## A Letter of Warning to Young Woke People James Lindsay 7/10/2023

I think you'll find what I have to say to you mostly incomprehensible, but you need to hear it.

What you are participating in, whether you know it or not, is Western Maoism. This is what your schools and universities and influencers are miseducating you—brainwashing you—into. Western Maoism. Maoism with American characteristics. You might think that's pretty cool because you don't know much real history, but you need to know about where it goes because it doesn't go well for you in the end. If your movement loses, you lose. If your movement wins, you lose. In the meantime, you lose yourselves.

You are being molded into the Western equivalent of Mao Zedong's infamous Red Guard, which he made use of for just two years before destroying them. He explained clearly that different things are needed at different phases of the revolution, and then they're not needed anymore. He needed a youth rebellion to remove his political enemies and to consolidate his power—until he didn't anymore. In 1967 they succeeded at defeating Mao's political rival in the CCP, Liu Shaoqi, and within months, Mao declared the movement too Left, too radical, too destabilizing and unleashed his People's Liberation Army to put it down. Some died. Most were sent to the countryside to get re-education in labor camps while living in squalor and primitive conditions. That was their reward. Yours will be similar.

To get a little historical, the whole philosophy behind "Woke" is based upon the formulations of GWF Hegel's vision from the early 19th century for how to move History to its intended "End" (the right side of history), and that's through conflict. Manufacture the conflict, use the conflict, and move History with the conflict through a kind of social alchemy. You are the agents of that manufactured conflict: change agents, or "historical agents." What Hegel said about you, though, is this: "History uses people and then discards them."

As a movement, Woke believes itself to be the movement of History. History is using you to move itself. Once it does, it will discard you. The conflicts of yesterday aren't relevant today, and they won't be needed tomorrow. The agents of History today lose their relevance in the instant they succeed, and History moves on, necessarily without you and the conflict you generated.

You know how everything in Woke philosophy is "temporal," "spacial," and "contingent"? It's all a matter of some time in some place? So are you. You are a contingency for the Woke movement. You have your time—until you don't. When you become useless or a hindrance to the movement of History, you will be discarded. Every Marxist and Hegelian movement in history has proceeded this way, and this one will not be different. I wish you luck with that. In the past, activists like yourselves were seen as useful "political prostitutes," and after the revolution, you were lined up against the wall and shot or deported to labor-reeducation camps and ground into destruction.

Mao explained all of this in 1957, though if you've read it, you probably can't realize it applies to you. He separated the world into "the people" and "enemies" and detailed how each are to be properly dealt with. The "enemies" are to be hated, silenced, bullied, even beaten and destroyed. That's mostly your

job, though the government will help just far enough so that it doesn't look tyrannical. The "people" are

to be handled differently: reeducated, brainwashed, criticized, struggled, until they hold all and only the right opinions and never the wrong ones, which is a process that takes their entire lives. That's what you've signed up for, thinking yourselves virtuous, seeking absolution for your good fortune and privilege, seeking revenge for the inequities you perceive in your "lived experience." Everyone in this system is abused, though. You know it. You live it. You give it, and you receive it—constantly.

What you need to understand about the people you've been trained to see as your "enemies," or "transphobes," "racists," "fascists," "homophobes," or whatever else, is that most of the people you think are those things are not those things at all. You have been trained to hate, allegedly in the name of "stopping hate." These people are, by and large, trying to warn you, not trying to uphold "oppression."

What you need to know about the people in the movement you're supporting, "the people," including your friends in the movement, is that you're less than disposable to them. Contingent barely covers it. The Woke movement pretends to care about you—or, worse, "people who look like you"—but it does not. It is using you so its sociopathic fringe can gain power over society, using you as cannon fodder for their unconventional political warfare apparatus. Instead of living your life, growing, learning, preparing a future, you're doing activism, for them. And they will discard you. Will. Why? Because you are worse than disposable once they get power: you're a problem. You don't just become obsolete as the revolution succeeds; you become a liability to what follows.

You are being trained by this movement to be a destabilizer. That's what all that "disrupt and dismantle" stuff is about. You are misled to believe you're disrupting and dismantling systems of oppression, but you're merely displacing the existing society for one they'll seize control over. You're disrupting and dismantling the foundations of your own liberty so that tyrants can rule over not just the people you have been trained to hate but over everyone. They need you to destabilize the existing system but not the new one they have planned for us.

Their intention is to establish a perfectly stable system with them (not most of you) on top of it, and people trained and brainwashed to be destabilizers are a problem in such a system. Mao said that himself too. Like I said, he said that the handling of the people is different in the different phases of the revolution. First you encourage and support destabilizers, and then you crack down on them so that there's total stability under the new standard. He called it "socialist discipline" under "democratic centralism." Today it's called "sustainability and inclusion" under "stakeholder capitalism." You are an asset today and will be a liability tomorrow. You will be discarded, coldly and violently, if necessary—not by your enemies but by the movement you are supporting.

Make no mistake. This fate has awaited the "change agents" of every red revolution in history. Communist defectors have been trying to tell you for decades, longer than most of you have been alive. It's written all over the pages of history of Communist and other tyrannical regimes, if you will just read them. It will not be different in anything except method this time. If you, as Wokes, "win," you surely lose—all but the most sociopathic and sycophantic of you, in which case you hollow yourselves out, sell your souls (if you have one left by then), and become a true monster of history.

If you don't believe me, let me ask you: do you see any identity politics in China today? Is China Woke? Will it go Woke? No! They already did that, and that phase of their revolution is over. It is

viciously suppressed there, and they laugh at you here in the West and call you baizuo, white left. They know what you are and how misinformed and misguided you are. Their operatives attempt to stoke these fires and use you because you are strategically useful to their anti-American aims, which you foolishly might share. In China, however, they're openly encouraging patriarchy and masculinity. They're

racially ruthless. They stamp out homosexuality. Why? They did Intersectionality already with red and black identity groups, got what they wanted out of it, and discarded it (and its change agents) in favor of power. That's your future. Look at the screen, scan your face, and smile for the government, and don't dare signal in any way that you think anything you shouldn't be thinking.

You have been falsely convinced that you're the protagonists in a vast morality play called "the arc of History" and that you're "bending it toward justice." You're "on the right side of History," and that feels good—right up until the boot comes crashing down on your face. Then you'll realize it. You are bending the arc of history, of course, if we can even indulge such a metaphor, and you're bending it straight into a twenty-first-century gulag, whatever those will look like in our increasingly Black Mirror society. You will be "thought reformed," or you will be discarded.

Do you want to be its guard, Agent Smith? Would you like to be its corrupt administrator? Is it worth the sale of your soul? Some of you might aspire to such a demonic station in your lives, but most of you don't. You'll be subjected to it instead. Even if you take up this evil ambition, don't you know where it goes? Constant paranoia. Constant fear. The Red Guard was utilized to destroy Mao's political enemies in the CCP. And what will you do when they change the specifications of the ideology, perhaps deciding that trans rights are too expensive and disruptive for the new system that no longer needs that means of social agitation? What will you do? Resist? Good luck with that, comrade.

## So, if you win, you lose.

You have a right to wonder how this happened to you. Why have your generations been co-opted into this horrible situation? Your education, your schools, your entertainment, your universities, your peers tried to make you "change agents" and "global citizens" instead of educated adults. If this system wins, you lose because you know too much and are too big a problem. Your only option will be to sell your soul to it, and how much is that worth to you?

Think I'm kidding about that, by the way? Mao said, "not to have correct political opinions is like not having a soul." Think about that and what this is costing you, whether you participate or cower against it. Doesn't that ring true? That's what you're sacrificing. Every time you tell a lie to fit in, you sell part of your soul. How many lies have you told to fit in with the "critical" crowd around you?

This corruption of you and your future is happening all around you, but most importantly in place of your education, which could otherwise protect you from it. You're not getting the education you could be or perhaps aren't getting a real education at all. You're not learning to be informed, independent adults who can answer questions about reality and navigate it successfully. You're being taught you have to defer to some kind of expert to answer a question like "what is a woman?"

There are costs to this, and not just the obvious ones for you and your future on a personal level. The thing you consider your education is simultaneously being degraded in every meaningful sense of the word, corrupted at its most essential level. You are losing your chance to get educated while the thing we call education itself is corrupting itself into its opposite. You are becoming less functional for the

world ahead of you, so your education is corrupted, and you are becoming less and less marketable in the future world, whichever system wins, so the credentialing function education serves is also being corrupted. Of course, the perversity of this is that they're not just doing this to you, they're making you demand they do it to you too—"for justice."

Whichever system wins, you're getting degrees that are increasingly being seen as liabilities, not assets, in the working world that lies around or ahead of you. If that future is not Woke, you're a liability to it because you've been trained to be a Woke destabilizer and learned to focus on social theory instead of genuine education and skills. If that future is Woke, you're a liability to it because you've been trained to be a destabilizer that the incoming system not only doesn't want but can't abide. And again, they've convinced you to demand this in place of a genuine education. It's sick.

You have at most one option: to sell out completely. To have nothing authentic left about yourself. The only place you will have a future is inside the most corrupt megacorporate sector that is our new Western Soviet—a council of "stakeholders" that knows "the Science of Right Human Relations" and the keys to "Sustainable Development." If it supports trans rights and reducing emissions today, you will support those things. If it changes its mind tomorrow for the glory of the new system, so will you, or you will be eliminated. Your only path to success inside the system is to become a hollow, soulless functionary in a fascistic megacorporate and/or governmental public-private partnership machine. Your only path to success outside the system is to abandon it as soon as possible and start healing yourself psychologically, emotionally, and educationally.

Your fate if the Woke system wins, to be disposed of or hollowed out and used as a functionary of its changing whims, should have little appeal. It certainly won't bring about justice, and it won't allow you to be a prosperous individual, or an individual at all. Your false prosperity will be available in direct proportion to your inauthenticity and corruptibility, the markers of your true utility to the machine you don't seem to realize you're supporting.

On the other hand, your fate if the Woke system loses, is a hard life that's made easier only by repenting of these errors and working to correct them, and the sooner the better. Already employers throughout the West increasingly suspect that if you have a college degree at all you're probably Woke, radically Leftist, entitled, unlikely to work hard, likely to create a hostile working environment, underskilled, and likely to sue if fired even on perfectly solid grounds. If you're Woke, they know it's true. You're a liability to them, and many of them are only still hiring you because they have to to keep their place in the corrupt corporate scoring schemes that control the way business is now done in the West. You are either unhirable or hirable only to satisfy the ESG demands of a sprawling corrupt bureaucracy. If that gives way, who are you? If it succeeds and you participate in it, what are you?

So, why you? Because you happen to be the age you are at the worst time in Western history to be the age you are, and because many of you come from wealth and status and other resources the System covets and requires to succeed (they're not really against "privilege," they just want to redistribute and repurpose it). They need those resources. They need your enthusiasm and zeal. They need your impressionable minds. They need the future citizens and the future leaders, but History uses people and then discards them. They don't need you for long, and they only need you for specific purposes, then you will be corrected or discarded, unless you choose to come off worse by selling out.

My message to you about the Woke Marxist movement is simple. You need to know what you're really involved in, stop participating, deprogram yourself and your friends, and start fighting for the blessings of Liberty that allowed you to have the privilege to think this way in the first place. You can and might

lose it—the first generation in American history to face the loss of liberty, and you're enslaving yourselves. You've been sold a false promise of "liberation" in place of liberty, and you need to realize you've been scammed.

"Liberation" movements are lies. Mao called his army—the same one he dispatched to destroy your counterparts in the Red Guard—the People's Liberation Army for a reason. The oldest recorded cautionary tale in human history, the story of the Serpent and Eve in the third chapter of Genesis, warns you about liberation, whether you are religious or not. Liberation is a destructive lie. You need to fight for Liberty. Your chains are forged by frauds and locked only in your heads.

You are the future. Your choices matter. Choose better.