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(Apology Bill, U.S. Public Law 103-150 - 107 Stat. 1510) International Law Professor Francis Boyle: "...admitting that the invasion, overthrow, occupation and annexation starting in 1893 violated all treaties and basic norms of international law, including the United States Constitution. Under international law, when you have a violation of treaties of this magnitude [through] the overthrow of a lawful government, the World Court has ruled that the only appropriate remedy is restitution. That fact alone gives the Kanaka Maoli the entitlement to restore their independent status as a sovereign nation state. You don’t need to petition Congress to do it. Congress has given you everything you need right here. The United Nations Charter provides the rest of the authority to do it.” (An autonomous independent sovereign nation-state contemplated under Article 1 of the 1933 Montevideo Convention on Rights and Duties of States requiring the state as a person of international law possessing the four qualifications of (a) a permanent population, (b) a defined territory, c) government; and (d) capacity to enter into relations with the other states.)
Subject: War – The large scale practice of Human sacrifice.

Aloha Kakou,

Honorable Leaders... I want to get straight to the point. The drum beat of war is once again being heard in the Middle East. Now the focus is Iran. E kāpae a’e ‘oe i kou mana‘o huhū. (Put away your angry thoughts.)

In 1893, in an act of war against a peaceful nation, the United States of America stole the Kingdom of Hawai‘i. Provenance is established. I am the King by sacred royal blood lines that are rooted deeply in good soil. As King, I don’t want to see the advent of war descending upon us because a nation at odds against the United States, such as North Korea, looks upon Hawai‘i as a State within the union of the United States.

This can’t be further from the truth. Prior to the illegal overthrow, the Kingdom was a recognized member of the community of nations and a non-aligned nation.

Today, that act of war perpetuated by the United States against me and my Nation continues. The Kingdom exists now as an occupied nation. The Kingdom’s nonaligned status is buried under the status of the occupying power and faces the threat of actions failing to recognize that hidden reality. Therefore, I have every right to address each of you as I am doing now.

Case in point; Historically, Japan warred against the United States by striking at the Hawaiian Islands. They attacked Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. President Franklin Roosevelt called December 7, 1941, "a date which will live in infamy." On that day, Japanese planes attacked the United States Naval Base at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii Territory. The bombing killed more than 2,300 Americans. It completely destroyed the American battleship U.S.S. Arizona and capsized the U.S.S. Oklahoma. The attack sank or beached a total of twelve ships and damaged nine others. 160 aircraft were destroyed and 150 others damaged. The attack took the United States by surprise, especially the ill-prepared Pearl Harbor base. Technically, Japan warred against the Kingdom of Hawai‘i and not just the United States of America.

Today, I address the threat posed by the current situation surrounding the nation of Iran and its nuclear program.


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President Obama argues that a negotiated limitation on Iran’s ability to produce a nuclear weapon is the best possible path to reducing the threat of war. He believes that the approach suggested by Prime Minister Netanyahu will lead to collapsing the negotiations, accelerating Iran’s pursuit of nuclear weapons, and ultimately to war.

Prime Minister Netanyahu argues that any negotiated settlement that leaves Iran with the capacity to eventually produce a nuclear weapon is unacceptable and will lead to war. Israel may initiate that war with military action against Iran’s nuclear facilities.

The Iranian government argues that it has the same rights as any other nation to pursue whatever is necessary to ensure its national security, even if that means going to war.

Basically all parties agree that some paths lead to war, although they may disagree on which one. These differing assessments of the path to war make the situation even more unstable.

The nations of the world that are not a party to this conflict are still at risk should such a war break out. As with other conflicts in that region, the potential for a large scale conflagration is real.

One interim step to back away from that abyss is to lower the threat posed by such a conflict. That process is assisted by understanding the root causes of the conflict and the nature of the threat.

**Divide and Conquer.** Fundamental root causes of this conflict are the divisions within the Human Family. The Human species evolved down separate pathways. Each group adapted to the particular ecology of the area in which they lived. The Gods or Spirits incorporated into the daily life of each group partly reflected the diversity of the Earth’s ecological systems. A culture developed in the desert related to the Natural World differently than a culture developed in the rain forest. Living on a planet with a non-uniform ecology, the Human species differentiated into different cultures and learned separation.

From the different ecologically-determined cultures, tribes or clans emerged some that viewed themselves more different than other clans or tribes, rather than perceiving the underlying unity within the Human Family. Such differences held the potential for conflict.

In modern times, such groups became nations, defined by artificial lines drawn on a map. The focus shifted from sustaining the group through harmonious relationship with the group’s ecological support system to a group identification divorced from any particular ecology.

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At times, a leader would emerge proclaiming one particular Human group to be better than another Human group. Or, proclaiming some other Human group to be a threat. Or asserting the right to invade and dominate other groups. Such leaders created division to strengthen their own power. Such created divisions sometimes led to war between groups.

A favorite dividing strategy is to proclaim the spiritual practices of one group to be superior to the spiritual practices of others. The "One True Religion" claim repeatedly laid the foundation for horrendous acts of brutality.

The Hawaiian experience of this phenomenon can be found in the conversion of the Hawaiian political leadership to Christianity by the missionaries. The missionaries not only brought Christianity to the islands. They also brought the Devil. The missionaries taught the new Christians that the practitioners of the ancient Hawaiian religion -- which the missionaries called pagans -- were agents of the Devil.

Based on this teaching, the Hawaiian Christians hunted down and killed the Kahunas of the traditional religion. A huge battle eventually took place between a Hawaiian Christian army and a Hawaiian traditional army. Tens of thousands of people died in that battle. The Christian army won and the traditional practitioners disappeared from public view. The destruction of the spiritual foundation of the traditional Hawaiian civilization was a first step in destroying the civilization itself.

This type of history is repeated throughout the ages. The end of this perpetuation of religious wars requires every religion to acknowledge the right of every other religion to exist and pursue its own practices. More comprehensively, peace will come when everyone acknowledges that they are part of one family with a single planetary base of support.

**Splitting the Atom.** The one element that makes the current conflicts in the Middle East qualitatively more dangerous than other conflicts is the potential for use of nuclear weapons.

That potential exists because the Human Family chose to pursue the development of nuclear power despite the clear danger of accidents, human error, or other events leading to catastrophe and despite the potential for anyone with a nuclear power plant to develop a nuclear bomb.

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The attempt to limit access to nuclear weapons through non-proliferation agreements inevitably failed. As long as those nations with nuclear weapons insisted on keeping them, other nations sought the same capacity.

Replacing nuclear power with renewable energy and pursuing new energy technologies that are ecologically sane would significantly reduce the threat that additional nations will develop nuclear weapons and potentially reduce the threat posed by a potential conflict in the Middle East.

Applying that potential to the current situation, the nations of the world could agree to finance the phasing out of all nuclear power plants in Iran through the implementation of renewable energy. With no reason for continuing the nuclear pathway, other than development or continued production of nuclear weapons, the Iranian choice would be transparent to the rest of the world and could be addressed accordingly.

A longer term peace agreement should include de-nuclearization of every nation in the Middle East, foreclosing both power plants and weapons, and demilitarization of the area.

**Individual and Group Responsibility.** The political leadership within the countries that are party to the current dispute includes many people who seem dedicated to destroying our ecological support system and Human civilization.

Those who pursue pollution of our planet without concern for the consequences or who pursue war at the risk of drawing other nations into a nuclear holocaust are clearly a threat to the Human Family. They cannot be allowed to determine the future of our species.

Is there any party to this dispute that does not have the blood of innocents on their hands? If not, then let’s stop the posturing of claiming the moral high ground. Nobody is right if everybody is wrong.

Is there any party to this dispute that is willing to have their existence extinguished? If not, then let’s stop pretending to be for peace, or even any interim agreements to reduce tensions, while at the same time proclaiming a goal of extinguishing another party to the dispute.

To the contrary, when people believe that their survival is threatened, they are more likely to act irrationally based on fear, rather than settle any disputes rationally based on love or even self interest.
Has violence brought peace to the Middle East? If not, let's stop threatening violence while pretending to be seeking peace.

Is there a party to this dispute that has not broken some previous agreement? If not, then let's stop the allegations about who can be trusted and who cannot.

A foundation question to be answered by all parties is whether there is one Human Family or not. If any party believes that the answer to that question is "no," then what divisions does that party claim transcend the unity of our species? Religion? Race? Nation? Tribe? Culture? A conscious Human knows that these are all artificial divisions. Those who would divide the Human family in such a way are preaching a lie!

That does not mean that group identification cannot lead to right action.

If the Jews are the Chosen People, what better to have been chosen for than to bring peace and tranquility to the Human Family? That is a far higher calling than participating in and encouraging the headlong rush to Armageddon.

If Christians are following the teachings of Christ, what better guide than love. Love thy neighbor as thyself. Do unto others as you would have them do unto you. These teachings are not compatible with pursuit of a nuclear war designed to bring Jesus back as leader of a born again Christian Army to do battle with the anti-Christ. A true Christian would call that blasphemy.

Do unto others as you would have them do unto you precisely because they are you. We are all interconnected and created from the primal material out of which all creation emerged/emerges.

Islam calls for unification of the individual with the Divine. That is a deeply personal journey. Those who claim that unification can be achieved through Human sacrifice, whether at the level of violence against an individual "non-believer" or the level of war between groups, are leading their followers away from unity with their inner divinity and the unity of all Allah’s creations. Following such leaders into war is diverting the path of the faithful from surrender to the Divine into denying the fundamental divinity of all creation.

At the same time, no one group within the Human Family should be allowed to determine the future for the whole family. The children of Abraham need to find peace within their own family before their disputes drag everyone into chaos. Their Bible says that God set before them life and prosperity and death and destruction with the free will to choose.

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Their God encouraged them to choose life that they may live. Deuteronomy 30:19. By that choice will they be known.

Will the legacy of the Persian Empire be the destruction of civilization or the birthing of new level of Human interactions that produce harmony? The choice is set before the descendants of that group within the Human Family.

Making Peace. Any ass can start a war. A peacemaker requires patience, intelligence, empathy, and creativity. Those who are parties to the conflict have a conflict of interest in the outcome. Political leaders feel compelled to take positions popular with their followers, whether those positions lead to peace or not.

Perhaps there is a need for a new body to be created -- a Council of the Wise to be convened to address the current conflict and provide solutions. The Council members would be truly neutral parties. The Kingdom of Hawai‘i offers to provide Hawaiian Kupuna (elders) trained in conflict resolution techniques used for thousands of years to assist the Council. The Council would be a temporary body given the sole charge of developing a short term and long term plan for peace in the Middle East.

The Council would present drafts of the plans publicly and invite comments. Once the Council issues the final plan, the nations of the world would be asked to endorse the plan. If the Council has succeeded, there will be an overwhelming endorsement that will make it difficult for the parties to refuse to implement the plan.

While the Council is deliberating, there will be a cease fire in all respects. For example, the parties will agree to stop making hostile statements and taking hostile actions. A status quo will be in place regarding new settlements by Israel. There will be no tunnels built and no rockets launched. All those engaged in covert actions will stand down. At the same time, conditions will be improved for those who are suffering from the conflict.

The details of the cease fire elements within the overall plan can be identified once the Council is convened.

Concurrently with the establishment of the Council, a worldwide celebration of peace can be organized, including venues in every country that is a party to the conflict. A possible theme for the celebration is Play for Peace/Pray for Peace/Be Peaceful.


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The Future. What is peace? Peace is mutual respect for diverse practices and beliefs and the freedom to choose one’s own path. Peace exists when people are happy and living in harmony with each other and with the rest of the Natural World. Now is the time to decide on the Human Future. The pathways are clearly laid out before us. We can choose to rise above our bloody history and create a world in which the happiness of all and harmony with Nature is the goal.

We can continue to live in a heightened state of fear and stress with the constant threat of conflict for more generations. We can light the fuse and blow up everything.

Will *homo sapiens* mean knowledgeable Humans, who never progressed beyond the limitations of their historical programming, or wise Humans, who saw the abyss and turned down a different path to truly evolve towards their highest potential?

The Kingdom is prepared to assist in any way possible to bend the arc of history towards peace.

*Me ke aloha pumehana,*

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