

Fukushima dumping of radioactive water into Pacific Ocean violates international law

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The mass dumping of highly radioactive water (measured at 7.5 million times the normal allowed levels) into the Pacific Ocean is not just an environmental disaster; it's also a violation of international law. The *Convention on the Prevention of Marine Pollution by Dumping of Wastes and Other Matter*, passed in 1972, forbids nations and companies from dumping toxic wastes into the ocean. (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Conven...)

Japan, it turns out, gave the <u>Fukushima</u> complex special permission to release all this radiation, despite the <u>international law</u>. Of course, even Japan's granting of this "special permission" is, itself, a violation of that same international law. But who's keeping track, anyway?

Those managing this disaster in <u>Japan</u> say that releasing <u>radiation</u> into the ocean is their only remaining option right now. As reported in TIME, "There was no choice but to take this step to prevent (other) highly radioactive <u>water</u> from spreading into the sea," said Chief Cabinet Secretary Yukio Edano. "The fact that radioactive water is being deliberately dumped into the sea is very regrettable and one we are very sorry about." (http://ecocentric.blogs.time.com/20...)

Well, I guess it's all okay if they feel sorry about it, then.

But <u>South Korea</u> isn't happy about it, that's for sure: They lodged an official protest with Japan yesterday, complaining about their dumping of radioactive water into the ocean (http://www.theaustralian.com.au/new...).

What South Korea realizes is something the rest of the world won't dare admit: **Fukushima** has become the "dirty bomb" of the Pacific, releasing huge quantities of radiation on an ongoing basis, directly into the <u>environment</u> with no end in sight. The global damage this could cause over the next few decades is incalculable.

Has anybody stopped to consider how Japan is going to be able to pay for all this damage? There's no question that the nation is going to have to start selling off U.S. <u>debt</u> holdings in the near future, and that could spell the beginning of the end of the U.S. runaway debt bubble, resulting in an inability for the United States to find any more buyers of its debt.

Uh oh, I feel a "hair cut" coming for the U.S. government, which may soon find itself begging for loans from world nations in order to keep itself alive. And that sad scenario won't last very long, either, because as soon as the American people wake up and realize their social security money has long since been looted and spent by the feds, we're likely going to see a

mass of public protests that could thrust this nation into political chaos.

And to think, it all started when planet Earth shrugged off the coast of Japan. Or, you might say, Atlas Shrugged.

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