized "to combat communism " by the US government so that a large part of the Gestapo network in this outer province of the empire remained intact - with a control amount that judged by American standards is ridiculous, even stranger when this is done under the supervision of the holy Vatican (for example).

Only a tiny percentage of murderers was convicted, or, in cases, killed by Jewish revenge groups - and even in the commie bloc the party chose to utilize fascist bureaucrats - to run their own concentration camps. What were Nazi helpers used for by the US government ? To write poems ?

Probably not.

Now Deutsche Bank is close to being the biggest bank in the world. The fact that this company was deeply involved in marketing the holocaust during the war, did not keep it away from the position currently held.

Hoechst (former part of IG Farben) will move into the position of the largest life sciences company worldwide. IG Farben ran various factories in concentration camps, including Auschwitz, the most notorious. Life sciences professionals....

The fact that Mobil & Exxon will possibly form the biggest of all corporations ever is ironic enough: Reversing a former antitrust rule they managed to revitalize Standard Oil. Still it looks unpleasant when it is considered that precisely these firms had close interconnections with IG Farben even during the IIInd world war, when the holocaust was run. Various investigations were undertaken about the precise structure of these fruitful agreements, but: Till today the agreement reached in 1928 - basically keeping the German conglomerate out of the oil business and oil trusts out of the chemical and pharmaceutical sectors - seems to be valid.

Is it profitable to market the holocaust ? Yes.

It has been a great deal for war industries worldwide. They made enormous amounts of money. It has been a great deal for the media nowadays, attracting millions and millions of consumers paying billions of bucks. It has been a great deal for Deutsche Bank, and even a fair one for the Rokerfeller bunch. It has been a good deal for the US space industries, having hired e.g. Wernher v. Braun, a guy that utilized concentration camp slave labour.

It is big business for lawyers who try to manage compensation suits by victims.

It has not been a great deal for the slaves being used for maximizing several cartels' profits. Most of them died within unpleasant conditions. Cannibal capitalism seems to have established itself.

Ironically, even the newly founded state of Israel profited from the Nazi emigration policy, filling the place with highly skilled Jews / Germans that were always appreciated in emerging countries.

Marketing the holocaust has become an attitude to promote claims of any kind that have nothing to do with it.

People that do not act morally manage to create a moral image, and objections can be killed by putting the adversary into some pro - holocaust fraction.

Leaving the fascist scenario and moving over to the commie one, you find that in almost all of the former commie countries the vast majority of bureaucrats that willingly committed a lot of atrocious acts do not spent the rest of their lives in jail, but belong to the newly emerged elites, still are massively influential, and take part in government businesses. Apart from that, the KGB power structure remained intact, either.

The richest parties in these places are the former communist parties. And: Even in Germany the richest political party may be PDS, heir of the former GDR commie bunch.

Stalin himself ordered a few war criminals to be executed, but never had any personal trouble because of some few million people being butchered before the IInd world war.

Crime pays off ?

There are hundreds of thousands precedents in the twentieth century that clearly indicate that even the most horrible deeds do not produce consequences, not to mention less horrible ones. Committed in the name of some government or some ideology it is even more likely that NO legal result is produced.

This will shape the attitudes of any future government....

Q.: What will future governments do facing this favourable legal surrounding ?

(Answer: Pay a symbolic compensation in 2110....)

My favorite murder comedy
A brief view at strange occurrences

Among the many unspeakable peculiarities typical for the German legal & political landscape one of my favorite murders is the removal of Barschel. The death of the former prime minister of Schleswig-Holstein, the northernmost German state, in October 1987 occurred in a hotel room in Geneva, where he was found by a reporter, dumped in a bathtub, fashionably dressed, seemingly peacefully asleep. The picture of the dead victim was neatly presented to millions and millions of consumers, and the story told and retold again and again.

I do believe that in point of artistic atrocity and tasty necromania, this undertaking has been a magnificent example of vicious malignancy and will be for decades.

In this case it became obvious that seemingly almost no one was quite interested in proper investigations. The police machinery seemed to be an acquittal mechanism, the local parliament did its best to explain away what happened really and the deed itself was done with unprecedented professional originality and ingenuity. The confusion caused and the results achieved were so devastating that presumably a true genius was at work. The acquittal - oriented investigations led to so many theories, complex structures of unprecedented chaos, and so many contradictory results that it seems to be absolutely impossible to find any responsible person for the deed. The total annihilation of the target allegedly having committed suicide by swallowing a variety of pharmaceuticals that could have killed a horse, or two, is the genuine masterpiece in a collection of bizarre mysteries delighting the murder aficionado.

No one ever asked where the drugs were taken from, and who supplied them. These can only be delivered on the black market if required, apart from that by specialized pharma suppliers. Some of them were not available in the western hemisphere at all, others are designed exclusively for clinical purposes (e.g. a substance to subdue the contractions of certain muscles that make you puke, in order to conduct examinations using fiber-optic instruments), others found are commonly used in certain brothels by prostitutes to put the customer to sleep in combination with alcohol - and then grab the money. A large quantity of wine in the dead guys' blood was not found in the first analyses by the well-reputed Swiss forensic experts, that conducted a few marginal investigations and were never asked for serious support by German authorities after 1987..... Also the brothel K.O. pill residues were not found in the first place. Both of these substances in combination cause immediate unconsciousness when swallowed. Interesting that the bodily physical evidence including all these precious bodily fluids were quickly taken back to Germany to be analyzed by a Hamburg professoral authority, that could not find the alcohol and the K.O. pill rests. A traffic policeman would have been laid off after that type of obvious superprofessional conduct. This, say the mob narcotic arsenal, was discovered almost a decade later. The Swiss were left with some blood samples, a few pieces of evidence, and had to get along without notable German interest shown. They got accused of handling the case in a sloppy fashion, as well as the federal German police agency. The samples went here, and there, and the first conspiracy theories arose, including the interesting one that medical assistance during the act of suicide was required to prevent the injuries of the esophagus, throat etc. when using a device, a plastic tube, or something similar, to pump up the stomach with masses of pulverized sleeping pills available only in East bloc countries at that time. The bottle of wine ordered in the Hotel Beau Rivage in Geneva was never found, but alcohol rests in the blood of the target. Where were all these pills kept in ? Nothing

was found, just evidence of pharma material in the remaining rests and pieces of the target that was buried in 1987. Was it the quantity of the entire bottle resembling the amounts of alcohol in the blood that were discovered in the late nineties, not 1987? We do not know.

In this confusion of pills, coma, cyclobarbital, clinic devices, wine not found, and so on the German public got slam-hammered with a suicide theory. All the institutions involved sang the same song of suicide, at that time sold off as a "confession" by someone "guilty" of having got on the nerves of his political opponent during an election campaign, and having committed a few minor - not even criminal - acts that look rather like a joke than a serious attack. Still, the joke was sold off as a political offense to "prove" the arrival of tyranny. A nice story. After the first campaign wave had slowed down, Barschel became a Macbeth-style hero in a theater play for the kids and the elderly. That was performed to educate schoolkids and to illustrate the meaning of democracy. The fact that Mr. Engholm placed a spy in the Barschel campaign team - similar to Nixon - was not mentioned. Engholm got his political career finished off for his own comrades were upset because of a contract (details unknown) signed with a nuclear power supplier, in contrast to his promise to switch nuclear facilities off. Meanwhile samples of all these precious bodily fluids that went wandering around were the object of intense studies by almost anyone, and in the end, murder conspiracy theories became so numerous as if some type of inflation took place. The conservative press blamed it on the CIA, the leftwing press blamed it on the North Korean secret service. Another guy blamed it on the Mossad. Some blamed it on the victim. In the late nineties conservative BILD came up with the news that the sex life of Barschel was, to put it mildly, full of delicacies that were observed in an east German hotel room. Rumours about arms deals were spread. Conexions with honorable folks like Ollie North were uncovered. The US DOJ refused to provide information about this sort of connexion. A large quantity of pages in East German secret

police files were destroyed by west german agencies in the nineties, including transcripts of wiretapped phone calls. Barschel said " I give it to these ""§==% in Bonn ", according to a east german spy that listened. The east german agency, in official terms, does not know anything, stated by their latest chief (now a retired political analyst) just recently.

It seems that someone lured the target into the hotel room, possibly offering valuable material about the big scandal, and then simply someone else fed him with KO-drops-spiced wine and later used a tube not handled by a physician , but some amateurish brute (causing injuries), to pump up the body with an overdose of various sleeping pills partly withdrawn from the western market already. Then B. got dumped in the bathtub. The wine bottle disappeared (showing evidence of the undesired kind).

A suicide could lead to the conclusion that he smeared himself with an amount of almost unavailable substances, swallowed KO-drops, drank a bottle of wine, inserted a tube into his throat after having taken anti-puke medication, pumped himself up, and then, unconscious, sleepwalked into the bathtub, after having removed the evidence for KO-pill infested wine.

A perfect suicide. Congratulations.

Several professors and forensic analysts were in combat to produce the most irritating theory. A Hamburg authority did not find the KO-pill rests and the alcohol in the blood (how much was it ?). Police did not find the supplier of the material.⁷ Germany's super-detective Mauss, who later served some purpose in the Colombian hostage market stayed around the corner in a neighborhood hotel the very night the deed happened, but does not know anything.

⁷ I think that no one raised that stupid question.

Strange enough: The suicide version was created shortly after the stiff was found. Later Swiss police complained that there were virtually no German enquiries to be noted. No serious activities by federal agencies, despite the possibility of a terrorist plot. Stoltenberg's (Barschel's don) allegation that the case will remain unsettled in fall 1987 is noteworthy. Barschel's legal advisor, another superprofessional hitting the very top of juridical heaven, sneaked out of the show stating that his client was a liar and heavily depressed, thus producing a suicide image, and one of overwhelming guilt and shame, while the stiff got snatched and removed from Swiss facilities as quickly as possible...ironically exactly those details were forgotten by quite a few German superprofessionals that could have proved a murder in 1987, in the first place, when it was necessary to gather the evidence. Ten years later or so a soc.d. - run commission found that a lot of the allegations against Barschel were never proved. If almost nothing was proved, why commit suicide ?

These original allegations of political misconduct targeting his personal opponent Engholm were produced by a journalist called Pfeiffer allegedly working with Barschel and a now convicted mail serviceman called Postel that started an illuminating career using fake professional records. With these, he made it to the position of an official medical functionary and without having anyone notice he continued his work as a state-employed physician for years. Maybe his medical statements were more professionally made than those in the Barschel case. Also the journalist is a good friend of the guy that stayed right next to the hotel Beau Rivage during the alleged suicide event. This guy worked with the German spy agency BND, the federal police agency and the Colombian hostage cartel. His name is Mauss, a private detective....These three figures are extremely close to the drowned prime minister, and closely linked with each other. Please note that this statement is ambiguous. The postman's career suddenly got cut when a fake ID was found, together with the real one, so that the nature of his

status was discovered. As the fake Dr. Dr. Bartholdy, postman Postel blew up like a bubble. Neither his patients nor the state-employed medical staff realized that Postel was a postman, and not a physician, philosopher and so on. Interesting that the drowned prime minister also had two German Ph.D.s in possession, but that is another story. Postel climbed up to the position of a forensic psychiatrist involved in countless court hearings - using fake documents again to get this honorable job in the nineties. No one noticed that his statements were obviously not produced by a professional psychiatrist, and his business continued for quite a while. Also, Postel earned some reputation as a forensic expert examining murder cases. Pfeiffer wrote a biography about Postel. He (or Postel) invented a few satirical psywar maneuvers during this awesome campaign effort against the poor target Engholm , who blamed the dead victim for having committed an act of murder. Among these: Some Dr. Wagner phoned Engholm's physician to spread AIDS rumours. Fake documents were issued - allegedly by the Green party, but in reality Pfeiffer falsified these records. Some silly paper was produced to show that Engholm had a tax problem. A private detective got hired. The accusation that Barschel ordered all this was never proved. Then Pfeiffer got around telling everyone he ran " secret " jobs for the target B.. These allegations of psywar attacks were " confirmed " by several government officials including Mr. Ahrendsen, who faced a lawsuit in early 2000 because of alleged fraud and forgery committed in a notary office. The accusation is unpleasant and can lead to quite a few years of imprisonment, for the damages caused are up to several millions. Postel, the gifted psychiatrist, got a 4-year prison sentence for his altruistic support of mentally deranged criminals in court and released early in January 2001 for his decent behaviour in prison. He stated that he found it fascinating to throw someone into the lunee asylum.

Pfeiffer also came up with a brochure issued by the Society for a humane death (a charitable org that promotes the

right to commit suicide), allegedly ordered by Barschel, and his affiliate Mauss later showed up the very day Barschel died - right around the corner. Mauss got almost sacked in Colombia in the later nineties, for allegedly having conducted illicit hostage deals and saved by the German government itself (Schmidbauer) after 9 months in a dark Colombian prison, Postel got down into jail in East Germany, Pfeiffer - despite his confessions of having committed a variety of minor criminal offenses such as forgery - escaped so far, and later on sacked the succeeding p.m. Engholm, the head of the soc. d. party in Schleswig - Holstein, and a few minor apparatchiks, by stating that he got payed roughly 40 000,-- German bucks for the story about the "Nixon-style misconduct" that led to the moral guilt dilemma, and the alleged suicide. During the initial campaign wave during fall 1987 neither Pfeiffer nor Engholm admitted or mentioned that Pfeiffer, the spy placed in the Barschel election team, received some unofficial campaign donations and worked together with Engholm for quite a while, who probably got highly amused by the acts his own agent committed. Engholm just recently faced allegations by FOCUS magazine of being a spy having worked for the communist east german spy agency, counteracted with penal law action, and no one knows anything, of course. In a talkshow he created the " moral right to lie " - for himself. Just recently he got caught promoting the preservation of " GDR culture " and was not amused that certain journalists were present.

Official version today, in 2001: No one knows anything, nothing is proved.

It seems that the use of fraud and deception was the origin of the mysterious Barschel legend, being presented to the public as the German equivalent of Nixon, that caused his moral dilemma and his suicide. Well, Nixon was alive and well despite his horrible moral disaster....and some criminal records, while Barschel allegedly drowned himself in a mess of KO-pills, alcohol, bathtub water, and

general desperation without having the chance to defend himself.

Methodically, it can be only be stated that a suicide occurred AFTER police made sure that a murder was not likely.

Say, it would have been normal to investigate, claim that terrorists might be involved, and then, in the end, start up with some suicide theory. It was run in an inverted fashion. Maybe all the evidence published in the beginning is a negative mirror image of what really happened. Testimonies held as false were true, and those regarded as true were false, just like Postel's professional records, Pfeiffer's factory of fake documents, forensic statements by some superprofessors and so on. Even illegally snatched material about psychic disorders was used to prove a suicide theory. The original motif in the first campaign wave (fall 1987) was a little tyrant suffering from both drug and power addiction, and being trapped in his own neurotic web of psywar follies like making dirty phonecalls, hiring a few private detectives to investigate alleged sexual misconduct, tax evasion and so on. Orchestrated like a Wagner opera this got repeated again and again - without waiting for properly investigated results. The massively supported suicide theory showed up the very day the death was uncovered, and slowly, but constantly faded away in the course of time. In the end, when it was clear enough that a murder had happened, say a decade later, prosecutors started to walk around with guns, strange enough....they probably feared that a still sleepwalking Barschel would return from his grave and get them....shortly before criminal investigations got formally closed in 1998, the wife of the chief investigator got snatched and held hostage by a convicted murderer....apart from this a series of other highly mysterious disappearances and deaths occurred mainly involving witnesses and close aides....and really strange it looks how a suicidal suicide theory was created. It could have been done by the east german spy agency Stasi, and

the CDU was the main fraction being seriously damaged politically. After the event, they lost voters, and further voters, and further voters and never regained the position held in 1987. Still, police showed no interest to gather evidence about a murderous conspiracy, and stuck to a fake suicide theory. Some change occurred after 1994, too late.

Who ran the conspiracy, then ? Well, the same people that could have manipulated (federal) police and judiciary.

Because the existence of a prime minister has some importance, and because the stiff was dumped in a foreign country, this was a typical federal case, but the investigations were handed over to the local authorities. Also, there was some type of political relevance. But we could not witness formal murder investigations by the federal authorities, instead we faced a manipulated suicide theory from the very beginning, while a possible murder scenario was systematically ignored, and the evidence " forgotten " about due to sloppy behaviour, which was the official explanation for the ignored evidence. Intentional blindness of federal agencies, running around like drunks trying to find trees in a forest, lead to the conclusion of support. Another example of strange ignorance or lack of competence is the arson & murder case that happened in Lübeck in January 1996 (10 dead asylum seekers), and peculiar errors again were defined away - allegedly " sloppy " conduct of police & others. Is sloppy behaviour intentional ignorance ? What is intentional ignorance ? Support ?

But, who could have manipulated the investigations ? Well, certainly politicians close to the federal government itself. Apart from this, it shall not be forgotten that the east german spy service owned for example the boss of the west german anti-espionage unit - anti-espionage in West Germany was run by the adversary for quite a long time. Also several folks at the the top level of BND, the James Bum Club of the system, were controlled by the

east german spy service. This list is very long, say KGB and Stasi agents running top government positions, as was confirmed by an east german expert just recently again. Another aspect is the fact that due to a variety of postwar regulations related to security matters, the (western) allied secret services could operate in West Germany as they wished. They partly functioned as a substitute of the German authorities themselves. Please note that a few of the major German media companies received a license to print, not to kill, from the British army, simply spoken, in the years after WW II, because Hamburg, their seat, belonged to the British-controlled part of split-up Germany. But the German press is full of agents from everywhere.....

So you have - amidst dazzling paranoid conspiracy theories that were published by the " orthodox " press & media (a tremendous chaos altogether) quite a few people that might be authors of the deed, you can choose the one you hate most.

What you do not have is - clarity and an idea of who controls the scenario. Also, it cannot be expected that the legal and political institutions are able to define a clear ruling.

That is why the artistic atrocity typical for the act, combined with malignant evil, cute necromania and inspiring devastating confusion put the deed into the category of the most favored, almost perfect murder in a series of undertakings of this kind that enrich the legal & political landscape for quite a while now.

**Censorship in the 21st century
or
The evolution of totalitarianism**

I live in a world that does not exist. Apart from this I do not exist in the world that does exist. I know that what I know is unknown, while what I know does not exist, and the unknown certainly is existent.

You get that ?

Facing developments so rapid and fundamental as well as unprecedented, there are a lot of terms that are obsolete terms. The object to be described with these obsolete terms has partly or completely vanished, in other cases the term remained existent, but the object of description has been so largely modified that the meaning has altered completely while the visible form remained the same.

In the information age, as I pointed out already, the term " secrecy " for example, has a dramatically modified meaning. What is a secret today ? Is there something that can be kept secret at all ?

We do face, at least in the highly industrialised and computerized areas, a surveillance system that easily beats that of the passed away GDR out. It is not possible to do anything without being videotaped / archived hundreds of times per day.

Whenever you walk into a post office, you are being videoed (does this word exist ?), when you get money in the bank, they video you, you get videoed while shopping, in train stations they video you, apart from this you get

videoed in a porn store, brothel, in every public building, at least most of them, and there are surveillance cameras en masse in public places.

Adding to this, many workers in the workplace get videoed, and the number of cameras in the hands of private persons / organizations cannot be verified. " Data protection " in this world can be defined as an almost obsolete term. There is nothing like that. "Limitless data availability " would describe the situation in a better way. To maintain a certain level of confidentiality, I recommend the usage of doves to transmit messages, and sign-language for the deaf. Couriers are also an alternative. Because clients have a tendency to reveal data that is of potential use for police agencies, their competitors, the mob, and so on, law offices are particularly insecure, and the term " confidentiality " has in part become obsolete. The legal demand to NOT wiretap telephones has resulted in the opposite situation in the real world. This world does not exist.....

Presumably, as in the case of GSM mobile phone standards, or computer system security standards, the penetrability (what a word is this ?) of video systems is intentionally high, their safety low. This enables info-agencies to conduct mass surveillance easily. Why ISDN telephones can easily be turned into microphones, you may possibly wonder. It is admitted, confirmed, printed and many times alleged that the Echelon surveillance system covers almost every phone call in the world just to mention one of the aspects of it. The same could be done, presumably, turning the phones into microphones – thereby intercepting indoor conversations easily on a mass scale.

What can be done will be done. This is real, too. In effect, probably most of the video systems can be milked (like a cow) by centralized supercomputer systems, as in the case of the entire telephone system.

George Orwells 1984 described a communist fictitious dictatorship, a superstate in the age of hyper-totalitarianism (viewed from 1948's perspective....not today's), that imposed total surveillance on the members of the inner party. This caste of socialist bureaucrats was controlled this way, NOT the entire population. The existing democratic individualistic liberal caste of bureaucrats that tends to define itself as free and that e.g. defined the former (former ??) GDR communist (better socialist, because communism never has existed on this earth) mass surveillance system as " insane ", created a system even more crazy, according to its own standards. This peculiar logic has to be explained. It is clear enough that a less generous government / political system is to be expected because of the existing network. So we have to expect a tightening of societies' straightjacket even more, because power tools tend to be used when available, even in the case of obvious uselessness, for the sheer sake of enhancing a feeling of being powerful. Also: The machine may possibly demand more power. Oppose that, if you want. It may switch you off....

So, we handle a bunch of terms that do not have a descriptive function any more, but serve as a cover, or as a form of opium for the masses. Also, there is a tendency to use terms for exclusive manipulation purposes (leading to word-jugglery with no relation to reality), and the shift of political priorities from the real to the surrogate – something has to sell when presented on TV, no matter whether this stuff is useful or not. In this sense, a lot of political action is mere theatre, a play for the extraordinary & intelligent. Also, a variety of legal terms are constantly being used for cover purposes. A considerable amount of the legal framework functions this way. A cover to distract attention and mislead the public.

If you expect the precise opposite of what is pathetically announced, you could be better off. General rule of practical political alchemy.

A good example: Terms that originate in the 18th century.....lost their object of description.

I wonder how property rights can be protected in this somewhat glassy world, facing the unpleasant fact that privacy rights do not count as a matter of fact, and therefore intellectual property is being stolen before even released – in the normal case. A massive expropriation mechanism. And: No one really dares to notice.

What in the middle ages was described as tyranny (e.g. a police force that could invade houses whenever it wished, and do with taxpayers whatever it wanted) is the normal case of police practice today. They walk in your apartment, take away what they believe to need, you are confronted with the fact that something is missing, most likely documents, disquettes, letters, or likewise, and later surprised by the reappearance (after usage somewhere). This does not exist. This is propaganda. I live in a world that does not exist.

Officially existent is something called " rule of the law ". Error. In reality it does not exist. What rules is the "normative power of capital, facts and – military – force ". This definition now exists, or doesn't it ?

I have to make predictions. I deal with infos. I even get paid for that. So, if I cannot predict what will happen in certain cases, this job is obsolete.

Anyway, if you analyze the legal aspects of a case or situation, and construct prophecies based on the assumption that the law is being enforced, you get somewhere....

What will happen if you walk into a police station to drop off a complaint about a burglary ? Well, a file is being generated, then another, and in the normal case that was it. An important role does play the production of crime rate statistics.

If you wonder now for what reason you pay taxes ? If you are not even recognized ? Well, in the evening you can lean back and watch cute supercops chase the baddies till they get sacked. They always get sacked. This leads to the belief, thanks to god, a very widespread belief, that if someone commits something too naughty to be legal, he will get caught. The prime time crime shows probably have the effect of reducing the real crime rate. If the real figures and statistics would be published on a broadscale level, anarchy would be the result.

If people got told, how high the probability of getting punished for a criminal deed really is, even murder.....if the real hit-rate, so to say, in murder cases got published, well, well, the population could possibly shrink.

Thanks to the TV show in the evening many or most people believe there is a 90%-risk of getting caught, jailed, or even killed by rivalring mob gangsters. Well, the latter....

So, the surreal world of shiny law enforcement heroes has the real effect of disciplining the masses, rather than the law enforcement system with its incredible efficiency itself. Reality, believe me, looks rather s***ty than shiny. A forensic expert concluded that if there was a candle lit on top of every grave of an unrecognized murder victim, Germany's graveyards would be illuminated places at night. This was a rare statement perfectly contradictory to the primetime mystery show.

Censorship does not exist..... You probably tend to believe that. Why do you believe that ? Smokers do not want to believe that cigarette smoking is unhealthy. Well. What is belief ? According to a German philosopher (that due to the nonexistence of censorship is dangerous to quote) belief is the will to NOT recognize the truth, the facts.

What you believe in therefore is something you would like to have, but does not exist. This is your belief. Or, you

believe in something that is not existent, because you dislike the idea of the existence of something you simply dislike.

Based on this belief system the info-industry (a nonexisting term) produces images of reality. Secret service spies (millions and millions) produce facts their employers want to believe in. Something that makes them feel good and serves the purpose of proving that the reader of the report is the owner of a superior belief system, better than the rest of the world, superior to even history, a fantastic guy that rules them all.

The same tendency is existent – of course – in the infotainment branch of the info-industry. People that come home from work, pretty badly f**ked up , do not want to see how ***** they are.

They enjoy the perspective of being superior to the rest of mankind, in total possession of freedom, justice and so on. The market, so to say, is there. What do they feed you with ?

Stuff that increases the likability of the belief that you are safe, free, superior, rich and happy. And, sure, that those who " deliver " these goods are superior etc. as well.

Consequently, there is a strange absence of certain news. Anything that makes you believe that you are, e.g. NOT safe at all, is somehow omitted. Do you feel safe ? Well, after a few Aspirin.....or Ciprobay.....or whatever.

For example, the quotable statement that it is not possible to foresee the result of a civil lawsuit in a German court (of a professor in 1996) printed in a legal journal, was never seen in the infotainment section. Other statements about anticonstitutional criminal behaviour of mainstream politicians in – ironically - mainstream legal journals were never seen in the infotainment area. The interesting

statement (in a mainstream legal journal) that the Supreme Court ceased to function of course never was an issue in a newsshow. There, and elsewhere, you could observe the Spaßgesellschaft=fun society, that lost its rights by x~70 % and finds this funny. Why bother, hahaha.

What you get today, and what is very popular, are somewhat sex-stuffed court shows (note that live transmissions of court sessions that are real are not permitted here in Krautland ...and elsewhere....). I need not mention that I never saw a trial, a court session comparable to the court show, although the formalities were roughly met. I dare say, arousing trials are a rare event. In the real, the nonexistent world.

In fact, predictions can be made, but based on empirical and statistical data. It can always be predicted that it is possible to quell every lawsuit down, one way or the other, sooner or later. The art of sabotage including the reliable system malfunctions lead to that conclusion. It is always, in this legal scenario, better to get sued instead of having to sue someone yourself. Based on the assumption that the system does not function, you can make predictions. If you tell someone that some failure will occur, you are almost always right. Good for the debtor, bad for the plaintiff. The result of this: A payment culture of lousy and decadent nature. You better get advance payments for your stuff if you can. Your client may be one of these many figures that run a „ profit maximizing strategy of systematic cost reduction and efficient legal management,, or, in other words, a crook.

If you like it somewhat exaggerated: Grab the money, get out of the place, and let ´em sue you.....and run after you. Logically, the private law enforcement sector has boomed and is booming, but this again is the normative power of facts that rules, not in particular the law, because hiring a gunman is illicit, as a general rule. Anyway, there are people that did not pay after getting run over by a car as a

motivating measure to make them pay....due to rumours that did not exist. In this scenario it also became a fashion to hire convicted / released killers and show that off in order to achieve payment discipline.....guess where they work ? In certain law offices. Did you see already a lawyer with a killer aide on TV ? Probably not. I do not really like to sue these people, I admit. Would you ?

The really existent (what is that ?) " rule of the law ", apart from a certain non-predictability of events is characterized by the impressive but strange looking fact that the lawmakers themselves, as a general rule, do not stick to it. Whenever found necessary or profitable, they ignore it, provided they are in a position to do so. Many are.

The local policeman may be a drugdealer. You daughters' teacher a pimp selling kiddie pornography, as well as the priest around the corner. Members of government may be junkies.

So we have three spheres:

The invisible existent (the power structure),

the visible existent (the stuff it produces),

the virtual existent (say, the sum of info generated in the info-industry,),

the nonexistent (the legal framework on paper).

Heavily programmed by the virtual existent (another nonexistent definition) you believe that it and its content exist, but, the overall image is at least somewhat incomplete, too shiny.

Everything of potential danger for the (invisibly existent) power structures is not mentioned, defined as lunacy, idiocy,nonexistent.....

....criminal,terrorist, deviant...dull...

stupid....irrelevant.....

Daily you get confronted with data and further data that indicates you are on the road to the golden age. Visibly existent is the troubling fact that your pockets seem to get emptier and emptier and emptier, the clothing you wear cheaper, and mood of your affiliates getting continuously worse. Resources are getting scarce.

In the virtual world then you face terms like " felt inflation". Other good examples of newspeak / doublespeak....." peace & prosperity " describing a total war on all fronts, or, " sexual freedom " associated with a declining birthrate and a shrinking population, combined with incredible psychiatrists' incomes, " special garbage " for toxic waste, or even "open society " for a system of maximized police and military surveillance of the entire population.

In times of recession– you are confronted with something called " negative growth ", the ultimate doublespeak term. So, growth always exists, even when it obviously does not. We all grow, even when we shrink. Genial.

Something like " negative growth " is comparable to the rule that censorship does not exist in the freest world ever. Censorship is associated with something that does not exist.

But: The official version relates to something almost omnipresent in all sectors of society that is nonexistent.

Strange enough, when you confront people with this fact, they somehow censor you (was that correct ?) and point to their belief that something believed (absence of censorship) is existent, because they believe in it.

What you encounter REALLY (where is that ?) is a thought police.

You get registered when you take books from a library. Your web traffic gets monitored. Your activities analyzed. If you engage in, say, hobby gardening, deep-sea-fishing, political abstinence, pay your taxes and do not develop anti-government beliefs, well, you will not really be aware that censorship exists.

But, on the other hand, why do you not develop anti-government beliefs ?

The censorship system of the 21 st century is based on preemptive censorship, targeting the production of unwanted theories itself to stop unwanted material from being produced. So far, this has been quite successful. The presently dominant ideology was developed in the 18th and 17th century. The results are visible in various constitutions. Marxism is a nineteenth-century-product, as well as (national) socialism. So far nothing that is comparable to these theoretical groundworks was produced later. I dare not even imagine what would happen to Marx if he lived today. And tried to publish something. Adam Smith's anti-slavery approach could be viewed as politically unwanted. What the ideological base of the present censorship regime really is ? There is none..... The doglaw aspect of it: If the preemptive measures failed (and they really do fail), you may get s*itkicked (another failure) by someone somewhere that somehow snatched info pieces of your projects, and then reacts to this covertly and in a clandestine fashion, maybe using psywar methods (in less severe cases), may poison you (with a lethal dose in the case of definitely "knowing too much " , with a less than lethal dose as a shock therapy....), may block your internet traffic, send you virus e-mails, or deliver murder threats.....

What happens when the communist-subversed Gestapo machinery destined to preserve its very opponent –

democracy - handles cases of ideological misconduct or tendencies, you cannot predict. A neonazi bureaucrat may sabotage the production of seemingly leftist material on term limits. A hallucinating communist subversive in the same machinery may be driven by the desperate need to create a nazi legend to justify his own existence, and remove you from a public function. Or any function.

While producing an article on hotter issues surveillance staff may show up and threaten you.

Preemptive censorship means that in a very unpredictable way you get " punished " by various means depending on the importance of the case, continuously, and over long periods, so that a conditioning effect is intentionally reached.....you watch out what you produce, expecting potential trouble.

This nonexistent system exists.

Also, the omnipresence of surveillance facilities leads to modified decisions while e.g. checking the books in a bookstore, the TV-program, and so on.

The ultimate censorship was the brain – implanted chip device. Is that existent ?

It exists (yes it does !) for decades now.

The latest release is a videocamera for the blind....connected with a brain implant, making the blind see.

The implanted chip / camera can very well be connected with a transmitter, and the vision of the blind (or the normal) could even be broadcast on TV in realtime.

Imagine a soldier sitting on an Afghan mountain, connected with a remote computer system by satellite, using a chip like this for reading a map stored in the computer ´s database.

The computer could be handled by concentrating on certain keys.

Now imagine the nonexistent:

Millions of people remotely controlled by – a computer system. HAL is there. Big Brother is gone, history. Outdated.

Due to newer allegations the chip technology as before mentioned is out of date already – the indicator: It is used for treating e.g. disabled people, using thought-executed commands in a computer system for the completely motionless. Camera-connected chip implants for the blind. Calculation: Military technology used now in the "civil sector" (where that is, I do not really know) got declassified 20 or 30 years ago. And released today.

And: The most revolutionary developments in the computer area took place – within the last 20 or 30 years.

But – these do not exist.

The obligation to be optimistic

Optimism is a survival-supporting virtue in times of crisis or disaster. Being asked to produce a few pages on Germany in 2003, 14 years after reunification, if you define the 9th of November 1989 as the reunification day, I desperately try to be optimistic.

Desperate optimism is a phenomenon encountered in situations seemingly or really catastrophic.

A boulevard newspaper just described the situation as "catastrophe cocktail", and an informal internet research on the topic "bankruptcy" generates a large selection of news related to Germany, the input term "formation" or "company formation" leads to news on IT companies in California, but shows nothing in relation to the present German economy.

Brokers would now smell the seducing odour of further investment opportunities.

Pessimism is a viewpoint you can afford while being situated in a wealthy, stable environment that provides at least the essential means of life.

All my life I was somewhat pessimistic. While the situation always was materially secure, and times of trouble seemingly far away, even beyond the horizon, I could simply afford to be a bit pessimistic. Unfortunately, everything got worse than in a pessimistic mood was predicted.

In 1990, for example, I had a conversation with a posh Hamburg banker on the reunification issue. "We'll

remove the scrap, and build new factories right next to the empty space ", the slogan was. In other semi-official places the slogan sounded like: " We slamhammer the socialist conglomerates. "

Criticism related to this mode of reunification was not tolerated among the economic wizards running the place at the time and dismissed as " leftist intellectual's psychosis ". Today we know that the ability to calculate correctly is not in particular a skill that a politician has to have.

The removed factories did not get replaced yet, and we all are still waiting for that, while China (a "communist ", in fact socialist state) has been the darling of global capitalism for a decade now or even two. In fact, China provides all the necessary means for a hardcore "capitalist". Human rights (in the western sense) are not at all taken seriously (although these standards have declined substantially worldwide over the past decades to a minimum in favor of a regime of total security, that, analyzed properly, does not function). There are no trade unions. Democratic control is scarce. The press is censored. What a place ! They all rush there to get the approval for further investments. Chinese are humble people, it is said, that are not engaged in philosophies of individualistic nature. Subsequently, all the major multinationals find China their marvellous playground. Cheap labor, giant markets....environmental legislation: Poor.

So, East Germany, a newly founded democratic place, got transformed into the backyard of global capitalism. The industrial base got reduced by about 60-70 % over roughly a decade after 1989. East Germany is an agricultural playground for EU bureaucrats now, and a social welfare clinic for the lost. A massive population decline is expected, as well as the ecologic revival of entire regions.

Every second workplace is located in the agricultural sector, as was the case in 1900 or even earlier. The average loss per ha in 2000 was 8,-- DM=roughly 4 US Dollars. A hectare is 100x100 meters....

This type of agriculture could survive because of massive EU subsidies. So far.

The industrial workforce consists in a large part of people located in public / state enterprises set up for the sheer purpose to get people employed. Millions found their – temporary – place there.

Due to several economic advisors of government officials, East Germany had not yet become a capitalist economy, in 2000. In fact, it isn't. The neat new houses built by the East Germans after 1989 were mostly paid with their own money. The socialist economy suffered from a lack of efficiency rather than from a lack of capital or workforce. GDR was Nr. 10 in the GDP world hierarchy in the eighties. There was – due to centralist bureaucratic malfunctions – a lack of efficient goods supply and distribution. East Germans could easily be recognized as the ones that were always lining up themselves in a disciplined manner, opposed to their elbow-kicking West German counterparts. This behaviour was the result of decade-long education in the art of forming lines in front of shops of various kinds, except the ones for the privileged party members and their associates that were able to buy western goods with hard DM. The most valuable goods were exported. The money was there to buy something, but not really goods available. This led to a house construction boom after 1989. Apart from this, some 300 – 400 BILLION DM in public / state subsidies were paid to renew the rotten East German infrastructure. Result: In some places it is quite modern what you face, in others it is completely rotten. Tax incentives led to another aspect of the construction boom, primarily for repair work. Neat 19th-century mansions you can now buy in East Berlin, newly reconstructed. For the period of, say 1990 –

1996 Berlin was the largest construction site in the world, although Malaysians, Indonesians deny this, and Chinese do too. Take a look at Kuala Lumpur, Djakarta or Shanghai. Berlin in comparison has the touch of an old lady that just got another of these facelifts.

In this period East Berlin was turned upside down, and today does not really resemble the status of 1989 in any way. West Berlin got forgotten about. Parts of it do in fact look now like certain areas in East Berlin before 1989.

In 1996 this all started to come to a halt, the situation looked eerily like deflation, prices started to drop, and since 2000 the number of e.g. empty shops with for rent – signs have multiplied dramatically. Now there is a hard to define number of empty houses / appartments, say a few million in East Germany, and plans existent contain the removal of a large part of that. Demolition East.

Briefly: A large part of the reconstruction efforts were financed with West German taxpayers money, another with assets of East Germans, and the minor part by so called global players. Where the new factories were built, I wonder....China got huge German-built factories now, Portugal, Spain and Brazil. The big hole in East Germany is swallowing money, money, money....

The rapidly growing private sector was – in the area of small and medium – sized enterprises – characterized by a massive load of new enterprises, and a subsequently following wave of bankruptcies that did not show up in any statistics. Till the late nineties the tax authorities did not really have the personnel available to conduct checks of enterprises, or verify the amount of revenues generated. An as-a-matter-of-fact tax haven, equipped with a more or less dysfunctional (civil) judiciary. Wild East. Today one is sort of grateful when a bill is paid....in certain sectors the cost-reduction strategy of systematically not paying at all led to several public outcries by lobbyists already.

Now you face a phenomenon called " flourishing landscapes ", Kohl had promised that in 1990. Yes, a Malaysian company does use the deserted halls of the company Cargolifter, that just got bankrupt, for setting up the largest artificial rainforest in the world. In a hall originally designed for cargo aircraft production. At least they are expected to do so.

You want an office ? No problem. Some space for setting up a factory ? There is more than enough of it. Want a big hall to create an artificial ecosystem ? No problem.

Also, there are ecologically interesting places in various deserted regions in East Germany, and even the WOLF showed up again, after officially being rooted out in Brandenburg / Prussia roughly 150 years ago. What this means ? The more powerful the wolf gets, the less civilisation persists. In earlier ages, say about 1650, wolves invaded entire villages in the East German regions, and ate all the remaining people. Most of them were killed in the war from 1618-1648 anyway. It was quite empty at this time in the region, and later the authorities encouraged French protestants, Polish and so on, to settle down there to fill the empty space with settlers again, because in certain areas there was no one left. Diseases, troops from all over Europe, plundering and burning entire regions for decades, and starvation had done their job. By about 1800 there was a somewhat full recovery, in 1900 the region was the industrially most advanced in the world, and now, well, there is almost nothing of this left – who you want to blame you can choose. I hope that the wolf will not multiply too much in the future.

You can observe birds there that have not been seen for centuries.

The amount of money that was flooded into East Germany is hard to estimate. Roughly a trillion and a half DM out of west german assets / budgets over roughly a decade, amounting to 5-7 % of the annual GDP of West Germany.

With a little fantasy you can imagine what the REAL growth rates in West Germany were like in the nineties, an official average of ~ 2 % year. You can now encounter a phenomenon called negative growth, or, even, imagined depression. A lot of companies in the east are run by west german owners anyway, so that they may contribute to the west german GDP rather than the East German - statistics are still officially and generally split today, an interesting phenomenon you could call the victory of technocracy..

About 2/3 of these public monies were spent on social rescue programmes. 1/3 was spent on infrastructure investments. As a car driver, still today you can somehow tell where you are by the amount of holes in streets and roads, that you are likely to encounter quite massively in East Germany, not in the West. It is difficult to estimate how a place like Berlin would look like today without the influx of, say (who knows ?), 100 billion or even more DM from the federal budget and other states.

The state of Berlin faces bankruptcy now. The government demands some 30 billion EURO to be extracted from federal assets to avoid a financial meltdown. You guess what happens next: They will be told that there is no money available: Currently the size of the federal debt is on a record level, violating the EURO stability rules. The state of Brandenburg for example is able to pay its employees, by using its own tax income, but nothing more than that.

Berlin got hit quite badly. Driven by a drug-style euphoria the ruling caste expected another economic miracle to show up – but as you may have presumed already, there are no miracles, and by doing nothing except to fill your own pockets you cannot create it. The West Berlin industrial sector, heavily dependent on state subsidies already, was slashed by simply cutting these off. The industrial decline was just as bad as in the eastern part, and 2/3 of all the industrial workplaces were gone in

2000, compared with 1990 – this was true reunification. Now East and West Berliners alike can study the art of lining up in welfare offices. Berlin's economic figures went from being average in the eighties down to being the worst in Germany in the nineties, and stayed there ever since, with decent signs of recovery. It got empty and quiet, a bit shallow, slow, and static. The boom certainly is over. The hangover is there. Compare these figures with those in the years 1943-1949.....and start to wake up. The allied troops were generous enough to concentrate their bombings on the military-industrial-complex, but even this part reached its peak in 1944 and did not in particular get hit. The economic miracle after 1949 they are all so proud of, and phenomena like the complete absence of unemployment were the simple results of depopulation (solving the unemployment problem) plus a still existing industrial base. It was not possible to create another "miracle " like this after 1990. This somehow got forgotten about by some who believe they own reunification and are, by definition, the creators of economic miracles.

If you are looking for an apartment – no problem at all, because there are almost several hundred thousand vacant ones in Berlin alone. You want an office ? The locator may even agree to an introductory six months without any rent to pay. In Frankfurt, you will not have a great problem getting an office to rent, but expect higher prices, and no generous incentives as the mentioned ones. The authorities, anyway, should be less hostile because of the fact that you run an enterprise. The government in Berlin consists of a social democratic left wing association, and the offspring of hyper-stalinist GDR ruling party SED, called PDS. Honecker's heirs are in the government (being a bit the darling of global capitalists, logically). For their elders, several Moscow papers tolerated by the Soviet censorship authorities were an offense to public security, so they did in fact prohibit them in 1986, combatting the perestroika policies of Gorbachev. As is remembered, GDR chief Honecker got fired by his chief in 1989. That was all too much. Being the logical ally of global capitalists, this

government conducts a brutal privatization policy, slashing the social budgets in a way even the IMF would have dreamed about.

A considerable part of the Berlin population went off to the surrounding countryside, as did many enterprises, simply because taxes were a bit lower in Brandenburg, labour costs more attractive in Hungary or Poland, or simply the intellectual climate less thought-police-minded in Munich or Hamburg.

About 2000 it surfaced that over a decade the Berlin state government had not just falsified account statements systematically, but also wasted billions and billions (no one knows how much) in a strange mixture of private-public corruption schemes that dwarfed anything encountered so far. How much money just disappeared in the privatization process on the federal level, no one wants to know. Where all the billions are now ? In Switzerland ? How many billions the former communist party sacked and relocated, no one really wanted to ask, possibly to keep them cooperative. They sort of know too much. Prominent West German politicians are now desperately trying to stop the disclosure of old GDR secret police files for historical reasons, or, plainly, personal ones. The Berlin state bank almost went bankrupt because of massive misinvestments, while the public-private corruption conglomerate was waiting for the miracle, the total real estate boom, and some revenues being produced by real estate funds.

The boom never happened as expected.

A usable and always submissive judiciary ignored massive amounts of criminal charges. Now, the question remains where and how the federal authorities, that are sitting on top of a record debt already, do intend to take the required 30 billion EURO from, in order to, for example, pay the Berlin state employees in 2005. No answer. The debt that does violate the EU regulations already, will certainly

increase, but probably in favor of the task of filling the federal budget black holes.

Now you face a deindustrialized capital, deindustrialized Brandenburg, and the great advantage of a reasonable air quality. Horrible sound these stories of the eighties, when smog-alarms in winter were frequent, people had to stay at home, shut their windows, and watch yellowish-milky fog clouds mixed with snowflakes. Horrible, these eighties when you had to pay 10 000,-- DM or ~ 5 000,-- US Dollars to be granted the privilege to rent a one-room-flat – after waiting a year. It was so crowded, you could get desperate. Now you need a day to find 10 or 20 suitable cheap apartments for prices equal to those in the west german provincial areas. The (theoretical) paradise for squatters: X hundreds of thousands of empty apartments. The squatters of the eighties were sometimes desperate to find a house empty enough to be taken over.

Where are they, the squatters ? Did the young generation get saturated ? In 1993 I had an interesting conversation with a political person active in 1990 in particular, that predicted masses of starving Russians would invade Germany. Well, masses of tourists got here, that had this habit of showing off cash-filled suitcases in fancy hotel bars, and also cash-loaded ones looking for discrete real estate investments. Also, many artists showed up that offered their services, once in a while compromising ambitious politicians and talkshow-stars.....provided there was a need to compromise them.

Welcome in the eco-paradise ! One of the booming sectors was – and still is - tourism. Eco-tourists flock at the baltic sea, while ships are not really being constructed there any more. A few ones here and there...

Thanks to Love parade ! It attracted so many tourists that a large number of enterprises in the hotel / restaurant sector earned as much on a single day as over the entire year.

Thanks to the kleptocracy that seized the power position after 1989, you face a marvellous investment climate today: Offices in Bombay are far more expensive than in Berlin, and in London you pay twice as much, as in other comparable places, say Tokyo. Shanghai supposedly is far more expensive.

I deeply admire Chinese food. But, excuse me, I get somewhat envious now. One of the super-technology projects of (west) german origin, the Transrapid, a superfast railroad facility providing the speed of a small airplane, is now set up in Shanghai, not in Germany, where it was developed. A typical German success story. After a few initial tests, whatever, the Chinese were frustrated about the fact that this thing did not function properly.

This is a new-style German success story. As is known, the computer got invented here (Americans do not believe that), but marketed by the US and Japan primarily, after a strange period in the eighties when pop songs like " Computer sind doof " (computers are dumb) sold off nicely and reflected in another typical way the spirit and intellectual qualification of the German ruling caste that demonized them alleging that " computers kill employment ". I got drastically on the nerves of an American computer engineer when I obediently repeated this phrase in 1981. The great chief in the West was someone with a reputation to be a " world economist ". Well. Now the major part of the German software engineering sector is located, guess.....

.....na?.....

in India.

Then there was something like the Green Card Initiative. After a drastic cutback in the informatics – related facilities in the (west) german universities in the eighties, in 2000 the need for computer specialists was

suddenly felt – after a decade of unprecedented boom worldwide. Indians were invited to get here. I think a few freezing ones should be here still, while the Greencard originally referred to the option of winning a residence permit in a US lottery. This is true politics. Nationalist elements counteracted this initiative with the slogan "Kinder statt Inder" (kids instead of Indians). It takes some 25 years to produce a computer specialist. Would you feel lost viewing these tremendously qualified statements by top economic experts?

Anyway, Siemens, still going strong, outsourced its software engineering facilities. Siemens produces its software almost exclusively in India today, thanks to the marvels of the German education system that drastically reduced the number of students in the eighties. Computer sind doof.

I also like Indian food, and I dislike Germany now. Is this a madhouse? If you are looking for a place where people are keen on turning a piece of gold into a piece of garbage, you should go there. If you want to invest, and pour some billions in there, and technology, they terrorize you with – literally – hundreds of forms to be filled out, and the average entrepreneur should spend 1/4th of his working time or even 1/3rd with paperstuff. The World Bank just rated Germany X in terms of bureaucratic malaises. Also the German education system got X-rated. A recent study showed that the current international rank is n° 23, I think, right behind Mexico, and on top of Botswana. Germany's tax system got in a way X-rated, too, being regarded as at the bottom level in Europe, just as the economic figures in general.

The political structure behind this all for reasons of strategic importance did not really get officially X-rated, although it deserves to get this, but still: GWB honored the chancellor and the Berlin mayor with a cup of coffee and an applecake while on his way to Moscow. Now we are all happy that they had a half – hour conversation in the UN

headquarters or somewhere. Schröder does probably enjoy being hugged by Putin twice as much.

In East Germany they promised a perfect socialist society as the result of a scientifically calculable historical process. No comment. The old party structures remaining led to the consequence that e.g. a large part of the valuable agricultural lands were taken by former party affiliates. After 1990, a handful of socialist bureaucrats admitted that the workers did not profit from this venture. In 1990 the Ossies hoped to get rid of the STASI= the octopus-like omnipresent secret police. They wanted to get Deutschmarks West. And preserve their industries. Now: The industries are gone, Stasi is still running, on the federal level, and integrated into the FRG party system. The reality: Industry decline, Stasi still there, and FRG transformed into some GDR type of police state with a brownish touch. Excuse me please when I express some sort of anger. Murphy's law rules. In West Germany, they promised the " freest society ever on German soil ", and installed a regime that goes paranoid when you write articles. Be aware of that. Do not make political statements too outrageous to avoid trouble. As in GDR, expect a spy at every corner – at least in Berlin itself. Do not believe you are appreciated because you invest money here, unless you are a reform-communist or representative of a multinational, or both at once.

After the first trillion that disappeared in East Germany in the nineties, you can expect another in the upcoming years. The poor West Germans are starting to grumble badly, their pockets are emptier and emptier every year, and if you project the negative growth rate of $\sim 2-3\%$ / year over the nineties into the upcoming 10 years, you get a totally imaginary reduction in real West German economic outputs over 20 years after reunification that is hard to estimate, but certainly officially nonexistent, because, by definition, the wonder economy grows, and grows, and grows. This is wonderland. Whatever, after 1871 it crashed into a decade-lasting depression. In 1929 it

crashed into the Third Reich that crashed itself. After 1989 something crashed, but into what? Now, security (guess why) is THE priority. Security is the top priority of the insecure.

Who pays for that venture ?

This is a welfare state. The rich are supposed to support the poorer. As a matter of fact, the bureaucracy has turned this legal principle into the exact opposite in practice. A phenomenon encountered in other areas, too.

The upper class does not pay taxes, as a general rule. The legal framework, anyway, demands the opposite, say, more intensive taxation of the rich, and less intensive of the poor.

The real situation is the negative mirror image of the legal framework. It looks medieval. In 1500, the aristocracy did not have to pay taxes. The church did not. A tax of ~ 10 % was imposed on all the rest, provided they had an income, which was not the case in the countryside, where a large amount of people was regarded as objects of ownership of the landlords, treated a bit better than cattle or housewives. And, interesting: 60 % of ALL the world's tax laws are - guess - Germany-based. They really made it. They produced the incredible amount of 60 % of the entire world tax law stock, and the bureaucracy turned the legal concept of this all into the opposite in practice. The world's most complex tax system, turned into the opposite of the desired effect by the tax bureaucracy—a typical German phenomenon to be explained. Do not expect clear taxation rules. Tax consultants are the most needed professionals. The former president Herzog admitted that he does not understand the German tax system any more. He also served as head of the Supreme Court. His law exams were brilliant and shiny.

So the figures are: 10 % imposed on the medieval merchant, and the like, only 5 after the French

revolution under Wilhelm II. in the late 19th century, and an average of ~ 60 % of taxes, fees etc. today. The kleptocracy still manages to sell these figures as progress, freedom and democracy. In the world of dominating scientific analysis most people want to believe that fairy tale. The average German works 2/3 of the year for the state or the others, 1/3 of the year for himself. The largest part of the public budgets is the social welfare chunk.

This legal system is strange and completely over-regulated, while even law experts do not know what the law is, and a considerable part of the legal stuff produced in the lawmaking apparatus never gets enforced. If it did, I wonder what would happen. It tends to produce surreal results you cannot imagine.

Almost feverish and maniac are the attempts of the bureaucracy to turn e.g. the first 20 articles of the German constitution into the opposite of what was intended. Give them a sniff of the power drug – they go wild. Their subordinates, the so called citizens: Having submitted to Hitler, they later submitted to the allied military command, being extremely ambitious to repeat terms like democracy, freedom (or, as in East Germany socialist victory) like a Tibetan monk as often as they could in public – just to do otherwise behind closed doors right afterwards – if ordered to do so. A Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde - democracy is the result. They even (imagine that) prepared themselves for holocaust-like nuclear attacks against the other part of their homecountry. They would have done this, too – annihilate themselves if ordered to do so. This is not a joke, but scientifically verifiable fact.

Whatever: As an employer, you probably find reliable employees. Take it as it comes.

Now the behaviour of this bureaucracy resembles that of prison guards that lost the prison chief due to unclear circumstances. The times of limited democracy under allied military supervision before 1990 (when a peace treaty was signed officially ending the legal war status)

seem characterized by a more generous governmental structure opposed to what we face today. A catch-as-catch-can democracy, executed by people lacking supervision. Obvious malign power addiction combined with disorientation is a disease that you can encounter quite often today.

So: Give the donkey a piece of sugar, always allude to the bureaucrats' mental or moral superiority, do not criticize procedures too much....and get your permit. Insist that you are a citizen and have legal rights that you will enforce....oh, oh, get an extradition order....and kicked somewhere without legal basis. If you push the donkey too hard, it will not make a single step for you. If you threaten it with " rights " you have, it may turn its back at you, and.....imagine. Something called " motivating donation " or " benevolence fee " (a bit of cash, that is) will motivate the donkey anyway to walk a bit.

A peculiar phenomenon encountered today is " Ostalgia ", the marketing of GDR nostalgia rampant in these days....while I find the eighties or seventies idyllic in a way – in West Germany, that is. Anyway, it was a surface idyll. In fact, the phenomenon existent now is a political and legal system quite different from the old FRG or GDR alike.

It has another quality, a different type of political system hard to define anyway. It does not contain the human rights advantages of pre-1989 FRG and the social security of GDR. Generally, the average income is lower than it was before 1989. Judged by the standards of the seventies a considerable part of the cleptocracy should be transferred right and downward into the slammer. But these standards are gone....saving the cleptocracy. For the moment. Today. Revolutions tend to eat its children.

Peculiarly, those most directly connected with the management of reunification are involved in legal trouble. Schabowski, who allegedly opened the wall by coincidence

(stating he got the message from above wrong), went to jail. Kohl had some legal trouble because of illicit campaign financing and the like. Schäuble was under fire. A few others that got involved in the unification treaty fabrication got bankrupt and / or face criminal charges. Gorbachev left the Soviet government in 1991, and Bush sen. left the political stage in 1993. Nothing like this happened to those who expressed deep-hearted opposition to the reunification process, e.g. Iron Maggie Thatcher, Mitterand or even Schröder, now chancellor. Andreotti, who stated that he would like to have rather two Germanies instead of one, had some problems related to a dead journalist, but somehow managed to get out of the worst.

BREAK

(A dark image now arises....a horrible goddess with skulls used in a necklace....teeth incredible....dancing on top of dead bodies....playing with the heads of beheaded German political leaders....Emperor Wilhelm II., extradited in 1918, after the lost WWI, Papen and Schleicher, chancellors in the early thirties....Schleicher executed by a Gestapo unit in 1934.....Hitler and his gang....suicide in 1945.....Honecker, GDR chief, fleeing to Moscow, then to Chile in 1990, where he died lonely....Krenz, chief after Honecker, got jailed in Berlin-Hakenfelde serving a six-year-sentence and released in the meantime....Schäuble, almost shot in 1990, Bismarck, without honor fired in 1890....the likability of ending up in a mess serving the post of the chief in the post 1871-structure seems to be quite high...Schröder, who gladly left his post as SPD-chief could get another tranquilizer....).⁸

STOP !

Many West Berliners recall the period before 1989 in a mood hard to be explained, and some, not so few as you

⁸ Schröder then decided to cancel his governmental action for unknown reasons in 2005.

might believe, claim they want the wall back. Well, if you look at the incomes of West Berliners in the eighties, you find they were higher than today. The lunacy is understandable. Historical ignorance versus real hard economic facts...an interesting conflict.

The West Germans are starting to get nervous now. Already facing the big black hole in the east (many refer to this region as GDR still) they got confronted with a phenomenon called globalization.

The bigshots always played globally, but now the sector of smaller and medium sized enterprises got driven in there. The Germany – based multinationals went shopping. Rolls Royce, for example, is a trademark owned by BMW now. The vehicles itself will be produced in Munich. A landmark event. Good for those who want to use a Rolls – it will last longer. Britons will not deny that.

Many of the familiar names and brands disappeared from Fortune 500 and the marketplace. Some corporations simply and literally went out of sight, and others merged or got swallowed. The largest 10 German law firms are Anglo-German-American lawmaking factories today. The largest private industrial corporation is called Daimler-Chrysler. Hoechst, once the largest chemical manufacturer in the world got merged into Aventis, and moved to France. Mannesmann got eaten by Vodaphone in the largest merger ever on German soil. Mannesmann's management now faces criminal charges in relation to that, as well as the former management of German Telekom, the telephone monopolist, because of alleged fraud related to the privatization process.....Breuer, former head of Deutsche Bank, faced a court session in Munich , because of allegedly having ruined the creditworthiness of L. Kirch, media tycoon, personal friend and financier of Kohl, ex-chancellor. Kirch's conglomerate went bankrupt afterwards.

What is a manager without a criminal record ? An entrepreneur that did never get bankrupt ? A virgin....

It should be remembered that roughly half of the mergers do not really function. The banks always are on the winner's side. They earn billions running the merger. Then they get another big piece while splitting the merged companies again. The side effects of the nineties' stock market boom: A big amount of mergers that supposedly do not make sense, except for the banks that managed it, awaiting secure revenues from guaranteed stock price records.

Now the question publicly arises whether Daimler should get out of the Chrysler deal again. The banks will certainly profit from that proposal if accepted.

The smaller enterprises – once one of Germany's most valuable economic assets and the major employers – got in a way discriminated against. In the mid-nineties the private banks ceased to raise profits from the German loan market. Now there are no loans anymore for small and medium sized enterprises. The state-owned banks try to help. It should be easier to get a dosage of fresh cash, say, in London than in Frankfurt.

The tax burden is quite high (rated X), opposed to the multinationals' , that do not really suffer from paying taxes, as was proudly announced by the Daimler-Chrysler management a few years ago.

A persistent itch especially for smaller enterprises without royal tax privileges like the global players do own is the high labour cost factor. This, and others, like a weird taxation system benefitting the rich and discriminating against all the rest, or massive unemployment (the figures are somewhat like those of 1933 – 1935, and unclear because of presumably false statistics) resulting in giant social welfare spendings (the largest piece of the federal budget, and the local ones), creating the desperate need to

raise further money by extracting further capital from investors' and consumers' assets, all this results in a spiral dragging them all downwards continuously. Massive taxation required to finance the welfare state, leading to higher prices in the marketplace, more unemployment and bankruptcies therefore, creating the need to further raise money....the spiral is spiraling itself into somewhere for decades now.

Too high production costs combined with side-effects of enhanced competition within the European markets in particular, and the global marketplace in a minor way, lead to the simple decision to purchase products from other suppliers, be it Polish, Chinese, Spanish or whatever. The quality advantage of buying German products is officially ruled out, as a consequence of technological development in NICs, and there is no cost advantage.

Adding to the fun: The global trade infrastructure, sped up by the internet, and other factors.

Result: A record-high of crashed firms, bankruptcies of official and less official nature, a record-high in unemployment, a record-high in state debts, a record-high in emigration, a record-high in capital transferred to nicer places like Switzerland, and so on. Deflation. Government-sponsored fun-campaigns, censorship attempts (trying to block a new OECD report on the economic situation in Germany), and grumbling remarks crawling out of experts in the art of voodoo economics about disturbed critics suffering from depression or bad digestion.

Due to European integration, the stagnating fatty hippopotamus drags its neighbors into the mud – the Netherlands, France, Italy....Austria.....all suffering from recession now, while it is known that the USA is not all in this situation, not to talk about Japan, China, India.....

The boom market now is e.g. insolvency-related auctions. Most of the buyers are from places like Eastern Europe,

Spain and so on. A good time to get industry supplies, machinery, and all that for prices you cannot even dream of.

Another side-effect of the peculiar legal structure: A booming black market system. Tax evasion became a virtue.

In this situation, for example, a construction company based in Berlin has to pay some 15 EURO / hour for an average worker, and, roughly, some 15 / hour extra in taxes and so on. Some 40-50 different types of fees are imposed, depending on the type of business run.

The competitor: A black company, officially nonexistent, hiring people from England (10 EURO, no taxes), or Poland (8, no taxes), Ukraine (4-5), offers the more or less identical good for half the price. Embarrassing was the fact that even the propped – up Reichstag (the imperial parliament building) was reconstructed by – among others - a lot of illegal construction workers. We all hope it will not crash someday unexpectedly because of construction errors.

After 1990 the Berlin construction industry almost got wiped out. Masses of euphoric beer-consuming English construction workers filled Berlin pubs, and there were Polish, Portuguese and Ukrainian colonies – that disappeared step-by-step after 1996, when the boom was over.

Also, the bureaucracy tends to be hostile and view enterprises as criminal.

A recent survey demonstrated that 40 % of the small and medium sized enterprises seriously consider leaving the country. Another showed that 46 % expect the situation to get better, opposed to 20 % in 2002.

20-30%, as a rough estimate, of the monies generated in Germany are not visible for the tax authorities (in Brazil it should be 50 %, anyway, and in India too). Maybe even the current recession can be explained by the massive re-location of activities into the black market sphere, thereby creating an official statistic that does not show the real values any more. A black company in the black market does not contribute its profits to the GDP....despite the fact that it does.

THIS, and nothing else, can explain the amounts spent in a place where the average income per head / month is something like 1250,- EUR or so.

This is not enough to finance an apartment in a big city, two kids and a housewife.

We all appreciate women´s lib, because it is necessary that they contribute to the family income.

This factor, and a population control policy of dubious nature, leads to the dull problem that Germany has the lowest birth rate in the world, and this is the case for decades already.

Now they wonder who will support the elderly in 2020. I do.....

The welfare state is too expensive, and it is probably not wise to let the population shrink, the average income stagnate or shrink, and therefore let the welfare budgets shrink, ruin a productive part of the economy by generating weird rules in complete arrogance and defiance of the situation, and wait for another economic miracle that will never occur. Some chemical reaction can be expected in the political sector.

Sooner or later.

What is to be expected politically ? Oh, we all know that Germany is good for surprises. The first person to suggest that Germany gets reunified was someone called J. Stalin. That was in the marvellous fifties, a period with no or almost no unemployment at all. Now there are Stalin aficionados in the Berlin state government. A spy located at every corner.

In the seventies, when the first few hundreds of thousands got laid off after the oil crisis, or in relation to that, the ruling caste still got mad about this, and in the nineties the dark official number of ~ 4 million got familiar. This number, which is likely to increase to 5 or 6 million, is going to crash the social security system, and figures of 5 or 6 million will cause further economic hazard. The shrinking population will cause a crash of the entire welfare state anyway, combined with the mentioned factors.

The structural deficits are quite well known, yet, the political class is not motivated to change anything, why should they ? A postwar system of limited and controlled democracy under military rule still existent provides guaranteed power participation for the established parties, they are well beyond the law, act like feudal landlords, believe they are invincible (why the hell ?), and substantial political change is unlikely. The multinationals are in the position of getting their guaranteed revenues, while enjoying a longtime cartel regime securing their markets and monopolies, if existent.

In the nineties they all started to cry and whimper.....save Germany as an industrial nation ! Stuff called Standortversicherungsgesetz (law to secure Germany's position as an industrial economy) oozed out of the legal factory.

Now: Deutsche Bank, once the largest bank in the world by assets, is said to consider to move to Switzerland. Daimler-Chrysler – as is said – checks the option to leave for the

US as its main seat. You may find it alarming that two of the major German companies claim they want to get out of here. Governmental newspeak would put it like this: They are paranoid. Or malicious. Malicious paranoia....In bankspeak it sounds like: We do intend to get rid of old-fashioned business practices. Still I wonder about the future name of the expected superbank. German World Bank....Global German Bankers Trust. World Bankers Trust. Maybe we will be confronted with something called Chraimler. Daimler. Or just – revolution: MERCEDES!
40 % of the interviewed smaller entrepreneurs in a representative study think about leaving.

Now I start to get optimistic.....

The primary advantage enjoyed in Germany now is the record-breaking diversity of food supplies. You get thousands (?) of different cheeses – from France alone, that is. Italy also produces a lot of cheese, adding another several thousand (??) sorts to the supplies. Wine aficionados are in heaven.

If you like to choose from several thousands (??) of beer brands – go here. You can spend the rest of your lifetime investigating the differences.

Anyway, all these products are available elsewhere in Europe, and presented in the internet, because every little vineyard has its website...or will have it in a decade. Or two.

Thanks to the introduction of the common market, it is now fairly easy to get out of here, and set up a company elsewhere. The costs of doing so are considerably lower than in Germany itself. The tax mess is encountered nowhere else. Flights became dirt cheap. Sometimes they throw tickets into the market – for free, that is. Thanks to the internet and broadband communication, it is quite simple to be present " at home ". The relevant laws in the commercial sector are now by about 80 % EU-made, and

transformed into national laws, creating a more-or-less uniform legal situation. Copyright, trademark and related laws are probably mostly identical, also thanks to a longtime regime of multinational treaties, and EU-laws. Due to the EURO, the currency risk factor is gone. The member states are closely interlinked with more or less identical double-taxation treaties. Many of the borders simply went out of sight - border controls are now the exception in a large part of the community area, so that a truck driver travelling from Lisbon to Berlin faces no border controls.

So, you start to eagerly wait for a chance to leave, for obvious reasons.

In Spain, there is an abundance of sunshine.

The Portuguese sea breeze is fantastic.

In Switzerland, the vine is also good, but the tax burden lower.

In Poland, cheap labour is available.

In Great Britain you can easily become a stock market wizard, opposed to Germany, where they discourage efforts like this.

In the Netherlands you face a somewhat careful police regime, while the police force in Germany feels beyond legal bindings already. The legal framework looks surreal to obscure, and this is very polite to say.

In Ireland there are nice redheads, and a miraculous tax regime.

In Germany you are forced to stagnate – for how long ? This question remains and I do not like the answer. As a lawyer you are somehow regarded as an offense against public security, as a foreign investor as a spy or parasite, and, like in GDR, there are curious people at virtually every corner. Stalin's dream came true – a mass surveillance system Soviet style. A PDSSPD government in Berlin....you have to smile....Orwellian as it is they call this open society . It is open. There is a hole in the Titanic.

Shall the kleptocracy live on breathing sea air, if they want. There will not be so many taxpayers anymore. The biggest chunk of German tax revenues is extracted from the worker's incomes and from smaller and medium sized enterprises. The latter tend to go bankrupt, or leave, and the workers to get laid off, increasingly. The record-low birthrate is taken as some kind of divine sentence.

The solution offered by population control strategists: More immigrants. Still, it remains unclear where and how they should generate some income. Eco-farms are an option, in East Germany. Why should a Spanish immigrant go to Germany if – in Barcelona for example – he can ask a Germany-based multinational for a job?

In this surreal scenario, one could expect that some uniformed official in 2010 will remind you of your obligation to smile in public places. This could happen in execution of the Unemployment removal and investment climate promotion laws of 2007, Second Amendment, version 10.

§ 1: While at work, on the way to work, or in public places, the citizen is obliged to smile in a fashion neither exaggerated or sarcastic, in order to create a favorable working or investment climate and a stable social environment.

.....§ 63 c: It is expressly prohibited to complain while tourists are present.

§ 98 f : The happiness-enforcement authorities defined in section 331, III, a, X of the 2nd amendment of the Internal security perfection act of 2006, may take the necessary precautions to prevent unwanted communication in public places or elsewhere.

The future is smiling at us.

Definitely.

**The wonderworld
of
conspiracy theories**

Today conspiracy theory addicts live in paradise. They get an enormous amount of material, and can use it until they reach a sheer delirium, caught in an electrifying mixture of the real, the unreal, the absurd and the surreal. In the haze of disinformation, surreal propaganda and sheer idiocy finally a few glimpses of the truth are visible....

One of the most popular conspiracy tales is the rise and fall of an individual called Alois Schicklgruber, a native Austrian that later lost his citizenship, an individual that ran a career of, say, super-american quality, starting from nowhere (as a bum in Vienna), climbing up one or two ladders in the german army, getting started in politics, supported massively by a bunch of decadent aristocrats as well as "modern-age"-industrialists and bankers, financed by an international consortium of unprecedented nature.....

Later, it is said, he set the german parliament on fire, neutralized the deputies in there, except one fraction that later got imprisoned for that, made it to the position of (as a matter of fact) god-emperor, developed a sinister plan to take revenge on the Jews and ran one of the most extraordinary looting activities in history.

The tale is simply outrageous in its defiance of reality. How can an austrian bum gain german citizenship in 1932, become chancellor one year later, make it to the position of god-emperor in a fairly civilized, still decadent environment, and then, as a side effect, conquer almost the entire european continent ? The tale producers refer to

this fellow as Hitler, Adolf. Incredible, isn't it, but the tale is widely believed.

Then, the conspiracy theologians indicate, there was a military government in Germany, equipped with a few thousand so called "nuclear warheads" which in the case of usage would have left a deep black hole behind and not much more than that. They even claim that the global security system was based on a mechanism called "Mutual Assured Destruction" or, later "Flexible response", which would have led straight into the apocalypse if activated.

Can you imagine such an outrageous theory is also believed almost everywhere ?

Then there was a particularly interesting theory that created something referred to as "The Wall ". It is evident that this monstrous theory originated in the mind of a completely psychoed-out whacko, recommended treatment heavy dosages of tranquilizers, or, in case of notorious therapy resistance, brain amputation. The Wall, it is told and believed, surgically divided an entire country into two parts and arrested – as a matter of fact – approximately 16 million people called "Ossis".

You see, in the wonderful world of conspiracy theories everything is possible. If getting deeper into the matter, you'll encounter a sheer unimaginable universe of mysteries, unexplained phenomena, bizarre plots, outrageous perversions, horrendous criminal activities, tales of unprecedented failure as well as unimaginable success, all this mixed with the grim smile of the apocalypse discretely lagging behind it.

A few further examples:

To explain the rise of Schicklgruber, the austrian bum, to the position of god emperor it is commonly accepted among conspiracy theory producers that he received enormous financial help delivered by an international

conglomerate that intended to contain, if not remove, an entity called "Soviet Union". What else? The Soviet Union, as is believed widely, came into existence after a handful of adventurous German top generals, among them a figure called Ludendorff, transferred some of the leading Bolsheviks from Switzerland to Russia, igniting a revolution in 1917. Ludendorff became somewhat famous due to his early cooperation with Schicklgruber (called "The Drummer") that somehow led to a failed coup in 1923, a short stay of Schicklgruber in a Bavarian prison, where he produced a well-known book called "My Fight". In the mid-twenties, it is alleged, a consortium of Wall Street bankers constructed an entity named IG Farben, a cartel that consisted of the main German chemical companies, thereby shaping the largest chemical firm in the world at the time.

IG Farben later became the primary sponsor of Schicklgruber's activities, and it is also said to have provided the "New Order" with its security knowledge, leading to the construction of a secret police called Gestapo.

The list of sponsors that – by today's standards – donated enormous sums of laundered money reads like a Who is Who of the leading corporations – mainly in the USA and Germany – at that time, most of them still on the top of the economic hierarchy. Incredible....

Outrageous allegations abound. Among them: IG Farben entered into an almost worldwide cartel agreement with the other major chemical and petrol companies in 1928, defining market shares with respect to almost any detail imaginable. There were patent pools run by the cartel members, and numerous cross-over-share deals. So IG Farben was partially run by several petrol companies, and is said to have owned shares in several oil firms as well.

As is stated, there are several other cartels of this type, regulating the steel industries, for example, or the copper industries, or the manufacturers of electric goods and so

on. Wars came and passed, the cartels remained. They survived even the period of 1939-1945. States disappeared, the cartels did not.

In this truly democratic and capitalist world this outlandish allegation can only be regarded as irrational. Right or not ? Is it believable that an austrian bum makes it to the position of god-emperor ? No, not really....financed by an international consortium ?

But the criminal energy of these conspiracy desinformationists cannot be properly described without some of the even worse allegations that they produce.

They go as far as to create the myth that not only IG Farben, but a variety of other Germany - based multinationals donated enormous amounts of (black) monies to promote the rise of Schicklgruber, but also an astonishing selection of US-based companies, that later became the more privileged suppliers of the Nazi war machine. In the late nineties a number of unscrupulous lawyers got hired to file an astonishing number of lawsuits, and ad campaigns were run to emphasize that this theory was a true reality. One of the Third Reich's major creditors was the Bank of England, due to these conspiracy theory producers, and a handful of blue-blooded aristocrats were fervent admirers of the austrian bum....oh no.

Then the theories start to become really dark.

The SS-IG Farben conglomerate later allegedly ran soap factories, using the remains of gassed Europeans as a raw material, also to produce gold, furniture components and so on, as well as a medical-scientific complex based on experimentation with humans (remember the patent pools....). The paper material archived in this context is vast, as conspiracy producers state. The soap cartel now controls a good part of the worldwide seed production, as well as the production of fertilizers or insecticides. Well,

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you are what you eat, right ? Good luck this is all not true, or is it ? Well, after this truly fictitious event called World War Two some 55 Million are said to have vanished.

The paranoids did not stop. Currently they allege that a considerable part of the German war apparatus "changed the owner " and was run by the allied military after World War Two. There was some headache caused by this theory. How can it be that a civilized society tolerates the employment of thousands, and thousands, and even more thousands of notorious war criminals to raise even further money, and to install a multinational, then global empire ?

No, this cannot be true.

There are some interesting examples, to quote an handful (there are tens of thousands):

Wernher von Braun, who allegedly ran a concentration camp – style venture, became one of the chief architects of NASA's space program. The IG Farben Auschwitz administrator later entered the board of a cartel member, the main financier of the Auschwitz factories reached the position of the largest bank in the world by assets in the late nineties (to be devaluated a bit later) and interestingly, to put the conspiracy theory to the max, exactly those corporations most deeply involved in the war complex abound within the Fortune top 500 corporations list, as well as the suppliers of the german army before / after WW II. Rather in the top 100. No, even at the very top ? Incredible....

Justice stroke, or what was that ? One of the greatest (early) admirers of Schicklgruber, who later became Hitler after having failed to start a career as a painter in Vienna was Baron von Thyssen, and one of his largest (financial) sponsors. He set up a bank called Bank voor Handel en Scheepvaart in the Netherlands to run a discreet institution designed almost exclusively for funneling black monies into the Nazi machinery - as he stated. The

business connections of this bank and the personnel involved are highly interesting for the conspiracy addict. A true speedball, that is.

The Thyssen bank, according to these conspiracy theorists, was at least one of the major shareholders of an institution called UBC. Someone called Prescott Bush, who, allegedly, got involved in legal trouble in the forties (!) for an offense called "Trading with the enemy ", allegedly owned one share of UBC, later worth a sum of 1, 5 mio US Dollars. A small fish in a big pot. Anyway, who supplied the German army with tanks ? There was a company called Opel, that enjoyed the privilege of being tax-exempt during the period of the Third Reich...Opel was / is a GM subsidiary.

This Prescott guy, these paranoids state, is the grandfather of Bushy the Great, alias George W. Bush.

How is that possible ? This is a democracy, Sir ! How dare you state that ?

So what ?

Allegedly these totally whackoed out psychos also believe that General Motors, the largest car producer in the world, was one of the major suppliers of the Nazi war machine via its subsidiary Opel in Rüsselsheim, Germany. As well as one of the largest steel corps of today, KruppThyssen, two separate corporations at that time. And so on.... hallucinating they believe that the suppliers list reads like a Who is Who of the corporate world....with banks among them that finance both sides of conflicts in order to double their profits. And, not to forget, finance reconstruction and modernisation efforts. Too genial to be true, or isn't it ? In this particularly sterile and clean civilisatory environment no one believes that....

The conspiracy nuts even indicate that not only the Nazi war machine got its supplies from quite a few most

privileged companies worldwide, but also the Soviet Union. The North Atlantic, they state, was crammed with cargo ships for a few years. They state. This in fact is too outlandish to be true. Is it? General Electric is said to have "electrified " the Soviet Union. No, no. The economic model adopted by the Soviets resembles much of the German WW I war economy, by definition a planned economy, highly centralized.

This is a civilisation of soap freaks and conspiracy nuts.

Well. What is true ? We live in a wonderworld where everything is possible. We are close to entering paradise. We all love each other. There are no problems. Everyone is happy and loves to dance in the moonlight. Morals and ethics rule everything, and, of course, a yet unexplained phenomenon called the law, thereby guaranteeing a perfect life for everyone, we have endless financial supplies, they even invented a perpetuum mobile-like moneymaking apparatus (patents pending) and miraculously, facilities that provide unlimited amounts of natural resources, energy and goods in general. Growth will continue forever....We are ruled by god-emperors that beat out god himself. God never imagined he would be capable of creating so many miracles...due to a phenomenon called war on the weather we can expect a truly golden age, thanks to the unlimited supplies that are available....

The world simply contains these stupid, whackoed, paranoid conspiracy nuts that, due to their mental disability, project themselves into it.

Sometimes they get really dirty. These.....After the IG Farben complex, for example, became restructured, and its security branch transferred (after a cleanup) to the allied authorities, including cartel representatives, a variety of typical Nazi-style events occurred. This of course cannot be true because we do in fact live in a perfect democratic society, the law rules, and, as stated, we all love each other

in this global Fannyland. There was this ominous operation involving so called ratlines, a mystery that sprung out of the head of a particularly paranoid maniac.

This theory contains the "fact" that the Vatican helped a few thousand Nazi war criminals escape to various places, South America, Great Britain, and the USA. Those left in Germany were either hanged (for idiocy or failure, the most horrendous offenses ?), or, the majority, revitalized to create the perfect democracy, the optimized rule of the law, and a constitutional paradise that enlightens almost everyone. Well, according to these conspiracy perverts, the brown stuff somehow, in an unexplained fashion, continuously oozed out of the rule-of-the-law-framework.... These conspiracy dumbshits then point their finger at the "fact " that e.g. the majority of the well-known Latin American military dictators were educated in US military institutions and closely cooperated with mysterious entities like the "CIA", a phenomenon that they often fail to insult because it never existed, as well as a number of Nazi emigrés that also established close contacts with the coke cartel. They claim it is not a coincidence that a number of smaller concentration camps appeared here and there, as well as torture chambers that (they allege) perfectly resemble places like Abu Ghraib or others.

A mysterious fantasy in this context: A red terrorist gang called "Grupo rojo ", allegedly artificially created within Operation Condor by the chilean government, that conducted a variety of terrorist acts in Argentina, primarily.

Other peculiar nightmares put into print: The German secret service allegedly bombed various prisons or, for example, a pizza parlor in 1999. The present head of BND – the German equivalent to the CIA - is said to have explained that away by stating "No, the agency for the protection of the constitution did not bomb these facilities (in the case of the prisons, that is), it simply ordered this to be done. " This makes a tremendous difference. The

bombing of the pizza parlor in 1999 was handed over to a seemingly independent institution, and was never mentioned again. Currently, there is some minor confusion because peace doves from Germany appeared in Iraq to spot valuable military targets, they say, as well as the joint operation that led to the temporary extradition of someone called Masri who later got released. Masri is - mysteriously - mentioned in the official 9-11 report (page 165).

Why should the German taxpayer pay taxes for having these neat prisons bombed ?

Or why should US or chilean taxpayer money be spent on setting up artificial government-run terror gangs, e.g. posing as "Grupo rojo " ? Seems to be quite irrational.

These conspiracy folks even go completely blind. They do not see any result in several anti-terror investigations in Germany relating to a handful of older cases in the eighties, involving the killings of a few top managers. No one was found, they state. There are no convictions. There simply isn't anyone to charge. Then they point their finger at the "fact" that the notorious Red Army Fraction, a west german terror gang, left West Germany in 1985 to get asylum in East Germany, well protected by the east german authorities. So, they state, there was no RAF anymore to be blamed for the killings of a handful of managers such as the head of Deutsche Bank Herrhausen or Hoesch (a steel corporation) Rohwedder, later head of the privatization unit that restructured East Germany, say, de-industrialized it to the ground. Hallucinating they quote that investigations were commented on in an uninterested fashion by those in charge for clearing up the scenario.

The appearance of Bin Ladin, Osama, on the scene made the conspiracy nuts freak out completely. They claim he was hired as a US government agent to drive the Soviets out of Afghanistan. They construct the theory that he

appeared, mysteriously, continuously at the freedom-dictatorship frontline, such as in Bosnia, or in Kosovo in 1999.

He certainly was not there. Untrue is also the allegation that vast government funds were spent to run that. No, no. Bin Ladin then stated he overthrew the Soviet Union, as well as some of his chiefs.....to justify his existence. A bit exaggerated, isn't it ?

The conspiracy freakouts even indicate that not only Prescott Bush was somehow affiliated with Baron von Thyssen, one of Hitlers major sponsors, even until 1940-something, no, these paranoid maniacs allege that Salem Bin Ladin and his family had a variety of business cooperations run with the Bush family and numerous others, while G. W., according to their paranoid fantasies, now acts as US president.

Horrible, isn't it ?

After the legend of the Gulf of Tongking got created (a set up attack of the US military against itself, so they say) the ultimate paranoia got inserted into the public, namely the demolition of the World Trade Center. Kamikaze 2001. Dr. Strangelove's return.

Attacks of armies against themselves never occurred, as we all know. This is not possible. The German army did not conduct an attack by SS-officers in polish uniforms to justify an extensive peacekeeping mission starting on September, 1st, 1939. No, no. This nightmarish vision of true psychotics is one of the most notorious examples of conspiracy nuthead mania that so far got produced. It is designed to scare the intimidated taxpayer and rip further money. No, the alien-run communists produced that theory.

Totally surreal also was the allegation that the peacekeeping mission in Poland was authorized by the

Soviet Union in a secret agreement as of mid-1939, also referred to as the 4th partition of Poland. The alleged content: Germany invades the western part, shortly after that the Soviet Union invades the eastern part, and then there are these typically faked images of german & soviet soldiers shaking hands at the then Soviet-German frontline in fall-winter 1939 / 1940. They even faked maps. The eastern part of Poland remained in soviet hands even after WW II had ended. Ah, not to forget: The agreement is said to have included Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and parts of Romania, for example. It certainly is untrue, because we all definitely know that Adolf Hitler – an alien-run superman that forced them all - was solely guilty for all this, and certainly the psychotic german people, that suffers from a hereditary disease called insomniac megalomania. How can it be true that Stalin appeared as one of the major prosecutors, as a matter of fact, in Nuremberg ? Well, he got ripped off, in fact.

In a tremendous act of disinformation they constructed the legend that Germany, not the Soviet Union, received an answer shortly after September 1st 1939, from the protective forces that guaranteed safety for Poland, namely France and Great Britain. Of course, as we all know, the British and French immediately started fighting against the Soviets shortly after their invasion.....this is, of course, historical fact, not fiction.

Anyway, the conspiracy cokeheads, after having stumbled into the myth that also the Soviet Union attacked Poland, and that the Germans justified their maneuver by attacking themselves in Polish uniforms (the Gleiwitz incident, that is), to start WW II, they do linger on creating unqualified stuff like that.

Gleiwitz never existed, Tongking never existed, and of course 9-11 never existed.

Here we are confronted with a spectacular mindset of hallucinations. These even go as far as to deny the laws of physics.

A particularly mean conspiracy theory goes like this:

The World Trade Center simply got demolished.

Due to an official certain report delivered by US congress the southern tower went down in 10 seconds (9-11 commission official report, page 305). It collapsed into itself (see report, page 305).

The spectator could watch that with genuine objectivity, overshadowed by a peculiar haze of disbelief, again and again, again and again, and again, and so on, somewhat hypnotized by the media coverage (allegation, continuous repetition, establishment of belief). If someone would have taken a brick and thrown it off the WTC roof it would have taken, say, 10 seconds or so to reach the ground. Evidently, they conclude, there was an almost free-fall-speed when the towers went down. A real estate expert even stated in public, they claim, that " they decided to pull " in the case of WTC 7, which happened in this theory. Other experts stated that the entire scenario looked too much like a demolition - to alter their views later in a 180-degree -move. It went down a little faster than WTC I or II. Seemingly, they allege, it collapsed into itself.

The free fall speed can be explained by the fact that there was no physical resistance left to slow down and partially stop or modify / slow down the breakdown. This, they state, requires that a large amount of bombs are being placed in (almost) every floor, to be detonated simultaneously, so that the building literally implodes (see <http://www.implosionworld.com/> for various examples of implosions that look very similar to the breakdown of WTC I & II or VII). If the stabilizing steel columns - or the 400 - meter - high central concrete WTC core - and the like are removed completely at the same moment (by

explosives planted in specific key locations within the stabilizing elements), there is no, or almost no, physical resistance left, so that the building can come down at almost free fall speed. The subsequent crash caused by melting columns somewhere in the upper area would have caused a completely different scenario. The upper part of the South Tower – hit at the side, not the center - would have broken off taking one side of the building with it, ripping that one apart, and leaving the other side (that did not get hit) somewhat intact. In the case of the North Tower: Imagine, they argue, how long it takes for a solid block of approx. 20 to 30 stories to crash / make its way through approximately 80 stories, step by step, and cause steel columns (normally something like approx. 300 meters high....solid up to the ~ 80th floor) to break (and bend, folks !), others not, and so on. The image would have been quite asymmetrical, chaotic, a maelstrom of whirling and crashing components mixed in an unpredictable fashion.....this is, they say, what happens in uncontrolled demolitions, in the case of airforce bombings or in other scenarios like this, artillery attacks for example. Look at these images. Bombed buildings do not crash symmetrically. They go off step by step. Parts remain. But WTC I & II crashed in a perfectly symmetrical fashion, a surgical strike, so to say, designed to minimize damages rather than maximize them. So, these fellows argue, look at a few controlled demolitions, and get a few movies on airforce action. How do buildings in a bombed city look like ? Some crashed completely, most of them partially intact, and partially ruined. Certainly not literally pulverized, as the WTC I & II buildings.

Hm, hm....how large is the physical resistance produced by a block of approx. 80 - 90 stories, partially consisting of quite solid and long steel columns that remained widely intact ?

Is it possible that another block of known size slides through it at almost free fall speed ?

The most irritating factor is the almost free-fall-speed. The lower approx. 80-90 storeys would have produced an enormous physical resistance to the upper block. Going downwards, the upper block would slowly have disintegrated and, subsequently, been distributed into the area, while LARGE pieces of steel and glass would have remained. Also, there is not a single example of a steel and glass building that collapsed due to a fire. They claim there are witnesses that heard explosions right before the collapse, such as various firefighters. Maybe a wave of several explosions ?

Then, they claim, there is this irritating fact that if a controlled demolition took place, the bombs must have been placed either within approx. one hour until one hour and a half on Sept. 11, or, because this seemingly is impossible, the day before, or some time before. To quote another expert: I can demolish any building within a week. Normally, some - maybe - several thousands, located all around in the building to be demolished, are not kept in storage in case the building has to be demolished all of a sudden. Anyway, where is the WTC security chief ? Any problems investigating and analyzing the rubble ? Where is that ?

So there is your conspiracytheory.

The effects of a crash caused by an airliner of a certain size, carrying a certain quantity of fuel, having a certain weight, being rammed into a building of a certain quality, size, material, could mathematically be defined and put into a computer simulation to make it visible. Conspiracy freaks would need not so much harddisk space & RAM to do that. Architects and security branches of local bureaucracies either. Of course, no one ever checked whether these buildings could withstand the impact of a mishandled airliner, no, no. A supercomputer is required to predict e. g. the physical effects of a nuclear explosion done subterraneously, causing seismic effects that also can be analyzed (and predicted).

Now, there is this cruel theory:

-- It looked like a controlled demolition, symmetrical, a clean – cut orderly collapse, not a chaotic event usually encountered after an airforce bombing, or a fire, the buildings literally imploded, typical for demolitions and the buildings crashed within approx. 10 seconds, also typical for demolitions, while bombed buildings tend to break off step-by-step, asymmetrically.

-- Firefighters and numerous others heard (a series of) explosions right before the collapse.

-- Demolitions require the usage of (high-energy) explosives right before the building comes down.

So there was a controlled demolition. And....

"We see little evidence that the performance of the plot was disturbed by any government action." (9-11 commission official report, page 277)

Which plot ?

An explanatory note:

UPI Hears...

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A former Bush team member during his first administration is now voicing serious doubts about the collapse of the World Trade Center on 9-11. Former chief economist for the Department of Labor during President George W. Bush's first term Morgan Reynolds comments that the official story about the collapse of the WTC is "bogus" and that it is more likely that a controlled demolition destroyed the Twin Towers and adjacent Building No. 7. Reynolds,

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who also served as director of the Criminal Justice Center at the National Center for Policy Analysis in Dallas and is now professor emeritus at Texas A&M University said, "If demolition destroyed three steel skyscrapers at the World Trade Center on 9/11, then the case for an 'inside job' and a government attack on America would be compelling." Reynolds commented from his Texas A&M office, "It is hard to exaggerate the importance of a scientific debate over the cause of the collapse of the twin towers and building 7. If the official wisdom on the collapses is wrong, as I believe it is, then policy based on such erroneous engineering analysis is not likely to be correct either. The government's collapse theory is highly vulnerable on its own terms. Only professional demolition appears to account for the full range of facts associated with the collapse of the three buildings."

Excuse me that I regarded the usage of a part of this article (also published in the Washington Times a while ago) as fair use. Also, excuse me, I recommend the usage of doves, couriers or submarines to transport messages that contain usable evidence relating to the plot ", due to law enforcement activities that so far remain a true conspiracytheory.

A hint:

The legal results of the 9-11 plot so far are poor. Evidence that is usable and would lead to a clarification of the scenario continuously disappears. Remember that the plotters do not have much to lose if they get identified. And they certainly control a part of the law enforcement apparatus. I may mention that in roughly 20 years in the legal business I have witnessed too many legal attempts based on fiction, fake evidence, fake show trials, third - class theater plays in courtrooms, files completely stuffed with artificial evidence and things like that. And too many law enforcement officials that can hardly be distinguished from criminals.

The last flight

A truly untrue tale

" You are supposed not to steal apples in the neighbor's garden, you little bandit ! "

Seconds before he fell into unconsciousness, his father's words flashed into his brain, who had had told the six – year – old this plain rule of life.

The day Möllemann died was one of the most wonderful in his life. In the final months of his personal and political existence, the former member of the Kohl government (nicknamed Riesenstaatsmann Mümmelmann, that is superstatesman rabbit) was haunted by an uncontrollable overflow of revelations related to campaign financing, sleazy campaign activities, money laundering, naughty and dirty behaviour in general. His legal advisor told him that all the criminal proceedings launched against him were going to be annihilated, his opponents sacked and punished, and identified as probably alien subversives. He knew that he could trust the advice of this highly-reputed northern light in the legal skies and his affiliates close to being perfect prophets in the legal Walhalla.

The perfect day for a good jump, he thought....after receiving this endorphine-releasing message, and being a totally committed parachute aficionado he rushed to the airport, embarked on his final flight, and simply enjoyed himself, the world, and everything altogether.

The sky was marvellously blue, the universe was smiling at him. The air had a silky undefinable clarity and smoothness.

His trusted friends were the first to leave the plane at an altitude of 5000 m. After taking a deep, wonderfully refreshing breath, he had a final look around, spotted two tiny clouds close to the horizon, and jumped off.

He started to fly. His thoughts started to fly either. Zeros, and numbers, and many more zeroes circulated in his head, and while watching the slightly elliptical horizon he started to wonder how high the interest gains of all the black accounts were going to be that the stupid dumbshits had not found.

A wry smile appeared in his face, getting much shinier when he imagined having a marvellous blowjob in the presidents' office while at the same time signing a handful of presidential directives, and he started to laugh in a really undefinable way when he looked at the horizon again, enjoyed the absence of gravity and saw himself in the office of the president of the European Union – having five well-educated and open secretaries available.

This was a moment in life of such extraordinary closeness to heaven that it seemed that the entire universe had united with him, a moment in life to be preserved eternally.

OH NO !

Then, all of a sudden, something was perceived that was not expected, really.

The parachute could not be opened. The security switch was gone. Several parts seemed to have vanished in the haze. His parachute did not function. Control was gone..... His entire body convulsed in a ferocious mixture of terrifying obliterating shock, extreme hopeless anger, total helplessness, useless desperation, and pure terror.

His heartbeat reached a record-high of 200/minute. Adrenaline in enormous quantities flooded his

bloodvessels, and - getting faster and faster – he felt as if he was a bullet in a rifle after it got fired, engulfed in a tunnel with a black mysterious hole at the end, with a speed increasing dramatically every millisecond.

When he reached the velocity of a small jet, little bomb explosions (200 per minute) flashed through his brain, and stars, and colors, and kaleidoscope-like images rushed through his blurred imagination, while it got harder and harder to see anything except swirling clouds, circulating treetops, and towers rotating in a peculiar undescrivable fashion.

Then, suddenly, he saw the apple tree, one of the most irresistible sights of his childhood. It had been located right next in the neighbor's garden, full of red, sweet, round apples waiting to be stolen.

Why bother, he had thought, climbed up the tree, and filled his pockets as much as he could.

A mockingbird had had arrived, looked at him with distanced curiosity, shaken its head a little in sheer irony, and noticed that the young boy was not really fit enough to undertake the risky venture of climbing up nice-looking apple trees in the neighbor's garden.

Mrs. Rosendorn, wife of the owner of the invaded territory, had watched him fall off the tree with a mixture of pity, anger, and the will to further punish him.

The nicely trimmed grass had gotten squeezed a bit too much, a worm killed and the mockingbird shaken its head in total disgust of such an amount of idiocy displayed.

" You damned robber, I get you ", Mrs. Rosendorn had cried out, grabbed him at the shoulders, squeezed his ear, and dragged him back to the place he originally belonged to.

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The last thing he perceived was a swirling tree, and his fathers commandments.

What happened next, no one knows. We dare not even imagine.

The mockingbird decided to leave the dreadful place.

(Certainly we are not going to believe this story, and will never believe it.)

The end of the law ?

Are you a terrorist ?

The answer remains a bit unclear, as you may have guessed already. According to a great modern leader, terrorists are everywhere, and can strike any time they want. Because somewhere is a region located in "everywhere" and you are certainly somewhere, you are a terrorist....

Logical, isn't it ?

Terrorism in its various forms can be defined as a standard means of governmental action in times of eternal and total war, giant military dictatorships with a democratic surface (or call it democratic elements in it) and post-orwellian control schemes to contain dissent.

The terror spiral starts at the top, and moves downwards until it reaches a tortured rat that suffers from the frustrations and neurotic behaviour of its owner.

After a century of almost continuous war that almost no one could escape we became used to the apocalypse presented to us as a potential reality that could occur / could have occurred the very next day – just because of some malfunctioning security system – a disoriented fly caught in the wrong place at the wrong time, say a computerized warning system, could have triggered a total disaster, or maybe a character like Ripper, a freaked out general, that firmly believed the Commies were after his precious bodily fluids, locked himself up in an army base and started an unauthorized assault against the (former) Soviet Union. Fiction or not ? Various times, it is

confirmed, the world was at the very brink of such an event, due to security system alerts that were not quite correct, or real trouble, for example the shooting down of a US civil airplane by Soviet jets in September 1983.

Needless to say, after a century of war the political behaviour in general did not become so much more civilized. In WW I roughly 90 % of the casualties were soldiers, or military personnel, the rest civilians. In WW II the ratio was approx. 50 / 50, to be modified later, so that in Vietnam 90 % of the dead were civilians, and there is no verifiable evidence that this has changed. This ratio resembles the dark ages (around 1400 – 1700).

Not only the methods of conducting wars and the modern inquisition look medieval, also the legal framework around it. We also got used to a seemingly endless fight conducted in the name of rivaling ideologies or belief systems that defined themselves as the perfect way to reach a perfect society (if only these adversaries that were guilty for everything could be wiped out). The Cold War still lingers on in a way, because quite a number of security bureaucrats failed to adapt to the political post – 1990 framework. It takes some time to enforce new laws, and sometimes they get ignored completely while the bureaucracy continues to malfunction as it always did.

Sometimes the question could be raised whether this war was to be taken seriously. While e.g. people were not allowed to work as a postman because of their ideological diversion or because of having participated in a number of demonstrations, some of the global " capitalists" praised the advantages of the chinese communist model that produced a variety of benefits for the the chinese people and was called "a great social experiment". The largest supplier of grain / crops that the Soviet Union could rely upon was – the USA. Communist China swallowed a huge amount of US capital and is now its largest creditor as well as Japan, not to mention all the others that invested heavily. Anyway, the Cold War produced the perfect

justification for a variety of unprecedented repression schemes that went as far as the introduction of Orwell-style scenarios a few decades ago. The democratic propaganda therefore sounded quite exaggerated, was repeated over and over again, and again, and became in a way omnipresent and very difficult to escape from.

The (mutual) threat of complete annihilation is in a way a typical terrorist strategy. The FBI definition of "terrorism" sort of matches. Expressed in musical forms: The age of anxiety.

The BOMB was and is the first authority to relate to when it comes to handling political matters.

Politics has to follow the bomb, not vice versa.

Imagine the consequences if the bomb got ignored in political decisionmaking processes.....

It could even be argued that democracy facing the dictatorship of the bomb is a risky venture - too risky to be tolerated. Could we tolerate a maniac demagogue elected by an entity named we the people that tends to be irrational, easy to manipulate, uneducated and not reliable?

The largest military buildup in history was partially stopped when the results became so absurd that they simply were not payable anymore.

The primary reason of the fall of the Soviet Union was a form of hyper-militarism that simply was too expensive – corresponding with a military-buildup policy of NATO that was designed to drive the SU into bankruptcy – by provoking unpayable military spending. And a few other factors, like an inefficient bureaucracy trying to act in an economically efficient fashion. Or the growing technological deficits.

In this context there is a phenomenon called terrorism. While officially often defined as the work of non-governmental anarchists and political desperados working independently, it can correctly be defined as a standard governmental instrument to achieve a variety of political goals. For some decades the superpower conflicts were covered behind proxies. Proxy warfare became a common way of hiding oneself behind third-world-culprits, and to pretend to comply with UN standards. Proxy freedom fighters were run against red governments, proxy red terror gangs against western-style governments. Or: Fighters for the sovereignty of we the people tried to destabilize western imperialist regimes, and brown terror gangs and imperialist saboteurs were used against the forces of justice. Their methods were as similar as the nuclear arsenal. The soviet bomb may have looked quite different compared with the US devices, but still the basic principles of functioning remain the same. Behind almost every terror gang there was and is some puppet master and secret banker that financed them – a state, or a government. The control density became so high that it was and is almost impossible to organize a terrorist plot without the support of a larger power with the necessary financial resources, infrastructure and safe havens.

Anarchists and bombers have always existed, but the golden age of terrorism began in the late sixties of the 20th century. Behind PLO / Black September (just to quote one example) there was, not astonishingly, a clique of Saudi financiers, among others. Gaddafi himself sponsored various terrorist acts. Behind the Red Army Fraction lagged an octopus called Stasi or MfS, the east german secret agency. The CIA launched quite a few attempts to kill Fidel Castro and did so in several other cases (Lumumba, right ? Or a handful of Latin American presidents, e.g. Allende that got lost in an operation called Track 2, or was it 3 ?). There are numerous complaints about a somewhat naughty behaviour like this, but it simply has to be remembered that agencies like that – huge bureaucracies with typical weaknesses – are run with

the full consent of governments, therefore states, and we the people always loved tough action (the inspiring and socializing effects of public executions enriched the entertainment resources for thousands of years – to be replaced by TV-transmitted surrogates, as in many other cases elements of life itself are replaced by – surrogates.....).

Interesting to read was Casey's (auto-) biography (CIA-chief from 1982 – 1987).

It contains a lot of useful information about clandestine techniques.

There you find an interesting example of a covert CIA operation targeting a sheik called Fadlallah. He became too intolerable and it was decided to remove him. A british special forces agent got hired to coordinate the efforts. Saudi money, not surprisingly, was donated to finance the operation, laundered, and re-allocated to acquire the necessary personnel and means. The only one that knew about all the operational details was the british special forces agent, the participants that did their jobs had no idea what they were in for – except their personal duties and the minimum of knowledge required. They did not know who ran the coordinating activities. They did not know who the other participants were. They had no idea of the existence of an assassination plan. They did not communicate via telephone or other visible means (today they would of course not even think about using the internet...). Certainly they did not use credit cards or official bank accounts. Of course they did not rent cars. Simply they avoided anything that could have resulted in usable evidence and a trace. They did not in any way uncover their real names. Then a bomb blast destroyed Fadlallah's house and killed some 100 people or so – while Fadlallah was dining in a restaurant some kilometers away. This typical example of a secret service operation is, of course, just one example. Pakistan is known to have supported various terror gangs as well as Saudi Arabia, the

USA, the Soviet Union, GDR, France got caught in the act while bombing a Greenpeace ship, and so on.

Then there is a variety of seemingly nongovernmental terrorist phenomena. Numerous acts committed in the eighties in Europe are associated with a club named P2 (Propaganda due), a secret society that consisted of 962 members in Italy, and was associated with sister and mother societies here and there around the globe. P2 is quite interesting because several presidents were spotted in there as well as army leaders and TV moguls as well as Mafia dons. Another media mogul that revealed the existence of a network called Gladio drowned in the Atlantic in the early nineties under – of course – undefinable circumstances. NATO material was in several cases found a bit too close to terrorist scenarios.

So, you can define terrorism as a form of clandestine warfare, and the terrorist is the adversary in the game, while the own folks committing similar acts are the freedom fighters or the fighter for the sovereignty of we the people. It is a matter of perspective rather than objective facts who is labelled a terrorist or a hero. Also: The winner seems to survive as the hero, while the loser later is regarded as the criminal – but this is a phenomenon encountered in the area of criminal justice everywhere and everytime. Justice is where the winner is, while it does not really matter how the game was won. To put it a bit sardonically: It is a corrupted female that runs after the money.

Justice is where the money is.

The system-typical paranoia can be observed in various legal products such as the Zersetzungsrichtlinie (Directive 1/76 enacted by the former head of the GDR secret police Mielke who inspired quite a few security bureaucrat worldwide - it can be obtained at www.bstu.de), a directive for the handling of political cases in GDR in the seventies and eighties. There you can read how operation

plans have to to be set up to ruin and neutralize "hostile" elements. There is some similiarity with certain already published CIA manuals (or, as the Washington Post dared to put it, murder manuals – a term that probably would not be used today, like the definition of the CIA as a rabies-infected elephant by Sen. Church).

The old GDR files are still valuable material because they give good insights of the operational tactics of political police forces in general.

Directive 1/76 is, for example, a good image of the handling of political cases in FRG. The methods listed are very hard to prove. This seems to be of utmost importance, because they do not really fit with various (international) charters and treaties that prohibit dirty things like torture, or secret assasinations without trial. Trials for example have this particular disadvantage of being visible even when conducted out of the public. So, the clear and rational choice is the usage of undercover means.

This old material has some importance when analyzing the behaviour of former west german agencies. First, because operations of various types were conducted on west german soil, particularly in West Berlin, and also, there is an interesting data pile handling West Germans (~ 2 million), and there was, of course, the need to outbolshevik the bolsheviks in retaliation or whatever. While the shooting of refugees at the iron curtain had some legal consequences the slow executions of GDR and FRG nationals produced not even the glimpse of a (penal law) consequence, despite the fact that getting shot at the border is more pleasant than to be driven into suicide. One of the first things you learn as a law student in West Germany is that driving someone into suicide is legal....an interesting construction. Of course it is not legal, but very hard to prove. So, if you read the directive 1/76 you may get an explanation for mysterious professional failures, the notorious tendency of officials or others to define your

personality as obscure, your character as problematic, your sex life as ridiculous and so on.

No need to mention that Amnesty International noticed the worldwide increase of psychological torture in the past decades. The UN anti-torture convention is a mysterious phenomenon: It is barely enforced. In a society that calls itself obliged to respect the rule of the law, of course, secrecy is THE priority. Also, the courts tend to be more objective than in a communist dictatorship – at least, they were. The press used to be dangerous too, but this also is rapidly declining. Information about conspirative and illegal maneuvers tends to be rather outdated nowadays. Example: You can read that some politicians now demand a centralized database on terrorism. No need to mention that this existed for decades already.

These old Stasi files are not historical material at all, that is. Today the technology used is far more sophisticated – one of the most important differences. Still, it is sort of coincidental who gets targeted. Lawyers tend to be defined as a risk to public security, as I could witness. Legal activities, too, like publishing material on, say, constitutional law. Criticizing your great leader may be more dangerous than you think. Analyzing plots may be a particular risk because the plotters may watch you....

No need to mention that operation plans encountered in this context involve the systematic intimidation of the target, among other measures like the organized sabotage of professional activities, social networks, family ties and so on. Not surprisingly it resembles the mindsets of typical weirdos quite a bit. Paranoids love to scare others....A lot of cases in GDR got closed because the target committed suicide.

In the end the security system used was one of the major reasons why the state to be protected by it vanished. This is why I regard the notorious usage of bolshevik police state methods and their drastic expansion over the past

decades as counterproductive for the preservation of the system that pays for this. People that drive others into suicide do have a self-destructive character, seemingly. They dis-organize themselves in the end.

The technique of organized sabotage is functioning even better in more or less darwinist environments like success- and competition oriented capitalist states, as I got told long ago. The slightly crampy fun-and-happiness-society under continous stress excludes and stigmatizes any malfunctioning element almost automatically. Also there is some tendency to create Jew-surrogates while the real ones are absent....

In this scenario psychological warfare against civilians is system-typical. Targets are getting continously scared, harassed, sabotaged and confused – until a psychiatrist can define them as paranoid. And introduce therapeutical measures that are not always intended to be healthy...

Because terrorism is system-typical and tolerated by elites, the typically a bit paranoid looking behavioural patterns get adopted by the masses – they copy them like the tie their idol just used or the mannerisms displayed.

Mobbing in public companies (or private) for example is quite similar to MfS obstruction techniques. Business practices typically involve death or annihilation threats – even in minor cases. Abuse is widely tolerated and regarded as a minor offense. Many times the trial sessions in rape cases are worse than the actual deed.

Slaughter is a typical part of the daily TV program, as well as the mobgang behaviour of schoolkids leading to a military buildup in schools. The slaughter on TV increased dramatically. The movies and related material produced in the seventies were spiced with small amounts of ketchup, in Hitchcock's Psycho there is one drastic scene (which makes it particularly horrible), but in Heat there is some real heavy stuff going on, right ? Taxi Driver looks like a

mild comedy in comparison. If you spend an evening in front of your TV set you may encounter some several hundreds of slaughtered individuals, if you zap a bit around.

Too bad that the TV set did not only replace cool old stuff like public executions but also dear old ma reading goodnight stories. Instead of some fairy tale kids now get – loneliness and the Texas Chainsaw Massacre. The socializing effect of this can be studied at schools, where they – slaughter each other in cases. Schools are now battlefields run using prison surveillance techniques.

In the end you reach the dog, which at times resembles the character of a malconditioned owner and acts like a TV-brainwashed fighting cell that gets too confused by this abnormal dictatorship --and starts to attack pedestrians without a reason, leading to a legislation that prohibits the usage of certain races without protective measures that resemble a straightjacket.

Wie der Herr sos Gescherr (The character of the landlord shapes the character of the servants...).

Emergency status and martial law are a perfect device to quell down dissent. Terrorism – among other phenomena – has always been and still is a well – tuned device to stigmatize any form of opposition and therefore was discreetly supported continuously. If the war on drugs was designed to keep the drug money flowing (into oceans of laundered monies) the war on terror could be defined as a means to keep the terror money flowing - not to mention its effect on afghan opium poppy production.

Quite logically a broad variety of former terrorists started to enter the governmental sphere. Arafat for example. One or the other israeli leader, to be a bit neutral, is said to have bombed the British out of Palestine. I do not remember who was it...who ? Here, right around the corner, there was a former RAF lawyer acting as police chief. The result was a pompous show-off, Kamikaze-style

law enforcement actions....and so on. In Berlin, subway ticket controllers started to adopt the behaviour of GDR border guards. Police developed Kamikaze-threat techniques. You think this is an irony ? No, not at all. War on the law....

The golden age of terrorism corresponds with a continuous decline of legal standards, as well as a continuous increase of violence in general: The deterioration spiral. For decades we faced a security policy that is a worthless waste of taxpayer's money as well as destructive. A side effect is the step-by-step abolition of the rule of the law. And – this is not a phenomenon encountered in exceptional locations but almost everywhere.

In the sixties it was almost impossible to get a warrant to, for example, wiretap telephones. Because of these terrorists and a sharp increase of criminal offenses in general it was argued this measure had to be legalised and introduced into regular criminal procedures. Some years later it was found that this measure was inefficient. Demands for more efficient methods grew louder, and then, for example, it was suddenly legal to record conversations in public. Of course: This all was found too inefficient later. Then secret-service-surveillance techniques were introduced, it became legal to wiretap living rooms, business locations. That also was found inefficient, and now the torture lobby is very active to promote its interests. Torture itself is – top priority – a means to break resistance rather than anything and a means to intimidate dissenters in general. A terror device, that is. In the Fadlallah case, torture would have been quite useless to stop the plot. A typical device also for times of crisis, when a power structure becomes threatened – like the monopoly of the Catholic church in the late middle ages, when the Inquisition was on the run. Still, the Inquisition granted the right to justify yourself, or at least the option of a declaration of withdrawal from false beliefs (like the belief that the earth is not flat like a plate)and today ?

Every step of legal deterioration was justified by the lack of efficiency of the measure that was just introduced a few years earlier.

The oceans of drug & terror money grew larger and larger....

A suspicious ping-pong game.

Ping – the government-sponsored terrorist or other types of criminals and their vile acts, pong – the legal apparatus' response to it....while it can be assumed that terrorist acts on demand were committed exactly in the moment new security measures were to be introduced, and opponents to that to be labeled supporters of anarchy and terrorism. This has functioned quite well.

There is not much of the rule of the law left. Currently, the torture lobby is pressing hard to legalize its widespread activities – to cut the roots of the legal regime off, to be a bit unfriendly. Still, it has to be remembered, the Inquisition could always count on an applauding audience while witches were burnt. What a movie....And, oh, ah, these highly amusing sex acts in shady prison cells....these tasty confessions of having committed these dirty but delicious acts with the devil (strangely resembling the subconscious fantasies of the torturers)...these naked screaming red-haired witches....mmmmmmh. We the people wants action. The harder theseget it, the better.

While the deterioration spiral was spiralling itself downwards the criminal statistics grew worse, and worse, and worse.

When incarceration rates reached a historical peak in the mid-nineties the trend temporarily ended. But it can be argued that there is another trend that distorts the crime rate statistics – the trend to not call the police any more

and bother it and rely on the donation of protection money and private security forces. Terror got worse, and worse.

As a CNN or BBC watcher you can consume a phenomenon called the daily suicide bomber, or the daily slaughter. In the seventies there were rather singular individuals that got targeted, small groups maybe, in the eighties mass bombings got introduced, then entire buildings got blown off, simultaneous mass bombings started, and this trend culminated in the demolition of WTC I, II, VII and so on. Maybe the boring image of a hole in the WTC buildings after the fires disappeared would have been too boring to achieve the desired mass-psychological effect. You can view this event from different perspectives. The evidence collected after 9-11 is of course much more objective and true as the evidence presented to justify the second Iraq war....mass destruction sells, as a political creator put it. Vaguely I now remember the media hype caused by the publication of Adolf Hitler's diaries. The author, Kujau, would have been the perfect psywar and intelligence specialist. Not to forget: He was quite sophisticated. No one noticed that the diaries were completely fictitious. Hitler's handwriting was almost perfectly copied. He sold them for almost 10 million Marks (~ approx. 5 million US Dollars).

Also, law enforcement in this context became increasingly suspicious. It seemingly became convenient to let something happen, or arrange it, to afterwards cry out loudly that security laws are not efficient enough and have to be tightened. It was quite obvious in numerous cases that the antiterror-apparatus was not wanted to function. Also, there is an astonishing number of (former) government agents or former army soldiers spotted too close to the terror scenario. Bin Ladin is a former US government operative. Timothy McVeigh was an Iraq war veteran. The Anthrax attacks of 2001 got conducted with US military Anthrax. The sniper: An army asset. Not surprisingly, no one was found to play the role of the terrorist in the biowarfare case. Who produced the "Allah

is great" papers in the Anthrax letters ? There is a large variety of case material of this type.

Then we even faced a former streetfighter and RAF affiliate that beat up police in the position of german secretary of state, and one of his RAF colleagues as police chief. The results ?

Guess. What can be expected ?

The ex-police chief (among others) tried to "calm down" the german public by stating that Germany is a safe haven for Al - something. Safe havens for these are astonishingly located where the largest CIA outposts are, like Germany, or Pakistan, or Afghanistan. At that time (2001-2002) we were confronted with a theory that the 9-11 master plan was created by an egyptian student (!) in Hamburg functioning as a sleeper cell. Our top police Rambo posed on TV – with Ashcroft - and declared he will stop any further attempt to start acts like this on german soil. This was a myth, anyway. Read the 9-11 official report. But the Atta mystery served to justify the desired load of massively unconstitutional acts that followed. Personally I still find the behaviour of a broad variety of "security experts" after 9-11 quite mysterious. On air they showed a strange form of tranquility, some were a bit euphorized, and the emotional display was highly ambiguous. There was a sometimes incredibly bold behaviour of law enforcement personnel, a, say, tendency to demonstrate that legal barriers had fallen and that they now, thanks to whoever, could act as they wanted (bad, bad times for lawyers, journalists, demonstrators, activists, human rights groups, government critics in general, and so on...). It would normally not be expected that in times of real crisis a behaviour like this is displayed. Her, her – we can do what we want now ! Sorry, folks: In a real, not a virtual war, a bold demonstration of " we can do what we want now, her, her " combined with reckless arrogance and pimp-style behaviour cannot be expected.

Also, it is very interesting that some security experts are particularly interested in those people that are interested in the 9-11 event (bad for tourists that got to the locations that suddenly become ter – rourists or something). The overall image our protectors displayed on TV is a bit too Strangelovian, to put it mildly. It starts to get difficult to support this all by paying taxes. Almost five years after the 9-11-plot we are waiting for properly investigated results. No one got convicted so far. There are numerous people that got imprisoned, but, if the question is allowed, who are they ? A large number got released already or extradited or fined for minor offenses like credit card fraud. The side effect: No one is really concerned about incarceration without a court order. Just to quote one example. To sum it up: Al-something is located in a safe haven, to quote a handful of security folks, they are granted constitutional rights (opposed to a variety of other subversives that are not granted this privilege), there are numerous statements of security folks related to a lack of personnel, or interest (you can quote a great leader in this context), and legal results are poor if existent at all. Terrorist acts have multiplied since 2001. Watch the daily terror show and count them....

While all this happened, police developed Kamikaze threats as a measure to discipline unwanted individuals. And so on. And, torture is getting legalized....as a central feature in the demolition process.

No need to mention that the measures taken after 9-11 are in a way comparable with those after 1933 in Germany. A continous state of emergency and alert. Concentration camps with a total of up to 10 000 inmates, torture, mass surveillance, a huge increase of agents to spy out every corner, and a broad variety of legal standards that got partially legally abandoned or simply systematically ignored – a stalinist strategy (imposing the normative power of facts and legalize the results later – a method that functioned quite well in order to disrupt and ruin the

rule of the law, which is now reduced to a barely visible minimum).

Take a look at the measures taken after 9-11: Do they serve to calm down a traumatized patient, the people that is, or do they cause even further panic ? Think. The alert system calms down nobody, of course, and especially in the case of frequent false alarms or exaggerated threat scenarios. The apparent inability to go and get a few thousand not too well organized folks hiding out in afghan caves, or the displayed lack of motivation to do so (you can quote one or the other authority to prove that), or the apparent inefficiency in the case of the Anthrax-investigations could even cause mass regression – the result of a deadly, continous threat that is not being removed or credibly counteracted. Dictatorial measures can then be expected as the long-awaited relief, and love of the dictator – that, not surpringly, does not want to get criticized. What can be observed anyway is a sharp increase in the sales of sleeping pills, tranquilizers, and the like.

Interestingly enough, 50 years of Cold War did not lead to a legal degeneration like the one encountered in the past, say, 10 years. Tens of thousands of nuclear bombs, millions of operatives worldwide....then came a bunch of alleged Arabs and – demolished an interesting amount.

Logically, we will be confronted with the long-known blabla that these and these security measures have failed and have to be replaced or optimized by further (military) means. Already the present security system resembles the logic of occupation regimes rather than anything else. This GDR style....define the GDR government as an occupational force to kill any dissent in a situation that is not stable at all....again, we will be confronted with further blabla that the security system has institutional deficiencies, the huge bureaucracies are not well – coordinated and managed– and that even larger and more repressive bureaucracies are the clue to solve the problems encountered – precisely what is happening right now. The

fact that an abundance of spies are not really able to find anything leads to a further increase of the number of this type – presumably to end up in a virtual world where the investigator decides what he wants to see, but is not really able to perceive the most obvious. And so on...

The present threat scenario that is broadly discussed: Nuclear terrorism. Due to security experts (government members) it is going to happen – the only question that remains: When ? Where ?

Then martial law is likely to be imposed officially. Unfortunately all these above mentioned security measures will be defined as useless. Probably the camp infrastructure is planned already, as well as there are lists of potential inmates.

Bye, bye, rule of the law.

An optimistic outlook:

At present we still live in comparatively affluent times. But natural resources are not available forever....who will obtain the remaining rests of, say, oil ? Who will be able to have sufficient drinking water reserves ? What will happen when the Gulf stream, that got reduced by 30 % over the past decades, disappears ? Scientists now compete. Who has the most plausible model available ? You may now choose whether this entire civilisation is put to an end by global warming or, alternatively, global cooling. A variety of scientists indicate that the disappearance of the Gulf stream will lead to an abrupt global cooling within up to 20 years, others find that scenario unlikely to happen and predict that a rest of mankind will be able to survive in 2100 by settling down in Siberia. Or similar regions.

A smaller number, mostly government or corporate - influenced, only predict drastic weather changes with far reaching consequences, like the impossibility of getting a

house-insurance in certain regions - due to an increase in the number and intensity of hurricanes.

Anyway, most scientists at least predict dramatic changes. Combined with other factors, like supply shortages or the reduction of agricultural lands it can be predicted that times will get a bit turbulent. It will be difficult to maintain the present economic structure as well as territorial integrity....

To give a glimpse of an overview: In, say, twenty years there could be some 10 billion people on earth, but comparatively less petrol, and much less drinking water. Much less forestry, much less agricultural space, and probably unpleasant weather in many regions. Also, it seems to be quite unlikely that the UN charter and all that will stop rigorous actions in times of war that in this period could be fought to maintain the essential minimum of energy and resource supplies.

So, one is forced to assume that at least an epoch is ending.