

The Art of the State

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No, not government owned medieval paintings.

Q: *What would happen if all countries just stopped, in other words, no borders existed? Yesterday I "watched" a video [the videographer was discussing wristwatches] made in a beautiful ski town in northeastern Italy, due east of Switzerland, named Cortina. The mountains don't know what country applies. What would humans do differently if no sovereign nations existed as we now have almost everywhere (Antarctica is the exception) ??*

C: How far forward in the process shall we look?

Q: *How about we look back? I already know what would happen in the near future. First thing after borders were lowered by both sides (otherwise they still are) citizens not in authority, the majority, would resist and rebel. Thinking of that video, if enough people starting traveling west through those beautiful alps, they'd be in Switzerland after a while, but it wouldn't be Switzerland anymore however the newcomers wouldn't be coming from Italy because that has no borders anymore either, but there are no more Swiss (this isn't easy to imagine) and also newcomers have no nationality because no borders exist anymore, so.....*

C: You are asking about human identity, really.

Q: *How do other civilizations on other planets organize their identities with and without national borders?*

C: Planetary borders, which are a natural break, barrier, limit and division.

Q: *National identity doesn't really exist?*

C: This changes significantly when travel becomes common and easy, which means inexpensive. Humans attach great value to something of high cost, because profit is involved and the money game is always played with such things.

When the craft used to move about and across a planet require no fuel and become far more reliable and dependable, because they do not fall out of the sky, the attraction becomes much less.

It costs a significant quantity of money to travel halfway across Earth, which draws interest and offers a profit opportunity.

Q: *On a planet with billions of people like Earth, moving even a small percentage, say ten each year, means 700 or 800 million travelers. Let's see, 250 per plane each jet making 250 trips per year = 62,500. This means 10 - 11,000 large jets would be needed. I bet a lot less than this exist now.*

C: The economic benefit would never develop to support this, in current human economic arrangements.

Q: *Okay, since human national borders aren't going to be erased because of global travel anytime soon....*

C: Not in your lifetimes no, but this will develop.

Q: *Hmmmm, really? How long from now?*

C: This is the human choice. No scheduled date exists on human calendars. Collective choice will allow a forecast date, which means very little now. Continue with your thought and question.

Q: *What things are we going to do when goods and services move far less between nations and regions?*

C: The instinctual answer, the natural response will be nationalism which will be futile as either a solution, which doesn't exist, or a pacification. Adopting a nationalist posture will not serve the process, but it will occur for a short time.

Q: *Bartered trade between nations will be more common?*

C: Yes, because of currency manipulation, already most common. The absence of goods and the unwillingness to provide services because of such shortages, will expose the game played with value vouchers and coupons humans call money.

Goods will move more slowly, by ship when a sea crossing is necessary and become a lot more expensive.

Q: *If the currencies are not used, how will things be valued? So many tons of American wheat for so many Mexican avocados?*

C: Yes, examples just like this will be common.

Q: *What about distrust? The avocado producer isn't going to send the fruit until certain the wheat is coming and is insured.*

C: Need will overcome skepticism.

Q: *If no national borders really exist, wouldn't heavy migration occur?*

C: Under current conditions and assumptions, yes but events will change the chase after economic opportunity now pushing migration. The USA has been attractive because the system and uses of it have produced, by comparison to places from which newcomers to the USA emigrate, much greater chances of success.

As this fades, migration will decline rather abruptly. The aforementioned nationalist instinct will cause true border shutdown. What one country calls illegal immigration exists because of the economic benefit. When advantages no longer apply, to either a new arrival or for the receiving nation, the movement will slow very quickly.

Q: *One ship blocked one canal for a week and it caused quite a buzz.*

C: Slow a thousand ships for a year and imagine.

Q: *With national borders becoming much less significant in terms of trade and commerce, will they still be enforced?*

C: Yes, as long as national identity exists. What happens always among humans is: the newcomer, because of the contrasts between knowledge, habit, custom and identity from and of the place departed, holds firmly to that identity until gaining comfort and position in the new and initially intimidating place. This is well observed among humans, especially in the last three centuries when movements became much more common.

The willingness to share will fall as perceptions of scarcity rise. Once the idea takes hold that movement will not generate opportunity sufficient to compensate the effort, national borders will become less significant and more easily regulated.

Q: *Even if it becomes easier to control movement across national borders while less of it happens, at some point will humans move to borderless societies?*

C: When languages and customs integrate. Economic opportunity motivates use and learning of language beyond one's lingua franca, Europe an obvious large example. With economic opportunity

falling sharply away, the pressure to become ready for any chance will enhance the desire to know the communication codes and habits, not just have available persons to hire for this process.

Q: This is what alien extraterrestrial visitors wish to explain to humans?

C: Yes, and they will. Human fascination and desires for thrilling entertainment will be lowered when human societies require significant adjustments. When sufficient numbers of humans are willing to accept that your cousins will not invade, destroy or demolish Earth, then a smaller group among you will have the opportunity to interview your visitor cousins.

Humans will receive good explanations of history and social development as occurred with civilizations on planets orbiting the stars you call Canopus, Arcturus, Sirius, the Pleiades cluster and Zeta Reticuli planets also.

Suggestions, explanations and choices will be explained.

Q: What will be the human reaction?

C: This is why humans are so closely observed now. Your visitor cousins will not explain to humans in a breaking news way, how control of human leadership is seized, masked and portrayed. You humans will discover this as you have created it. Your visiting cousins will offer explanations which confirm what humans will learn about the political process, when the hidden controlling powers cannot do so.

Many choices will become available in that humans will be willing to listen much more than is the case now. These choices exist already, but are not examined, explored or even considered. Maintenance of position is the priority, challenges and crises are always used by the established authority to maintain and enhance their control.

This will simply not be possible, because the central authorities controlled will be exposed as unable and inept.

At this point, explanations and suggestions from your interplanetary cousins will become more attractive.

Q: Thank you, Esteemed Committee.

C: Be well, one and all.