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A Note from the Editor

John Attarian Will Be Sorely Missed

Dr. John Attarian, one of the most interesting and thoughtful writers in the immigration reform movement, died suddenly from heart failure on December 31, 2004 at the age of 48. He earned a Ph.D. in economics from the University of Michigan and was a pioneer analyst of the Social Security privatization proposals, which he viewed as a species of fraud. (See his articles on this topic in the archives of www.LewRockwell.com.) In articles and a monograph Attarian also demonstrated that mass immigration would not "save" Social Security. He recently published critiques of multiculturalism, the modern conservative movement, oil depletion, and a defense of the brand of "steady state" economics championed by Herman Daly. At the time of his unexpected death John had just finished a book on mass immigration and public health, as well as a challenging study of the Marquis de Sade as a literary figure and moral revolutionary. Dr. Attarian was also a novelist and artist. And he was by far one of the nicest people the editors and publisher of this journal have ever dealt with. Please visit the archives of www.TheSocialContract.com to read John Attarian's many valued contributions to our journal.

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We wish to thank contributor Brenda Walker for assembling the front section of this issue dealing with the impact of Islam on Western societies. We encourage readers to visit her websites:

www.LimitsToGrowth.org and www.ImmigrationsHumanCost.org. WAYNE LUTTON, PH.D., Editor

About the Cover Picture

This photo would not be remarkable were it from Teheran; however, it was taken in Dearborn, Michigan, USA. The occasion in Mid-November 2004 was a demonstration against American influence in the Middle East, and reveals the extremes of enemy

ideologies which we have welcomed through our permissive immigration bureaucracy. The poster being carried features Ayatollah Khomeini of Iran, once the most hated man in America – the Osama of his day.

Khomeini was despised for good reason. Not only was he the moving force behind the kidnaping of fifty Americans in the 1979 Iranian hostage crisis, he was a prime mouthpiece for spreading the influence of Islam throughout the world by taking whatever means necessary. He spoke plainly, saying that Muslims followed the religion of the sword:

Islam says kill all the unbelievers just as they would kill you all! Does this mean that Muslims should sit back until they are devoured by the unbelievers? Islam says, Kill them, put them to the sword and scatter their armies.

Khomeini also declared,

Islam makes it incumbent on all adult males, provided they are not disabled or incapacitated, to prepare themselves for the conquest of countries so that the writ of Islam is obeyed in every country in the world.