Tradition Family & Property (TFP) Distorting Fatima and Consecration of Russia?

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THE WORLD APOSTOLATE OF FATIMA is the sole organization commissioned by the Roman Catholic Church to propagate the authentic Message of Fatima. Nonetheless, a selfproclaimed Catholic organization, Tradition Family and Property (TFP congruent with other Traditionalist apostolates) seems to have little problem pretending that it is the ultimate world authority on the Heaven sent message. TFP apparently believes that it, not the Catholic Church but it, should be listened to by Catholics worldwide contrary to what the apostolic line of popes and bishops teach and have taught about the Message of Fatima.

Regarding the crucial question concerning the consecration of Russia to the Immaculate Heart as requested by the Virgin Mary (June 13, 1929), the Vatican has clearly concluded based upon attestation of the visionary, Sister Lucia herself, based upon her testimony, the Vatican has definitively concluded that the papal consecration of March 25, 1984 was both valid and perpetually definitive. As Pope John Paul II pronounced:

"The power of this consecration **lasts for all time** and embraces all individuals, peoples and nations"

According to the Vatican:

"Sister Lucia personally confirmed that this solemn and universal act of consecration corresponded to what Our Lady wished" "Sim, està feita, tal como Nossa Senhora a pediu, desde o dia 25 de Março de 1984": "Yes it has been done just as Our Lady asked, on 25 March 1984" (Letter of 8 November 1989). Hence any further discussion or request is without basis."

Though they do not often state it explicitly, TFP representatives and their subsidiary, "America Needs Fatima", apparently do *not* believe (contrary to the official position adumbrated by the Vatican, the World Apostolate of Fatima, and Sister Lucia herself) that the papal consecration of the world to the Immaculate Heart of Mary made by Pope John Paul II on March 25, 1984 was valid:

"It is obvious (<u>TFP pontificates</u>) that men have not converted. There is no doubt that Our Lady's requests have not been heeded. And given the present state of world affairs, it is unlikely that men will do this in the near future. Therefore, Fatima is more urgent than ever because it foresees a chastisement (not peace, but a chastisement) for a world that has lost all sense of order."

TFP does not possess any sort of canonical title or even a scintilla of juridic personality, it possesses no mandate or ecclesial approbation to teach about Fatima in the name of the Church; TFP has none of these things, yet it holds a position completely antithetical to that advanced by the Church and by the WAF and is thereby causing confusion, confusion which is not of God:

"For God is not the author of confusion but of peace, as in all churches of the saints" (<u>1 Corinthians 14:33</u>).

Consequently, the WAF prohibits any talk and certainly any pronouncements pertaining to a supposed need to consecrate Russia. The WAF prohibits these things because **the consecration has already been accomplished by Pope John Paul II** as confirmed by Sister Lucia and the Church itself. To teach anything to the contrary reeks of pride, the root cause of confusion and then of division contrary to the plan of God who wills that in all things His Church be one.

"That they all may be one, as thou, Father, in me, and I in thee; that they also may be one in us; that the world may believe that thou hast sent me" (John 17:21).

Thus, the <u>WAF firmly promotes and requires obedience to properly</u> <u>invested ecclesial authorities</u> so that, crowned with concord, peace, and the strength of unanimity, the world and the entire Church may accept and implement the Message of Fatima:

"Faithfulness to the magisterial teaching of the Church and loyalty to the Pope and the Bishops and Pastors in communion with the Chair of Peter is an absolute requirement. Any and all discussion of things like defects in the Consecration of Russia performed by Blessed Pope John Paul II on March 25, 1984 which made it unacceptable to heaven, and any and all discussion about alleged parts of the Secret of Fatima which are purported in certain corners to have not yet been revealed is strictly prohibited. People who promote either of these two allegation (are)... causing great confusion and deep division."

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The WAF, speaking with ecclesial authority, teaches that Russia has been consecrated and is subsequently being converted (as evidenced by <u>numerous news reports</u>), while TFP, pretending to be Catholic, is engaged in an antithetical and on-going contradictory moral crusade against Russia. TFP continues to claim that Pope John Paul II's (1984) Papal Consecration of Russia to the Immaculate Heart of the Virgin Mary was invalid or incorrectly implemented and must therefore be repeated (correctly), while the WAF following Sister Lucia, the seer herself, and the Church all claim that the consecration was accepted by heaven.

When Sister Lucia asked Our Lord why the Holy Father had to consecrate Russia to the Immaculate Heart, why He, as King of Kings and High Priest, could not forego the papal consecration and convert Russia without the input of a pope? Jesus responded that it is <u>His will that</u> <u>His entire Church attribute the conversion of Russia to His Mother's</u> <u>Immaculate Heart</u> so that the Church would thereafter raise devotion to Her Immaculate Heart next to devotion to His Sacred Heart. In His own words. Jesus told Lucia:

"I want My whole Church to acknowledge that consecration (of Russia) as a triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, so that it may extend its cult later on, and put this devotion beside the devotion to My Sacred Heart."

Jesus, in obedience to the fourth commandment, wants His Mother honored – He wants her honored because He loves her. It is she who gave Him His Body, the Body that died and rose from the dead, the Body that is the Temple of the Holy Spirit and the New Israel, the Church. Thus, as Mother of His Body; she is the Mother of all the faithful, who in accordance with scripture, shall call her blessed forever. Since all prophetic scriptures are to be fulfilled, "all generations" (even this perverse generation), will call her blessed (Luke 1:48). To help assure the fulfillment of Luke 1:48 in this generation, Jesus wished to stress the intimate connection linking the conversion of Russia to the Immaculate Heart. He wants His entire Church to recognize that the conversion of Russia is the direct result of the consecration to her Immaculate Heart, thereby motivating the Church to elevate devotion to this heart by placing it along side of the Heart of Jesus.

Satan, on the other hand, is at perpetual war with this Woman (<u>Gen</u> <u>3:15</u>); he loathes the Virgin Mary (<u>Rev 12: 13-15</u>). It thus behooves him to sequester, camouflage, pervert and disguise knowledge about Russia's conversion, to dissociate her conversion from the Immaculate

He therefore distorts information about the consecration and Heart. about change underway in Russia and throughout the world, change that clearly indicates that the triumph she promised is occurring. Her triumph and the promised conversion of Russia must be kept hidden from all the world. The legions of hell and their adepts are ceaselessly working through such clandestine apparatus as fake news, staged political events, false apparitions and diabolical chicanery to obfuscate and confuse all mankind in order to railroad or steal the promised Era of Peace. Unfortunately (and hopefully unknown to) the TFP, in the name of Jesus Christ and the Virgin Mary, has inadvertently taken the side of forces arrayed against the august Mother of God and the will of her Divine Son. For in addition to misrepresenting the consecration of Russia to the world, TFP also misrepresents social, economic and political facts about Russia in publication after publication. This seemingly benign apostolate (and other similarly misinformed and misinforming apostolates) thus appears to be doing the work of the devil rather than the work of the Holy Trinity.

According to TFP Russia is not Only Mis-Consecrated or Un-Concentrated; It is also a "Sinking Ship"

In a recent article , entitled "<u>Is that the Titanic Sinking? No? Its</u>
<u>the Russian Economy</u>" TFP claimed (without providing any citation):

"Bloomberg has ranked the Russian economic performance expected in 2016 as the fourth worst in the world, surpassed only by Venezuela, Brazil and Greece.

Likening the Russian economy to the Titanic, they reported that:

"The Titanic has already crashed, its bow is filling with cold water but the crew and first class passengers behave as if nothing is happening....More of the same poison will only cause Russia to suffer more as her economy sinks like the Titanic with Putin at the helm."

But in 2016 Bloomberg actually reported:

"Russia is ready to make a comeback. This might not be entirely translatable in its stock market however, which is already up over 40% year-to-date. On Monday, the Russian Ministry of Economic Development revised its outlook for industrial production in 2016 to 1% compared to the previous 0.4%. In November, national statistics firm Rosstat said industrial production in the first 11 months of 2016 rose 0.8% from 2015 and 2.7% compared to the same month a year ago. IP also rose around 1% from October levels."

In 2016 Bloomberg also stated:

"The ruble, which plunged to a record low in January, has stabilized as crude rebounded. It's gained more than 13 percent against the dollar, **the best performance globally this year (2016)**, after a 20 percent loss in 2015.... "The most important thing right now is probably how the economy is adjusting to new conditions,... we see **some positive signals**, some of the expected shifts have began in the structure of the Russian economy. There's a shift from non-tradable sectors to tradables, especially those oriented toward exports."

TFP continued its false-theological driven bogus tirade

"So it is no wonder that Russia, while endowed with remarkable natural resources, fails to meet even the basic needs of her people.

Yet reliable sources, such as the Agrisek inform us that <u>Russia is now</u> <u>an "grain superpower</u>". It <u>has become the largest grain exporter in</u> <u>the world</u>:

"Grain flows from Russia are expected rise again this year after strong wheat output growth, with **production expected to hit new records at around 70m tonnes**. "[Russia's] harvest is absolutely huge," says Amy Reynolds, analyst at International Grains Council. "Last season, **Russian topped the U.S. in wheat exports** for the first time in decades and is expected to extend those gains to displace the EU from the top spot this year, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Investors from local farmers to <u>billionaire</u> <u>tycoons</u> are pumping money into the business."

"Russian wheat has crowded out U.S. supplies in Egypt, the world's biggest buyer, and is gaining footholds in some other countries, such as Nigeria, Bangladesh and Indonesia. That's four decades after the Soviet Union turned to U.S. shipments of wheat and corn to offset shortfalls in its own harvests. **Over the last decade, Russia** has been the biggest single source of growth in wheat exports, vital to meeting surging global demand."

Despite sanctions and Fake News stories to the contrary <u>Russia's</u> agricultural sector is flourishing. The Japanese Times reports that "<u>Russia is an emerging superpower in food supply.</u>" On top of that, Russia is in the process of <u>giving resource-rich land away</u> in a bid to "build a strong and self-sufficient Russia" as America was made strong and prosperous by homestead laws that made land available as the nation expanded westward. Russia is now doing something very similar as it expands its population eastward into its deep steppes.

According to the Financial Times, it is **improved economic conditions in Russia that are driving its unexpected agricultural growth**. Nevertheless, TFP must be the purveyor of Russian doom, or its allegations that Russia's consecration has *not* been properly performed come to naught. Russia's economic and food debacle and its purported inability to feed its own people, as falsely told by TFP, is as untrue as its spiritual accounts regarding the consecration of Russia: simply not true.

TFP would like everyone to believe that Communism is still alive in Russia, that it is killing the Russian economy and that therefore Russia must be consecrated again. In short, <u>they seem to be</u> <u>Nationalist Neocons</u> believing that without sacrosanct Capitalism, Russia is doomed-there can be no other way to prosperity except statesponsored usury and unlimited private property. Damn the Russians, if they are not capitalists, they must therefore still be communists. As was previously stated, TFP publications are full of false reports about the Russian economy:

"The stale ideas of communism were not removed, and much of the capitalist financial resources evaporated maintaining collective property. Now that the exceptional commodity bonanza is over, so is the illusion. $(\underline{3})$ "

On the one hand, **TFP cites Bloomberg** (without providing any source information) for verification purposes and then, on the other, **they fail to cite Bloomberg** when it, contrary to the TFP script, informs the public that:

"Big retailers like Sweden's Ikea Group and France's Leroy Merlin SA have begun pumping billions of dollars in new stores and factories....Ikea is putting \$1.6 billion into new stores over the next five years or so. Leroy Merlin in September announced a 2billion-euro plan to more than double the number of outlets in Russia over the same period. Pfizer Inc. is building a new drug factory, while Mars Inc. is expanding plants for chewing gum and pet food."

"This is the moment for investment," said Walter Kadnar, country head for Ikea, which last launched a new store in Russia five years ago but this fall opened a \$60 million furniture factory near St. Petersburg and acquired land for a third Mega mall near the city. "I strongly believe in the potential of the Russian market long-term."

"The government said its annual meeting of **foreign investors in** September drew the most top executives in a decade. Foreign direct investment surged to \$8.3 billion in the first nine months of this year, more than the \$5.9 billion reported for all of 2015, according to central bank data.

To further bolster Bloomberg and FT reports (misrepresented by TFP), the President of Russia, Vladimir Putin, has announced verifiable economic data congruent with Bloomberg and FT data. Putin recently gave his <u>State of the Union Address</u> in which he stated:

"We have seen a slight overall decline in the automotive industry, although trucks have shown an increase of 14.7 percent, light commercial vehicles, up 2.9 percent, and buses, up 35.1 percent. In railway engineering, there is a 21.8 percent growth, and freight cars are up 26 percent. Agricultural machinery and equipment have shown very good momentum, 26.8 percent. The light industry is also demonstrating an upward trend."

"We have ensured macroeconomic stability, which is very important, and have maintained financial reserves. **The Central Bank gold and currency reserves** have not decreased, but **have even grown**. Whereas on January 1, 2016 they totalled \$368.39 billion, **now they stand at \$389.4, almost 400 billion**. Here, too, we can see positive dynamics."

"Agricultural produce exports bring in more revenue today than arms exports. Only recently, we would probably have scarcely imagined such a thing possible. I have already spoken publicly about this and can say it again here today. Incidentally, as far as our arms exports go, we are still a serious contender on this market. Our exports came to \$14.5 billion in 2015, and our agricultural produce exports came to \$16.2 billion. This year, we expect a figure of \$16.9 billion."

"The IT industry is one of the most rapidly developing sectors, which is heartening. Russian IT companies have doubled their exports over the past five years.... Our IT exports were almost zero only recently, but they have risen to **\$7 billion no**w."

Because they refuse to see the truth, the guardians of false information generated by TFP maestros claim that, "A key fact remains, and its effects are devastating: Vladimir Putin's Russia has not put an end to <u>socialist collectivism</u> and the hens have come home to roost."

Instead of scholarly documentation to support this specious contention, the maestros stealthily provide an outdated and irrelevant link to papal encyclicals against socialism. What? News Flash: Socialism/Communism in Russia is dead. Russia is undergoing a Christian renewal as recognized by <u>Politico</u>, the <u>New York Times</u>, <u>Newsweek</u>, by other members of the <u>world press</u> and by Pope Francis himself:

"In affirming the foremost value of religious freedom, we give thanks to God for **the current <u>unprecedented renewal of the Christian</u>** <u>faith in Russia</u>, as well as in many other countries of Eastern Europe, formerly dominated for decades by atheist regimes. Today, the chains of militant atheism have been broken and in many places Christians can now freely confess their faith."

Communism ended decades ago. Russia is not the USSR but the folks at TFP would have us all believe that communism never ended in Russia. Someone wake these people up. Even <u>Wikipedia</u> has this one right:

"<u>Russia</u> has an upper-middle income <u>mixed economy</u> with state ownership in strategic areas of the economy. **Market reforms in the 1990s privatized much of Russian industry and <u>agriculture</u>**, with notable exceptions to this privatization occurring in the <u>energy</u> and defense-related sectors.

A mixed economy does provide for state ownership of key sectors, as stated, but **it is also characterized by extensive private ownership** as well. Russia, moreover, is poised to experience a new round of

economic growth.

"The improving outlook is driving appetite for Russian assets. The ruble was the second-best performer in emerging markets last quarter with a gain of 4.8 percent against the dollar. It traded little changed at 64.8225 against the dollar as of 3:36.m. in Moscow. Ruble <u>volatility</u> is at the lowest level since 2014, with investors seeking close to four times the government debt tendered at an auction on Wednesday."

<u>Bloomberg</u> was referring to organizations such as TFP when it recently stated:

"It's time to bury the expectation that Russia will fall apart economically under pressure from falling oil prices and economic sanctions, and that Russians, angered by a drop in their living standards, will rise up and sweep Putin out of office. Western powers face a tough choice: Settle for a lengthy siege and ratchet up the sanctions despite the progress in Ukraine, or start looking for ways to restart dialogue with Russia, a country that just won't go away."

It might be time to bury such expectations, but <u>TFP continues its</u> <u>hypocritical tirade against Russia</u>:

"<u>Vladimir Putin</u> pours millions of dollars worth of bombs on Syria and beckons anti-capitalist leaning European and American parties with other millions."

Someone tells these people that <u>the war in Syria is basically over</u> – thanks to <u>Russia</u>, <u>peace is being brokered in Syria</u>. Accusing Putin of legally dropping millions of dollars of bombs on Syria (Russia was asked by the head of a sovereign nation to assist it in its campaign against terrorists and insurrectionists) while saying nothing about the Bush and O'Bama administrations that thwarted international law by illegally mega-bombing Syria and other nations in the region such as Libya, Afghanistan, and Kosovo in the Balkans to the tune of tens of billions is an incongruous absurdity. Equally incongruous is attacking Putin's **legal** support of populist parties in Europe and ignoring US backing of **illegal** coups and "color revolutions" designed to overthrow democratically elected governments in the Ukraine, Syria

and Egypt et al.

According to TFP, Russia's ongoing renewal is non-existent, a ploy of Communists similar to the <u>NEP</u> of Lenin. They would have readers believe, despite a mountain of real evidence to the contrary, that nefarious Putin is attempting to "recycle communism" under the cover of Christian rebirth:

"Dazzled by the color of money, Western "fellow travelers" sing praises to the maintainer of old recycled communism. They present him as savior of the family, life and Christianity. In a few words, sort of a Charlemagne!"

There is little or no truth in these assertions. The USSR carried out a systematic and heinous pogrom against Christians. Today Russia has rebuilt 25,000 churches and restored religious freedom to main-stream outlawed homosexual propaganda, protected churches; it has the integrity of its sacred places from desecration, introduced religious education into public schools, is campaigning for an end to abortion, is globally opposing the advance of liberalism among many other developments that were anathema in the In short, the Communists persecuted millions of Christians and USSR. demolished thousands of Christian Churches. In Putin's Russia and abroad, Christian churches and communities are being supported, <u>funded</u>, <u>protected</u> and rebuilt.

Russia is still in the ascendant mode and will remain in that mode until complimented and then surpassed by a resurgent Europe (a *Newera* projection to be discussed at a later time). Today, this is the type of cultural event occurring on Red Square at the Kremlin (see video below), the type of Marian event that Satan hates, anti-Christian globalists abhor and that radically traditionalist foundations and news agencies attempt to keep out of the news. Unlike this Russian choir, <u>TFP</u> sings an unsupported refrain against the Rus and in so doing perverts the Fatima Message *esp*. regarding the consecration of Russia and the promised "Era of Peace".

Like other traditionalist groups, TFP seems to be waging a war with the Catholic episcopate. Thus, according to the <u>Brazilian</u> <u>Bishop Castro de Meyer</u>:

"There is a visceral anticlericalism in TFP: everything that comes from the clergy is prejudicially received. Basically, it holds that all priests are ignorant, not very zealous or interesting, and have other such qualities. Well, then, keeping in mind the divine Constitution of the Church which was instituted by Jesus Christ, **TFP's habitual anti-clericalism, latent, makes it an heretical sect**, and therefore, as I have said, is animated by a principle contrary to the dogma established by Jesus Christ in the constitution of His Church"

TFP combines a unique blend of elitism, anti-communism, antimodernism, mystical theology, monarchism, and avid devotion to its founder, Plinio Correa de Oliveira. Under his regime, TFP members exercised considerable influence in the Brazilian government and military. As social elitists representing traditional values and insistent on private property rights and large land-holdings, they were (and still are) rabid anti-Communists. They distinguished themselves by hiding behind ardent opposition to aberrant liberation theology thereby ignoring their Christian social responsibility to engage in much needed land reform throughout Latin America. TFP represents a throwback to medieval Feudalism, to knighthood, and social privilege; they view themselves as remnants of the noble class of landowning "aristocrats".

Given their strict adherence to American Foreign Policy, excessive private property and Cold war anti-communist rhetoric, <u>TFP advocates</u> <u>might be mistaken for Neocons</u>. The US foreign policy initiatives fully embraced by TFP seem to make it morally complicit in war-mongering around the globe, in the destabilizing advancement of NATO to the very borders of Russia (see maps on this page), in American engagement or involvement in Afghanistan, Libya, Kosovo, Iraq, Syria, Yemen as well as the South Pacific and Latin America, in the building and maintaining of two thousand military bases outside of the homeland compared to Russia's two or three, and they insist Russia is a threat to world peace.

According to John Horvat, current president of TFP, Russia "<u>calls to</u> <u>mind the threats to world peace mentioned by Our Lady at Fatima</u>."

"From the chilling winds of a Cold War, one can see that **the Russian danger** that seemed so distant after the fall of the Berlin Wall **is back at the gates**. The warning of Our Lady at Fatima about Russian errors spreading about the earth now comes back onto the stage – and **her message is ever more timely**."

The USSR is gone, and liberalism of the West is tottering, but rather than focusing on the demise of liberalism, the global spread of American militarism, and rejoicing that we are moving toward an Era of Peace, TFP will have none of it. As expected, from the far right fringe, everything must be viewed through a negative lens, there must be a devil behind every stone, the world must be kept from knowing the truth about Fatima and the Christian renewal that is actually happening in Russia and Eastern Europe. The World Apostolate of Fatima (WAF), the only Fatima apostolate with juridic personality, the only apostolate that speaks with the voice of the Church on Fatima, the WAF tells us that Russia is being converted, but TFP people tell us Russia is about to devour us in a diabolical new wave of communism.

No wonder this group was banned by the Brazilian bishops.

As far as communism in Russia is concerned, TFP is a radical organization, which in the spirit of its founder Plinio Correa de Oliveira, refuses obedience, obedience even to the Vicar of Christ:

"Holy Father, order whatever you want, except that we should stop fighting Communism. To this, <u>our conscience refuses obedience. On</u> <u>this matter, we will resist</u>" (Plinio's response t Pope Paul VI). Resistance is a common term used by members of TFP, Plinio's resistance motif resurfaced in some of his followers, including Marian Horvat, among others, who gave it a more acute twist, speaking to the "heretic" John Paul II, they said, "<u>We resist you to your face</u>."

However, the "heretic" John Paul II's successor, <u>Pope Benedict</u> XVI said that:

"It is necessary to be strong in faith and to **resist error even when it masquerades as piety**, so that by professing truth in love, we may embrace in the love of the Lord those who have strayed (cf. <u>Eph.</u> <u>4:15</u>)."