

**Explorers Foundation Support Makes A Difference:
Work Supported Wholly or Partly by EF 2004-2010
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Chronological List of Products:

2010:

Articles and Reports

Centennial Review The Roots of Our Liberty*

National Review: Exceptional To The Bone*

Pajamas Media: The Day the PIIGS Fell to Earth*

August: One Earth Future Foundation Networked Governance Project Report: *The Westphalian State Order and the Westminsterian Commonwealth: Lessons for Global Governance****

George Washington University Space Policy Institute: *The NORAD Experience: Implications for international space surveillance sharing***

The Coast Guard Model: A Third Organizational Option for International SSA Data Sharing and Other US Space Responsibilities

National Review: The Great U-Turn*

Economic Policy Centre (United Kingdom) *Space – Britain's New Frontier*

December (forthcoming): *National Review*: Review of McCloskey, Bourgeois Dignity: Why Economics Can't Explain the Modern World*

December: Article, (forthcoming) *International Trade and Business Law Review*, (Australia) Our Future, Our Choice

Forthcoming January 2011: *The New Criterion*: Assimilation and the Persistence of Culture*

Forthcoming January 2011: *Space Policy* (United Kingdom), The Case for A U.S. Space Guard: Organizational Roles, Incentives and Outcomes in the Space Sector

* Partially compensated

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Additionally, three articles have been agreed upon for 2011 but not finalized with *New Atlantis* (US), *Standpoint* (UK), and *Quadrant* (Australia).

Major travel and conferences attended, and presentations given, with EF support:

New Criterion-Social Affairs Unit Invitational Conference “The Anglosphere and the Future of Liberty”, Winchester, England, September. Presenter.

Presentation to Defence Correspondents Circle, London.

Radio Interviews: BBC Radio Four (nationwide morning talk show); Sky News radio nationwide morning talk show; BBC Regional Cambridgeshire Today program.

Presentation, Institute for Public Affairs, Melbourne, Australia, October

Mannkal Economic Foundation-Murdoch University School of Law Conference “The Sun Rises In The West. Perth, Australia, October. Presenter

Additionally, Explorers Foundation has been supporting development of a book proposal *America 3.0: A User’s Manual*, jointly with Michael J. Lotus

2009

The bulk of time available to writing in 2009 was devoted to research, interviews, and drafting for the NORAD history project for George Washington University, and the Networked Governance Project supported by a grant from the Arsenault Family Foundation and the Explorers Foundation. The Arsenault grant was obtained as a result of introductions and meetings undertaken by the Explorers Foundation.

Presented Workshop: Lessons from NORAD, George Washington University Space Policy Institute,

Presentation: *The Roots of Our Liberty*, presentation at Colorado Christian University

2008

The Explorers Foundation: *Belize, Mexico, and other Western Hemisphere Candidates for Free Zone Investments: Strategies, Requirements, and Methodologies for Investment*

Daily Telegraph (London) [Understanding Palin](#)

What Is America? Television Documentary Outline, Treatment, and Proposal based on *The Anglosphere Challenge*, written with the Free to Choose Foundation, Inc.

2007

The Heritage Foundation: *The Third Anglosphere Century: The English-Speaking World in a Century of Transition*

Presentation to The Heritage Foundation, Washington, DC

The National Interest: [Dreaming Europe in a Wide-Awake World](#)

December 2004-October 2007: Weblog *Albion's Seedlings* (with co-authors). Widely-linked blog, including serious book reviews of O'Sullivan, Michael Barone, etc.

2006

Presentation to the Adam Smith Institute, London.

2005

2004

Rowman & Littlefield *The Anglosphere Challenge: Why the English-Speaking Nations Will Lead the Way in the Twenty-First Century*

The Anglosphere Challenge's writing and production was assisted jointly by timely and critical support by Explorers Foundation and by Mr. William F. Buckley, Jr., through his personal foundation The Historical Research Foundation. As was his practice, Mr. Buckley requested that his assistance not be disclosed to the general public.

The National Interest: [Networking Nation-States \(Winter 2003-2004\)](#)

Note: Some of the following work was fully supported by EF funds; some partially so. Some work was partly compensated by the article fees, but in no case was the fee sufficient to support the time expended in producing the article. I am competing against writers subsidized by academic or think-tank jobs who expect their employees to publish and build in the time to write to their schedules. The most noticeable effect was the great increase in publications in 2010, which properly should be considered 2009-2010, since the bulk of writing for the two large products (approx 120,000 words total) in 2010 was done in 2009.

Support in 2009 was assisted by two contracts/grants. The larger of the two, the Arsenault Family Foundation grant, was the result of introductions made by EF, and EF served as the vehicle for receiving and distributing the grant. EF support in the latter half of 2010 was critical in supporting the work and travel undertaken. However, the fact that it could not be scheduled regularly nor anticipated, and that it was, even given the fact that the support levels were greater than could reasonably be expected from the source, difficult to utilize the time efficiently. This was also the case with 2009, because, even though the funding was around 78% of current target levels, it was distributed irregularly and inefficiently, due in this case to GWU reimbursement bureaucracy and some constraints placed on the AFF funds by the grantor. The support problem is both a solvency problem and a liquidity problem.

Looking at the overall situation, I would say that 2010 has been more productive than all the work combined for the previous four or five years, although the 2010 reckoning should really be 2009-2010, since the bulk of the two big pieces, the NORAD study and the OEF report (70,000 and 50,000 wds respectively IIRC) were largely written in 2009.

I am also getting published in substantially more serious outlets: National Review, New Criterion, and now Standpoint and Quadrant. I think the turn of events is leading to a new window of opportunity for the set of ideas (which have also, I think, advanced in sophistication). The wind-down of the Iraq war, the departure of Bush and Blair, and the emergence of a new set of issues and circumstances is all changing the scene. The left, which has surged throughout the Anglosphere between 1997 and 2008, is now in retreat and discredit throughout although the right has only made a feeble comeback (Harper's minority government, Abbott's near-miss in Australia, Cameron's coalition, the GOP failure to retake the Senate) the fact the left is so discredited, and has nothing to say, means that there is a space for a new, improved vision for the Right. At the moment the right has nothing more to say than "the left hasn't worked". So there's an opportunity. The book Mike and I are plotting would be useful, if we can ever get it launched. But there is also a need for a new general theoretical piece, fully incorporating Macfarlane and taking into account Todd, Le Play, etc. I am concerned about hitting this window.