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HCR 3040

## 2009 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No. HCR 3040

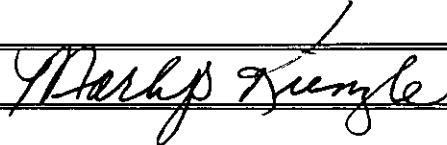
House Government and Veterans Affairs Committee

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Hearing Date: February 12, 2009

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Minutes:

**Chairman Grande:** Opened the hearing for HCR 3040.

**Rep Ruby:** I am the representative for District 38. I have looked at the language of this resolution and the intent and I want to make it clear that I support trade, but I have issues with the possibilities of situation where our sovereignty could be at risk. I have certain provisions of math that have been a problem for me. We need to be careful. There have been talk that the European Union, on how that has changing Europe and other countries. There has been some talk about doing it in North American, but we have not been doing it yet. There has not been a push for that language except behind closed doors. What has been put out front is what you see as the SPP which is the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America. You will be hearing testimony from others but I would like to give you a quote from Thomas Jefferson: Commerce with all nations' alliance with none.

**Bridget Ertelt:**

Testimony attachment #1

**Rep Dahl:** It says on the second page of the Resolution that we are encouraging Congress to withdraw from this partnership. Isn't it the Presidents constitutional authority to enter into treaties with the gratification from the senate? Does Congress have the authority to do this?

**Bridget Ertelt:** To my knowledge in order to enter into an agreement it has to be presented to Congress. To my knowledge that has not happened.

**Rep Wolf:** If it has not been presented to the Congress, how would they have the authority to withdraw?

**Bridget Ertelt:** That is a very good question and that is what we seek here to have answered.

**Rep Schneider:** What are some of the detrimental results in your opinion to the union?

**Bridget Ertelt:** Some of the in the information that we provided to you and we also have further testimony that will go into further detail.

**Rep Wolf:** I would like to know what "you" feel are the detrimental results and what your opinion is?

**Bridget Ertelt:** I fear the Eminent Domain graft that will be instituted for the National Super Highway destroying farm land the bread basket of North America. The proposed security that they speak of; Further measures of their security, they would like to institute RDIF, which is their tracking system, put into the trust, which puts a question as to how far are they going to put into the measures, how many rights are going to be trampled for the American citizens. How many freedoms are we going to have to give up for our security?

**Rep Wolf:** Is it in here that we are going to put the Super Highway through the state of North Dakota? I was not aware of that. They already can find us any where we are if we have a cell phone with us.

**Bridget Ertelt:** Yes the Highway is going through North Dakota. I do know that we can be located by the cell phones.

**Rep Schneider:** Don't you think that there would be benefits of sovereignty?

**Bridget Ertelt:** I don't feel eliminating our border will be a benefit to us.

**Rep Kasper:** On page 4 in the middle paragraph where it state no congressional authorization or oversight, what I have read is the agreement occurred when Pres. Bush had a meeting with Canada and Mexico and had an open dialog. I would like to read a quote Ron Paul, who says the Bush Administration says this agreement with SPP is not a treaty or an agreement but a dialog among the 3 nations. What is a dialog? We don't know. What we do know is the Congressional over sight of what might be one of the most important developments in history might be nonexistent.

**Bridget Ertelt:** What this saying is that we are urging the Congress to withdraw from SPP. This is our voice.

**Eldon Stahl:** I am from Jamestown.

Testimony attachment #2

**Daniel Rugroden:** I am a High School Teacher from Hixson, ND which is south of Fargo  
Testimony Attachment # 3

**Rep Dahl:** The Council of Foreign relations is a non governmental body is that correct.

**Daniel Rugroden:** Yes that is correct.

**Rep Dahl:** You are reacting to concepts they have come up with even though there aren't any governmental action steps been taken.

**Daniel Rugroden:** There have been thing that have been done to bring forth a Union merger. These are warning signs that we need to watch and use as warning signs so we can be proactive on this massive merger with other countries.

**Rep Dahl:** Is it a fair statement to say your group is opposed to free trade agreement?

**Daniel Rugroden:** No we are not. We just want an even playing field.

**Rep Meier:** Other States have passed this.

**Daniel Rugroden:** This is extremely close to what has been proposed in South Dakota.

**Rep Kasper:** Is there been attempt by Congress to get us out of this agreement? What is Congress been doing? They have to have this information as well as we do?

**Daniel Rugroden:** There have been some efforts. A quote by Ron Paul warned as of August 2 , 2007. "The ultimate goal is not a simple Super Highway but a intrigue North American Union."

**Rep Kasper:** Has anyone contacted Ron Paul for further information on this topic?

**Daniel Rugroden:** I am sure we can get some information about that.

**Emily J. Ergen:** Bismarck, ND 58501

Testimony Attachment #4

**Kevin Herman:** Beulah, ND

My concerns are: Wages for workers

NAFTA has hurt our workers

The question as to if it has been brought up Congress yet.

**Margaret Chopic;** I am from Dickinson, ND.

I have had the ability to go on a pilgrimage group to Czech of Republic. The money is not exchangeable with the other European Union.

**LaVone Getsch:** Belfield, ND.

I have 2 sons who are Career Serviceman and would hate to see their service be for naught.

Testimony Attachment #5.

**Chairman Grande:** Hearing is closed.

## 2009 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No. Committee Work One HCR 3040

House Government and Veterans Affairs Committee

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Hearing Date: 02/12/2009

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*Melissa M. Inhardt*

Minutes:

### COMMITTEE WORK ONE:

**Chairman Grande:** We will discuss HCR 3040.

**Rep. Kasper:** Move for a Do Pass.

**Rep. Amerman:** 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Rep. Schneider:** I have big reservations about this. I went back and looked at what the security and prosperity partnership is that President Bush established. I think it is a far leap of what they are trying to portray here. Basically, it is not a treaty, it is a partnership that recognizes that Canada and Mexico are neighbors, so that if we can work with them we are going to. To compare this to the European Union I think is apples and oranges too, Europe just based on their geographic proximity to each other and the number of countries it was imperative that they work together. So now all of a sudden it seems that now that we have this partnership, it is going to lead the Amero and this joint flag and everything else. I think it is a far stretch and also I was looking at all the people that tried to

kind of through under the bus on this and include President Clinton, President Bush, Ron Paul, President Martin from Mexico, Prime Minister Martin from Canada, once you start screaming everybody is crazy but us, you sort of beg the (don't know the word). I just have a problem with the way the whole resolution is drafted to and we have a snippet of a quote in the second whereas. I just think it is an awful far leap from the security and prosperity partnership to this. I guess I would resist the motion.

**Rep. Kasper:** I happen to be quite suspicious of big government. Some of you may have begun to realize that and big business. Even though I am a republican and I think that there is merit to what is happening behind the scenes. There are so many things that we do not know. The tri-lateral commission, the CFR has been in existence for years and they have a goal of a one-world government, and I think this is what is going on behind the scenes of the elite including the people that have been mentioned is fact and so I am going to support this even though it is going to be down the toilet, that means I don't have to carry it.

**Chairman Grande:** One of the things that I think is interesting and I know that they seem to come up with a fringe thing of it, we even had a bill last session that we passed in dealing with the micro-chipping and stuff and we banned that in ND. Interestingly, I received numerous calls from major universities over the summer asking for all the information, so I had to call council and get the

testimony and everything for that because there is a huge concern out there with this and so that was what intrigued me when she brought that up I went "Gee I thought all the states were caboshing it". But it is still going on. The superhighway thing, that discussion is actually quite legit. We just talked about eminent domain, we have a legit right as ND to be concerned about that kind of to because they want to come right through. Now whether Pembina gets run over or not if that thing comes through, initially it was coming through Bismarck, it has been moved over. They have some legit issues but whether this concurrent resolution is written properly might not be the answer, whether I want to spend any time this evening rewriting it, I don't. But I do want to see it moved forward in discussion. That is just my take.

**Rep. Dahl:** I think that a lot of those thoughts are thoughts of non-governmental groups. Maybe there is a legitimate issue with respect to the highway. But have a resolution that would affect ND, have a resolution addressing that. Package a legitimate concern and to come up with the Amero and a flag, it's not credible and I don't think it should come out of this body.

**Rep. Kasper:** I draw the committee's attention to the front page of the handout that has numerous pages to it. The North American Union fact sheet, in the third column, the second paragraph, I will read it as you are looking for it. This is a joint statement issued by the three presidents; President Bush, President Fox,



and the Canadian Prime Minister Paul Martin. The joint statement issued on March 23, 2005 described it as an initiative to "establish a common approach to security to protect North American from external threats, prevent and respond to threats within North America, and further streamline the security and efficient movement of legitimate low risk traffic across our shared borders." We are messing with the United States sovereignty in that stated goal alone. The goal of the United States is to do that, not the goal of a North American group. Canada's goal should be to take care of there own borders, same as Mexico and the same as the United States. So I see there is a lot to this and other reasons to support the resolution.

**Rep. Froseth:** I am not so concerned about the free trading because this is a global market and our products can compete with the other countries just as well. I am kind of concerned with, take a look at South America, we are not very friendly with a lot of countries in South America right now and if you open up the borders what is going to happen. I think we will have to have Customs and Security at our borders now more than ever.

**Rep. Winrich:** I would support the comments of Rep. Dahl. I don't think that much of the information that was passed out is credible. I am old enough to remember the origin of the John Birch society and it never recovered from its credible elimination. But the arguments that they are making are just not valid.

Borders still exist in Europe, they still have identified countries, they still control their own customs; it is just that customs are much easier to go through in Europe than they are in this country. We would still control our own borders I believe. I know the highway system has been proposed, but I am also old enough to remember the last time that we built a major highway system in this country and that was the interstate highway system. When that was proposed by President Eisenhower it was called the National Defense Highway System. It was built so that we could get our military units around the country in case we needed them for defense and that was the justification. I don't see that a highway system to move goods from Mexico to Canada is going to get a lot of traction in the politics of this country for a long time. The stuff like the flag and the Amero, I think is absurd, there are threats to our sovereignty there is no question about that. I think the greater threat is from the WTO, than it is from NAFTA. But I also agree with Rep. Froseth, we have to be able to work within the global economy, we have to deal with it, that is a reality of the 21<sup>st</sup> century and somehow we are going to have to figure out how to work with some of those things, as much as we may dislike them at a particular instance.

**Rep. Dahl:** Just one thing in response to Rep. Kasper we have porous borders, especially with Canada, why would we not work with them, why would we not

care about their immigration policies when it is so easy to slip into ours. I think that context is where that quote came from.

**Rep. Froseth:** We have a motion on the table and I think we should call the vote.

**Chairman Grande:** Call the roll for a Do Pass motion.

**Clerk Erhardt:** Roll Call. Yes: 5. No: 7. Absent: 1. Motion Fails.

**Vice Chairman Randy Boehning:** Motion for a Do Not Pass.

**Rep. Froseth:** 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Clerk Erhardt:** Roll Call. Yes: 8. No: 4. Absent: 1. Carrier: Rep. Conklin.

Motion Carried.

Date: 2/12/04  
Roll Call Vote #: 1

2009 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES  
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Action Taken Do Pass

Motion Made By Kasper Seconded By Amerman

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Grande	✓		Rep. Amerman	✓	
Vice Chairman Boehning		✓	Rep. Conklin		✓
Rep. Dahl		✓	Rep. Schneider		✓
Rep. Froseth	✓		Rep. Winrich		✓
Rep. Karls	✓		Rep. Wolf		✓
Rep. Kasper	✓				
Rep. Meier					
Rep. Nathe		✓			

Total (Yes) 5 No 7

Absent 1

Floor Assignment \_\_\_\_\_

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

Date: 7/12/04  
Roll Call Vote #: 2

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Legislative Council Amendment Number \_\_\_\_\_

Action Taken DNP

Motion Made By Boehning

Seconded By Froseth

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Grande	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Rep. Amerman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Vice Chairman Boehning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rep. Conklin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Rep. Meier	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Rep. Nathe	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			

Total (Yes) 8

No 4

Absent 1

Floor Assignment Rep. Conklin

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**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)**  
February 13, 2009 2:09 p.m.

**Module No: HR-29-2705**  
**Carrier: Conklin**  
**Insert LC: . Title: .**

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**HCR 3040: Government and Veterans Affairs Committee (Rep. Grande, Chairman)**  
recommends **DO NOT PASS** (8 YEAS, 4 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING).  
HCR 3040 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

2009 TESTIMONY

HCR 3040

Testimony for House Concurrent Resolution 3040  
February 12, 2009  
Government and Veterans Affairs Committee

Attachment  
#1

Good morning Chairwoman Grande and members of the Government and Veterans Affairs Committee. For the record my name is Bridget Ertelt and I am here today to testify in support of HCR3040.

It has been said time and again that if you can't learn from history you are doomed to repeat it. Recent history has shown us the detrimental results of a European Union. Where once proud, sovereign nations have relinquished control of their own governance to an international body that cares nothing of the will of the people. An international governing body that tramples and ignores property and economic rights, natural rights, and justice. Where a new currency, tax system, court and defense system were established. And where the primary law making body of those nations now rests.

I strongly doubt our founding fathers ever envisioned such a governing body for America. And yet we find ourselves on a dangerous path that could lead to one.

There are a number of reasons why I oppose the SPP and further entanglements in a North American Union, but for the sake of brevity I'll share just a few.

The SPP lacks congressional authorization. I am not comfortable with the fact that a trilateral agreement is not only being discussed, but also that an agreement to form one has already been signed, and that plans to continue towards a North American Union via the SPP are being carried out as we speak. To my knowledge, the SPP has never been presented to Congress as an agreement or treaty, nor has any legislation been put forth to authorize its activities. In fact, Congress has had no official involvement in the dealings and therefore no oversight. Which alarms me because the SPP is really about creating a continental government complete with its own ability to collect taxes, create new court systems and currency, and essentially its own governing body, which would undermine any authority of the United States Congress and pose a direct threat to the United States Constitution.

Among my other distrusts of the SPP is their strong argument for increased security. This confuses me. Is this the kind of security that eliminates our borders? Or is it the security that allows for the future unrestricted foreign trucking into the United States that can most readily pose a safety hazard due to inadequate maintenance and inspection? Or is it the security that can further facilitate that free flow trucking as a conduit for the entry of illegal drugs, illegal human smuggling, and terrorist activities? Somehow I fail to be convinced by the proposed increased security.



Ladies and gentlemen of the committee, the testimony I offer here today may not have the statistical data that would impress you. I only offer my urgent voice of concern as an American and North Dakotan. However, the fact sheet that has been provided is a very thorough resource. I ask that you all please take advantage of the material that is presented to you this morning. I trust you will learn a great deal of information, as I did, within a few short pages. And upon further research I have found a number of credible resources that can be made available to you upon your request.

North Dakota is not the lone voice against the SPP and NAU. Our neighbors to the south and west have already passed legislation opposing further entanglements in the SPP and any other multilateral activity however named. A listing of state legislation that has been introduced in other states has also been provided in your notes.

And so for the sake of North Dakota and the preservation of American sovereignty, I urge a do pass recommendation on House Concurrent Resolution 3040.

Thank you.

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Attachment  
#2

Mister/Mada'am Chair, members of the Committee,

My name is Eldon Stahl, and I'm from Jamestown. I support HCR 3040 for several reasons:

1. Supporters of the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America use the term "integration" to describe its effects. To integrate means to unite or combine.

Former U.S. Ambassador to Canada Paul Cellucci, said in 2006:

Now, I don't believe that we will ever have a, *in name* anyways, a common union like the Europeans have ... but I believe that, incrementally, we will continue to integrate our economies....

I think ... 10 years from now, or maybe 15 years from now ... *we're gonna have a union in everything but name.* [Emphasis added.]

Canada is even farther down the road of socialism than is the United States, with government being quite pervasive in life and many of the freedoms we enjoy as Americans curtailed. Mexico's government and law enforcement are very corrupt, and its middle class extremely small. Making life in America more like that of Canada or Mexico would surely be bad news for the average American.

The War for Independence was largely fought over economic sovereignty – the ability to establish our own trade regulations; that ability is very much tied to political independence; So, "integration" with other nations is very much an attack on our ability to function as an independent nation, and to use government to secure the rights granted us by our Creator. Unelected international bureaucrats do not tend to have a high regard for our freedoms.

Already, the process of eroding our national sovereignty is becoming a reality.

A 2004 Washington Times Article notes:

*After the highest court in Massachusetts ruled against a Canadian real estate company and after the United State Supreme Court declined to hear its appeal, the company's day in court was over.*

But there was

*yet another layer of judicial review, by an international tribunal.*

This tribunal was

*created by the North American Free Trade Agreement.*

So, the threat to sovereignty is real. And this is just one example.

2. The Goal of the SPP is to expand NAFTA

NAFTA hasn't brought us prosperity, nor has it lowered illegal immigration from

Mexico, as promised. We have lost over a million manufacturing jobs since NAFTA was passed. The wealth of any nation is tied to its ability to produce, but now, our

country sends jobs and capital to Mexico.

The European Union was formed after a series of agreements that were promoted as ways to make trade more free. Now, for the British, many key decisions are being made in Brussels, not in London. The EU is essentially a nation in and of itself, with courts, a parliament, an executive branch, and many regulatory bodies.

In 2007, when talking about NAFTA, former President of Mexico Vicente Fox confirmed that his long-term objective was to create a North American Union. Fox is one of the architects of the Security and Prosperity Partnership.

Henry Kissinger wrote *"[The proposed NAFTA agreement is] the architecture of a new international System."* The article was even headlined, "With NAFTA, U.S. Finally Creates a New World Order,"

3. Article I, Section 8 of the US Constitution gives Congress, not the

President, and not unelected bureaucrats, the power to "Regulate Commerce with Foreign Nations."

The SPP was conceived completely as an executive branch initiative and without any participation or authorization from Congress, the SPP established 20 trilateral "working groups" composed of current and former government officials, academics, and corporate leaders.

It matters who makes decisions, and we don't wish to continue down the road of making our state, local and national governments less and less relevant.

I respectfully urge the committee to recommend HCR 3040 to be forwarded to the House floor.

Thank you.

# What are some of the disadvantages of the defective "NAFTA Super Highway?"

1. A construction company from Spain will build it.
2. It will be a toll road.
3. The toll would not go toward local or state coffers but rather to the Spanish company and to the NAU and United Nations coffers.
4. It will take up thousands of acres.
5. The rule of eminent domain will result in the forced removal of people from their land.
6. It would be a corridor for contraband materials such as drugs, weapons, terrorists, WMD'S, and gang members to be transported easily into North Dakota.
7. State law enforcement officers would have no jurisdiction over this international property.
8. It would allow potentially unsafe uninspected unregulated Mexican trucks onto North Dakota highways.
9. It would be a massive scar of six car lanes and four truck lanes across the North Dakota landscape.
10. This highway will transport freight from Asia arriving at Mexican ports controlled by Communist China to consumers thus bypassing American long-shoremen and American truckers.

# What evidence is there that the sinister North American Union is a real threat?

1. The construction of the Trans Texas Corridor has already begun.
2. The construction of the Mexican facility in Kansas City Missouri has already begun.
3. The construction of the port facility at Lazaro Cardenas Mexico has already begun.
4. Richard Gardner, CFR member, published an article in 1974 entitled "The Hard Road to World Order" which stated the strategy was to build regional governance first.
5. The CFR published a document in 2005 entitled "Building a North American Community" which proposed the creation of a North American Union similar to the European Union.
6. The CFR published a book written by Robert Pastor entitled "Toward a North American Community" which advocated the NAU.
7. Guy Poitras wrote in his book entitled "Inventing North America" that NAFTA was an early step toward regionalization interdependence.
8. William Orme wrote in a 1993 Washington Post article that NAFTA "...lays the foundation for a continental common market."
9. Robert Pastor wrote in the Jan/Feb 2004 issue of the Foreign Affairs magazine "NAFTA was merely the first draft of an economic constitution for North America."
10. Many states have seen the threat to their state's rights and thus many states have passed Anti-NAU Resolutions. Examples are Montana, South Dakota, Idaho, and Oklahoma.

# What do some famous people have to say about the unsound North American Union?

1. President George Washington said in his farewell address on September 17, 1796, "It is our true policy to steer clear of permanent alliances with any portion of the foreign world."
2. Henry Kissinger (career politician and CFR member) said on July 18, 1998, "It (NAFTA) will represent the most creative step toward a New World order taken by any group of countries..."
3. David Rockefeller (wealthy banker and CFR member) said on October 1, 1993, "...everything is in place...to build a true New World in the Western Hemisphere."
4. Carlos Gutierrez (US Sec of Commerce) said on March 15, 2006 of the union of North America "The SPP seeks to build on NAFTA."
5. Vicente Fox (former president of Mexico) stated on July 2, 2001 his desire to expand NAFTA into "...something like the European Union."
6. Mel Hurtig (a Canadian reporter) reported on September 21, 2006, about an NAU meeting "...we're talking about the integration of Canada (and Mexico) into the United States."
7. Thomas Shannon (US Assist Sec of State) explained about a NAU meeting in Banff on September 14, 2006 "The North American Forum is a parallel structure to the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America."
8. Rafael Fernandez de Castro & Rossana Fuentes Berain (editors of Foreign Affairs) released a statement on March 28, 2005 urging work toward a "...true North American Union."
9. Ron Paul (Texas congressman) warned on August 2, 2007, "The ultimate goal is not simply a superhighway, but an integrated North American Union."
10. President Thomas Jefferson said in his inaugural address on March 4, 1801, "Peace, commerce, and honest friendship with all nations, entangling alliances with none."

# What are just some of the negative ramifications of the offensive North American Union?

1. It would result in lowering our standard of living to that of Mexico.
2. It would result in a new flag.
3. It would result in a new currency called Amero.
4. It would result in an open border with free movement of people and goods.
5. It would result in the North American ID Card with the RFID (Radio Frequency Identification Device) that would contain biometric identifiers.
6. It would result in economical integration.
7. It would result in political integration.
8. It would result in social integration.
9. It would result in military integration.
10. It would result in international trade officials governing trade agreements.

# What are ten valid reasons to stay out of the unconstitutional North American Union?

1. Unelected unaccountable uncontrolled foreign bureaucrats will have unyielding power.
2. There will be massive loss of good paying manufacturing jobs to the cheaper Mexican labor area.
3. States would surrender legislature, executive, and judicial powers to professional globalist politicians.
4. People of the former United States of America would inherit the corrupt crooked conniving Mexican government system.
5. There would be another layer of international centralized NAU bureaucrats whom would be further removed from local and state control.
6. The gigantic ten-lane "NAFTA Super Highway" toll road corridor would bisect North Dakota.
7. There would be a single energy policy for all of North America as dictated by a centralized power.
8. There would be the loss of personal freedoms as outlined in the US Constitution and the Bill of Rights when they are replaced with the NAU Charter.
9. The national sovereignty of this constitutional republic would be eroded away.
10. Elitist from Mexico and/or Canada would form an international tribunal, which will have the power to overturn local, state, and federal laws and court decisions.



# Why will membership in the harmful North American Union result in higher taxes?

1. Taxpayers of the USA will have to pay for additional health care.
2. Taxpayers of the USA will have to pay for additional law enforcement officers.
3. Taxpayers of the USA will have to pay for additional social security benefits.
4. Taxpayers of the USA will have to pay for additional illegal drug problems.
5. Taxpayers of the USA will have to pay for additional prison construction costs.
6. Taxpayers of the USA will have to pay for additional disease control measures.
7. Taxpayers of the USA will have to pay for additional education costs of non-English speaking students.
8. Taxpayers of the USA will have to pay for additional welfare benefits.
9. Taxpayers of the USA will have to pay for additional costs associated with multilingual cultures.
10. Taxpayers of the USA will have to pay for additional costs of another regional governmental layer of bureaucracy.

Attachment  
#4

My name is Emily J. Ergen and I am here today in support of HCR #3040. I find no shortage in irony that today is the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birthday. Just as Lincoln fought to keep the union intact and sovereign, I urge the legislators of North Dakota to do the same. Although times have changed since Lincoln's era, we now face threats to our union as well.

In this era of an economic downturn, and threats of terrorism, it is more important than ever to affirm the Constitution of the United States, and in doing so, retain our sovereignty.

We have precedents to warn us of the potential impact of a Union of North American countries: we have seen the erosion of the sovereignty of individual European countries in favor of a single European Court of Justice, Central Bank, and European Parliament.

Our constitution is unique from any other in the world, and if we enter the Security and Prosperity Partnership, which seeks a North American Union, we will surely lose the freedoms guaranteed by this document, which so many before us have died to protect.

Citizens of North America and Canada have demonstrated in masse for over a decade against the SPP, since plans for a North American Union have been leaked to the public.

There is a clear correlation between the lowered standard of living in America and the rise of illegal aliens coming here from Mexico. We can see in daily news headlines that the government of Mexico is imploding as crime is reaching unprecedented levels. Murders and other crimes are spilling over the border into the United States. Entering into a Union with Mexico would clearly have a negative impact on attempts to retain law and order in this country, and would drastically lower the standard of living here in the United States.

North Dakota legislators, I urge you to stand today with the people of North Dakota, and with the United States Constitution. Please pass HCR #3040 and in doing so, urge Congress to withdraw the United States from the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America and any other bilateral or multilateral activity which seeks to create a North American Union. Thank you.

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110TH CONGRESS  
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# H. CON. RES. 40

Expressing the sense of Congress that the United States should not engage in the construction of a North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) Superhighway System or enter into a North American Union with Mexico and Canada.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 22, 2007

Mr. GOODE (for himself, Mr. WAMP, Mr. JONES of North Carolina, Mr. PAUL, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. DUNCAN, and Ms. FOXX) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of Congress that the United States should not engage in the construction of a North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) Superhighway System or enter into a North American Union with Mexico and Canada.

Whereas the United States Departments of State, Commerce, and Homeland Security participated in the formation of the Security and Prosperity Partnership (SPP) on March 23, 2005, representing a tri-lateral agreement between the United States, Canada, and Mexico designed, among

other things, to facilitate common regulatory schemes between these countries;

Whereas reports issued by the SPP indicate that it has implemented regulatory changes among the three countries that circumvent United States trade, transportation, homeland security, and border security functions and that the SPP will continue to do so in the future;

Whereas the actions taken by the SPP to coordinate border security by eliminating obstacles to migration between Mexico and the United States actually makes the United States-Mexico border less secure because Mexico is the primary source country of illegal immigrants into the United States;

Whereas according to the Department of Commerce, United States trade deficits with Mexico and Canada have significantly increased since the implementation of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA);

Whereas the economic and physical security of the United States is impaired by the potential loss of control of its borders attendant to the full operation of NAFTA and the SPP;

Whereas the regulatory and border security changes implemented and proposed by the SPP violate and threaten United States sovereignty;

Whereas a NAFTA Superhighway System from the west coast of Mexico through the United States and into Canada has been suggested as part of a North American Union to facilitate trade between the SPP countries;

Whereas the State of Texas has already begun planning of the Trans-Texas Corridor, a major multi-modal transportation project beginning at the United States-Mexico bor-

der, which would serve as an initial section of a NAFTA Superhighway System;

Whereas it could be particularly difficult for Americans to collect insurance from Mexican companies which employ Mexican drivers involved in accidents in the United States, which would likely increase the insurance rates for American drivers;

Whereas future unrestricted foreign trucking into the United States can pose a safety hazard due to inadequate maintenance and inspection, and can act collaterally as a conduit for the entry into the United States of illegal drugs, illegal human smuggling, and terrorist activities; and

Whereas a NAFTA Superhighway System would likely include funds from foreign consortiums and be controlled by foreign management, which threatens the sovereignty of the United States: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*  
2 *concurring), That—*

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4       construction of a North American Free Trade  
5       Agreement (NAFTA) Superhighway System;

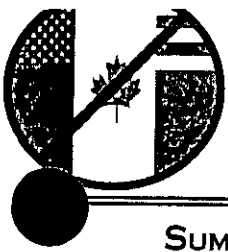
6           (2) the United States should not allow the Se-  
7       curity and Prosperity Partnership (SPP) to imple-  
8       ment further regulations that would create a North  
9       American Union with Mexico and Canada; and

10          (3) the President of the United States should  
11       indicate strong opposition to these acts or any other

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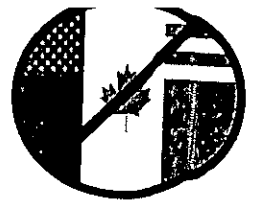
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# NORTH AMERICAN UNION FACT SHEET

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## SUMMARY

The effort began in 2005, yet there has been little national media coverage, no congressional hearings and no national debate over the most significant policy changes in American history. By most accounts, the Bush Administration has been operating in secret for at least three years to establish what can only be described as a North American Union with Mexico and Canada, along the same lines as the European Union.

If that happens it can only mean an eventual end to the U.S. Constitution as our ruling document, replaced instead with a new North American Government. That is what is happening in Europe today as once sovereign and historic nations have given up control of their own governance. It can and will eventually lead to the surrender of U.S. sovereignty, independence, and national borders.

If current plans are fulfilled, it will result in the establishment of a North American currency called the "Amero," as the dollar is junked; the U.S. will provide the army for defense; and the U.S. may provide benefits such as Social Security and other U.S. tax-paid programs for those who are now citizens of Mexico and Canada. Gone will be U.S. citizenship, as we will all be regarded as "North Americans." Gone will be any kind of border control between the three nations of North America.

Plans are well underway to establish a NAFTA Super Highway, to be the width of eight football fields. It will run from Mexico to Canada, running through the middle of the United States. No tariffs or direct inspections will be enforced as trucks from Mexico and Canada drive through this nation. Only electronic scanning will be used to inspect the trucks as they travel down the highway. No border inspections will be performed. Trucks will not be opened and cargos inspected.

Kansas City, MO has been tapped to serve as an "inland port" to handle imports and exports among the three nations. Operating quietly, Kansas City has already designated \$2.5 million of its taxpayer's money to establish the port. Now, the Mexican government is demanding that it have its own inspection site in Kansas City to inspect its own trucks. It also is demanding that the land its port will sit on will officially become Mexican sovereign territory.

The official effort began on March 23, 2005, after a summit, held at President Bush's ranch in Waco, TX. It was attended by President Bush, (then) Mexican President Vicente Fox, and (then) Canadian Prime Minister Paul Martin. The three leaders announced the signing of an agreement to create common policies concerning various economic and security areas among the three nations.

Officially, the term "North American Union" is not being used. Instead, the agreement authorized twenty tri-national "working groups" to establish the "Security and Prosperity Partnership" (SPP). The concept is being sold as simply a new framework within which the member nations can create free trade and security within the North American continent. However, based on working documents, the intent to create the North American Union is impossible to hide. The trilateral agreement, signed as a joint declaration, has not been submitted to Congress for review. There is no congressional oversight.

## SECURITY AND PROSPERITY PARTNERSHIP (SPP)

*"The public has been kept in the dark while business elites have played a lead role in designing the blueprint for this more integrated North America."*  
Toronto Star, September 20, 2006

*"We're talking about such an important*

*thing, we're talking about the integration of Canada into the United States. For them to hold this meeting in secret and to make every effort to avoid anybody learning about it, right away you've got to be hugely concerned."*

Canadian author Mel Hurtig after attending the SPP meeting in Banff, Canada, September 12, 2006

The joint statement on the SPP, issued on March, 23, 2005 described it as an initiative to: "...establish a common approach to security to protect North America from external threats, prevent and respond to threats within North America, and further streamline the security and efficient movement of legitimate, low-risk traffic across our shared borders."

The White House has established the SPP office in the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) office in the U.S. Department of Commerce, where it has worked in virtual secrecy for two years. As the process proceeds, the SPP groups have not released public reports on their activities.

Over the past three years, at least 20 SPP working groups have produced a number of memorandums of understanding and trilateral declarations of agreement. These agreements cover a wide variety of issues including: energy, transportation, financial services (including loan and foreign aid policy), communications, technology, environmental policy, rules under which businesses will operate, food and agriculture policy, health policy, e-commerce, aviation policy, border and immigration policy, and the means for multiple governmental agencies to interact. They may be viewed on the Internet at [www.spp.gov](http://www.spp.gov). The Bush Administration has denied that the SPP is operating in secret. Yet it has not released the names of those in the working groups.

The working groups are now laying

the foundation for a European Union-style integration of the North American continent. Throughout their documents the terms "convergence" "harmonization" "integration" are used frequently to describe policy relationships with Mexico and Canada.

As the working groups prepare their policy papers, high-level tri-national meetings are regularly held in rotation in the three nations. At one of the first, officials of the three nations quietly met in Alberta, Canada September 12 - 14, 2006. Former Secretary of State George Shultz was a joint chairman of the meeting with his counterparts from Mexico and Canada. Also in active attendance were Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld, Admiral Tim Keating, Commander of NORAD, and Robert Pastor, a key advocate of the creation of a North American Union. Discussions at the conference included "A Vision for North America," "Toward a North American Energy Strategy," and "Demographic and Social Dimensions of North American Integration."

The second high-level meeting was held August 19-21, 2007 in Montebello, Canada and was attended by President Bush, Canadian Prime Minister Steven Harper and Mexican President Felipe Calderon. Topics discussed were integrating and harmonizing regulations between Mexico, Canada and the U.S. and providing U.S. military assistance to Mexico. Most of the agenda was shrouded in secrecy with few media announcements of plans and agreements discussed at the Summit. The agenda for the Montebello meeting was clearly driven by the American Competitiveness Council representing top 10 multinational corporations from each of the three nations seeking ways to open borders and integrate private business into government policy making.

At yet another meeting on February 14, 2008, in a ceremony that received virtually no attention in the American media, the United States and Canada signed a military agreement allowing the armed forces from one nation to support the armed forces of the

other during domestic civil emergency, even one that does not involve a cross-border crisis. The agreement with Canada, combined with the agreement made at Montebello with the Mexican military are clearly moves to create a North American army.

On March 13, 2008, a meeting was held at the U.S. State Department in Washington, D.C. to discuss integration of the U.S., Mexico and Canada with a move toward linking a North American community with the European Union. No members of Congress attended the meeting. Several participants of the meeting said the premise of the SPP is to create a North American business platform to benefit North America-based multinational companies the way the European Union benefits its own. They seek a "convergence" of administrative rules and regulations between Europe and North America. Again, participants seek to break down national borders and abandon national sovereignty.

In April 2008, the three leaders will again meet in yet another SPP meeting in New Orleans. Areas where they intend to make further progress include harmonization in the areas of bio-fuel, health, IT products and RFID technology. Such technology is being used to create documents that track citizen movement, not only around their countries, but internationally as well, creating an international ID card.

As the three leaders and their high level administration officials continue to meet to forge what can only be described as a North American Union, the Bush Administration has repeatedly denied that the President ever signed an agreement with Canada and Mexico. The Administration has established a "Myths and Facts" section to the Security and Prosperity Partnership web page to attempt to counter the arguments of those now exposing the SPP. The site blatantly says, *"The SPP is a dialogue to increase security and enhance prosperity among the three countries. The SPP is not an agreement nor is it a treaty. In fact, no agreement was ever signed."*

However, according to a report on the SPP written by Former Canadian Prime Minister Paul Martin, one of the three heads of state involved in the March 23, 2005 meeting with Bush and Fox, writes *"Thus, on March 23, President Bush, President Fox and I signed the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America..."* The full report by Mr. Martin may be read on the Internet at: [www.dfait-maeci.gc.ca/cjp-pic/ips/ips-overview2-en.asp](http://www.dfait-maeci.gc.ca/cjp-pic/ips/ips-overview2-en.asp).

Former Mexican President Vicente Fox has also been very open about his intentions for the SPP. Speaking in Madrid, Spain in 2002 he said, *"Eventually our long-range objective is to establish with the United States...an ensemble of connections and institutions similar to those created by the European Union, with the goal of attending to future themes as important as...the freedom of movement of capital, goods and services and persons. The new framework we wish to construct is inspired in the example of the European Union."*

Why is the Bush Administration not open about its SPP plans? One obvious answer is because they are doing this without congressional approval and it is therefore illegal.

### COUNCIL ON FOREIGN RELATIONS BLUE PRINT

Many SPP working groups appear to be driving toward achieving specific objectives as defined by a May, 2005 Council on Foreign Relations (CFR) task force report, which presented a blueprint for expanding the SPP agreement into a North American Union that would merge the U.S., Canada and Mexico into a new governmental form.

The CFR report is entitled "Building a North American Community," and is essentially a five-year plan for implementing the North American Union. It may be viewed at the CFR Internet web sight at [www.cfr.org](http://www.cfr.org).

A member of the CFR taskforce, Dr. Robert Pastor, wrote a book, published in 2001, entitled "Toward a North American Community." The CFR taskforce report and the official SPP agreement carry



almost identical language as Pastor's book. Though the Bush Administration denies a connection to Dr. Pastor's book to the CFR's report, Dr. Pastor has presented the United States in SPP meetings, including (as mentioned above) the recent meeting in Alberta, Canada.

The book, the CFR task force and the SPP agreement call for the establishment of a North American Competitiveness Council to pull the private sector into the SPP process. In addition, all three call for the establishment of a "North American Advisory Council," which is to be an "independent body of advisors," composed of "eminent persons from outside the government."

In 2002, Dr. Pastor addressed the Trilateral Commission, calling for the establishment of a North American Investment Fund that would supplement World Bank funds expended in a trilateral effort to develop Mexico economically. The May 2005 CFR report called for the same fund. Efforts are now underway in the SPP to officially establish the fund.

The CFR Task Force calls for the establishment by 2010 of a North American community to enhance security, prosperity, and opportunity. We propose a community based on the principle affirmed in the March, 2005 Joint Statement of the three leaders (of the three nations) that 'our security and prosperity are mutually dependent and complementary.' Its boundaries will be defined by a common external tariff and an outer security perimeter within which the movement of people, products and capital will be legal, orderly, and safe."

To those ends, the CFR report called for establishment of a common security border perimeter around North America by 2010, along with free movement of people, commerce and capital to be facilitated by the establishment of a North American Border Pass that would replace a U.S. passport for travel between the U.S., Canada and Mexico.

Also envisioned by the CFR task force are: a North American Court, a North American inter-parliamentary group, A North American Executive

Commission, a North American Military Defense Command, a North American Customs Office and a North American Development Bank.

The task force report is important in the debate over the official Security and Prosperity Partnership operation because, though the Bush Administration denies any connection to the CFR report, the language used in the CFR task force report and SPP documents, so far, have proven to be nearly identical. Clearly the CFR task force report is being used as the blue print to establish the North American Union.

### **WHAT IS THE DRIVING FORCE FOR THE NAU? PUBLIC / PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS**

It's not just the three governments and their agencies which are putting together the Security and Prosperity Partnership. Private corporations are also a strong force driving the policy. They are working together with the governments in what are commonly referred to as Public/Private Partnerships (PPPs). Such arrangements are becoming the fastest growing process to impose such policy. In the U.S., state legislatures are passing laws which call for the implementation of PPPs.

NAFTA, GATT, CAFTA and the SPP institutionalize PPPs as the accepted way to implement policy.

Beware, these bonds between government and private international corporations are a double-edged sword. They come armed with government's power to tax and enforce policy and government's power to enforce eminent domain. At the same time, the private corporations use their wealth and extensive advertising budgets to entrench the policy into our national conscience. Banks and mortgage companies in the partnership can enforce policy by forcing borrowers to comply as a stipulation for loans.

Private developers which have entered into a PPP with local government, for example, can now obtain the power of eminent domain to build on land not open to competitors. The fact is,

current use of eminent domain by local communities in partnership with private developers simply considers all property to be common land of the State, to be used as it sees fit for some unidentified community good.

The government gains the higher taxes created by new development. The developer gets the revenue from the work. The immediate losers, of course, are the property owners. But other citizens lose too. Communities give up control of their infrastructure. Voters lose control of their government.

Private companies are now systematically buying up water treatment plants in communities, in effect, gaining control of the water supply. And they are buying control of the U.S. highway systems through PPPs with state departments of transportation. Because of a PPP, one million Texans are about to lose their land for the Trans Texas Corridor (TTC), a major plank in the SPP agenda.

In September 2007, in New York City at a meeting of the North American Public/Private Partnership and Infrastructure Finance conference, attendees were told that there is \$100 billion (and perhaps as much as \$400 billion) available for PPP financing of new privately operated toll roads in the US, with the majority of the funds coming from foreign investments.

Many of the contracts between government and private corporations contain provisions like a "no-compete clause." Such clauses give the corporations the power to charge whatever they want for Americans to travel on their highways. As one speaker at the conference, Dennis Enright pointed out, "If the Holland Tunnel were run by a PPP, the fee today would be \$180 per car - not \$6." If there is no alternative route to get off Manhattan Island, what choice do drivers have? That's monopoly.

Foreign companies are being met with open arms by local, state and federal officials who see a way to use private corporations and their massive

bank accounts to fund projects. As the Associated Press reported July 15, 2006, *"On a single day in June (2006) an Australian-Spanish partnership \$3.6 billion to lease the Indiana Road. An Australian company bought a 99 year lease on Virginia's Pocahontas Parkway, and Texas officials decided to let a Spanish-American partnership build and run a toll road for 50 years."*

Private companies operating in the free market lack one thing government has – the power of coercion. The free market operates with the consumer making the decisions based on personal choice. Under PPPs the choices are decided for you in meetings behind closed doors, such as the SPP's working groups.

Meanwhile, private corporations that are not part of a PPP are unable to compete with those that are. They are shut out of competition from the establishment of economic development zones like NAFTA and GATT and CAFTA which provide the chosen elite with such perks as reduced real estate and financial aid and easily-obtained building and manufacturing permits. Companies that find themselves outside of the elite status of the PPP may suddenly run into regulatory difficulties to get their own projects completed. It's not just a coincidence.

PPPs are one of the reasons why many people find they can no longer fight city hall. Private companies gain the power of government to do as they please – and government earns the independence of the companies, no longer needing to answer to voters. It's the perfect partnership, but it isn't freedom.

Such a process allows the private companies to be little more than government-sanctioned monopolies, answerable to no one. Their power is awesome and near absolute. Some call such policy corporatism. Another term would be corporate fascism.

Ultimately, corporate fascism does not trust the marketplace to do what the elites want. Thus, the alignment of corporations and government is

done at the expense of ordinary people – the exact opposite of free markets controlled by consumers.

This then, is the future offered by the Security and Prosperity Partnership – corporate fascism and all-powerful government, it's not prosperity. It's not security. And it's not freedom.

## NO CONGRESSIONAL AUTHORIZATION OR OVERSIGHT

*"The SPP was not created by a treaty between the nations involved, nor was Congress involved in any way. Instead, the SPP is an unholy alliance of foreign consortiums and officials from several governments."* Congressman Ron Paul

The Bush Administration says the SPP is not a treaty, nor a formal agreement, but rather a dialog among the three nations. As Congressman Ron Paul said in August 2006, *"What is a dialog? We don't know. What we do know is that Congressional oversight of what might be one of the most significant developments in recent history is non-existent. Congress has no role at all in a 'dialog' that many see as a plan for a North American Union."*

To date, Congress has passed no legislation to authorize the activities of the SPP, nor appropriated funds that it is now spending. Congress has had no official involvement in the process and has no oversight. Many members of Congress have denied any knowledge of the activities of the SPP. Democrat Congressman Barney Frank (D-MA) has said *"It (SPP) was done for the United States solely by the President, with no Congressional involvement."*

Congressman Tom Tancredo, (R-Colo) has demanded that the Bush Administration fully disclose the activities of the SPP working groups, including revealing the names of the members of those groups. No answers to his demands have yet been received from the Bush Administration, though the activity continues to move forward. Geri Word, head of the SPP office, located in the Commerce Department, told World Net Daily that the work has not been disclosed because *"we did*

*not want to get the contact people of the working groups distracted by calls from the public."* Yet, the SPP denies it is working in secret.

The Bush Administration justifies its SPP efforts as being an extension of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). Administration officials say the SPP is just an extension of NAFTA and that no further congressional involvement is required. Said Robert Pastor in an article in the CFR's Foreign Affairs, *"NAFTA was merely the first draft of an economic constitution for North America."* Said U.S. Secretary of Commerce Carlos Gutierrez, *"The SPP seeks to build on NAFTA."*

In 1994 as NAFTA was being debated, Members of Congress and concerned Americans who questioned the plan to create NAFTA were assured that increased trade was the pact's only goal. Similar deception lured Europeans into accepting the European Union. NAFTA's harmful effects on jobs, businesses and immigration control cannot be denied. But the pact is also serving as the legal basis for destroying U.S. independence.

## NAFTA SUPER HIGHWAY - THE TRANS-TEXAS CORRIDOR (TTC)

### The Denial

*"The Administration is not engaged in a secret plan to create a NAFTA Superhighway."* Vice President Dick Cheney

*"I am not familiar with any plans at all, related to NAFTA or cross-border traffic."* Jeffery Shane, Undersecretary of Transportation, Bush Administration

*"I'm amused by the difference between what actually takes place in the meetings and what some are trying to say takes place... it's quite comical, actually."* President Bush answering a Fox News question about a North American Union during a wrap up news conference at the Montebello Summit, August 2007

### The Truth

*"Look at the NAFTA corridor as the trunk of the tree, one that hooks up Mexico and all those markets down*

there with the industrial heartland of our country, as well as the most important economic centers of Canada." Clinton Administration testimony to the House Subcommittee on Surface Transportation, 1995

*"The Trans Texas Corridor is not just the NAFTA Superhighway, but the Logistical Trans-Corridor of North America, uniting Mexico, the US and Canada."*

Jose Natividad Gonsales, Governor of the Mexican province of Nuevo Leon.

U.S. Transportation Secretary Mary Peters was in attendance

At the same ceremony, according to the Mexican press, Mexico's transportation secretary used the occasion to announce that Mexican President Felipe Calderon and President Bush had agreed to create "an economically integrated North America."

*"One principle player is a Spanish construction company, which plans to build the highway and operate it as a toll road. But don't be fooled: the superhighway proposal is not the result of market demand, but rather an extension of government-managed trade schemes like NAFTA that benefit politically-correct interests."* Texas Congressman Ron Paul

*"The Oklahoma-to-Mexico stretch would be just the first link in a 4,000 mile, \$184 billion network. The corridor would be up to a quarter mile across, consisting of as many as six lanes for cars and four for trucks, plus railroad tracks, oil and gas pipelines, water and other utility lines, and broadband cables."* Associated Press, July 21, 2006

Quietly, the Bush Administration is working to advance a plan to build super highways through the heart of the United States to transport goods from Mexico and Canada. The highways are part of the original North American Free Trade Agreement, (NAFTA). The plan is now being advanced through an operation called "North America's Super Corridor Corporation, Inc" (NASCO). Since being exposed to the general public, NASCO is now denying it is building the highways, but plans continue forward.

*"We have to stay away from (the term) 'SuperCorridor' because it is a very bad hot button right now."* Tiffany Melvin, Executive Director of NASCO in an email to NASCO members, discovered through Freedom of Information requests. She wrote this after the plans for the TTC began to be exposed in the media.

The Super Transnational System includes multiple lanes for cars and trucks. Plans call for a ten lane, limited access highway to parallel I-35. It will have three lanes each way for passenger cars, two express lanes each way for trucks. Mexican and Canadian cars and trucks will be allowed to travel the highway, over the U.S. border with no inspections. The highway will also carry rail lines plus a utility corridor for oil and natural gas pipelines, electric towers, cables for communications and telephone lines. Speed limits will be relaxed as well as safety inspections for vehicles from Mexico and Canada. Trucks will be allowed to carry extra tonnage and be extra long. A Railway system will travel up the center of the highway, allowing Mexican railroad companies to enter the U.S. and travel up the highway.

Several such highways are contemplated. Environmental impact studies have already been completed. The Texas highway, called the Trans Texas Corridor (TTC) will be a quarter of a mile wide. It will travel straight up the center of Texas. It will take by eminent domain more than 580 thousand acres of private land, much of it prime Texas farmland. It will displace more than one million Texans.

The full plan for the TTC by the Texas Department of Transportation outlines 4,000 miles of corridors that crisscross the state. The corridor is so wide that it will literally divide the state in two. There are very few plans for overpasses to cross it, yet it will be impossible to cross without them. The TxDOT has basically told local communities that if they want overpasses then the communities will have to supply them - at an estimated cost of \$2.5 million each. Without the

overpasses, fire, police, ambulances and school buses will not be able to serve their communities. Property owners may find it cuts through the middle of their land. To get from one side of their property to the other may require travel of several miles to an overpass, if there is one.

The TxDOT originally sold the idea of the TTC as being nothing more than highway improvement to anticipate traffic growth over the next few decades.

That is not true. There are few exit ramps planned. Car lanes will be in the center of the corridor. There will be few opportunities to get on and off the TTC. Communities now depending on traffic from existing highways for local revenue from such services as restaurants and gas stations will lose that business. Instead, the Spanish company Cintra which has the 50-year lease to build and operate the TTC, will establish facilities down the center of the corridor and control and profit from that business.

The key to the lease with Cintra is a legal document called a "Comprehensive Development Agreement" (CDA). These contracts often include equity guarantees, debt guarantees, exchange rate guarantees, subordinated loans, shadow toll payments, and minimum revenue guarantees. In other words, the state has signed a 50-year lease with Cintra, giving it absolute guarantees of a specific rate of return on its investment. TxDOT is turning over assets paid for by the taxpayers of Texas and (through a no-compete clause) guarantees that no other highway will compete in any way with the TTC. For Cintra to achieve these revenue guarantees means there is no way for the Texas government to control what Cintra charges for tolls and there will be no alternative route for drivers to take if the tolls are too high.

Moreover, once built there will be no chance for anyone or any community in its path to obtain justice for taken property or to reduce toll rates. Local courts will have no say in the matter. All disputes will be handled by an International court system either through NAFTA or the SPP.

## KANSAS CITY CUSTOMS PORT TO BE MEXICAN SOIL

Beginning at the southern tip of Mexico, passing through Laredo, the highway heads to an "inland port" in Kansas City, where a "Sentry System" will electronically inspect the cargos, before they head East or West, or continue on North through Duluth, Minnesota and into Canada.

As described on the KC SmartPort's website ([www.kcsmartport.com](http://www.kcsmartport.com)), the plan is to enable cheap-labor products made in Communist China to travel in sealed "containers nonstop from the Far East by way of Mexico," through "a ships-to-rail terminal at the port of Lazaro Cardenas in Mexico," then up "the evolving trade corridor" to Kansas City, Missouri, where they would have their first inspection. A Kansas City SmartPort brochure explains further, "*Kansas City offers the opportunity for sealed cargo containers to travel to Mexican port cities with virtually no border delays.*"

Kansas City may be the ONLY point and disbursement center for trucks bringing their cargos into this country from Mexico and Canada. The official organization in charge of setting up the port is KCSmartPort. The searches of goods will not involve open inspections in which truck doors would be opened and the contents inspected by Smart Port personnel or even drug sniffing dogs. Instead the trucks will be simply scanned by high-tech gamma ray screening in drive-by inspections.

As part of the inland port, a Mexican Customs office is being established. The Kansas City Council has voted a \$2.5 million loan to KCSmartPort to build the Mexican customs facility in the West Bottoms near the Kemper Area on city-owned land east of Liberty Street and mostly south of Interstate 670. According to e-mails and other documents obtained by World Net Daily, top executives with the KCSmartPort project, suggest the port "would need to be designated Mexican sovereign territory and meet certain requirements." In addition, Mexico is insisting on the right to be the sole inspector of its own trucks.

The negotiations with Mexico and the U.S. State Department for the final approval of the Mexican Customs office are proceeding in secret.

Meanwhile, the Bush Administration is moving forward with a test project to allow Mexican trucks to cross the border and travel freely in the United States. U.S. Transportation Secretary Mary Peters is moving ahead with the program, even though both the U.S. House and Senate have passed legislation demanding that funds be cut off for such a project.

Though Secretary Peters insists that safety is of utmost importance to the Administration, reports show that is not true. Four of the Mexican companies participating in the Bush Administration's test trucking program collected more than 1,700 safety violations over the past year. Is it any wonder that the Mexican government is insisting on the right to inspect its own trucks. The Teamsters Union has filed suit to stop the Mexican truck project. Many in the trucking industry are now calling for the firing of Secretary Peters.

### DOES THE SPP PROVIDE SECURITY FOR THE UNITED STATES?

One of the main arguments the Bush Administration presents for creating the SPP is security. So the argument goes, we are to expand our security perimeter to the far reaches of the North American continent, encompassing the borders of Mexico and Canada. Already steps are underway to combine the armed forces of the three countries. Other efforts include a single identification card or "North American passport" as a security measure. So will the borders be secure from outside penetration or invasion?

Consider these little known facts about some of the Public/Private Partnerships involved with implementing the SPP and the NAFTA Superhighway:

The main port selected to feed the NAFTA Superhighway and TTC is the Mexican port of Lazaro Cardenas. The port will be teeming with ships loading and unloading - ships coming mostly from China. The port is controlled by Hutchison Whampoa, the same giant Hong Kong

shipping firm that today controls the ports at both ends of the Panama Canal. In fact, all "private" companies in China are tightly controlled and used by the Communist government for its strategic goals.

There has been great speculation that Hutchison Whampoa is actually controlled by the Chinese Red Army. It is the reason a major protest was filed when Hutchison Whampoa sought to take control of former U.S. Navy bases in Long Beach California. Now, this Chinese company will be in charge of unloading Chinese ships and the cargo will be transported on Mexican trucks and allowed to cross the U.S. border without inspection, traveling all the way to Kansas City to a Mexican-controlled inland port, where the trucks will then spread out across the country or north into Canada.

The Bush Administration argues that security will be maintained through the use of Radio Frequency Identification chips (RFID) placed on products in the trucks. In that way the cargos can be monitored and the government will know their location at all times.

To assure the cargos are monitored, the North American Super Corridor Coalition (NASCO), the main organization coordinating Public/Private Partnerships to build the NAFTA Superhighway and the TTC, has joined in partnership with Savi Networks (A subsidiary of Lockheed Martin) to provide radio sensing devices at frequent intervals along the TTC. Lockheed Martin originally designed the radio sensing devices for the U.S. military. Savi Networks now provides them for private sector projects.

This then is an example of the "security" part of the SPP. There is one little detail Americans should know before they feel too safe. 49% of Savi Networks is owned by Hutchison Whampoa.

### THE "AMERO", MERGING U.S., CANADIAN AND MEXICAN CURRENCIES

Arizona State University is teaching that the U.S., Mexico and Canada need to be integrated into a unified superstate, where U.S. citizens of the future will be known as "North Americanists". The

program openly calls for the integration of economic issues across the continent, and in many places goes further – such as the call for a common North American currency and an implied joint military.

Though it will take some years to finalize, plans are being laid to create a new currency for the coming North American Union, much like the Euro replaced the currencies of individual countries of the European Union. The Amero would replace the U.S. Dollar, Mexican Peso and the Canadian dollar.

The plan has been specifically promoted through Dr. Pastor's book, the blueprint for the rest of the SPP plan. Of course the SPP and the Bush Administration deny that there is even discussion of such a currency. However, on April 6, 2006, the SPP announced the formation of the Financial Services Working Group. According to its own news release, the Financial Group will focus on "enhancing processes for addressing banking, securities and insurance issues." It goes on to say "*U.S. financial regulatory agencies will play a central role in the SPP.*"

Bankintroductions.com, a Canadian company that specializes in global banking strategies and currency consulting, is advising clients that the Amero may be the currency of North America within 10 years. In an article in the May/June 2007 issue of the CFR's magazine, Foreign Affairs, in an article entitled "The End of National Currency," CFR Economist Benn Steil asserts the dollar is a temporary currency. In October 2007, during an appearance by former Mexican President Vicente Fox, Larry King asked him, "Mr. Fox, I would like to know how you feel about the possibility of having a Latin America united currency." Fox answered in the affirmative, saying it would be long term.

In truth, the SPP is being put into place incrementally. It will take years before everything is in final order. It is the European Union several years to create the Euro. However, the guiding documents from Dr. Pastor's book and the CFR report each call for the creation of a North American currency. It is

obvious, if one dissects the bureaucratic language of SPP documents, in order to reach its goal to "reduce the cost of trade, combat counterfeiting and facilitate trade," among the three nations trying to act as one, the drive for a single currency will certainly become necessary.

## A NEW GOVERNMENT FOR NORTH AMERICA

Mexican economist and researcher Miguel Pickard wrote in an article, published by foreign press, detailing the "deep integration" planned for North America. He said there will be no single treaty and nothing will be submitted to legislatures of the three countries. Instead, he says, the plan for a "merged future" will be implemented through "the signing of regulations not subject to citizen review." He went on to report of several secret meetings held in all three nations, after which representatives signed "close to 300 regulations" installing a "Unified American Border Action Plan."

Many Americans simply do not believe that the United States would voluntarily give up its sovereignty to a North American Union. Those who think this way naively believe that there will be a vote by the American people to decide.

The average American must understand that such actions are done incrementally, behind closed doors, until the plans are so far along that stopping them becomes nearly impossible. The North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) was sold as a way for American producers to broaden their markets. So too, was the European Union sold to the proud, ancient nations of that continent.

Today, in Europe, a new, socialist government rules them, complete with a ruling body, a new currency, a tax system, court system and a defense system -- all the ingredients necessary for a government. According to the former president of Germany, today, 84% of that nation's laws now come from the European Union.

Operating in secret, SPP working groups are efficiently laying the groundwork for a drastic change in the United States of America, away from our independent, sovereign nation to a form

of corporate fascism, non-responsive to the will of the people. Once the North American Union is in place, we will then have to compromise our very unique nation of protected freedoms with the socialist nation of Mexico and with Canada – a satellite of the British Crown, where property rights, justice, economics and natural rights are not automatically recognized. Government decides.

The Security and Prosperity Partnership is about neither. It is not a plan to simply help sell American goods to larger markets. It is not a plan to help keep our nation safer in a security partnership with Mexico and Canada. Securing our borders, not opening them, would do far more to accomplish that goal. The SPP is about creating a continental government which would eventually contain its own court system, its own ability to collect taxes (including some sort of military or police force) its own currency and its own governing body. The SPP is an invasion of our culture and our economy. It's about the redistribution of American wealth and industry. It will represent the end of over 250 years of an historic experiment in freedom – unless Americans across the nation say no – now.

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# THE CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NORTH AMERICAN UNION

**JULY 2, 2000:** Mexican president Vicente Fox proposes a 20 to 30 year time line for the creation of a common North American market.

**NOVEMBER 27, 2000:** Robert Pastor's book "Toward a North American Community" is published.

**DECEMBER 2001:** U.S. Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge and Canadian Deputy Prime Minister John Manley sign the "Smart Border Declaration." It called for a "30-point action plan to enhance the security of our shared border, while facilitating the legitimate flow of people and goods."

**SEPTEMBER 9, 2002:** President Bush and Prime Minister Chretien meet to discuss progress in the Smart Border Action Plan. An update on the plan is produced by the White House on December 6, 2002.

**DECEMBER, 2002:** U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell signs an agreement between the United States and Canada to establish a Bi-national Agreement on Military Planning.

**JANUARY, 2003:** The Canadian Council of Chief Executives launches the North American Security and Prosperity Initiative (NASPI) to propose a comprehensive North American strategy integrating economic and security issues.

**FEBRUARY, 2004:** The Council on Foreign Relations publishes Robert Pastor's paper "North America's Second Decade," which advocates further North American integration.

**OCTOBER, 2004:** The Canada-Mexico Partnership (CMP) is launched during the visit of President Fox to Ottawa.

**NOVEMBER 1, 2004:** The Independent Task Force on the Future of North America is formed. The task force is a trilateral effort charged with developing a "road map" to promote "North American security and advance the well-being of citizens of all three countries." The task force is sponsored by the Council on Foreign Relations.

**MARCH 23, 2005:** President Bush meets at his ranch in Crawford, TX with Vicente Fox of Mexico and Paul Martin of Canada in what they call a Summit. The three heads of state then drive to Baylor University in Waco, where they issue a press release announcing their signing of an agreement to form the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America (SPP).

**MAY 17, 2005:** The Independent Task Force on the Future of North America (CFR) releases its report "Creating a North American Community - Chairman's Report." The 59-page document outlines a five-year plan for the "establishment by 2010 of a North American economic and security community" with a common "outer security perimeter" to achieve "the freer flow of people within North America."

**JUNE 9, 2005:** Senate Foreign Relations Chairman Richard Lugar held a "friendly" committee hearing that features Task Force member Robert Pastor. He reveals further details of the plan for a "continental perimeter," including "an integrated continental plan for transportation and infrastructure that includes new North American highways and high-speed rail corridors."

**JULY 2005:** Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff attends a Summit in Ottawa, Canada, at which he said "we want to facilitate the flow of traffic across our borders." The White House issues a press release endorsing the Ottawa report and calling the meeting "an important first step in achieving the goals of the Security and Prosperity Partnership."

**JULY, 2005:** The White House announces it is backing a coalition called Americans for Border and Economic Security, organized by former Republican National Committee Chairman Ed Gillespie. Its purpose is to conduct a political-style campaign to sell the American people in a guest-worker program wrapped in a few border-security promises and financed by coalition members who each put up \$50,000 to \$250,000.

**MARCH 31, 2006:** President Bush, Vicente Fox and new Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper meet in Cancun, Mexico to (according to the official news release) celebrate the first anniversary of the Security and Prosperity Partnership. At the same time Bush demands that Congress pass an immigration bill with a guest worker permit program.

**JUNE 15, 2006:** SPP's North American Competitiveness Council (NACC), consisting of government officials and corporate CEOs from the three countries, met to "institutionalize the North American Security and Prosperity Partnership and the NACC, so that the work will continue through changes of administrations."

**SEPTEMBER 12, 2006:** In Banff Alberta, Canada, a group of present and past elected officials from all three countries meet with corporate, military, academic, financial, industrial, and think tank members in a "North American Forum." U.S. participants include former Secretary of State George Shultz, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld, and Robert Pastor, to name a few.

**AUGUST 19-21, 2007:** Montebello, Canada, President Bush, Canadian Prime Minister Steven Harper, Mexican President Felipe Calderon meet with corporate leaders to discuss integrating and harmonizing regulations between Mexico, U.S. and Canada. This part of the agenda was organized by the American Competitiveness Council representing top 10 multinational corporations from each of the three nations. The meeting also produced a plan to provide military assistance to Mexico to prop up its efforts to fight drugs. Emergency measures were discussed to deal with pandemic emergencies such as Avian Flu.

**FEBRUARY 14, 2008:** The United States and Canada sign a military agreement allowing the armed forces of both countries to support each other in case of domestic emergencies, even one that does not involve a cross-border crisis. Combined with the Montebello pact to aid Mexico's military, this U.S./Canadian pact essentially creates the ground work for a North American army.

**MARCH 13, 2008:** Approximately 50 persons gathered in a conference room at the U.S. State Department in Washington D.C. for a meeting of the Advisory Committee on International Economic Policy (ACIEP), an advisory body to the U.S. Government. The council advises on the whole field of economics. The meeting discussed NAFTA, the SPP and how they fit into plans for the "Framework for Advancing Transatlantic Economic Integration," created in April, 2007 by President Bush, German Chancellor Angela Merkel, and European Commission President Jose Manuel Barroso. According to information distributed at the meeting, this "Framework has put the United States and the European Union on a joint path toward further transatlantic economic integration..."

**APRIL 21-22, 2008:** According to the official White House news release "This fourth meeting of North American leaders since 2005 will continue our work on the Security and Prosperity Partnership (SPP) initiatives. It will also serve as an opportunity for the three leaders to discuss hemispheric and global issues of importance to North America."



# Saying "NO!" to the North American Union

Resolutions and Memorials introduced (as of March 8, 2007)

## U.S. Congress

**House Concurrent Resolution 40** was introduced in the 110th Congress on Jan. 22, 2007 — "Expressing the sense of Congress that the United States should not engage in the construction of a North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) Superhighway System or enter into a North American Union with Mexico and Canada." (NOTE: HCR 40 replaces HCR 487 that was introduced in the 109th Congress and is no longer active.)

## State Legislatures

**ARIZONA: Senate Concurrent Memorial 1002** -- "Urging the Congress of the United States to withdraw the United States from the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America and any other bilateral or multilateral activity that seeks to create a North American Union."

**GEORGIA: Senate Resolution 124** -- "Urging the United States Congress to withdraw the United States from the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America and from any other bilateral or multilateral activity that seeks the economic merger of the United States with any other country; and for other purposes."

**IDAHO: House Joint Memorial 5** -- "Stating findings of the Legislature and urging Congress to use all efforts, resources and diligence to withdraw the United States from any further participation in the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America or any other bilateral or multilateral activity that seeks to advance, authorize, fund or in any way promote the creation of any structure to create any form of North American Union."

**ILLINOIS: House Joint Resolution 29** -- "Urges the U.S. Congress, and especially the legislative delegation to the U.S. Congress from the State of Illinois, to withdraw the U.S. from any further participation in the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America."

**MISSOURI: Senate Concurrent Resolution 15** -- "Urges Congress to withdraw the United States from any further participation in the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America and any other multilateral activity which seeks to advance the creation of the North America Union" **House Concurrent Resolution 33** -- "Urges Congress to use all of its efforts, energies, and diligence to withdraw the United States from any further participation in the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America."

**MONTANA: House Joint Resolution 25** -- "A Joint Resolution of the Senate and the House of Representatives of the state of Montana opposing any effort to implement a trinational political, governmental entity among the United States, Canada, and Mexico; opposing the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America and initiatives pursued in conjunction with the partnership that threaten the sovereignty of the United States; opposing a North American Union; and opposing the North American Free Trade Agreement superhighway system."

**NEVADA: Senate Concurrent Resolution 10** -- "Urging the United States to withdraw from the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America and any other activity which seeks to create a North American Union; and directing distribution."

**OREGON: Senate Joint Memorial 5** -- "Urges Congress to withdraw United States from Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America and other activities that advance creation of North American Union."

**SOUTH CAROLINA: House Concurrent Resolution 3185** -- "Requesting the Congress of the United States to withdraw the United States from the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America and any other activity that seeks to create a North American Union, and requesting the Congressional Delegation of South Carolina to work to withdraw the United States from the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America and any other activity that seeks to create a North American Union."

**SOUTH DAKOTA: Senate Concurrent Resolution 7** -- "Urging that the United States withdraw from the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America and any other bilateral or multilateral activity that seeks to create a North American Union."

**TENNESSEE: Senate Joint Resolution 0088** -- "A Resolution relative to withdrawing the United States from the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America and from any other bilateral or multilateral activity that seeks the economic merger of the United States with any other country."

**UTAH: House Joint Resolution 7** -- "Urging United States Withdrawal from Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America."

**VIRGINIA: Senate Joint Resolution 442** -- "Memorializing the Congress to oppose implementation of the NAFTA Superhighway System and the creation of a North American Union. Calls on Congress to take such constitutional action as may be necessary to prevent the executive branch of the federal government from unilateral action in implementing the NAFTA Superhighway System and the creation of a North American Union."

**WASHINGTON: Senate Joint Memorial 8004 and House Joint Memorial 4018** -- "Requesting the withdrawal of the United States from participation in the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America."

For more information about state legislative action, see reverse side. Links are also posted at the Operation Information web site:

[www.operationinformation.com/articles/ateegarden/opposeSPNNAU-ateeg-0307.htm](http://www.operationinformation.com/articles/ateegarden/opposeSPNNAU-ateeg-0307.htm)

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<http://www.stopthenorthamericanunion.com/RadioTV.html>

Download a timeline of the history and development of the North American Union (NAU), including a list of resources and references, posted at the American Deception website:

<http://americandeception.com/index.php?page=usercat&catid=8> (scroll down to the "Emerging North American Union" document)

Read Charlotte Iserbyt's "The North American 'Soviet' Union," *NewsWithViews.com*, Jan. 27, 2007:

<http://www.newswithviews.com/iserbyt/iserbyt36.htm>

## Find Resolutions and Memorials online

**U.S. House of Representatives HCR 40:** Go to < <http://thomas.loc.gov/> > and type "North American Union" in the search window.

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**ARIZONA:** SCM 1002 -- < [http://www.azleg.state.az.us/DocumentsForBill.asp?Bill\\_Number=SCM1002&image.x=6&image.y=1](http://www.azleg.state.az.us/DocumentsForBill.asp?Bill_Number=SCM1002&image.x=6&image.y=1) >

**GEORGIA:** SR 124 -- < [http://www.legis.state.ga.us/legis/2007\\_08/sum/sr124.htm](http://www.legis.state.ga.us/legis/2007_08/sum/sr124.htm) >

**IDAHO:** HJM 5 -- Go to < <http://www.legislature.idaho.gov/> > and type "HJM 5" in the "bill search" window.

**ILLINOIS:** HJR 29 --

<http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/BillStatus.asp?DocNum=0029&GAID=9&DocTypeID=HJR&LegID=30497&SessionID=51&SpecSess=&Session=&GA=95>

**MISSOURI:** SCR 15 -- < [http://www.senate.mo.gov/07info/BTS\\_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=15633](http://www.senate.mo.gov/07info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=15633) >

HCR 33 -- < <http://www.house.mo.gov/bills071/bills/hcr33.htm> >

**MONTANA:** HJR 25 -- < <http://data.opi.state.mt.us/bills/2007/BillHtml/HJ0025.htm> >

**OKLAHOMA:** SCR 10 -- < [http://webserver1.lsb.state.ok.us/2007-08SB/SCR10\\_int.rtf](http://webserver1.lsb.state.ok.us/2007-08SB/SCR10_int.rtf) >

Bill status, go to < <http://webserver1.lsb.state.ok.us/WebApplication2/WebForm1.aspx> > and type "SCR 10" in the search window.

**OREGON:** SJM 5 -- < <http://www.leg.state.or.us/07reg/measures/sjm1.dir/sjm0005.intro.html> >

**SOUTH CAROLINA:** HCR 3185 -- Go to < <http://www.scstatehouse.net/> > and type "H 3185" in the search window.

**SOUTH DAKOTA:** SCR 7 -- < <http://legis.state.sd.us/sessions/2007/bills/SCR7p.htm> > Bill status: < <http://legis.state.sd.us/sessions/2007/SCR7.htm> >

**TENNESSEE:** SJR 0088 -- < <http://www.legislature.state.tn.us/bills/currentga/BILL/SJR0088.pdf> >

Bill status: go to < <http://www.legislature.state.tn.us/> >, click on "Legislation" and type "SJR0088" in the "Bill Number to Look Up" window.

**UTAH:** HJR 7 -- < <http://le.utah.gov/~2007/htmdoc/hbillhtm/HJR007.htm> >

**VIRGINIA:** SJR 442 -- < <http://leg1.state.va.us/cgi-bin/legp504.exe?071+sum+sj387> >

see SJR 387 (NAFTA Superhighway System and creation of North American Union; memorializing Congress to oppose implementation thereof)

**WASHINGTON:** SJM 8004 < <http://apps.leg.wa.gov/billinfo/summary.aspx?bill=8004> > and

HJM 4018 -- < <http://apps.leg.wa.gov/billinfo/summary.aspx?bill=4018&year=2007> >



The information provided in this pamphlet supplies reasons why the United States should not allow itself to be dragged into the planned SPP/North American Union.

Because NAFTA is the foundation under which all of this treachery is being built, repealing NAFTA is essential if the U.S. is to remain independent.

Contact your congressman and two senators and let them know that you want their support behind legislation to REPEAL NAFTA.

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### BLOCK THE NORTH AMERICAN UNION BY GETTING U.S. OUT OF NAFTA

by John F. McManus

Amid guarantees that the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) would stimulate commerce, spur job creation, curtail illegal immigration, and have no impact on U.S. independence, Congress approved it in November 1993. President Clinton immediately signed the 1,700-page pact into law. That many pages has more to do with regulations than anything truly "free." NAFTA's major accomplishments include:

- The U.S. Department of Labor reports that 1.8 million American workers have applied for trade adjustment assistance after losing their jobs because of NAFTA.
- Countless U.S. factories have been closed and rebuilt in Mexico.
- The U.S. manufacturing base has shrunk dramatically and our nation is becoming a mere service provider.
- The southern border of the U.S. remains wide open and federal government promises to close it are not being fulfilled.

Rulings from NAFTA's judicial panels (created via its little-known Chapter 11) have superseded state and federal court decisions, and long-standing state laws are threatened. After a NAFTA tribunal overturned a Mass. Supreme Court decision in April 2004, Chief Justice Ronald George of the Cal. Supreme Court commented: "There are grave implications here. It's rather shocking that the highest courts of the state and federal governments could have their judgments circumvented by these tribunals."

• The pact establishes a legal foundation for the "integration" of the U.S., Canada and Mexico via the Security and Prosperity Partnership/North American Union.

• These two initiatives are steps toward duplicating for the entire Western Hemisphere the centralized government system already compromising the independence of the nations in the European Union.

### NAFTA CHAMPIONS HAD FAR-REACHING GOAL

"It will represent the most creative step toward a new world order taken by any group of countries since the end of the Cold War, and the first step toward the even larger vision of a free-trade zone for the Western Hemisphere."

— Henry Kissinger, July 18, 1993, *Los Angeles Times*

"Grasping the moment means, first of all, winning the support of the American people, the administration and congress for NAFTA.... Everything is in place — after 500 years — to build a true 'new world' in the Western Hemisphere."

— David Rockefeller, October 1, 1993, *Wall Street Journal*

Members of Congress and concerned Americans who questioned the plan to create NAFTA were assured that increased trade was the pact's only goal. Similar deception lured Europeans into accepting the European Union. NAFTA's harmful effects on jobs, businesses and immigration cannot be denied. But the pact is also serving as the legal basis for destroying U.S. independence.

### SECURITY AND PROSPERITY PARTNERSHIP & NAFTA

The SPP was launched on March 23, 2005 by President Bush, Mexico's President Fox and Canada's Prime Minister Martin at a meeting in Waco, Texas. The very name of the agreement — with the pleasant references to security, prosperity and partnership — has been employed to deflect attention from its ultimate purpose. Immediately, the SPP issued 300 initiatives, none

of which was ever approved or even seen by Congress. "SPP Working Groups" proceeded to set up offices within the NAFTA division of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

1. "NAFTA was merely the first draft of an economic constitution for North America."

— Dr. Robert Pastor, Jan./Feb. 2004, *Foreign Affairs*

2. "... as to what kind of union might there be, I see one based upon free trade, that would then entail commitment to markets, and democracy, transparency, rule of law." (Emphasis added.)

— President George Bush, March 23, 2005, responding to a question about the SPP becoming the duplicate of the EU.

3. "The SPP seeks to build on NAFTA."

— U.S. Sec. of Commerce Carlos Gutierrez, March 15, 2006

### THE NORTH AMERICAN COMMUNITY (UNION)

During a 2002 speech to the Trilateral Commission in Toronto, veteran Council on Foreign Relations (CFR) member Dr. Robert Pastor announced a proposal "to lift NAFTA to a new level of cooperation."

In May 2005, two months after the creation of the SPP, the CFR issued a 175-page report entitled *Building a North American Community: Report of an Independent Task Force on the Future of North America*. The document, authored by Robert Pastor and carrying a Foreword by CFR President Richard N. Haass, calls for "... the establishment by 2010 of a North American economic and security community." The document admits that "NAFTA has not succeeded" in accomplishing all that was hoped for. So, the Task Force recommended steps to:

- "harmonize" the borders of the three nations,
- increase aid to boost Mexico's economic level,

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-- allow free passage for all within the three nations, & -- create a new "security perimeter" that surrounds all three nations.

#### THE "NAFTA SUPER HIGHWAY"

In addition to the political goals noted above, another step toward creation of a North American Union is the construction of what is being termed the "NAFTA Superhighway." The plan calls for a huge ten-lane road for cars and trucks, with more lanes for oil and gas lines, and still more for railroad lines. It is designed to link the three North American nations -- from the southern tip of Mexico through the United States and into Canada.

If constructed, this highway will be employed to transport freight from Asia arriving at ports in southern Mexico that are already controlled by Communist China. Mexican truckers and long-shoremen will replace counterparts in the United States. If this Superhighway is built, drug dealers and other criminals will have little problem entering the United States. It will also require the taking by eminent domain of millions of acres of privately owned property.



Computer image depicts stretch of proposed NAU's borderless transit corridor.

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Congressman Ron Paul (R-Texas) explained: "The proposed highway is part of a broader plan advanced by a quasi-government organization called the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America. [It is] an extension of government-managed trade schemes like NAFTA. The real issue is national sovereignty."

Congressman Virgil Goode (R-Va.) has introduced H. Con. Res. 22 which expresses: "The sense of Congress that the President should provide notice of withdrawal of the United States from the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA)."

#### NORTH AMERICAN UNION: A SECRET GATHERING

The Bush administration and its friends in the mass media deny that plans exist to create a North American Union similar to the European Union. But during September 12-14, 2006, high-profile representatives from the U.S., Canada and Mexico gathered at a resort in Banff, Canada, for a closed-door meeting of the "North American Forum." U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Thomas Shannon stated after leaving the meeting, "The North American Forum is a parallel structure to the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America."

Participants at this secret gathering included former Secretary of State George Shultz (who served as a co-chairman), then-Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld, former U.S. Trade Representative Carla Hills (a key author of NAFTA), *Wall Street Journal* columnist Mary Anastasia O'Grady, and several former cabinet officers, government officials, and media heavyweights from the three countries. Topics discussed were energy, security, border infrastructure, and North American integration.

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Mel Hurtig, a Canadian who attended the session and didn't like what he heard, went public with details about it. Interviewed on a CBC program on September 21, 2006, he said: "We're talking about such an important thing, we're talking about the integration of Canada [and Mexico] into the United States. For them to hold this meeting in secret and to make every effort to avoid anybody learning about it, right away, you've got to be hugely concerned."

#### DUPLICATING THE EUROPEAN UNION

In 2001, Dr. Robert Pastor authored *Toward a North American Community: Lessons from the Old World for the New*. In its section labeled "Lesson from EU Experience," he enthused, "NAFTA has the benefit of learning from EU mistakes as well as successes."

An editorial in the July 2, 2001 *Wall Street Journal* praised Mexico's President Vicente Fox for his desire to expand NAFTA into "something like the European Union," and it assured readers that "there is one voice north of the Rio Grande that supports his vision. To wit, this newspaper..."

In Spain in 2002, Vicente Fox openly admitted: "Eventually our long-range objective is to establish... an ensemble of connections and institutions similar to those created by the European Union."

Congressman Tom Tancredo (R-Colo.) addressed this growing threat in October 2006: "I know the administration has given assurances that the SPP is not a veiled threat to create a North American Union, nor an effort designed to dilute American sovereignty by entering into a European Union-like arrangement with Canada and Mexico. Unfortunately [the SPP's] recommendations seem to be at odds with those assurances."

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#### EU DESTROYS NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE

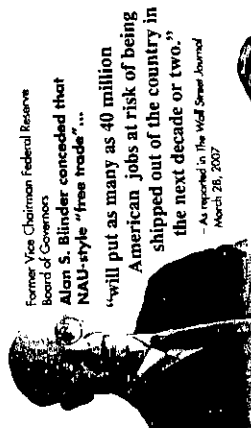
In 2003, President Vaclav Klaus of the Czech Republic objected to the creation of an EU Constitution. He warned: "This is crossing the Rubicon, after which there will be no more sovereign states in Europe.... Only one state will remain."

In 2003, British authors Christopher Booker and Richard North released their important book *The Great Deception: The Secret History of the European Union*. They described the EU as "a slow-motion coup d'état, the most spectacular coup d'état in history."

In June 2004, leaders of the EU member nations completed writing the EU Constitution. It boldly proclaims: "This Constitution... shall have primacy over the law of member States." Europe's nations have given away their independence.

In 2004, Mike Natrass, a leader of the United Kingdom Independence Party, indicated the consequences of EU membership by stating: "The EU was sold to the British people as a trading agreement and has turned into a political union which is changing our basic laws and traditions."

In January 2007, Roman Herzog, Germany's President from 1994-1999, pointed out that in a recent five-year period, "84 percent of the legal acts in Germany stemmed from [EU headquarters in] Brussels." He lamented that the "question has to be raised of whether Germany can still unreservedly be called a parliamentary democracy."



Former Vice Chairman Federal Reserve Board of Governors  
Alan S. Blinder conceded that  
NAU-style "free trade" ...

"will put as many as 40 million American jobs at risk of being shipped out of the country in the next decade or two."

- As reported in The Wall Street Journal  
March 28, 2002



"We are determined to forge the next generation of our continent's success.... The security and prosperity partnership that we are launching today is the road map to getting there."

- Former Canadian Prime Minister  
Paul Martin, March 22, 2003



"Eventually our long-range objective is to establish with the United States, but also with Canada, our other regional partner, an ensemble of connections and institutions similar to those created by the European Union."

- Former Mexican President  
Vicente Fox, May 16, 2002



The NAFTA Secretariat website  
boldly flies this "new flag."  
[www.nafta-sec-alena.org](http://www.nafta-sec-alena.org)

Bottom Line:

**NORTH AMERICAN  
LEADERS ARE PLANNING  
A NEW NATION...**

## What does the NAU mean for you?

- **Loss of good jobs**  
Open borders and so-called free trade would continue destroying the American Dream
- **Diminished healthcare services**  
The merger would increase demand for healthcare
- **New strains on Social Security and Medicare**  
Coverage would be harmonized throughout North America
- **Higher taxes**  
Increased demand for government services, including schools and law enforcement
- **Loss of national independence**  
The U.S. would be submerged in the NAU
- **Loss of personal freedoms**  
The U.S. Constitution would be replaced

**... You be the judge!**

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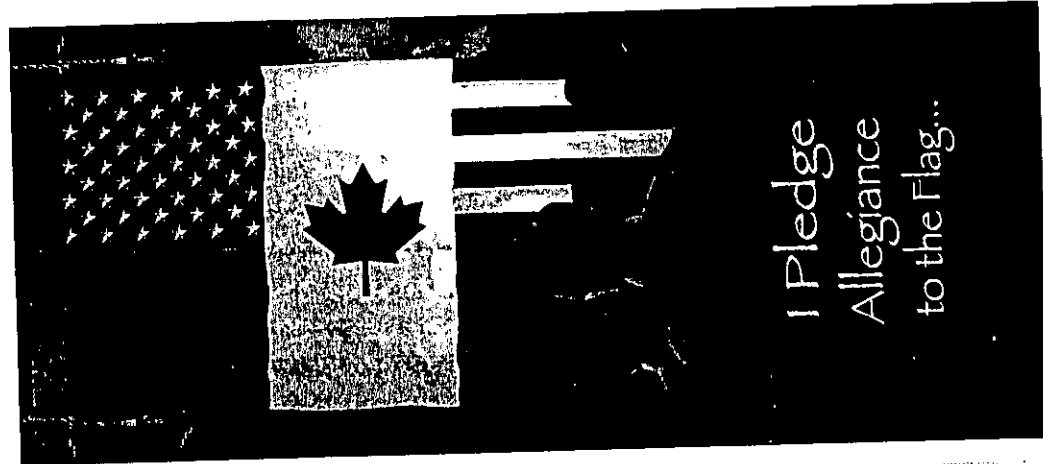
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**To which flag will you  
pledge allegiance?**



The John Birch Society  
*Standing for Family and Freedom*



## ...of the NORTH AMERICAN UNION?

Can you imagine combining the Canadian and Mexican flags with Old Glory and pledging allegiance to a North American Union (NAU)? In reality, the NAU process is already underway to erase our borders and form a new nation by merging the U.S., Mexico, and Canada.

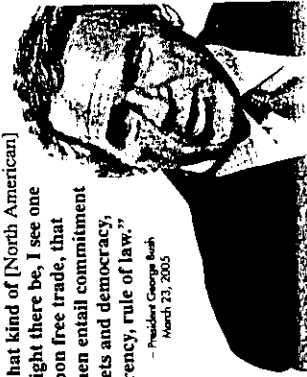


**No. They're dead  
SERIOUS.  
Their words speak  
for themselves...**

"As to what kind of [North American]

union might there be, I see one based upon free trade, that would then entail commitment to markets and democracy, transparency, rule of law."

- President George Bush  
March 22, 2003



# ...AND THE SIGNS ARE EVERYWHERE

**H**ave you noticed? The signs of a developing North American Union are mounting, and leaders continue to push the effort forward.

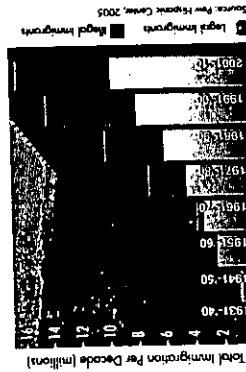


## THE NORTH AMERICAN SUMMIT

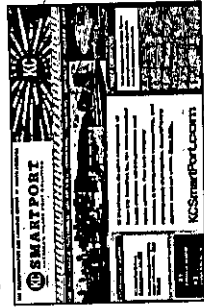
President Bush and the leaders of Mexico and Canada launched the Security and Prosperity Partnership (SPP) of North America on March 23, 2005. The SPP is playing the leading role in the NAU merger process.

## OPEN BORDERS

Although legal immigration is growing rapidly, illegal immigration is growing faster. Our leaders refuse to enforce our current immigration laws. They are already acting as if our borders have been erased to form an NAU.



**NAFTA SUPER HIGHWAY**  
Huge NAFTA highway corridors are now being designed and built to span from Mexico to Canada to serve as critical infrastructure to integrate North America.



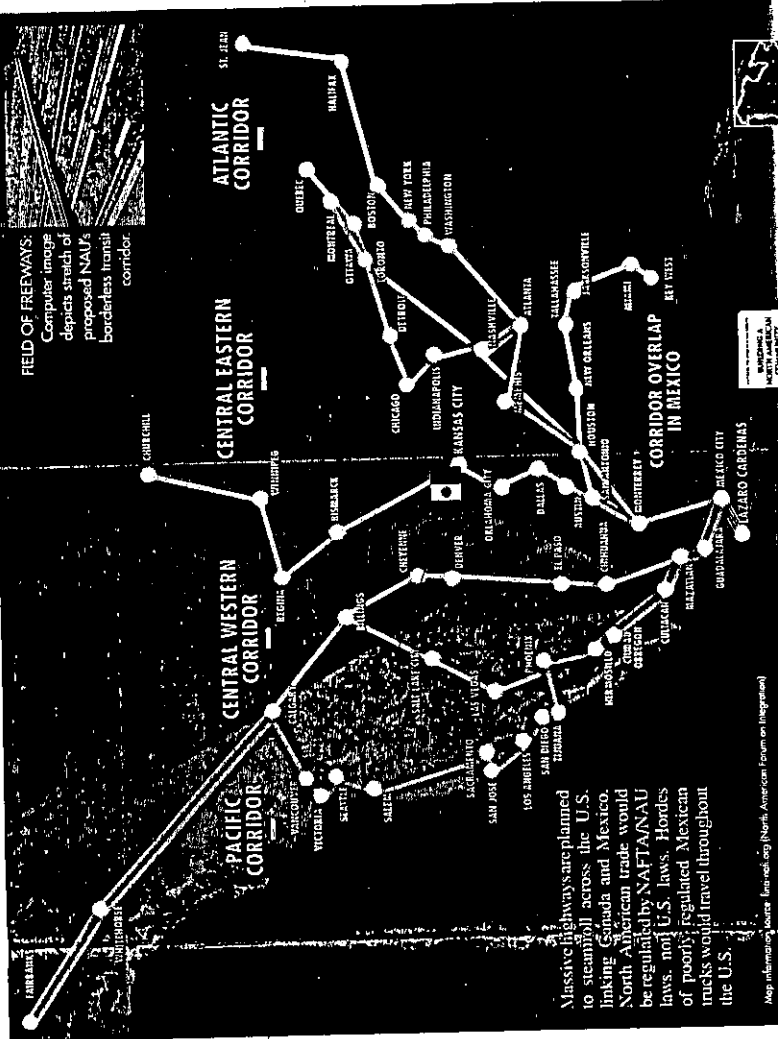
A Mexican customs inspection facility planned for Kansas City, Mo., is another sign of the NAU merger process.

## CHANGING CURRENCY

Many systems would be integrated in order to merge the three countries, including financial. The amero would replace the dollar, much like the euro was adopted in the European Union.

## WAGE & JOB LOSS

Open borders and free trade have led to widespread wage stagnation and job losses. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, between 2000 and 2005 the median income of households headed by someone under 65 is down 5.4%.



## PLOWING OVER INDEPENDENCE

