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(Similar general letter sent to world leader in 2007/2008 introducing the revolutionary child education project of instilling proper values)

Dear Sir/Madam,

RE: A LONG TERM SOLUTION FOR PEACE

I am writing this letter to you to draw your kind attention to my ideas to ameliorate the current situation that we are facing in today's world combating genocide & terrorism with terrorists allegedly & continuously being trained by the active religious militant extremists instigating killings and chaos. Terrorism is disrupting and threatening the peace and harmony of the whole world.

Besides the interminable threat of terrorism, we also have to construe and untangle this modern uprising of senseless crimes including serial killings, office & school shootings, mass murders and destruction by explosives, youth gang crimes, street car racing, pedophilia, human trafficking for the sex trades, revived cannibalism & vampire-like blood sucking rituals.

The problems facing us today are far too intricate and arduous to unravel but almost all of them are man made and the situation is further perplexed by the leaping advance of technology. Children nowadays through the multi-media including TV, internet and electronic and/or computer games are exposed to violence and sex like no other time and many of them are addicted to music videos, electronic games,

internet surfing and idols worshipping without any anti-measures from the present school curriculum to counter balance these habits and addictions as the school curriculum has changed relatively very little comparing to the unprecedented change of today's technology which have significantly impacted & altered the whole world dramatically.

Even though we are inert in tackling the root of this issue but it is not too late for we can still bring harmony, peace and love back to the world if we know the opportune avenue & approach. We still have a chance to do what is proper and appropriate to prosper our children and grandchildren with the prim and desirable values to foster altruism so that hopefully everyone can live in a peaceful world with harmony, love & happiness.

I supported the toppling of the appalling dictator of Iraq, Saddam Hussein as he committed genocide against humanity to stay in power. He also allowed his own sons to commit atrocity against the Iraqi people. Although I am against capital punishment but I do not feel sorry for what comeuppances they finally got.

Unfortunately after the fall of Saddam Hussein, religious power struggle surfaced and such conflicts intensified, the current situation in Iraq is in turmoil and is worsening day by day with increases in civilian casualties between the conflicts of the 2 large religious groups: Shi'as and Sunnis and ethnically between the other 2 large groups: Arabs and Kurds.

Democracy although generally perceived to be the best political system and is also proven to work in the west but

this system may not necessary be applicable with the same pleasing result anywhere or under any situation. Under the new democratic framework in Iraq the majority votes will always be won by the majority Shi'as and thus it will always be under their majority control in the Iraqi Parliament. In this case, naturally all policies and legislatures will eventually be in the favour of the majority Shi'a regardless of the minority Sunnis' and Kurds' disliking and disapproval.

Democracy is best for societies with a fundamental legislation and values to respect individuals and minority groups for either almost-homogenous or multicultural societies. The situation in Iraq is neither a nation of a homogenous nor multicultural society with high tolerance to each another. Iraq is a country with only 3 distinct large groups which are the majority Shi'a religious sect, minority religious sect Sunni of the Arab origin and a minority ethnic Kurds who are also Sunnis.

The sad irony is that these three groups, Shi'as, Arab Sunnis & Kurd Sunnis are all Muslims worshipping the same one God, in fact many religions including: Catholic, Protestant, Jewish, Muslim, etc. are no doubt in anybody's mind that they are worshipping the same one God although under different religious names and traditions but instead of converging their similarity of worshipping one same God, they all choose to magnify & deadlock on their differences.

Inherently, any organization or group including a religion or a race, would want to have a distinct identity and brotherhood established only within their own religious group or race. In terms of most religious organizations or races, they regard the fellow believers in their same religious club or their fellow

people in the same race, "brothers and sisters" not only to denote closeness and intimacy since they are all in the same race or all have joined the same religious club but they are also distinguishing others not believing their same religion or not of the same race are not their "brothers and sisters" – not of their kin and be treated as aliens.

No doubt that all known religions are benevolent that promote love, peace and/or harmony but because of their differences such promotion practically ends within its own religion. World peace and harmony cannot be achieved unless this peace and harmony promoted in one religion is extended to include all religions and races without borders and limitations.

Since technology has brought us so much closer together today and expand our previous neighbourhood community to a global village, our perceptions of religions and races also need to progress accordingly to have this borderless respect for all religions and races. Without this borderless thinking, the neighbouring races' and religions' clashes were throughout our history tainted with violence and bloodshed. A current prime example is Iraq.

We have to learn to accept that not only those in the same race having the same skin colour and facial features or those believe in the same religion are our kin but the meaning of "brothers and sisters" should extend to include not only those of the same kind either with religions or races but should also include everyone since every human beings are the children or people of God without exception. So, if one believes in God that we all are the children or people of God then everyone on earth regardless of whether what they

believe and what races they are, they are still our “brothers and sisters” and only when people have this same value and firmly believe in such, then we will have true peace on earth.

From the prospective of an atheist, we were all evolved from a common ancestor, the homo sapiens. Although we have different facial features and skin colours but we are of the same human race and we have to learn to treat all human beings the same regardless of colours, races and cultures.

I feel that everyone has a family to love or be loved and even if an individual has no family, based on humanity, everyone regardless of race, colour and religion, deserves to live decently, unharmed and freely unless the person poses a threat or cause damage to oneself or others.

In Iraq, Shi’as and Kurds treat the Arab Sunnis as enemies propagated with immense antagonism because of their current situation and past history. If the allies retreat now from Iraq without a workable political framework agreed upon by the main three groups and without a large number of neutral and fully trained Iraqi police officers, the kind of commotions and chaos that would be created by leaving Iraq in a vacuum without the Allies army is beyond imagination and the colossal sacrifice of lives would be horrendous.

We have to learn from the lesson in Rwanda in 1994 when the militia group from the majority Hutu tribe massacred the minority Tutsi tribe and the moderate Hutus with the death toll estimated at 500,000 to 1 million. The recent Darfur genocide of the majority Fur ethnics and other indigenous people echoed similar violence, bloodshed and sacrifices of innocent lives and the victims and the displaced millions in

the region are still crying out for help. Although regions lacking crude oil or other precious resources generally are very slow in attracting international attention and assistance, nonetheless, genocide is a real threat in Iraq if left raw and unchecked by the allies based on these recent terrifying tribal conflicts.

In my humble opinion, the temporary solution besides quickly training the appropriate numbers of the military and police/military officers for proper maintenance of law and order, is to have the Shi'as and Sunnis both Arabs and Kurds agree not on democracy but to jointly manage the country in fair power sharing and to open earnest dialogues, discuss options and agree upon a solution to re-establish law and order and call upon the leaders of the surrounding countries in the region including Iran, Syria, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Turkey & other members of the Arab League to discuss and agree upon a solution appealing to all groups in Iraq with their endorsements. Without the majority Shi'a and the minority Sunni between the Arabs and the Kurds agreeing and the surrounding countries endorsing on a solution, it will be difficult to maintain peace since the neighbouring countries will send resources to help their "brothers and sisters" of the same sect and/or race if they feel that their "brothers and sisters" are being mistreated in Iraq or vice versa as the current developments of Kurdish conflicts between Turkey and Iraq.

However, it is often difficult and it would take a strong leadership & compromises involving with that many parties to deliver a solution plus the complicated fact that most international political decisions nowadays are made mainly based on how ultimately these decisions would benefit the

deciding countries yet at the same time, without their involvements and general consensus, peace may not last.

Regarding terrorism threatening the world safety, the main culprit, Osama Bin Laden and his al-Qaeda terrorist followers, in my view, are inhuman who committed atrocity against humanity for mass murders of innocent lives in the September 11, 2001 pre-planned calamity. I strongly advocate and definitely would like to see these terrorists be brought to justice but the root of the issue is not only to apprehend and subdue all terrorists but as importantly also to terminate the spread and growth of terrorism.

Violence is definitely not a permanent solution, it may temporary suppress the problem but it will worsen it in the end causing more deep rooted problem in the long run. Only education to instill proper values in people can be a good long term solution, particularly to the children so that when they grow up, they will have proper values and prospective and not be easily lured and having an obscure view of life that is prone to commit crimes or to become militant extremists or terrorists. Education is a feasible long term solution to resolve the current predicaments that we are facing.

I have this dream and I am currently endeavoring to develop the framework of a universal comprehensive modular educational system through my company, Omni Search Services Ltd., by inviting experts from various fields, teachers and educators and prominent scholars from different religions, to educate morals and instill proper values to children starting at a tender age as early as the child can interact with adults and the younger they are, the more

receptive they are to learn and accept new ideas. Since children usually around the age of 3 or 4 start going to kindergartens and it would be at this age that we can start teaching & cultivating them through kindergartens to junior schools and further nourish and reinforce these values throughout their entire schooling until they graduate from high school. They will remember these teachings that will guide and groom them to adulthood to be righteous, benevolent and altruistic. They are also less likely to commit crimes and may not be easily influenced by religious extremists twisting the benevolent religious faiths to mislead them to become terrorists.

This project is intended to be non-profitable. This is not a solicitation for funds as I will finance this project myself on a philanthropic and benevolent basis.

Children not only need to be taught languages, science, music, sport, etc. and excel academically but also as importantly, if not more critical, desirable morals and values to be decent & righteous human beings. Only through such proper education to our children we can instill the desirable values to mould them to ideal decent human beings that we desire on consensus from different expert groups without compromising their individuality and creativity. I believe this is the long term solution to a more peaceful & harmonious world.

Health and life is precious and priceless. Children need to be taught to maintain their own health as well as to respect lives, not only their own but also respect that of their families' and friends as well as others regardless of cultures,

religions and colours. Also, they have to be taught to respect the environment that we are living in.

My ultimate dream is to have all our children be equipped with a mental compass through this proposed educational program to distinguish right from wrong so that they will not commit crimes for the reason that they know that it is wrong and therefore they will abstain from committing crimes not because they are afraid of being caught nor because of stiff sentencing. For the same reason they will negate to become terrorists to kill innocent people as well as killing themselves.

The following briefly explains my perceived universal comprehensive modular educational system for the children:

- 1) Universal – same frame work for all languages, cultures, religions as well as for atheists;**
- 2) Comprehensive – covers the full spectrum of moral topics and issues and there will be also optional modules available for various ages that focus on topics that is not covered by the regular academic curriculum, e.g. keeping fit, eating healthy & fighting obesity, stopping school bullies and abuses, stopping children to join street gangs, getting rid of bad habits, memory improvement, speed learning, speedy mental calculations, money**

3) Modular –

management, time management and disciplining and any other topic that an individual country may feel important, critical and mandatory, and; each and related morals are organized and grouped to be a separate and independent module. Although the themes of the morals teaching and value instillation are the same but for different language, culture and religion as well as for the atheists, different relevant references of their historical and/or religious prominent figures will be used since familiarity give better understanding and resonance with the children as well as with the parents and such modules are age adjusted for different age groups. Although I am not sure what format the experts will agree on the module but I advocate video interactive game format should be used extensively in the modules.

I understand for any educational system to be successful, besides the endorsement and implementation of the

educational boards, schools & parental supports are extremely important therefore representatives from both teachers and parents will be invited and be kept cognizant of the development of this proposed educational system.

A parallel teachers' and parents' guides will be prepared to aid teachers to teach and assist the parents to reinforce such values to their children as the parents may spend more time with the children than they will spend in receiving such values education in school.

This proposed educational system will have fixed periodic reviews by a committee comprising scholars and prominent representatives from various groups to ensure that the proposed system is continuously updated and revised and such updates and revisions will be circulated to participating countries which will adopt this proposed system to use in their school curriculum.

After I have developed the framework of this proposed educational system expected to be completed by 2009, I would like to have your support to review, discuss and eventually with your endorsement to work with your Educational Ministry to jointly invite appropriate & distinguished experts & scholars from various fields to further develop and mould the modules to ultimately fit your school curriculum in your country to instill proper attitudes and good values and beliefs to the children so that your and my children and grandchildren can all live in a better, safer and peaceful world and that serial killings, school violence, genocide and terrorism hopefully would become a thing of the past.

I believe that this proposed educational system may not unravel all problems that we are facing but I firmly believe that if your schools will adopt it, eventually it will greatly reduce or may eliminate many problems that we are currently facing. I believe that together we can make a difference and can bring peace and harmony to earth.

I apologize that the website of my company, Omni Search Services Ltd, www.omnisearch.org, is still under construction and I will advise you once it is up and running.

At this stage I greatly value your comments and feed-back and they are most welcomed and very much appreciated.

Yours truly,

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