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## ***From the President's Desk***

It is so obviously true that whatever even smacks of Christian, Christianity, or Christian ethics is publically mocked, ridiculed and castigated. We are quickly reaching "critical mass"-morality. Nearly every place we look, the anti-Christian atmosphere is evident and pervasive. We are not only in the suburbs of Gomorrah, we are downtown.

The following piece by Patrick J. Buchanan was in the April 30, 1997 edition of *The Washington Times* on page A16. In this column, you can judge for yourself if we are in the suburbs or downtown. His piece is entitled "The Advance of the Pagan Battalions."

"Spring 1997 may mark the moment when decadence went mainstream in America and neo-paganism emerged as the religion of our cultural and media elites.

"At the White House Correspondents dinner, actresses Ellen DeGeneres and Anne Heche stole the show, declaring themselves lesbian lovers, kissing and stroking each other for the cameras beneath a beneficently smiling president of the United States.

"The day of the dinner, *The New Republic* came out with a review of Norman Mailer's *The Gospel According to the Son*. The magazine cover depicts Mr. Mailer as a teary-eyed Christ in stained glass, a crown of thorns pressed down upon his brow, beneath a parody of some of the last words of the crucified Savior: 'He is Finished.' The subhead: 'Norman Mailer Nails Himself.' How witty.

"In post-Christian America, the most sacred of Christian events have become fair game for parody, satire, mockery and exploitation.

"The Feast of the Annunciation, a holy day to Roman Catholics, commemorates the moment the Angel Gabriel appeared to Mary to ask her to become the Mother of God.

"In mid-April, French choreographer Angelin Preljocaj brought his balletic version, 'Annunciation,' to New York, to a rave review in *The New York Times*. Mr. Preljocaj converts the sacred mystery of faith into 'a lyrical if erotic encounter between Mary and a female angel,'

"The photo accompanying the *Times*' review shows a scantily clad, sexy Mary leaning back in nervous apprehension at the angel's lesbian advance. Mr. Preljocaj is 'not a bore,' the review assures us: 'Highly cerebral, he is concerned with instinct, which is depicted in his work as atavistic or sexual. . . with inner feelings, especially those that people cannot acknowledge to themselves.'

"Christian symbols and miracles have always held power for artists, inspiring some of our greatest music, painting, sculpture, literature and architecture. The sacrilegious and blasphemous uses to which those symbols and events are being put, however, is new.

"In December's *First Things*, a magazine of religious and cultural commentary edited by Catholic priest Richard John Neuhaus, an article by Michael Linton, who studied at Yale's Institute of Sacred Music, documents how sacrilege is now celebrated even at the Metropolitan Opera.

"Last year, conductor James Levine was feted for 25 years at the Met. In his tenure, only two works have premiered. One, Philip Glass' 'The Voyager,' is about Columbus, Queen Isabella and the Blessed Mother, who comes to Earth on a space ship to start the human race. Dr. Linton describes an early scene:

"'The Commander (here, a woman dressed madonna-like in white with a blue veil). . . is left alone to meet "the natives." They stare at her. She stares at them. They start to wiggle. She retreats a little. . . . The music gets louder. . . the male natives take off their shirts, and about half have intercourse with the Commander. A post-coital epiphany transfigures them. Emerging energized, they begin to dominate less experienced brothers. A master race is created, the carriers of culture. Sex with alien lady sparks human civilization.'

"In Act II, the mast of Columbus' ship is in the shape of a cross: '(T)he Blessed Virgin returns. But now, she commands the admiral to worship her as his true queen and "one true god." At the base of the mast/cross, they have sex. . . . The first mate cries out "Tierra!" The scene quickly changes, and landfall is made. Two naked West Indians advance with peace offerings, and Columbus shoots them dead.'

"Calling the opera a 'deliberate attack upon the sensibilities of Christians,' Dr. Linton writes, the 'post-modern aesthetic has entered the mainstream of Western high culture. . . . It is at the fringes no longer. It has made its Met debut. It has triumphed Up Town.'

"Where have all the Christians gone? Where is the Catholic Church? Where are the Republicans? I'll tell you. Chastened by the censorious rhetoric of actor Alec Baldwin, the GOP is backing off defunding the National Endowment for the Arts, which has given the Met millions and which provided the seed money for 'The Voyager.'

"But if the GOP lacks the moral courage to defund the NEA, perhaps it is time that Christians defunded the GOP."

## ***Month In Review. . .***

"Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. For by it the elders obtained a good report. Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear. By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts: and by it he being dead yet speaketh. By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God. But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him."

Hebrews 11:1-6

"The physical universe, therefore, was not somehow made out of pre-existing materials of any kind. Thus, theistic evolution is an oxymoron. Only special creation of the worlds, accomplished merely by the omnipotent 'Let there be' of God, can account for the things that are seen. His processes of creating and making all things *ex nihilo* - 'out of nothing' but His own omnipotence - were all completed and stopped at the end of the six days of creation week (Genesis 2:1-3). His present works consist of conserving and redeeming what He has created, as confirmed by the two most basic and universal of all known scientific principles, the so-called First and Second Laws of Thermodynamics. The First Law (mass/energy conservation) assures us that the universe did not create itself, as many modern physicists and New Agers imagine. The Second Law (mass/energy deterioration) assures us that the universe must have been created in the beginning and is not of infinite age, otherwise it already would have completely deteriorated into uniform stillness and death. Therefore, it could only have been spoken into being by the omnipotent Word of God. Those who believe otherwise are 'without excuse' (Romans 1:20)."

*The Defenders Bible*, p. 1378, Henry Morris, ed.

"John Wickliff died in 1384. After his death, the university [Oxford] published the following testimony concerning him:

"That from his youth to the time of his death, his conversation was so praiseworthy, that there never was any spot or suspicion reported of it; that in his reading and preaching he behaved like a stout and valiant champion of the faith, and that he had written in logic, philosophy, divinity, morality, and the arts, without an equal."

*The Works of Thomas Shepard*, Volume 1, page xxxiii

"Preaching and teaching must prepare people to defend Theism and live and work for the glory of God.

Throughout the different areas of society, theists need to speak out, in psychology, education, medicine, and politics. As the source of all truth about reality, the transcendent God cannot wisely be dismissed in any area of life."

*Integration Theology*, Gordon Lewis and Bruce Demarest, Vol. 1, p. 211

## ***The Evolutionist's Problems***

"Near the end of his life, Isaac Newton wrote: 'I do not know what I may appear to the world; but to myself I seem to have been only like a boy playing on the seashore, and diverting myself in now and then finding a smoother pebble or a prettier shell than ordinary, while the great ocean of truth lay all undiscovered before me.'

"Even though Isaac Newton's pebbles and shells formed the basis for the scientific and industrial revolutions which created our civilization and Newton was undoubtedly able to foresee at least some of their implications and potential, he never lost the humility with which he placed himself and his discoveries in universal perspective."

*Access to Energy*, May 1997

"According to Harold P. Klein of Santa Clara University, chairman of a National Academy of Sciences committee that recently reviewed origin-of-life research, 'The simplest bacterium is so complicated from the point of view of a chemist that it is almost impossible to imagine how it happened.'"

Alvin Plantinga, *Faith and Philosophy*, Volume 13, No. 3, p. 385

"As modern biochemistry reveals [e.g., see Michael Behe's *Darwin's Black Box*], the simplest forms of life display an astonishing, stunning complexity, a complicated interrelatedness and functional integrity that boggles the mind. According to Francis Crick [of DNA fame], life must be regarded as the next thing to a miracle."

Alvin Plantinga, *Faith and Philosophy*, Volume 13, No. 3, p. 385

Question: if Sir Isaac Newton, after great study, sees himself as barely scratching the surface of truth and if Sir Francis Crick sees life as a "near" miracle, why are Christians held in such contempt for accepting creative miracle as the answer to the truth of life's origin? Crick says life is a 'near' miracle and Christians say it is a miracle. Why can't both positions be stated in the classroom? The Simpsons, Goulds and Futuymas of the world insist that human beings are not designed while Christian theism insists human beings are designed and created in the image of God. Why can't both positions be discussed in the classrooms of America?

"Is it possible to be a world-class scientist and a creationist?"

"Dr. Raymond Damadian, inventor of the Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) machine, doesn't mind being in the minority - as long as he's on the side of truth.

"His 'hang-in-there' perseverance is the trademark of the world-renowned scientist and inventor.

"Damadian is also a Christian and a creationist.

"He told *The Abbotsford News* that he doesn't think the theory of evolution is true, because the data doesn't support it.

"'The truth is: One has to be brutally honest about science and in my opinion it's incompatible to be a scientist and an evolutionist,' said Damadian.

"'I've been looking at the data for years and objectively evaluating it and I think evolutionists are just spinning their wheels,' said the outspoken scientist.

"'The argument that evolution occurred by chance has no foundation in reality,' said Damadian.

"Like the unfolding of a science-fiction suspense novel, Damadian battled incredible odds to create the most exciting medical breakthrough since the X-Ray: The Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) machine.

"His invention made front page news headlines in *The New York Times* and *Newsweek* in 1977.

"And in 1989, he joined the legendary heroes of his boyhood - Thomas Edison, Alexander Bell, and the Wright Brothers - when he was inducted into the National Inventor's Hall of Fame for his invention of magnetic resonance scanning."

*Christian News*, December 2, 1996

## ***Foolishness of Naturalism***

"The Naturalist can, if he chooses, brazen it out. He can say. . . 'all ideas of good and evil are hallucinations - shadows cast on the outer world by the impulses which we have been conditioned to feel.' Indeed many Naturalists are delighted to say this.

"But then they must stick to it; and fortunately (though inconsistently) most real Naturalists do not. A moment after they have admitted that good and evil are illusions, you will find them exhorting us to work for posterity, to educate, revolutionize, liquidate, live and die for the good of the human race. . . .

They write with indignation like men proclaiming what is good in itself and denouncing what is evil in itself, and not at all like men recording that they personally like mild beer but some people prefer bitter. Yet if the 'oughts' of Mr. [H.G.] Wells and, say, Franco are both equally the impulses which Nature has conditioned each to have and both tell us nothing about any objective right or wrong, whence is all the fervour? Do they remember while they are writing thus that when they tell us we 'ought to make a better world' the words 'ought' and 'better' must, on their own showing, refer to an irrationally conditioned impulse which cannot be true or false any more than a vomit or a yawn?

"My idea is that sometimes they do forget. That is their glory. Holding a philosophy which excludes humanity, they yet remain human. At the sight of injustice they throw all their Naturalism to the winds and speak like men."

C.S. Lewis, *Miracles*

"According to Christian Theism, God is constantly at work in his universe. He is in constant, close, intimate causal contact with His creation, supporting and upholding it in being; were it not for this constant upholding activity, the cosmos would disappear like a candle flame in a high wind."

Alvin Plantinga, *Faith and Philosophy*, Volume 13, No. 3, p. 384

"[Professor] McMullin seems to think of God as like a classical artist, devoted to ideals of simplicity, and elegance, economy and restraint. But why think of Him like *that*? Perhaps God is more like a romantic artist with limitless resources, extravagant, prolific, fecund, overflowing with uproarious creative activity, disdaining restraint and economy of action. (The millions of species that have become extinct would be examples of this exuberant fertility.) After all, what are the attractions of economy for Him? Creatures limited in energy, power and time have need for economy; God suffers from no such limitations. Is it instead the idea that God's interest in economy of effort is a matter of aesthetic preference? But is there even the slightest reason to think so? The Lord constantly acts in his creation; apart from his upholding activity, it would disappear like a puff of smoke; why would he think it beneath his dignity, or aesthetically unpleasant, or otherwise disagreeable to take a hand in his creation in other ways? Perhaps he is very much a hands-on God. Perhaps he marks various important transitions and junctures in the history of his creation by special celebratory or ceremonial activity of some sort. Perhaps an example of this sort of activity is his creating certain kinds of life specially, thus symbolically marking the importance of the transition. 'Are not sparrows two for a penny? Yet without your Father's leave,' says Jesus, 'not one of them can fall to the ground.' If the Lord's creation scheme is such that his leave is needed for a sparrow to fall, might he not have created various forms of life - perhaps even sparrows - specially? Why not?"

Alvin Plantinga, *Faith and Philosophy*, Volume 13, No. 3, p. 386-387

"What can be more silly, arrogant and misbecoming, than for a Man to think that he has a Mind and Understanding in him, but yet in all the Universe beside, there is no such thing? Or that those things,

which with the utmost stretch of his Reason he can scarce comprehend, should be moved and managed without any Reason at all?' . . . Nay, I presume I may say, that we more certainly know that there is a GOD, than that there is any thing else without us, [i.e., any other objects external to us]. When I say we *know*, I mean there is such a Knowledge within our reach, which we cannot miss, if we will but apply our minds to that, as we do to several other Enquiries."

John Locke, *Essay Concerning Human Understanding*

"As a matter of fact [says John Locke], God's existence is demonstrated to man in the creation: *'the invisible Things of GOD are clearly seen from the Creation of the World, being understood by the Things that are made, even his Eternal Power, and God-head.'*

"The universe would not exist and certainly man, a 'cognitive' being, would not exist without an eternal Creator. It is 'very obvious to Reason,' said Locke, that God 'must necessarily be a *cognitive Being*'; for 'it is as impossible to conceive, that ever bare incognitive Matter should produce a thinking intelligent Being, as that nothing should of its self produce Matter.'"

Walter W. Davis, *History, Thought and Culture*

## ***Legislate Morality?***

"We are born with many antisocial impulses, and civilization depends upon their control. Some people are born with a tendency to sudden anger. Does this give them the right to assault others whenever they feel the urge? Every rapist could plead that he is born with strong sexual and aggressive instincts. Does this justify his indulgence in rape?"

"Civil society is possible only when such 'natural' urges are controlled. If yielding to such urges harms others, the conduct is antisocial. It should also be illegal."

"We often hear the cliché, 'You can't legislate morality.' Some claim that attempts to do this breach the constitutional mandate: the separation of church and state. What nonsense!"

"It is true that murder is an immoral act. One of the Ten Commandments is, 'Thou shalt not kill.' Is the law that forbids and penalizes murder therefore unconstitutional? Morality, ethics, and legality are inextricably intertwined in civil society."

"When conduct destroys others it is not enough merely to classify it as immoral. It should also be illegal."

"The indulgence in sodomy has destroyed the health and lives of thousands of Americans. The primary victims are those who have voluntarily indulged in sodomy, but many innocents have also been penalized."

"The AIDS epidemic is like a fire that destroys the arsonists and all in its path - uninformed wives of bisexual husbands who have contracted AIDS through the practice of sodomy, recipients of blood transfusions, hemophiliacs, babies born to infected mothers, and others.

"Measures to prevent such infections in the future are desirable and should be legal. This means that each individual should know whether he or she is a potential source of infection to others. Sources of infection should be discovered and controlled. Actions which subject others to serious risks should be forbidden by law despite any genetic involvement in their motivation.

"An ancient proverb says, 'It's remarkable how easy it is to keep your temper when the other man is much bigger than you are.'

"Few acts of rape are committed in broad daylight in front of a police station."

Fred Schwarz, *Beating the Unbeatable Foe*, p. 439

Editor's Note: Dr. Schwarz's autobiography, *Beating the Unbeatable Foe*, is available from Summit at a special price of \$24.95, plus \$3.00 for shipping and handling.

"And let us not be weary in well-doing: for in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

Galatians 6:9

"When communists invaded South Korea in 1950, there was carnage in many villages below the 38<sup>th</sup> parallel.

"One of the enemy bombs found the village home of a tiny 3-year-old girl named Kim. Scores of villagers died that day. She was among the few to be spared - though the bomb blast left her grievously wounded.

"Girl babies were more a liability than an asset to impoverished Korean families anyway. So, a short time later - the war still raging - Kim's father, frustrated by his inability to feed his children, took this one down to the river to drown her.

"He had already drowned another baby daughter, but this time, the child's mother interceded. She came running and screaming, refusing to allow her baby Kim to be disposed of this way.

"After much discussion, the desperate father relented and took the child to an orphanage in Taigu.

"It was there that she was nursed back to health, and it was there that the child learned to sing. Soon, she was soloist in the orphanage church services.



"When Kim was 10, she was adopted by the George Wickes family of Dayton, Ind. Now, Kim had an American home and an American name: Kim Wickes.

"In return, she has rewarded us all.

"An outstanding student, she graduated first from Wheaton College and then from the Indiana School of Music. She won a scholarship to the Vienna Institute of Music and studied under Frau Ludwig in Europe.

"And, in the years since, Kim Wickes has brought audiences to their feet in Europe, Malaysia and Hong Kong. She's been to Israel 11 times. She received a triumphant welcome home to Korea.

"When she soloed with the Billy Graham Crusade in the Hollywood Bowl, the evangelist called it `some of the best music the Hollywood Bowl has ever heard!'

"And as she inspired him, his message convinced her. Now a Christian with concerts, recordings, and radio and TV performances, Kim Wickes has entertained and motivated uncountable millions on every continent.

"We who have heard her in person have heard vocal music with the delicacy of bird song and with the might and majesty of a heavenly host of angels.

"Listeners may come and go, hearing and heeding her Christian message, and yet not know what I have related about the child of Korea - whose father sought to drown her as `useless' at the age of 3.

"And who, from the enemy bombardment of her village, was sentenced to a lifetime of sightlessness.

"It is music of the night that is now turning on lights all over the world."

Paul Harvey in *Beating the Unbeatable Foe*, p. 450-451

## ***Economics and Prosperity***

"Since time immemorial, dictators and bureaucrats have kept the people in poverty for the power and the glory of relieving poverty. We now have a Poverty Establishment in this country. This is a new, permanent society whose business and goal is Poverty. The Guaranteed Annual Income Plan should be renamed. Guaranteed Annual Poverty would be more accurate, and it is about as necessary as a fence around a cemetery.

"What is poverty? Mostly it is a state of mind. Millions of people are broke but not poor. The `war on

poverty' is really a war on the American Way of Life, on capitalism, on freedom, and on Christianity. The more the government `wars' on poverty, the more poverty increases.

"After spending untold billions to end poverty, we now have more poverty than ever. The role of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare is as constructive as that of the little lady whose husband was asked if his wife could drive. He replied, `Only in an advisory capacity.'

"As the great philosopher Frederick Bastiat of France wrote in *The Law*, philanthropy-by-law subjects working people to legalized plunder of the fruits of their labor. As one disillusioned proletarian wrote his congressman, `Please don't improve my lot in life any further. I can't afford it.'

"History proves that once a human is put on a diet of someone else's money, he soon becomes an addict. They want to be like hens - just lay around and make money."

Tom Anderson, *Straight Talk*, April 24, 1997

"Capitalism works better than any of us can conceive. It is also the only truly moral system of exchange. It encourages individuals to freely devote their energies and impulses to peaceful pursuits, to the satisfaction of others' wants and needs, and to constructive action for the welfare of all. The basis for capitalism is not greed. You don't see misers creating Wal-Marts and Microsofts.

"Think about it for a moment. Capitalism is truly miraculous. What other system enables us to cooperate with millions of other ordinary people - whom we will never meet but to whom we will gladly provide goods and services - in an incredible, complex web of commercial transactions? And what other system perpetuates itself, working every day, year in, year out, with no single hand guiding it?

"Capitalism is a moral system if only because it is based on trust. When we turn on a light, we assume that there will be electricity. When we drive into a service station, we assume that there will be fuel. When we walk into a restaurant, we assume that there will be food. If we were to make a list of all the basic things that capitalism provides - things that we take for granted - it would fill an encyclopedia."

Malcolm S. Forbes, Jr in *Straight Talk*, April 24, 1997

"From exceedingly humble beginnings, I am now in the top 1% of income-earners. How did that come about? Maybe someone saw me walking around North Philadelphia and said, `Williams, I'm going to make you well off.' That would have been nice, but it didn't happen that way.

"In 1960, stationed in Korea, 24 years old, it dawned on me that if I didn't get started soon, I'd never get anywhere. My wife and I agreed that when my Army tour was over and we had saved \$700, we'd move to California and I'd go to college. Discharged on July 2, 1961, I returned to my job with Yellow Cab. After Thanksgiving with Mom, we were on the road to California in my 1951 Mercury, towing our worldly possessions in a 4-by-6-foot trailer.

"Connie landed a \$65-a-week job. I started California State College that February. My wife's meager earnings meant powdered milk and `checks and dirties' eggs. Butter was out of the question except for holidays. Shopping was an excursion that might include seven stores in one evening, purchasing only those items on sale. Ten and a half years later, going to school year round, including summers, I was awarded a Ph.D. in economics from UCLA.

"Our story of sacrifice and hard work is a story millions of Americans can tell. The story's point is quite different. People can easily see the fruits of others' efforts (big houses, fancy cars and money), but they usually don't see the effort that produced these fruits. As a result, they conclude that it's not fair for some people to have much more than others. Envy sets in. They fall easy prey to demagogues and charlatans, who convince them there's something unjust when some earn higher income than others. Justice requires that Congress step in to take away `ill-gotten' gains and return them to their `rightful' owners."

Walter E. Williams, *Human Events*, April 25, 1997, p. 19

## **Other**

"Postmodernism, a wayward stepchild of Marxism, is in this sense a generation's realization that it is orphaned."

*From Modernism to Postmodernism*, Lawrence Cahoon, ed., p. 10

"Friedrich Nietzsche's radical critique of metaphysics, the unity of the self, even of truth itself, and his conception of all reality and all values as expressing the `will to power,' make him the grandfather of postmodernism."

*From Modernism to Postmodernism*, Lawrence Cahoon, ed., p. 102

For undoubtedly the most radical deviation to be made of humanity is between two types: those who demand much of themselves and assign themselves great tasks and duties and those who demand nothing in particular of themselves, for whom living is to be at all times what they already are, without any effort at perfection - bouys floating on the waves.

Jose Ortega y Gasset, *The Crowd Phenomenon*

"Are the liberal media beginning to see the light on environmental activism in the schools? On Earth Day, April 22, three pillars of the establishment - the *New York Times*, the *Washington Post* and National Public Radio - ran feature stories about the growing opposition to the environmental indoctrination being foisted on children in America's classrooms. The stories tracked the growing skepticism of many parents about the one-sided `information' kids are exposed to on such sensitive

issues as acid rain, recycling, the ozone layer, and global warming.

"Each cited parents' concerns about textbooks filled with distortions and inaccuracies, and with curricula pushing an anti-business, anti-free enterprise agenda. 'What the kids tend to get today is the catastrophic, doomsday version of environmental problems,' Dr. Michael Sanera told the *New York Times*. Sanera, a conservative academic who co-authored *Facts, Not Fear*, a book highly critical of the environmental extremism that pervades children's education, was prominently featured in each of the Earth Day stories."

*Human Events*, May 2, 1997, p. 2

"Prisoners who serve time reading the Bible are less likely to commit crimes after release than those who don't, according to a new study.

"Two groups of inmates - 201 criminals who attended Bible study and 201 who did not - were monitored after release, and only 14 percent of the ex-cons with the Christian instruction were arrested again.

"Members of the group without Bible study showed a 41 percent arrest rate after release from the four different New York prisons, according to the research by Lamar University criminologist Byron Johnson.

"Mr Johnson and other researchers said at a news conference this week that the study may not have a national application, but it suggests a workable solution under certain circumstances.

"'Programs targeting core values can be effective in reducing recidivism,' or repeat offenses, said Dr. David Larson of the National Institute of Healthcare Research, which sponsored the research. 'Current prison programs have not proven to be effective, as current rearrest rates, from 50 to 75 percent, continue to climb.'

"James Q. Wilson, a University of Southern California political scientist who studies crime, said in a telephone interview he could not comment of the research's rigorosity but added that it is far more hopeful than most.

"'Many people who study this, including myself, are not very optimistic that anything can be done with prisoners to change them,' he said. 'Most criminologists today are looking at childhood intervention as a solution.'

"In the new study, the inmates who had the Bible instruction did so with Prison Fellowship, the largest of several prison ministries nationwide."

*The Washington Times*, April 12, 1997, p. A5

"Russia and China moved closer together yesterday, following up on Wednesday's joint declaration against U.S. world domination with a sweeping troop-limitation pact that seems likely to boost Beijing's power in Central Asia.

"The agreement, also signed by three former Soviet republics, 'transforms Russia into a Chinese satellite. Russia has become the junior partner in the relationship,' said Zbigniew Brzezinski, who was national security adviser to President Carter.

"'If I was a Russian, I would now be wondering how soon Russia will lose the Far East.'

"In Moscow, President Boris Yeltsin told his fellow signatories: 'This day will go down in history.'

"'It took us seven years of tense talks to reach this result, which is unprecedented for Asia and the Pacific region,' Mr. Yeltsin said.

"Also signing were Presidents Jiang Zemin of China, Askar Akayev of Kyrgyzstan, Nursultan Nazarbayev of Kazakhstan and Imomali Rakhmonov of Tajikistan.

"The pact, which expires in 2020, sets strict limits for troops and military technology along more than 4,000 miles of border between China and the former Soviet Union.

"James Schlesinger, former CIA director and former secretary of defense, said the agreement 'will permit the Chinese to move the bulk of their land forces eastward to project their power in the regional disputes they have there' with Taiwan, the Philippines, Vietnam and other nations.

"'Over the past decade, the Chinese have maintained most of their land forces on the Russian border. Now, they will be free to redeploy them in accordance with their current geopolitical doctrine,' Mr. Schlesinger said.

"Despite such warnings, State Department spokesman Nicholas Burns rejected the notion that the growing Russia-China relationship works against the United States. He said the Clinton administration 'welcomes' yesterday's agreement."

*The Washington Times*, April 25, 1997, p. A1 "Standing with Mr. Moses, his domestic partner and a Washington mortgage banker, Mr. Frank took a pre-emptive shot at conservative critics, telling reporters after the meeting that opponents have distorted the legislation by claiming it gives a 'special privilege' to homosexuals.

"But Kristi Hamrick, a spokeswoman for the Family Research Council, said: 'What this would do is to force sexual politics into every workplace in America. . . . It gives special status to people just because of the way they have sex.'

"While it would prohibit employers from considering sexual orientation or practices in decisions on hiring, firing, promoting or compensating, she said the legislation would essentially require all but a few exempted businesses to hire homosexuals.

"Employers would be forced to set aside jobs for homosexuals or face discrimination suits, Mrs. Hamrick said, disputing claims by the sponsors that the Employment Non-Discrimination Act would bar quotas.

"That's what they said when they passed the Civil Rights Act,' Mrs. Hamrick said.

"She said family groups will campaign in 1998 against lawmakers who support the measure. 'This vote will count. The pro-family movement will take it to the mat,' she said.

"The legislation is opposed by a majority in the House but failed by just one vote in the Senate last year, 50-49, after lobbying by the White House.

"With more than a dozen new faces in the Senate, the bill's fate there is not clear. Elizabeth Birch, the executive director of the Human Rights Campaign, the nation's largest homosexual lobby, predicted passage.

"The measure enjoys bipartisan support, including the backing of Sen. Alfonse M. D'Amato, New York Republican.

"The Human Rights Campaign poured \$1.5 million into the president's re-election effort. But Miss Birch denied that Mr. Clinton's support for the legislation is a 'payoff.'

"This is not an issue that the president or vice president have to think twice about,' she said.

"Miss Birch said Vice President Al Gore made calls to senators seeking their support right up to the vote last year, and 'we have the exact same commitment this time.'

"The legislation last year was linked to the Defense of Marriage Act, which passed overwhelmingly and was signed into law by the president. Homosexual activists had wanted Mr. Clinton to veto the legislation, which allows states not to recognize the legality of same-sex 'marriages.'

"I am confident this bill will become law,' Mr. Frank said. But, he added, 'I wouldn't want to bet the farm that it happens this year.'

"A poll released by the Human Rights Campaign found that 68 percent of voters support the jobs bill. The survey, conducted by the Tarrance Group, found support across party lines.

"Sens. Edward M. Kennedy, Massachusetts Democrat, and Joseph I. Lieberman, Connecticut Democrat, plan to sponsor the legislation in the Senate. They joined Mr. Frank and Mr. Moses in the Oval Office meeting."

The Washington Times, April 25, 1997, p. A1

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