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Economic Freedom & Prosperity

(The Synergy Of The Free Market Place Applied)

A Primary Foreign Policy Initiative Blueprint

- **A Sound and Practical Initiative for America's Leaders**
- **A Workable and Culturally Germane Initiative For Secretary Gates, The Joint Chiefs of Staff, State Department [worldwide] and General Petraeus [Middle East]**
- **A Viable and Comprehensive Initiative for emulation by United Nation Entities – providing connectivity between U.S. and U.N.**

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Executive Summary – National Security

This Report calls for establishing an **Economic Freedom and Prosperity Initiative** as an essential part of U.S. Foreign Policy – National Security that ensures a nation's success beyond the time when elections are held or regimes change. The Action Plan for Economic Freedom and Prosperity will enlist the U.S. Foreign Affairs Corps, including Americans with overseas ties, in spreading the message of individual liberty, independence, economic freedom and prosperity worldwide. It sets in place a model for the United Nations to follow which brings nations together on key and important issues of peace, security, freedom, independence, prosperity and environmental sustainability.

Freedom and Independence become an integral part of the daily lives of Ordinary People when Economic Freedom and individual prosperity begin to take hold. As nations liberalize economic conditions, from small cottage industries to larger local businesses to big metropolitan area enterprises, everyone will improve their chance to exchange goods and services, secure their livelihoods, send their kids to school and contribute to the overall peace and general prosperity. These liberalized economic conditions are the dynamic synergy of the Free Market place in action.

Executive Summary- National Security

Having a material stake in their own future, Ordinary People will be ready and willing to defend their neighborhoods and local communities against insurgents, malicious terrorists and cruel, underhanded dictators. The peoples' levers and tools of power will be safe secure streets, open viable markets, titled property rights and valid contracts, enforced through just law, independent judges, honest sheriffs, transparency and a free press.

Most importantly, populations in countries with Economic Freedom & Prosperity initiatives possess capabilities and drive to diminish, deter and eventually overcome Terrorism, Poverty, Crime and Human Rights Atrocities. They cause governors to serve the people. Governors then act in accordance to the “consent of the governed.” Once discovering they are stakeholders in their own lives and livelihoods, patriots bond together with their governing leaders taking down their near-by and far-off oppressors. They will be more ready to work on “Regional Stewardship” through “Regional Sustainable Development Programs and Projects.” Consequently, the U.S. military option or U.N. peacekeeping forces will not have to be exercised as often in countries where populations at large have individual Economic Freedom and Prosperity. Thus a synergy develops by Ordinary People within the nation itself and in the surrounding region for the dynamic Free Market Action to evolve, maintain and sustain itself for “peace and prosperity.”

End Executive Summary

"The whole history of the progress of human liberty shows that all concessions yet made to her august claims have been born of earnest struggle... If there is no struggle, there is no progress. Those who profess to favor freedom, and yet deprecate agitation, are men who want crops without plowing up the ground, they want rain without thunder and lightning. They want the ocean without the awful roar of its many waters."

Frederick Douglas

U.S. Presidential Candidates in 2008:

The new **Economic Freedom and Prosperity** Dimension of U.S. Foreign Affairs and Public Policy offers new thinking for discussion during the current presidential election period. The Dimension provides a sound, principled and positive path to secure world peace and prosperity. Quite importantly, the Dimension will serve as a powerful force to counter terrorism and Islamofacism by diminishing ranks of the idle, discontent and hopeless recruits, especially youth. The Initiative provides focus and purpose to U.S. foreign economic policy and how it is practiced, discussed and debated.

The Economic Freedom and Prosperity Initiative will also empower women as a growing vocal and dynamic force for change in societies which now constrain freedom. As seen in Afghanistan and Iraq, women stand against al-Qaeda and stand up for Freedom, Liberty and Human Dignity. An Economic Freedom and Prosperity Dimension will showcase the precedent set by Iraqis in the Middle East who have made women one-third of the members of the Iraq Parliament.

Economic Freedom and personal liberty resonate with people around the world. In this vein, as presidential candidates call for Freedom and Liberty across the globe, American, European and other leaders worldwide will echo the call for Economic Freedom and Prosperity. Exponents will include business leaders, expatriates, Diaspora, and small entrepreneurs, women and men. When candidates talk of material progress in Muslim countries, they can herald "universal principles" and the respect for property and contracts embraced by Islam. They can make clear that Islamic Elements are directly in accord with the "universal principles" and "basics of democracy."

In conducting **ECONOMIC FREEDOM & PROSPERITY** foreign policy initiatives, the United States strives to apply:

4 Elements of National Power & National Security

"Diplomatic," "Economic," "Information," and "Military" Power

As we see today, AMERICA'S APPLICATION OF "ECONOMIC POWER" IS ONLY PARTIAL IN IRAQ, PALESTINE, PAKISTAN, AFGHANISTAN, LATIN AMERICA, CHINA, RUSSIA, INDONESIA, AND ELSEWHERE. America can close this gap beginning now.

U.S. Presidential Candidates in 2008:

STRATEGY: MOUNT FULL-SCALE AMERICAN ECONOMIC FREEDOM AND PROSPERITY INITIATIVE -- REDUCE U.S. TROOP RECRUITMENT NEEDS FOR THE MIDDLE EAST AND AROUND THE WORLD

Rationale For Economic Freedom and Prosperity Strategy

*The Economic Freedom and Prosperity Soft Strategy reflects the sound counsel of General David Petraeus who calls for **Securing And Engaging The Populace to win "Hearts And Minds."** He pointed out in the 2007 MILITARY FIELD MANUAL:*

“In a summary of ‘UNSUCCESSFUL PRACTICES’ here’s the NO. 1 MISTAKE: OVEREMPHASIZED KILLING AND CAPTURING THE ENEMY RATHER THAN SECURING AND ENGAGING THE POPULACE... Also, “Long-term success depends on the people taking charge of their own affairs and consenting to the government’s role’ ...not deferring to it.”

“The Marshall Plan waged a battle against "hunger, poverty, desperation and chaos." It was the deep understanding of the Marshall Plan that the people themselves must effect the necessary material changes in Europe. The Marshall Plan focused on systemic economic reform changes that empower people to feed themselves and strive to prosper.*

** General George Marshall, June 1947 [Marshall Plan].*

The Economic Freedom & Prosperity Action Plan supports General David Petraeus’ and DNI Director Mike McConnell’s position for winning "Hearts and Minds." The Action Plan’s Bottom-Up approach builds on the vision and major premise of the Marshall Plan which are relevant for Iraq’s and the Middle East mission today.

“...the battlefield is fluid, it's changing, and anybody who's frozen in orthodoxy or hierarchy has problems. And in the West, whether it's at the field command or a strategic command or political command, there's a fluidity and an adaptation that allows people in charge to accept, modify, reject plans in the process.”

Carnage And Culture – The Western Way Of War, Victor Davis Hanson [Hoover Institute] March 12, 2003

U.S. Presidential Candidates in 2008:

Rationale For Economic Freedom and Prosperity Strategy

The Empty Chair At The Iraq Hearings

John B. Taylor, Washington Post, 11/01/07. John Taylor was Treasury undersecretary for international affairs from 2001 - 2005. He is an economics professor at Stanford and senior fellow at the Hoover Institution.

“Effective foreign policy requires paying close attention to economics, not just security and politics. Policy often falters in practice because the economic or financial aspect is overlooked.

Testifying [in September on Capitol Hill] on security issues was Gen. David Petraeus offering his expertise on counter-insurgency warfare in theory and in practice. Next to him was Amb. Ryan Crocker, able to answer virtually any question ... on political machinery within Iraq. And next to them was the seasoned expert on economic issues in Iraq.. ..Oops. Actually, no one was next to them. An empty chair. But had there been, the testimony (might have covered progress on conducting monetary policy, controlling inflation, and other macro-economic issues..).

“Committee Member: So there is nothing more to do in terms of economics?”

“Empty Chair: **On the contrary, there is much more that we and the Iraqis should be doing . (Let me) testify today on the importance of this third pillar of our policy.**

“My strong recommendation is: As soon as Gen. Petraeus and his coalition forces secure an area -- a neighborhood or a town -- we should immediately focus as best we can on the economic part of our mission. Help businesses reopen and hire people, especially young people who might otherwise join the enemy.

“Establish organizations of entrepreneurs to tell us and the Iraqi government what they need. Build industrial enclaves if necessary. Work with Iraqis to provide security for shipments of products and key raw materials for manufacturing or agriculture.

“You have heard much about the need to secure an area before significant political progress can be made; the same is true for economic progress. But economics is quicker than politics. We should move in economically even before our teams start helping on political reconciliation. If the environment is secure, entrepreneurs -- both Shiite and Sunni -- can create jobs much more quickly than politicians can reach agreement, let alone pass legislation. Job creation, the economic integration of communities and the taste of prosperity will accelerate political reconciliation and the achievement of our ultimate objective in Iraq.”

Quick Snapshot

U.S. Economic Freedom & Prosperity Initiative: An Impetus For Regional Sustainable Development Programs [RSDP'S]

This is the Quick Snapshot of the U.S. Economic Freedom & Prosperity Initiative for The President, U.S. Presidential Candidates, the U.S. Congress, USG Foreign Corps, and NGO's in collaboration with Foreign Country leaders, diplomats and foreign nationals, to wit, ordinary people and international organizations [World Bank, IMF, UNDP, WTO, FAO, U.N., UN entities]. These players will engage in and embrace one another with "in-country dialogues" and "exploratory discussions."

First and foremost, the U.S. Economic Freedom & Prosperity Initiative is about sharing our proven success in how a country gets going, stays going and continues growing through hard work, lessons learned, applied science and technology coupled with "in-country dialogues" and "exploratory discussions." It is a growing process all countries move through by tapping into the latent and natural power of their people. The outcome is an independent nation with a government of the people, by the people and for the people. This is the "Bottom up power" that is in touch with the "human condition" which drives decisions of government and is the foundation of a Civil Opportunity Society.

Our country's success was paved by our ancestors who struggled, toiled and died: 1) fought by one another's side for freedom, liberty and independence in the great historic American Revolution, 2) fought brutally against each other, father vs. son and son vs. son, for principles of equality and humanity in the country divided Civil War, and 3) then again fought together for survival as a country in World Wars I and II, first against Napoleon war remnants of the old world order then against imperialism and fascism. Through history, Americans have fought against vesting power in oligarchs, tyrants, dictators and those who support communal, socialistic and communistic philosophies.

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U.S. Economic Freedom & Prosperity Initiative: An Impetus For Regional Sustainable Development Programs [RSDP'S]

This Bottom-Up “people” strategy for the Economic Freedom & Prosperity Initiative draws from the power, strength and experience of the United States and other free nations. The Economic Freedom & Prosperity Initiative is predicated on the on-going evolution of social, political and economic mores. It draws its strength and power from sound Rule of Law embedded in a strong Constitutional framework that endures through a system of checks and balance.

We have come to understand that there is a storehouse of untapped power that lays hidden in each nation’s people. America’s secret is no longer a secret. With Presidential and Congressional leadership, the secret can be spread through an Initiative that touches other countries and peoples lives to advance their own freedom, liberty and independence. They too can become sovereign nations -- with independent people.

Much of the hate, resentment, poverty, disease, crime, terrorism and asymmetrical guerilla warfare which we see today can be attributed to government regimes that fail to tap into the resourcefulness of 80% of the world’s “Ordinary’ People.” As a matter of fact, “Ordinary People” astutely manage their daily lives in the informal economies. These economies operate below board, underground and in black market economies to the tune of an estimated \$10 trillion plus dollars. This sum is no small potatoes. Given the huge stake the world has in opening up economic opportunity for all people with their \$10 trillion in dead capital, we are talking systemic problems which need to change.

Systemic changes only happen within countries when a comprehensive program of Economic Freedom & Prosperity is fully understood, embraced, well planned out, and applied across the board so all people within a country can rise up, protect and defend, one another in a Civil Opportunity Society undergirded by free market based institutions.

Hernando De Soto illustrates this point of the informal sector capability as follows:

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“The Institute For Liberty and Democracy [Peru] found no evidence to bear out the charge that life in the informal settlements is anarchic and disorganized. On the contrary, it found a set of extralegal norms which did, to some extent, regulate social norms, offsetting the absence of legal protection and gradually winning stability and security for acquired rights... It is the “law” which has been created by informals to regulate and order their lives and transactions and, as such, is socially relevant.”

***The Other Path -- The Economic Answer to Terrorism,
Hernando De Soto, Basic Book Publication (1989)***

U.S. Foreign Affairs Professionals in their educational and advisory capacity can now begin to spur economic opportunity for “Ordinary People” in informal sectors in other countries around the world along with advancing Regional Sustainable Development Programs [RSDP]. The U.S. Foreign Affairs Corps can share what we know about what brings success as well as the freedom institutions required for open, accountable and transparent institutions necessary for successful transition into a Civil Opportunity Society.

With "Economic Freedom and Prosperity" Bottom/Up Foreign RSDP Policy, the U.S. Foreign Affairs Professionals now can engage [country by country] in “Exploratory Discussions” and ‘In-country Dialogue” with Heads of State, provincial leaders, mayors, tribal elders, local business leaders and ‘Ordinary People.” Discussions and dialogue can center around the use the basic free market financial/economic metrics for 1) field operations of In-country and regional projects, 2) establishing benchmarks and feedback loops for project success 2) setting accountability and transparency institutional standards, 3) ensuring In-country Initiatives are established, maintained and sustained and 4) ascertaining the overall impact of an In-country or a regional Initiative.

So our next step would be to look at a Quick Snapshot of the Economic Freedom & Prosperity Initiative before we get into the nuts and bolts of the Action Plan, Strategy and Talking Points.

Quick Snapshot

U.S. Economic Freedom & Prosperity Initiative

Country Initiated Strategies That Move Forward And Provide Impetus For Collaborative Regional Sustainable Development Programs and Projects, Including the Security Dimension.

Part 1 Summary:

OVERALL ECONOMIC FREEDOM & PROSPERITY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR ESTABLISHING, MAINTAINING AND FINE TUNING A CIVIL OPPORTUNITY SOCIETY.

A) ECONOMIC FREEDOM AREAS OF FOCUS: There are 10 areas of focus for Economic Freedom. These are defined in the “Index For Economic Freedom” of the Heritage Foundation and Wall Street Journal. The areas cover property rights to entrepreneurship – in 161 countries. For the first time, the “2007 Index of Economic Freedom” also analyzes “regions” to showcase the freest economies in every part of the world. See Page 23.

B) PRIMARY INSTITUTIONS OF ECONOMIC FREEDOM & PROSPERITY STRATEGY:

There are 11 Primary Institutions of Economic Freedom which entail discernable and measurable characteristics of Economic Freedom & Prosperity. These are defined by The Property Rights Alliance [PRA] in the “International Property Rights 2007 Index Report.” The current report, the first of its kind, debuted in 2007 and analyzes data for 70 countries around the globe, representing 95 percent of world GDP. See Page 23.

C) COUNTRY STRATEGY COMPONENTS FOR ECONOMIC FREEDOM & PROSPERITY:

Country strategy components are articulated that will enable people to have a personal identity to own, borrow on, transfer and profit from private property. A U.S. role is sponsoring technology transfer via advisory services that include:

1. Enabling Heads of State to diffuse power over assets to local leaders and ordinary people,
2. Enabling local, provincial and national leaders to develop comprehensive all-inclusive titled property rights systems, effectively managed and introduced in stages and over time.

In doing so, governors and mayors establish rules and regulations for managing property rights at local, municipal, provincial [state], and national levels, moving the property from the informal sector to the former sector.

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U.S. Economic Freedom & Prosperity Initiative

Country Initiated Strategies That Move Forward and Provide Impetus For Collaborative Regional Sustainable Development Programs, Including The Security Dimension.

Part 1 Summary continued:

C) COUNTRY STRATEGY COMPONENTS FOR ECONOMIC FREEDOM & PROSPERITY:

These Country strategy components are derived and designed from the Institute For Liberty and Democracy's Property Rights Reform Program, Hernando De Soto, President. Source: ILD Prospectus. See Pages 24 - 25.

D) OUTCOMES: COUNTRY STRATEGIC INITIATIVES FOR ENDURING ECONOMIC FREEDOM & PROSPERITY:

There are 12 Living Elements which engender free markets within a Civil Opportunity Society for Economic Freedom & Prosperity. With the 12 Living Elements, citizens with National, Regional and Local leaders come together to establish, develop, maintain and sustain their liberty, freedom, independence and sovereignty in a Civil Opportunity Society. These 12 Living Elements were constructed and designed by Frances Brigham Johnson and Bruce J. Moran, Principals, Strategic Planning Initiatives. See Pages 26 - 27.

Part 2 Summary:

A) REGIONAL MIDDLE EAST STRATEGIC CROSS CULTURAL INITIATIVES FOR ENDURING ECONOMIC FREEDOM & PROSPERITY:

There are 7 Islamic Elements For A Civil Opportunity Society which bring together people in the Islamic community throughout the world to advance their own independence, freedom and sovereignty. These elements come together in a sound, practical and culturally germane fashion. These 7 Islamic Elements are found as "universally resonating principles" in the Qur'an and the words of the Prophet Mohammed [Praise be unto him]. Our Founding Fathers are in accord with Islamic Common Elements as laid out in our Declaration of Independence and U.S. Constitution.

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Part 2 Summary:

A) REGIONAL MIDDLE EAST STRATEGIC CROSS CULTURAL INITIATIVES FOR ENDURING ECONOMIC FREEDOM & PROSPERITY con't:

When the occasion arises, our Foreign Affairs Corps as technology transfer advisors can engage Heads of State, governors, mayors, natural country leaders and ordinary citizens in conversations as to how people come together under the ‘universally resonating principles and tenets’ which the worldwide Islamic community respects, honors, embraces, protects and defends. These 7 Islamic Elements were researched by Dean Ahmad, Phd., Frances Brigham Johnson and Bruce J. Moran See Pages 29 - 30.

B) REGIONAL SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

From travels abroad, country leaders and productivity teams cultivate fertile ideas and concepts for projects within Regional Sustainable Development Programs [RSDP's]. By and large, infrastructure and education projects are first. Middle Easterners move free to establish projects their country or region needs. The RSDP supports and stimulates growth of local, regional and global markets -- in a Freedom market based, viable just economy. (See George Ayittey, Phd., Unchained Africa.)

Most importantly, government assistance programs must be coordinated with American private assistance so as to not work at cross purposes, create unhealthy foreign policy situations, and to advance “exploratory discussions” with Heads of State, foreign diplomats, natural country leaders and Ordinary People the essential and critical need for transparency, Rule of Law, enforcement and individual rights, liberties, freedoms and sovereignty.

“...While we've tripled official development assistance in this decade alone, American private capital flows to the developing world have tripled over the last three years -- and now represent over 80 percent of financial flows to developing countries. This is a profound - in fact, radical change in the relationship between institutional and private foreign assistance flows....”

Henrietta H. Fore, □ Administrator, USAID and Director of U.S. Foreign Assistance
02/01/08 The Center For Global Development

Full Snapshot

Full Snapshot of the U.S. Economic Freedom Initiative for President Bush, U.S. Presidential Candidates, the U.S. Congress USG Foreign Corps, NGO's in collaboration with Foreign Country leaders, diplomats and foreign nationals e.g., ordinary people and international organizations [World Bank, IMF, UNDP, WTO, FAO, U.N., & UNSC] to engage and embrace one another with "in-country dialogues" and "exploratory discussions."

Full Snapshot Part I and Part 2 Pages 23 - 32.

OVERALL ECONOMIC FREEDOM AND PROSPERITY: GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR ESTABLISHING, MAINTAINING AND FINE TUNING A CIVIL OPPORTUNITY SOCIETY.

A) ECONOMIC FREEDOM AREAS OF FOCUS:

The 10 areas of focus for Economic Freedom & Prosperity:

1) Trade policy, 2) Fiscal burden of government, 3) Monetary policy 4) Government intervention in the economy, 5) Capital flows and foreign investment, 6) Banking and finance, 7) Wages and prices, 8) Property rights, 9) Regulation, and 10) Informal market activity. *

* Source: Elements of Economic Freedom as defined by The Heritage Foundation and The Wall Street Journal "2007 Index Of Economic Freedom."

B) PRIMARY INSTITUTIONS OF ECONOMIC FREEDOM & PROSPERITY STRATEGY:

The 11 institutions of Economic Freedom & Prosperity are:

1) Judicial Independence, 2) Confidence in Courts, 3) Political Stability, 4) Corruption Mitigation, 5) Legal Protection of Property Rights, 6) Registering Property, 7) Access to Loans, 8) Protection of Intellectual Property Right, 9) Patent Strength 10) Copyright Piracy, and 11) Trademark Protection. **

** Source: Economic Freedom Elements as defined by the Property Rights Alliance [PRA] "International Property Rights 2007 Index Report."

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C) COUNTRY STRATEGY COMPONENTS FOR ECONOMIC FREEDOM & PROSPERITY:

Under White House policy direction and oversight, Civilian and Military Foreign Affairs Corps members in USG departments and agencies provide technology transfer advisory services on the 13 points listed below that:

1. Engage with Heads Of State and legislators in discussions about institutional political and economic systemic reforms which diffuse power to the local leaders and ordinary people
2. Enable Governors to institute a comprehensive and an all-inclusive titled property rights system introduced in stages and over time
3. Enable provincial and local leaders to implement programs to create and manage Legal Property Rights Systems
4. Give the poor access to property rights
5. Address the most pressing economic and social problems stemming from the failure of top/down government programs
6. Allow poor and marginalized people to govern their rights collectively by dividing labor, combining assets, and assigning responsibilities productively in their own enterprises
7. Advance property rights and business organizations giving citizens the ability to obtain identity in the expanded market

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Under White House policy direction and oversight, Civilian and Military Foreign Affairs Corps members in USG departments and agencies provide technology transfer advisory services on the 13 points listed below that:

8. Allow both physical and intellectual assets to be converted into capital
9. Provide an effective means to title small businesses
10. Establish a means to enforce rules and contracts
11. Move business and real estate holdings from the underground economy into the economic mainstream
12. Provide a real solution to offset failure of various economic systems by using media to demonstrate to each social group the benefits of property formalization, whether it be extralegal, the business community, the bureaucracy, or other specific groups
13. Allow beneficiaries of assets easy transfer of entitled assets. Give beneficiaries of property rights ways to access instruments and systems that store and transfer the value of their assets, such as through, wills, shares of corporate stock, patent rights, promissory notes, and bills of exchange***

*** Source of Economic Freedom Country Components: Institute For Liberty and Democracy, Hernando De Soto, President.
Property Rights Reform: ILD Prospectus

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D) OUTCOMES: COUNTRY STRATEGIC INITIATIVES FOR ENDURING ECONOMIC FREEDOM & PROSPERITY:

12 Living Elements of a Free-Market - Civil Opportunity Society

When leaders and people of a country engage, embrace, protect and defend each other with Economic Freedom in a Civil Opportunity Society, these things happen:

1. Constitutions are written with checks and balances;
2. Court systems are developed and supervised with honest judges who fairly and equally uphold the law for all citizens; and an efficient and a transparent Civil Service system is established;
3. Even handed systems of sheriff and police enforcement are established; the Professional Military – Security Force is neutral and impartial;
4. All-inclusive titled property rights are protected and defended;
5. Free independent press reigns;
6. Free elections are held with independent commissions;
7. Transparent governments are formed, an independent Central Bank is established, and a currency is established and stabilized;

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D) OUTCOMES: COUNTRY STRATEGIC INITIATIVES FOR ENDURING ECONOMIC FREEDOM & PROSPERITY:

12 Living Elements of a Free-Market - Civil Opportunity Society

8. Standards and practices are instituted and enforced with a Rule of Law;
9. Individual ownership and individual enterprise flourish and are respected;
10. Privatization is viewed as a viable alternative;
11. Basic education is deemed essential and honored for all citizens;
12. Religious customs and cultural heritage are fully respected, honored and protected. ****

**** Source: Moran – Johnson, Principals, SPI 2005.

“ Life, liberty, and property do not exist because men have made laws. On the contrary, it was the fact that life, liberty, and property existed beforehand that caused men to make laws in the first place.”

Frederic Bastiat

MORAN REPORT 2008: REGIONAL SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM PROTOCOL

**OUTCOMES: COUNTRY STRATEGIC INITIATIVES FOR ENDURING ECONOMIC FREEDOM & PROSPERITY:
12 Living Elements of a Free-Market – Civil Opportunity Society**

1. Constitutions are written with checks and balances;
2. Court systems are developed with honest judges who fairly and equally uphold the law for all citizens; and an efficient and a transparent Civil Service system is established
3. Even handed systems of sheriff and police enforcement are established; the Security Force is neutral and impartial
4. All-inclusive titled property rights are protected and defended;
5. Free independent press reigns;
6. Free elections are held with independent commissions;
7. Transparent governments are formed, an independent Central Bank is established, and a currency is established;
8. Standards and practices are instituted and enforced with a Rule of Law;
9. Individual ownership and individual enterprise flourish and are respected;
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Source: Moran - Johnson SPI 2005.

10 AREAS OF FOCUS FOR ECONOMIC FREEDOM & PROSPERITY:

1. Trade policy,
2. Fiscal burden of government,
3. Monetary policy,
4. Government intervention in the economy,
5. Capital flows and foreign investment,
6. Banking and finance,
7. Wages and prices,
8. Property rights,
9. Regulation,
10. Information market activity.

Source: Elements of Economic Freedom as defined by The Heritage Foundation and The Wall Street Journal "2007 Index Of Economic Freedom."

11 PRIMARY INSTITUTIONS OF FOCUS ON ECONOMIC FREEDOM & PROSPERITY

1. Judicial Independence,
2. Confidence in Courts,
3. Political Stability,
4. Corruption Mitigation,
5. Legal Protection of Property Rights,
6. Registering Property,
7. Access to Loans,
8. Protection of Intellectual Property Right,
9. Patent Strength,
10. Copyright Piracy,
11. Trademark Protection.

Source: Economic Freedom Elements as defined by the Property Rights Alliance [PRA] "International Property Rights 2008 Index Report "Economic Freedom."

COUNTRY STRATEGY COMPONENTS FOR ECONOMIC FREEDOM & PROSPERITY:

1. Engage with Heads Of State and legislators in discussions about institutional political and economic systemic reforms which diffuse power to the local leaders and ordinary people;
2. Enable Governors to institute a comprehensive & all-inclusive titled property rights system introduced in stages and over time;
3. Enable provincial and local leaders to implement programs to create and manage Legal Property Rights Systems;
4. Give the poor access to property rights;*
5. Address the most pressing economic and social problems;*
6. Allow poor and marginalized people to govern their rights collectively by dividing labor, combining assets, and assigning responsibilities productively in their own enterprises;*
7. Advance property rights and business organizations giving citizens the ability to obtain identity in the expanded market;
8. Allow both physical and intellectual assets to be converted into capital;
9. Provide an effective means to title small businesses;
10. Establish a means to enforce rules and contracts;
11. Move business and real estate holdings from the underground economy into the economic mainstream;
12. Provide a real solution to offset failure of various economic systems using media to demonstrate to each social group the benefits of property formalization, whether it be extralegal, the business community, the bureaucracy, or other specific groups;
13. Allow beneficiaries of assets easy transfer of entitled assets. Give beneficiaries of property rights ways to access instruments and systems that store and transfer the value of their assets, such as through, wills, shares of corporate stock, patent rights, promissory notes, and bills of exchange.

* Not accomplished because of the failure of top-down governments e.g., programs – policy - projects

Source of Economic Freedom Country Components: Institute For Liberty and Democracy, Hernando De Soto, President. Property Rights Reform

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Part 2

REGIONAL MIDDLE EAST STRATEGIC CROSS CULTURAL INITIATIVE FOR ENDURING ECONOMIC FREEDOM & PROSPERITY:

A) IDENTIFYING UNIVERSAL CULTURAL LINKING PRINCIPLES:

There are 7 Islamic Common Elements of a Civil Opportunity Society which are grounds for nations to work collaboratively on education and infrastructure projects. Country leaders and advisors propose, organize, control and monitor the projects carried out in line with common interests of countries taking part in the Regional Sustainable Development Programs. These projects provide country leaders and advisors the occasion to address and engage on some or all of the common elements depicted in the words of the Prophet and the tenets of Qur'an. Note that our Founding Fathers are in accord with the Islamic Common Elements as part of the Bottom-Up form of "good governance."

The 7 Islamic Common Elements are:

- a) Sanctity of individual rights
- b) Respect for Women
- c) Sacredness of the Home
- d) Protection of Contracts
- e) Honor of Individual Self-sufficiency

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The 7 Islamic Common Elements are con't:

- f) Respect for Individual Enterprise
- g) Protection of Private Property

[Source: Ahmad, Johnson & Moran 2003]

CHANGING OUR WESTERN BIAS: WE MUST CLOSELY EXAMINE WHY OUR FAST PACED BITS AND BITES CULTURE, EDUCATION, MEDIA AND USG BIAS HAS LED AMERICANS AWAY FROM UNDERSTANDING THE KEY 7 ISLAMIC COMMON ELEMENTS.

These 7 Islamic Common Elements are learned and practiced by a country's natural leaders and members of “*Productivity Teams*” [The teams are sponsored by the USG]. The country leaders and “productivity teams” travel to areas with established free market /enterprise systems and viable working financial institutions/markets.

B) REGIONAL SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

From these travels, country leaders and productivity teams cultivate fertile ideas and concepts which generate projects within *Regional Sustainable Development Programs* [RSDP's]. By and large, infrastructure and education projects are first. The RSDP supports and stimulates growth of local, regional and global markets. -- in a Freedom market based, viable just economy. (See George Ayittey, *Unchained Africa*.)

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What "A Regional Sustainable Development Program" means in the context of the Moran Report:

"A Regional Sustainable Development Program, which can be launched with infrastructure and education projects of one or more countries, fosters collaborative political, environmental, economic, public policy and policing/military development. The Regional Program meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs."

What "A Productivity Team [Work/Study Travel]" means in the context of the Moran Report:

"Productivity 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.

"Productivity Team" members from industry, labor and public service visit other countries get practical "hands on" experience when they 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) How 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; and 4) How private lives of entrepreneurs work with volunteer agencies – "people helping people."

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What "A Productivity Team [Work/Study Travel]" means in the context of the Moran Report con't:

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."

"Our policy is directed not against any country or doctrine but against hunger, poverty, desperation and chaos. Its purpose should be the revival of a working economy in the world so as to permit the emergence of political and social conditions in which free institutions can exist."

General George Marshall – Marshall Plan