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**THE MANIFESTATION OF ORDER OR DISORDER IN THE PRESENT WORLD.**

The Liberal International order has been relatively stable ever since the end of the Second World War, which is now facing significant events that could cause fatal damage to its significance. These events include the Russian aggression in Ukraine, the vote of United Kingdom to leave the European Union, the election of Donald Trump as President of the United States, and the on-going influence of far-right political parties in Europe. The International order during the cold war period was influenced heavily by two-great powers which are United States and Soviet Union presently known as Russia. After the end of the Cold war, the great power status was not only focused on United States and Russia alone, but was focused on other states who have reached the stage of development or are developing in a very fast rate such as China, India, Britain, France e.t.c.

International order can be defined as the body of rules, norms, and institutions that govern relations between the key players on the international stage. According to the realist theory of International relations, states are the main actors in the international system. In the context of the realist theory, what makes the international system reliable and powerful is focused on the state. Today, this body includes a nexus of global institutions such as the United Nations, World Trade Organizations alongside with Bilateral and regional security organizations and Liberal Political norms.

The health of a Global order is measured by various indicators which include development assistance, membership of formal institutions and alliances, territorial changes following conflict, peace among major powers and global indices of democracy and Public opinion. The aim of great powers in the global order is to maintain peace and international security among states. President Donald Trump of the United States of America have been heavily criticized by scholars and international community for breaking norms or rules that makes up international order which is his nationalist foreign policy objective. The President has removed America from international institutions and has broken several treaties all in the name of pursuing his American first foreign policy. This act enacted by President Donald Trump has caused a major shift in the present world order today though it is still standing but has caused a decline of rules following international institutions.

Formal institutions like the International Monetary Fund, the World Trade Organization, and the United Nations Security Council do certainly play important roles in discharging key functions of international order. How well they are discharging those functions, and how effectively they are adapting to new realities, is a matter of both substantive inquiry (Bruce Jones, Thomas Wright, Jeremy Shapiro, and Robert Keane 2014), The Liberal theory further placed emphasis that international organizations are the main actors in the international system which is the opposite of the realist theory, but despite this state and non-state actors are very important in the advancement of the present international order.

The Present International orders in spite of its capabilities and advantages also have flaws which have been argued by scholars and international community at large. For Example, India, Turkey, Brazil and other major powers are speaking up more urgently about a number of issues, such as the reform of International Institutions and the limits of the Western-centric, neo-liberal economic order, Russia’s frustration with elements of the order specifically Western alliances and the active promotion of democracy. This frustration has been intense and has led to outright conflict.

The United States influence in the global order is greatly reduced due to President Donald Trump’s policy pursuit which is centered on the mantra “America First” which he has broken many treaties and have removed America from relevant International organizations. But in terms of the reduction of America’s influence, China is both steadily increasing its participation and influence in the order’s institutions which include contributing to the United Nations peace keeping functions, contributing its currency to the I.M.F drawing rights. This has also brought various states to prove themselves in order to showcase that United States is not the only power that is both economically and military capable to influence the behavior of states in the international system. It is believed that the United States Great Power status in the present international order have three broad categories of birthing possible risks among states in the international system due to its increasing influence and dominion over other states in the global world. First, some leading states will start to see many components of the order as designed to constrain their power and perpetuate U.S. hegemony. Second, there will be volatility from failed states or economic crisis. The Third possible risk includes shifting domestic politics in an era of slow growth and growing inequality (RAND 2016).

When there is order in a Global world, there is always a possible existence of disorder which is either through conflict or dispute or in a form of a global pandemic that is a threat to the maintenance of peace and security throughout the global community. For Example States in the Global world are threatened by the existing pandemic called COVID-19 which has caused many deaths and atrocities around the globe. The Great Powers that have substantial influence or dominion over the global community are humble due to the destructive threat of a virus which has taken many lives. Many states globally have shutdown schools, banks; industries which are responsible for their economic development due to the rising threat of the virus which most states have given strict lockdown procedures to curb the threat of the virus. This in a way has caused disorder among states as most economies have stopped advancing due to the measures taken place to stop the rapid destruction rate of the virus.

Conflict or dispute among states is another factor that births disorder in the present contemporary world. The emergence of various wars such as the World War 1, World War 2, Cold war and even wars in the European contemporary system had brought disorder in the global communities. Humanitarian crisis and global economic drop had affected states in the various past orders although it did not include the region of Africa. When there is cooperation of states existent in an order, there is likely conflict and disagreement as there is nothing like complete peace in the international system. States are reliable to conflict as much they are in cooperation with one another as it is shown in various times in history.

This suggests that despite current threatening trends and the fact there is a little question that the order is under significant pressure, it is still robust enough to withstand more negative effects that will arouse in the nearest future.

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