



Kenyans, Pro-Lifers Protest Abortion, Sex Education at UN Nairobi Summit

EDITOR'S NOTE: PRI researcher Jonathan Abbamonte attended the recent United Nations Population Fund summit in Nairobi on ICPD25 (the 25th anniversary of the International Conference of Population and Development, held in Cairo). He also joined the PRI delegation to a pro-life and pro-family side event, where he countered the narrative promoted by population alarmists and described how pro-life advocates can push back against abortion advocacy at the United Nations.

BY JONATHAN ABBAMONTE

International agreements long ago carefully negotiated by nation states are being hijacked by activists to promote radical pro-abortion and anti-family ideologies.

Backed by a handful of wealthy European and Western nations, philanthropists and corporations, a small cabal of well-funded activists operating through the United Nations system is pushing for a narrow set of progressive views that are anathema to the cultural and religious values held by most of the developing world.



Kenyan citizens gather in downtown Nairobi to deliver a petition with 87,000 signatures protesting the U.N. Nairobi Summit on ICPD25 (Jonathan Abbamonte/PRI).

The recently concluded Nairobi Summit, convened on the 25th anniversary of the International Conference of Population and Development (ICPD25), is the clearest example of this kind of ideological colonization in recent memory.

In 1994, representatives from 179 governments met in Cairo, Egypt at the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD). At the Cairo conference, UN Member States agreed to what is called “The ICPD Programme of Action,”

a consensus document in which the nations of the world committed to respecting human rights, women’s rights, and national sovereignty in the areas of population policy, family planning, and reproductive health.

Every five years since the adoption of the ICPD Programme of Action, the United Nations has held follow-up conferences to review the progress of the goals set forth in the document.

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NBA's Defense of China Is Nothing New for Americans

by Steven W. Mosher

LeBron James may lecture others on the need to be “educated on the situation” in China, but he’s the one who’s living in a bubble. Despite making almost two dozen trips to the Communist giant — trips that probably earned him tens of millions of dollars all told — he seems to have no idea just what kind of monster his paymaster is.¹

The people of Hong Kong — whose struggle for freedom LeBron prefers to ignore — know better.² They understand that what the Communist Party of China runs across the border is not just a police state, but the world’s first high-tech virtual prison, whose goal is to monitor all of China’s 1.3 billion people at all times.

They know that the party runs the world’s largest network of concentration camps, whose millions of political prisoners and ethnic minorities are forced to produce cheap goods for export.

They know that the Chinese leader, Xi Jinping, has warned them that any attempt to divide the country will end in “bodies smashed and bones ground to powder.” Finally, they know that any sign of American indifference to their plight makes Xi even more likely to act on his vicious threat.

Of course, it’s not just LeBron James and the NBA who kowtow to China. American individuals and institutions — even the wealthiest and most prestigious — have been bowing and scraping to China since the very beginning of U.S.-China relations.

In the pursuit of profit, American companies have collaborated with the Beijing regime since the 1980s. Hundreds of U.S. companies opened factories to take advantage of the cheap labor that China was willing to supply under slave-like conditions, selling out American workers in the process.

Even today, American high-tech companies are continuing to help China set up its surveillance state to the detriment of freedom there. Google’s continuing collaboration with China in developing artificial intelligence is just one example.

Successive presidential administrations have encouraged American investment in China, while largely ignoring its rampant human-rights violations. Even the deliberate massacre of 10,000 students in the streets of Beijing in 1989, for example, was not enough to convince then-President George H.W. Bush to abandon his pro-China policy.

Anyone who got in the way of America’s decades-long appeasement of China — like Houston Rockets general manager Daryl Morey recently did by tweeting support for Hong Kong — had to be sacrificed.³

Ask me. I know. I was the first to be sold down the river. And by no less a prestigious institution than Stanford University.

I was finishing up a Ph.D. in anthropology there when I was selected to be the first American social scientist since 1949 to do research in China. I arrived just in time to become an eyewitness to the horrors of the country’s newly announced one-child policy. My “crime” was calling out China in print for arresting and imprisoning young, pregnant moms, then forcing them to abort.

China construed this as an “attack on the Chinese people,” and demanded that I be “severely punished” by the university. And Stanford — one of the leading universities in the world — caved, denying me that Ph.D. I had earned, and sending me packing.

What was the threat that brought Stanford to its knees?

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Though Stanford claimed it was worried that my informants had been put in jeopardy and this contravened anthropological ethics, I knew the real reason for my expulsion: China had threatened to ban all Stanford scholars from China indefinitely.

The cowardice concerning my case extended all the way to the top of the Carter administration. Even Carter's National Security Council urged Stanford to comply with China's demand. It turned out that China was threatening to cancel the entire U.S.-China scholarly exchange program — just like they threatened to ban the NBA.

Do you see the pattern here?

The bully of Asia's default behavior — when it sees something it doesn't like — is to issue threats.

Fortunately, we now have a president who is not accustomed to taking a knee. With the help of trade adviser Peter Navarro and U.S. Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer, the Trump White House is calling for an end to appeasement, urging both lawmakers and corporate boards to stand up to China — and to stand for the quintessential American values of liberty and freedom of expression.

And if you don't believe that is a very good thing, just ask the protesters in Hong Kong.

¹ <https://nypost.com/2019/10/15/sen-josh-hawley-rips-lebron-james-for-his-comments-on-hong-kong-protests/>

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Dear Mr. Mosher,

Thank you for attending and speaking at the Catholic Identity Conference in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, this year. We really appreciate your time and commitment to the faith. Your talk on China was very inspirational and commented on by many attendees.

Eric F
West Virginia

October 25, 2019

Steve,

Just listened to you on local Chicago radio (on the Dan Proft Show). You were brilliant and, as always, so informative!

Best,
Liz Yore

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That said, here's a look at some of the many dozens of questions answered in *In the Beginning: A Catholic Scientist Explains How God Made Earth Our Home*...

- Which is true: Creation or the "Big Bang" theory? Could both be true? And if so, how? You'll find the fascinating answer in Chapter Two ... how the "randomness" of the universe and providence go together ... why scientists who believe that humans are not meant to be on earth are just plain wrong....
- This important book explains how the earth was formed ... how changes in the earth's orbit, volcanic activity and extinctions of most organisms that ever lived made the earth habitable for mankind ... it provides proof of God's existence in the creation and evolution of the universe:...

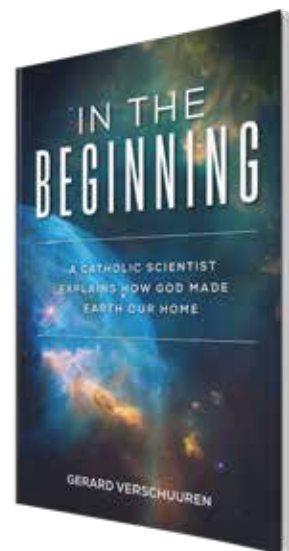
And there is still more to be learned in this fascinating book...

As you know, the late physicist (and atheist) Stephen Hawking was the world's #1 guru promoting the notion that "no one directs the universe." *In the Beginning* takes Hawking's arguments apart, one by one. It's the best, easiest-to-grasp rebuttal of Stephen Hawking that you're likely to come across.

In the Beginning is by Gerard Verschuuren. He is a human genetics specialist with a gift for explaining how science and religion and faith and reason all come together. Verschuuren is also the author (published by Sophia Press) of *Forty Anti-Catholic Lies: A Mythbusting Apologist Sets the Record Straight*.

In the Beginning is definitely a one-of-a-kind book. I learned a *lot* from it. It's a book that will teach you ... fascinate you ... and have you saying, "So *that's* how these things came to be!"

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Kenyans Pro-Lifers Protest, *continued*

This latest conference was different. Co-hosted by United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), the Government of Denmark, and the Government of Kenya, the ICPD25 Nairobi Summit was convened from November 12-14, 2019 to “galvanize partnerships and spur political and financial commitments to urgently complete the unfinished business of the landmark ICPD Programme of Action.”

Among the “unfinished business” were deeply controversial agenda items: the promotion of the universal acceptance of birth control, graphic comprehensive sex education (CSE), acceptance of various forms of “sexual orientation and gender identity or expression,” and abortion.

Other items were the incorporation of “sexual and reproductive health” as a core component of universal health coverage and as integral in humanitarian and fragile contexts.

The 1994 ICPD Programme of Action defined abortion as a component of reproductive health in “circumstances where abortion is not against the law.” As a result, the use of the term “reproductive health” in U.N. forums carries an abortion connotation.

The conference also sought to advance the term “sexual and reproductive health and rights” (SRHR). This is a term never agreed to by the international community and one which can be interpreted to imply that adolescents have a right

to sexual relations and that gay marriage should be legalized.¹

Opposition in Kenya

The “unfinished business” of the Nairobi Summit stirred considerable controversy in the host country of Kenya. The organizers had originally scheduled a presentation at the Kenyan Parliament, but Kenyan lawmakers, wary of the many controversial items on the agenda, blocked them from coming.

“If it is coming out clear that these people are most likely coming to discuss something we don’t agree to as a country...the next question you want to ask is why allow them to come?” John Mbadi, Minority Leader of Kenya’s lower house of Parliament, said on the floor of the National Assembly according to NTV.²

Opposition to ICPD25 was bipartisan. On the other side of the political aisle, Aden Duale, Majority Leader of the National Assembly, expressed similar sentiments. “When you come to people’s homes, you must respect their culture,” Duale said.³

In fact, the controversy surrounding ICPD25 was so intense that Kenya President Uhuru Kenyatta went on national television ahead of the summit to make clear that his administration would not accept anything from the summit that went against African values and beliefs.

Religious leaders in Kenya also came out strongly against the ICPD25 agenda, condemning it for

promoting topics such as birth control, abortion, graphic sex education, and homosexuality, which are contrary to Christian morals.

“We do not believe that these are the issues that truly concern the development of women and humanity at large,” said Most Rev. Philip Anyolo, Archbishop of Kisumu and Chairman of the Kenya Conference of Catholic Bishops, according to Kenya CitizenTV.⁴ “We view this agenda as an intent to corrupt our young people and enslave them to foreign ideologies.”

On the opening day of the ICPD25 summit, pro-life and pro-family Kenyans marched through downtown Nairobi in protest of the UNFPA summit. Here, they hand-delivered a petition with 87,000 signatures to the office of the president of Kenya, telling President Kenyatta that the ICPD “does not represent me.”

“All that UNFPA did was raise lots of money for its agenda, but not legitimacy,” Kakeeto said, “The pro-life and pro-family side events succeeded in denting the legitimacy of the ICPD25.”

A joint statement opposed to the ICPD25 and signed by the U.S. and ten other nations is referenced on page 12. For the full report on the Nairobi summit, visit PRI’s website www.pop.org in the “Weekly Briefing.”

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Ruins of St. Paul's church in Macau, China / Getty Images

Fallout from Vatican/China Deal Disaster: Faithful Bishop on Run from Communists

BY STEVEN W. MOSHER

Bishop Vincent Guo was supposed to be the poster child of a successful rapprochement between the Vatican and China, as well as a sign that the longstanding rift between the underground Catholic Church and its state-run counterpart had been healed.

Instead, he is on the run from the Communist authorities. How did this happen?

Until last year, Bishop Guo was the ordinary of the Diocese of Mindong, located in the southern province of Fujian. He was recognized by the Holy See, but not by the Party-State, which had imposed an unpopular—and unrecognized—“Patriotic” bishop by the name of Zhan Silu on the same diocese.

While the Underground church was thriving—with 80,000 members, 57 priests, 200 nuns, 300 consecrated lay people and hundreds of lay catechists—the Patriotic church counterpart run by Msgr. Zhan boasted fewer than 10,000 members served by only 12 priests.

With the signing of the “provisional agreement” between the Vatican and China on September 22, 2018, the diocese was turned upside down. The excommunication of Msgr. Zhan and six other invalidly ordained bishops was lifted by Pope Francis, and Bishop Guo stepped down as the ordinary of the Mindong diocese in favor of Bishop Zhan, and became his auxiliary.

AsiaNews reported that Pope Francis had actually asked for this “sacrifice” from Msgr. Guo the year before, in December 2017, in order to promote the “unity of the Church and guarantee the signing of the agreement between China and the Holy See.”¹

In other words, Bishop Guo was demoted at Beijing’s request.

But even this wasn’t enough for the Communist Party officials who set out to enforce the new agreement. That agreement, they said, required all underground priests and bishops to join the schismatic Patriotic Catholic Association as a condition of being

allowed to continue their priestly ministry. Anyone who refused would not be allowed to function as a priest.

Bishop Guo, who apparently knew that the agreement said no such thing, refused to sign. As a result, he has been relentlessly harassed, threatened, browbeaten, and even has “disappeared” for short periods of time.

For most of the past year, he has been under constant police surveillance, with two police officers assigned to watch him day and night. He recently managed to escape his handlers and is, at the time of this writing, in hiding. When asked about him, one of his flock said, “Please pray for the safety of our bishop. He is very tired.”

Because the diocese of Mindong has been chosen by the Communist Party as a “model” for the implementation of the agreement, Bishop Guo and his priests have probably not been as badly treated as Underground bishops and priests in other parts of

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China, some of whom have simply gone missing or have been summarily “laicized” by the Party-State when they, too, refused to join the Patriotic Catholic Association.

While the provisions of the agreement remain secret, it reportedly deals with bilateral relations and the ordination of bishops. It does not call for underground bishops and priests to join the Chinese Patriotic Catholic Association (CPCA), which remains in the eyes of the Vatican a schismatic creation of the Chinese Communist Party, but it does apparently acknowledge that Catholic clergy will be required to register with the Communist authorities.

That concession was all the Communist authorities needed to begin strong-arming underground clergy into joining the CPCA as part of the “registration” process.

It took nine months—and countless pleas from Underground clergy—for the Vatican to formulate a response to this violation of the Sino-Vatican Agreement. The “Pastoral Guidelines” issued to bishops and clerics in China in June of this year, however, only added to the confusion.²

First, the guidelines imply that the decision to register with the authorities is entirely up to the individual bishop or priest in question, but since the Vatican has already approved such registration, on what

grounds is a member of the Underground clergy to object when Communist officials come calling?

Second, the guidelines, using oddly convoluted phrasing, suggests that, “if ... the text of the declaration required for the registration does not appear disrespectful of the Catholic faith,” a priest may sign. But there is no “if” about it. Such “declarations” *always* require joining a schismatic organization, the CPCA, and therefore are *always* “disrespectful of the Catholic faith.”

Third, the guidelines instruct a priest to “specify in writing” that he is signing the declaration “without failing in his duty to remain faithful to the principles of Catholic doctrine.” They add that, when such a written clarification “is not possible,” the priest may do so orally and “if possible” in the presence of a witness.

As one who has been arrested in China and forced to write a “confession,” I can personally attest to the fact that there is exactly zero chance that a beleaguered priest will be allowed to either call witnesses, amend the “declaration” in any way, or even openly declare that he disagrees with its content. Reading such advice calls to mind a Chinese saying: “One doesn’t know whether to laugh or cry.”

In fact, the advice from the Vatican was so obviously unworkable that it led Cardinal Joseph Zen of Hong Kong to journey to Rome to

lodge a protest with the Pope, who said that he would “look into it.”

It is hard to say what the Vatican has gotten in return for an agreement that Cardinal Zen openly calls a “sell-out” of the underground church. It is perhaps easier to say what it has not gotten. It has not gotten China to consent to the ordination of the roughly 20 bishop candidates identified by the Holy See within the Patriotic church, some of whom have already been secretly ordained.³

It has not gotten the Communist authorities to accept a significant number of bishops of the Underground community. In fact, of the 40 or so underground bishops, only one has to date been officially recognized by the Communists.

The only thing that the Vatican and the Chinese authorities seem to have in common is a belief that there should only be one Catholic Church in China.

For General Secretary Xi Jinping and his minions that means eliminating the Underground church. For the Vatican it means encouraging everyone (without explicitly saying so) to join the Chinese Patriotic Catholic Association, which it seems to believe offers a safe, legal haven for Catholics to practice their faith.

But it doesn’t. The CPCA is merely an instrument that the Chinese Communist Party is using to bring all Catholics under Party control. The ultimate goal of the atheistic Communists who run China remains the same: to destroy all religious faith within China’s borders.

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HUMANAE VITAE COALITION

The Diabolical Design of the Sexual Revolution

by Dr. Christopher Manion, Director, PRI European Office

“Pray for me—the snake strikes at the head.”

—Raymond Cardinal Burke, 2010

Who is the snake? Satan, of course.

Cardinal Burke was speaking as the head of Church’s highest legal court. Satan was desperate to take him down because he was a brilliant defender of the Faith.

But the snake also “strikes at the head” in another fashion, this time at all of us: he aims to poison our intellect, so he can more easily pervert our will.

That diabolical assault lies at the heart of the war on *Humanae Vitae*.

In the proper understanding of human nature, our unruly appetites and passions must be disciplined as we grow in virtue.

It’s hard work: our intellect and will must always be in harmony with each other and with the truth. But we are a fallen race, so when we strive to act virtuously, our “lower powers” fight back. To win, these rebellious feelings need to gain an indispensable ally: our free will.

After all, we can always say, “No way!”

Saint Paul reminds us that sometimes we know what’s right but we still do what’s wrong. This act—this *sin*—pits our intellect (“that’s wrong!”) against our will (“I’m going to do it

anyway!”). It makes us uncomfortable, at least. If we come to our senses, we might even go to confession.

Well, Satan doesn’t like that. So what does he do? He persuades our intellect to embrace the lies that make sinning easier. “See? That wasn’t wrong at all!”

But how does he make his case?

He can’t use logic. That’s too hard. Our intellect recoils from falsehood. Instead, Satan “strikes at the head”—our will. And his weapons? Our unruly, disordered appetites and passions. He uses them to coax us into thinking that wrong is right, that what “feels” good really “is” good, and he does it in a thousand different ways.

When he is finished—when we give in completely—Satan has turned us upside-down. Our rebellious appetites and passions are now on top. They run the show. Our intellect has become their slave.

Its new task is to scheme how we can sin better, more often, more flagrantly. And Satan’s biggest victory comes when we proudly scoff at the very possibility that he even exists at all.

Satan’s Rule #1: Forget *Humanae Vitae*!

How does this diabolical design work in the era of the sexual revolution? Well, memory is a vital part of our intellect, so first off, we’re tempted to *forget*. And sure enough, today *Humanae Vitae* is a dead letter in a large part of the Catholic world

because our shepherds have all but forgotten it.

But forgetting something good is hard work—especially when it reminds us of something as vital as God’s design for love, family, and children. After all, God is the “highest good.” So how can Satan possibly tempt us to forget Him?

Yes, God is on high, but Satan goes low. He appeals to our base lusts—all of them. Sexual, for sure, but also the desire for comfort, for possessions, for “success,” even for power—all of which he tells us we can’t have if we are open to life, love, marriage, family and virtue.

But that temptation sounds pretty lurid, doesn’t it? To have no morals at all? Well, the prince of this world offers us a quick fix for that—a brand new moral code. Embrace it and we’ll feel good abo brand new moral code. Embrace it and we’ll feel good about our refurbished, sinful selves.

He tells us that having children is selfish and anti-social, that big families cause global warming, that Third World women have to be liberated, that we can help them by aborting their children. After all, the West has done so well by aborting so many millions of our own, right?

Satan wants us to forget our eternal souls by tempting us with our worldly appetites. Forget heaven, and the Father of Lies will offer us the world.

“Hold fast to what is good,” says Saint Paul. *Humanae Vitae* shows us the way.



Storm Clouds Gather over Latin America

by Carlos Beltramo, Ph.D. Director, PRI European Office

A few months ago, I wrote an analysis about how 2019 could be a very important year for the world. It seemed that somehow the Right was making real progress in the political sphere in many countries.

But today we are seeing that this progress has not been enough. And the Left, after a brief time of bewilderment following the victories of Trump and Bolsonaro, have re-organized and established a very strong offensive in Latin America.

Let's review some facts. In Ecuador, President Lenin Moreno tried to remove a national gas subsidy and the country went up in flames. There was such tremendous violence, that it caused him to back down in all his actions.

In Peru, President Martin Vizcarra closed the National Congress and called for new parliamentary elections, with the support of the Left. Among his first acts during this closure was to impose gender ideology throughout the whole government, something that Congress previously had not permitted him to do.

In Bolivia, President Evo Morales was winning the elections by a small margin. That is to say, he had to go to a runoff until the computer system "broke down." Some 20 hours later, when the system returned, Morales was winning by such a large margin that he declared himself the winner in the first round. The Bolivian bishops openly said that there were many signs of fraud.

In Argentina, the elections also favored the Left, this time represented by the Peronists who returned to power after four years of the Mauricio Macri government.

But the most significant in this chain of events is what is occurring in Chile. President Sebastian Piñera, a conservative, tried to increase the Metro fare in Santiago by a few cents, and this completely ignited the country. Looting became widespread, with disproportionate violence and a very suspicious degree of coordination. For a mob that is spontaneously indignant, they seemed to know very well what they should burn and when it is best to do so.

The demonstration became no longer about protesting the price of a Metro ticket, a measure that the president has since moved away from, but protesters now want to impose a constitutional reform so that Chile ceases to be a free market economy and is more or less socialist.

Behind the Chaos: Group of Puebla

What is behind this is a very powerful and very well-organized leftist group that used to be called the Forum of San Pablo, but now is called the Group of Puebla.

San Pablo is in Brazil and Bolsonaro expelled this group, which then reunited in Puebla, a Mexican city, under the refuge of Mexican President Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador. They

have a very clear agenda that includes generating violence and promoting socialist change in the region.

One circumstance has helped them: there are more than 4 million Venezuelans who had to flee their country, and they are all scattered throughout the rest of Latin America. Nearly all of these emigrants are good people who have fled the communist regime of Maduro.

But now we know that, as if it were a Trojan Horse, a small percentage left the country with a mission to organize violence wherever they go, and in this way they promote the agenda of Group of Puebla. No one can think that so many coincidences occur together in such a large region.

This represents a great challenge in which only Trump and Bolsonaro provide equilibrium. The Group of Puebla, as all leftist movements today, is very much aligned with the pro-abortion movement and with the gender ideology agenda. So this advance of the Group of Puebla means a set back for the culture of life.

For example, the president-elect of Argentina, Alberto Fernandez, has preferred to unite himself with Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador, the president of Mexico instead of with Jair Bolsonaro, the president of Brazil, a traditional ally of Argentina.

The idea of the new president of Argentina is to propose a response to the Venezuelan crisis different

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■ Hong Kong Majority Speaks for Freedom

BREITBART—The record-breaking November elections in Hong Kong are an “early chapter” of a longer push for freedom and democracy among the city’s people against China’s Communist Party, said Steve Mosher in an interview on SiriusXM’s *Breitbart News Tonight*.¹

“This was about electing representatives to the 18 districts in Hong Kong that control local services, sort of like [how] counties in the United States control local services for their people,” Mosher said. “But it was really a referendum on the last five months of failed leadership by the Hong Kong leader, (and) more than that ... it was a referendum on Xi Jinping and the hard-line Chinese Communist Party that has been trying to squelch, stamp out, [and] eliminate democracy and hu-

man rights all over the world, starting in Hong Kong.”

Mosher said the “silent majority” spoke in the election.

“Seventy percent of the voting-age population actually came out, which is the highest turnout in Hong Kong’s history, and they almost all voted against Carrie Lam, and by extension, the Chinese Communist Party. Winning 17 or 18 district councils is like [when] Reagan defeated Mondale in 1984 when he carried 49 states and Mondale carried his own state of Minnesota. It’s an absolute wipeout,” he said.

“The leading apologist for Beijing was wiped out, Junius Ho, who has stood up and praised the police for putting down the demonstrations,” Mosher reported. “He’s out of office, now, and the leading pro-democracy candidates have all been elected, so it’s just a complete disaster for Beijing, a disaster they weren’t expecting.

■ Mosher: Peruvians Deserve Apology for Human Rights Abuse

LIFESITENEWS—Women in Peru who were forcibly sterilized should receive compensation and an apology by their government, said PRI President Steven Mosher in an article about a court case pending against high-ranking officials.² According to LifeSiteNews, former President Alberto Fujimori of Peru (1990-2000) and other former government officials were preparing to face a court in December for their involvement in forced sterilizations of women, which caused the death of at least one woman.

Mosher wrote: “These women not only deserve compensation, the government needs to apologize to them for violating their human rights.”

The article quoted from Mosher’s book *Population Control: Real Costs, Illusory Benefits*, in which he impli-

¹ <https://www.breitbart.com/radio/2019/11/27/steve-mosher-after-hong-kong-elections-councils-will-begin-constant-drumbeat-of-opposition-to-beijing/>

² https://www.lifesitenews.com/news/us-paid-to-tie-down-blindfold-sterilize-indigenous-peruvian-women-now-theyre-suing?utm_source=LifeSiteNews.com&utm_campaign=022119d771-Daily%2520Headlines%2520-%2520U.S._COPY_629&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_12387f0e3e-022119d771-401421241&fbclid=IwAR1kTFp3ugTE9Airmj1bvA3-LImCR9f5Qa6GSq4GrdSngQwYZ1bNOZA62A4

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from that of the U.S., probably one more convenient for Nicolas Maduro, the president of that country. He has also promised to put all of his effort into making abortion legal in Argentina, and he promised to create a Ministry of Women to promote feminism and gender ideology with greater strength in Argentina.

It is a complicated time for the region, a full-frontal fight against everything that the Trump administration has promoted these years. It is also against the culture of life and the liberty of all citizens.

Our friends from Latin America are more organized than before and have greater vision about the need to

“do politics” to thwart this advance of the culture of death. In this, PRI is working hard through its RELEASE division. Latin American needs our support, and the role of the United States is more important than ever.

Translated by PRI staffer Jonathan Abbamonte.



cated Fujimori for his reprehensible “family planning” tactics:

“President Alberto Fujimori, elected to a second term in mid-1995, had wasted no time in legalizing sterilization as a method of birth control. He ordered the country’s Ministry of Health, headed by Dr. Eduardo Yong Motta, to focus its efforts on family planning, specifically, on tubal ligations.

“To train Peruvian doctors and officials in how to structure and run a sterilization campaign, Dr. Motta brought in Chinese, Indian and Colombian doctors who had carried out such campaigns in their own countries. To monitor the success of the campaign, Fujimori himself set national targets for the numbers of sterilizations to be performed—100,000 in 1997 alone—and demanded weekly progress reports.

“Mobile sterilization teams, a fixture of such campaigns, were soon being assembled in the capital city of Lima. These teams of doctors and nurses, who often had no prior training in obstetrics or gynecology, were hurriedly taught how to do tubal ligations, and then sent to the countryside to conduct a series of one- or two-week ‘ligation festivals.’

“Prior to a team’s arrival in an area local Ministry of Health employees would hang banners announcing the forthcoming ‘Ligation Festival,’ and fan out across the countryside to *captar* (‘bring in’ or ‘capture’ in English) women for tub-

al ligations. The effort was focused on the poorer provinces, home to a high percentage of Peruvians of Indian descent.”

■ Spectator Archives: Stanford v. Mosher

THE AMERICAN SPECTATOR—The editors of *The American Spectator* recently posted from their archives the January 1986 report on Stanford’s renunciation of PRI President Steven Mosher, then a Ph.D. candidate, due to pressure from communist China.³

The editors cited the recent actions by the Houston Rockets and

the National Basketball Association as evidence of how Americans continue to “kowtow to the totalitarians calling the shots in still-communist China.”

“Alas, such craven institutional cowardice is nothing new in the Land of the Free, as we recall what was done to Steven Mosher more than 30 years ago for shedding light on China’s brutally enforced one-child policy,” the article stated.

The editorial included a link to Mary Mainland’s original 1986 article, “Stanford’s Vendetta Against an Independent Mind.”³



PRI’s Joel Bockrath delivering a life-saving ultrasound machine to the leaders of the Pearls and Treasures Crisis Pregnancy Center in Nairobi, Kenya.

³ <https://spectator.org/from-the-spectator-archives-appeasing-china-is-old-hat-for-prestigious-u-s-institutions/>

From the Countries



INDIA

Abbamonte: “Male Contraceptive” Latest Move for India

INDIA — In an article on India’s efforts to approve “the world’s first ‘male contraceptive,’” PRI research analyst Jonathan Abbamonte provided detailed examples of state-sponsored population control in India’s recent history.¹

In late November, the *Hindustan Times* reported on an injectable male contraceptive, reportedly “effective for 13 years.”²

According to the report, the drug has recently passed clinical trials at the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), a government-funded research body, and that it will now be sent for approval to the Drug Controller of India (DCGI), a department of the Central Drugs Standard Control Organization of the India government, which is responsible for the approval of licenses of a variety of categories of drugs.

Abbamonte was quoted from a previous *LifeSiteNews* article about the “long and contentious” history of state-sponsored population control in India.

“In 1951, India became the first developing country to introduce a national family planning program with the aim of controlling the country’s population growth rate. Since Indian Independence, as many as 36

bills on population control have been introduced in Parliament.

“Efforts by the government to control population growth reached their climax in 1975 when the Indian government imposed a brutal nationwide sterilization campaign ‘the Emergency.’ During ‘the Emergency,’ over 8 million people, mostly poor men, were forcibly sterilized by the Indian government in an attempt to rapidly reduce the nation’s population growth rate.”



KENYA

PRI Signs Joint Statement for Nairobi Summit

KENYA — The Trump administration delivered a very powerful statement at the recent Nairobi Summit in opposition to the UN’s promotion of abortion as a “human right.” Ten other countries joined with the U.S. in crafting and releasing this statement, along with a number of NGOs.³

PRI was invited to be a co-signatory of this statement, and, on behalf of all our tens of thousands of members and affiliates, we happily acceded. This powerful pro-life, pro-family statement is a necessary antidote to the deceitful efforts of the pro-abortion lobby to create a “right to abortion” out of whole cloth.

The statement, signed by the United States, Brazil, Belarus, Egypt, Haiti, Hungary, Libya, Poland, Sene-

gal, St. Lucia, and Uganda, includes the following:

“We are...concerned about the content of some of the key priorities of this Summit. We do not support references in international documents to ambiguous terms and expressions, such as sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR), which do not enjoy international consensus, nor contemplate the reservations and caveats incorporated into the Cairo outcome.

“In addition, the use of the term SRHR may be used to actively promote practices like abortion. There is no international right to abortion; in fact, international law clearly states that ‘(e)veryone has the right to life’ (e.g. Article 3 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights).”

Further, the statement says: “We cannot support a sex education that fails to adequately engage parents and which promotes abortion as a method of family planning.”

The statement concludes: “We call upon Member States to maintain the original and legitimate 1994 ICPD principles, goals, objectives, and actions that explicitly retain important government statements and reservations that permitted consensus, to reiterate their reservations to the ICPD Program of Action as reflected in the conference’s report, and to focus our efforts...so as to promote the dignity of the human person and human flourishing.”

¹ https://www.lifesitenews.com/news/indian-government-body-touts-worlds-first-male-contraceptive-to-reduce-population?utm_source=LifeSiteNews.com&utm_campaign=469bebd7dd-Daily%2520Headlines%2520-%2520U.S._COPY_643&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_12387f0e3e-469bebd7dd-401421241

² <https://www.hindustantimes.com/india-news/india-closer-to-world-s-first-male-contraceptive-injection/story-o3ITFLnCkKHpuEDNNqrEnO.html>

³ <https://www.hhs.gov/about/agencies/oga/global-health-diplomacy/protecting-life-global-health-policy/joint-statement-on-the-nairobi-summit-on-the-icpd25.html>