

Observation From a FCO Alumnus - Balance of Competencies - Economic Security for the UK and other member states.

The British gain from wider and larger economic markets has been, in some cases, an economy of scale which increases the production numbers and reduces the unit production cost. However, this works only where there is no resistance to British markets in Europe and the markets are not undermined or out-competed by global markets (e.g. Asian sourced low cost goods).

However, the long term strategy of our Euro partners seems to have driven the UK into an increasing dependency on France and Germany in particular making it almost impossible to withdraw from membership. This dependency is most clearly evident in agriculture and fishing, which should have been recognised as a critical home security issue, namely the ability of governments to feed their population especially in time of crisis.

The United States corporate strategy for creating dependency (repeat orders) has been mainly over spare part replacement and natural or built in obsolescence. This has been overlooked largely due to convenience (lifestyle enhancing) goods and the subtle advertising that appeals to the "I want it now" emotion. (Ref Roald Dahl 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory')

One serious security challenge to British interests lies in the nexus of Food and Drug Administration and the Giant Pharmaceutical industry. The strategy of dependency on pharmacy from an alarmingly earlier age places huge burdens on the NHS and high levels of morbidity among a massive percentage of the population. I can quote the prophecy of a 'rule of decades' namely 40% dependency among people in their 40s, 50% in their 50s etc. The emergence of a brave new science of nutritional medicine in the United States and Israel is but a voice in the wilderness. Some German companies are producing alternative naturopathic health products (similar to those used in Britain in the 1940s) but the root causes of this massive morbidity are found in the food chain and abound on supermarket shelves. To be blunt, Giant Pharma has an economy of trillions, with a major influence now over food and drug control, and will not readily give up that power. Repeatedly since the 1970s, medical research grants have contained the conditionality that no research into immunological methods to combat cancer and other long term conditions is carried out. In addition a successful lobby in the EU has banned most naturopathic medical practice or resourcing of efficacious plant materials. This has already become the case in the United States. One might interpret this as a major coup in an economic war on a global scale. Historians are concerned about the return to that ethical bankruptcy of IG Farben in the 1930s and 40s. It sounds like another conspiracy theory but we are living with it now. My pertinent question is, what are the deficits in the security services around the EU for this to come about unchallenged and to remain so?

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