

ethnic lines. Germany's former Chancellor Helmut Kohl bears much of the responsibility for setting off the present debacle. Germany underwrote establishing independent countries of Slovenia and Croatia back in the late 1980s as a means of extending German economic and geopolitical interests in the Balkans. But regardless of what Kohl may have intended at the time, the crisis his maneuver precipitated has long since spun out of his or anyone else's control.

The plight of the hundreds of thousands Albanian refugees is reported daily. Less understood in the West is that there are some 400,000 Serbian refugees from the ethnic cleansing that was set off by the redrawing of national borders. Their number will almost certainly grow by tens or hundreds of thousands of new Serbian refugees from Kosovo in the months ahead.

If you care about justice for ethnic Albanians and for Serbians, the way forward is to: Stabilize national and regional borders; prevent new fighting or persecution by any of the parties involved, particularly the KLA; demand some responsible reporting for a change from much of the major news media of the United States; and de-politicize accusations of war crimes and instead work to identify and bring to justice the perpetrators of particular crimes.

Here in the U.S. Congress, the time has come to re-examine the administration's claims about "infrastructure warfare," "information warfare," and the latest buzz word from the RAND Corporation, "Netwar." These deserve close scrutiny because of their cost, their questionable legality under international treaties and U.S. law, and their use as a rationale for expansion of National Security State powers aimed at the people of the United States itself. Congress could begin by asking the administration how it has come to pass that what a Presidential commission terms a terrorist crime has now become an established part of U.S. military doctrine and target selection practices in the Balkans and in Iraq.

There is much more to do, but I must close now. Thank you for your time and your patience with my talk.

FOOTNOTES

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McANDREWS RETIREMENT

HON. PAUL E. KANJORSKI

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 24, 1999

Mr. KANJORSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to John A. McAndrews on the occasion of his retirement following 41 years in government service. Jack has served as the Personnel Officer of Tobyhanna Army Depot for more than 37 years.

The largest employer in Northeastern Pennsylvania, Tobyhanna Army Depot's existence was threatened by the 1995 round of base closures. Jack was an integral part of the team of legislators, community leaders, and thousands of Depot employees who succeeded in convincing the base-closing commission to keep the Depot open. Jack's presentation outlining the high quality of the workforce was extremely persuasive and was noted by at least one commissioner who talked to me about it. After it was determined that Tobyhanna would not be closed, Jack traveled to Sacramento, California to offer Air Force civilian personnel the opportunity to continue their careers at Tobyhanna.

Jack has been a distinguished representative of the Depot, addressing personnel and labor relations issues throughout the region. His progressive approach to labor-management relations earned him recognition by President Clinton's National Partnership Council. He has been commended by every depot commander he has served throughout his long career. He has been honored by area educators and businesses and has received commendations from the Secretary of the Army, the Director of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, General Colin Powell, and Vice President Albert Gore.

Under his able leadership, Tobyhanna developed a workers compensation program that has saved the Depot million of dollars and now serves as a model for the entire federal government. Jack has traveled across the country sharing this program with other agencies.

A native of Northeastern Pennsylvania, Jack personifies family values and exemplary character. He is the proud father of two and grandfather of one. Jack's devotion to his beloved wife as her caregiver during her long struggle with Multiple Sclerosis was recognized nationally when Oprah Winfrey named him "Husband of the Year" on her show in 1989. Lamentably, Jack's high school sweetheart and beloved wife died on New Year's Day of this year.

Mr. Speaker, Jack has been a credit to his profession and to the United States Army for all of his adult life. His devotion to his family, community, and career has set an example to his colleagues and all those whose lives he has touched as the Depot and the surrounding community. I am pleased and proud to join in this salute of an outstanding leader and public servant. I send my very best wishes for a happy, healthy, and productive retirement to Jack McAndrews.

PRIVACY PROJECT ACT

HON. RON PAUL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 24, 1999

Mr. PAUL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce the Privacy Protection Act, which repeals those sections of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 authorizing the establishment of federal standards for birth certificates and drivers' licenses. This obscure provision, which was part of a major piece of legislation passed at the end of the 104th Congress, represents a major power grab by the federal government and a threat to the liberties of every American, for it would transform state drivers' licenses into national ID cards.

If this scheme is not stopped, no American will be able to get a job; open a bank account; apply for Social Security or Medicare; exercise their Second Amendments rights; or even take an airplane flight unless they can produce a state drivers' license, or its equivalent, that conforms to federal specifications. Under the 1996 Kennedy-Kassebaum health care reform law, Americans may even be forced to present a federally-approved drivers' license before consulting their physicians for medical treatment!

Mr. Speaker, the Federal Government has no constitutional authority to require Americans to present any form of identification before engaging in any private transaction such as opening a bank account, seeing a doctor, or seeking employment. Any uniform, national system of identification would allow the federal government to inappropriately monitor the movements and transactions of every citizen. History shows that when government gains the power to monitor the actions of the people, it eventually uses that power to impose totalitarian controls on the populace.

Any member who is reluctant to support this legislation should consider the reaction of the American people when they discover that they must produce a federally-approved ID in order to get a job or open a bank account. Already many offices are being flooded with complaints about the movement toward a national ID card. If this scheme is not halted, Congress and the entire political establishment could drown in the backlash from the American people. In fact, I am holding in my hand a letter from almost all citizens' groups from across the political spectrum, representing thousands of Americans, opposing the plans to implement a national ID.

Although the Transportation Appropriations bill restricts the Department of Transportation from implementing a final rule regarding this provision, the fact is that unless the House acts this year to repeal the provision, states will begin implementing the law so as to be in compliance with the mandate. Therefore, Congress must repeal Section 656 in order to comply with the Constitution and the wishes of the vast majority of the American people who do not want to be forced to carry a national ID card.

National ID cards are a trademark of totalitarianism and are thus incompatible with a

free society. In order to preserve some semblance of American liberty and republican government I am proud to introduce the Privacy Protection Act. I urge my colleagues to stand up for the rights of American people by co-sponsoring the Freedom and Privacy Restoration Act.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF STATE LEGISLATURES [NCSL]; AND AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION [ACLU]; ELECTRONIC PRIVACY INFORMATION CENTER [EPIC]; NATIONAL COUNCIL OF LA RAZA [NCLR]; EAGLE FORUM; ELECTRONIC FRONTIER FOUNDATION; FREE CONGRESS FOUNDATION/COALITION FOR CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES; AND AMERICANS FOR TAX REFORM

We represent a broad-based coalition of state legislators, county officials, public policy groups, civil libertarians, privacy experts, and consumer groups from across the political spectrum. We urge the Congress to repeal Section 656 of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibilities Act of 1996 that requires states to collect, verify and display social security numbers on state-issued driver's licenses and conform with federally-mandated uniform features for driver's license. The law preempts state authority over the issuance of the state driver's licenses, violates the Unfunded Mandate Reform Act of 1994 (UMRA) and poses a threat to the privacy of citizens. Opposition to the law and the preliminary regulation issued by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has been overwhelmingly evidence by the more than 2,000 comments submitted by individuals, groups, state legislators, and state agencies to NHTSA.

THE LAW IS COUNTER-DEVOLUTIONARY, PREEMPTIVE AND VIOLATES THE UNFUNDED MANDATE REFORM ACT

The law and the proposed regulation run counter to devolution. The law preempts the traditional state function of issuing driver's licenses and places it in the hands of officials at NHTSA while imposing tremendous costs on the states that have been vastly underestimated in the Preliminary Regulatory Evaluation. The actual cost of compliance with the law and the regulation far exceeds the \$100 million threshold established by UMRA. In addition, the law and proposed regulation require states to conform their drivers' licenses and other identity documents to a detailed federal standard. Proposals for a national ID have been consistently rejected in the United States as an infringement of personal liberty.

THE LAW RAISES SERIOUS PRIVACY CONCERNS

The law raises a number of privacy concerns relating to the expanded use and dissemination of the Social Security Number (SSN), the creation of a national ID card, and the violation of federal rules of privacy. The law and proposed rule require that each license contain either in visual or electronic form the individual's SSN unless the state goes through burdensome and invasive procedures to check each individual's identify with the Social Security Administration. This will greatly expand the dissemination and misuse of the SSN at a time that Congress, the states, and the public are actively working to limit its dissemination over concerns of fraud and privacy. Many states are taking measures to reduce the use of SSNs as the driver's identify number. Only a few states currently require the SSN to be used as an identifier on their driver's licenses.

While the impact of Section 656 may not been fully comprehended in 1996, we urge the

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

Congress now to act swiftly to repeal this provision of law that has been challenged by many diverse groups. If you or your staff have any further questions, please contact Dawn Levy of the National Conference of State Legislatures at (202) 624-8687.

QUOTES FROM THE BOOK OF PEACE

HON. MICHAEL E. CAPUANO

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 24, 1999

Mr. CAPUANO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate Louis David Brown. Louis was fifteen and a tenth grader in the fall of 1993. He dreamed about college and graduate school in aeronautical engineering. He dreamed about space travel and he worked in his community. On December 20, 1993, on his way to a meeting of Teens Against Gang Violence, he was shot dead, caught in the crossfire of a gang fight.

Louis's parents, Joseph and Clementina (Tina) Chery have coped heroically with their grief. They created in memory of their son, the Louis D. Brown Peace Institute. The Institute supports a variety of peace initiatives, including a literature-based high school curriculum and an elementary school arts program. Each year, high school essayists are chosen as Louis D. Brown Peace Fellows, honored for their writing and their community service.

In Louis's memory, with thanks to the dedicated teachers who use and refine the curriculum, and with the deepest sympathy and respect for Joseph and Tina Chery, I have the honor to present excerpts from the writings of the Louis D. Brown Peace Fellows of 1998 (sic.):

The person, who has peace in his or her heart, must be near to God . . . peace also means forgiveness, thankfulness, and patience.—Student: Mary Hanna, Grade 10, School: Health Careers Academy, Teacher: Bethany Wood.

We chase after peace, why does it run?

Is it too busy chanting and having fun,

Or is it worse, does it run away in fear

Worried we'll try to destroy it, rip and tear

Thinking that once we have it we'll get upset

If it doesn't turn out to be just as we bet?—Student: Meichelle (ADARKPOET) Ferguson, Grade: 12, School: Greater Egleston Community High School, Teacher: Terri Coyle.

Peace is the strength you have to fight the negativity.—Student: Johnnye Garcia, Grade: 9, School: Charlestown High, Teacher: Julia Jenkins.

We are all from the same source, we bleed the same color, we breathe the same air, and we all share the same feature . . . the human heart.—Student: Trell Payne, Grade: 10, School: West Roxbury High, Teacher: Daniel Jordan.

Everyone [must] come together and make a change before it is too late—Student: Suzanne Morson, Grade: 10, School: Charlestown High, Teacher: Julia Jenkins.

Peaceful Everlasting Actions Control Everything—Student: Kimberly Baia, Grade: 10, School: Charlestown High, Teacher: Julia Jenkins.

. . . we will have peace when we all accept each other for who we are and not for what

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we look like—Student: Silea Williams, Grade: 10, School: Charlestown High, Teacher: Mrs. Ogluik.

Peace can be simply participating in an after school program or caring for a younger brother or sister or simply helping an elder person when in need. Anyone can do it.—Student: Andrea Stallings, Grade: 10, School: Jeremiah E. Bruke, Teacher: Kelly Mathews.

This Louis D. Brown Peace Curriculum gives me a wonderful opportunity to express my feelings and thoughts to everyone.—Student: Ricardo Brown, Grade: 10, School: West Roxbury High, Teacher: Daniel Jordan.

Start building a better living for the sake of our children . . . Lead'em, feed'em knowledge and the words of wisdom.—Student: Thomas Hernandez, Grade: 12, School: Greater Egleston Community High School, Teacher: Terri Coyle.

I, as a person, promote peace by rejecting violence. I don't fight, I settle my differences with people nonviolently, and I help out in my neighborhood with young children.—Student: Ciara Washington, Grade: 10, School: Health Careers Academy at Dorchester High School, Teacher: Bethany Wood.

Sometimes they [teenagers] just need someone to love them, to hang out with them, and just show them what's right and what's wrong.—Student: Channell Burt, Grade: 10, School: Jeremiah E. Burke High, Teacher: Warren Cutler.

I would love to see a more peaceful world, and it could happen if we talked more with love in our minds and hearts instead of using threats and weapons.—Student: Chermion Lawson, Grade: 12, School: Greater Egleston Community High School, Teacher: Terri Coyle.

I do not want my kids to grow up in a world where countries are at war, family members are being killed or crippled and every one is in tears. I want my kids to grow up in a world where every body gets along with each other and helps each other out, and where guns do not exist.—Student: Lissy Baez, Grade: 11, School: West Roxbury High, Teacher: Daniel Jordan.

The young teenagers today are surrounded by violence on television, music, ideas and movies, as well as in school and in the streets. Violence is almost becoming second nature to us.—Student: Nina Abdillahi, Grade: 10, School: West Roxbury High, Teacher: Daniel Jordan.

If people knew how to cope with themselves, maybe instead of hitting or killing someone they would learn how to be more peaceful.—Student: Gilbert Perea, Grade: 10, School: West Roxbury High, Teacher: Daniel Jordan.

. . . before we start working on getting rid of the hatred and violence in our streets and cities, and, hopefully the world, we are going to need to have peace with ourselves and our families.—Student: Sarita Manigat, Grade 10, School: Health Careers Academy, Teacher: Bethany Wood.

I believe unlocking the door towards peace is a long and hard goal that no one race of people can achieve alone. We all have to meet each other halfway.—Student: Jason R. Walters, Grade 10, School: Health Careers Academy, Teacher: Bethany Wood.

I help make peace by keeping a positive attitude in front of younger kids.—Student: Ezequiel Cardoso, Grade 10, School: Jeremiah E. Burke School, Teacher: Warren Cutler.

Peace cannot be taught or enforced if it is not practice . . . peace can be the future we look forward to if children, parents, teachers, policymakers, and all humankind take action.—Student: Patricia Abdi, Grade 10,