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Dear Joint Standing Committee on Treaties

I understand that this Committee is bound by the following terms, in the JSCT “Resolution of appointment.” I have highlighted phrases-words in this “Resolution of appointment,” in **“Bold Red”** that I consider to be way too narrow to protect the Australian People from the **“Reckless Indifference”**¹ of the Australian Executive Government of the Day.²

Parliamentarian on this JSCT Committee, you all have and implied right under Section 24 of The Australian Constitution to represent your Constituents. I am requesting that you represent me, in rejecting the National Interest Analysis [2025] ATNIA 7, the Nuclear-

¹ I have been researching this term back to the Nuremberg Trials, for example, an AI reference, states that **“Defining reckless indifference:** In modern legal terms, recklessness involves consciously disregarding a substantial and unjustifiable risk that a particular outcome will occur, in the context of the Nuremberg trials, the actions of the Nazi regime demonstrated this kind of disregard for the human life on a massive scale. While the trials focused on specific crimes like war crimes and crimes against humanity, the underlying element of **reckless indifference** was a key factor in holding individuals accountable for their actions.

In essence, the Nuremberg trials highlighted that a conscious disregard for the consequences of one’s actions, especially when those actions involve the systematic persecution and destruction of human life, is a serious offence under international law.”

*[I will use a number of **reckless indifference** definitions throughout this Submission that I request you consider, against your own Parliamentary Position under both Australian Constitutional Law and International Law. I am aware of the laws that these Executive governments enacted to protect themselves from criminal prosecutions. Thus, I do realise the Executive Government does and will protect itself from all forms of Crimes against Humanity, and crimes against Human and Sentient life from prosecution, however, it will not protect all Decisionmakers, and their Advisors]*

² The Morrison Executive Government and The Albanese Executive Government, recklessness, intent, and war crimes, as currently illustrated by the Albanese Executive Government in their support of the Israeli Genocide against the Palestinians.

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Powered Submarine Partnership and Collaboration Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (Geelong, 26 July 2025) which was referred to the Committee on Tuesday, 29 July 2025, and all other related Treaties, and Agreements, except for Treaties and Agreements that honour the UN Charter, the Treaty of Rarotonga, the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation Weapons (NPT), and Australia's NPT commitments under the IAEA, etc.

Further, to understand my submission you will need to read **all** my prior Submissions Against the Australian Government, Defence,³ for example, regarding:

- A. Australian Naval Nuclear Power Safety Regulations,⁴ and its Act in their entirety. JSCT Committee please read all Explanatory Reports, Parliamentary Debates and Hearings, and Submissions,
- B. SRF-West, and its expansion into two islands to my left of Garden Island (which includes all underground Tunnels, and related underground Bases, along with the expansive clearance of the complete right side of Garden Islands' seabeds),
- C. SRF-West, Nuclear and Radiated Waste Storage in the Controlled Industrial Facility (CIF),
- D. SRF-West Priority Public Works on Garden Island, the two Islands to its "Right" of Garden Island, outside of the designated Cockburn Sound Defence Area, on

³ <https://www.defence.gov.au/defence-activities/programs-initiatives/united-states-force-posture-initiatives>; [The Force Posture Agreement 2014 \(PDF, 191.58 KB\)](https://www.aph.gov.au/~media/02%20Parliamentary%20Business/24%20Committees/244%20Joint%20Committees/JSCT/2014/2september2014/Report%20145/Chapter2.pdf)
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⁴ <https://www.defence.gov.au/about/reviews-inquiries/australian-naval-nuclear-power-safety-regulations-public-consultation>

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its left. I so love observing Australian Defence's efforts to block the Seabed and Islands from roaming Satellites, of the USA and the UKs near peer competitors;
and

- E. All onshore related SRF-West and HMAS Stirling, as they are clearly two distinct entities one under Australian control, and the second in the control of U.S. and UK, Defence systems between Rockingham and Point Peron,
- F. All proposed sovereign UK and USA's Military Material Storage Units, at HMAS Stirling, and under the Forward U.S & U.K SRF-West Naval Base,
- G. Henderson Dry Docks, and their US & UK Submarine Maintenances, Services and Repair Areas, Floating Submarine Docks, Frigate Docks, and any other roaming Western Allied and Partners' Navies, Army, Airforce, Space Command, and Military Industrial Complex-Corporations, etc,
- H. Along with [The Force Posture Agreement 2014 \(PDF, 191.58 KB\)](#), and UK AUKUS Forward SRF-West Base and related UK Defence Areas.⁵

You will need to independently research the UK Government's Related Documentation, the US Congress (both Houses), and its related Documentation and Committees (both Houses), for example:

- I. AUKMIN and AUSMIN Reports, and Press Conferences,
- J. The Congressional Research Services Reports, Committee Meetings and Transcripts of both the UK and US Governments,⁶

⁵ <https://www.defence.gov.au/defence-activities/programs-initiatives>

⁶ <https://www.congress.gov/crs-product/RL32418>;
https://www.congress.gov/crs_external_products/RL/PDF/RL32418/RL32418.270.pdf;
<https://www.malcolmturnbull.com.au/media/aukus-congressional-budget-office-and-congressional->

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- K. The US-UK MDA, and its recent Amendments,⁷
- L. The US Nuclear Posture Reviews from 2000 to 2025, NNSA, GAO, Reports, etc,
- M. UK, Ministry of Defence, Strategic Defence Review: Making Britain Safer: secure at home, strong abroad 2025, all 140 pages,
- N. House of Commons, Library, "UK submarine fleet, Debate Pack, 10 January 2025, all pages and information referred to in its 26 pages,
- O. House of Commons, Defence Committee: "Ready for War?" All pages and related debates, submissions, and references, pp.1-72; and the
- P. Friends of the Earth Australia, "The British Experience with Nuclear-Powered Submarines: Lessons for Australia, August 2025, pp. 1-83, online: <https://nuclear.foe.org.au/nuclear-subs/>
- Q. As the JSCT Committee of the Day who always approve the AEG's Defence Treaties and Agreements. I assume this position is due to the AEG's undemocratic use of an implied "Executive Cabinet, Australian Constitutional Right." Which the AEG asserts is to allow unrestricted preparation to declare a war or to Defend Australia against any other Nation State, in an imminent emergency.
- R. Please JSCT Committee re-consider your complicity in the AEG's war power decisions. Further, please watch the UK's Ministry of Defence, Strategic Defence Review: Making Britain Safer: secure at home, strong abroad, 2025, Defence Committee Discussion, of Wednesday 11 June 2025 Meeting started

<https://www.nypl.org/research/research-catalog/bib/b22241838>;
<https://navalinstitute.com.au/congressional-report-on-aucus-pillar-1/>

⁷ <https://commonslibrary.parliament.uk/research-briefings/cbp-10086/>

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at 9.59am, ended 11.41am <https://parliamentlive.tv/event/index/c9707392-0808-463b-a09d-187ad11aceed>. A focal point is to listen intently to Sir Richard Barron, around 10.50 and the joint discussion onwards.

- S. It is amazing, apparently, it was agreed with US Secretary of Defence, Pete Hegeseth. The UK only needs to pop over to Australia and to the Asia-Pacific with their Navy's Aircraft Task Force every four years. I assume, the US INDOPACCOM will cover the UK's SRF-West Treaty Agreement, shortfall. The UK will upgrade their F-35As, Bs, & Cs, etc to deploy their Nuclear Deterrence against Russia, in defence of Ukraine, NATO, EU, and thus the UK.
- T. These discussions with the USA, were at the NATO Summit. Alarming for the UK who has a Mutual Defence Agreement (MAD-1958)⁸ with the USA. It now appears that the UK cannot rely on the US for their nuclear extension under MDA; its pending Nuclear Posture Review, under Trump.⁹
- U. Importantly, it is not just the House of Lords who wants to know about the UK-SDR-2025; it's integral to the decision of the JSCT Committee, Australian Parliamentarians, the Australian People, and me (Lois Van Geloven), who need to know the answers to the **House of Lords Questions, see: "Monday 30 June 2025:**

⁸ <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/ukusa-amendment-to-the-agreement-for-cooperation-on-the-uses-of-atomic-energy-for-mutual-defence-purposes-cs-usa-no12024>

⁹ <https://lordslibrary.parliament.uk/strategic-defence-review-2025/>;
<https://www.parliament.uk/business/lords/media-centre/house-of-lords-media-notices/2025/june-2025/lords-committee-hears-from-strategic-defence-reviewers-as-it-discusses-the-policy/>;
<https://committees.parliament.uk/committee/360/international-relations-and-defence-committee/>;

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“On Wednesday 2 July the [House of Lords International Relations and Defence Committee](#) will hear from the three external reviewers of the Strategic Defence Review (SDR) as it holds an evidence session focusing on the Review’s findings and implementation.

Giving evidence will be:

- The Rt Hon the Lord Robertson of Port Ellen KT, Review leader, Strategic Defence Review; Defence Secretary (1997-1999) and NATO Secretary General (1999-2004);
- General Sir Richard Barrons, Reviewer, Strategic Defence Review; former Commander of Joint Forces Command; and
- Dr Fiona Hill, Reviewer, Strategic Defence Review; Senior Fellow at the Center on the United States and Europe, Brookings; and former US presidential advisor.

Questions will include:

- While the SDR rightly emphasises NATO and Euro-Atlantic security, how should the Government address emerging and persistent threats in other strategically important regions, such as the Indo-Pacific and the Middle East?
- In your view, how can the Government ensure that a ‘NATO-first’ approach does not come at the expense of strategic autonomy or operational independence?

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- How should the UK shape its defence and security relationship with the US in response to the US' shift in strategic priorities?
- To what extent is successful implementation of the SDR dependent on the programme of Defence Reform? For instance, are there specific reform areas that you see as critical enablers?
- What role, formal or informal, do you as Reviewers have in monitoring implementation of your recommendations?
- How would you assess the strengths and limitations of the external reviewer model as a mechanism for shaping government policy?"¹⁰

V. Why is the JSCT Committee approving the Australian-UK AUKUS Treaties in regard to SRF-West when the UK cannot fully commit to this current Treaty and/or past Treaties? JSCT Committee you will be allowing the AEG's AUKUS 368 Billion Contracts: Bilateral and Trilateral Agreements, to be paid to the UK¹¹, and the USA,¹² in my opinion, prematurely!

¹⁰ <https://www.parliament.uk/business/lords/media-centre/house-of-lords-media-notice/2025/june-2025/lords-committee-hears-from-strategic-defence-reviewers-as-it-discusses-the-policy/>;

¹¹ See: **Nonfeasance; Misfeasance, Malfeasance in Contract Law, JSCT Committee Research: International Law, an AI explanation of Misfeasance, for example: Bilateral Agreements:** "In international bilateral agreements, misfeasance could involve a state party intentionally violating the terms of the agreement, knowing that such a violation would cause harm to the other party, even if the act itself is not inherently illegal"; ¹¹ <https://parliamentlive.tv/event/index/c9707392-0808-463b-a09d-187ad11aceed>

¹² **JSCT Committee do not forget the AEG's AUKUS Agreements-Treaties have agreed not to sue the UK & USA Treaties to obtain AUSTRALIA's Money Back from these dis-honourable Nation states!**

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W. The AEG needs to have a National Conversation with the Australian People, and all Parliamentarians, on Australian Defence. Especially, as the UK and the USA cannot deliver to Australia, their AGREED Nuclear Powered Submarines.¹³ Along with the fact, that the AEG is complicit in the pending use of the UK, NATO, and USA use of Nuclear Weapons against their Enemies; JSCT Committee Independently Research this Matter.¹⁴

The points A-W above, is not a comprehensive list as there are numerous House of Lords and Commons Committee Reports and Committee Meetings that all fall within the scope of your Terms of Reference.

Please Note: that I am just one of your Constituents that has been Studying and Reading them all since 2000; so, please catch up!

There are many more experts that oppose the ***Reckless Indifference, Recklessness, Negligence, Malfeasance, and Neglect*** of the Australian Executive Government, under the Australian Defence, and now its Australian Submarine Agency (ASA).

Parliamentarians, please care for the safety, security, and actually protect the Australian People that you allegedly represent!

¹³ <https://parliamentlive.tv/event/index/c9707392-0808-463b-a09d-187ad11aceed>

¹⁴ https://www.congress.gov/crs_external_products/RL/PDF/RL32665/RL32665.382.pdf;
<https://thebulletin.org/2025/06/uk-considers-reintroducing-air-launched-tactical-nuclear-weapons/>;
<https://commonslibrary.parliament.uk/research-briefings/cbp-10086/>

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Please read, research and investigate what independent legal powers the Australian Government has in and over the “The United States Force Posture Initiatives (USFPI) [which] are [said to be] a key component of the [US-Australian] alliance. [Because if you broaden your Research, you will discover that the National Interest Analysis is flawed and fails to protect Australian Law, Sovereignty, and its Peoples] rights under the USFPI [which] is [not] a tangible demonstration of the strength of the alliance, and of Defence's engagement within the Indo-Pacific region.

USFPI includes 6 initiatives:

- [Marine Rotational Force – Darwin \(MRF-D\)](#)
- [Enhanced Air Cooperation \(EAC\)](#)
- [Enhanced Land Cooperation \(ELC\)](#)
- [Enhanced Maritime Cooperation \(EMC\)](#)
- [Combined Logistics Sustainment and Maintenance Enterprise \(CoLSME\)](#)
- [Enhanced Space Cooperation \(ESC\)](#).¹⁵

¹⁵ <https://www.defence.gov.au/defence-activities/programs-initiatives/united-states-force-posture-initiatives>

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“Resolution of appointment¹⁶

The Committee's [resolution of appointment](#) empowers it to inquire into and report on:

- a. matters arising from treaties and related National Interest Analyses and proposed treaty actions and related Explanatory Statements presented or deemed to be presented to the Parliament;
- b. any question relating to a treaty or other international instrument, whether or not negotiated to completion, referred to the committee by:
 - i. either House of the Parliament; or
 - ii. a Minister; and
- c. ***such other matters as may be referred to the committee by the Minister for Foreign Affairs and on such conditions as the Minister may prescribe.***

Part C (above) of the “Resolution of appointment¹⁷ is problematic if it negates your Constitutional Parliamentary Representation, Implied Constitutional Rights. Further, it inhibits, your Parliamentary Rights, under the implied Responsible Governance Doctrine.

You have been elected to Protect Australian Sovereignty and the Security which includes the protection of its People; the Australian Executive Government of the Day, is with, your, acquiesce in the AEG’s actions beyond power, in many areas of Australian and International Customary Law. The Australian Executive Government is utilising

¹⁶ https://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Joint/Treaties/Resolution

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unrepresentative, and as such, undemocratic WAR Powers, against you personally, and against the collective Australian People.¹⁸

Australia is NOT a Nuclear Powered and Nuclear Armed State, this status quo must be sustained¹⁹:

Australia is currently **NOT** a Nuclear Powered and Nuclear Armed State, that does afford Australia some benefits. For example, a no direct nuclear armed attack by anyone of the NINE Nuclear Powered and Nuclear Armed Weapon States: see:

UK Ministry of Defence, Strategic Defence Review, Making Britain Safer: secure at home, strong abroad, 2025, JSCT you must watch **all** of the Defence Committee's hearing, and in particular, at 10.44.08 the <https://parliamentlive.tv/event/index/c9707392-0808-463b-a09d-187ad11aceed>

I understand that the UK only intends to come to Australia, every four years, the UK is required to DEFEND the UK, NATO, and the EU in the EURO-Atlantic Theatre. See: House of Lords Review of the Ministry of Defence's SDR²⁰:

¹⁸ For example, Sections 117, 118, & 119 Australian Constitution.

¹⁹ Alas, Pine Gap, Northwest Cape, the US Force Postures Initiatives, the currently unrealised AUKUS Treaties, UK and USA Bilateral and Trilateral Agreements, etc – ensure we are a first strike nuclear target of the USA and UK Peer competitors if they are able to provoke them into WWII. Let's hope they all decide on a Multipolar Global Division of Power; as all Nuclear Armed Nation States are abhorrent, I currently prefer being under the Chinese Sphere of Influence, like our current non-aligned ASEAN neighbours!

²⁰ <https://www.parliament.uk/business/lords/media-centre/house-of-lords-media-notice/2025/june-2025/lords-committee-hears-from-strategic-defence-reviewers-as-it-discusses-the-policy/>;
<https://lordslibrary.parliament.uk/strategic-defence-review-2025/>;
<https://hansard.parliament.uk/lords/2025-07-18/debates/4E605876-7457-4CED-8F3E-6D1E1967FDE5/StrategicDefenceReview2025>; <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the->

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“7.1 The UK’s Nuclear Deterrent²¹

“1. A modernised nuclear deterrent is the bedrock of the UK’s defence and the cornerstone of its commitment to NATO and global security...

Box 10: UK nuclear policy... The UK would consider using nuclear weapons only in extreme circumstances of self-defence, including the defence of its NATO allies...

The UK is deliberately ambiguous about precisely when, how, and at what scale it would contemplate the use of nuclear weapons. The UK does not publicise figures for its operational stockpile, deployed warhead, or deployed missile numbers. This posture enhances its deterrent effect by complicating the calculations of potential aggressors and reduces the risk of deliberate nuclear use, by those seeking a first strike advantage.

The UK will not use, or threaten to use, nuclear weapons against any non-nuclear weapons state party to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons” ...

“Deterrents and assurance: working with NATO Allies

3. Russia's increasing reliance on nuclear coercion will be the central challenge for the UK and its NATO Allies in the coming decades.

[strategic-defence-review-2025-making-britain-safer-secure-at-home-strong-abroad/the-strategic-defence-review-2025-making-britain-safer-secure-at-home-strong-abroad](#)

²¹ UK- 'Ministry of Defence: Strategic Defence Review: Making Britain Safer: secure at home, strong abroad, 2025, pp. 98, 99-103

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Russia is modernising and expanding its extensive set of nuclear capabilities, which are designed for employment at multiple levels of warfare. Its strategies for warfighting rely on the threat of limited nuclear use to determine a conflict on advantageous terms. China's unprecedented nuclear expansion will place demands on US nuclear forces and deterrence it extends to the Euro-Atlantic. Potential collaboration an opportunism among these another nuclear challenges-of the type seen in Ukraine-add further complexity to deterrence, escalation dynamics, and allied assurance.

4. Partnerships with the United States-underpinned by the 1958 Mutual Defence Agreement (recently renewed by this Government) and the 1963 Polaris Sales Agreement-continues to be fundamental to the UK and US nuclear security goals and to UK nuclear deterrence. As the US confronts the unprecedented challenge of facing two near-peer nuclear powers, Russia and China, the UK must explore how to support the US and its NATO Allies in strengthening extended deterrence across the Euro Atlantic."²²

Fool, fool, fool, everyone cried – its only \$368 Billion, plus:²³

²² UK- 'Ministry of Defence: Strategic Defence Review: Making Britain Safer: secure at home, strong abroad, 2025, pp. 98, 99-103

²³ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XRr1l8ZksPA>; I prefer the original version, but this version will suit Trump and Pete Hegeseth: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TILXDbhEXiE>

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I will leave it to the JSCT Committee to interpret this Chapter 7.1, of the UK-SDR.²⁴ The **“bold red highlights,”** do however illustrate their **reckless indifference** to the global people, and all sentient life, the UN Charter, and their intended use of the **“Might is Right Doctrine”** to aggressively perpetrate genocide, crimes against humanity, and war crimes against **all** humanity!

What a stupid doctrine! I do not want to be **allegedly** defended by such foolish nation states, of the “UK”²⁵ and/or the “USA” under the prior Biden,²⁶ and alas under Trump 2018.²⁷ Nevertheless, Trump has not released his new Nuclear Posture Review to the public, as of 12 August 2025. Our dear PARTNER, TRUMP, is a Tyrant! The AEG with eyes wide open, will no doubt sing Trump’s praises later this week after the “TRUMP-PUTIN LOVE IN;” otherwise known as the “Peace in Ukraine Negotiation.” Similar, to the Peace-Ceasefire by Israel in GAZA-Palestine! How angry and disappointed will Trump be if his mate, Putin. rejects his negotiation advances!

Further, JSCT Committee please understand that the USA and the UK cannot fulfil any of their Treaties including the current Australia-UK Treaty, that you will automatically

²⁴ UK- ‘Ministry of Defence: Strategic Defence Review: Making Britain Safer: secure at home, strong abroad, 2025, pp.98-103; 112-115

²⁵ UK- ‘Ministry of Defence: Strategic Defence Review: Making Britain Safer: secure at home, strong abroad, 2025, pp.98-103; 112-115 – UK buying F-35As for the USA B61-12 or similar UK-NATO Nuclear Weapon; <https://parliamentlive.tv/event/index/c9707392-0808-463b-a09d-187ad11aced>; <https://thebulletin.org/2025/06/uk-considers-reintroducing-air-launched-tactical-nuclear-weapons/>

²⁶ <https://media.defense.gov/2022/Oct/27/2003103845/-1/-1/1/2022-NATIONAL-DEFENSE-STRATEGY-NPR-MDR.pdf>

²⁷ <https://media.defense.gov/2018/feb/02/2001872877/-1/-1/1/executive-summary.pdf>; <https://www.defense.gov/News/Transcripts/Transcript/Article/1431945/news-briefing-on-the-2018-nuclear-posture-review/>; <https://www.congress.gov/event/115th-congress/house-event/106833/text>

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approve, post 13 August 2025, to deliver the USS SSN Virginia Attack Class Nuclear Powered Submarines or the UK SSN-AUKUS Nuclear-Powered Submarines to Australia.

Particularly, as both Nation States, appear to currently require from Australia Billions of Australian Dollars to assist them in launching from the USA controlled Forward SRF-West, at Australia's HMAS Stirling, under the USINDOPACOM Theatre, USS SSNs along with the two remaining OHIO Class Nuclear-Powered and Nuclear Armed Submarines, their attack against CHINA.

While the UK roams around in the Euro-Atlantic protecting NATO, the EU, maybe Ukraine, from RUSSIA; and if there is time they will drop in on their Allies and Partners in the ASIA-PACIFIC, in their good old Aircraft Strike Fleet, heavy laden with F-35s and their accompanying B61-12s or similar low yield Nuclear Weapons, every four years!

Meanwhile, please immediately read the Friends of the Earth AUSTRALIA, August 2025, Public Report: Friends of the Earth Australia, "The British Experience with Nuclear-Powered Submarines: Lessons for Australia, August 2025, pp. 1-83, online: <https://nuclear.foe.org.au/nuclear-subs/>. As it addresses all matters, that I am meagrely submitting in this current and prior submissions to ARPANSA, JSCT, the Parliamentary Public Works Committee, and Australian Government, Defence.

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Part One: National Interest Analysis [2025] ATNIA 7 (NPSPACA)

I reject this NIA-NPSPACA in its entirety:

Nevertheless, to assist you in understanding my position, I will comment on some of the elements from several sections, commencing with:

“7. The purpose of the Agreement is to establish a legally-binding framework to enable and facilitate comprehensive bilateral Armed cooperation between Australia and the UK for delivering their respective SSN programs, ***as well as UK SSN port visits and the rotational presence of UK SSNs in Australia under AUKUS Pillar I. The Agreement will support the design, build and delivery of SSN-AUKUS class submarines, and facilitate the cooperation between Australia and the UK across all aspects of production, operation, sustainment, and disposal of SSN-AUKUS vessels, including by developing the necessary personnel, workforce, infrastructure and regulatory systems.***”

****The UK is unable to achieve this apparent goal. I will put direct quotes from various UK Government Reports to assist the JSCT Committee in understanding the Australian Executive Government’s (AEG’s) reckless endangerment of the Australian People and our Sovereignty.

The AEG has placed Australia, through their bravado, in a macho one-man, up-Manship semantic dialogue, along with physically threatening the peace and stability of the ASIA-PACIFIC in a “no-win” US near peer war with China. The UK’s first responsibility is to the People of the UK, NATO, the EU in their EURO-ATLANTIC Theatre.

Anyway, I understand that the US feels so cosy and secure with the AEG. Especially, as it appears that the AEG allows for regular ADF provocations with China, in the Asia-Pacific

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Region. In my opinion, it is an attempt to get China to attack the Australian Defence Force (ADF). WHY?

The AEG is already provoking China with the US SSN SRF-West Forward Base. This decision is seriously flawed and rather a weak minded tactic, why would the AEG taunt China; Australians do not want a WWII confrontation in the Asia-Pacific!

I am not impressed, at the AEG's inability to negotiate an end of this aberrant behaviour by Australia and/or China's increasingly aggressive behaviour in the Asia-Pacific. And in particular, the Chinese reaction to the AEG, its Allies and Partner's aggressive overtones towards China. It is obviously Western Allies and Partner's coordinate a push to inhibit China from acting on its Territorial Agreements with Taiwan. The other matter of concern is the dispute between the Nation State and International Boundaries, across the South and East China Seas; give each other space to settle this conflict!

JSCT Committee do not allow the AEG to transfer the US, UK, NATO, EU Wars of Western Supremacy to the Asia-Pacific Region; keep them all away from CHINA! China is our significant trading partner; it benefits Australia to have a respectful dialogue, with China, BRICS, AIIB, ASEAN, and through other trade related mechanisms.

7.1 "UK SSN port visits and the rotational presence of UK SSNs in Australia under AUKUS Pillar I":

- **"1.1 The UK submarine fleet:**

The Royal Navy currently has a fleet of nine submarines, with two Astute class attack submarines still to enter service by the end of 2026. A programme to replace the ballistic missile submarines of the nuclear

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deterrent fleet is currently underway, while the UK is also working with the United States and Australia on a next generation conventional attack submarine that will eventually replace the Astute. There are longstanding concerns over maintenance and availability of the submarine fleet, along with manpower and skills shortages in the submarine service. A pilot project that will inform a longer-term programme to dismantle the Royal Navy's decommissioned nuclear submarines began in 2023."²⁸...

“Concerns over the fleet - The UK submarine fleet:

There are longstanding concerns over manpower and skills shortages in the submarine service. Questions have also been asked, most recently by the Defence Select Committee (PDF) over the impact that extended periods of maintenance have had on the availability of the Royal Navy's attack submarines and whether the fleet will be able to sustain both its current tasks and the additional deployments to Australia that are envisaged from 2026 under the AUKUS agreement (see below).”...

“Submarine Dismantling Project - The UK submarine fleet:

Since 1983 decommissioned Royal Navy submarines have been defueled and stored afloat at either Rosyth or Devonport dockyards, awaiting dismantlement. Seven Royal Navy submarines remain stored afloat at Rosyth.

²⁸ House of Commons, Library, “Uk submarine fleet, pp.1-5

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A further 15 are currently at Devonport, although not all submarines have been defueled. The decommissioning of HMS Triumph will also take place at Devonport in early 2025.

The MOD's Submarine Dismantling Project (SDP) is currently underway to develop a dismantling and disposal solution for the Royal Navy's existing decommissioned submarines and the four submarines of the Vanguard class SSBN which will leave service from the early 2030s onwards. The Submarine Dismantling Project is based at Rosyth Dockyard. In 2023, HMS Swiftsure, which is being used as a pilot for the SDP was dry-docked to begin the final stages of dismantling. Swiftsure is expected to be fully dismantled by the end of 2026 with 90% of components expected to be reused or recycled.

That project will act as a blueprint for dismantling the Navy's remaining decommissioned nuclear submarines. A contract for the next two submarines to be dismantled is expected to be placed in 2025."²⁹

- **UK Ministry of Defence - Strategic Defence Review:**

"7.2 Maritime Domain – "The Royal Navy must be prepared to deter maritime incidents similar to the sabotage of Nord Stream 2 gas pipeline and the cutting of undersea data cables in UK and international waters. The Navy must also be prepared for new geologic geographical realities created

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by climate change, with the High North becoming more important to the UK and its NATO Allies as it becomes more accessible.”³⁰ ...

Roles for UK Defence³¹

13. The starting point for this Review is the Government’s “NATO First’ policy (Chapter 3). There is an unequivocal need for the UK to redouble its efforts within the Alliance and to step up its contribution to the Euro-Atlantic security more broadly-particularly as Russian aggression across Europe grows and as the United States of America adapts its regional priorities. In a shift approach the Alliance should be mainstreamed In how Defence plans, thinks, and acts. ...

22. Bilateral agreements and capability-partnerships with the United States and European NATO Allies-offer a powerful tool through which to strengthen relationships and Euro-Atlantic stability. The same is true of many minilateral activity, including through the Joint Expeditionary Force, E3, an F5 formats,³² supplemented by implementation of the UK-EU Security and Defence Partnership. AUKUS and the Global Compat Air Programme must be developed as exemplars of capability collaboration and a powerful signal of the UK’s ambition to bring partners from different

³⁰ UK- ‘Ministry of Defence: Strategic Defence Review: Making Britain Safer: secure at home, strong abroad, 2025, pp. 98, 99-103

³¹ UK- ‘Ministry of Defence: Strategic Defence Review: Making Britain Safer: secure at home, strong abroad, 2025, pp. 15; 11-24

³² “[18] They Joint Expeditionary Force (JEF) is UK-led and comprises nine other members: Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania the Netherlands, Norway; and Sweden. The E3 is a format for diplomatic cooperation between France, Germany, and the UK, while the E5 is the format for diplomatic cooperation between France, Germany, Italy, Poland, and the UK.”

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geographic regions closer together in support of collective security. Doubling down on support to Ukraine in pursuit of a durable political settlement is critical, as is learning from its extraordinary experience in land warfare, drone, and hybrid conflict.” ...

27. “The UK must continue to dedicate its independent nuclear deterrent to NATO (Chapter 7.1), adapting its alliances, industrial base, and military capabilities to ensure it continue to defer the most extreme threats. The UK will need a full spectrum of options to manage escalation as part of NATO, delivered by its nuclear and conventional forces in combination. Defence should commence discussions with the United States and NATO on potential benefits and feasibility of enhanced UK participation in NATO's nuclear mission. Further investments in conventional deep precision strikes and integrated Air and Missile Defence would increase options for deterring and responding to high-impact threats.” ...

30. “The Armed Forces should accelerate their transition to a high-low mix of equipment-for example, through:

- a. The Royal Navy’s ‘Atlantic Bastion’ concept for securing the North Atlantic for the UK and NATO and its plans for hybrid carrier airwings (Chapter 7.2).”

7.2 “The Agreement will support the design, build and delivery of SSN-AUKUS class submarines, and facilitate the cooperation between Australia and the UK across all aspects of production, operation, sustainment, and disposal of SSN-AUKUS vessels.”

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**** It is obvious that like the US, the UK will not be able to honour their treaty Agreements with Australia from the texts above. In fact, Michael Shoebridge of the Lowy Institute asserts in this article that “Australia and the United Kingdom put the AUKUS spin cycle on High,” stating that:

“Then there's the fact that, while UK nuclear powered attack submarines are soon meant to be frequent visitors to Australia rotating for Western Australia, the Royal Navy is struggling to put deploy any of its seven attack subs. As of now, none are at sea. Maintenance and delivery troubles continued to affect UK capital capability. And that means no UK Subs is escorting the UK's aircraft carrier in the Talisman Sabre exercise.

This ugly reality about UK submarine production and maintenance makes the Starmer government's assertion that it will increase UK attack sub fleet to 12 boats and deliver new boats at the rate of one every 18 months look like vapourware. But that didn't stop the announcement being taken to the bank in the AUKMIN communique.”³³

“8. The Agreement contributes to Australia's national interest as it is critical to achieving the Optimal Pathway. Submarines are an essential part of Australia's naval capability, providing a strategic advantage in terms of surveillance and protection of our maritime approaches. SSNs, when compared to traditional submarines, maintain superior characteristics of stealth, speed, maneuverability, survivability, and almost limitless endurance. SSNs can operate with a lower risk

³³ Shoebridge, Michael, “Australia and the United Kingdom put the AUKUS spin cycle on High: trumpeting a new treaty does nothing to fix fundamental production problems.” (Australia: Lowy Institute :2025), pp.1-5

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of detection and deter actions against Australia's interests. As such, Australia's acquisition of SSNs under AUKUS is crucial to uplifting our naval and industrial capability, **ensuring we can make a credible contribution to maintaining strategic balance, deterring adversaries, and supporting the rules and norms that have long underpinned security and stability in our region."**

8.1 "ensuring we can make a credible contribution to maintaining strategic balance, deterring adversaries, and supporting the rules and norms that have long underpinned security and stability in our region."

- **** In my opinion it does not – it is all just a fantasy, and a complete waste of 368 billion Australian Dollars.
- The Russian-Ukrainian War has changed the way that the UK, NATO, and the EU Nation States are fighting, and will continue to fight. A UK submarine fleet is now obsolete, in the Asia-Pacific. If SSN AUKUS Submarines are built it will not happen before the late 2040s-50s. Way too late for Australian attacks on China, with the USA to MAGA!
- The UK may tell Australia soon, although with our Deputy Prime Minister, and Defence Minister and his motley crew handing out fists-full of Australia Dollars to the UK, which they can use to defend NATO, the EU, and maybe Ukraine. The UK will no doubt delay this announcement, as it is currently still in the House of Lords, and its Committee, and is listed for another hearing in early September 2025.
- This is where a responsible JSCT Committee would either investigate or send this Treaty back to the AEG.
- Further the June 2025, "UK Strategic Defence Review," is a riveting read, and Michael Shoebridge's eloquent retort sums it up:

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“And it's beyond awkward that in its new strategic policy, the UK government has ditched its ambitious “Indo-Pacific shift” to both booster European security driven by Russian President Vladimir Putin's threat to Europe and America's unreliability on European security. And even if it does come back, it's likely to struggle to have the full complement of fighters. The UK has shifted its plan from more carrier capable F-35Bs to 12 F-35 As, because they help the UK keep up Europe's nuclear deterrence.”³⁴

“9. The Agreement is fundamental to ensuring Australia can deliver a sovereign SSN capability by the early 2040s, elevate our industrial capacity to produce and sustain advanced and interoperable SSNs, and expand both our individual and collective undersea presence in the Indo-Pacific. **This reaffirms our commitment to a peaceful, stable, and prosperous Indo-Pacific region and support of the international rules-based order.**”

9.1 “This reaffirms our commitment to a peaceful, stable, and prosperous Indo-Pacific region and support of the international rules-based order.”

****Absolute Rubbish – JSCT read, all the material in mine, and in others Reports, Submissions, and directly from Intelligent Parliamentarians like Senators David Shoebridge, and Steele-John. Please send your parliamentary advisors back to university!

“10. **Upon entry into force, the Agreement will operate alongside the ANNPA, and the bilateral Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for**

³⁴ Shoebridge, Michael, “Australia and the United Kingdom put the AUKUS spin cycle on High: trumpeting a new treaty does nothing to fix fundamental production problems.” (Australia: Lowy Institute :2025), pp.4-5

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Defence and Security Cooperation [2024] ATNIF 39, once that agreement also enters into force. The activities under the Agreement will be carried out in accordance with both Parties' existing international and domestic obligations, including nuclear non-proliferation obligations.

****Point 10 above, is utterly ridiculous. The UK saw you comin, for example, in the "Bilateral Agreement between the *Government of Australia and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for Defence and Security Cooperation [2024] ATNIF 39*, at:

"Article 3 Areas of Cooperation

1. The party shall facilitate defence relations by undertaking cooperative activities between them pursuant to this Agreement as they mutually determined in accordance with applicable international law and their respective national laws, regulations and policies.
2. In particular, the Parties shall cooperate to build a long-term mutually beneficial partnership in defence and security that will include, where possible:
 - a. sustaining their capacity to deploy and operate as partners in peacekeeping and military operations in which both parties have agreed to be engaged, whether conducted under the auspices of the United Nations, the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation or in other coalition or by bilateral frameworks."

****My word, the AEG is **recklessly indifferent** to the Australian People, and the ADF. Why on earth would you want to go to fight in the Euro-Atlantic Theatre of WWII.

Australia is in the middle of the Asia-Pacific, with many neighbours in an unaligned peaceful agreement between nation states, in zones of peace; it is time for the AEG to

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know their place within our own zone. Start preparing for peaceful foreign relationships under a “Permanent Non-Nuclear Armed Neutrality for Australia.”

The USA and the UK are not coming to defend Australia; they just want to shift WWII to the Asia-Pacific Region, cancel the Treaties. For example: Article

“18. The Agreement requires the Parties to enable visits of UK SSNs to Australian ports and the intended rotational presence of a UK SSN at HMAS Stirling, in Western Australia (**Articles X.A-B**):

“ARTICLE X

Port Visits and Rotational Presence of United Kingdom SSNs

The Parties shall, by entering into arrangements or by applying existing agreements and arrangements between and among the Parties, and in accordance with relevant domestic and international obligations, enable:

- A. visits of United Kingdom SSNs to Australian ports; and
- B. the intended rotational presence of a United Kingdom SSN at HMAS Stirling in Western Australia.

And the “Termination Article:

41. The Agreement shall remain in force until 31 December 2075 (Article XXIII.B), the same date of expiry as the ANNPA. Either Party may terminate the Agreement by giving at least one year’s written notice to the other Party (Article XXIII.F). A Party considering a decision to terminate this Agreement is required to consult with the other Party before giving written notice to terminate (Article XXIII.F).”

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******One thing I do appreciate is stated in the UK-SDR-2025, is in “Chapter**

2: The Case for Transformation:

1.The UK is entering a new era of threat and challenge. The world is more volatile and more uncertain than in any time in the past 30 years and it is changing at a remarkable pace.

2.The UK and its allies once again directly threatened by other states with advanced military forces. The UK is already under daily attack, with aggressive acts-from espionage to cyber-attack and information manipulation-causing harm to society and the economy. State conflict has returned to Europe, with Russia demonstrating its willingness to use military force, inflict harm on civilians, and threaten the use of nuclear weapons to achieve its goals. More broadly, the West’s long-held military advantage is being eroded as other countries modernise expand their armed forces at speed, while the United States’ (US) security priorities are changing, as its focus turns to the Indo-Pacific and to the protection of its homeland. [By ensuring, in my opinion, that the coming war is fought in the Indo-Pacific – far from the US homeland!]

The strategic context to 2040

5. The environment in which defence must operate in the coming years is shaped by two major and accelerating trends:

- Growing multipolarity and intensifying strategic competition between States- and with non-state actors-for political, military, economic, and technological power. As part of this competition, states are seeking to reshape the rules-based international order that has governed international relations since the

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Second World War.³⁵ The clear shift in US security priorities underlies how urgent the different managing strategic competition now is.

- Rapid and unpredictable technological progress that drives to teach it competition and continually changes how armed forces must be organised, equipped, and fight.
6. These trends will interact with the backdrop of persistent transitional challenges, including
- Climate change and environmental degradation, which: are creating new geographical realities and competition for resources; are driving migration, instability, and more frequent human disasters; and demand military adaptation for operations in more extreme weather conditions. Of particular importance to defence is the likelihood that the Arctic and High North will be 'ice-free' each summer by 2040, providing access to more actors and creating a new site for competition within the UK's wider neighbourhood."

**The JSCT Committee must continue to read the UK's acknowledgement and why WWII is looming amongst Western States:
Read Chapter 2, from page 26 through to 34.**

³⁵ "[24] The 'rules-based international order' is the set of laws, rules, norms, and institutions established since 1945 to enable international cooperation in areas such as security, trade and development, human rights, arms control, and technological standards." **Israel, the UK, The USA, Russia, Ukraine, and many other Western States have breached these so called international rules as they sell weapons to each other, used in War Crimes, ignore or undermine the UN Charter and Human Rights Laws – Committing Crimes Against Humanity, War Crimes, Genocide, and much more...**

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Part TWO: “Nuclear-powered Submarine Partnership and Collaboration Agreement between *the Government of Australia and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland – (Geelong, 26 July 2025) - [2025] ATNIA 7, & [2025] ATNIF 2”*

I reject this Geelong Treaty, its Partnership and its other related Treaties in their entirety:

Nevertheless, to assist you in understanding my position, I will focus just on what the Treaty is recognising commencing with:

“Preamble ...

“Recognising that the Optimal Pathway sets out the AUKUS partners’ intentions to pursue a phased approach to deliver AUKUS Pillar I, which includes the delivery of a trilaterally developed SSN class based on the United Kingdom’s next generation design and incorporating technology from all three nations, including cutting-edge United States submarine technologies, increased visits and the rotational presence of United Kingdom and United States SSNs to Australia to contribute to regional and global security and stability, and to develop the Australian naval personnel, workforce, infrastructure and regulatory system necessary to establish a sovereign SSN capability, and enhancement of all three nations’ industrial capability to produce and sustain interoperable SSNs;”

“Recognising the principles, standards, and quality that have supported the United Kingdom and United States naval nuclear propulsion programmes’ unmatched safety records and that Australia has committed to upholding these same principles and standards to safely steward naval nuclear propulsion technology;”

“Recognising that the enhancement of the United Kingdom’s and Australia’s infrastructure and industrial capability and capacity which is necessary for the successful delivery of AUKUS Pillar I provides economic benefits to each Party and from which the Parties derive mutual defence and security benefits,”

As I reject the Geelong Treaty its Entirety, that is all I have to say today!

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I will just note, I have 18 files of approximately 1000 pages per file on my desk, all read, highlighted and notated on these ridiculous Australian Government, Defence Projects that, in my opinion, are completely detrimental to the Australian People.

Declare a Permanent Non-Nuclear Armed Neutrality for Australia; and remove all Foreign Militaries, and their material from all Australian Country, and Territorial Oceans and Seas.

Part Three: Literary and Historical Considerations on Fascism relating to Parts 1 & 2 of this JSCT Submission:

McLaren, Niall, "Narcisso-Fascism: The Psychopathology of Right-wing Extremism" (Ann Arbor, Modern History Press, 2023), pp.1-203 (Jock's Book):

Jock's "Narcisso Fascism" book answers all my queries about the mentality of the unfortunate Australian Executive Government of the Morrison and Albanese, and their AEG of the Day. I sincerely hope you all read it, particularly, as most Parliamentarians and People, throughout Australia, including me, have elements of our personalities that are detrimental to **all** if we allow them to become unbalanced.

So, please consider it as a gift to the members of the JSCT Committee, to assist you all to recover from the Australian Parliament, and its AEG's past, present and future detrimental effects on you and your families and friends;

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“7.4: Conclusion: “This machine kills fascists.”

In about 1943, the left is American country and Blues singer, Woody Guthrie, painted this message on his guitar. Unfortunately, fascism has proven more resilient than he imagined. The reason is very simple: defeating fascism is not just a matter of defeating a group of people, or even wiping them out, because the new generation will bring another crop. Fascism is the political expression of some of the most powerful primaevial urges that shape humans, allowing us to survive and proliferate. These are the universal needs to socialise, to form dominance hierarchies, xenophobia and territoriality. The problem is that these are the so deep-seated in our self-perception, so powerful and so immensely satisfying that we don't realise how destructive they are when they act in concert.

In 1943, the psychoanalyst William Reich wrote:

In its pure form, fascism is the sum total of all irrational reactions of the average human character.[40]

He saw fascism as human pathology, universal and not specific to any nationality. My case differs in that fascism should be seen as one possible outcome of the sum of normal human drives, those which largely define us, but exaggerated by circumstances and channelled by unscrupulous politicians. The problem is that fascism has an enormous innate attraction. It is the wicked delight of authorised violence in the destruction licence by suspension of the ancient moralities painstakingly assembled to constrain our aggression. Fascism will arise whenever people feel things are going badly and want to lash out, meaning whenever our politicians fail us.

Because of the unswerving mediocrity, venality and mendacity of our current crop of politicians, bankers, industrialists, and militarists, we live in seriously troubled times. As noted above, we are in the midst of a slow corporate coup d'etat. We can either give in and let them set up 1940 at 1984 or resist, but the coming war is no longer between left

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and right, white against black or Christian against all the rest - those other lies foisted on us by the wealthy in furthering their ambitions. No, the coming war is a matter of reason versus unreason. When there weren't many humans around, we could get away with believing in good and bad skin colour or good and bad religions, or that juvenile stuff, but now the constellations of power have changed; survival of the planet depends on moderation, and moderation is not a natural state of Homo sapiens. We are extremist by nature, as extremism is so much more exciting than being calmly reasonable. We would much rather shout and wave fists at our enemies that bother ourselves with seeing things from their point of view. That's why people go to football matches on Saturday rather than read about it in the Sunday papers, for the ecstasy, not for the knowledge. In short, we need a revolution in our thinking but, as Mal said, a revolution a revolution is not a dinner party. Nobody should expect the entrenched elite, with their over-developed sense of privilege, to quietly defer to a new reality of egalitarianism. Karl Rove, a senior adviser in the GW Bush administration and notorious hawk, made this absolutely clear:

We're an empire now, and when we act, we create our own reality. And while you'll studying that reality-judiciously, as you will-we'll act again, creating other new realities, which you can study too, and that's how things will sort out. We're history's actors... and you, all of you will be left to just study what we do.

Consider the funeral parade of the late Queen Elizabeth: of about 3000 people marching, I counted only four who were not dressed in splendid military uniforms, and two of those were forced to wear civilian suits as they were in disgrace. Understand this: to single the Establishment's displeasure, they had to dress in civilian suits. That shows how much we regard militarism as absolutely central to our existence: anybody dressed in a morning suit ranks below the military. This is the heart of the problem: militarism is about domination,

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and domination is at once the most exciting, the most pointless and the most destructive game in town. I submit that until we regard war with the same intuitive abhorrence as we now regard bestiality, incest and paedophilia, then the chances of the world surviving in anything like its present form are dramatically reduced, if not entirely negated.

One final question: What should happen if all the world were crushed under the heel of fascist governments. Answer: Reread Orwell's 1984. That is exactly what he was talking about. Because fascism built on the most destabilising of all human drives, the need to dominate, it is, Orwell understood, impossible for fascist regimes to live in peace. They must have enemies, they have to struggle, because they cannot let the people slip into feeling comfortable in their lives. When the fire of revolution burns down, fascism dies.

But Orwell's dystopia is already happening. In the US, Republican-controlled states are setting up the machinery that would allow them to take power, permanently, by disenfranchising large sections of the community, removing checks and balances, gerrymandering, allowing unlimited corporate money to run the show, and so on. In Russia, the Putin regime has set up a modern version of the Czarist state, complete with repress workers controlled by secret police to safeguard the privilege elite while they look the nation. China is increasing Lee repressive, but only for the purpose of maintaining the CCP in power. Scattered around the world are dozens of dictatorships, a dozen more failed States and many punitive democracies are carving into electoral authoritarianism. This is the danger: creeping fascism.

In later commentary on his epochal novel, Brave New World, British author Aldous Huxley accurately saw the problems:

By means of ever more effective methods of mind-manipulation, the democracies will change their nature; the quaint old forms-elections, parliaments, Supreme Courts and all the rest-will remain. The underlying substance will be a new kind of

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nonviolent totalitarianism. All the traditional names, all the hollow slogans will remain exactly what they were in the good old days. Democracy and freedom will be the theme of every broadcast and editorial-but democracy and freedom in a strictly Pickwickian sense. Meanwhile the ruling oligarchy and its highly trained elite of soldiers, policemen, thought-manufacturers and mind-manipulators will quietly run the show as they see fit [2, p.25].

But in the warning which could have been crafted for today's world, he added”

A society, most of whose members spend a great part of their time, not on the spot, not here and now and in the calculable future, but somewhere else, in the irrelevant other worlds of sport and soap opera, of mythology and metaphysical fantasy, will find it hard to resist the encroachments of those who would manipulate and control it.

For myself, I believe that is bad as things are, they aren't on track to get much worse. Driven by their paymasters, our criminality shortsighted politicians are allowing global warning to spiral out of control. When that happens, many people will see fascism as attractive but only as a reaction to the disasters engulfing their lives. To pretend prevent catastrophic, massive social change is no longer an idyllic option. Some people would say there's nothing we can do, the problem is too big, too deep-seated. In fact, there are many areas open to intervention but they all start at one point: making the general public aware of the pressures that lead to the rise of fascist movements, of how fascists work, of what drives them and knowing the inevitable outcome of fascism. Above all, everybody needs to know that fascism is not the other. Fascism is us. The only machine that kills fascists is a mirror.”³⁶

³⁶ McLaren, Niall, “Narcisso-Fascism: The Psychopathology of Right-wing Extremism” (Ann Arbor, Modern History Press, 2023), pp 194-197

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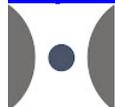
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In conclusion, a brief “YouTube” from Neutrality Studies:

The FASCIST Core Of The Euro-Atlantic Regimes | Dr. Niall McLaren:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yX_71MgkJwg



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Can we explain the relentless drive toward warfare of the Euro-Atlantic collective by way of individual psychology? Is at the core of the warmongering actually a psychological malfunction? Yes, indeed, says my guest today. If we pare up psychiatric diagnosis with the functioning of societies, we find that in the absence of moderating domestic political mechanisms, states will tend toward fascism as those are the natural inclinations of power-seeking narcissist who will float to the top if not prevented from getting there alone. How this impacts international relations is our topic of today.

Dr. McLaren wrote—among other works—the insightful book “Narcisso-Fascism: The psychopathology of right-wing extremism”, in which he explores in great detail the connection between pathological narcissism, fascism as a societal phenomenon and the role of dominance in state systems.

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Yours sincerely

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