

SOVEREIGNTY SURRENDERED

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As our Federal government continues to move forward with its expansive control over the U.S. economy and society, a process that has been under way for more than a century, an increasing number of our citizens are becoming aware of the loss of states rights/sovereignty as established in the U.S. Constitution. Remember, the individual states of the Union and the U.S. Federal government are separate sovereign entities. We are a sovereign people, citizens of our state and citizens of the United States. But far fewer citizens are aware that both individual state and national sovereignty are rapidly being usurped at the Federal and international levels by means of international treaties and executive agreements (by the U.S. government), much of the time in violation of the U.S. and state constitutions.

Most of these treaties and agreements have come to fruition thru the U.N. conference and policy structure. The provisions of many of these treaties and agreements equate to the establishment of "International Law" which binds a nation to a specific course of action and can present a direct conflict to our God given unalienable rights and liberties as guaranteed by the U.S. and individual state constitutions. Even the Supremacy clause of the U.S. Constitution was not intended to subvert our constitutional protections; although, subversion is exactly what our Federal Government (all three branches) has been and continue to be engaged in.

The flow chart is a condensed framework of some of the more significant policy treaties and agreements of the past sixty years. Similar flow charts could be developed for international trade, judiciary and financial systems. This chart is intended to show how policy is developed in the U.N., then established as treaties and agreements (international law), which in turn flows into the legal framework of the U.S. through the ratification or signatory process. The provisions of these treaties/agreements and hundreds of others have woven the tentacles of international law into the internal affairs and laws of the United States and individual states, resulting in a serious diminishment of our sovereignty.

The 1992 U.N. Rio Earth Summit II was a watershed event that produced three profound international documents—The Convention on Biological Diversity (also called the Biodiversity Treaty), Agenda 21 (defines Sustainable Development), and the Framework Convention on Climate Change. These documents are the culmination of groundwork established in previous U.N. policy conferences, to which the U.S. was a signatory. Over the past fifteen years, provisions of the Biodiversity Treaty and Agenda 21 Sustainable Development have been administratively implemented at all levels of our government, dramatically impacting our land/resource use policy and society as a whole. The debate over the implementation of the Climate Change Treaty and Kyoto Protocol has been underway for over a decade. It is now before the U.S.

Congress as "Cap and Trade Legislation," If passed into law, it could have a devastating impact on our economy and society.

Many citizens are sensing that there is a profound shift underway in our culture, society and economy, a shift that affects virtually every element of our individual lives: education, family, land-use, economic, social, resource-use, food, environment, etc. The shift is to one of complete control of individual rights and activities by government, much of which is bolstered by these treaties and agreements.

Be assured that there are powerful forces (external and internal) that seek to destroy our national sovereignty. Forces that seek to incrementally set our people and nation on a course to a global socialist society. So why do our elected officials not remember their oath of office to "protect and defend?" Before it is too late the American people must demand an answer to that question. The future of our country as a sovereign nation and constitutional republic now rests squarely in the hands of the American people. Where is our "eternal vigilance?"

Endnotes:

The U.S. State Department entered into a Memorandum of Agreement with UNESCO to establish "Biosphere Reserves" in the United States. There are currently 47 such Biosphere Reserves. The Agreement requires management of these areas as set forth in the Statutory Framework of the World Network of Biosphere Reserves, which can be found here: <http://www.sovereignty.net/tline/statutory-framework.htm>. Congress is charged by the Constitution to manage all federal lands. Congress has never approved this MOA between the State Department and UNESCO, nor has Congress ever debated or approved a single Biosphere Reserve.

The Security and Prosperity Partnership (<http://www.spp.gov/>) is another example of how the federal government is eroding national sovereignty by "integrating" laws, regulations, and institutions with other nations without approval of Congress.

Section 2(a) of the Endangered Species Act (http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/pr/pdfs/laws/esa_section2.pdf) lists five specific treaties and "other international agreements" as justification for this law.

The U.N. policy on land use was adopted in 1976, and the U.S. was a signatory (<http://freedom.org/reports/human-settlements/index.html>). The federal government has pursued this policy. With the creation of the President's Council on Sustainable Development in 1993 (<http://clinton5.nara.gov/PCSD/>), and government-wide implementation of Agenda 21 (http://www.un.org/esa/dsd/agenda21/res_agenda21_00.shtml), private property rights have been ignored in favor of what government determines to be "the public good."

Here is a series of three 20-minute videos that illustrate exactly how this is accomplished (<http://sovereignty.net/Library/library-2.htm>).

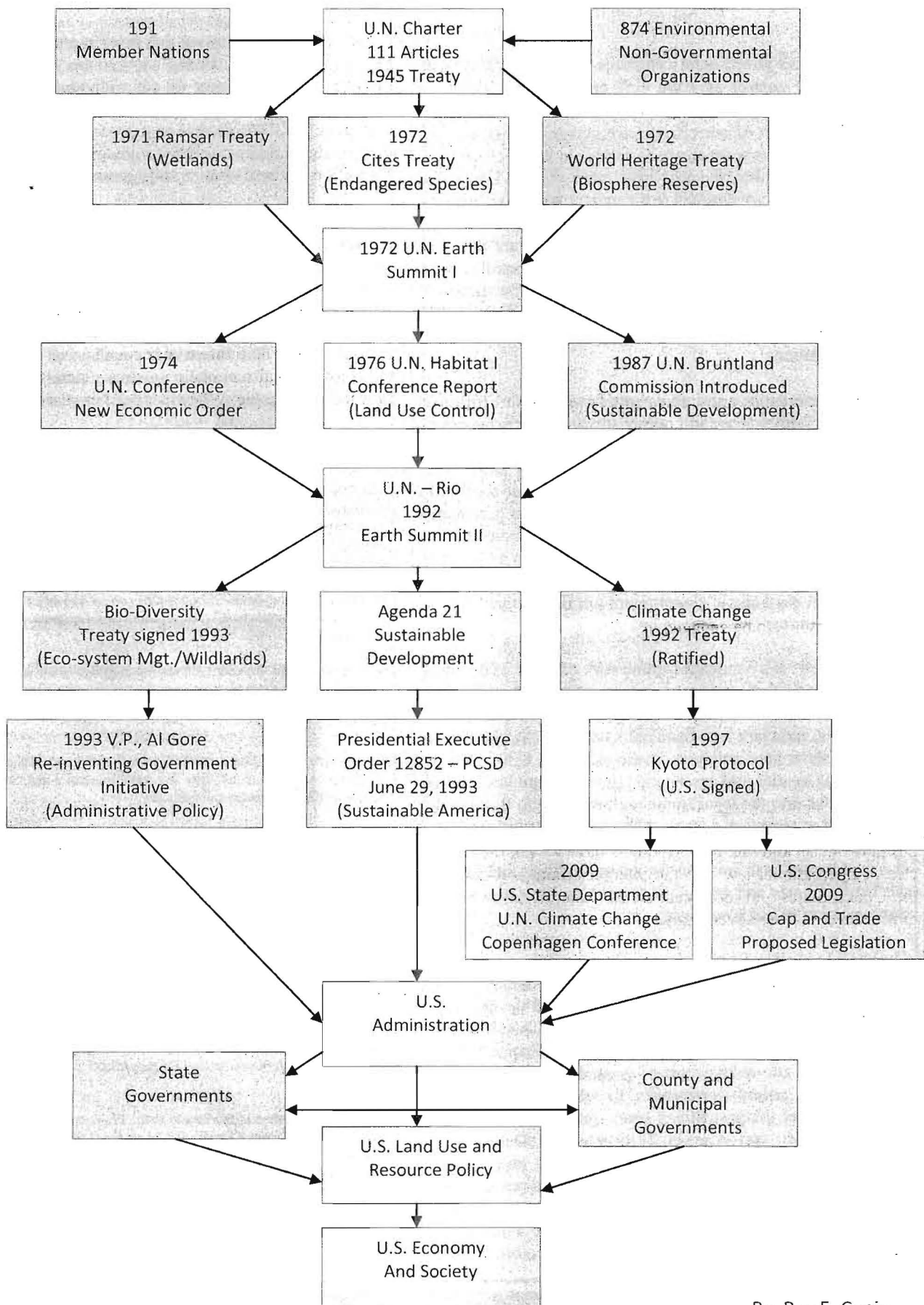
Exactly how this has been accomplished is reported in "Federal Land Use Control Through Eco-System Management" (<http://freedom.org/reports/fluc.htm>).

At the 6th Conference of the Parties to the Framework Convention on Climate Change in 2000, former French President Jacques Chirac told the U.N. gathering that "For the first time, humanity is instituting a genuine instrument of global governance, one that should find a place within the World Environmental Organization which France and the European Union would like to see established." His most enlightening speech is available here: <http://sovereignty.net/center/chirac.html>.

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U.N. POLICY TO U.S. POLICY

(Via Treaties and U.S. Executive Agreements)



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