

Social Security Agreement With Mexico Released After 3 1/2 Year Freedom of Information Act Battle

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 29 /PRNewswire-USNewswire/ -- After numerous refusals over three and a half years, the Social Security Administration (SSA) has released the first known public copy of the U.S.-Mexico Social Security Totalization Agreement. The government was forced to make the disclosure in response to lawsuits filed under the Freedom of Information Act by TREA Senior Citizens League, a 1.2 million-member nonpartisan seniors advocacy group.

The Totalization Agreement could allow millions of illegal Mexican workers to draw billions of dollars from the U.S. Social Security Trust Fund.

The agreement between the U.S. and Mexico was signed in June 2004, and is awaiting President Bush's signature. Once President Bush approves the agreement, which would be done without Congressional vote, either House of Congress would have 60 days to disapprove the agreement by voting to reject it.

"The Social Security Administration itself warns that Social Security is within decades of bankruptcy -- yet, they seem to have no problem making agreements that hasten its demise," said Ralph McCutchen, Chairman of the TREA Senior Citizens League.

The U.S. currently has 21 similar agreements in effect with other nations, which are intended to eliminate dual taxation for persons who work outside their country of origin. All of the agreements are with developed nations with economies similar to that of the U.S.

For example, a worker who turns 62 after 1990 generally needs 40 calendar quarters of coverage to receive retirement benefits. Under totalization agreements, workers are allowed to combine earnings from both countries in order to qualify for benefits. The Agreement with Mexico, like other totalization agreements, would allow workers to qualify with just six quarters, or 18 months, of U.S. coverage.

But Mexico's retirement system is radically different than that of other participating countries. For example, only 40 percent of non-government workers participate in Mexico's system, whereas 96 percent of America's non-government workers do. In addition, the U.S. system is progressive, meaning lower wage earners get back much more than they put in; in Mexico, workers get back only what they put in, plus accrued interest.

"I applaud the persistent efforts of TREA Senior Citizens League to try to get documents from the U.S. Government about the U.S.-Mexico Social Security Totalization Agreement," said Rep. Walter Jones (news, bio, voting record) (R-N.C.). "The American people are finally beginning to get some of the information regarding this Agreement that they have been seeking for so long."

According to the SSA, the Social Security Trust Fund will begin paying out more than it is taking in by 2017, and will be exhausted by the year 2040.

With 1.2 million members, TREA Senior Citizens League is one of the nation's largest nonpartisan seniors groups. Visit <http://www.SeniorsLeague.org> for more information or to see the Totalization Agreement documents.

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Gulag life is institutionalized, as you should know. That means YOU do not decide much of anything. Decisions about YOUR life are made by others. Long-term hospital patients, soldiers & prisoners tend to be institutionalized personalities. Former residents of Soviet Bloc countries were also institutionalized, as demonstrated by their lack of initiative. They just stood around, waiting for orders. I helped several of them readjust to life in countries where they were NOT needed, & from whence no orders were given. No one told them to eat, so they were free to starve. I agree with you that prisoners need to know how the gulag system works, for their own survival therein, but what if they know nothing essential about civilian life? It does appear that you plan to spend the rest of your life in ZOG's gulag. As jews would say, "It's a livink!"

My years of experience with institutionalized people is that they lack self-government. Give them access to booze & they'll drink themselves onto the floor, or worse; give them leisure time & they'll find some way to go to jail. You know the drill. Career soldiers I've known would get a week end pass. There was nobody around to tell them what & what not to do, so they'd drink themselves stupid & even wind up in the stockade. The Army would deny them subsequent week end passes, so someone would always be around to tell them what to do. I never planned to be a career soldier. All my learning was aimed toward civilian life. This means you & your fellows should direct your studies toward civilian life, unless they prefer to become career prisoners. One fellow was bored with civilian life, & with his civilian reputation, so he became a 'somebody' in the ZOG-gulag. When he was released, Wolfgang Droege told me how he valued prison status over & above his civilian reputation. After I left Toronto, he was shot dead in a drug deal, so I guess he died 'happy'. Such a deal!

The preparations you do now will enable you to achieve more, later. More of what? is up to you to decide.

It's pretty easy to get kicked out of places & also easy to get involved in others' wars. When I was in East Berlin, I wanted to look up my CA acquaintance, Dr. Joswig, who was head of the East German Economic Institute (DDR Wirtschaftsstiftung). The jew head of their secret police or STASI, Markus Wolf, thought I was a spy, so he had me hustled to the train at Bahnhof Friedrichstrasse & seen out of the country. Wolf wound up working for Chertoff of "Homeland Security", along with former KGB kike Primakov. Unfortunately, Wolf croaked before I found out where he was working. Maybe I could have used his reference for a job. Ha! Yes, Rhodesia was the last British colony, so I was, in effect, a British colonial civil servant. I suppose most San Fernando Valley boys can't say that.

If you want 'adventure', you might consider signing on as a 'private contractor' in Iraq or Afghanistan. In other words, you'd be a mercenary. I've known a few of those, & some fools have even accused me of being one such, but I do care for whom & for what I fight. Real mercenaries don't care who pays them. Life is full of surprises: I got into my line of work by studying International Relations under the Cold War G.I. Bill of Rights. I thought that was safer than gun-running in Mexico, but I was wrong. This proves that we can learn as long as we continue to live, but we should always know that we are all expendable. All the best & ORION!

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