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Isherwood:

Nations want food, not free trade bulldust

Instead of selling off the farm, Australia should enter into long-term, government-to-government contracts with nations such as China to provide what they really want—a guaranteed food supply, Citizens Electoral Council leader Craig Isherwood said today.

“Nations that are serious about food security know free trade is a delusion,” Isherwood said. “Their governments are actively seeking arrangements with other nations to secure food sources.

“By contrast, both of Australia’s ruling parties are hell-bent on destroying food production in Australia through a combination of British free trade and British green fascism. No other country in the world would destroy their principal food bowl the way the ALP is using a Coalition law, the *Water Act 2007*, to smash food production in the Murray-Darling Basin, and no other country lets two big retailers screw their producers the way the free trade nuts in Canberra let Coles and Woolworths squeeze the life out of Australian family farmers in the name of ‘competition’.

“However,” he continued, “the very same mad devotion to free trade makes the major parties happy to sell off Australian land to foreign investors—free trade and national sovereignty don’t mix. The irony is, the countries that are keen to secure their food supplies are seeking to buy our land, to grow the food that we should be growing.

“It is now getting out of control: 11 per cent of Australian land is currently foreign-owned, twice the area of Victoria,” he said.

Isherwood said the way to protect our national sovereignty, and help our trading partners secure their food

needs, was through government-to-government contracts, which would also be key to a global recovery following a Glass-Steagall reorganisation of the bankrupt global financial system.

He explained, “The government should stop all land sales, and instead strike long-term deals with China and the Middle Eastern nations keen for food supplies, which will give Australian farmers a guaranteed market for expanded production.

“In a reorganised financial system based on fixed currency exchange rates, such contracts will underpin currency values; furthermore, a government-owned national bank, like the original Commonwealth Bank, would be able to issue credit against the contracts to develop and expand food production in the Ord River district, the Murray-Darling Basin, and other areas of food potential including the Bradfield Scheme region of Western Queensland.

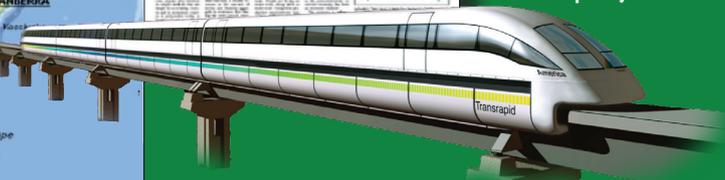
“This is the way the world can rebuild a functional physical economy, which has been completely devastated by four decades of governments either standing—or being shoved—aside so bankers and speculators could sink their fangs into every sector of the economy for a quick buck.”

Isherwood concluded, “With the global financial system now spiralling through a new phase of its disintegration, this looting has reached its end. The solution to the crisis is obvious; the problem is that the Australian people are mentally locked into the major parties, both of which are destroying us. The first step to solving the crisis is to break with the political interests that are causing it, and join the CEC.”

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RESOLUTION

The Future of Australia: Develop or Die

Whereas:

The presently ruling policies of globalisation, privatisation, deregulation and free trade, together with the enforcement of “environmentalist” policies so radical that they are best described as “green fascism”, are plunging the vast majority of Australians—along with most of the rest of the world—into poverty and misery; destroying our once-great nation; and eliminating any meaningful future for our children,

Be it therefore resolved:

- 1) That the entire body of “globalist” economic reforms introduced by the Hawke-Keating régimes beginning 1983 and relentlessly extended since then, be scrapped, together with all the equally-murderous, radical environmentalist legislation enacted since that time;
- 2) That this nation return to the traditional protectionist, well-regulated form of agro-industrial economy under which we once flourished, typified by the agreement in outlook between “old Labor” as exemplified by ALP prime ministers John Curtin and Ben Chifley, on the one hand, and Country Party leader and longtime Trade and Industries Minister John “Black Jack” McEwen, on the other;
- 3) That we must re-regulate our national financial system upon two essential pillars:
 - a) the immediate separation of sound commercial banking which benefits the average Australian, from the speculative merchant banking activities which have grown like a cancer under financial deregulation, both in this country and worldwide and which have largely caused the present, ever-deepening global financial crisis; the well-known precedent for such a separation is the 1933 U.S. Glass-Steagall Act, which President Franklin Delano Roosevelt used to bring his nation and the world out of the Great Depression, and whose adoption is presently being debated in numerous countries around the world;
 - b) the immediate re-establishment of a new, government-owned national bank to provide credit for urgently needed great infrastructure projects as the engine to drive a great new renaissance in our agro-industrial, *physical* economy; we must have a sovereign Australian national *credit system*, not a London/Wall Street-controlled *monetarist system*, to enable us to secure the well-being of *all* Australians instead of just the privileged few, as under the present, monetarist system.
- 4) That we, the undersigned, will exert our utmost efforts to bring these reforms into reality, NOW!

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