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## Memo re: United Nations Pact for the Future – An "Emergency Platform" to Seize Global Power

The UN <u>"Summit of the Future"</u> is set to take place on September 22 to 23, at the UN headquarters in New York City. Just as the World Health Organization seeks to create a global, bio-tech surveillance police state in case of a "pandemic emergency," the UN Secretary-General seeks similar powers in case of "complex global shocks," through a new instrument entitled, <u>"Pact for the Future."</u> This Pact is slated to be adopted at the Summit of the Future.

The Pact is equally dangerous to our national sovereignty and personal freedom as the WHO's proposed pandemic treaty, and yet the UN's power grab is virtually unknown. The Biden-Harris administration has put up no resistance. Rather, if the Pact for the Future is adopted by the UN, President Biden will likely sign it into law via Executive Order, bypassing the U.S. Senate. Other world leaders will likely take similar action. Since the Chinese Communist Party enjoys outsize influence at both the WHO and the UN, it is no surprise that these two supra-national organizations are being used to set up a global, China-style totalitarian surveillance police state.

## **Pact for the Future**

As of September 11, 2024, the latest publicly available draft (i.e., Revision 3) of the Pact for the Future contains Section 5, entitled "Transforming Global Governance," which includes a commitment in Action 57 to "Strengthen the International Response to Complex Global Shocks." This action item would entail the United Nations playing "the central role" of responding to complex global shocks. It makes the seemingly benign request that "the Secretary-General . . . present for the consideration of Member States protocols for convening and operationalizing emergency platforms based on flexible approaches to respond to a range of different complex global shocks . . . "

Such vaguely worded language does not specify the powers that would ultimately be conferred on the Secretary-General. These powers, however, are set forth in a "Policy Brief" he submitted in March 2023. This Policy Brief is one of a set of such briefs whose stated purpose is "to provide more detail on certain proposals contained in Our Common Agenda" and to "support" preparations for the Summit of the Future. Policy Brief #2 is entitled, "Strengthening the Response to Complex Global Shocks." It contains the following statement:

Building on the ideas in Our Common Agenda and learning lessons from these recent crises, I propose that the General Assembly provide the Secretary-General and the United Nations system with a standing authority to convene and operationalize automatically an Emergency Platform in the event of a future complex global shock of sufficient scale, severity and reach. (Page 12, emphasis in the original.)

This same Policy Brief contains (on pages 5-6) a chart entitled "Possible Future Complex Global Shocks" and a list of such shocks. It indicates that such shocks would include virtually every aspect of civilized life and reach even into outer space:

- a) Large-scale climatic or environmental events that cause major socioeconomic disruptions and/or environmental degradation;
- b) Future pandemics with cascading secondary impacts;
- c) High-impact events involving a biological agent (deliberate or accidental);
- d) Events leading to disruptions to global flows of goods, people or finance;
- e) Large-scale destructive and/or disruptive activity in cyberspace or disruptions to global digital connectivity;
- f) A major event in outer space that causes severe disruptions to one or several critical systems on Earth; and
- g) Unforeseen risks ("black swan" events).

In light of the clearly expressed intentions of Secretary-General Guterres, it is likely that adoption of the Pact for the Future will initiate a process to establish an emergency platform that will transform the United Nations beyond recognition, enabling it to declare and dictate the response to emergencies in a manner that could crush the sovereignty of member nations. Such a monumental and calamitous action must not take place without an informed, rigorous and transparent debate – both within the UN, and within member states' own councils. It certainly must not be allowed to happen on the basis of an opaque and unaccountable back-room silence-is-consent procedure.

We would argue that the tremendous new powers sought by the UN would fall outside its original charter. By trying to adopt these usurping powers via the "Silence Procedure," the UN appears to be making an end-run around the process for amending its Charter. Article 108 of the Charter requires "a vote of two thirds of the members of the General Assembly and ratif[ication] . . . by two thirds of the Members of the United Nations . . ."

The only way to stop the adoption of the Pact for the Future on September 22-23 is urgently to raise the visibility of this issue, nationally and internationally. The most effective way to do this is for heads of state, political candidates, legislators, parliamentarians, non-profit organizations and citizen activists to take up the issue and sound the alarm, demanding robust international debate on these issues rather than adoption by stealth under the Silence Procedure. Only in this way can this nefarious plot be thwarted.

The Global Digital Compact also poses a serious threat to the sovereignty of member nations and the freedoms of their people. The Compact, for example, would likely give rise to a digital identification infrastructure that can be used to institute a global surveillance apparatus akin to and modeled on the Communist Chinese "Social Credit System."

The Declaration on Future Generations prioritizes the concept of "climate justice," (paragraph 29), "urgently addressing the causes and adverse impacts of climate change and scaling up collective action to promote environmental protection" (paragraph 16). One can foresee so-called climate change giving rise to the declaration of a "complex global shock." Upon this declaration, the Emergency Platform would operationalize automatically, damaging the sovereignty of our nations and destroying our liberties.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Specifically, the UN has been seeking adoption of the Pact for the Future and its two Annexes – the "Global Digital Compact" and the "Declaration on Future Generations," discussed below – by means of its so-called "Silence Procedure," under which a document, once approved by its drafting group, is circulated among member states for at least 72 hours. If no member state "breaks the silence" by objecting, then the document is deemed to be "adopted." If the silence is broken, the document is renegotiated, and once agreed, may be resubmitted via the Silence Procedure. The UN has been less than transparent regarding the status of the various documents under the Silence Procedure. It has posted that the silence has been broken for the "Declaration on Future Generations." We understand from a reliable source that the silence has also been broken for the Future, though this has not been posted on the UN website, as of the date of this Memo.