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The world we live in



Bertrand Russell

**To understand
the actual world
as it is,
not as we should wish
it to be,
is the beginning of
wisdom.**



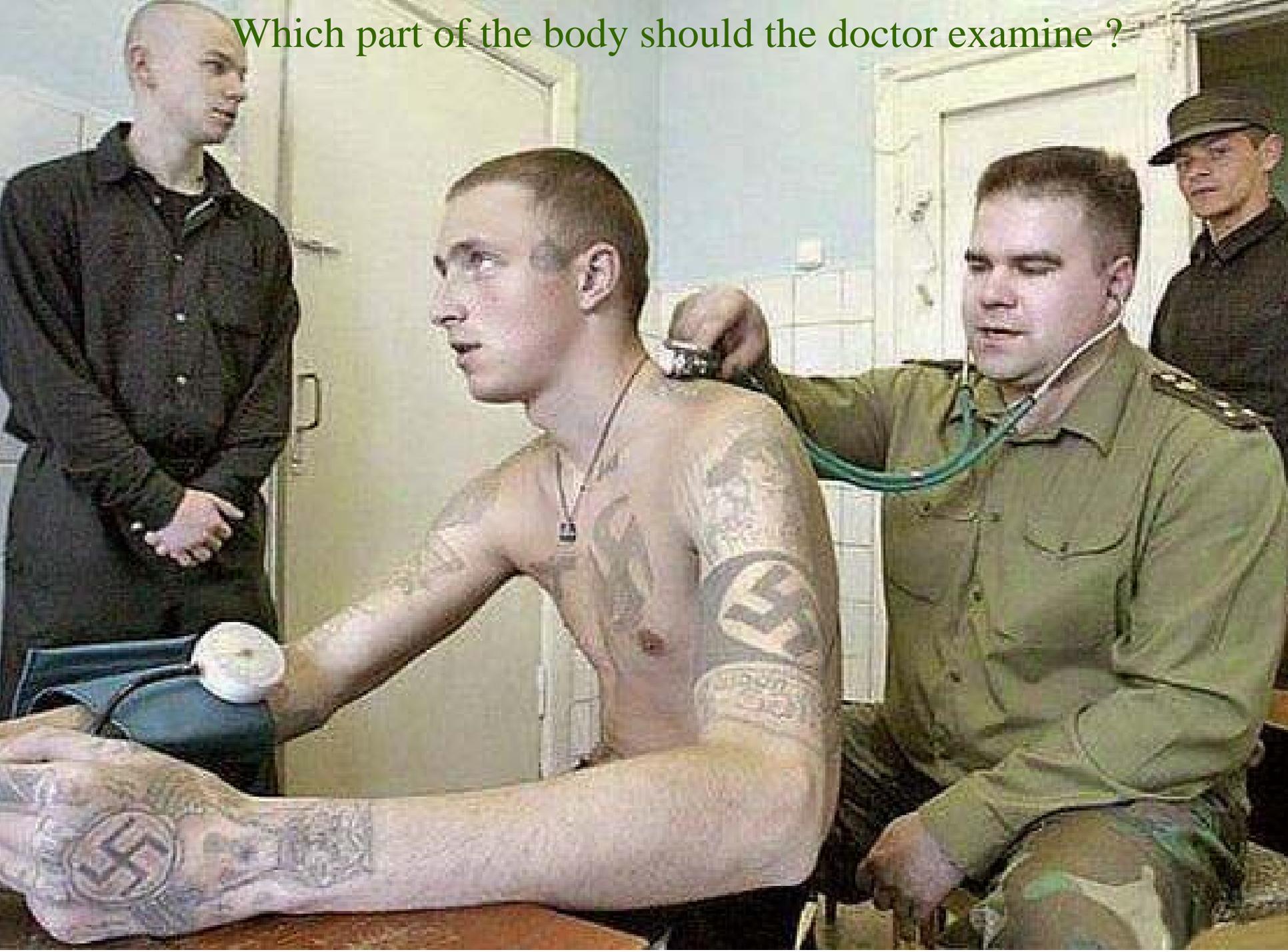
Reiterating to a medieval nightmare



When communist dream though turned to a nightmare
was equated to nacism
the world opted for living the nightmare and stop learning



Which part of the body should the doctor examine ?





Pet monsters of the neoliberal angst





47% Americans
want to be
armed .
Lobbying by
Freedom Group



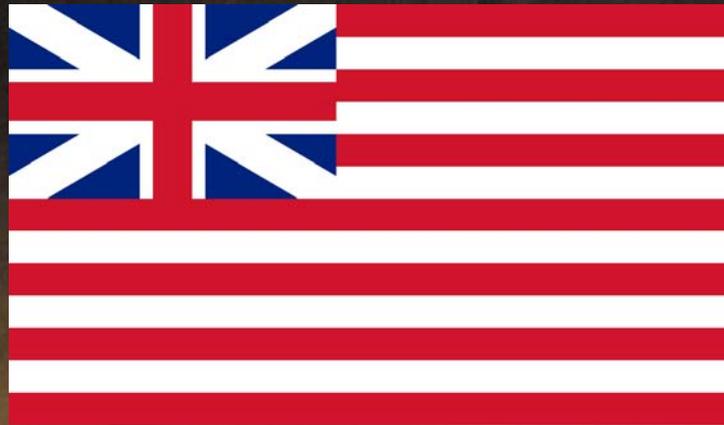
3 billion dollars only
to feed
the military industry
and
the nightmares of the
past...
Is culture expensive



The duchess was joined by the Bishop of Carlisle, the Right Reverend Graham Dow, who blessed Astute before her launch

B-2 Stealth Bomber...









The “medical” treatment prescribed
to a feverish transitional countries:

Excessive privatisation

Total deregulation

“Re-structuring”

(de-industrialisation, loss of own banks...)

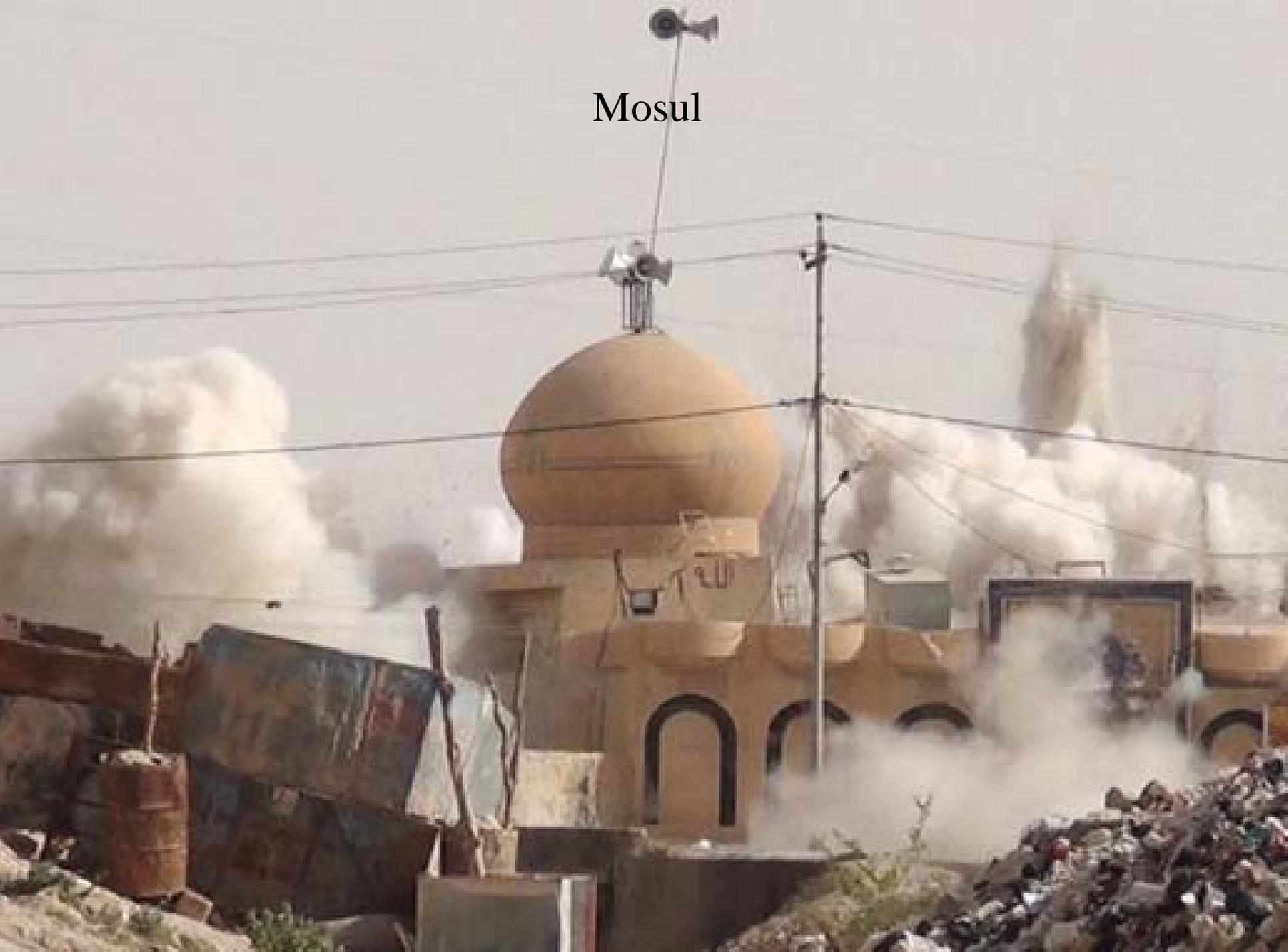
Financialization (heavy, usurious loans)

Reckless foreign competition

Speculative investors

Devoid of own financial sector and industry,
Such countries become a mere supply zone.

Mosul



Mosul



Mosul



SENEGAL

"The fishing industry here is ruined because the government signed fishing contracts with EU countries and they come with their trawlers. That's why the fishermen struggle."



....and become, refugees, - the boat people



DAMASCUS AFTER GEOPOLITCS



ENDLESS TAKING BRINGS MISERY AND RAGE







DEMONSTRATE ITS CHRISTIANITY BY COMPASSION



DENMARK, EUROPE













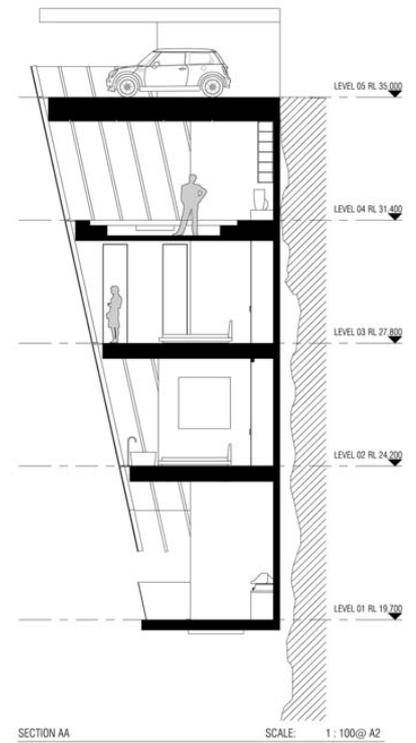
VOYAGER OF THE SEAS

Cruise tourism has become one of the most significant threats to Venice in recent years as visitors flock to the city while locals move out



observation capsule







When sport was still play and empathy: 1908 London Olympics





ZOMBIE MARCH MONEY



Orthodox Jews pray in Nablus, in the occupied West Bank, to mark the Festival of the Tabernacles.



CREATION MUSEUM: THE WORLD IS 6000 YEARS OLD



Since the establishment in 1986, more than 53 million Bibles in over 90 different languages have come off our production lines and exported to many countries around the world.

Craving for organised religion society is, while being a right, also:

- Flight from freedom
- Fear of reality
- Strive for guaranteed, supported, institutionalized spirituality (calendar, life cycle articulation, rituals)
- Disappointment with the secular authorities (political, cultural, professional authorities)
- General failure of idea of progress, social contract / project
- The influence of persistent missionary work

Importing God in the culture that has no institutionalized religion



Peter Dean, Amity's production advisor



Many of China's Christians attend underground churches

Amity printed 41 million bibles for the churches in China (first Chinese bible in 1987)
In February 2008, Amity will move to a new site which will be able to make a million bibles a month. That may make it the world's largest bible factory.





DUKE OF WELLINGTON

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PUB
Beer
Garden

Welcome to the
DUKE OF WELLINGTON
HOT & COLD
FOOD
available
BEER GARDEN
Darts played here
OPENING HOURS
MON-FRI 11am-11pm
SATURDAY 11am-11pm
SUNDAY 11am-11pm

What is heritage about?

**Depends upon answer:
to some questions:**

**Do you want better present?
(using the past for quality development)**

or

**Do you want better past?
(using museums to make more of it)**

Or

**Do you prefer making money to any other ambition ?
(destroying heritage or using it for lucrative ends)**



New as old: The need for real time-life reality exploited.

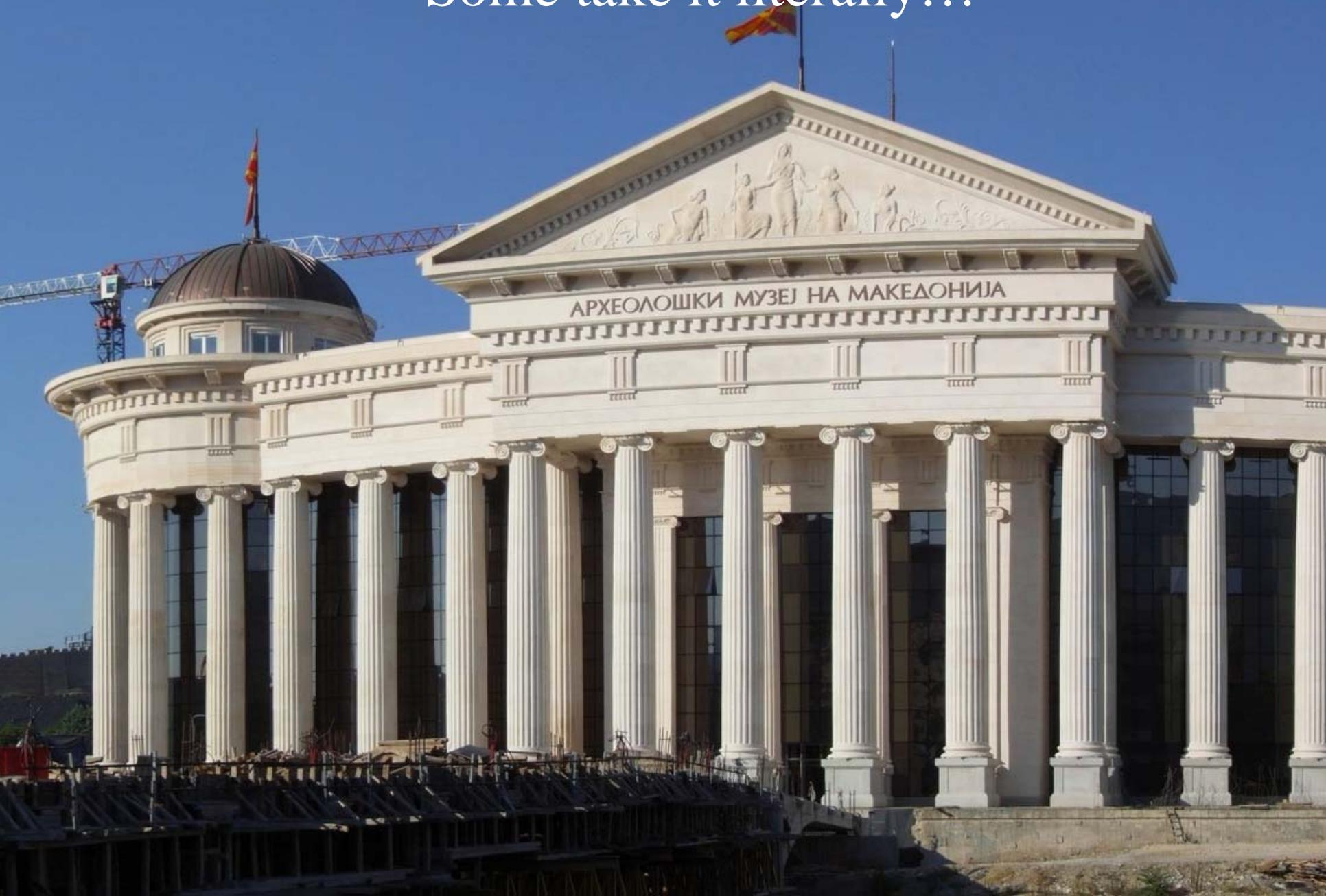


Illusions, the traditional domain of dreams and artistic creation
have become the new definition of reality

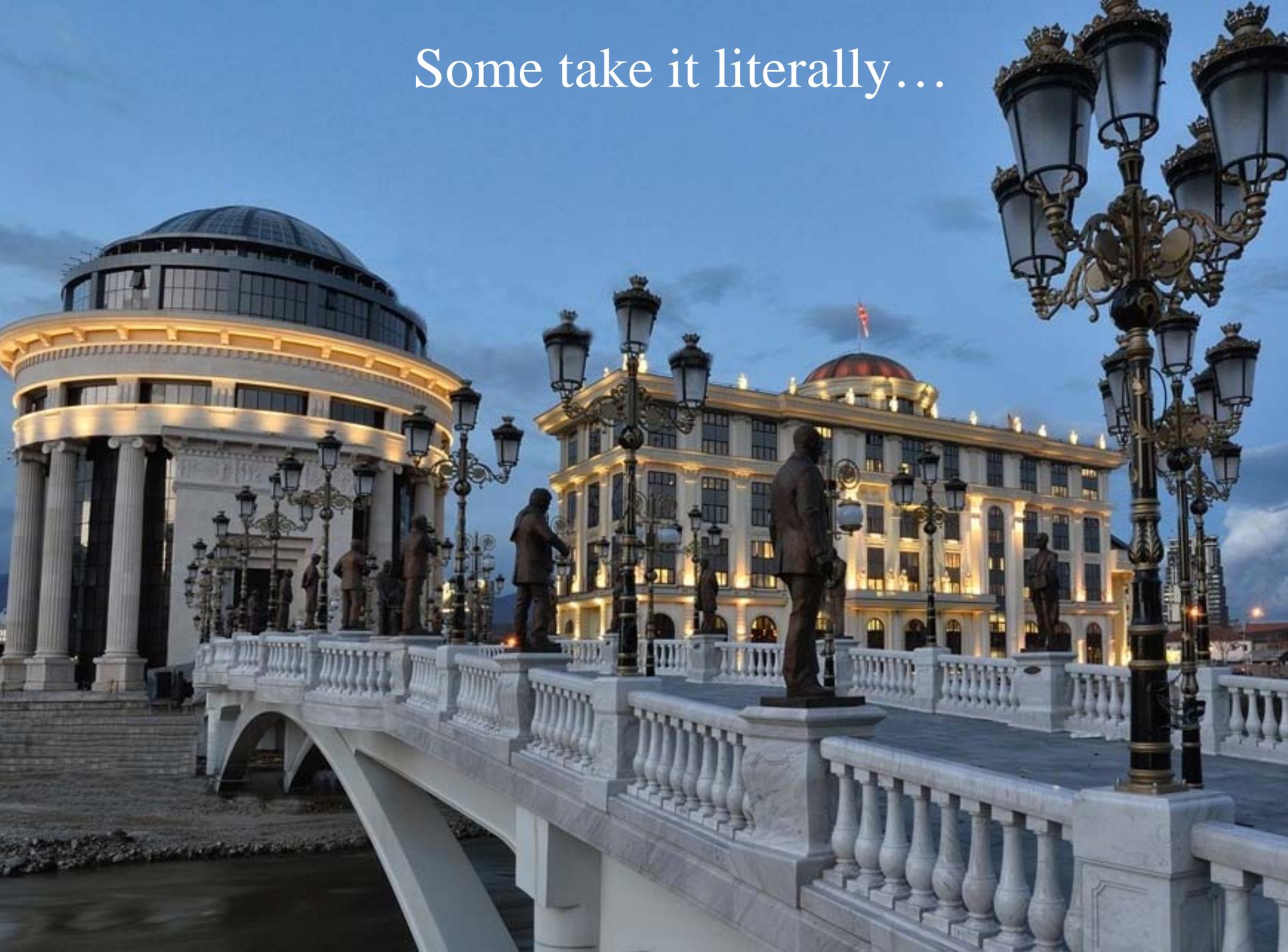




Some take it literally...



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What is natural/original any more?





Feeding many in an artificial way...



Intrusive insolence of profit industries: lack of taste and measure



This is how it works in Europe:

Any country is a potential candidate
to be conquered or adopted
as a colony
with approved local vassals to govern it.

Vassals live in luxury,
but to secure own rule
and establish legitimacy,
they appropriate chauvinist and religious narrative
and create illusion of ultimate concern
for national sovereignty and identity.

The third is by acculturation.

The Third Opium War ?



100% Natural Real Juice

파리
구세군1호





An aquarium staff member dressed in a Santa Claus costume hugs a moray eel as he swims with fish inside the Sunshine International Aquarium in Tokyo, Japan, on Friday, December 21, 2007. During Christmas festivities, employees feed the fish dressed as Santa. Photo: Koji Sasahara/AP



Thailand.



Filipino children help paint Christmas trees made from dried up mangroves in Manila.

velvet totalitarianism© is setting upon the world....

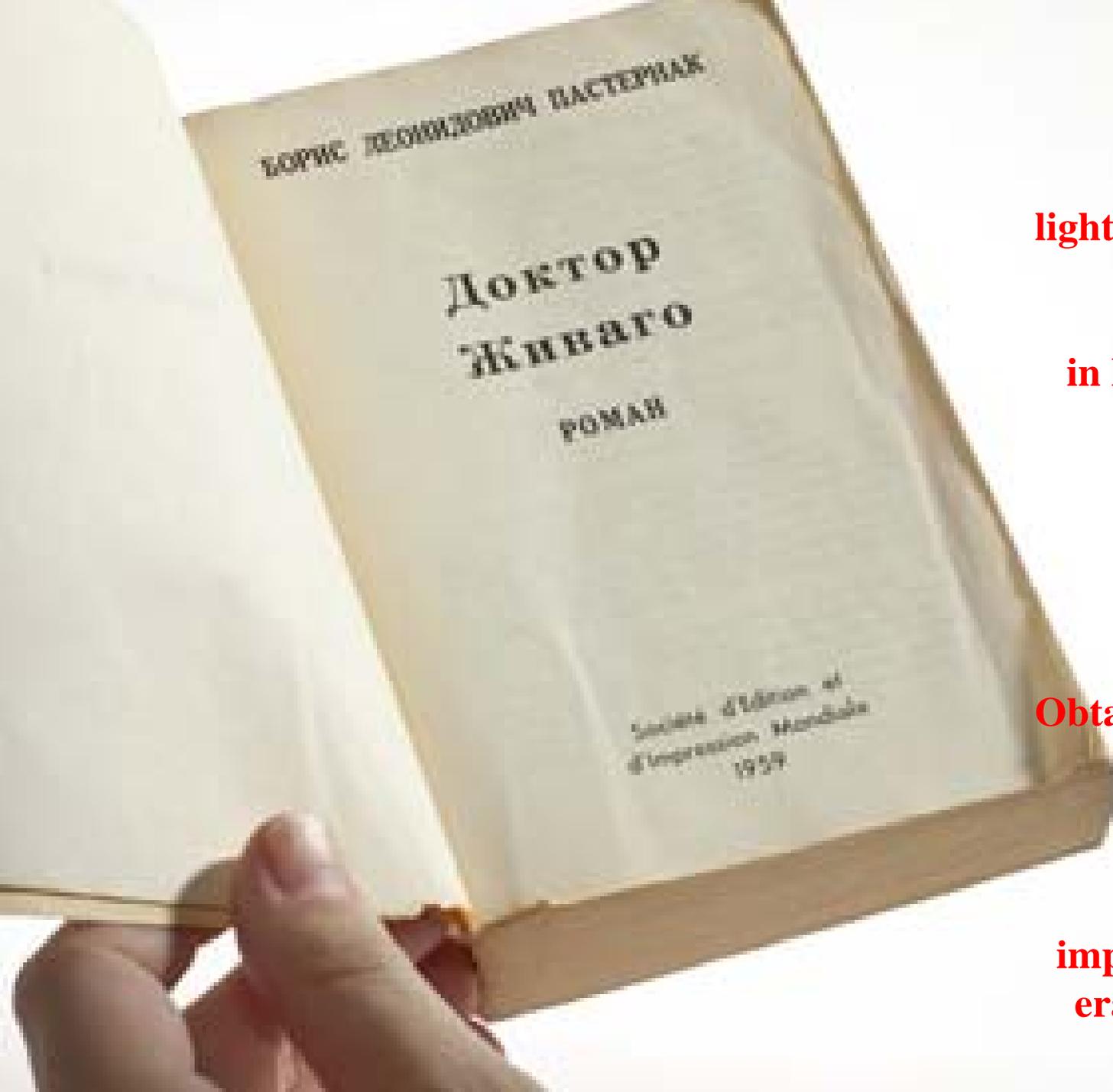


**constant wars
mock democracy
mottled media haze instead of truth
work-overload
fiscal slavery
job insecurity
social insecurity
anything-goes-mindset
egotism
dehumanized education
greed as “ideology”
widening social gap
the culture of throwism
&tc.**

”nothing matters” is the way of karaoke world

But, for culture, heritage and identity, we know all too well





CIA funded the publication of a miniature, lightweight paperback edition of Doctor Zhivago in Russian language

1959.

Obtaining, publishing, and distributing banned books like Doctor Zhivago was an important Cold War-era success story for the CIA.



Ai Weiwei: Rebel who never gives up and keeps changing the world
“Jutarnji list”, Zagreb, Croatia, 4. january 2011.
(Han dynasty urn destroyed as “freeing from the burden of past”)

An Expensive kitsch diorama that sells well as dissident courage against hated country



FRANCHISED CULTURE



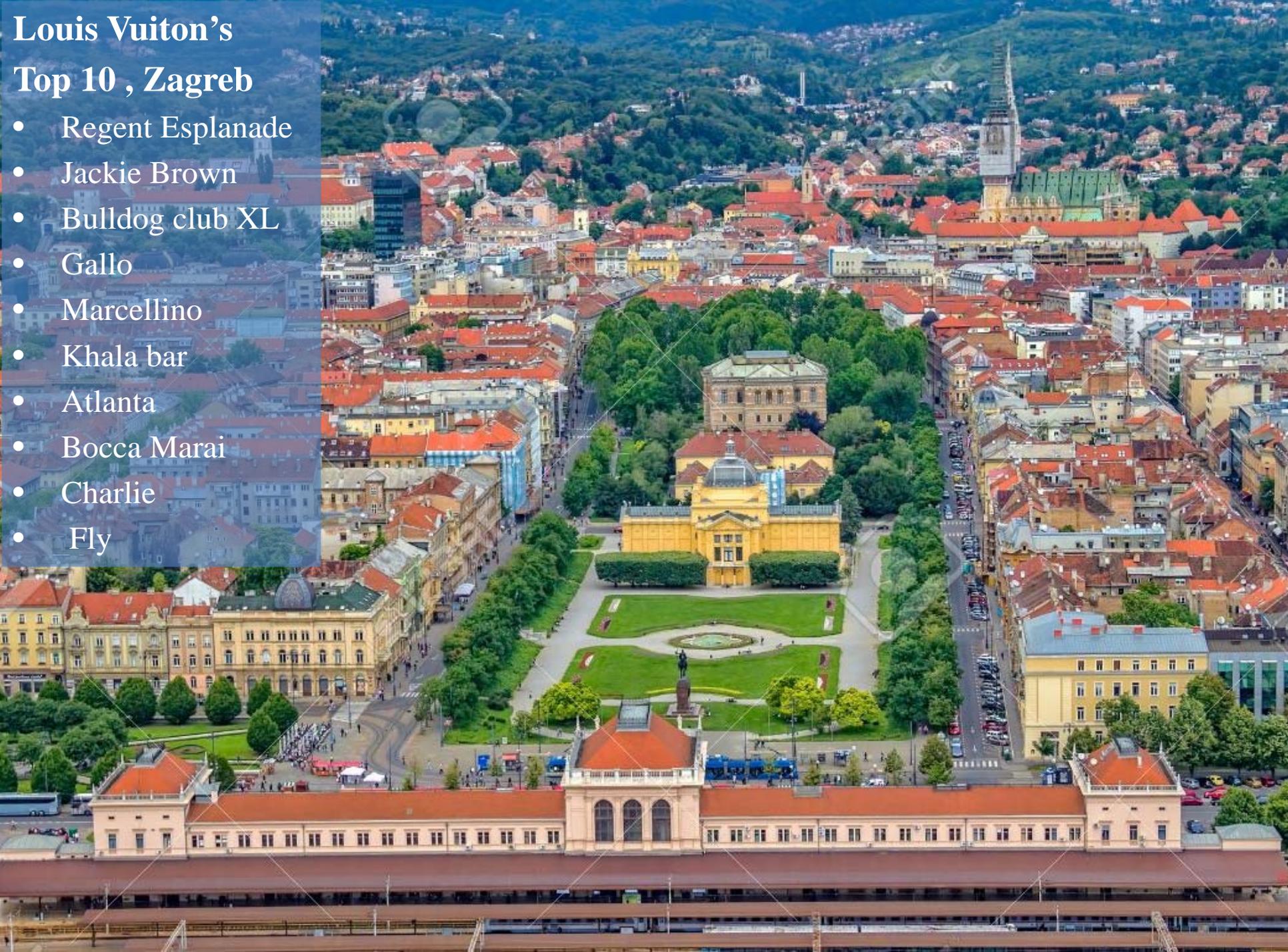






Louis Vuitton's Top 10 , Zagreb

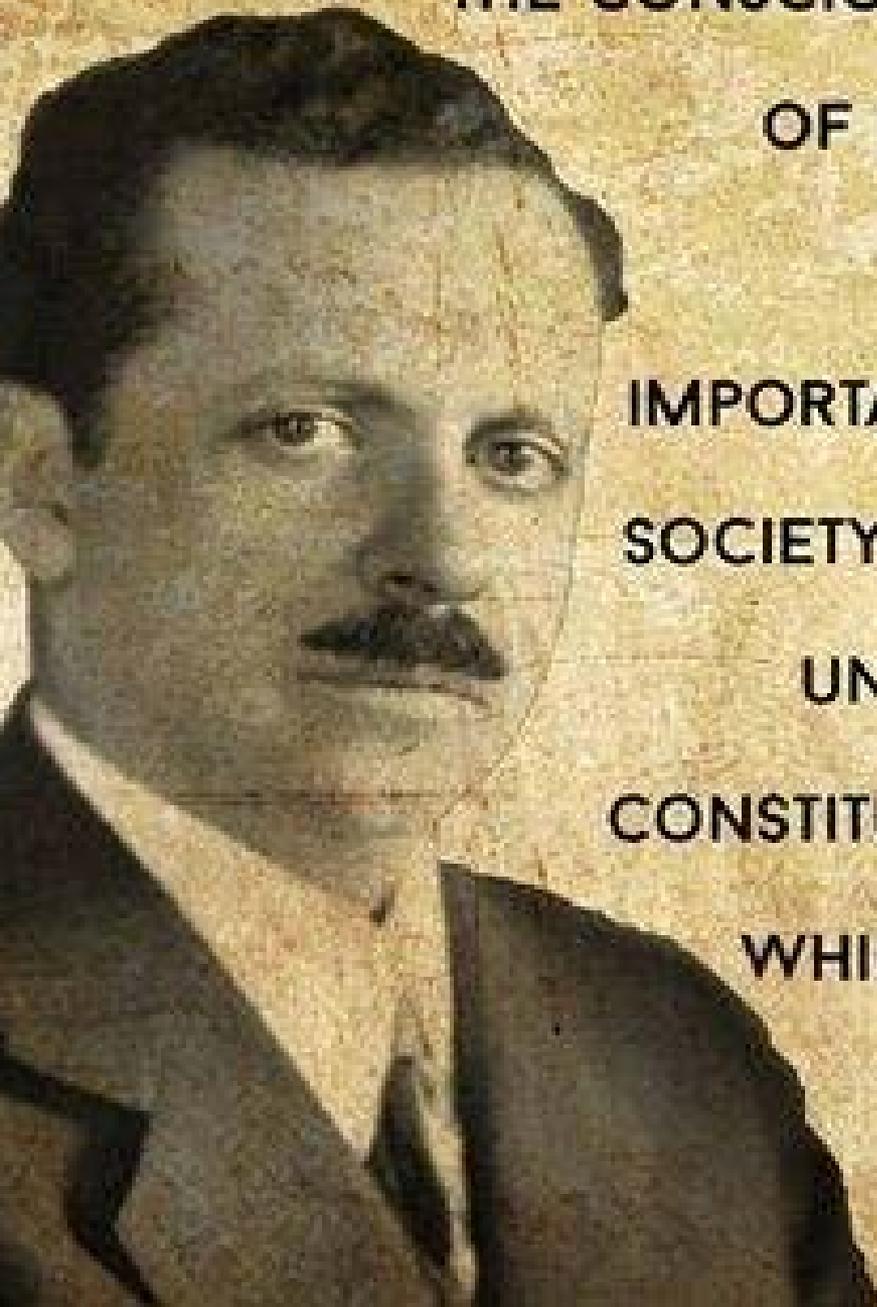
- Regent Esplanade
- Jackie Brown
- Bulldog club XL
- Gallo
- Marcellino
- Khala bar
- Atlanta
- Bocca Marai
- Charlie
- Fly





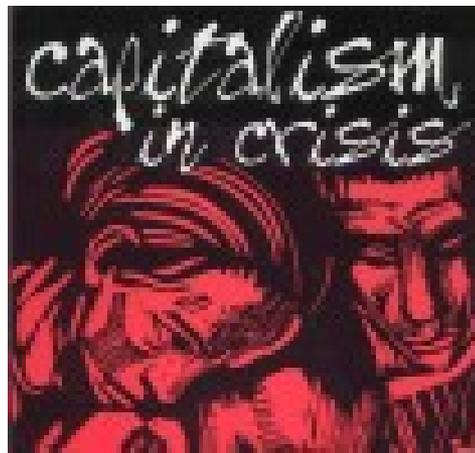
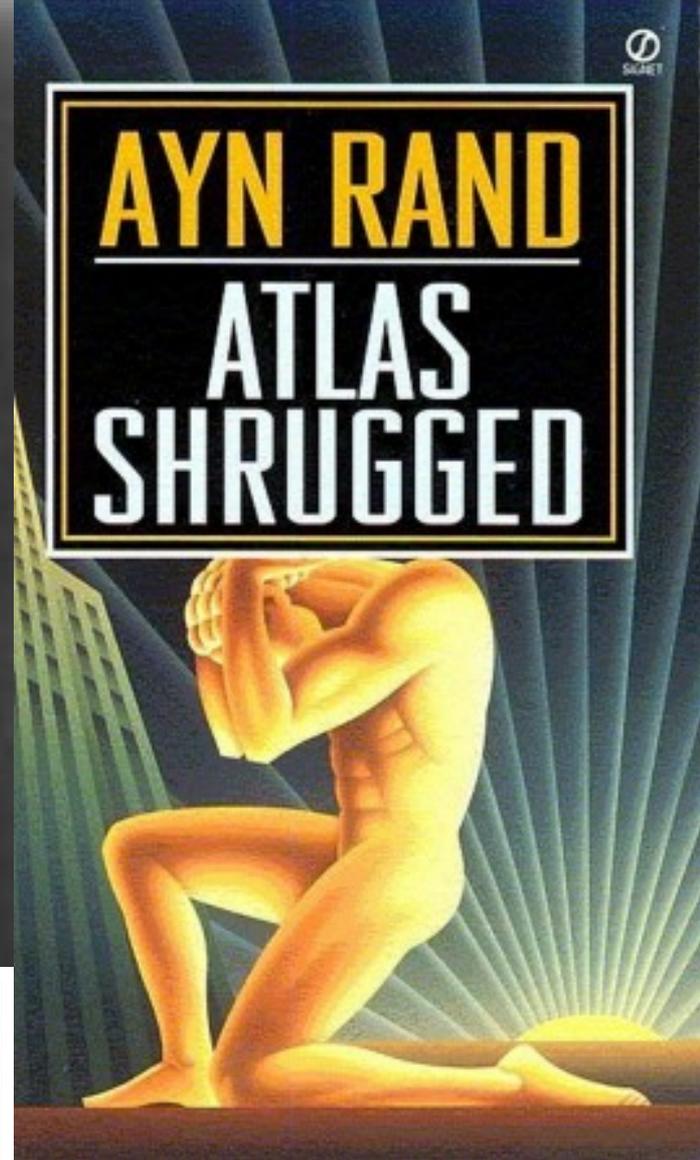
Globalisation

- Imposing foreign narratives in films, media, Internet
- Imposing culture industries (books, magazines, performing arts, games...)
- Political blackmail deals, associations, atmosphere, radicalisation)
- Military coercion by imposed conflicts, induced wars
- Hybrid war: information attack, turning young into opposition, corrupting economists and politicians, NGO sector, mnemosphere battles© (narratives)



THE CONSCIOUS INTELLIGENT MANIPULATION
OF THE ORGANIZED OPINIONS AND
HABITS OF THE MASSES IS AN
IMPORTANT ELEMENT IN A DEMOCRATIC
SOCIETY. THOSE WHO MANIPULATE THIS
UNSEEN MECHANISM OF SOCIETY
CONSTITUTE AN INVISIBLE GOVERNMENT
WHICH IS THE TRUE RULING POWER
IN OUR SOCIETY.

EDWARD BERNAYS

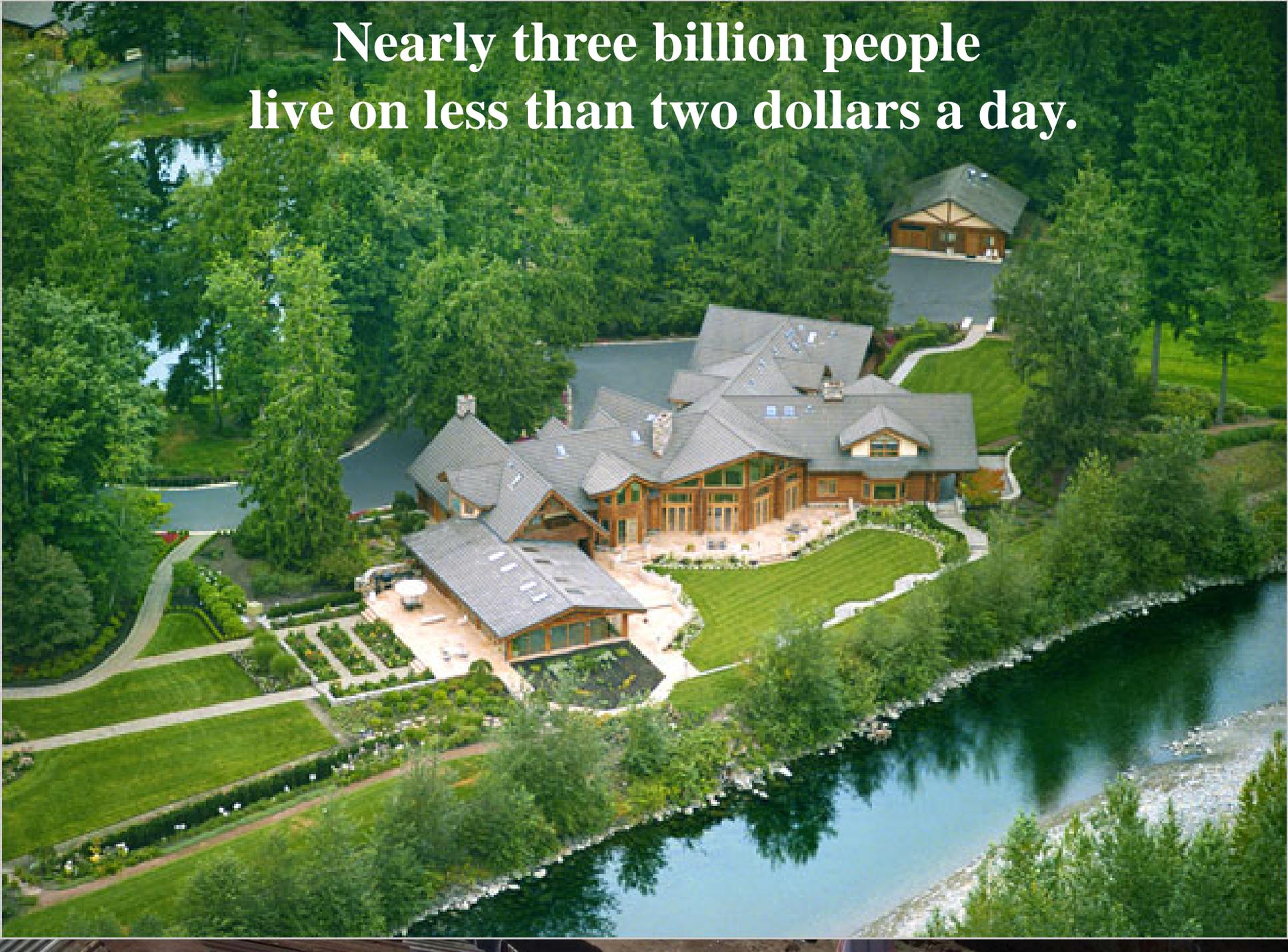


1957.

The velvet tyranny of the 1 %

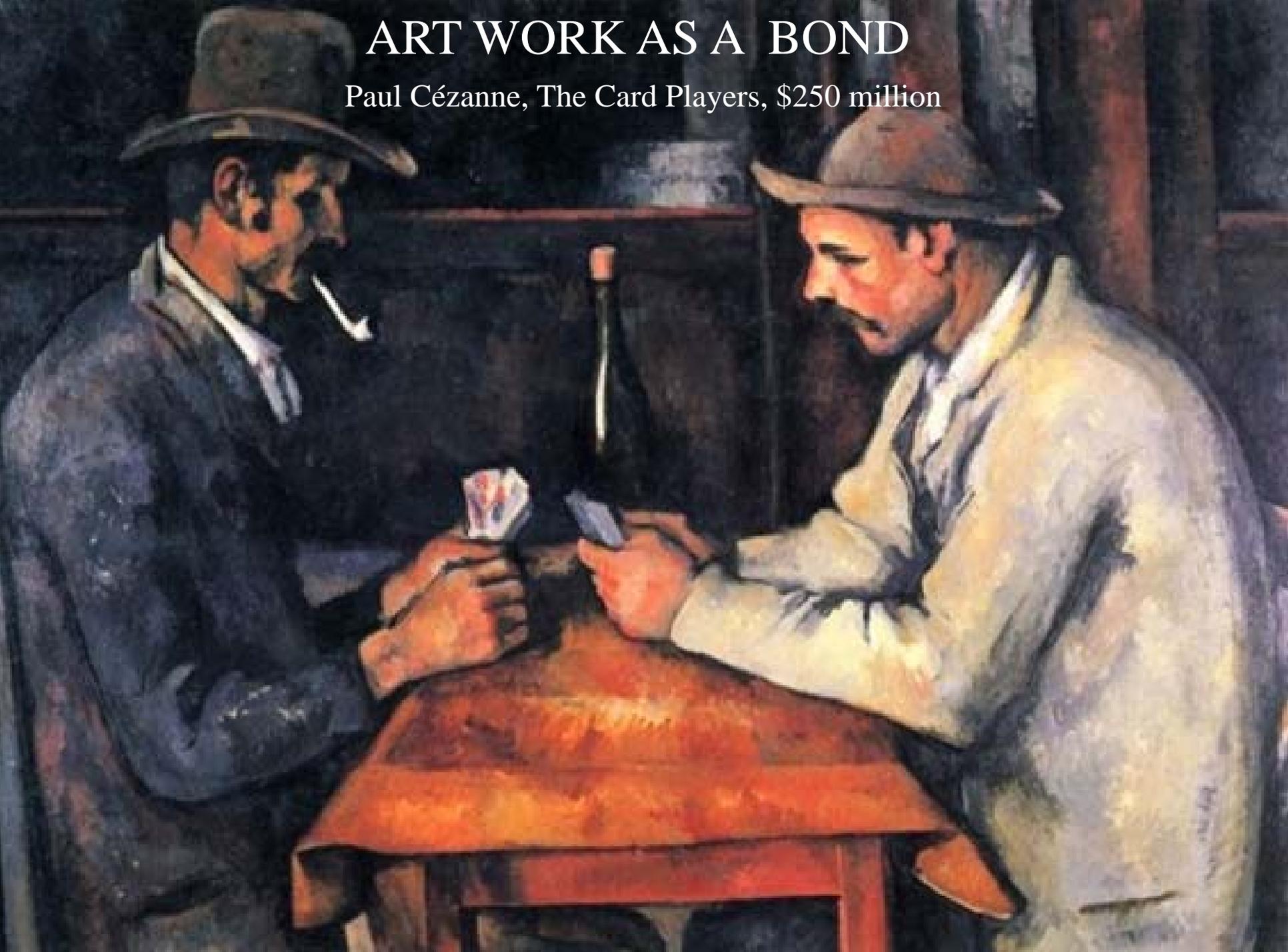


**Nearly three billion people
live on less than two dollars a day.**



ART WORK AS A BOND

Paul Cézanne, The Card Players, \$250 million





“Le Freeport”



Where are the poor in art today ?



Decadence of public intellectuals

When taken positively , globalisation

is a “tsunami” wave to surf upon:

- Multicultural and multi-centred world of free, united nations
- Serving the difference: all different – all equal
- Turning dominance into win-win cooperation and internationalisation
- Planetary democracy as the rule of justice and equal chances
- Maintaining cultural and bio- diversity
- Diversity understood as energy and richness
- A natural process to thrive upon
- All different – all equal: on all levels
- Affirming real democracy is the rule of justice and equal chances
- Creating multi-polar world

The position of the West

Suppressed guilt for the centuries of tyranny, exploitation and crimes

Expectation and fear that the victims will assume revenge and reprisal

Creating post-capitalist society as era of Great Greed

Turning into the Masters of Chaos, as new strategy of repression

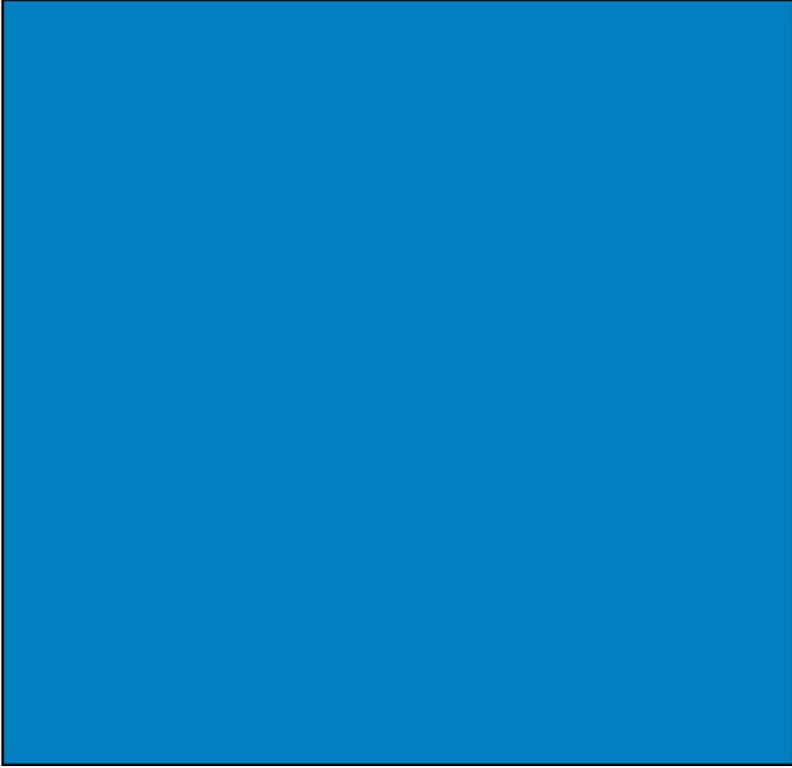
The Rich world's prayer



**"And may we continue to be worthy
of consuming
a disproportionate share of this planet's resources"**

technology
changes,
humans
don't.





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In brief, the world that is getting...

- Unbearable
- Biased, inequitable
- Unilateral, exclusive
- Insensitive, indifferent, unfriendly

.....and also, ugly, conflictive, unfair imbalanced,
dangerous, divided

**.....requires counter-active responses,
to regain balance, keep the quality
and assure continuity**