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# The Invisible Third World War

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*Editor's note:* Walter Bowart's *Operation Mind Control* caused a furor in the United States intelligence community when it was first published in 1975. Bowart's research on the subject of government agency involvement in dangerous and often life-threatening human experimentation on unwitting citizens paved the way for a new era in exposure of such unconstitutional practices. As a result, many such experiments were halted, and the responsible government agencies were forced to release information which had previously been hidden from the general public.

Bowart continued his research into the horrifying, mind-crippling effects of government exploitation of its own citizens in mind control experimentation. What he uncovered is more incredible than any science fiction novel.

In the as-yet unpublished manuscript, *The Invisible Third World War*, Bowart and co-author Richard Sutton reveal that the world is already locked in deadly, invisible warfare, fighting for the ultimate prize — the mind of man.

When the first atomic bomb was detonated at Alamogordo, New Mexico, in 1944, the warriors of the modern world experienced a flash of insight that changed the nature of war forever. The men who built the bomb realized that civilian populations were now unavoidable targets, and that conventional war had now become a dangerous trigger which could catalyze an earth-destroying retaliation with nuclear weapons.

Such old-fashioned methods of warfare as gunpowder, employed by revolutionaries fighting protracted conflicts, were suddenly perceived as potential threats which could ignite the nuclear holocaust.

The only safe way to wage war, the warriors realized, was to wage it silently.

Invisible Warfare — or IW, as it came to be known — became a necessity.

By the end of World War II, IW research had begun in earnest, and in the ensuing decades, modern warriors developed a number of insidious methods of subduing enemy populations without their ever knowing that a war had even begun.

Secret, invisible weapons now pose a more ominous threat to life than even thermonuclear holocaust. Not

only have these weapons been developed without the knowledge of their intended victims, but, worse, they cannot even be detected at the very moment they are murdering or robbing civilian populations.

Only if the veil of secrecy is lifted will the free people of the world have any hope of surviving long enough to liberate themselves from the bleak, unlivable future promised by the technology of Invisible War.

## Chemical and Biological Warfare The Secret Plagues

Governments do experiment on their own citizens.

In the Soviet Union, the victims never get a chance to talk about it. But in a supposedly free society — if they are left in good enough shape to remember that they have been victimized — citizens can not only talk about it, they can even sue their government.

A wide range of Invisible Warfare experiments conducted on unwitting citizens by the United States government has already been exposed.

In a number of experiments, a secret CIA-Army team infected Americans with deadly germs from 1949 to 1969. Equipped with nasal filters and other protective gear, these clandestine agents targeted civilian populations in Hawaii, Alaska, New York, Florida and California with experimental biological weapons.

Using trick suitcases and a 1954 Mercury equipped with dual mufflers and extended tailpipes, the spooks cast their clouds of plague along four New York City turnpikes and through the commuter-choked Lincoln and Holland tunnels.

Attacks on Florida were followed by an epidemic of whooping cough in which 12 persons died.

In 1950, a secret biological warfare weapon launched from a Navy vessel blanketed San Francisco Bay. Thirty years later, on learning of the experiment, victims responded with angry lawsuits against the government.

Government agents have injected thousands of unsuspecting Americans with germs such as syphilis, and similar incidents have occurred in Britain and the Soviet Union.

Now that formerly secret biological warfare documents have been released after nearly 30 years, at least part of the grisly story can be told.

What we can learn from the docu-

ments which the government is willing to release is just the tip of the invisible iceberg. The fact that innocent civilians have been victimized by their own governments, however, makes clear the threat posed by today's invisible technologies of war.

## Microbiological Holocaust

Warriors have been busy developing biological warfare weapons since the prehistoric days, when shamans first poisoned their enemies.

The memory of the political use of disease during the Crusades and the Inquisition may have been too fresh in Hitler's mind to allow him to unleash the vast arsenal amassed by Nazi scientists.

The Japanese, however, had no such compunctions. After World War II, germ warfare trials were held which convicted a number of their war criminals. Those trials, even more sensational than the Nuremberg trials, got little attention from the press of the day.

Biological warfare was next used during the Korean War, and then it was used in Vietnam.

Perhaps the most hideous story is that of the leakage of anthrax germs from weapons in the remote, secret city of Semipalatinsk in the Soviet Union. There, just a few years ago, hundreds died in horrible agony from anthrax germs created for the purpose of biological warfare.

Current genetic developments in what is called "Recombinant DNA" threaten to unleash mutant biological warfare strains from which the world may never recover. Despite an international treaty forbidding the use of biological warfare, some nations today are cheating, using it anyway. According to recently released Pentagon documents, the Soviets may well have used both chemical and biological warfare weapons in Afghanistan.

## Rocky Mountain Plague

When the news of secret, leaking Army "Weteye" nerve gas canisters in Denver, Colorado, was released, it sent shivers through the citizens of the Mile High City. Would Denver be America's first Semipalatinsk?

A controversy over how to dispose of the nerve gas bombs has raged over the past few years in Utah and Colorado.

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