

" WORLD WAR TWO - Thinking OUTSIDE The BOX "
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OF COURSE, THE VARIOUS LEADERS IN WORLD WAR TWO DID NOT THINK "OUTSIDE The BOX," BUT IF THEY HAD BEEN ABLE TO DO SO - IF THEY HAD - HISTORY DEFINATELY WOULD HAVE PLAYED OUT DIFFERENTLY, FOR SURE; AMERICAS ENTRANCE INTO WORLD WAR TWO WOULD STILL HAVE BEEN BROUGHT ABOUT BY THE JAPANESE ATTACK ON PEARL HARBOR - SURE - BUT, IN OUT OF THE BOX THINKING, AMERICA WOULD HAVE DECLARED "MISSION ACCOMPLISHED" AND DECLARED VICTORY AROUND 1943, INSTEAD OF 1945 - WHY IN 1943? BECAUSE BY THEN PEARL HARBOR HAD BEEN MORE THEN AVENGED (BY 1943 FAR MORE JAPANESE HAD BEEN KILLED THEN AMERICANS - INCLUDING THOSE AMERICAN SERVICEMEN KILLED IN THE INITIAL ATTACK UPON PEARL HARBOR IN DEC. OF 1941) PLUS - BY 1943 - FAR MORE JAPANESE SHIPS AND PLANES HAD BEEN DESTROYED THEN AMERICAN, SO - IN OUTSIDE THE BOX THINKING - PEARL HARBOR HAD ALREADY BEEN MORE THEN AVENGED BY 1943 - YET THE WAR AGAINST JAPAN CONTINUED ON PAST THAT POINT, AS

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WE ALL KNOW - WHY? WHY WAS THIS THE CASE?
BECAUSE THE ABILITY TO THINK OUTSIDE THE
BOX WAS PRACTICALLY NON EXISTANT - AT LEAST
AMONG THE LEADERS. THINK ABOUT THIS
(OUTSIDE THE BOX, NATURALLY) FOR A MOMENT,
BY 1943 THE EVENTUAL OUTCOME - EVENTUAL
AMERICAN VICTORY OVER JAPAN - WAS NOT IN DOUBT.
BY 1943 CALIFORNIA WAS NO LONGER IN
DANGER - IF IT EVER HAD BEEN.

BY 1943 THE JAPANESE LEADERSHIP WAS
HOPING FOR SOME KIND OF NEGOTIATED
SETTLEMENT WITH AMERICA (WHICH HAD
BEEN THEIR STRATEGIC AIM EVEN BEFORE
THEIR ATTACK ON PEARL HARBOR; THAT
THE AMERICANS - ONCE THEY AVENGED
THE LOSSES FROM THE DEC. 7, 1941 ATTACK -
WOULD AT SOME POINT NEGOTIATE SOME KIND
OF SETTLEMENT)

INDEED, IF LOOKED AT WITH TOTAL RATIONAL
OBJECTIVITY - IF LOOKED AT FROM THINKING
OUTSIDE THE BOX - EVERYTHING THAT
HAPPENED AFTER 1943 - IN AMERICAS
PACIFIC WAR - WAS MINDLESS POINTLESS
WAR - ~~ANY~~ THE MORAL JUSTIFICATION, ~~FOR~~ IN
CONTINUING ON TOWERED JAPAN AFTER
1943. WAS A STRETCH - AT BEST - →

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AND - AT WORSE - POINTLESS SLAUGHTER.
THE FINAL "CAPSTONES" OF WHAT WAS
DONE TO HIROSHIMA AND ~~MADE~~ NAGASAKI
- LONG AFTER JAPAN'S FORCES WERE NO
LONGER A THREAT - WAS ONLY ~~THE~~ AN
INEVITABLE FINAL MINDLESS SLAUGHTER
ORDERED AND CONDUCTED BY GOOD,
PATRIOTIC, WELL MEANING AMERICANS WHO
ABSOLUTELY HAD TO DO WHAT THEY DID,
WHO HAD NO CHOICE EXCEPT TO OBLITERATE
HIROSHIMA AND NAGASAKI, WHO COULDN'T
SEE ANY OTHER COURSE BUT TO CONTINUE
THAT WAR WITH JAPAN BEYOND 1943
(EVEN BEYOND 1944) AND ALL FOR ONE
REASON AND ONE REASON ONLY;
THE BOX! THE ~~THE~~ DAMNED IGNORANCE BOX!
THE BOX THAT THEY WERE TRAPPED WITHIN!
THE BOX IN WHICH ONLY VERY LIMITED OPTIONS
WERE AVAILABLE TO THEM. THAT BOX.
THEY COULD NOT SEE OUTSIDE THE BOX,
WHERE LIMITLESS OPTIONS EXIST ALWAYS!
THEY CONTINUED WAR LONG AFTER PEARL
HARBOR HAD BEEN FULLY & TOTALLY AVENGED
BECAUSE THEY REALLY DIDN'T KNOW ANY BETTER WAY.
BECAUSE THEY COULDN'T THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX.
NOW, THE "^{UNCONDITIONAL} ~~UNCONDITIONAL~~ SURRENDER" DEMAND
~~ISSUED~~ ISSUED BY

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The ~~whole~~ ALLIED LEADERSHIP has been RIGHTLY CRITICIZED IN THE PAST AS LIMITING THE ALLIED POWERS OPTIONS. THIS WAS AND IS TRUE; PUBLICLY DECLARING WHAT ONE WILL, OR WILL NOT, EXCEPT IN THE FUTURE NOT ONLY LIMITS ONES FUTURE OPTIONS, NOT ONLY CAN SUCH A PUBLIC DECLARATION LOCK ONE INTO A COURSE OF FUTURE ACTION THAT CAN BE COUNTERPRODUCTIVE - EVEN DISASTEROUS - BUT PUBLICLY DECLARING WHAT ONES FUTURE COURSE WILL BE ("WE WILL NEVER EXCEPT ANYTHING SHORT OF UNCONDITIONAL AND TOTAL SURRENDER") WAS AND IS IGNORANT & HISTORICALLY STUPID BECAUSE IT ABSOLUTELY FORCES ONES ENEMYS (IN THIS CASE, JAPAN) TO GO ON FIGHTING LONG AFTER IT OTHERWISE WOULD HAVE "NEGOTIATED A SETTLEMENT" THAT WOULD HAVE AMOUNTED TO A "SURRENDER, WITH CONDITIONS" BY ANY OTHER NAME. - BUT THIS IS ALL - OBVIOUSLY - THEORETICAL BECAUSE NONE OF THE LEADERS AT THAT TIME - OBVIOUSLY - WERE THINKING & PERCEIVING OUTSIDE THE BOX - THEY WERE ALL TRAPPED THINKING INSIDE THE BOX! MY POINT AND CONCERN IS THIS; TODAY - NOW - ARE OUR LEADERS CAPABLE OF THINKING OUTSIDE THE BOX? CAN TODAY'S LEADERS SEE ALL OPTIONS?? xxx