

June 15, 2000

Mr.  
William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States of America  
All members of the Congress of the United States of America,

Dear Mr. President Clinton,  
dear Senators and Representatives of the people of the USA,

Professor Kent's devotion to the Truth and Justice in this horrible time for my native Serbian people, being largely and mainly as a consequence of your politics, gives a proof to the Serbs, who you have been unjustifiably sanctioned for eight years and got bombarded twice in the Parentland, that there are Americans as those who we admired.

When you, Mr. President Clinton, visited Kosovo last year, why did not you then show a mass grave? You were eager to do that. You could not because the mass graves for which you a priori had accused the Serbs did not exist.

NATO (KFOR, UNMIK) might "discover mass graves" now, a year after the end of the USA Government NATO aggression even they did not exist a year ago.

How?

Simply.

Albanian terrorists have been torturing and murdering so many Serbs under KFOR-UNMIK protection after the bombardment, that they can produce several mass graves. That is something much worse than Hitler's Nazis had been doing. KFOR and UNMIK might follow and accept the KLA claims that the bodies of Serbs being victims of KLA atrocities and torture are - Albanians. By referring to all shameful lies about the Serbs, accusations against Serbia people based on the lies (e. g. your and NATO accusations against the Serbs as aggressor in their Grandparentland, for the massacre at the Sarajevo market "Markale", for the "Srebrenica massacre" and "Racak massacre"), and unbelievable false propaganda, continuous secular demonization in all possible ways and by all available means, and two unprovoked and unjustifiable bombardments of innocent Serbian people (first in Republika Srpska, later in Serbia and Montenegro), by referring to all that what has been doing against them during last ten years, I am very worried of such a possible new crime against Serbian people.

Serbian people have suffered a lot throughout the history. This period has been one of the most difficult. In order to start its end, an appropriate normalization of the situation, an honest recovery of Serbian people and of all other citizens of Serbia, Montenegro and Republika Srpska, it is indispensable:

- that the Occidental countries halt immediately the sanctions against Serbia,
- that all foreign troops (KFOR, UNMIK,..) and illegal foreigners, in particular Albanian terrorists and other illegal Albanian immigrants, leave as soon as possible Serbian Parentland – Serbia starting with Kosovo and Metokhiya, Montenegro and Republika Srpska: until July 30, 2000.
- that the Governments of the NATO countries start compensating for all the damages, among which is also the destroyed good relationship among Serbs and those Albanians who were living with them peacefully for centuries, and to complete the compensation in seventy eight days,
- that the official occidental media finally start informing their peoples about the truth on the history and last decade affairs in (SFR) Yugoslavia.

That is not a gift. That is what was normal in (SFR) Yugoslavia before the Occidental Governments started the illegitimate pressure and actions to destroy it with the help of Yugoslav State leaders. That is the complete obligation to you and other NATO leaders and member Governments, as well as to the OUN.

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THE SEARCH FOR MASS GRAVES  
Uses and Abuses of the Holocaust  
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The claim that Serbs carried out a campaign of "ethnic cleansing" against "Kosovars" prior to the end of March 1999 and of "genocide" before and after NATO's "air war" against Yugoslavia is still very much around in the "news." Most recently, the Hague Tribunal for Yugoslavia has tabled a review of submitted international legal briefs holding NATO's civilian and military leaders responsible for war crimes and crimes against humanity and peace as a result of an attack on Yugoslavia. The Tribunal's response has been that it is too busy searching for bodies and evidence of genocide within Kosovo to consider accusations against NATO. The Tribunal has received since a 900-page report from the European Union holding that no "genocide" took place in Kosovo even during the 78 days of air attacks. . Eight months have passed since NATO troops moved unopposed into a Kosovo under the UN Administration. Reporters and TV crews have crisscrossed Kosovo in search of "mass graves" for a long time. In one case, a TV Crew promised to pay out \$250,000 for information leading to the location of an actual "mass grave."

"Mass grave" is probably the most emotion-charged appellation not only in English but in many other languages as well. As such, it lends itself to sensationalism calculated to incite for or against. It immediately brings to mind the gruesome 1945 film images of hundreds of emaciated bodies dumped, unburied, into large pits dug within Nazi concentration camps. A mass of the twisted, the deformed and the extinguished came from living humans in a profoundly disgusting and revolting way. Their only bonds were the belonging to the Jewish Faith and/or a Slavic ethnicity. There was, however, a difference.. While Slavs were designated by the Nazis as "sub-human" (Untermenschen), they were "useful" for crude mass labor needed in wartime projects. They were not being exterminated as a race or a religious group. In the end, the "sub-humans" of Russia and Serbia could fight the Nazi divisions in their own lands and contribute to the ultimate defeat of Adolf Hitler's Third Reich. The different European nationals of Jewish faith never did any physical harm to their ultimate executioners. Yiddish is a Germanic language, tell-tale sign of powerful cultural assimilation. They were just the same subjected to a structured and implemented physical destruction as an ethno-religious group irrespective of different citizenships. Outside of Germany. with one exception, the dirty work of the Nazis was carried out by the German occupying forces throughout Continental Europe. The exception was provided by the Croat Nazis (Ustashe) who did the work themselves. They murdered some 35,000 Jews, along with several hundred thousand Orthodox Serbs, number of Roms and anti-Nazi Croats.

Physical destruction of the Jews with different nationalities within occupied Europe had one other unique feature. It was carried out, with Teutonic efficiency, in an unparalleled bureaucratic way via modern means of transportation, concentration and mass killing. In the long

list of Man's inhumanity to Man, there is nothing else like this Holocaust. Its Greek roots meaning the "burnt whole," total physical destruction. Its numbers are staggering and no amount of historical revisionism attempted today can alter this fact. The generally accepted figure runs into some 6,000,000 Jews who lost their lives and possessions throughout Europe. Unquestionably, the Holocaust provides also the clearest definition of what "genocide" really is, total physical elimination of humans who belong to a single religious or ethnic group or to both at the same time. While genocidal attempts recur, the Holocaust is a unique historical event. To the everlasting credit of its survivors and succeeding generations of Jews, the Holocaust remains a living memory in many parts of the world. There is, nonetheless, an enormous difference between keeping its memory alive as a planned and executed Evil as well as an alarm against future genocidal attempts, on the one hand, and calculated uses of its memory as justification to kill other humans, destroy their infrastructure and poison their soil, on the other. This is precisely how the memory of the Holocaust has been used in ways calculated to "ease" the peoples of Western Europe and the United States into supporting or at least not actively opposing the U.S./NATO "intervention" in Yugoslavia.

This "intervention" (a very antiseptic word) is actually reminiscent of the Nazi punitive expeditions against the Serbs in World War Two. It bears Adolf Hitler's distinct signature through Western alliances with the successor anti-Serb nationalists in Croatia, in Bosnia and most recently in Kosovo. It reveals the two basic components of Nazi ideology. Might alone makes Right. Ends justify the Means. It has shredded the UN Charter. In scant eleven weeks it has mauled International Law that took centuries to develop since its Dutch founder Grotius. It has made a mockery of language and logic as NATO bombs and missiles were media-tipped in Humanitarian concerns. It has come with the most repelling deceptions and ruthless propaganda that turns Josef Goebbels into a rank amateur. It has led to a reign of cerebral terror, enlisting adherents in all major Western media to deform "the Serbs" beyond recognition.

Only yesterday, they were widely perceived as an honorable and tragic people who sided with the Allies in two World Wars, losing almost a quarter of their 7 million population in 1941-1944 alone. By eliminating historical contexts that invalidate much of the deception, by equating sporadic Serb atrocities with premeditated "genocide," individuals behind the U.S./NATO "air war" will soon face, especially at night, a merciless enemy that cannot be defeated. They will face the angry ghosts of the real Holocaust victims for perverting its moral legacy in what was once Yugoslavia. "The Serbs" became neo-Nazi butchers of the fin de siècle via an endless search for "mass graves" that contain only their alleged victims. There could be nothing more demeaning to the memory of the Holocaust than the staging of "genocide" so as to punish with impunity another ethno-religious group, the Christian Orthodox Serbs. If there is anything that can be added, it must be an ultimate paradox. Of all the populations under Nazi occupation in World War II, the Serbs have one of the best collective records of standing with and by their Jews. What about the concrete body numbers and mass graves "at Kosovo? What about William S. Cohen's assertion that some "100,000 ethnic Albanian men "were mass executed by the Serbs? What about intolerable "ethnic cleansing" that "required" the "air war?" The 100,000 figure has since been scaled down to "10,000."

Shortly before the NATO bombs and missiles fell from the Yugoslav skies, the Helsinki Watch reported that the war within Kosovo between the "Kosovo Liberation Army" (K.L.A.) and Serb police and army units, produced about 3,000 deaths. About 2,000 Albanians and 1,000 Serbs.

After months of searching, carried out by unimpeded forensic international teams, 2,108 bodies have been exhumed and investigated (report from Pristina, 10 November 1999) before the winter's onset. In many, probably most cases, identities of the dead could not be ascertained. along with when and just how lives were lost. Mass graves? A Spanish forensic team pulled out of Kosovo as "mass graves" failed to surface. In graves with more than one body it could not be easily determined whether these were due to massacres of a group, communal or collective burials of "collateral damage" in an ongoing war both on the ground and from the air. The one widely reported "massacre" at Racak and the "resulting mass grave" could not be confirmed as such by a 21-kilo report with 3,000 photographs provided by a medical expert from Finland. A mere claim by an interesting U.S. special envoy to Kosovo (with long and vast experience in Central American horror stories) went around the world before anyone could seriously examine the open grave. The "Racak massacre" was used in a calculated, cold-blooded way to justify the "air war." It is reminiscent of yet an earlier massacre, a real one, attributed to the Serbs. It was the "Third Market-place massacre" at Sarajevo, Bosnia. Within hours after an ABC TV crew recorded the gore in color, NATO launched a three-week bombing campaign against the Bosnian Serbs. Yet, an extensive in situ report exculpated the Serbs. An immediate demand was made to keep it secret. It came from Madeleine Albright, then Ambassador to the UN. The thrust of this report was leaked out by a respected UN official, Mr. Akashi of Japan. It remains secret to this day.

"Ethnic cleansing" has been generally understood as the permanent expulsion, through the use of terror, of an undesired group from its area of residence. From a variety of sources, figures of anywhere from 100,00 to 200,000 have been advanced for the Kosovo Albanians "cleansed" before the air war. There is no doubt that Albanian civilians, mostly women, children and the elderly, fled from their homes. They did so to escape "collateral damage" since the K.L.A. insurgents retreated regularly into their clan compounds after each ambush of Serb policemen (some 300 killed between mid-1998 and March 1999). The Serb ripostes invariably created civilian casualties which radicalized Albanians in the Diaspora and sent the Western media into overdrive. The problem here is that local refugees from armed hostilities fled into nearby woods without abandoning their general area, let alone Kosovo. Moreover, most returned to their homes following the Holbrooke-Milosevic agreement to pull the Serb Third Army out of Kosovo. Many non-Serb sources, including some European Observers allowed into Kosovo, have formally declared that Serbs did not target the Kosovo Albanians as a group, concentrating on the K.L.A. instead. The actual "ethnic cleansing" began after 24th March 1999, the day of first NATO strike in Yugoslavia. Almost 800,000 Kosovo Albanians spilled out into neighboring countries, including Serbia in the ensuing ten weeks. While on the subject of Serb refusals to "live with" other ethnicities, it is worth mentioning that there are over 200,000 Kosovo Albanians residing in Serbia today. About 80,000 are in the greater Belgrade alone. They are Yugoslav citizens. Many are recent refugees who did not wish to be impressed by the K.L.A. into its war with the Serbs.

The "air war" over Serbia and Kosovo lasted 78 days of relentless strikes with bombs and missiles. It was completely out proportion against the alleged "sins" of the Serbs. The term "air war" is neo-Orwellian. It was hardly a war between two opposing (air) forces. It posed no real risks to pilots flying at high altitude and not a single NATO pilot was lost in aerial combat or to ground fire (one was picked-up by air rescue). In striking contrast, thousands of banned cluster bombs were dropped in Serbia and Kosovo. In addition to depleted uranium (mutant with unknown limits), graphite was spread around,

entering into sweet water ducts. Electrical generators were destroyed along with a major, American-built, petro-chemical complex, releasing huge amounts of different toxins into the soil, water and air. A major Serb city (Pancevo) had to be evacuated. Potential parents were urged not to conceive children until scientific research could evaluate the mutant risks. Schools, hospitals, factories without any military links, apartment buildings, homes, Orthodox Churches and a Synagogue (at Nis) were damaged or destroyed along with bridges, flyovers [cloverleafs] , roads, radio and TV stations, even the Chinese Embassy in Belgrade. Some two-three thousand Serb civilians, including children, were killed (three times the casualties from K.L.A. guns) with three times as many wounded, more or less seriously. Over 600,000 Serbs, with dependents, were left without jobs. This was happening in a Serbia already harboring almost a million refugees “ethnic” victims of “cleansing” from other parts of what was once Federal Yugoslavia.

With all of this in the background and leaving the post “air-war” evolution of Kosovo aside, our self-styled successors of Niccolò Machiavelliare still searching for “mass graves” in ex-Yugoslavia, still affectionately “punishing the Serbs” while tinkering with Mankind for its own Good.

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