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# **Overview: Economic Freedom & Prosperity In U.S. Foreign Policy And Operations**

The Critical & Missing Component Of U.S. Soft Strategy

**Peace Through Prosperity** 

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In line with Economic Freedom & Prosperity Initiatives, success is the emergence of a rule of law, free market and civil society, with opportunity, incentives and ownership for citizens in rural areas, villages, towns and cities. Citizens have control over: 1) their sources of income for daily necessities; 2) freedom to make life choices, spiritual, physical and financial; and 3) Security required for life, liberty and pursuit of happiness.

### **Economic Freedom & Prosperity -- Foreign Policy** The Critical & Missing Component Of USG Soft Strategy

It is time for the USG and State Department to formulate strategic and tactical comprehensive initiatives around a cohesive interagency program to lead ambassadors, foreign service officers, intelligence and military liaisons



as key exponents in advancing an Economic Freedom & Prosperity Dimension in the Middle East and globally. The Foreign Service Corps will engage foreign nationals in "exploratory discussions" and "in-country discoveries." [See: American Public Diplomacy Worldwide, The Missing Element: Economic Freedom. Pages 87 - 95].

1) Freedom, Liberty and Prosperity: The Foreign Affairs Corps working with the Economic Freedom & Prosperity Initiative in Middle East should utilize effective and meaningful words such as freedom, independence, liberty, and prosperity which are familiar to people of the Qur'an, especially in the troubled areas like Iraq, Palestine, Pakistan and Afghanistan. They are 'universal' resonating words. In the Qur'an, there is no word for Democracy. Though democracy is a term commonly known and understood by Westerners, the 'average' Middle Easterner lacks the experience of living in a democracy.

To advance economic freedom, our Foreign Service Corps will encourage other nations to fully participate in the <u>World Trade</u> <u>Organization</u>, or if the nation is not a member, to prepare for membership in it. Such participation has the long term effect of liberalizing the economy, i.e., allowing free markets to occur and grow setting the ground for a robust economy where Economic Freedom and Prosperity thrives.

As Secretary of State Condi Rice so adeptly points out, Americans will be advancing "basics of democracy." These "<u>basics of democracy</u>" are the <u>Four Pillars in a Civil Opportunity Society.</u>

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## Four Pillars in a *Civil Opportunity Society*:

- Rule of Law with Equal and Just enforcement
- Effective Independent Judiciary
- <u>An Open Free Independent Press</u>
- <u>All-inclusive Titled Private Property Rights for all citizens</u>

### Four Complementary Pillars that go hand in hand with the "Basics of Democracy" are:

- <u>A Neutral and Impartial and Professional Military /Security</u> <u>Force</u>
- <u>An Efficient Civil Service</u>
- An Independent Central Bank
- <u>An Independent Electoral Commission</u>



#### Americans As Catalysts For Freedom, Liberty & Prosperity

**O**ur American Corps will serve as catalysts to enable foreign nationals and their natural leaders from the populace to create, broaden, and institutionalize the pillars, as they show interest in doing so. Posts will be evaluated and rewarded on the basis of progress USG foreign affairs personnel make in spreading these foundations basic to freedom and the democratic process. Americans can be joined by Europeans and others in the United Nations to undertake this constructive work for an individual nation's goals and objectives as well as a constructive **mission and strategy for a** *Regional Sustainable Development Program*.

2) Discussion and Dialogue: SPI adheres to the principle that public dialogue is clear, sound straight forward, and carried out in a germane cultural context. We recognize that nationals abroad engage in debates and arguments, just as in the United States. These discussions range from exploring social democracy to a more capitalistic based democracy. Debates and arguments can be endless. They can end up with no resolution as well as with feelings of frustration, doubt and ill-will. *However, in discussions and debates, common grounds can be established. The common grounds are universal words of liberty, personal freedom, and prosperity that resonate with Middle Easterners and people worldwide.* 

The USG Foreign Affairs mode of communication should be primarily directed to discussions and dialogues with nationals in the country. <u>Changes</u> made toward freedom, independence and the democratic process <u>come from 'within' a Civil Opportunity Society</u>. Recognizing this reality, our Founding Fathers established institutions which fostered individual liberty, personal security, prosperity, and public knowledge [transparency] of public business.

3) <u>Culture and Religion</u>: As we are all quite aware, a purpose of diplomatic relations is not to stir up animosity (polemic positions) but to directly address common elements which foster "exploratory discussions" and "in-country dialogues." There are <u>7 Islamic Common Elements</u> of a <u>Civil Opportunity Society</u>. These common elements are depicted in the words of the Prophet and the tenets of Qur'an as well as by our Founding Fathers who understand these elements are essential foundations for Bottom-Up governance.

## The **<u>7 Islamic Common Elements</u>** are:

- a) Sanctity of individual rights
- b) <u>Respect for Women</u>
- c) Sacredness of the Home
- d) Protection of Contracts
- e) Honor of Individual Self-sufficiency
- f) Respect for Individual Enterprise
- g) Protection of Private Property

[Ahmad, Johnson & Moran 2003]

When learned and practiced by natural country leaders and "Productivity Teams' traveling to areas with regionally established free market /enterprise systems, these fertile ideas and concepts open the door for a fluid transition into *Regional Sustainable Development Programs* [RSDP's] supporting local, regional & global markets -- in a Freedom market based, viable just economy. (See George Ayittey, *Unchained Africa*.)

#### What "A Regional Sustainable Development Program" signifies:

A Regional Sustainable Development Program [RSDP], launched with infrastructure and education projects of one or more countries, is a political, environmental, economic, public policy and policing/military development driven Initiative that responds to and addresses the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. A particular RDSP project offers the opportunity for input [transparency and feedback] by the provincial and local officials, natural country leaders and Ordinary People to the selection, design, and execution of the new endeavor.

**A** country launches a **Regional Sustainable Development Program** [**RSDP**], in order to provide sovereign citizens with a pathway for shaping and enhancing opportunities to develop outside a country's own limited political - economic capabilities. Aside from security and other immediate & severe issues [national disasters, pandemics, etc.], a key purpose of a RDSP is to open up cross-border trading opportunities with liberalized economies functioning on the local, regional, national and international level. It allows all its citizens to participate in and to prosper in the global economy. It offers citizens a motive and path for breaking out of the informal sector, underground economy and black market.

Collaborative measures and resources started within a host country and those provided by each country joining a RSDP will help instill the idea that a country is not alone when it "reaches out" to other countries for serious overriding problems it cannot handle itself. Such a country does not have to give up its independence, freedom or sovereignty to another nation or the region's collective power. Simply stated, the resources, manpower and assembled [participatory] knowledge of the RSDP are stronger than any one nation, but each nation stands on its own two feet. Each nation develops and applies its own policies, Rules Of Law, Property Rights, Courts systems, Constitution, in accordance to how its citizens are predisposed through its own historic and pragmatic traditions. For further explanation see: Pages 134 - 156: 10 year Regional Sustainable Development Program Vision.

#### What "Productivity Teams [Work/Study Travel]" signifies:

**P**art and parcel to the RSDP participating countries evolution and expansion as a fully viable RSDP are "Productivity Teams" which enhance the capability and overall effectiveness of the RSDP. Productivity Teams bolster: 1) the stabilization of a country, 2) creating, maintaining and sustaining economic development 3) diplomatic relations and 4) the overall body politic.

"*Productivity Team*" members get the practical and "hands on" experience to see the interactions of the local/regional free market communities. The spontaneous interactions of free market entrepreneurs bring results for the *Productivity Teams* that exceed the sum of the parts. They discover:

- 1. **H**ow free market entrepreneurs lead their daily lives in working with each other;
- 2. How entrepreneurs mix the talents to move goods and services across the board;
- 3. How entrepreneurs channel their goods and services through the points of the supply and distribution chain;
- 4. **H**ow private lives of entrepreneurs work with volunteer agencies "people helping people."

While traveling to countries with free markets, *Productivity Team* members discover an array of institutions such as competent state and local governments, banking and financial institutions and Land Grant universities serving farms and agribusiness as well as voluntary associations, civic societies and religious communities actively engaged in changing the lives of neighbors. Most importantly, The *Productivity Team* is a Critical Component of "Soft Strategy" Implementation and an integral part of the strategic RSDP initiatives.

#### Current Productivity Team [Work/Study Travel] Example:

The following is a *Productivity Team* [work /study travel] agenda from the Chicago based firm Traders Group, Inc. The Traders group is engaged for their specialty work by the USDA, Foreign Country governments, agricultural entities, and private institutions. The Traders Group works with foreign ministers and their entourages, USDA, and U.S. Department of Commerce and Foreign Agricultural Ministries.

**P**roductivity Teams are work-study groups of 20 or more individuals who go on 2 week missions abroad for educational and orientation purposes. The group consists of entrepreneurs, natural country leaders, local public officials, labor leaders, and worker representatives.

**P**rimary hosts and facilitators for the *Productivity Teams* are the Chicago Mercantile Exchange [CME] / Chicago Board of Trade [CBOT] Exchange and Chicago Board Options Exchange, agricultural farms associations and farm volunteer boards.

*P* roductivity Teams experience a number of discoveries through their onsite visits such as: CME/CBOT [On floor with Grain market traders: corn, wheat, soybeans, rice, meal]; Dorn Family Farms [father and son operation], Chicago Futures Markets [speak with market traders - learn risk management], Engage in market Trading Game providing guesstimations of opening price ranges, John Deere / GSI Manufacturing, Fair Oaks Dairy Farms [25,000 plus milk cows and technology - equipment for feed, production, health care and safety], Hear speakers from the Midwest: Soybean, Corn and Renewable Fuels associations, Seed Buro Co. [testing, measuring, grading & storing equipment], Farm Progress Show Decatur, Illinois, County / State Fairs, Hear from State Capitol speakers with Q's & A's, ESPN zone [learn healthy gaming skills], Eat at American country diners [including Machine Shed restaurant], Country western events and hay rides, Visits to Cattle farms, Poultry farms etc., Speakers on Midwest farm history from 1800's to today, Meeting USDA officials on development programs / policy with Q's & A's, and tours of White House, Capitol, Smithsonian, and other U.S. Historical sites.



#### Current Productivity Team [Work/Study Travel] Example

**F**arms visits include, but are not limited to: Mushroom farms, Egg layers farms, Goat cheese production farms, Sheep farms, Llama farms, Potato farms, Pheasant farms, Hog farms, Spices farms, Ostrich farms, Berries farms, Spinach-carrots-cucumbers-pumpkin and a variety of vegetables production farms.

This program is also designed to incorporate a variety of trips showing how the synergy of the market place is widely applied to the bordering states of Wisconsin, Iowa, Indiana and Kentucky. It practically demonstrates how free market institutional dynamics are practically applied to Regional Sustainable Development Program – Projects: Starting within a country, itself, then expanding to bordering region states [nations].

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#### **Traders Group, Inc. has worked with these countries:**

**K**uwait, U.A.E., Indonesia, Russia, China, Australia, India, Mexico, South Africa, South Korea, Taiwan, New Zealand, Brazil, Vietnam, Philippines, Columbia, Norway, Finland, Venezuela, Netherlands, France, Germany, Sweden, Iceland, Chile, Argentina, Uruguay, and Paraguay.

The 25,000 EUROPEANS who traveled [to America] as PRODUCTIVITY TEAM MEMBERS saw not only how Americans conducted business, but also how enterprises interacted with civil institutions and governments that created business climates friendly to business growth and voluntary public services.

> Marshall Plan Lessons Learned – Economic Guide Posts Johnson / Moran, Principals SPI 2007

4) <u>Heritage and Traditions versus Media Democracy</u>: In Middle Eastern nations and nations around the world, they cherish and protect their heritage and traditions. The West with its own Media Democracy is seen as unduly intruding and insinuating itself into Middle Easterner's lives. We can see the people of the Middle East become frustrated and incensed in having to deal with Media Democracy. Middle Easterners do not know how to take or leave Media Democracy like Americans do.

Unquestionably, Middle Easterners through the eyes of our U.S. Media Democracy Press Corps see America in our moments of great trials and tribulations that highlight our failures, shortcomings and dissenting viewpoints.\* This leaves certain Middle Easterners who have adopted moderate and conservative values to view American values as quite contrary to their own, but that is not necessarily so, because the Media Corps skews the picture.\* (See: Recommended Reading Page 292: *Broadcasting, Voice, and Accountability (2008)* - Steve Buckley, Kreszentia Duer, Toby Mendel and Sean O Siochru with Monroe E. Price and Marc Raboy. http://go.worldbank.org/W7PZU0XX30)

America and Americans have been rudely portrayed by Media Democracy as well as by various foreign media and those who do not want Iraq to succeed as a free sovereign nation. Media Democracy Impressions and images of America are so varied that Al-Jazeera picks up extreme impressions or images, using them against us as a primary examples of the American lifestyle. <u>The 'hearts and minds' battle for</u> <u>Freedom and Liberty in the Middle East, especially in Iraq, Palestine, Pakistan and Afghanistan will be won by our Foreign Service Corps on the ground, working with local and regional peoples' customs and <u>traditions</u>.</u>

As with the current case of an ongoing insurgency in Iraq, *Jihad Propaganda* begins to lose its impact when Joint Military Civilian Operations (JMCO) are fully supported, maintained and expanded into the population at large. The indigenous people of a country, like in Iraq, are most receptive and responsive to these JMCO gestures of openness and support. As general security improves amongst the Iraqis,

#### 4) Heritage and Traditions versus Media Democracy:

themselves, and U.S. troops withdraw from Iraq, the Foreign Service Corps fully interfaces with the JMCO on the ground with a "comprehensive" Economic Freedom and Prosperity initiative.

When Iraq's first free election in decades took place, U.S. Media Democracy journalists, commentators and pundits missed the mark. We can now see that Media Democracy press corps did not do their proper homework on the Middle East, let alone Iraq and Afghanistan. The Iraqi vote was an indictment against the Media Democracy press corps. It is ever so clear how important the Foreign Service Corps mission is worldwide; and quite important it is that the Foreign Service fully interface with the JMCO on the ground in Iraq and Afghanistan.

In essence, while our Western and Middle Eastern cultures and heritage are different, they are not that different. Key to diplomatic relations breaking down the differences will be creating "common elements" dialogues that are based on Freedom, Liberty, Security and Prosperity.

In turn, the "7 Islamic Common Elements" dialogues establish a foundation to engage foreign nationals in "exploratory discussions" and "in-country discoveries" concerning the "Basics of Democracy." These dialogues are further established, maintained and sustained by the U.S. administration, and by Congress and the United Nations directly supporting (funding) "Productivity Teams" that promote "Regional Sustainable Development Programs. " In this, we see people helping people as foreign nationals will naturally gravitate to engage, embrace, protect and defend each other with Economic Freedom in a Civil Opportunity Society.

### 4) <u>Heritage and Traditions con't</u>:

As "exploratory discussions" and "in-country discoveries" in the "Basics of Democracy" occur, leaders and citizens will discover that uniting a people of a troubled nation along with advancing "peace and prosperity in a Civil Opportunity Society will establish a Region's Sustainable Development:

- a) When consensus and political agreements emerge regarding traditional values and customs of a nation, and these values and customs are constitutionally protected in an "ownership" based society,
- b) Where change transpires from within the framework of a constitution,
- c) When all citizens are not only safe, secure and protected in their homes but where there are all-inclusive individual rights which are 1) guaranteed in the constitution and 2) defended and protected by an independent judiciary with an enforced rule of law.
- d) Where a strong enterprise base provides freedom and prosperity by economic liberalization and democratic development in institutions that are integrated into the international system.

When these four points above (a - d) are adhered to in upholding constitutional rights and protections, a nation gravitates toward freedom, liberty, independence and sovereignty. The troubled nation defends itself, and the regional countries work together to protect and defend the rights, freedoms, and practices of all religions, ethnic groups, and races while providing equal rights, status and economic opportunity for women and men alike.

#### 5) **Economic freedom counters Jihad terrorism**:

As a nation's people move toward individual ownership with an entrepreneurial societal foundation, the people leave ideological differences behind. Individual ownership links open societies together rather than destroying a society's cohesive social and cultural fabric from within. It is the creativity, ingenuity, hard work, personal ambition and the relentless entrepreneurial Spirit that keep nations free, independent and sovereign in a Civil Opportunity Society.

With Economic Freedom, the Foreign Affairs Corps encourage foreign nationals of emerging countries to liberalize their economies and open up opportunity broadly to the people at large. The Foreign Affairs Corps encourage leaders of emerging countries to draw expatriates, Diaspora, and international businesses into national markets by making their countries an attractive place to do business. Some 80% of the population that is in the informal market can be tapped and energized by creating national legal systems for full titled property rights.

**ON A MICRO SCALE**: **A**s a country institutes all-inclusive titled private property rights systems, an 'ownership' based society accelerates and expands the general wealth of a nation. With an active Economic Freedom and Prosperity Policy coupled with *"Regional Sustainable Development Programs"* and *"Productivity Teams,"* negotiations for bilateral, multilateral and sectoral trade agreements can lead nations to liberalize regulations and make business climates more conducive to business growth. Over time, these changes counter and diminish the strength and power of terrorists and insurgents.

**ON A MACRO SCALE:** In a strong Civil Opportunity Society which fosters self-sufficiency and free enterprise, Jihadist Imams and terrorists can no longer be parasites thriving on Islamic people who have been misinformed, poverty stricken, uneducated or underprivileged. Likewise, Regional Sustainable Develop Programs - Projects help instill national pride, freedom and individual sovereignty with those "ordinary citizens" who have been politically, socially, or economically sidelined.

#### 6) <u>The Power Of "Universal Principles" and Economic Freedom:</u>

**E**ssential for the <u>democratic process</u> to begin within a strong Economic Dimension are the "<u>universal principles</u>" of <u>freedom, independence,</u> <u>liberty, prosperity and sovereignty</u>. It is the democratic process with "universal principles" which must be clearly understood and properly addressed. <u>Tyrants, terrorists, military juntas, insurgents, and dictators,</u> <u>have fooled the peoples' of the world too long: a) By insidiously using</u> <u>Democracy as a whipping boy showing its many inherent problems but</u> <u>not showing its great strengths, b) By playing different forms of</u> <u>Democracy off of each other, c) By gaining a nation's trust ambiguously</u> <u>using Democracy as pretense for power, or d) By using Democracy as an</u> <u>universal freedom propaganda tool to draw suppressed and repressed</u> <u>people together under one false banner which wave's freedom, but takes</u> <u>away individual rights and protections.</u>

**O**ur Founding Father's arduously debated in the Madison papers the fears of democracy. Whereby, we can see that Democracy is not mentioned once in the Declaration of Independence or the United States Constitution. Our Founding Fathers knew the inherent problems of Democracy and lived through the many convoluted manipulations, deceptions and contrivances of King George III. [See Scholar Walter Williams' Article, <u>Are We A Democracy Or A Republic</u>?, 01/05/05, http://www. News And Opinion.com].

The wisdom of the Founding Fathers has many unseen dimensions to it. We can draw upon our Founding Father's great bravery, resourcefulness, courage and keen insight to bring about our ageless documents' wisdom which expressly embodies the Creator's blessings, intentions and guidance for all mankind:

"When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them..."

#### 6) <u>The Power Of "Universal Principles" and Economic Freedom con't</u>:

Our Founding Fathers clearly and astutely applied the greater "universal principles" so future generations in America can be a beacon of light to others around the world:

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

What is currently not addressed and fully explained by the media and the USG are the essential Engines of Society which move a country's people to establish a free, independent and sovereign nation of, by and for the people which embody the sound principles of liberty that enable the 'process of democracy' to evolve, sustaining itself:

**Engines of Society** 

- Pluralism <u>Diverse ethnic, racial, religious, or social groups</u> maintain autonomy and work together in <u>Society</u>
- Egalitarianism All people treated as equals
- Libertarian <u>Natural Rights;</u> <u>Individual Liberty;</u> <u>Sovereignty Of The</u> <u>Individual;</u> <u>Right To Disagree;</u> <u>Right To Property;</u> <u>Minimal Taxes</u>
- **Republican Political order in which the supreme power lies in a** *"body of citizens" who are entitled to vote for officers and representatives responsible to them.*

With this great legacy left by our Founding Fathers, we now are at a historic moment when we can begin to directly address abject poverty, disease, crime, economic disparity and ecological problems and terrorism. This is accomplished by extending the Economic Freedom and Prosperity Dimension within Foreign Affairs "out reach." With the State Department's mission addressing the Economic Freedom and Prosperity Dimension around the world and with the United Nations, other nations then will be able to seek, discover and advance Economic Freedom attuning themselves to the "universal principles."

The Ground Work Is Set For Economic Freedom And Prosperity Soft Strategy Policy: It is important to reiterate key points of Economic Freedom which our leaders and leaders around the world can advance

#### 6) <u>The Power Of "Universal Principles" and Economic Freedom con't</u>:

*"Regional Sustainable Development Programs"* with *"Productivity Teams"* that support the "universal principles" of Freedom and Liberty to be a guiding force of nations.

Secretary Condoleezza Rice emphasizes that liberty and freedom are discovered "within" a country through establishing the "Basics of Democracy": a) an independent judiciary, b) a free press and c) the Rule of Law.

Ambassador Robert Zoellick and Ambassador Ashley Wills while at the United States Trade Representatives Office ironed out bilateral Trade Agreements around the world which liberalized business conditions and promoted Freedom and Liberty. These agreements take their toll on terrorism. Now Ambassador Robert Zoellick who heads up the World Bank can be a key player in moving Economic Freedom And Prosperity abroad by advancing liberalized business policy with *Regional Sustainable Development Programs* supported by *Productivity Teams*.

<u>Note:</u> It is important to note that these liberal business policy conditions prevail in Iraq where in December 2004 the Zogby CIPE Iraq Survey cites that new provisions governing commerce in Iraq were endorsed by the Sunni, Shiite and Kurd business community across the country.

7) Gender Respect, Equity, Security And Prosperity: Give women the economic power to advance their families and themselves, and you take away the power of radical terrorist oriented Imams who indoctrinate and perversely control children. Give kids an open source wireless school education, it helps support women, and you also take away the power of radical terrorists oriented Imams. With such Imams shaping the children's minds, children are left in very vulnerable positions. They are later recruited as insurgents or terrorists, then possibly further indoctrinated and swayed into becoming suicidal bombers. The mind molding Imams undercut the role of women, the rights of women provided by the Qur'an, and the authority of women in the household. The Imams who are fundamentalist Jihadist dilute the influence of the natural nurturing power of the mother.

#### 7) <u>Gender Respect, Equity Security And Prosperity con't:</u>

#### **Opportunity And Empowerment Of Women**

**Middle East Note**: It is most unfortunate that certain Imams in Iraq and other Middle Eastern countries who support a radical Jihad prey on the misinformed, impoverished and underprivileged people as well as vulnerable children who can be easily indoctrinated. Fortunately, a) by advancing the entrepreneurial power among all peoples, and b) by providing a friendly diverse business climate for women to participate in the economy, country leaders can jump start a whole new realm of thinking. Women comprise some 55 percent of the population of Iraq. By empowering women, they will broaden the talent pool and act as a deterrent to religious extremism in order to protect their sons, daughters, brothers, sisters and husbands.

These innovations, regarding respect, honor and opportunity for women in traditional Moslem society, are a significant Economic Dimension of Spreading Freedom. This is also a call for oil rich nations to consider:

#### IRAQ OIL REVENUE PLACED IN INDIVIDUAL CITIZEN ACCOUNTS IN AN INVIOLABLE TRUST

- Oil set aside cash disbursement programs in their respective countries like those programs in Bolivia and the State of Alaska. Cash disbursements given to all citizens, <u>women and men alike</u>, in private accounts established in an <u>Involiable Trust</u> empowers leaders & strengthens the government in a fair and equitable manner.
- Cash Disbursements to ensure institutional reforms are brought forth in cohesive Economic Freedom & Prosperity initiatives for needed Regional Sustainable Development Program - Projects in a nation or region.
- Cash Disbursements for countries to establish their own neutral and impartial Military/Police strike force units; and establish a small contingent of the existing Military/ Police forces [joint operations trained] to address problems as they occur in regions. (As can be seen with Joint Russia/China Regional Military Operations).



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The Oil Cash disbursements fall in line with Islamic law and customs. For instance, A quarterly IRAQI PEOPLE'S OIL SET ASIDE payment would follow Islamic tenets that those administrators who are entrusted to manage and monitor the national oil resources must honor the people's right to the oil. Leaders like the first khalifah (caliph) Abu Bakr knew how the priorities of the State law are subordinate to God; and People are only to be submissive to God not to the State. Abu Bakr knew his responsibility lied with his fellow free citizens. In other words:

In Arabic, Hurriyyah means freedom. In the pre-Islamic tribal system, the word meant individuals free from slavery. The term as meaning political liberty is of recent coinage. Ancient Arabs had no strong central authority and therefore its modern usage as freedom from an oppressive state is derived by analogy. Under Islamic law submission is only to God and cannot be to other human beings. A state can have no authority if it departs from the Law. Thus, the first khalifah (caliph) Abu Bakr said in his inaugural address that although he was elected amir, that the people owed him no obedience if he departed from the Qur'an or the practice of the Prophet (peace be upon him).

If we seek to advance titled property rights and economic freedom, we would do well to note that historical experience has shown that liberty in general is best promoted when the institutions advancing it conform to the local cultural milieu.

For instance, Private Accounts for some portion of Iraq Oil revenues would be an important instrument for the new Iraqi government to ENGAGE THE PUBLIC, a key premise heralded by General Petraeus. By having their own individual Private Accounts, "ordinary Iraqis" will take pride in defending their neighborhood and having a stake in the country's future. The 'average Iraqi' will then begin to trust that their newly elected officials are correctly handling the balance of Oil monies for public use for Iraqis Shia, Kurds, Sunnis, Assyrians and others.



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**E**SSENTIAL POINTS of the proposed Oil Revenue Set Aside-Private Iraqi Citizen Accounts-Inviolable Trust:

- 1. All Iraqi Citizens can have a private account where cash will be directly deposited for their immediate use -- as they see fit, at \$250.00 dollars a year. Example: A home of two grandparents, a husband and wife and a brother would receive \$1,250.00. They could use such monies for basic daily living necessities or to support or start enterprises. The injection of new cash gets local economies going.
- 2. This program is not to be confused with the corrupt Russian Oil program which ended in complete failure, as implemented by the United Nations under Jeffrey Sachs. The Iraq initiative earmarks monies that will go directly to private accounts of each Iraqi citizen, man or woman, for immediate cash disbursement.
- 3. A portion of the private account monies: 1) can be allocated for police and military personnel retention and 2) can be used as an inducement to join the security forces. If an individual is 'actively' serving as a police or military person they would receive double or triple the allotment, or \$500.00 \$750.00 dollars a year. This can serve as one of the methods to deter the oil smuggling going to support insurgent groups.
- 4. <u>Administering private accounts abroad. Experts are confident that</u> <u>money transfer systems can be rapidly built and made operational in</u> <u>Iraq, even in remote and primitive sites.</u>
- 5. The monies are put into INDIVIDUAL private accounts so no other individual can claim or take away the right to the oil money. All private account monies are put into an INVIOLABLE trust where the monies cannot be manipulated or tampered with by corrupt officials or used for other purposes. Having money in accounts orientates people to using financial institutions which latter can be used for broadening the entire community's commerce and personal wealth i.e., personal

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5. <u>the entire community's commerce and personal wealth i.e., personal</u> <u>& business loans, lines of credit, savings, investments, mortgages, etc.</u>

CAVEATS: It is CRITICAL that the ALASKAN TRUST MODEL

DISTRIBUTION "NOT" BE USED IN IRAQ. The big reason is that monies will not immediately reach the Iraqi people – as the process of state managed investment, dividend accumulation and distribution of monies takes time. Nor should the Private Accounts In An Inviolable Fund be allocated to separate provinces where they would be spent by politicians for public services, subject to manipulation and corruption. Both of these methods fail to give "the ordinary Iraqi" a sense of independence, personal ownership, control and hope. Given the current Iraq Government Surplus reported in the Washington Post March 12, 2008, it now appears the Iraqi Cash Set Aside in an Inviolable Fund – Private Accounts is a viable Initiative for the Iraqi government to undertake. A new Oil Set-Aside Initiative can establish a new threshold of confidence and faith for the Ordinary Iraqi People and the natural country leaders of Iraq.

How significant could an oil cash payment be to all Iraqis, giving them hope and trust in their newly formed government? We will let you decide for yourself from these examples as Iraq has a population of about 28 million people:

- Tens of thousands of women have no husbands to provide for them husbands that lost their lives during the war and insurgency.
- Tens of thousands of men were crippled and disabled by the war.
- Hundreds of thousands of people were displaced needing to find new places to live and work e.g.,. Shias traveling from the North to the South were rejected by the Southern Shia sect of Basra.

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- Millions of people fled Iraq for persecution reasons.
- **M**illions of non-military people did not have jobs.
- Tens of thousands of military people were without jobs when the military was disbanded.
- Thousands of kids orphaned.

## **In Conclusion**

As a nation's Spirit is constructively and productively harnessed, it can: a) Move toward Economic Freedom b) Establish the 4 Pillars in a Civil Opportunity Society c) Support and widely encourage self sufficiency and individual enterprise, and d) Create prosperity from within i.e., a robust economy.

With this new "Economic Freedom Dimension" leaders in free societies can expect Islamic scholars, political, social and religious leaders to grasp, engage, embrace, protect and defend the "process of democracy" within Islamic nations.

Harnessing the great economic spirit of a nation fosters and sustains peace, prosperity, and a higher quality of life. This greater "Economic Freedom & Prosperity Dimension" of U.S. foreign policy including Regional Sustainable Development Programs and Productivity Teams, clearly defines the United States mission with foreign country leaders and the United Nations.

The new "Economic Freedom and Prosperity Dimension"-- respected and honored by the United Nations, U.N. Security Council, World Bank, IMF, United States, NGO's and leaders around the world -- will vest nations worldwide with substantive direction finding tools. The Initiative will bring together diverse groups of peoples to unite with each other within a nation and region -- where the essential foundations for peace, prosperity and security are crucially needed.