

## 2. “Human rights”: conceptual confusion and political instrumentalisation (or exploitation)<sup>i</sup>

This short article has already been translated into English and is available at:

<http://journal.telospress.com/content/2014/166/161.extract>

There is a rather exorbitant fee, but it’s something by P.K., so if you are interested in what you’ve read by P.K. on my site for free, you have nothing to lose but US\$20! (I have not and will not ever read this translation or any other English translation not produced by myself, so I cannot vouch for its faithfulness to the original).

Some major points (I’ve used words and phrases P.K. would never use, so you need to read the full article, properly translated!):

There are no human rights.

P.K. goes into his incomparable “let’s have a laugh mode”.

For there to be real human rights, i.e. rights which every single individual on the planet – all humans – can claim and enjoy, every single human being must have such rights wherever he may be. And in reality, that is not the case.

P.K. really can’t help himself. Absolutely hilarious stuff re: primitive tribes!

If a state allows the whole world to enter it, then it won’t be a state anymore.

Only a world state recognising the equal relations between all people everywhere in the world would be able to provide real (in practice, not just as ideological bullshit, “signalling”, etc.) human rights.

But even if a world state eventuated, if there was not “enough to go around” (as would most likely be the case), then such a world state would grant rights which have nothing to do with Western mass-democratic ideals.

The expulsion of illegal immigrants is done on the basis of national sovereignty and not in regard to the rhetoric of “human rights”.

More hilarity about telephoning humanity and the festive appearance of high-minded philosophers!

Conceptual confusion and ambiguity will be the order of the day for as long as there are interests behind the ideological sloganeering (i.e. in effect, in one way or another, forever!)

Only the strong can impose “human rights” on the weak, and not vice versa (this is pure Thucydides!)

From the collapse of the Utopia of the East, to blind belief in the Utopia of the West.

From the left-wing “useful idiots” of the Kremlin, to the “useful idiots” of multinational corporations and universalistic Americanism.

Still more “philosophy and laughs”!

The billions of the “South” and of the “East” are interpreting “human rights” not formally, but materially.

Redistribution of the world’s wealth, now!

P.K. even expressly states that the internal logic of “free trade”, as well as the internal logic “human rights” will soon turn against the West, and the West will abandon today’s ideological positions.

But even then, it is doubtful if the West will win the terrible struggles of distribution which will shake the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

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<sup>i</sup> The full original title in German is: „Des Westens weiße Weste: „Menschenrechte“ – Begriffliche Verwirrung und politische Instrumentalisierung“ (= “Of the West white vest (The West’s white vest): “human rights” – conceptual confusion and political instrumentalisation”). The “white vest” reference might be some kind of allusion and or play on words regarding 1990s “humanitarian interventions”. If someone knows, they can email me with the information so I can provide better information in this endnote. I suspect something in relation to Yugoslavia/Bosnia, etc., but I’m not sure [translator’s endnote].