

## EUROPEANS NEED STRONG EUROPE WITH DETERMINATION FOR STRATEGIC CHANGE

TO LAY DOWN THE FOUNDATION OF A COMMON STATE: BY REPLACING 27 EURO-COMISSARIATS WITH 7 EURO AGENCIES

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The World as known is now a different one. Appears that Europe and Europeans entertain a delusion, such as the one that "the world is flat" and life revolves solely around that "Old" Europe. The "ostrich policy" carried out by a number of European politicians, is not in condition to cope with the acute national, European and World problems - it exacerbates them. Like it or not, we live in global interdependent world in conditions of unending crisis. Today there are no "immune" nations. The Eskimos in Greenland, Bushmen in Africa, Indians in the Amazon etc., are no longer living in their secluded worlds – today they are affected by the world crises and their humble existence is no more the same. They and the rest - Americans, Europeans, Asians, Jews and Arabs together we all are interdependent strongly to each other. Together we can survive, or vanish.

### EU PROBLEMS TODAY AND IN THE FUTURE

Today's EU is consisting by a considerable human resource (500 million), and great economic power, which strategically and technologically is unconsolidated. Technologies used in the western parts of Europe and "the new European East" are generations apart. Rapid equalization of "standards" has unleashed corruption. Cultural and social differences are visible, especially distinctive in the western parts of Europe. Unprecedented vast population transfer to the West disturbed the orderly way of life of the "old" EU citizens. And all of these objective and predictable problems move in parallel with global problems and unforeseen crises.

### LET'S NOT CONVERT "THE NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY" OF THE EU IN A "SACRED COW"

It is necessary to face the realities - the European Union in 2011 is not the same one established by the Maastricht Treaty in 1993.

Regardless of the fundamental policy for preservation of the national sovereignty for member states, nevertheless "sovereignty" is not a "sacred cow".

Pledged longer than 20 years ago, ideas about the future of the EU are affected by other realities. A member State (nation), even a large one, well-off and strong, is strangled today by the bureaucratic "shackles" of the EU.

Today the "Great European Powers" want to remain as such and do not wish to walk to the end of the path - turning the EU into a unified country. A country of countries!

Globalization needs what it needs. The "objectives" of 1945 are not relevant for Europe and the world in 2011. Today's "national sovereignty" for individual states in the EU is simply a terminology inherited from the old international law. Modern interpretation of "national sovereignty" of individual union country now has a different meaning.

Part of the "exclusive rights" of each union state will undoubtedly have to be "surrendered" in favor of Euro sovereignty. This should not be misinterpreted as an "attempt" for destroying a "nation state". A State will have to delegate separate "rights" in favor of a Community of countries, which are in strategic sectors: foreign policy, defense, energy resources, information security and counterterrorism, financial, economic, sovereign rights in nautical and air spaces.

#### EUROPEAN INTEGRATION - PROCESS THAT REQUIRES NEW KIND OF "POLITICAL CLASS"

On one hand there are an ever more growing number of the Union euro-acts attempting to impose common "policies" and on the other hand there are the Member States, with disproportionate resources and strongly expressed contradicting goals. Today in the EU today we witness a "regulatory inflation", producing instruments that are applied mechanically and in reality ultimately missing their target destination. At the same time on strategic issues, the EU has no clear norms and regulations and common policies. Unexplained is the fact that today the Union's Member States are left to solve independently their energy dependence to non-union states. And all this is happening in conditions of overlapping crisis. This effectively blocks the implementation of strategic decisions bringing to halt useful ideas for Europe.

Another paradox is the precedent with "Greece". The Community decided to help the "ailing" state, but the "disease" was not from yesterday and that was known by both the "patient" and the EU. The responsibility for today's "Greek crisis" should stand primarily with the Greek politicians and Greeks, who have allowed them to power. Regardless of the hundreds of billions of a national debt and illogical unexplainably high social benefits to the Greeks, today we observe permanent spontaneous unrest by the working class, which paralyze the country, and in particular influence neighboring Bulgaria. Furthermore, uncontrollable civil unrest and anarchy-terrorist acts in "old" Greece, and now even outside of it, are eroding the faith in the Community by the citizens of the lately admitted EU member-countries. Next act could be "revolution" by on the left oriented masses instigated from the outside and consisting by people who just do not want to work. What will be next for the EU?

On one hand, the EU pours for the rescue hundreds of billions of euro-dollars and the Europeans "tighten the belts" and on the other hand Greeks conduct very questionable from the Community standpoint foreign economic policy. Patience and tolerance after all has its

limits, because another humanitarian step which could be followed by the EU could be on the border with stupidity.

As a result of simultaneous effects of "crisis" in Europe, we have entered one more - the crisis of the Euro (dollar). European institutions, due to embedded subjective philosophy and a dose of populism, plus cumbersome bureaucratic structure, coupled with inadequate budgetary provision, fell in conflict with the global market. EU today is identified with the Euro-dollar where the problems by the Member States who are in acute crisis are "solved" with a lot of money, non-available in the Union's budget. Without resources from the IMF, the Euro zone countries and even the more poor ones outside the area, Greece, Ireland and others are in "check", which can quickly become a "checkmate" But this does not make the Euro-dollar a winner, only wear it out, this "step" is a temporary solution. For now, status quo is sustained. What is needed is a long-term vision for European economic and political architecture and not a short answer to the whims of the market. It takes political class dedicated to Europe rather than pursuing a national interest for the account of someone else. "(George Irvine, a professor at the University of London).

In today's world, longtime political compromises on power-level are a sign for corruption and other unhealthy political practices. Why, for example, the peoples of Germany, Britain, France, regular European taxpayer, we - the poor Bulgarians must pay it? The reasons are not exclusively in the global financial crisis, the energy imbalance and independent of the Union relations of countries, companies and leaders.

LEADERSHIP INSUFFICIENCY. POLITICAL LIDER IS NOT A PROFESSION, IT IS A MISSION FOR THE KNOWLEDGEBLE ONE

The Euro-block now is in a standstill. This is quite noticeable in conditions of crisis - global (financial and economic) or energy, or both. European institutions are inefficient and cumbersome, they are not able to work out quickly the behavior of the Union during critical moment, as well as how exactly to get out of it and carry on.

For years, we witness and in Europe, sharp leadership shortage of strategically thinking individuals, ready to take responsibility in conditions of local and global crises. Some argue that the reason for this is generational, which does not sound convincingly. Today's "leaders" of Europe, regardless of whether they were born before 1980 or after, look lame sterile e and mostly have no desire to change the stereotype of the "comfortable" environment. A social environment, even appearing perfect, when encapsulated the future becomes unclear and is not the ideal environment from where leaders emerge. In such environment, likely the effort is - maintaining the "status quo". For the high level and responsible political life today the stereotype of politician-showman, self-obsessed egocentric or obedient party member is not functional anymore. Such individual would be

better to direct themselves to not so high-demanding positions in life for earning their bread. The need is for individuals - knowledgeable, capable, sensible and realistic.

Our common "state" Europe is in need for political leaders strongly respected in their national state and EU, working tirelessly to build a unified and strong EU and to gain respect for their own country in the union. The leadership crisis shows acute shortage of experienced politicians, capable to be in charge for strategic missions.

EU, SOMETIME IN 1947 WAS SET-UP, THROUGH THE "MARSHALL PLAN"

Europe after World War II was in ruins and through the Marshall Plan, U.S. rescues Europeans, providing 13 billion dollars (of which 80% without compensation and the rest was with the most favorable conditions for repayment) to 17 countries. The condition was establishment of Organization for European Economic Cooperation, a common customs regime and free and competitive market. That revives and trusts forward for a dynamic development setting up the foundations for future economic and political united Europe. The established government institutions became engine and intermediary embracing good and fair laws in the interests of the societies. Opportunities were present to the great power at that time "USSR" nevertheless choosing direction leading to decades of misery for its people and the "Cold War".

The "Status Quo" from 1945 is now obsolete and preserving it would be an obstacle for the European and global perspective. The only one direction is forward.

After decades of progress, in recent years the Euro-union visibly lost its direction conceived at the time it was founded its essence and formation of structures. Today, we see cracks in the European spirit when it comes to common policies - energy and others. This is the case even in countries like Germany, Italy, France, Greece, not to mention Bulgaria and others who became members recently.

It is obvious that the recent philosophy and structure the Community was build on makes it difficult for achievement of useful results in today's changed world. Particularly striking is the organizational helplessness in the "Executive" sector of the Community - European Commission and Euro Commissariats. The seemingly "fair" principle - each Member State represented by "commissioner" is wrong, it is not effective in implementing the strategic steps and management decisions during crisis.

The European Parliament has enough room to represent the states of objective and fair principles, but for the EC there is a need for change and restructuring. In the Euro Commission should be managed by consensus driven, broad-minded representatives of member-states and not archaic (left-center-right) obligated to a "political party" candidates, who have loyalty first to their party interests or interests of lobbyists and at last the interest of their country and Europe as a whole. Not only once or twice are the cases where an

officials of the highest rank in the EU after completion of a mandate in own country become high-rank consultants or managers of distant to the EU countries and companies. This kind of "lobbying" is inexplicable and unacceptable.

#### EU LACK MANAGERIAL STRATEGIC REALISM AND PRAGMATISM

Consolidation of common goals and pragmatic restructuring of the EU is inevitable and obligatory step for the member states – and in the near future. We are going to a "common state". The sooner the EU is ready, the better for Europeans.

Today, euro commissioners are 27, tomorrow perhaps more! The political and pragmatic philosophy to form one body should not contradict. Representative-populist approach during structuring the Commission undermines its functionality and effectiveness.

#### EUROPEANS DO NOT WISH TO PAY FOR MASSIVE, FEEBLE AND INEFFICIENT BUREAUCRACY

EC primarily should be a body that has a task - to manage effectively and concisely the Union in the conditions of permanent crises - energy, economic, nature, and at the same time performs realistic medium and long term strategies. And to offer "policies" coordinated with the Member States.

The given managerial philosophy does not allow that. European commissariats are only highly-paid "coordinators". In the area of executive activities, the EU needs simplified structure and executive bodies. Contrary to that today, the EC implemented purely political representative tasks that are usually conjuncture, because they are bound by political expectations for serving the next term and lobbying intrigues. European "programs", "runners" and other mechanisms do not have the necessary efficiency and their accomplishment raise doubts. We should not fool ourselves that corruption is "patented" only of by the member states from Eastern Europe. The Europeans can and must request an accountability for the money given for ineffective European administration.

#### EU LACKS CLEAR AND WORKABLE ENERGY (RESOURCES) STRATEGY AND POLICY

#### BULGARIA AND OTHER EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES INTENSIFY THEIR ENERGY DEPENDENCE FROM RUSSIA

This is happening because of a lull reflex for self-protection by the EU. Energy dependence inevitably will drag other dependences which anyone burdened government will easily take. The voices of the citizens of Bulgaria and other countries maintaining this concern are not heard neither in Sofia or Brussels, not even in Washington. It is not a question about anti-Russian tendencies and inducements, but for the need of prospective clarity for the direction of Bulgaria and the EU. If we would allow us to turn back the "history tape" 20-30 years ago, Peoples Republic of Bulgaria in its capacity as a member of the Warsaw Pact and Union of Economic Help, would it have involved itself with NATO and the

EEC? Even hypothetically, such an analogy during that time is absurd. Such "idea" would be punishable with hard labor-camps. In European Bulgaria "quietly" is emerging a political party-twin of the ruling party in Russia, as a possible alternative ruling power, upon a possible "decay" of the EU!?

Those are political realities, where no one in the active European bodies and politicians are paying serious attention. At the same time the Bulgarian politicians on the "right" are preoccupied only with themselves.

#### VEILED TENSION AND DISTRUST BETWEEN "THE WEST" AND "THE EAST" IN EU

Exist and it is observed visible tension between the old Member States and the new ones from Eastern Europe. On one hand, a strategic but also a political move of the part of the EU not only to invite, but actually to admit in the Union, former socialist countries is an exceptionally calculated move. On the other hand it is not quite so.

Hidden disagreements exist in few areas. First, a significant part of the countries from the "East", with few small exceptions, did not have available technological and economic base for rapid compatibility and harmonization. Second, directly opposite is the labor, social and political cultures of the people inhabiting the "west" and "east" in the EU. The third in a row hidden disagreement we witness until today is linked to the completely unsolved at the time problem with the personnel, serving the former totalitarian and single ruling parties. And more importantly was to first of all make clear legal differentiation regarding the so-called "Nomenclature" (communist party elite) and their subordinate repressive organs with criminal past. This was not done in number of countries, including Bulgaria. Such countries from the "East" are somewhat unpredictable and contradictory in their positions, because today many key government positions are held by such none-independent "politicians" and officials. "European" democracy is a democracy, but we are talking for something else. It is more than once when a strategic move by the EU was stalled due to existence of genetically encoded "incompatibility" between leaders from the West and East. Is it wise in the EU to have a herd of "Trojan horses" from the past, which historically were always hostile to democracy? This problem should be resolved finally and now, because we have no right to "go astern".

#### THE PROBLEM OF RUSSIA, WHY NOT IN NATO?

Different topic is "Where is Russia"? Geographically it is both in Europe and Asia, but cultural-historically contemporary Russian (not Soviet) country traditionally is strongly related with Europe. Today none-officially and silently endorsed "tsarism" and "aristocracy" historically has deep European roots. It is good to know that mineral and energy resources Russia relies on in its new "renaissance" and "power" is on the decline in its bowels of the earth. And one more thing, Russia for long time has lost the control over the resources of its former republics in Central Asia. Now the Asian giants are showing interest for them. The

bipolar model of the recent historical past, when the power was demonstrated by the number of nuclear warheads and numerous armies, demonstrated its nonsense with a speedy ending of the "world socialist system" without a single shot. Today, major economic partner of the EU is China, followed by U.S. Russia remains for now with "monopoly" with oil and gas, with visible decrease. EU is searching for new energy alternatives. Perhaps the active politicians in Moscow start to think "which way now". "The energy manipulation" of the EU by Russia backfires, but nevertheless Moscow realizes the EU is a major and serious trading partner. US the recognized world leader today, also has difficulties in balancing its policy in already altered world, but shows will power and acts in the direction of harmonized strategies. EU and U.S. on one side and Russia on the other, today turns out to be faced with mutual strategic risks and responsibilities. Why the Euro-Atlantic idea should not move further East to include yesterday "enemy"? Russia itself, if it turns up for a genuine partnership with the West, will save a huge military budget used for "defending" from a non-existent "enemy" and will be able finally to feed its own people. The civilized World expects Russia to determine itself in the prospect of expected problems and challenges facing the humankind and the planet and as soon as possible.

#### WHICH WAY NOW FOR THE EUROPIEN UNION - EUROATLANTIC OR EUROASIAN

Prior to presenting our pragmatic ideas for restructuring we should answer our question –is it changed the geopolitical philosophy of the Union since the Treaty of Rome. Without this answer, we cannot make serious strategic steps for reforms and improvements of the EU structures. This dilemma exists, today is "behind the scene" but in the near future, Europeans will have to respond. The Euro-Atlantic spirit, proved its strength because it bet pragmatically for the future. Today, in front of us is the New future, which we should predict, and again to "bet" for it.

#### EU HAS TO COME TO THE WORLD STAGE AS A STRONG GLOBAL PLAYER

It is exceptionally important for the future of the Union is a speedy shaking off internal problems and focusing on policies for global and important regional organizations. Priorities should be directed to the UN and its specialized agencies, as well as to a number of existing and with important strategic significance of European organizations such as the Black Sea Economic Cooperation (BSEC), the Danube Commission and others. Necessary is European consolidation of alliances and arrangements. To a qualitatively new level should be raised relations with Euro-Atlantic partners - U.S. and Canada. Expressly active and consolidated must be the action of the EU representatives in global financial institutions - the IMF, the Group of 20 (G-20), where the EU is represented by four Member States, plus the organization itself. EU is to intensify its contacts with Latin America, ASEAN and others continental regional organizations on global issues on the planet. EU participation in international forums should not be formal but vigorously and expertly strategically prepared.

Today, Europe has a strong but aging human potential and almost no mineral and energy resources.

## NEED TO CHANGE EU PRAGMATICALLY AND IN VIEW OF THE CURRENT CRISIS AND THE FUTURE

EU today consists of union of states united around defined strategic goals from the recent past. On the other hand the EU is not a country it is not even a federation or confederation. Today's structuring of the EU constitutes a "scheme" designed decades ago, consolidated primarily on the existence of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO). In the last two "waves" of joined countries, the picture is quite changed; consolidation is not as bright and efficient. Regretfully, today in the EU are gathered under one "umbrella", somewhat unequal participants, despite the declared equality. At the same time the governing bodies of the Union, vigorously increased the bureaucracy and multiplied with the increased number of Member States. The numbers of executive and service institutions in Brussels climb relentlessly. Obviously there is an urgent need for sober pragmatic ideas for change and spending cuts. In connection with this, we venture to offer a vision modeled for the concentration of resources in considerably fewer working institutions, duplicated in the Member States through the establishment of 7 European Agencies, utilizing tested "model" from the American continent. With this model, instead of numerous and illogically organized now 27 "euro commissariats" to be reduced down to 7 effective and dynamic, with subdivisions in each Member State. Universal organizational principle will consolidate and reduce the costs for the Union and at the same time the national ones.

### EURO- AGENCY "COAST GUARD" (EACG)

The selection of this particular euro-agency for a model is not accidental. This model was successfully tested and running successfully for more than two centuries (August 4, 1790) in the U.S. United States "Coast Guard"(US Coast Guard) is a structure that has developed its functions over a long period of time and today is one of the pillars of the U.S. and its safety in the broadest sense. U.S. are situated between two oceans – the Pacific and Atlantic, and its coasts are washed by the waters of the Gulf of Mexico and on the North by the Great Lakes and at the same time the territory is split by the Mississippi river.

Europe itself is almost entirely surrounded by oceans - Atlantic, Arctic Ocean, North Sea, Baltic, Mediterranean, Adriatic and Black Sea. Danube River runs through almost the entire continent and connects via the Rhine and Main, the Black Sea and the Atlantic Ocean. By offering a "model" for the security of maritime borders and spaces EACG we do not believe that it should follow literally the prototype. European maritime countries are progenitors of navigation in the modern sense. Regardless of integration principles enshrined in the documents of United Europe, when it comes to safety of navigation and multi-faceted external security each state maintains own and quite uncoordinated policy. In



connection with this there is no pragmatic harmonization, organizational relationship and common legal base for this strategic activity in individual Member States. We should not forget that adjacent sea areas to individual EU countries are also the Union external borders. And all this is in conditions of serious economic crisis and relentless activities of international terrorism.

#### THE MODEL – EURO-AGENCY "COAST GUARD"

Functional goals: Safety of shipping, ports and coastlines, providing navigational security, search and rescue, immigration and customs control filter, countermeasures for drug trafficking and international terrorism, protection of natural marine resources, border security and defense capability.

Structure: Euro – Agency "Coast Guard", organizes centrally (and headquartered for example in Britain) and national agencies on the principle of centralism, coordination and distribution of objectified human and material resource for control, security and effective protection of marine areas under the jurisdiction of countries–members of EU.

Territorial competence: EA "Coast Guard" functions in all adjacent seas and international rivers under the national jurisdiction of each Member State of the EU with seacoast and River (International). National units EACG function in execution of operational missions under a general command within its competence, together (operational) with adjoining or adjacent Member States.

Strategic EACG objectives are realized through Missions: maritime safety, customs control, prevention of drug trafficking, border security and counter-terrorism, security and protection of marine environment.

With this model of EACG will be established foundations for modern and effective structuring of such strategic sector, and in the same time will assist in solving problems related to the European security (national and union), customs, military and problems with drug trafficking and so on. This will consolidate and reduce spending by the Member States. Coordination, control and efficiency of operations now scattered in various institutions will be gathered into a single one. First - in the nation states and second in the EU as a whole.

The "EACG" model can be used in the design of other "euro-agencies" where we propose to be naturally suited to the circumstances and specifics of the activities needed to be regulated and controlled.

#### EURO -AGENCY "ECONOMICS AND FINANCES"

To direct the activities of the EU in this area and establish contacts and work-relations with the UN and its organizations, also with the global financial institutions and important regional economic structures and to outline policy and to develop models for

planning as well as legal frameworks to harmonize euro economics and interaction during normal conditions or in time of crisis. The agency together with the units in the Member States will draw-up preventive financial mechanisms and procedures to prevent serious disturbances in the economies in crisis conditions.

#### EURO-AGENCY "ENERGY, RESOURCES AND ECOLOGY POLICY"

In regard to the state of resource realities (permanent shortage) in the EU and the need for preserving good ecological status in Europe and the planet, to direct in its sector the EU and develop strategies, legal precedents and uniform legal practice for the parties - states and interaction in this respect with the UN and other regional continental institutions. The agency and its units in each country to conduct coordinated policy with scientific and practical implementation for development and utilization of resources for a new type of "green" energy resources, as well as trade agreements of the EU countries with foreign countries and companies

#### EURO-AGENCY "FOREIGN POLICY, INTEGRATION AND INTERCONTINENTAL COOPERATION"

To manage and develop uniform policies related to the perspective of development, improvement and enlargement of the Union, as well as crisis prevention, and harmonization of foreign policy and foreign economic relations of member countries with the rest of the world - Asia, Latin America, Africa and others. To elevate as a priority the relations with the universal and regional international organizations in Europe and worldwide.

#### EURO-AGENCY "CRISIS MANAGEMENT, COUNTERTERRORISM AND DEFENCE"

Agency executing leadership functions with headquarters developing and refining the uniformity of the legal practices related to common or individual state external treats, as well as readiness to help or action during crisis in any point on the planet in planetary and space disasters.

#### EURO-AGENCY "CONSERVATION GENETIC RESOURCES, BIODIVERSITY AND THE MAN"

In close collaboration with elite European universities and research centers, as well as in other continental regions, to develop long-term strategies, international conventions and short-term policies for management processes for preservation of nature and humans. Mutually with own regional national units and related planetary institutions to conduct preventative policies for protection of humans and nature.

#### EURO-AGENCY "SPIRITUAL AND CULTURAL SPHERE"

Europe is home to citizens of different nations with Christian and other faiths and in that aspect is represented historically by multi-facial spiritual cultures. Secular home should be leading and fundamental for today's EU citizens as well as for the personal integration of the candidates for citizens in different Member States of the EU. Agency should work to

promote tolerance, harmonization of diversities and directing the spiritual energy for the benefit of Europe and the humanity. People have the same future - to live together and in harmony with the Earth.

#### EURO-CENTRE "ANALYSIS AND STRATEGIES"

The center should be built as a base, creating basic information-analytical and long-term strategies; developing practical models for action and for solving current and future European and EU related global issues including times of natural disasters as well as to offer alternative scenarios for the future.

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Undoubtedly, the ideas shared here will face opponents with objective and subjective points of view.

Initially the goal was, to propose a technocratic "model" for saving funds by the European taxpayer in a World full of relentless Crisis. To consolidate and dramatically reduce the EU budget and at the same time by the Member States.

Then the "idea" was placed on a more global, but more pragmatic philosophy, as is the time in which we live now. The fact is that we live in times of overlapping crises, times of necessary changes, regardless of whether we like to change or not. And it is necessary to take responsibility to take useful action precisely at the time when there is a need for the current Europeans and future generations in and beyond Europe.

Why "old" Europe should not make this step? The world has changed. We need to escape out of our national "shell", from outdated notions for "community"; nothing should be at the expense of "someone else". The best step is to be together and to be able to endure the challenges. And this is valid for us – the Europeans as well the rest of the people on the Planet. God is one!

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