

The reason for this seems to be linked to the drive for a so-called "new world order" in which national sovereignty throughout the world (including that of the United States) is to be abandoned in favor of a world government under the auspices of the United Nations. Preparatory to that world combination, countries are being organized in regional blocks such as the new European Economic Community. A drift toward independent states, even in the area of the Soviet block, is therefore a drift toward dissolution of larger empires and is in the opposite direction desired by the "new world order" planners.

Whatever the reason, so far the old Soviet empire is still united under one military and one currency and general economic system; it is still armed with weapons of mass destruction that threaten American families; and it is clearly trying to emerge from its current reorganizational period as a stronger and even more viable world force with less debt, more technology, and a more vibrant economy.

This effort and objective is like the Chapter 11 reorganization efforts that are made to revitalize an overextended corporation. It is not the dissolution of an empire that is being advertised to the American people.

We must also never forget that the need for civil defense in America does not and never has arisen solely from the Soviet threat. For political reasons the Soviet threat has been at the core of many efforts to get an American civil defense. The need arises, however, from modern technology rather than from any particular political entity.

Technological advance has brought with it some very dangerous methods of mass killing by nuclear, biological, and chemical means. These technologies can be released upon large numbers of people through accidents, terrorism, or war. Fortunately, technological advance has also brought with it simple procedures by which the threat from these technologies can be mitigated. Governments representing 28% of the world's population have purchased and deployed these technologies for their citizens and are continuing to do so. The fact that the American government has ignored this critical need of its citizens in this new technological age represents an unconscionable dereliction of duty by our government.

ARIZONA MOBILE DISPLAY

The Arizona mobile shelter display that was built by Fighting Chance for the State of Arizona this past fall is being used extensively for the advancement of civil defense education. Pictured below are Captain Wadsworth, Director of Civil Defense for Bonneville County Utah and Congressman Richard Stallings of Idaho in front of the Arizona display during its appearance at the DDP meeting in Las Vegas.