

How Our Assemblies Operate

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We have a steady stream of ex-military and corporation employees joining our ranks and like everyone else, they come dragging their past experiences and assumptions behind them.

We take this opportunity to point out some very significant differences between those "cultures" and the civilian world that our Assemblies present.

While both the military and the corporations operate on the principle that everyone involved is "expendable", the civilian government operates on exactly the opposite principle ---- people are NOT expendable. Everyone has value. Everyone has something to add.

The military and the corporations also tend to operate on a quid pro quo system that let's the ends justify the means. This is again diametrically opposed to the civilian government and its operating principles.

We know that how we get somewhere is at least as important as the destination, and we act accordingly. We do not employ lies to get what we want. We don't threaten people. We don't harbor grudges. We don't use force, deceit, or coercion of any kind, nor do we use bribes, pay offs, or "emoluments" to get what we want out of people.

The dignity of mankind is such that people need to do the right thing for the right reasons, and without that there is no basis to build or hope for a better future. The military and the corporations both believe in expediency. To them, the quickest way to do something is always best. Patience, nurturing, and skill development are not part of their overall vocabulary -- for them, it's a slam-bam-thank you ma'am world.

Okay, so that's their world. Let them have it.

That is not what family-based Assemblies do. That is not in line with our value system at all. That kind of cut-throat competition, faster is better, Slick Kid attitude needs to be checked at the door and not allowed to intrude itself in an atmosphere that needs to be respectful, welcoming, and supportive.

And not dripping with hypocrisy from slime balls trying to be "nice".

All those who are coming in from military and corporatocracy backgrounds need to refocus and understand that this is a rescue operation and both those being rescued and those doing the rescuing are civilians.

Sure, there is a sense of urgency. Sure, there is a need to move things forward. Sure, there is a need for organizational coherence. The skills learned in the military and the corporate world can come in handy --- but not the vicious, self-serving, ladder-climbing, brown-nosing, competitive sleaze-bag behaviors that too often go along with the skills.

Military officers and NCOs and corporate managers are supremely task oriented, but seldom know the whole vision behind who or what chooses the tasks. As a senior VP for Microsoft admitted to me, "I had no idea where they were going with this thing..." in reference to the nanobot plague. That's because everything in both the military and in the corporate world suffers from "compartmentalization of information" --- commonly referred to as "operating on a need to know basis".

It is essential that our civilian government shares information freely and that our operations are, to the extent dictated by common sense, transparent and open. Everyone needs to know everything, so that --- for example --- Americans can never again be hoodwinked or dependent on the knowledge and skills of a few who are taught specific information.

Where would we be today if every school child in America had received an honest education and passed it on?

That's the only way that a government of, for, and by the people of this country can flourish. Everyone needs to know how the government is supposed to work, so that when it misfires, we all know what is wrong and we all move to fix it.

That would not be possible in the military and neither would it be possible in large corporations, precisely because the same specialization and compartmentalization that keeps them safe and makes them efficient serves to reduce everyone and everything to a system of cogs and wheels without the benefit of common knowledge.

There are other distinct differences, too --- and it is meant to be that way. The civilian government is put in charge of the military and given ownership of the corporations precisely because both need to be guided by a sense of morality and vision that is naturally quite foreign to these organizations--- a sense of Public Good that only the Public can define.

For us to function and do our job as Assemblies, it is essential that we retain a sense of who we are and where we are coming from, and not be duped, misled, or simply habituated into acting as if our Assemblies were just another corporation.

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