

this way of doing, and it (and they) has without any doubt an important responsibility in the situation of the world, the poverty status and the recent 'conflicts' linked to religious problems.

Of course, these 6 men are not the only country or IO leaders who have passed 65, but the fact that they are others does not make it right, specially after someone has explained why it was wrong and why it was important not to do it. I will try now to explain why it is very important to respect this rule and why it would have a significant impact on peace and on poverty, apart from the fact that it would be a way to show great respect for the new generations and the poor as already mentioned. Every time there is a conflict somewhere in the world, the International Community, particularly International Organizations, helps both sides to solve their dispute.

To do that, they use logical and good sense arguments, and scientific studies exactly like I have done to justify the respect of this rule. So why should any leader or country part in a conflict listen to your arguments or good sense, if, yourself, you don't even accept the most basic arguments justifying a very simple rule that would improve the situation of the world. This point goes particularly for Mr. Wolfensohn and the other I.O. managers, and the leaders of rich and industrialized countries who have given themselves the important role of bringing peace, of defeating poverty, and of promoting democracy in the world.

It is also an extremely important rule because poverty and war are mainly caused by the fact that some people impose rules on other that they do not (or would not) even apply on themselves. This is also true for the retirement limit. When Mr. Wolfensohn (or other leaders) reorganized the World Bank (or other organizations) to (try to) improve its efficiency, he does not hesitate to send back in their countries men and women in their early fifties to bring in new younger professional who are better trained and 'cheaper'. This happens everywhere in the world, I had given you an article that described this fact in Belgium. 'Many' leaders are much harder on others than they are on themselves.

Of course, in theory there are no law that forces people to keep a lower profile at 65, and there are many people who do continue to work after that limit, but in practice many people are also forced to retire at 55, 58 or 60 as you all know, and almost no one remains at his highest level of responsibility after 65. So, to 'impose' (or recommend) this rule on I.O. and countries leaders and explain why it is important to respect it, would be a change in the way I.O. and countries are managed because it would mean that leaders understand that fact and accept to impose on themselves a rule that is, in practice, applied on other in a much 'tougher way'.

So apart from its 'technical advantages', this rule would have a strong psychological effect and demonstrate that leaders do not want to take everything they can while they can, but instead, that they plan for the future and for the preparation of new generations. There are many politicians or industry leaders that already apply this rule to themselves. Mr. Wolfensohn who mentioned in one of his speeches that he was a long time friend of Mr. Levin, the CEO of AOL Time Warner, could, for example, follow the initiative of his friend who has recently decided to retire from his highest position at 62.

Now, if this remark is so important why no one has ever talked about it, and particularly the press to whom I had sent a summary of my work. I cannot talk to you very long on this subject, but I want to say that I have been under constant surveillance for several years already, as I said to the judges (see att.3). Some members of the French press and media are perfectly aware of my work, my remarks and my trials. But it seems it is more important for the French press to chase Lady Diana, Marie-Jo Péric, (or others) in the street of Paris (or elsewhere) than to inform the people on certain important subjects.

Mr. Lefevre, the Chief Editor of Le Soir, to whom I had copied my letter of March 27th, 2001 and sent some details on my work, was fired, I believe. He had answered my letter of December 2000 addressed to several newspapers, but he never mentioned in his journal any of the subjects I presented you. Some countries, like Russia, Iran or Saudi Arabia, are criticized because they do not give enough freedom to the press and media, but in France where they have all the possible freedom (even too much), they forgot to talk on some important subjects, and often use their freedom to rob the privacy of people and to violate human rights. Together we must find the right balance.

The press and the media have an important responsibility in Democracy. Their role is to analyze and to (try) explain to the people the evolution of our society and to keep them informed, but it is not to dissimulate and manipulate the information, to 'sentence' the people and to violate human rights. If the press or the media do not say anything about this remark justifying the retirement limit at 65 for leaders and I.O. managers, the French Presidential election will be dishonest and both the French people and the people of the world will be fooled. Again International Organizations can and should make sure this does not happen.

Mr. Chirac and Mr. Jospin understand perfectly what I am saying and they also know that they should not run for President. Although the President is supposed to plan for the long-term future of France, these two 'probable' candidates don't even know for sure what they will be doing in 5 months! This is not just 'stupid', it is outrageous, but if no one says anything, they can hide behind the fact (or can argue) that it is to the people to choose. We all know that if the people do not receive (or have) the important facts, arguments and state knowledge available on important issues, their choice is not fair and the democracy is not honest.

Democracy is an honest and 'healthy' system, only if the people are well informed and aware of new knowledge and technology available to solve our society's problems. This is only possible if the press, media and politicians do not hide facts, knowledge, and 'explanations'. Mr. Annan said that one of the roles of the UN was to promote democracy, then it is important to promote an honest democracy, not an old and corrupted one. I.O. leaders who have a great intellectual responsibility should make sure that the press, media and some politicians assume their role and responsibility properly, and they have many ways to explain this to the people.

Saying nothing, robbing me everything and sending me in the street is not an honest solution to this problem. By not evaluating my remarks and work, and by not informing the French people and the people of the world, you do not just hurt me who has made the effort to explain you the problem, but you also hurt everyone. The project proposal and the remarks