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Soros using NGOs to effect regime change

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 Millions pumped into opposition movements, media

WHEN I was away, Malaysiakini was busy trying to legitimise their receiving money from George Soros because I invited him to join the campaign to make war a crime.

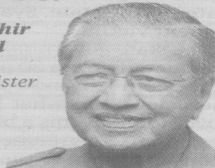
Receiving money from Soros and an invitation to make war a crime are two different things. In no way can one justify the other.

I only wrote to Soros after he admitted that I was not wrong in my criticisms of currency trading. Some people may remember that he said I was a menace to my country. By saying that the currency control Malaysia imposed to counter the effects of currency trading was the right thing to do, he was clearly admitting that I was right and was, therefore, not a menace to my country. Obviously, I would not have anything to do with him if he had continued to regard me as a menace to my country.

My letter inviting him to join the campaign to make war a crime was prompted by his financing of the campaign to prevent president George W. Bush from winning a second term. Bush is a warmonger and is responsible for the deaths of hundreds of thousands of Iraqis

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Dr Mahathir Mohamad
 is former prime minister



and 6,000 American soldiers in the war against Iraq.

I thought Soros' opposition to Bush was because he did not like war. But he replied to my invitation to work towards making war a crime by explaining that people had been fighting wars for 7,000 years and, therefore, war is a means of settling conflicts. Malaysiakini is quite right in surmising that his answer was in the negative. I was not surprised. Obviously, he was not against killing people in war. Nor I presume did he care for the massive destruction and sufferings caused by war.

I did meet him when he came here, but we agreed to disagree. He still maintained that currency trading is right and proper. We did not bury any hatchet. I was being civil as I am a Malaysian — and

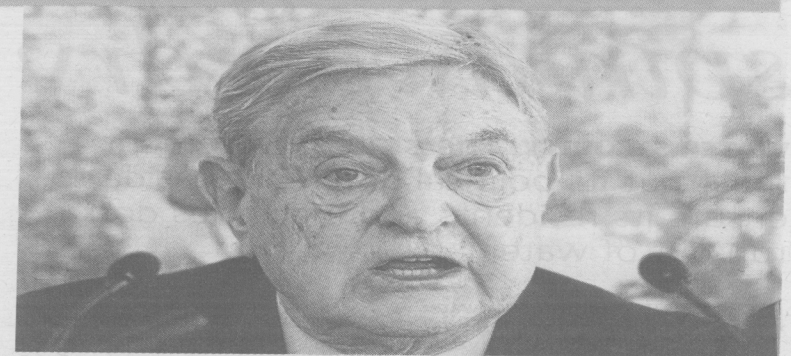
nothing more. So digging up hatchets does not arise.

According to Richard Minter writing in *Forbes*, Soros is conducting his own foreign policy which may or may not be identical with US foreign policy. Soros believes he can use his money to set up governments which are pro-Soros or his ideals. Impoverishing countries and peoples matters little to him. Famously, he was quoted as saying in reply to his role in the 1997 East Asian currency crash, "As a market participant, I don't need to be concerned with the consequences of my actions".

Minter quoted the following from Britain's *New Statesman*: "In 1984 (Soros) founded his first Open Society Institute in Hungary and pumped millions of dollars into opposition movements and independent media. Ostensibly aimed at building up a 'civil society', these initiatives were designed to weaken the existing political structures and pave way for eastern Europe's eventual colonisation by global capital."

Some may remember Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim's fondness for "civil society" when he was in the government. He still talks about civil society now. The similarity of ideas between the two, Soros and Anwar, is significant.

Minter went on to describe events in Georgia, where Alexander Lomaia, who went from running Soros' Open Society Georgia Foundation to become minister of education and science and later secretary of Georgia's Security



George Soros, according to Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad, feels wars are necessary to resolve conflicts.

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Georgia's opposition Labour Party leader, Shalva Natelashvili, contends that, "Effectively, George Soros is the president of Georgia, whereas (President) Saakashvili and (Prime Minister) Zurab Zhvania are his governors. Soros' foundation nominated nine ministers of the Georgian government, and all of them were appointed". And Soros claims to be promoting democracy.

His supporters here also claim to be fighting for democracy while being led by an unelected leader who in turn appointed members of his family and cronies to various leadership posts.

Minter quoted Ercis Kurtulus, head of Turkey's Social Transparency Movement Association as saying, "Soros carried out his will in Ukraine and Georgia by using these NGOs..."

So why is Soros financing Malaysiakini, a Malaysian non-governmental organisation. Obviously, it is in order to achieve regime change, to put his nominees as prime minister and ministers in the Malaysian government. What will such a government do if not to carry out Soros' wishes.

When inviting him to join the campaign to make war a crime, I was not talking about Malaysian politics. Certainly, I did not ask for nor did he give to the Perdana Global Peace Foundation any money. This campaign to make war a crime is for the good of all humanity — not just of Malaysia.

But he was quite unequivocally against making war a crime.

My view of Soros is that he is still a rogue currency trader and he compounds this evil by using the money to put his kind of people to rule the countries targeted by him. And Malaysia obviously is one of his targets.

Equally obvious, he regards Malaysiakini as the NGO to manipulate in order to achieve his objective.

There are of course other foreign NGOs and governments manipulating Malaysia's opposition for their interest.

A vote for the opposition, is a vote for Soros, the rogue currency trader.

It certainly will not be for Malaysia and its interests. If there are Malaysians who wish to be recolonised it is their choice. But I believe Malaysians would not want to be stooges of foreigners.