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Name: *UN Proposes Taxing US Citizens*

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“This is outrageous,” Neil exclaimed! “The United Nations is proposing to levy a number of taxes on our people in the United States.”

Neil is an accountant with a large respected accounting firm. So I asked, “Who told you that, Neil?”

“I just read it in the news, David,” Neil replied, “and according to the article I read, the UN issued a report that accuses wealthy nations of ‘breaking promises to step up aid for the less fortunate.’”

“Well, I certainly do believe in helping the poor,” I replied.

“Yes, I agree,” Neil responded. “However, I don’t know if you already know this, David, the United States is currently funding 22% of the entire UN budget. And yet they’re calling us ‘deadbeats.’”

“That is pretty nervy,” I replied.

Neil continued, “So they are proposing to tax us to get more money. The UN report called this new tax a ‘new financing mechanism.’”

“So,” Neil continued, “if I understand this correctly they are saying that because we didn’t donate enough money, the UN is going to usurp authority that they were never legally given and force us to ‘donate’ to these poor people by means of a ‘tax’ on our private citizens.”

“Wow,” I replied.

Neil continued. “And they are not just proposing a tax on the super-rich; they are proposing to tax all of us. In addition to taxing our billionaires, they are proposing a tax on carbon emissions. That would be a tax on everyone who drives a car. They are proposing a transaction tax on our money. That would be a tax on everyone who uses money.

“And if we allow them to tax these items, we have to wonder what the UN will tax us on next. Maybe a tax on our food or maybe on our gas.”

“This is interesting,” I responded. “I never heard of this before.”

Neil continued. “Our country is in the worst financial shape I’ve seen in my entire lifetime. Our own governments here in the United States are so strapped financially that they have been cutting down on aid to the poor here in the United States. What convoluted logic makes the UN think that they could or should get more money from us?”

“I don’t know,” I replied. “We certainly are facing hard times here in our own country.”

Neil continued. “If anyone should be allowed to tax the billionaires in this country to help the poor it should be *our* government taxing *our* billionaires to help *our* poor. And if we have any left over, then we can donate some of that left over money to help the poor in other places.

“The very fact that the UN is considering such an outrageous action is cause for serious alarm.

“If an individual or an organization chooses of their own free will to donate money to help the poor, I’m all for that. And I don’t have any significant problem with the UN being the agency that dispenses that aid. If the donor chooses to give the money to the poor through the UN, that’s their choice.

“But the UN has no legal right to tax *anybody* in *any* country. To allow such an egregious violation to the laws of sovereignty is a violation so great as to be difficult to describe.”

“From what you’re saying,” I commented, “this appears to violate both the law and common sense.”

“Absolutely,” Neil replied. “According to this article, the UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon called this proposal new ‘innovative financing.’”

“It sounds more like theft to me,” I replied.

“I call it virtually an act of war,” Neil replied. “And frankly, it makes my blood boil. What they are really proposing is to take away our national sovereignty.”

“Why do you say that,” I asked?

“I say that because the US Supreme Court has ruled on several occasions

that ‘the power to tax is a test of sovereignty.’”

“If we give up our rights and allow the UN to levy a tax of any kind against any American citizens, then we will have taken a step toward potentially giving up all our sovereignty.”

“And why is sovereignty so important,” I asked?

“Because,” Neil replied, “sovereignty issues are usually resolved with bloodshed and I don’t want to see dead bodies on the streets of America.”

“Hmm,” I replied thoughtfully. “That puts this matter in a different light.”

“You know this makes me wonder,” Neil continued. “Has our government done anything to cause these usurpers in the UN to think they have the legal right to tax us?”

“I don’t know,” I replied. “But that’s something we probably should look into.”

Neil continued. “You know there are people in the United States who have been trying to get our country out of the UN for years. This article makes me sympathetic to those people.

“I know we’re busy with our other problems, like the economy, housing, jobs and immigration. But maybe it’s time to turn our attention to the actions of the UN and do something about it before it’s too late.”

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Although most Americans understood the concept of sovereignty at the time of the America Revolution, most Americans today are unfamiliar with this important subject. This ignorance could prove to be fatal to our freedom if we don’t wake up.

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