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Dear Sir;

As of late, the Press, members of the Government, polirical and economic analysts, have been trying to explain why the People are so angry and disillusioned with Government and the Press. The end result has been that everyone has a different reason or explanation, and the answer is still not clear to anyone.

I do not pretend to have the answer, but I do have a different point of view that does not lend itself to specifics, because it is more of a general overview of why I, as an individual, am quite angry and frustrated with the present state of affairs.

Yours truly,

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A CAUSE AND EFFECT OVERVIEW
OF
THE PREVAILING ANGER TOWARD GOVERNMENT

Most of the reasons presently being given for the prevailing anger of the People toward the Government are specific in nature and relate more to individual interpretations than to the very widespread discontent that has spread across the country. The many different interpretations and explanations of this phenomena are generally labeled as cynical, but the general label of cynicism does nothing to explain a general reason of substance that presents an overview of the true nature of the phenomena.

It seems that most attempt to interpret this phenonema in terms of specific results without paying any attention to the many causes, or singular cause, that has produced the phenomena. Let me suggest the following overview as to the cause of my own frustration and anger toward the Government.

1. Oversaturation of laws, rules and regulations.
2. Complexity of laws, rules and regulations.
3. Unworkability of laws, rules and regulations.
4. Intrusion of laws, rules and regulations.
5. Lack of input into laws, rules and regulations.
6. Congressional Power thru laws, rules and regulations.
7. Fast Track power of President thru laws, rules & regulations.
8. Unconstitutionality of laws, rules and regulations.
 - a. Unfunded mandates
 - b. Double Jeopardy
 - c. Gun control
 - d. War Powers Act
 - e. Education (not mentioned in the Constitution)
 - f. Affirmative Action (allows Governmental discrimination based on race and sex).
 - g. School Busing (should require legislation)
 - h. Geremandered Voting Districts based on race.
 - i. Politically correct corruption of free speech.
 - j. Congressional immunity from laws that it passes.

One may contrast the prevailing concept of "what can the Government do for me" as being a direct reaction to the concept of "what the Government is doing to me." The development of the "victim mentality" that had overwhelmed society over the past thirty years should inevitably lead to a "someone to blame" mentality when things do not go according to one's own desires and aspirations.

The major problem with the criticism of the Press is that the country has never adequately defined the role of the Press in society. It was certainly not defined in the Constitution, and as a result, the Press has defined itself according to it's own dictates and aspirations. Therefore, when the Press is

criticized, the Press investigates itself and always seems to find itself innocent, and definitely "not guilty."

The Press can and should be criticized for not explaining the nature of the General Agreement On Tariffs And Trade, instead of focusing so much attention on the O.J. Simpson trial. But if the members of Congress do not even understand the complexity of GATT, as evidenced in the Senate hearings by Senator Hollings, then how can the Press be expected to understand it so that they can transmit the information to the People?

In the end, if the Government and the Press are to be criticized and condemned for what they do, or do not do, and seek to avoid the criticism by being devious and deceitful, then why not avoid the deceit and deviousness and do what needs to be done because the criticism and condemnation are a given in either case? The criticism and condemnation are a given in either case, so why not at least earn the respect of the People by not engaging in the deceit and deviousness, and preserve one's own self respect and adherence to one's own principles by making the hard decisions that must either be done immediately, or which will be forced upon the country within a very few years when we face the inevitable consequences of bankruptcy.

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