

Capitalism and the New World Order of the 21st Century Age

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Abstract

Western-type capitalism has always found a way of pestering itself around nations of the world, which have been rendered poor by global ideologies, such as; communism, feudalism, primitive and modern-day socialism. The Post-Cold War Capitalists'-based Vision here being called a 'New World Order', especially, in its current practices, as it has been imposed on the rest of the world by the G8 nations and assisted by the World Bank, IMF, United Nations, WTO and NATO, is a 21st Century Imperialist Rule constantly being communicated to the rest of society by the super-rich nations of the world. It is a 21st Century G8 Nations and American-Type of Colonial Imperialism, in which capitalism is constantly being used by the super-rich nations of the world to make poor nations feel extremely guilty for the same global poverty created by these super-rich nations. The current essay contends that while the current 'New World Order' is a wonderful idea on the pages papers, in its day-to-day application, it has remained nothing less than an American-bred Capitalists' Vision of the society; a Western World kind of Imperialism and a barrage of political conspiracies by the United States of America, which must not be left to be, but which must be kept under constant check by the G8 nations as a higher political platform.

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Introduction

The presently emerging post-Cold War Vision of Society, which has generally been called an emerging 'New World Order', is a Capitalist World Order.

And although many things are constantly being said about this Capitalist-Model World Politics and Economy, being that it is creating a New kind of Political Imperialism in replacement of the Old Political Imperialism before the disintegration of Soviet Union in 1991; the New World Order, as it is currently is, is by its very nature a New Imperialists' and Capitalists' way of organizing the politics and the economies of world nations; a New Global Doctrine which the G8 nations of the world in collaboration with the UN, WTO, World Bank and other institutional frameworks of the 21st century era, is gradually imposing on the 21st Century age (Better 1).

One author, Immanuel Wallenstein, has from the foregoing, attempted to capture the very heart of this Emerging Global New World Order, where he writes as follows;

There are, today, no socialists systems in the world economy and politics anymore than there are communists systems, because only one world system exists, and it is capitalists in form. It is not socialists in form because socialism would involve the creation of a new kind of world system, which would not involve the redistribution of world empires (as it is the case today). Nor is it a communist or any other world system but simply a capitalist world government... which is created to cover every aspect of the politics and economy of the world (86-87).

Against this background, therefore, one can correctly conclude that there is a World Government, today; that it is Imperialists' and Capitalists' and that it is ruling both the Politics and the Economies of the entire Nations of the World. This New, Imperialist and Capitalist World Order, is emerging to replace the Old World Order, which similarly dictated completely the Politics and Economies of World Nations during the Cold War Era or the Politics and the Economies of World Governments before the 1991 Collapse of Soviet Union. One can correctly deduce from what is happening today; from the enthronement of American President by Russia in the 2016 elections to the current nuclear struggle between North Korea and the US without the direct intervention by the UN that the Emerging New World Order is a Capitalist

and an Imperialist Vision of things, in which the richer nations of the world have continued to bully weaker nations just for any reason. Before the collapse of Soviet Union in 1991, it was in its preparation to come; and now that it has finally come to stay, it has been in contention with communism and other ideologies to become one of the determining philosophies behind the thinking of the 21st Century man. The difference, however, is that while the basic theme of 'balance of power' completely determined the political and economic framework of the Old World Order; the New Order, according to sources, is dominated by the Capitalist Search for Economic and Political Globalization (Schuster, [http://www.barnesandnoble.com/..](http://www.barnesandnoble.com/)).

The introduction of this post-Cold War World Order, the raising of this New World Order to replace the Old Word Order, is for the most part, a New World Order, introduced coinciding side-by-side with the disintegration of Soviet Union and the Official End of the Cold War Era in 1991. The New World Order lacks a definite definition but is on a more critical consideration is an ideology, which cannot fully be understood without an in-depth understanding of certain parameters, such as; the Intrigues of the Cold War, the Disintegration of USSR in 1991 and the Political, Economic and Strategic unfolding which eventually gave birth to the collapse of Soviet Russia here being mentioned. The historic collapse of Soviet Union both destroyed the Old World Order together with its characterization by the hegemony of US-Russia in the global system and the transfer of the monopoly of US and Soviet Union in World affairs to a larger constituency composed of the G8 nations. The current replacement of military 'balance of power' in the Old World Order with Economic and Political Globalization as a central ideology of the New World Order seems to prove the point even clearer. Almost all the literature highlighting the concept of the New World Order, intends it to be seen as a kind of imperialist structure or a 21st century theory of dominance provided by capitalism. In it the United States of America and its G8 counterparts have become willing tools for a new, contemporary and compulsively willing tool for a post-Cold War vision of a New World Order; a New World Order, which must be strictly driven by capitalism in complete dominance of socialism, communism and other global.

Capitalism

Capitalism is a political and economic kind of imperialism, when it has been critically considered. It emphasises private ownership and control of all the means of production. It is a kind of political and economic imperialism, which

places private profit above all human considerations in business, politics and social life (Zimbalist, Brown and Howard 6).

As an economic and political ideology, capitalism argues that in every political state or nation, the means of production should be owned privately; not by government as it is done in a socialist system; and not by the collective citizenry as it is the case with communism; As a political and economic theory, it maintains that the economy of the state is to be left largely in the hands of a vibrant and organized private sector-driven section of society; it teaches that the capitalist class or those who own the resources should be allowed to run the economy to a large extent from their private sector constitutions since they, knowing how to turn their privately owned assets into businesses and large corporations; and knowing how to flourish the politics by flourishing the economy, all of these through seeking to maximize profit, be allowed to sustain and strengthen the polity through private businesses (Weiberg, <http://www.allshookdown.com/>..).

Accordingly, what a capitalist economy demands is that in a capitalist state or capitalist economy, what is owned by the capitalist class is not owned in abstract; whatever is privately owned by those who own it; whether in the form of assets such as land or in the form of liquid capital such as physical cash; is to be soon organised or turned into businesses and companies. In this way, to speak of a capitalist economy is to speak of a state whose economy is driven largely by private corporations, multinational corporations; corporations, which are privately owned in collaboration with government (Manana and Berkley 7).

As a Worldview of the post-Cold War World Order, capitalism suggest that there is in place in society a system of World Government, whose political, economic, military and social consciousness, is centered around a well-planned economy driven by capitalists elements. Fundamental among other things in this New World Vision is a well-developed and vibrant private sector economy. It is to be created in all states and nations of the world. In it, government is only allowed in line with capitalists' principles to obtain shares in public companies and not to take over the management of public companies from private individuals. At most, government, unlike in the socialist economy, is to establish a few government-owned public companies and industries. But he is only allowed to do so as government's a way of exercising price control in the economy. In line with capitalists principles, the predominant industries are to be privately owned by members of the capitalist's class (Macey 277).

Some of the characteristics identifiable in the New World Order, the current Capitalist World Order are those of the following; a strive by the nation to put in place a strong economic reserves that would cater for economic and political emergencies, the retention of a large chunk of a capitalist class-owned business corporations in the economy; the permission in every facet of the politics and economy of states a strong and competitive business sense; total and complete government non-interference in private businesses; tolerance of the views of citizens in politics and governance; if government must interfere in public companies, this should only be to the extent of buying a limited number of shares in public companies while proceeding to establish a few government-owned enterprises, but only with reasons of working to prevent a situation whereby the individuals who control the private sectors are prevented from also controlling the politics of the country (Bakunin 12-13).

On the contrary, instead of democratising the world, what is seen as an Emerging New World Order is today nothing short of a clandestine kind of totalitarianism; a complete conspiracy of the Super-Rich G8 nations of the world; a kind of economic and political cartel; What is, today, an Emerging World Order, is an imperialist system in which a well-organised capitalists' economy of the American kind is constantly being used by America and its G8 counterparts, to further impoverish poor nations through complete dependency and to perpetuate their stay on top of the world as some of the world's most powerful economies and political systems. To say the least, is to raise a further problem. This second problem is the fact that the position of any nation in this New World Order now something which is to be determined by certain factors; Whether you are a G8 or a non-G8 nation; a communist country or a capitalist economy; an ally or an enemy of the United States; would determine your unique position in the New World Order. No wonder, then, is the Trump's administration of the US's suffocating North Korea for its Nuclear Programme, aware that the US itself, France and China, are all trending in the same Nuclear Industry, segregated from North Korea by the fact that North Korea is, for the most part, Communist rather than Capitalist and Non-G8 rather than a G8 Nation like the others.

Historicity of the Theory of a New World Order

This emerging theory or the post-Cold War Theory of an Emerging 'Capitalists One World Government', which most people continue to see as a 'Contemporary Capitalists Framework' for US and G8 Governance of the 21st

Century Society; is a theory which has also been called 'New World Order'. This theory has only been formalized in the 1990(s), in terms of age, its development and evolution into what is obtainable today, goes back to the earliest part of the 20th century. The theory first appeared as an interventionary doctrine in the 1920(s), following the post World War I attempt by the G5 nations to create a 'mutually assured global order' through the enactment of the historic Vassellie Treaty in the early 1920(s). The treaty did not address itself as a New World Order, but it had in it, a system of Global Governance with a mutually agreed economic, political and military censorship of states of the World, which is today, being preached and practiced as a doctrine here being called a New Global World Order (Better 1). According to Huger J. Better, the 1948 UN Charter soon corroborated the effort of the G5 nations under the World Treatises of the 1920(s). The UN Charter itself was a representation of an anticipated 'New World Order'. This was clearly recognizing in its articles and sections dealing with the political, the economic, the social and the military rights of states (2).

The 1940(s), therefore, represents a landmark development in appreciation of attempts to emerge a global new system for society. Apart from the UN effort within the decade, a British author in the 1940(s), Hughes J. Walls, is held to have made the earliest ever attempt at recognizing the idea of a 'New World Order'. From an academic perspective, she was apt to define the 'New world order' as a universal government having in itself a set of technocratic world states in its leadership and whose leadership strategy has always been that of ruling the world through a system of planned economy (Walls, www.thenewworldorder.com/...).

Yet, Walls intellectual effort was reversed by Mary M. Davidson in the 1960(s). In Mary Davidson's book of 1966 titled, *Profound Revolution*, she completely rejected the necessity of the very existence of a New Global Order, proceeding to describe it as a misnomer. She argues that to speak of a 'One World Government' is to speak of a political conspiracy of the superpowers of the world against their second world and third world counterparts. Mary Davidson in this text traced its origin and practices to US conservatism (Berlet, www.thepubliceye.com/...walls).

The decisive moments in the development of the theory of an emerging 'New World Order', came in the post-Cold War speeches of the, then, president George W. Bush of the United States of America (Snr), to the United States of America's Congress. During this speech and its reformulation

of the so-called 'New World Order' as a contemporary kind of World Government which has emerged out of the ruins of the collapse of Soviet Union in 1991. In his September 11th 1991 speech to the United States of America's Congress, President George Bush (Snr.) speaks of an Emerging world Order as a kind of Transnational Government, which must collapsed all Old Sentiment between Capitalist West and Communist East and which must also showing concern for socialist states around the words. The speech followed action; and after words, the US soon canvassed support among their G8 counterparts to sustain this developing theory. Today, we speak convincingly, about a contemporary the theory of a 'New World Order' (Bush, [www.newworldorderspeech.com/..](http://www.newworldorderspeech.com/)).

Russia

The point about Russia's position in this post-Soviet Union Theory of an Emerging 'New World' is that, prior to Boris Yeltsin, Soviet Russia rejected everything Western, including its Western-style economy. Yeltsin realised that the idea of him opposing Russia's traditionally communist worldview, would be dangerous to his government. But he also realised that adopting the capitalization and the Westernization of its economy, was the only way through which his Russian Federation would regain its prominence among the G8 and other World Powers; Hence, he went Western, especially, in his economic reforms. And from Yeltsin's 1991 regime onwards, Russia has sustained its new status as one of the two former communist nations, which apart from China, is currently grouped among some of the prominent nations in the current Capitalist World Order here being discussed. Yeltsin's economic reforms of the 1990(s) have been a determining factor in Russia's position in the New World Order (www.eur.asia.net/).

Russian in the post Cold War theory of a new world order has largely been characterized by a dwindling educational system in the midst of a strong economy with clandestine dictatorships over the people of the state. Its position in the new world order has been threatened by a few set of factors. Sources have it that the first set of factors includes those of; Russia and the task of adjusting to trending technologies in the West; Russia before the task of economic restructuring in line with current trends in the Capitalist West; and the re-drawing of boundaries with break-away states of former USSR (Roma and West 154).

The second among the many factors threatening Russia's position in the New World Order, is a diversity of internal rather than external factors. The Russian Federation is currently threatened internally by clashes resulting

from boundary conflicts. Therefore, the current situation is one in which when compared with former soviet states of Western origin, such as; Hungary, Czech Republic and Poland, these former Communist States unlike Russia, have fared better. Russia, although has consistently undertaken a succession of socio-economic and political reforms, including those of Boris Yeltsin in the 1990(s). Russia's biggest problem seems to be that of a mono-economy focused on armament and another is that of state control of its large corporations at the exclusion of private management as it is the case among capitalist's states (Roma and West 155-156).

A third set of Russia's characterization in the New World Order is its retention of a socialist-communist structure in its economy. This, itself may not really constitute a major challenge; more than this, Russia operates a number of large corporations which it leaves exclusively in the hands of its states or regions as sole administrators of such corporations on behalf of both the people and the state. These corporations, which take large chunks of workers, are located in different Russian states or regions probably due to their proximity to raw materials; thus, in an event of business failure, so many people tend to lose their jobs to the detriment of Russia's entire economy, tending to present Russia's economy in relation to Hungary, Czech Republic and Poland as weak and poorly rated. So there is, in Russia's New position no enough capitalist content in Russia's contemporary economy to survive completion against states of the West (Aslund 154-155).

Human capital is, therefore, a real problem in Russia's post-Cold War existence in the New World Order. Former Russia, then as USSR, was a highly educated community with a high level of literacy and education in science, engineering, technology and medicine, being one of the most educated people in the world (Ziketed 68-125). However, Russia is today, flooded with inflated certificates and credentials from public universities that it has become difficult to employ real technocrats for the teeming Russian economy. Being badly educated, there is a further challenge of re-skilling the largely unskilled Russian population in its polity and economy (Puffer 38).

China

The situation with china and the current world order; the situation with China's vibrant political and economic position in the current World Order as one of the most competitive economics of the G8; has been an interesting situation. Unlike Russia and other former communist nations, China has always been distinguished by its friendly relations with the capitalists West. Despite being a communist now mixed economy state, its previous rejection

of capitalist companionship of the west was an uncritical acceptance of Marxian Revisionist versions of Joseph Stalin and Vladimir Lenin of Soviet Russia (Lenman and Anderson 769). But after recovering from its shock, it has never dared to do so. Soviet Russia had different communisms which it supported in Africa and the Western World; But China was not only not among the communisms in Russia's good books; it disagreed with Lenin and Stalin to create its own rapport with strong economics, such as US and Canada outside of his own communist bloc. According to L. M. Luthi on the position of China as a G8 nation in the New World Order;

Sino –Soviet split was one of the key elements of the cold war equal in importance to the construction of the Berlin walls, the Cuban missile crisis, the second Vietnam war and Sino-American rapportment. The split helped to determine the framework of the second half of the cold war in general, and influenced the course of the second Vietnam War in particular. Like a nasty divorce, it left bad memories and produced myths of innocence on both sides (1).

This historic split from the conservative economic worldview by China, provided china with the pro-capitalist and pro-Western sentiments that opened doors for the kind of cross fertilization of China into a blend of states here referred to as the G8 nations. This is to say in summary that China is a competitive economy today, not simply because of its willingness to embrace Capitalists and Western reforms; for the most part, the uniqueness of China in the Global New Order is China's political culture of putting economic reforms beyond and above those of political reforms. This has, today, made China the only competitive economy among all nations of former communist's bloc (Amacker. www.e.ir.info/2010...).

Cuba, Vietnam and North Korea

After the demise of Soviet Union in 1991, Cuba is one nation which has been struggling to re-build its economy against the background of Western powers, particularly, the US. It has been struggling against Western Powers mounting pressure on Cuba to denounce communism. The disintegration of USSR, therefore, has done no less than kill Cuba's trade relations which it is

still struggling to restore amidst US, the West and the G8 mounting pressure on them to renounce communism (Lorey 53) Soviet Union alone, accounted for 80% of Cuba's sugar export and over 40% of its citrus industry. Although Cuba now finds new markets around some G8 connected nations, its political views in the Currently Emerging New World Order, are hardly tolerated by the US and among nations of the Capitalist West (Binns 49).

The case with North Korea is one which can better be understood by contrasting the country's performances with those of Vietnam. While Cuba has up to the death of Fidel Castro in 2016 been denied its political and economic flow with the trending political and economic views in the Current World Order by the political and ideological dictatorship of its leadership by Fidel Castro; Vietnam on the other far end, as another former communist state existing within the Capitalist New World Order, is fast recovering from the shock arising out of the 1991 disintegration of Soviet Union. Reasons on the other hand, have all been bordering on the fact that Vietnam, being a former French protectorate, is constantly assisted by France in a constant struggle against United States' oppression being Vietnam's later colonialists (Grey www.quora.com/how).

Outside of Cuba and Vietnam, if at all the successes of North Korea as another Communist Nation in a purely Capitalist World State, has largely been due to a multiplicity of factors. In particular, North Korea is a simple society with most of its population currently working in subsistence agriculture and primary industries with a few million men serving in their infantry. The Democratic Republic of Korea does not have a lot of complexities and it does not seem to want very much of it. Thus, all information in North Korea is completely controlled by the state, leaving a few North Koreans with no idea of how good or how bad the situation of things are across board in their native home of North Korea, let alone how things are in any other country. There are North Koreans who have travelled abroad and have had access to things like internet and consumer goods of Western Origin. But they are truly a select few and they are either faithful to the regime, they are exiled or they exist at the risk of being given a painful execution by South Korean Government (www.quora.com/how....).

Critical Comment

With the current reality of successive threats by the G8 nations of the world including the prerogative utterances of US president, Donald Trump, the question which has freely come immediately into consideration, is whether the US Nation and its G8 counterparts under the current theory of the New

World Order, need another Soviet Union out of North Korea's Kim Jim Yung? And an even bigger question is whether in the absence of what the G8 nations have made it look like, is capitalism really the best philosophy for a new theory of global society? The true situation as it has been captured by Klyatisin G. H., is clearly one of threat, discrimination, decay and scapegoating, etc, of weaker nations by the so called economically viable US and G8 nations of the world (www.qurra.com/how).

What Klyatisin sees in the so-called New World Order is an unfortunate reality which has been corroborated even by some of the recent events and happenings in global history. Contemporary global history makes us to recall the fact that empires, including the Greek, the Roman, the French and the British empires, decayed because they all decayed from their inside. This is precisely the situation with the New World Order, with the US and with North Korea under the current World Order, namely, a historic kind of economic and political corruption by the so-called empires of the world, in which existing World Powers constantly discriminate against their Weaker Counterparts, as it is today, exemplified in the US-G8 treatment of North Korea's Nuclear Programme. No one would believe until he/she gets to know that both the US and the G8 Nations of the world are in the same Nuclear Business for which North Korea is being condemned.

There is so much hypocrisy by both the US and the G8 nations in their condemnation of Kim Jim Yung that the general belief seems to be that both the US and the G8 have no better reasons for this condemnation and for abusing the minds of world communities against North Korea than that North Korea is a Non-G8 member and a Non- Economically Powerful Nation like them. This so-called post-Cold War Global State is, in the opinion of this essay, one in which the excesses of the United States of America are expected to be checked and curtailed by the G8 Nations of the World. Today, they have rather been compromised by the same G8 Nations that ought to check and curtail the excesses of nations under the Current World Order.

Conclusion

The eventual triumph of Capitalism over Socialism and Communism and the rise of a New post-Cold War World Order, are interrelated issues which cannot truly be comprehended without a place of emphasis on the collapse of communist Russia as a historical event in the 1990 (s). The collapse of communist Russia is a historical event. But it is one which has re-enthroned capitalism over socialism and communism consequently leaving society with many lessons to learn. While the so-called New World Order is a promising

reality, it has also been made to harbour a dangerous flame whenever it is viewed in respect of the exclusivists' agenda of the US and the G8 Nations of the world under the Current World Order of the 21st Century.

The collapse of Communism and Soviet Union and the emergence of Capitalism as a superior ideology to communism and socialism, has not only put an end to many years of strained relationship between the Capitalist West and the Communist East, thereby leaving the Third World countries of Africa, Eastern Europe and South America, as oppressed nations in the same way as the grass suffer grievously anytime elephants fight. In the current situation where sanctions against North Korea for its Nuclear activities only reveal that similar sanctions could also have been given to the United States of America and the G8 nations for the same crime of arms race as North Korea, it seems, from all wisdom and insights that the so called New World Order, would find it difficult to debunk the current accusation that the so-called New World Order, is merely another rise of Western imperialism and a ploy of the United States of America that must be checked by the G8 Nations rather than be compromised in favour of one or some of the world's economically and politically viable nations. In the absence of this, the current essay is of the opinion that the rest is stories; mere stories and nothing more or less.

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