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"Let us be alert to the season in which we are living. It is the season of the Blessed Hope, calling for us to cut our ties with the world and build ourselves on this One who will soon appear. He is our hope—a Blessed Hope enabling us to rise above our times and fix our gaze upon Him." Tozer

## When the Moon Turns Red: China's Plan to Annex Space

by Gordon G. Chang March 13

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China, with Russia's help, wants to build a base on the moon.

If the Chinese regime succeeds in building the first facility there, it will try to deny to others the ability to land on the lunar surface. The People's Republic of China in fact intends to annex the near parts of the solar system.

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Beijing and Moscow understand all this. In 2021, Roscosmos, Russia's space agency and the China National Space Administration agreed to build a <u>shared moon base</u>, to be named the International Lunar Research Station.

Beijing and Moscow are making progress. "Today, we are seriously considering a project to deliver to the moon and mount a power reactor there jointly with our Chinese partners somewhere between 2033 and 2035," <u>said</u> Yury Borisov, the CEO of Roscosmos, on March 5 to TASS.

China and Russia are contemplating <u>nuclear power because</u>, Borisov explained, solar panels would not be able to provide sufficient energy to the installation. The two countries, he said, will build the reactor "without the presence of humans." He revealed that they were "almost ready."

China and Russia plan to build their station at the moon's coveted south pole, which is in constant shade.

Chinese efforts to build the base have been determined and successful. China has had a moon presence since 2013, when Chang'e-3 put both a lander and rover on the surface. Chang'e 4, which landed on the moon's far side in January 2019, has been gathering data, presumably for a permanent location.

Moreover, the country this month <u>announced</u> it will launch large, reusable rockets, built by state-owned China Aerospace Science and Technology Corp., in 2025 and 2026.

Beijing last May announced its intention to land a human on the moon by 2030.

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"The universe is an ocean, the moon is the Diaoyu Islands, Mars is Huangyan Island," <u>said</u> Ye Peijian in 2017, referring to features in the East China and South China Seas. "If we don't go there now even though we're capable of doing so, then we will be blamed by our descendants. If others go there, then they will take over, and you won't be able to go even if you want to."

Ye, the head of China's lunar program then, essentially issued a warning, because he compared the near heavenly bodies to islands and outcroppings that Beijing claims as sovereign territory.

In short, Ye Peijian made it clear that Beijing intends to exclude others from the moon, among other places, if it is in a position to do so.

The message has not been lost on NASA Administrator Bill Nelson, who in January of last year told Politico, referring to China, that "we better watch out that they don't get to a place on the moon under the guise of scientific research." Why? "It is not beyond the realm of possibility that they say, 'Keep out, we're here, this is our territory.' "

The moon's south pole is some of the most valuable real estate in the solar system.

"At the south pole, the lunar ice—water—can be used to both hydrate thirsty Chinese taikonauts and Russian cosmonauts and be converted into rocket fuel for missions to Mars," Brandon Weichert, the author of <u>Winning Space: How America Remains a Superpower</u>, told Gatestone.

"By capitalizing on this pristine real estate on the moon, China would dominate the most resource-rich, human-friendly region before the Americans could even tie on their space boots," he says. "It would be akin to staking out all the water holes in the desert."

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Domination of the moon's south pole would give China a big head start on dominating nearby planets as well. As Weichert notes, "A human base at the southern pole of the moon could be used as a launching point to get humans more quickly—and cheaply—to Mars and beyond, something that China's Communist Party obviously desires."

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So who wants to live under a red moon in a universe also painted red by China's Communists?

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## A Terrifying Marriage: Big Pharma Embraces AI

At a time when many business and political leaders are concerned about the spread of Artificial Intelligence (AI), one sector is openly embracing AI – big pharma.

Pharmaceutical companies, like Moderna, are not only embracing AI, but promising to embed AI into every single aspect of their organization:

Moderna is on a journey to becoming a real-time AI company where we embed AI into every aspect of our organization, and we've made significant progress. Moderna has already witnessed the impact of AI and digitization to increase our speed to market and continuously improvement of our products. AI already helps optimize each aspect of Moderna's value chain – from drug design to clinical trials operations, manufacturing operating procedures and commercial outreach. And its impact extends beyond our drug design an release cycle to accelerate and improve the work of nearly every department – from customer service, to finance, cybersecurity and more.

At Moderna, we believe that how we work and the tools we use greatly influence our ability to build the best possible version of our organization and realize our mission to deliver the biggest impact to people through mRNA medicines. This is just the beginning of Al's contribution to our mission.

Not only is big pharma embedding AI into every aspect of their efforts, they are embedding their own leadership among the leading AI companies. Indeed, OpenAI recently announced that they had chosen a Pfizer board member to serve on their board.

Dr. Jim Thorp, from The Wellness Company's Chief Medical Board, believes that big pharma's embrace of AI is an incredibly dangerous development,

"Big Pharma has already shown that they are willing to employ dangerous and untested technologies if it benefits their bottom line. Every single human on the planet should be worried about big pharma's embrace of Al."

Big pharma is openly embracing technology that is intended to "transform humanity", couple this with their existing use of dangerous mRNA technology – also intended to "transform humanity" – and you can understand why freedom loving medical professionals are sound the alarms.

Now more than ever, patients should be doing everything they can to take control of their own healthcare. You don't need to be reliant on a broken healthcare system.

Whether it's another round of COVID, or a seasonal infection, or – even worse – a new and more deadly pandemic sprung on us by the globalists, you need to be prepared.

We know what the globalists did in 2020, and we know they will do whatever they can to maintain power, which makes 2024 a potentially very dangerous year for Americans.

## The Coming Of The Police State In America

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The National Guard and the State Police are now patrolling the New York City subway system in an attempt to do something about the explosion of crime. As part of this, there are bag checks and new surveillance of all passengers. No legislation, no debate, just an edict from the mayor.

Many citizens who rely on this system for transportation might welcome this. It's a city of strict gun control, and no one knows for sure if they have the right to defend themselves. Merchants have been harassed and even arrested for trying to stop looting and pillaging in their own shops.

The message has been sent: Only the police can do this job. Whether they do it or not is another matter.

Things on the subway system have gotten crazy. If you know it well, you can manage to travel safely, but visitors to the city who take the wrong train at the wrong time are taking grave risks.

In actual fact, it's guaranteed that this will only end in confiscating knives and other things that people carry in order to protect themselves while leaving the actual criminals even more free to prey on citizens.

The law-abiding will suffer and the criminals will grow more numerous. It will not end well.

When you step back from the details, what we have is the dawning of a genuine police state in the United States. It only starts in New York City. Where is the Guard going to be deployed next? Anywhere is possible.

If the crime is bad enough, citizens will welcome it. It must have been this way in most times and places that when the police state arrives, the people cheer.

We will all have our own stories of how this came to be. Some might begin with the passage of the Patriot Act and the establishment of the Department of Homeland Security in 2001. Some will focus on gun control and the taking away of citizens' rights to defend themselves.

My own version of events is closer in time. **It began four years ago this month with lockdowns.** That's what shattered the capacity of civil society to function in the United States. Everything that has happened since follows like one domino tumbling after another.

## It goes like this:

- 1) lockdown,
- 2) loss of moral compass and spreading of loneliness and nihilism,
- 3) rioting resulting from citizen frustration, 4) police absent because of ideological hectoring,
- 5) a rise in uncontrolled immigration/refugees,
- 6) an epidemic of ill health from substance abuse and otherwise,
- 7) businesses flee the city
- 8) cities fall into decay, and that results in
- 9) more surveillance and police state.

The 10th stage is the sacking of liberty and civilization itself.

It doesn't fall out this way at every point in history, but this seems like a solid outline of what happened in this case. Four years is a very short period of time to see all of this unfold. But it is a fact that New York City was more-or-less civilized only four years ago. No one could have predicted that it would come to this so quickly.

But once the lockdowns happened, all bets were off. Here we had a policy that most directly trampled on all freedoms that we had taken for granted. Schools, businesses, and churches were slammed shut, with various levels of enforcement. The entire workforce was divided between essential and nonessential, and there was widespread confusion about who precisely was in charge of designating and enforcing this.

It felt like martial law at the time, as if all normal civilian law had been displaced by something else. That something had to do with public health, but there was clearly more going on, because suddenly our social media posts were censored and we were being asked to do things that made no sense, such as mask up for a virus that evaded mask protection and walk in only one direction in grocery aisles.

Vast amounts of the white-collar workforce stayed home—and their kids, too—until it became too much to bear. The city became a ghost town. Most U.S. cities were the same.

As the months of disaster rolled on, the captives were let out of their houses for the summer in order to protest racism but no other reason. As a way of excusing this, the same public health authorities said that racism was a virus as bad as COVID-19, so therefore it was permitted.

The protests had turned to riots in many cities, and the police were being defunded and discouraged to do anything about the problem. Citizens watched in horror as downtowns burned and drug-crazed freaks took over whole sections of cities. It was like every standard of decency had been zapped out of an entire swath of the population.

Meanwhile, large checks were arriving in people's bank accounts, defying every normal economic expectation. How could people not be working and get their bank accounts more flush with cash than ever? There was a new law that didn't even require that people pay rent. How weird was that? Even student loans didn't need to be paid.

By the fall, recess from lockdown was over and everyone was told to go home again. But this time they had a job to do: They were supposed to vote. Not at the polling places, because going there would only spread germs, or so the media said. When the voting results finally came in, it was the absentee ballots that swung the election in favor of the opposition party that actually wanted more lockdowns and eventually pushed vaccine mandates on the whole population.

The new party in control took note of the large population movements out of cities and states that they controlled. This would have a large effect on voting patterns in the future. But they had a plan. They would open the borders to millions of people in the guise of caring for refugees. These new warm bodies would become voters in time and certainly count on the census when it came time to reapportion political power.

Meanwhile, the native population had begun to swim in ill health from substance abuse, widespread depression, and demoralization, plus vaccine injury. This increased dependency on the very institutions that had caused the problem in the first place: the medical/scientific establishment.

The rise of crime drove the small businesses out of the city. They had barely survived the lockdowns, but they certainly could not survive the crime epidemic. This undermined the tax base of the city and allowed the criminals to take further control.

The same cities became sanctuaries for the waves of migrants sacking the country, and partisan mayors actually used tax dollars to house these invaders in high-end hotels in the name of having compassion for the stranger. Citizens were pushed out to make way for rampaging migrant hordes, as incredible as this seems.

But with that, of course, crime rose ever further, inciting citizen anger and providing a pretext to bring in the police state in the form of the National Guard, now tasked with cracking down on crime in the transportation system.

What's the next step? It's probably already here: mass surveillance and censorship, plus everexpanding police power. This will be accompanied by further population movements, as those with the means to do so flee the city and even the country and leave it for everyone else to suffer.

As I tell the story, all of this seems inevitable. It is not. It could have been stopped at any point. A wise and prudent political leadership could have admitted the error from the beginning and called on the country to rediscover freedom, decency, and the difference between right and wrong. But ego and pride stopped that from happening, and we are left with the consequences.

The government grows ever bigger and civil society ever less capable of managing itself in large urban centers. Disaster is unfolding in real time, mitigated only by a rising stock market and a financial system that has yet to fall apart completely.

Are we at the middle stages of total collapse, or at the point where the population and people in leadership positions wise up and decide to put an end to the downward slide? It's hard to know. But this much we do know: There is a growing pocket of resistance out there that is fed up and refuses to sit by and watch this great country be sacked and taken over by everything it was set up to prevent.