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Byron M. Roth, *The Perils of Diversity: Immigration and Human Nature*. Washington Summit Publishers, 2010, 577 pages.

Dr. Byron Roth, Professor Emeritus of psychology at Dowling College on Long Island, has written an important book on the damage that has been done to the United States and Europe by the large scale immigration of non-European peoples that has taken place in recent decades.

Roth begins *The Perils of Diversity* by documenting how elite opinion-makers in academia and the mainstream media almost all assume that the peoples of all races are similar, and therefore that they can all be accommodated in the United States and Europe. The principal "debate" is between those who advocate assimilation and those who advocate multiculturalism. While acknowledging that different racial groups can sometimes be in conflict, assimilationists argue that these ethnic problems can be solved through "the magic of assimilation," in which all races and religions are gradually transformed into Americans or Europeans. The multiculturalists argue that we should let the immigrants keep their culture, beliefs, and practices; this can be accomplished, they say, peacefully, and different communities can live in social harmony. They blame the intolerant attitudes of the host populations in the United States and Europe for the discord that is frequently present: It is the fault of the indigenous American and European peoples, who do not do enough to accommodate immigrants.



Roth argues that both the assimilationists and the multiculturalists fail to understand human nature.

Assimilationists believe that all races have the intelligence and values required to maintain Western civilization, while multiculturalists believe that all races and cultures can live together in social harmony. These beliefs are, Roth argues, seriously incorrect in the light of historical experience and scientific evidence.

To sustain these beliefs, the academy, the legal profession, and philanthropic foundations ignore and suppress the scientific evidence that has shown that genes have a major impact on both individual and racial differences. But academics who state that there are genetic racial differences come in for tremendous criticism and punishment—they are deemed “racists” and are run out of the academy. Dr Roth describes the fate of **Chris Brand**, who was fired from the University of Edinburgh, as well the attacks on **Bruce Lahn** of the University of Chicago, and on **James Watson**, who was forced to resign from the research institute at Cold Springs Harbour. All of these scientists were punished for suggesting that there are race differences in IQ.

Discussion of these issues is further suppressed in a number of countries by “hate speech” laws that prohibit public debate on race and intelligence. It is effectively illegal to publish a book criticizing immigration on these grounds in Canada, and publishers are highly reluctant to do so in Europe.

Philanthropic foundations sponsor publications and conferences on race, but do not invite anyone who might make the case for genetic racial differences. They also give huge sums for studies of “racism” to pro-immigration groups, including The National Council of *La Raza*, as well as Hispanic lobbies that have advocated the return of the southern states to Mexico.

Roth notes the vested interests of many of those that favor mass immigration. Business leaders often like open borders because immigrants provide cheap labor. Liberals and leftists favor mass immigration because they care little about the preservation of Western civilization and have adopted a form of racialized Marxism, in which Whites have effectively taken the place of Marx’s bourgeoisie and non-Whites, the proletariat. They regard the Europeans as the oppressors and non-Europeans as the oppressed.

In making his case, Dr. Roth outlines human evolutionary history—that is, “Big History” of the past tens of thousands of years. Early man lived in bands of some 50 to 100 close relatives. These bands were, in many ways, altruistic, and each member participated in reciprocal co-operation (what is often called “**inclusive fitness**.”) On the other hand, each band typically had relations with outside bands in varying degrees of hostility. This in-group/out-group dual code, as the British sociologist Herbert Spencer described it in the 19th century, has evolved as human nature. The remaining hunter-gatherers that survive in the Amazon basin and elsewhere typically make frequent attacks on neighboring bands; the victors pass on their genes for hostility to out-groups.

In multiracial societies, the integration of ethnic groups is hard enough when the groups have the same abilities; the strains on social harmony are much greater when the abilities of the groups differ widely. Dr Roth has three chapters explaining racial differences in ability and the effect that climate has had on selecting for intelligence. He summarizes the numerous studies that have shown the existence of race differences in intelligence. The essential facts are that with the average European IQ set at 100, the North East Asians have an average IQ of approximately 105, Hispanics have an average IQ of approximately 89, South Asians and North Africans, an average IQ of approximately 84, and sub-Saharan Africans, an average IQ of approximately 70. These racial differences present difficulties for multiracial societies.

Furthermore, because (apart from small numbers of Chinese, Japanese, and Koreans) the immigrants into the United States and Europe have lower average IQs than the European peoples, the IQs of the populations will decline. As their numbers increase by further immigration and higher fertility, the average IQ in the United States and Europe will fall further and this will seriously impair the economic and intellectual world leadership of the European peoples.

Additional problems are that all multiracial societies are stratified by ability such that the more intelligent races achieve more power and wealth. The groups with lower IQs resent this and lobby for legislation and “affirmative action” to redress the perceived inequity. In Indonesia, for example, the ethnic Chinese have an average IQ of approximately 105, while Indonesians average around 87. The Chinese are approximately 3 percent of the population but control about 70 percent of the private economy. This generated resentment among the Indonesians, who in 1998, killed about 2,000 Chinese and looted and burned their homes and businesses.

Roth gives an account of how it has come about that non-European immigrants have flooded into the United States and Europe in the last few decades. The first American immigrants came mainly from



Northwest Europe. Between 1881 and the early 1920s, larger numbers came from Southern and Eastern Europe, particularly Italians, Poles and Jews. In 1924, an **immigration act** was passed that imposed quotas restricting the numbers from Southern and Eastern Europe, in order to preserve that the Northwest European ethnic identity and culture. There were no restrictions on immigration from Latin America, but at this time few Latin Americans arrived.

By the 1960s, the American elites viewed immigration restriction as what Roth describes as “morally compromised” and “inconsistent with American ideals.” The **Immigration Act of 1965** was passed that abolished national preferences favoring Northwest Europeans. The act set a total limit of 290,000 admissions per year, but also admitted immigrants’ extended families outside the quota. It was this act that opened the floodgates of non-European immigrants, who, together with Blacks, are projected to become a majority of the population by around the year 2042. From 1965 onwards, numerous illegal immigrants entered the United States. In 1986, amnesty was granted to 3.1 million illegal aliens who had arrived in the country before 1982. By this time, about 600,000 people were entering the United States legally every year, so in 1990 Congress raised the quota to 700,000.

The flow continued to increase, reaching approximately one million a year in the 1990s. Only about 16 percent of the immigrants were now coming from Europe or Canada.

Roth documents similar mass immigration of non-Europeans into Western Europe after the Second World War. The two main reasons for this were the shortage of manual labor and immigration from former European colonies.

Germany brought in large numbers of mainly Turkish “guest workers” to help rebuild the country in the 1950s. Many of these workers brought in their families, and there are now over three million Muslims in Germany (most of them being Turks.) These newcomers do not do well by any social measure, and a government survey in 2004 found that they are becoming increasingly alienated from German society. Mosque attendance is rising, and a survey [PDF] has shown that about 40 percent consider “the use of physical violence as a reaction to the threat presented to Islam by the West is legitimate.”

Nearly two-thirds of those aged 14 to 18 report having few or no German friends. Immigrants from former colonies have come in large numbers to Britain, France, the Netherlands, Belgium, Spain and Portugal. In France, Muslims from Africa are estimated at 5.7 percent of the population.

Muslims have high rates of crime throughout Western Europe. In Britain they are overrepresented in jails by a factor of 3.67; in France by four to five, and in Germany by six to seven. In Denmark, where they constitute only 4 percent of the population, Muslims have been convicted for more than half the rapes, and these are almost always of non-Muslim women.

In the last chapter Roth discusses the likely future of the West and the world. He estimates that the average American IQ will decline from 98 to 95 by mid-century. This may seem a small drop, but it will have dire effects for elites, because the percentage of Americans with an IQ of at least 120 will fall from 7.1 to 4.8. In the United States and Western Europe, there will likely emerge a rich White-and-Asian elite and a Black-and-Brown majority. This demographic transformation will profoundly impair their economic and military strength and their intellectual world leadership.

China will likely emerge as the new world superpower. Over the next 40 years, the number of well-trained Chinese with IQs over 120 will outnumber their American counterparts by about eight to one. Roth writes, “The upshot is that the gap in the potential for innovation and economic growth between China and the U.S. will grow enormously and begin to have its effects in the very near future.”

Roth also predicts an American fiscal disaster that will produce high inflation and an inability to fund social programs. This will lead to a political conflict between the productive, mostly White part of the population threatened by inflation, and the less productive, mostly non-White part threatened by the loss of welfare handouts.

Roth is even more pessimistic about Europe. He regards the European Union leaders as left-wing authoritarians who aim to turn the European Union into a centrally controlled unified state. The higher fertility rates of Muslims will likely produce Islamic majorities throughout Western Europe by the end of the present century.

Byron Roth has done a terrific job setting out his gloomy but indisputable analysis of the future of the European peoples in his closely argued book. When we reach the end of book, we can only reflect that we are living in a unique moment in human history, in which the European peoples are complacent about the destruction of their genetic and cultural heritage brought about by the invasion of alien peoples.

One is reminded of the Chinese curse—"May you live in interesting times."

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Danimalius 1 day ago

An excellent review, Dr. Lynn, and it's a pleasure to see you on this site! I'll be sure to pick up a copy ASAP.

One issue though is that the link to the study of the attitudes of Turks in Germany results in a '404' error that redirects back to alternativeright.com. It'd be great if someone could fix this.

As for the article, if things have to get worse before they get better, so be it, so long as we work as diligently as possible now to lay the foundations for eventual change. Dr. Roth's work is a sturdy part of that foundation.

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fxcm 1 day ago

I will say it again:

A third world population makes a third world nation.

Just like the liberals, multi-kultis, corporations, neocons, socialists, globalists, capitalists, all have their own little slogans and rallying cries we need our own set of simple and easy slogans to get the point across. These slogans should cut right through the BS, shining a light on the truth. The one above worked well with a co-worker, in an instant I could see the change in understanding, the simple concept that multi-kulti doesn't work.

24 people liked this.



Eufrat 1 day ago

A good, yet depressing summary of the present situation.

The big question is: how do we turn the tide? What can possibly be done to stop and reverse the process? Devine intervention? A full scale, ethnic war that will make WWII look pretty?

Blogging and lecturing is all very well. It makes more people aware. But will it actually make any real difference?

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GlobalMinority 1 day ago in reply to Eufkrat

I think we all have good ideas of how to turn the tide, it's an issue of does the White Race care too or not.

My ideas:

* Hand the traitors for treason in the public square. * Put leaders in place that are pre-1965 in their train of thought. Meaning they want to preserve the European-American peoples.* Reinstatement of the pre-1965 immigration laws with no apologies.End NAFTA. It is the precursor to Global Government.* End the 16th and 17th Amendment. They are unconstitutional for starters.* End the Federal Department of Education. It's unconstitutional as well.* End all unconstitutional agencies, period.* END ALL AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PROGRAMS quietly. * Jail and fine employers that hire illegal aliens. Most will self deport in a year. Operation Wetback was a success. We can do it again.* Remove every illegal alien out of our prisons and deport them back to their country of origin and send the bill to that country for their imprisonment and deportation fees.* Reinstatement of the death penalty for murder and rape.* No more anchor babies. Current anchor babies will get deported too as they are NOT citizens. * Set-up a government program that promotes European-Americans traditional family. You no first comes love, then comes marriage and then come the baby in the baby carriage! Provide rewards for couples that have 4 or more children.* END ALL FOREIGN WARS and cut off ALL foreign aid. Again it's unconstitutional! * Stick to the Constitution and most importantly heed General George Washington's Farewell address. Teach it as the gospel because the lessons that were not heeded is why we are in this mess to start.

That is just for starters, a partial list for what it's worth.

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CaptainEuro 1 day ago

Multiculturalism and assimilation are equally lethal. There is no formal justification for either. Even in the utopian case that immigrants lived by themselves in their own communities in peace and quiet 'sharing the land with their white European neighbors' (which is what this multiculti-mongers try to sell us). That can't happen. Racial mix is not something to be desired under any situation. As far as I am concerned there is no difference between these two concepts.

As fxcem has said: A 3rd World population makes a 3rd world nation. As clear as an azure sky in deepest summer.

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RobRoySimmons 1 day ago

And if you ask a "liberal" if they still believe in the Blank Slate Theory few will answer in the affirmative.

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Scathach_x 1 day ago

Why don't we fight?

What would we be fighting for? The right to watch Jersey Shore? Use Ipads and Smartphones? The right to endlessly shop for useless trinkets? The right to play video games and watch porn?

Or maybe we should be fighting for philosophical abstractions? Uh huh. Right.

People fight for blood, soil and a common culture. Exactly what we in the West have lost. Most Westerners are slaves to the consumerist/consumption/entertainment pseudo-culture. Mindless tubes of consumption and defecation.

Goodies may eventually run out. But will it be enough for Whites to cohesed back into a viable unit to be reckoned with? We shall see. In the meantime my advice to Joe Six Pack and Sally Americana: Lose some weight. The obesity epidemic is disgusting and pasty faced white blobs does not a resistance make.

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CG 23 hours ago

PBS Going Anti-Immigration?

This is a bit off topic but very relevant. Normally I wouldn't think PBS would be a great source of criticism of immigration, but recently PBS's program "To The Contrary" aired an excellent show proving the damage immigration is doing to America. Not just illegal immigration, but immigration in general was shown to a problem for the country.

Unfortunately, the program didn't discuss the much of the street crime issues related to immigration, but nevertheless made a good overall case against immigration.

The program is about 24 minutes and can be viewed at the following link:

<http://www.pbs.org/ttc/episode...>

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