

The Bitcoin

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A reader asks:

Have you covered the creation and rising popularity of crypto currencies such as bitcoin?

Will their use will become widespread?

Wil they replace current currencies such as dollar and yen?

No, no and no says The Committee (*paraphrasing for speed*) and they explain further.

Use already is widespread, the reason for which you are both aware and asking now. The real question is, will the bitcoin come to materially replace established currencies issued by recognized sovereign nations, controlled by monetary authorities? No.

The surge of the bitcoin results from the desire to conceal, or disclose little or no details, of trade transactions which take place between holders of distinct, often disparate, currencies.

The general purpose is avoidance and evasion of taxes, and likewise to not draw attention to transactions which might be considered illicit.

The Committee says it is clear that willingness to pay sufficient tax or outright give money to politicians, either for direct, personal enrichment or to further political agendas and campaigns (*which are nearly the same thing, they say, just washed through enough sets of pockets*) will sanitize nearly any dealing.

The bitcoin is a legalized attempt to avoid taxation through the creation of a disclosed, openly traded medium of exchange which does not qualify as legal tender, and therefore is not accepted by taxation powers tied to the same central authorities which issue then confiscate currencies and tax.

The bitcoin must be seen as open and accepted to become so, which has occurred. It will not gain sufficient popularity to endure, because it would have to supplant the established currencies which exist as a symbol of the nation which issues then requires their use. The bitcoin and facsimiles or alternatives exist as an unregulated concept, and the fear this medium would evaporate with no recourse to the loser will prevent it from gaining general popularity, thus use.

Economic changes on Earth will additionally feed the decline of international trade and transactions, lessening the usefulness and appeal of the bitcoin and other similar attempts to create new, liquid media of exchange.