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PROGRAMME

Sunday 5 June 2022

AFTERNOON SESSION, EVERYONE WELCOME

- 15.00** Welcome *Headquarters Group*
- 15.05** Gayatri – *in Italian*
- 15.10** The seventh Ray, the etheric web and social media – *Oksana Mulyk in Ukrainian*
- 15.25** The seventh ray, the spirit of group service and sacrifice – *Janna van Baalen in Dutch*
- 15.40** Affirmation of Love – *in Portuguese*
- 15.45** The Light supernal as the divine expression of the blending of the seven Rays – *Roman Shchepalov in Russian*
- 16.00** Group Meditation – *in Spanish*
- 16.10** 5-minute break
- 16h15** Visualisation: “The Fiery Wheel” – *in French*
- 16h25** The Sun in Aquarius, the seventh ray and the new civilisation – *Sabine Burda in German*
- 16h40** Small Group Discussions / ZOOM Breakout Groups
- 17h20** Group Meditation: Letting in the Light – *in English*
- 17h30** Close

All speakers are students of the Arcane School

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MEDITATION

LETTING IN THE LIGHT

I GROUP FUSION

We affirm the fact of group fusion and integration within the heart centre of the new group of world servers, mediating between Hierarchy and humanity:

I am one with my group brothers, and all that I have is theirs.

May the love which is in my soul pour forth to them.

May the strength which is in me lift and aid them.

May the thoughts which my soul creates reach and encourage them.

II ALIGNMENT

We project a line of lighted energy towards the spiritual Hierarchy of the planet, the planetary heart, the great Ashram of Sanat Kumara; and towards the Christ at the heart of Hierarchy.

Extend the line of light towards Shamballa, the centre where the Will of God is known.

III HIGHER INTERLUDE

Hold the contemplative mind open to the extra-planetary energies streaming into Shamballa and radiated through Hierarchy. Using the creative imagination, endeavour to see the three planetary centres – Shamballa, Hierarchy, and Humanity – gradually coming into alignment and interplay.

IV MEDITATION

Reflect on the seed thought using the keynote for the conference:

***Let the light of the seven Rays blend with the seventh Ray,
and Light Supernal usher in the new civilisation***

V PRECIPITATION

Using the creative imagination, visualise the energies of Light, Love and the Will-to-Good pouring throughout the planet and becoming anchored on Earth in prepared physical plane centres through which the Plan can manifest. (Use the six-fold progression of divine Love as the sequence of energy precipitation: Shamballa/Hierarchy/the Christ/the new group of world servers/men and women of goodwill everywhere in the world/physical centres of distribution.)

VI LOWER INTERLUDE

Refocus the consciousness, as a group, within the periphery of the great Ashram. Together sound the affirmation:

In the centre of all Love I stand.

From that centre I, the soul, will outward move.

From that centre I, the one who serves, will work.

May the love of the divine Self be shed abroad,

in my heart, through my group, and throughout the world.

Visualise the down pouring spiritual inflow released from Shamballa through the Hierarchy and streaming into humanity through the prepared channel. Consider how these in pouring energies are establishing the "Pathway of Light" for the coming World Teacher, the Christ.

VII DISTRIBUTION

As the Great Invocation is sounded, visualise the outpouring of Light and Love and Power from the spiritual Hierarchy through the five planetary inlets (London/Darjeeling/New York/Geneva/Tokyo) irradiating the consciousness of the whole human race:

From the point of Light within the Mind of God
Let Light stream forth into the minds of men.
Let Light descend on Earth.

From the point of Love within the Heart of God
Let love stream forth into the hearts of men.
May Christ return to Earth.

From the centre where the Will of God is known
Let purpose guide the little wills of men
The purpose which the Masters know and serve.

From the centre which we call the race of men
Let the Plan of Love and Light work out
And may it seal the door where evil dwells.

Let Light and Love and Power restore the Plan on Earth.

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GAYATRI

(in Italian)

(Sanskrit)

ॐ भूर्भुवः स्वः

ॐ तत्सवितुर्वरेण्यं भर्गो देवस्य

धीमहि धियो यो नः प्रचोदयात् ।

Om bhur bhuvah svaha

Tat savitur varenyam

Bhargo devasyad hymahi

Dhi yo yonah prachodayat

OM

Gayatri (English version):

O Thou Who givest sustenance to the universe,

From Whom all things proceed

To Whom all things return

Unveil the face of the Spiritual Sun

Hidden by a disc of golden Light

That we may know the Truth

And do our whole duty

As we journey to Thy sacred feet.

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THE SEVENTH RAY, THE ETHERIC WEB AND SOCIAL NETWORKS

Oksana Mulyk, translated from Ukrainian

I am pleased to welcome all participants of the annual Arcane School Conference in Geneva. I want to present to your attention my thoughts on the topic.

“The seventh ray is, in the last analysis, the focussed differentiated energy of Ray One as it expresses the will of the first aspect of divinity on earth through the power to relate and bring into objective manifestation—by an act of the will—both spirit and matter.”¹

The world of today is the quintessence of a complex crisis, that includes a political, economic and pandemic component. Apparently, there is no stability for humanity in any branch of its life activity: the flaring hotbeds of armed conflicts and full-scale wars are raging, putting humanity on the brink of extinction in the crucible of a global nuclear catastrophe. Economic interdependence against the background of political confrontations undermines the already shaky economy of developing countries, condemning the population to hunger and extreme poverty. The Covid 19 pandemic, which has already removed more than 6 million souls from physical incarnation, is sophisticated with respect to modifications of the viral genome. An environmental catastrophe, threatening global warming, seeks to make large areas of continents uninhabitable.

The crisis confronts humanity with the need for radical change. The Seventh Ray of Ceremonial Magic and Order, which has entered into manifestation and is gaining activity, acting along the line of the First Ray, requires, first of all, the transformation of the thinking of humanity. The ideals to which human consciousness aspired under the influence of the Sixth Ray during the outgoing age of Pisces must be understood, comprehended, appropriated, and formed into a stable and viable thought form and deposited in the manifested sphere of human activity. The lack of the realisation of this urgent need creates multiple small crisis points in all spheres of life, which are synthesised into a single, but still closed gate of opportunity, and humanity needs to find the key to them.

What transformations does the Seventh Ray require from humanity? The Lord of the material (etheric) substance, the builder of the Kingdom of God on earth, introduces into manifestation that which requires precipitation on the timeline of evolution according to the Plan. It facilitates the final precipitation of ideas through stages of the conscious ideal into etheric matter, thereby ensuring the final materialisation of the Thoughts of God. The time has come for group co-creation, conditioned by insight and awareness of the indestructible community of the sons of men, the fundamental essential unity manifesting itself in the necessary constructive interaction. This requires, first of all, mental defocusing, leaving the centre of one's own circle as individual representatives of the human race, as well as entire nations and peoples. Humanity is shifting the centre of its own polarisation more and more onto the mental plane, gradually becoming integrated, subordinating the astral and physical vehicles to the achievement of a mentally meaningful goal. In this regard, the problem of mental isolation and the resulting mental pride and criticism becomes particularly relevant for humanity as a whole. The dominant influence of the desires for material values prevents the process of alignment of the total personality of humanity with its soul, and the light of the latter is powerless to break through the shell of mental egocentrism. Astral bodies, gradually occupying a subordinate position in relation to the isolated mind, become incapable of empathic perception of the surrounding world, do not respond to its pain; do not feel its needs. As a result, multiple splits and powerful dissonant force vortices arise in the universal etheric space uniting humanity. As a result, we observe the precipitation of a synthetic crisis point in manifestation.

The entire etheric web is under the jurisdiction of the Seventh Ray. Its immediate quality is the binding vertical connection (spirit-matter), the construction of the Temple of the Spirit in dense matter, that is, work in the ethers. As you know, the etheric medium is the clearinghouse of all energy and power influences, as well as a universal unifier of all manifestations of life. Etheric constructions are the framework on which atoms and molecules of dense, liquid and gaseous medium of the physical plane are strung. For example, we are well aware that the vascular bed and nerve plexuses in the dense human body duplicate the etheric channels, which in the East are called nadis, and the endocrine glands are manifestations of the etheric energy centres. The harmonious physical manifestation of humanity as a whole is possible only when the vector of its aspiration changes from the material to the spiritual. The egoistic self-will of coordinated personalities of countries and peoples should finally be replaced by an enlightening Goodwill, thus bringing down into the three worlds of human activity the Triadic will aspect: the Will-to-Good. Thus, the Seventh Ray should bring to the peoples of the earth an awareness of

¹ Alice A. Bailey, *Esoteric Astrology*, p. 138

brotherhood, a sense of unity here on the physical plane, finally establishing constructive interconnection, interdependence and interaction.

With the beginning of the Aquarian Age and the activation of the Seventh Ray, one of the ideas of the global information association of humanity has been besieged and successfully implemented on the physical plane as the World Wide Web (or the Internet), currently uniting 4.88 billion people, which is 62% of the world's population. One of the most important features of this network is the absence of an official owner and centralised management. At its core, it is a voluntary association of various small (local, territorial, state) networks. The technical side the organisation of the network is controlled by the Federal Council of Information Networks (FNC), which in 1995 adopted the definition of the term 'Internet'. The progenitor of the modern Internet is considered to be the American military-industrial territorial network ARPA - the Agency for Advanced Research Projects. This is one of the divisions of the US Department of Defence, in the depths of which on January 2, 1969, it was decided to begin work on a project to create a network of computers of defence organisations, which was supposed to remain operational in the conditions of a nuclear attack. The World Wide Web, which uses electromagnetic radiation as a connecting agent, is a form of communication of humanity at the level of the ether. Its appearance made a revolutionary upheaval in consciousness, changing the usual perception of space and time, making any information from any corner of the world easily and quickly accessible. It made possible to get in touch with the culture and customs of people living at opposite poles of the globe without leaving home, which in fact gave a sense of the world as a whole.

Social networks are one of the examples of communicative connections of humanity. Their creation has provided humanity with a unique opportunity to go beyond unification on a national or ethnic basis (this affiliation is karmically conditioned, free will manifests itself only in a change of citizenship), and to create associations "by interests" that inherently reflect the inner qualities of people, personal radiation characteristics, and often reflect their polarisation. At the same time, groups in social networks most often do not have a national orientation, including representatives of different countries, and the language barrier is erased not only due to knowledge of languages, but also due to automatic translation carried out by most browsers. Similar qualities in the equipment of individuals cause resonant interaction at the level of astral and mental vehicles, triggering the process of "recognising one's own". Groups in social networks emphasise similarity or identity in individuals, erasing historically and traditionally formed illusory dividing boundaries. In fact, the globalisation of the Internet, which includes social networks, was the door for mass consciousness to a "world without borders", a world of human unity. Perhaps this can be perceived as a preparatory stage at the personal level for future integration into seed groups.

Of course, there is still a very strong spirit of criticism in the mass consciousness and there is often a tendency to make aggressive statements. This leads to another important point: people learn to resolve conflict of views in the context of social networks in the form of a dialogue, since the use of physical force is simply impossible. The desire to clothe one's thought in the correct verbal expression and the mass work with the word is also intensified under the influence of the energy of the Seventh Ray, since the word, or sound, is an instrument of those who build in matter. Many people use the social network for self-affirmation, which is a natural process of personal development and integration, and the World Wide Web provides additional opportunities for this implementation.

I would also like to note that thanks to the almost instantaneous transmission of data, including photos and videos, through the Internet, we have witnessed the transparency of recent world events for the entire world community. Until recently, many of the horrors of military companies were hushed up, veiled, distorted. Technologies of today provide indisputable evidence of war crimes. As a result, the countries of the world unite against manifestations of violence and inhumanity, demonstrating a commitment to the principles of Goodwill.

In the book *From Intellect to Intuition*², Alice A. Bailey says: "It has been a steady progression down the ages of the evolving human consciousness, and a steady growth of awareness of nature, of the world in which men live, and an increasing grasp of the Whole, until now the entire world is knit together through the radio, the telegraph and television." It is safe to say that the activity of the Seventh Ray with increasing First Ray power will continue this synthetic, binding process on the etheric levels with the help of the global Internet. And I think this is just the beginning.

Thank you for your time and attention. Let the Plan descend on Earth!

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² Alice A. Bailey, *From Intellect to Intuition*, p. 180,

THE SEVENTH RAY, THE SPIRIT OF GROUP SERVICE AND GROUP SACRIFICE

Janna van Baalen, translated from Dutch

Dear fellow students, and all who are present here,

Let me start this talk with a small, and slightly modified, quote and then with an image that fits in with it and relates to our daily reality.

The quote reads:

*Just as birds fly in a flock to their summer residences, so souls unite in their flight.
And so, flying through the Gate, they thus alight before the throne of God.³*

This quote evoked in me the thought of an event during the Boston Marathon of 2013. After a bomb explosion, a phenomenon occurred that later led to a lot of research. The rescue services present acted like a flock of birds that were perfectly attuned to each other and, without a single leader, and without prior consultation, did exactly what was necessary to save people and create order. All the symptoms of chaos and the usual attempts to gain individual control did not occur. The phenomenon – which was called “swarm intelligence” – can be compared to a flock of birds flying in perfect formation with equal speed, equal movement, and equal direction to their target. Harvard researchers say that: “we will never know all the reasons why the symptoms of chaos, competition, and individual confusion did not occur in Boston at the time. What did happen – the ‘*Swarm of Intelligence*’ – was so self-evident and powerful that it was unimaginable to those who were present.. It was striking that in the following weeks the quality of the cooperation between the aid workers continued to increase”⁴.

These two images – the quote and the phenomenon during the Boston Marathon – are both examples of group phenomena. They are captivating in their appearance: one as the poetic articulation of a subjective image of the Oneness of the Soul; the other as an unexpected phenomenon in which people rose above their usual reaction and capacity for action. The question is, whether they can also be traced back to the fundamental idea that a group is in itself a unity, which has a form, material components, a soul, and a goal or purpose. After all, we must not forget that it is the Soul that is group conscious. All souls work in group formation and do so under the subjective guidance of the great Thinkers who embody the divine logic thought. After all, it can therefore be said that each group is the embodiment of a divine thought. But the question is, whether that thought was consciously received by the brains of the group members through their own soul consciousness.

In *The Light of the Soul*, it is said that in the consummation of the conscious transmission of the divine plan is steadily worked out and brought to revelation on the physical plane.⁵ The future groups formed under the influence of the Seventh ray can then be seen as the centre, or focal point, through which the spiritual energies will flow, with the focal point being receptive to the higher energies, and mediator of the passing on to lower forms.

It is said that the time when man will be ready for this magical work is now rapidly approaching under the influence of the increasing influence of the Seventh Ray, and the arrival of the Aquarian age. Humanity does not yet fully meet the conditions necessary to be adequately prepared for this. Knowledge of the Plan, however, is increasing, and the consciousness of more and more people is established on the Buddhic plane as a result of the integration of soul and personality, and contact with the emerging ideas of Hierarchy is increasingly becoming possible. This means that the number of disciples for the third initiation is increasing, whereby the soul will increasingly orient itself to contact with the Monad, and man will focus his attention on the will. And although we are speaking here in terms of the future, these developments, and in particular the influence of the incoming energy of the will, have been going on for a long time. It is good to realise the need for proper preparation for the coming of the new and powerful energies. Abuse or misdirection causes many of the problems of our time. This, it is said, is one of the main reasons that the influence of the Seventh Ray - which is one of the direct channels through which the energy of the First Ray, the influences of the Will, can flow - is now increasing. The new and improved forms formed under the influence of the Seventh Ray will be better able to handle the incoming life energies. This brings us to the actual subject of this talk: the relationship between the Seventh Ray and the spirit of group service and group sacrifice.

In the foregoing, we have been able to review but a small part of all aspects that have to do with the subject. In summary, we have seen that a man's soul consciousness allows him to participate in the magical work of the soul,

³ Taken from *Discipleship in the New Age, Vol. I*, p. 291 Eng, author anonymous

⁴ <https://npli.sph.harvard.edu/meta-leadership/swarm-intelligence/>

⁵ Alice A. Bailey, *The Light of the Soul*, p.410 Eng

which is always work in group formations. And that this magical work aims at bringing the divine ideas to revelation. We have also seen that mankind is gradually becoming capable of participating in this work, but that caution and care are necessary. In the end, we have assumed that the role of the Seventh Ray is an important one and an indispensable factor the time ahead because under the influence of this ray the right forms can be found.

The idea that we now want to elaborate a little further here, is that *groups as such* are not the new forms that must now come into being. After all, there have always been groups. You may have noticed that the title speaks of *the spirit* of group service and group sacrifice. It is precisely that word *spirit* that in its true sense will shine some light on the new groups to come, of which group service and group sacrifice will then form the core.

Therefore, let us ask ourselves what the word *spirit* means here. To understand some of it, we can think back of the example at the beginning of this lecture, and then remember that the unknown poet made a subjective relationship between the flock of birds and the unity of the soul, or to those present who saw 'something' in the cooperation of the aid workers, which later seemed to them to be 'unimaginable'. We could say that this 'something' exists and reveals itself irresistibly and at the same time is not visible. Not visible as, for example, the *force in an action*, or the *will in the movement*. It is said that there is only one mind, and only one substance, and also that matter is spirit at its lowest point of cyclic activity, and that spirit is matter at its highest point. And that we can infer from this that the Seventh ray is only an expression of its polar opposite: the First ray of Will or Power. This reminds us of the relationship that the Seventh Ray has with the mineral kingdom. In the same way that we saw *the will in motion*, we can then see the presence of Rare Earth Elements (REE) in the mineral kingdom as the radiating force in matter, the radiating point of light within.

The *spirit* of group service and group sacrifice, if we continue to follow this path, is the radiation that emanates from within the group, which is the result of making contact with the divine Willpower in the right way - that is, in cooperation with the order of the Seventh ray. The essence of this is that there is a "right way", which is attributable to the action of the Seventh Ray in its capacity as Ceremonial Order and Ritual. Service is governed by rituals and no group work is possible without a form of ritual. It seems that radiation and ritual are related, and we could explain this in such a way that ceremonial order and ritual are the evidence of taking charge of certain energies and forces, and of the joint directing of these energies towards the One Goal: The Plan or the Purpose.

This togetherness only comes about when the group is attuned to the rhythm of the greater whole that has become clear to them through the understanding of the Plan. This is the great lesson for the Seventh Ray: *Work with the Plan*. For the group, this means that there is a desire to participate in the spirit - or ritual - of divine sacrifice. This means that every step forward is followed by sacrifice with the greater giving itself to the lesser.⁶ The Will is an aspect of the Law of Sacrifice. And sacrifice is an aspect of the Law of Evolution. Both are the keynote and theme of the entire creative process, and the fundamental meaning of the words "God is Love," for love means giving and making sacrifices.⁷ These words show us the meaning of what *divine service* means, which is not limited to humanity but concerns all three worlds: the subhuman, human and superhuman. This is the keynote on which the new civilisation will be established.

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⁶ Alice A. Bailey, *The Externalisation of the Hierarchy*, p. 165

⁷ *ibid*

AFFIRMATION OF LOVE

(Portuguese)

In the centre of all Love I stand.

From that centre I, the soul, will outward move.

From that centre I, the one who serves, will work.

**May the love of the divine Self be shed abroad,
in my heart, through my group, and throughout the world.**

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THE LIGHT SUPERNAL AS THE DIVINE EXPRESSION OF THE BLENDING OF THE SEVEN RAYS

Roman Shchepalov, translated from Russian

“And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.” Genesis 1:3

According to one of the fundamental postulates of Ageless Wisdom – the purpose for which life takes shape, and the purpose of manifested being is the development of consciousness, or the evolution of the soul. This statement can be formulated in another way as a Theory of the Evolution of Light. It is important to realise that light and matter are synonyms. Behind a material veil of any form, the light is hidden. In the process of evolution, matter becomes an increasingly better conductor of light, demonstrating the truth of Christ's statement “I am the Light of the world.”

We are also told that the soul is light. The soul appears only when – in the creative and evolutionary process – matter comes into contact and merges with spirit. The soul gives these two aspects of divinity the opportunity to manifest as a trinity, possessing sensitivity and radiating magnetic light. The soul is light in its essence – both literally, from the point of view of vibration, and in a philosophical sense, being a true carrier of awareness and knowledge.

Each of us has a unique life purpose. The ultimate meaning lies in achieving this goal and in what we do and how we do it on the way to achieve this goal. Each of us is represented as a unique spiritual archetype, which should be expressed in space and time according to the plan of the “Great Architect of the Universe” filled with greatness and beauty. But we are all an essential and irreplaceable part of the great, all-encompassing Being, whose intention is the cooperation of all its parts in its creative design through the manifestation of our archetypal nature.

There are seven main energies that determine the vibrational qualities of all the kingdoms of nature on Earth and especially affect humanity – these are the seven rays emanating from the seven Great entities whose bodies of expression are the seven stars of the constellation Ursa Major. The following quote from Alice Bailey's book *Esoteric Psychology* emphasises the extraordinary importance of these seven rays: “In fact there is nothing in the whole solar system, at whatever stage of evolution it may stand, which does not belong and has not always belonged to one or other of the seven rays.”⁸

The Seven Rays are the seven differentiations of one great cosmic Ray that exerted influence within the very life of our solar Logos before He began to create His creation. We also know that the divine spark, the divine centre of consciousness of each of us comes from the highest principle of our Logos and therefore, potentially contains

⁸ Alice A. Bailey, *Esoteric Psychology*, Vol. I, p. 163.

all the Rays. But after our Logos formed these innumerable centres of divine consciousness within Himself, each of them began to differ in the special attributes of one of the Rays. From the moment of separation from the absolute consciousness of the Logos, each of them must necessarily belong to one of the Rays. Consequently, the very grain of our essence, the central spark of divinity in each of us is located on one of the seven Rays, which can be considered the primary ray of man.

We must look at the Rays not only as channels of energy radiation through which everything moves, but also be aware of their alternate influence on the world. Each Ray has its periods of maximum influence, which is largely experienced by everyone – not only those who by nature belong to this Ray, but also representatives of all other Rays. To perceive a more complete picture of Ray effects, a correct understanding of the Law of Cycles is necessary. While one Ray may be in incarnation and of paramount importance, the main cycle may be controlled by another. For example, now the Seventh Ray of Ceremonial Organization is gaining strength, and the Sixth Ray of Devotion and Idealism is leaving the stage.

Now the whole world is plunged into chaos and confusion caused by the collision of the forces of the Sixth and Seventh Rays. When one Ray leaves and the other enters manifestation, and their impact on the earth and on all forms of all kingdoms of nature reaches equilibrium, there is a specific point of crisis. This is happening now, and humanity, perceiving both types or forms of energy, has been thrown “from the centre” – hence the gigantic difficulties and tension of the current world period.

Today, we are all witnessing a major crisis in international relations and a global humanitarian crisis of such magnitude that the world has not seen since the end of World War II. A serious global cataclysm is gaining rapid momentum, in which my country, unfortunately, was involved in the origin of this conflict by starting a fratricidal war with neighbouring Ukraine and being justly condemned and isolated by almost all world countries. According to the law of Karma, you reap what you sow, and the people of Russia will probably have to pay for many years for the terrible suffering and destruction that the people of Ukraine are undergoing.

I'm not going to delve into the details of this conflict right now, especially since they all occupy the front pages of the media all over the world and are available to anyone. But it will be useful for us, as students of Ageless Wisdom, to think about the esoteric reasons underlying the external manifestations of this conflict. In the modern world, which is under the crossfire of contradictory streams of propaganda, it is unlikely that we will find one single truth if we do not develop discernment, loving understanding and intuition.

The conflict of ideas, which had been raging for a long time on the mental and emotional planes, emerged out onto the physical plane, despite the efforts of people of goodwill all over the world. As we know, in addition to the change of ray influences, the world is now going through a change of astrological epochs, having almost completed the 500-year transition period from the age of Pisces into the age of Aquarius. Consequently, we are witnessing the dissolving and destruction of everything that has been formed and crystallised in human consciousness in the last 2000 years – in politics, religion, international relations and in any other sphere of human activity.

Russia is now of particular interest to humanity because it falls under the influence of both Rays replacing each other on the world stage today. Her egoic Ray is the Seventh, and her personal Ray is the Sixth. Hence the terrible conflict between the fanatical cruelty of its regime peculiar to the Sixth Ray and spiritual non-harm as a basic principle of national ideology.

The spiritual motto of Russia is: “I link two Ways.” The task of Russia, which will be fulfilled as it is understood, is to unite the East and the West, as well as the worlds of desires and spiritual aspiration, fanaticism, which gives birth to cruelty, and understanding, which gives birth to love, pronounced materialism and perfect holiness, the egoism of the materialist regimes and the selflessness of mystically and spiritually thinking people – and all this in the most challenging and strange shapes.

Interestingly, the personal ray of Russia is the Sixth ray of devotion and idealism, the same ray that governs the personality of the United States. Both nations are governed by Aquarius at the soul level and their joint destiny is to lead the world in the Age of Aquarius. But now we are witnessing the confrontation of these nations at the end of the Piscean Age at the moment of the departure of the Sixth Ray from the world stage, before their inevitable cooperation within the triangle of the USA, Great Britain and Russia. It must be remembered that in the hands of the United States, Great Britain, and Russia, as well as in the hands of France, lies the fate of the

world disciple - Humanity. Humanity is going through a period of trials before the first initiation – these trials are hard and severe, and they are not yet completed.

The most obvious and powerful force in world of today is the power of the First Ray of Will and Power. The influence of the First ray is expressed primarily in politics and in the sphere of national governments. The conflict between Russia and Western nations led by the United States is taking place based on ideological differences and different interpretations of the same divine ideas trying to manifest themselves through human consciousness. In this regard, what the Tibetan said more than half a century ago during the critical phase of the Second World War is relevant today more than ever if you replace the radio with the Internet and the media. Here is his quote about the problem of ideas:

“In the final analysis, the main problem of world government is the wise use of ideas. It is here that the power of speech makes itself felt, just as in the department of religion or of education the power of the written word, of the printed page, is felt. In the field of politics, the masses are swayed by their orators, and never more so than now through the use of the radio. Great ideas are dinned into the ear of the public without cessation—theories as to dictatorship, communism, nazism, fascism, marxism, nationalism, and democratic ideals. Methods of rule by this or that group of thinkers are presented to the public, leaving them no time for consideration, or for clear thinking. Racial antipathies are spread, and personal preferences and illusions find expression, bringing about the deception of the unthinking”⁹

In this game with ideas, under constant pressure on the consciousness of the great concepts underlying our evolutionary process, humanity develops the ability to think, choose and build its future based on a reliable foundation. Thanks to the evolutionary advancement of these ideas, there is a steady approach to freedom of thought and the establishment of right human relations in the spirit of inclusiveness and the expression of goodwill.

The most important task humanity is facing on the way to the expression of the Divine Plan is the achievement of the ideal of Brotherhood.

Virtue can be defined as a manifestation in a person of the spirit of cooperation with his brothers, which inevitably makes him unselfish, understanding and makes him completely forget about himself. Vice is the rejection of such a position. In fact, both words mean only perfection and imperfection, compliance with the divine standard of brotherhood or inability to achieve it. Humanity, according to the Divine plan, is destined to serve as a power substation through which certain types of divine energy can flow to various forms of life of the subhuman kingdoms. It is necessary to understand and direct these energies correctly to put an end to the domination of decay and death. In this way, people will be able to connect the higher and lower manifestations of Life, but only after they connect (within themselves) their own higher and lower aspects. This is and should be one of the pressing tasks of any esoteric teaching. Man could function freely in both directions, easily coming into contact with the life of God, flowing through both superhuman and subhuman forms.

We will not be able to achieve an ideal resolution of the conflict between nations here and now, because perfection is unattainable for a man at his level of development. Nevertheless, we will be able to contribute to the end of this conflict and achieve harmony if we approach everything that happens not from the level of the astral plane, feeding our emotions, fears and anxieties, but from the position of clear thinking, not avoiding any problems, but keeping calm, dispassionate and loving understanding. We need to discard all antagonisms and antipathies, hate, and racial prejudices, and try to think in terms of a single family, a single life, a single humanity.

Humanity has been brought to its current sad state primarily by a misunderstanding of ideals, hate, and separatism. But the hope of the world is that there are enough liberated people in the world today to change the views of humanity and public opinion if they try to conform to what they know and believe in. We all need to demonstrate in our environment the qualities that allow us to build right human relationships. We need to stand firm and believe in achieving the ideal that all souls are one Soul and that the inevitable spiritual fate of humanity is the resurrection of the spirit of humanity from the grave of materialism into the pure light supernal of spiritual perception.

To this end, and in deep unity, let us now let in the Light Supernal, and let there be Peace between men!

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⁹ Alice A. Bailey, *Esoteric Psychology*, Vol. I, p. 179-180.

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Break – 5 minutes

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VISUALISATION

THE FIERY WHEEL

(in French)

We are advised —as far as we possibly can—to insulate ourselves from fear and from the effect of the world situation and its allied problems. The future for us is planned and we can take the right steps through the power of our illumined mind. We are advised to carry forward this insulation along the line of love, using the ancient method which has been called “the wheel of living fire which burns not but ever heals.” This method is occult and safe and constitutes no barrier to relationships as does the building of a separative wall. The method is as follows:

VISUALISATION

See before you a wheel of fire with seven spokes. See it immediately before your eyes. Then, by an act of the creative imagination, see yourself standing in the centre at the hub of the wheel; there regard yourself as if you were that hub. From that central position, send out the seven streams of living love, radiating upon the world. When you do this you serve and are, at the same time, completely protected. This exercise can become instantaneous and effective. It generates a protective force and at the same time makes you a living centre of light and love.

INVOCATION

Let the Forces of Light bring illumination to mankind.
Let the Spirit of Peace be spread abroad.
May men of goodwill everywhere meet in a spirit of cooperation.
May forgiveness on the part of all men be the keynote at this time.
Let power attend the efforts of the Great Ones.
So let it be, and help us to do our part.

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THE SUN IN AQUARIUS, THE SEVENTH RAY AND THE NEW CIVILISATION

Sabine Burda, translated from German

In this second solar system - the system of active love - the principle is "I am that". This principle is a magnetic type of energy that brings people together to improve living conditions and promote mutual understanding in the right way. It brings to man the realisation that he is one with everything. He strives for perfection, which leads him to serve with love - through deeds of love.

We are told that within the Aquarian Age lies a very special opportunity for humanity. I would like to get to the bottom of this statement and welcome you to this conference.

Let us take a look back at the twentieth century.

Neptune, discovered in 1846, marks the transition from the Piscean Age to the Age of Aquarius. The combination of Uranus (the ruler of Aquarius) and Neptune (the ruler of Pisces) brought great effects in the history of the twentieth century through their overlap.

Uranus symbolises what is unconventional in the solar system. Its vibration demands a free behaviour on the personal level. Freedom of thought and action from authoritarian control. Neptune is a planet whose rays evoke creativity that arises from an emotional impulse. While Uranus helps connect people through shared ideas and motivations, Neptune connects people through shared feelings. Music, drugs and alcohol are within its range, and the sharing of these experiences has connected thousands. But drug use is also a feature of Uranian recklessness and rebellion.

Alan Okan writes in his book "Man, Mirror Image of the Cosmos" that all persons born in the period 1936 - 1958 belonged to the first generation who had the task of bridging the gap between planetary consciousness and mass consciousness.

The generation of the fifties was born with Uranus-Neptune in the Earth sign. Rock 'n' roll spilled over from the USA to Europe, and many young people gratefully embraced the new rebellious nature of the music. Musicians like Chuck Berry, Elvis Presley and Johnny Cash were storming the charts all over the world and gave off the feeling of a protest culture that had never existed before. Political awareness did not yet exist.

For those born 1942-47, the two planets were in the air sign and shaped the 60s with the flower power children, LSD, Woodstock, the Beatles and the communes.

With another change in the Uranus-Neptune constellation, the early 70s showed up with student movements, strikes and anti-war movements. The women's, black and gay movements emerged. Heroin was the drug of choice. The late 70s brought the freak, casual elegance, the tattoo and cocaine.

Much that was suppressed came to light in these three decades. Uranus released the restrictive bonds of the lower nature, the mind - and opened up to a greater reality. Just as the rays of Uranus work on the mental framework, Neptune works with human emotions. When Neptune works positively, all feelings of personal, emotional satisfaction are raised to a non-verbal understanding of the whole human experience. Personal love - I will love you if you love me - is replaced by divine love - I love, for by love comes the light. Thus, necessary changes in the structure of civilisation could be made for the coming new age.

Uranus, we said, symbolises unpredictability, rapid change and transformation. And now we can better understand the astrological sign of Aquarius. An air sign needs constant change and desperately wants to break out of old, entrenched systems. For this unconventional sign, Uranus gives the power to dare the unfamiliar.

Aquarius - like other signs - is divided into three decanates. We are now in the first decanate, ruled by Saturn. This is visible in our present difficulties, our political upheavals, the division of the world stage into two great groups, people who are national and patriotic and those who are beginning to recognise the international spirit. In the economic field, Saturn is creating tremendous turmoil between those who yield to material things and the others who are aligning themselves to new inner values. Those who live in the past and those who see the vision, who see the life, the purpose and the plan that becomes visible through the many groups.

In almost all fields of thought we find these two compelling forces. They are a consequence of the clash of the Piscean and Aquarian energies.

Self-knowledge is a priority for the human being in the Aquarian Age. Those in power in the field of government and science are required to undergo profound changes in their individual orientation so that they can deal with

the new demands in an increasingly complex way. Aquarius generates the inner light of brotherhood, for the sign of the zodiac stands for the humanitarian spirit of the accomplished man for whom nothing human is unfamiliar. Let us now look at Russia as an example. Under the influence of the Aquarian Age with Uranus as ruler, with the sixth Ray in its personality and the seventh Ray as its soul ray, this country is obviously reacting more strongly to the influence of the seventh Ray of magic and ceremonial order, which is now gaining in importance. In my opinion, it is not surprising, if this country wants to return to the old greatness of the Soviet Union in its habit of thought.

Here begins the work of the new age, the new civilisation and culture. The rhythm of international habits of thought and views must be changed.

In *Esoteric Astrology* we can read that according to the Plan and according to the energies flowing through the five planetary centres, there are three great fusing energies or life centres within our planet today.

- Russia, uniting and merging Eastern Europe, Western and Northern Asia.
- The United States, which will combine and merge Central and Western Europe and the entire Western Hemisphere. This will later include South America.
- The British Empire, uniting and merging races and people across the world.

The destiny of our planet lies in the hands of these states. They are the three great world blocks from the viewpoint of consciousness and world synthesis. These three states are capable of uniting and merging the many types of human beings. Their objectives for the world look far ahead. Their guiding principle is expressed in their fundamental constitutional ideas - the Magna Charta and the Bill of Rights - for humanity as a whole.

National cultures in their diversity will be preserved. They will voluntarily cooperate and participate in the process with full independence. They will perfect their own life in the interest of humanity as a whole. The aspiration and integrity of their souls will be expressed and preserved through their pure national goals.

Human leaders in the new age are characterised by their response to the seventh Ray which brings about the organisation of the mental body. The emerging order and beauty are expressed through right thinking and action in the recognition of unity, generosity, tolerance, humility, kindness and love.

Under the influence of the energy of the seventh Ray, balance will be achieved and maintained. The “noble middle path” of right action and right human relations will be implemented. The soul-infused aliveness of humanity will eventually become more freely and uninhibitedly expressed in the outer world on all three levels of consciousness.

Forces and qualities in humanity that are still locked up now will shape and reveal the new future through the energies that characterise the Aquarian Age.

Thank you for your attention.

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BREAK OUT ROOMS MANAGEMENT

At the start of the discussion session, the so-called break out rooms will be activated.

This year we give each participant the option to select his or her own room, i.e. language group, into which to participate.

There will be a break out room for the following languages:

- English
- French
- Italian
- Spanish
- German
- Russian
- Dutch

Once the break out rooms activated, you are invited to join a room.

(If you choose **Later**, you can join by clicking **Breakout Rooms** in your meeting controls.¹⁰)

In other words: click on the break out room icon of the Zoom control bar:



This will display the list of open breakout rooms created by the host.

Hover your pointer over the number to the right of the breakout room you wish to join, click **Join**, then confirm by clicking **Join**.

We recommend that you *stay in the same room for the whole session* and do not swap from one room to another.

Asking for help

If you click Ask for Help, it will notify the meeting host that you need assistance and they will be asked to join your breakout room.

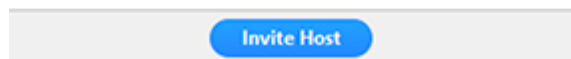
Click Ask for Help in the meeting controls.

Confirm that you would like assistance by clicking Invite Host.

You can invite the host to this Breakout Room for assistance.

Leaving the breakout room

You can leave the breakout room and return to the main meeting session at any time, or you can leave the meeting entirely from the breakout room.



1. Click Leave Breakout Room.
2. Choose if you want to leave the breakout room or the entire meeting.
3. When the host ends the breakout rooms, you will be notified and given the option to return to the main room immediately, or in 60 seconds. You will be returned automatically to the main room.

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¹⁰ Participants not joined with the desktop or mobile app (version 5.3.0 or higher) will not be able to self-select a breakout room. The host will need to facilitate moving these participants manually.

GROUP DISCUSSIONS IN BREAK OUT ROOMS

This year the discussions will be held in break out rooms via Zoom. Each break out room is advised to come to its own conclusion. If preferred, each group can assign a reporter who will note the main points of the discussion. The summary of the discussion can then be send to Geneva headquarters which will post (possibly edited) versions after the conference on the web-site for sharing.

Although published in 1955, we feel the following quote is still of great value today and thus suggest it as a starting point for the group discussion (adapted from *Discipleship in the New Age*, II, pages 428,9):

We are living in a time of spiritual crisis. When a human crisis and a spiritual crisis coincide, there comes one of the major periods of opportunity and decision in general human affairs... All I can do is to call it to your attention. It is for you to watch and interpret current events, and it is for you to note the expression of the precipitating and penetrating energies, in order to cooperate as far as your insight permits, and thus further the right production of the required effects.

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(English)

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CLOSE OF THE DAY

CLOSE OF THE CONFERENCE

**MANY THANKS TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS WHO
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