



## The Spiritual Work of the United Nations and the Liberation of Humanity

### The Triumph of the Spiritual Work of the United Nations

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Warrior I am, and from the battle I emerge triumphant.

**The Tibetan Master, Djwhal Khul, in [A Treatise on White Magic](#) by Alice A. Bailey**

“Human progress,” wrote Martin Luther King, Jr., “never rolls in on wheels of inevitability. It comes through tireless efforts and persistent work. . . . Without this hard work, time itself becomes an ally of the forces of social stagnation.” The idea of human development exemplifies these efforts, brought about by a committed group of intellectuals and practitioners who want to change the way we think about the progress of societies.

**[Human Development Report, 2010](#)**

Dear Friends,

Two ancient and inherited ideas which have controlled humanity’s life over the past centuries are 1) aggression for the sake of possession, and 2) the authority of a single man/woman, group, or church which represents the State. Such powers have often worked behind the scenes, but their motives and beliefs are abundantly clear: selfish ambition and a violently imposed authority.

We see the ramifications of these two ideas all around us. As a result of the past centuries of greed, selfishness, aggression and materialism, the world is held captive by the forces of maya, glamour and illusion—those forces which would obstruct any spiritual progress and keep us stuck in the darkness of the past.

To the degree that each citizen of the world (that is, *each one of us*), succumbs to these ancient and inherited ideas and expresses or supports the qualities which fuel them—to that degree do these ideas play out in our global society.

Spiritual progress and the resulting freedom is therefore largely dependent upon those spiritually awakened people in every nation who (within themselves) strive to move forward out of one or other of these “glamorous illusions of mayavic impressions” into a state of spiritual awareness wherein they can see the existing conflict in its wider terms—between the spiritual principles of Light, Love and the Will-

to-Good and the darkness and ignorance which would prevent or eclipse the expression of those principles.

The objectives of the United Nations since its founding include 1) the abandonment of the use of force; 2) the creation of a permanent system of general security; and, 3) a world-wide collaboration to promote improved living standards—in greater freedom—for all people everywhere. These objectives are based on the four freedoms, first enunciated by U.S. President Franklin Roosevelt on January 6, 1941: freedom from fear, freedom from want, freedom of expression and freedom to worship or freedom of conscience.

Thus, the objectives of the United Nations as stated within its founding documents and as exemplified in its aspirations and day-to-day worldwide work, are in direct conflict with the ancient and inherited ideas, which hold humanity hostage and directly or indirectly govern so many on our planet.

Slowly, however, the Light is dawning, and as Arundhati Roy has famously said, if we listen carefully, we can hear the new world breathing as it emerges into the light of day: “Another world is not only possible, she is on her way. On a quiet day, I can hear her breathing.”

For the creation of this new world, many within the United Nations daily effort and strive. One excellent example of this fact can be found within the yearly publication of the Human Development Report, first conceived by Mahbub ul Haq in 1990. This year’s 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary issue was released on November 4<sup>th</sup>.

The Human Development report introduced a Human Development Index (HDI) and innovative key approaches to the measurement of development that go well beyond national incomes and the sheer size of national economies. The basic purpose of the “human development concept,” explains Mr. ul Haq “is to enlarge people’s choices.”

For example, people often value achievements that do not show up at all, or not immediately, in income or growth figures: greater access to knowledge, better nutrition and health services, more secure livelihoods, security against crime and physical violence, satisfying leisure hours, political and cultural freedoms and a sense of participation in community activities. “The objective of development,” wrote Mr. ul Haq, “is to create an enabling environment for people to enjoy long, healthy and creative lives.” Mahbub ul Haq (1934-1998), Founder of the Human Development Report,

The Report’s website further elaborates: This way of looking at development, often forgotten in the immediate concern with accumulating commodities and financial wealth, is not new. Philosophers, economists and political leaders have long emphasized human wellbeing as the purpose, and the end of development. As Aristotle said in ancient Greece, “*Wealth is evidently not the good we are seeking, for it is merely useful for the sake of something else.*”

In seeking that something else, human development shares a common vision with human rights. The goal is human freedom. People must be free to exercise their choices and to participate in decision-making that affects their lives. Human development and human rights are mutually reinforcing, helping to secure the well-being and dignity of all people, building self-respect and respect for others.

As the following descriptive and historical video emphasizes, “it’s not the level of income that matters, it’s the use that is made of that income,” and further, “we should tell the story of development in terms of how people are faring, not just how production is faring:” People First: The Human Development Reports, Video

For example, in this year's report, China is shown to have a 2,000 percent increase in daily wages, but China did not improve markedly in education or health. As the authors of the Report affirm, improvements are never automatic. They require political will, courageous leadership and the continuing commitment of the international community.

Sharing the World's Resources, the report recently launched by the NGO, Share the World's Resources, advances a similar idea about the need for the global economy to be primarily geared towards securing basic human needs. As its title makes obvious, this report places emphasis on the need for sharing the world's resources: "A sustainable global economy fit for the 21st Century must be based on a new ethical framework that reflects and supports humanity's interdependence. The process of economic sharing can ensure that the world's essential resources, goods and services are made accessible to all."

As is starkly and depressingly obvious during these days of global economic crises, these ideas are unfortunately met with daunting resistance—both within the world at large and within the United Nations itself.

Given the uphill battle it daily wages against the forces hostile to such honorable objectives, which thanks to a growing favorable public opinion, are daily lessening, it is no surprise that the United Nations officially came into existence on October 24th, under the astrological sign of Scorpio—a sign, which in our current stage of evolution, governs the Path of Discipleship and influences the turning point in the life of the individual and of humanity.

Thus, Scorpio provides "points of crisis" and "moments of reorientation," wherein we have the opportunity to reorient ourselves to the life of the indwelling spiritual principle—the Soul. Desire for material goods, for example, can be superseded by a desire for the expression of spiritual values.

As the esoteric wisdom tells us, the energies of this solar sign bring major tests—tests which Scorpio carries right down into the physical plane life. These, when faced and handled can carry the life of the disciple "into heaven" and the problem, which the test involved is solved by the use of the reasoning mind. When the limitations revealed by these tests are realized and overcome, the disciple is then able to establish right relations with the Soul and also with the environment, which is the goal of all tests in Scorpio.

The keywords of this sign are significant and illuminating. Deception and triumph; control by Maya and control by the soul; conflict and peace—such are the hidden secrets of this sign and these are summed up for all disciples in the two keynotes of this sign. Upon the ordinary wheel, wherein the soul is found blind and apparently helpless, the Word goes forth in the following terms: "And the Word said, Let Maya flourish and let deception rule"; upon the reversed wheel, the soul chants or sings the words: "Warrior I am and from the battle I emerge triumphant." (Esoteric Astrology, p. 226)

Will you contribute then, to insuring the triumph of the Soul on our planet by joining in thoughtful meditation, using the meditation outline, "The Spiritual Work of the United Nations and the Liberation of Humanity," in order to support the spiritual work of the United Nations and the improvement of life on our planet?

**For those who live within the vicinity of the United Nations, you are invited to meet in silent meditation from Noon until 12:30 p.m. in the UN Meditation Room on Friday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, two days prior to the day of the Solar Festival, which this year in the U.S. Eastern time zone, falls on Sunday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at 12:27 p.m. Discussion will follow outside the Meditation Room from 12:30 – 1:15 p.m. This Room is**

**open to all visitors and a guest pass is not needed; however, allow enough time to go through the UN's security tent at 46<sup>th</sup> Street and 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue.**

Those of us who live outside the New York City area have the opportunity to contribute our good energies and thoughts, using the above meditation outline not only this Friday, but weekly, every Friday. Please inquire if you need a copy of the meditation outline, available in several languages.

Information about meditation at the time of the Solar Festivals, along with the 2010 schedule of meeting dates is posted [here](#) and you are invited and encouraged to take every opportunity to participate.

You are also invited to ponder the [quote of the month](#), posted on the first of every month. We hope the accompanying cosmic image stirs your imagination and serves as a reminder of the eternal divine circulatory flow that is possible when there is a synthesis and synchronization of individual, planetary and cosmic energies.

The available transcripts of the recent Seminar, held at the UN Foundation Conference Center, focusing on "[The Imperative Need for a Transformation of Consciousness](#)" are now posted on-line and we welcome your feedback and comments/questions. Thanks to the thoughtful, dedicated contributions of all who participated, the Seminar is yet having ripple effects and continues to inspire and enliven. The transcripts of the three panel presentations have been translated and are available in Spanish upon request.

As we often indicate, the objectives and goals of the United Nations, as set forth in its founding documents and in its continued work, are part of the unfolding Plan of Light, Love and Power. As we have often stated, when the United Nations emerges into actual power, the welfare of the world will then be assured. Will you continue to add energy to this thought as you work with and help circulate the YouTube video featuring the Great Invocation, photos of the UN General Assembly and the UN Meditation Room under the theme of [Reconciliation and the Healing of the Nations?](#)

We are also pleased to let you know that the DVD of the Great Invocation sounded in the six official languages of the UN is now available for purchase. It includes photos of our fascinating universe as well as images of the United Nations at work in the world. For further information, please write to [un@aquaac.org](mailto:un@aquaac.org).

In loving planetary service,

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