

Dead City Walking

There is an urban legend, or a truth, that when a condemned man is taken from his cell to the execution chamber that the guards announce "Dead man walking".

South Korean authorities confirmed the soldier, who has not been identified, was either exposed to or vaccinated against anthrax and had developed immunity to it, UPI reported, citing Channel A.

One official told the TV network: "Anthrax antibodies have been found in the North Korean soldier who defected this year."

North Korea has been suspected of developing biological weapons after the regime revealed the work of the Pyongyang Biological Technology Research Institute in 2015, run by the Korean People's Army Unit 810. (<https://news.sky.com/story/soldier-who-defected-from-north-korea-immune-to-anthrax-11186245>)

[North Korea](#) is likely to be developing [biological weapons](#) alongside its nuclear programme, a new report has warned.

[A new study by the Belfer Centre](#), a US think tank, warns that Pyongyang is likely to have a programme to develop its biological weaponry.

Based on testimony from defectors, it is believed to have begun in the 1960 after the Korean War between 1950 and 1953 caused the deaths of thousands in outbreaks of cholera, typhus, typhoid, and smallpox [which the regime blamed on biological attacks by the US](#).

[Following the assassination of Kim Jong-un's brother Kim Jong-nam in Malaysia with the deadly nerve agent VX](#) in February which reputedly came from the Pyongyang Bio-technical Institute.

(<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/asia/north-korea-biological-weapons-belfer-centre-pyongyang-nuclear-kim-jong-un-smallpox-plague-nerve-gas-a8015931.html>)

Analysis. In a made for TV movie *Call To Arms*, part of the Babylon 5 franchise, the Drach are attempting to employ a Shadow planet killer against Earth. The planet killer is destroyed of course but then comes the surprise ending. As the null cloud is receding, spray pots deploy from it and spray Earth with a bio-genetic plague. It appears that the "good guys" forgot that while they were concentrating on the Drach's main weapon, that the Drach might have a Plan B.

Seoul, Korea is a dead city walking. The North Koreans can use high explosives, biological weapons, chemical weapons nuclear weapons or all in combination to destroy Seoul. This extends to the area of South Korea bounded by the Han river on the south, the Military Demarcation Line on the north, the Yellow Sea on the West and the central mountain range on the east. When war comes to Korea all of that will be destroyed. Casualties will be in the millions. No do I believe that there is any way to avoid this disaster.

I keep seeing various predictions of when the war will occur. Mine was the current time until the end of January. I have seen articles which say that the CIA director believes sometime in the next twelve weeks. If not by the end of March then mostly likely in the period from mid June to the end of August.

U.S. reconnaissance satellites have spotted Chinese ships selling oil to North Korean vessels on the West Sea around 30 times since October.

According to South Korean government sources, the satellites have pictured large Chinese and North Korean ships illegally trading in oil in a part of the West Sea closer to China than South Korea.

The satellite pictures even show the names of the ships. A government source said, "We need to focus on the fact that the illicit trade started after a UN Security Council resolution in September drastically capped North Korea's imports of refined petroleum products."

The U.S. Treasury Department placed six North Korean shipping and trading companies and 20 of their ships on sanctions list on Nov. 21, when it published spy satellite images taken on Oct. 19 showing a ship named Ryesonggang 1 connected to a Chinese vessel.

http://english.chosun.com/site/data/html_dir/2017/12/26/2017122601156.html

Analysis. I believe that all parties will be well served by simply acknowledging that the most productive part of South Korea will be destroyed. Having presumed that outcome, to work to ameliorate the destruction as much as possible knowing that the area around Seoul will become unlivable for a long time after the war is over. Seoul must be first decontaminated before reconstruction may begin.

At the same time we must prepare ourselves for the destruction of America that will occur. This will be a war most like World War Two and the Korean War. It will be fought primarily by infantry. Tanks will act as mobile artillery as they did from 1950 to 1953. Too many fine Americans will come home in body bags with toe tags. The lucky ones will come home reasonably whole.

Here in America we will be attacked by North Korean Special Forces sabotage cells. Estimates are that some 20,000 North Korean agents are in the United State carrying with them all sorts of nasty weapons across our wide open southern border. They and most likely their Iranian allies will cause as much destruction as possible of our cities as we are destroying every structure in North Korea larger than farmer Cho's out house. Seoul will not be the only dead city.

There are indications to me mostly via Daily NK that North Korean civil society is not doing well. Not only is the Korean Peoples Army (KPA) full of parasites but the ordinary people are also. When most people eat grass during the summer months to help fill up the rice bowl, they must contend with produce that is contaminated when it comes from the fields. Human fertilizer may be cheaper than other fertilizers, but the dangers are much greater.

I believe that the contamination of the North Korean farms has essentially become circular. The people can never be made healthy until the fields are free of human fertilizer. But other fertilizer is not available because Kim spends his money on weapons. So the people are sick. The efficiency of the KPA

is reduced. And around it goes like the swirl in the toilet bowl until it is flushed down. The people can never get well if they continue to eat locally produced food. They can't get much else and even if they did it wouldn't solve the problem until they are free of parasites which they would become reinfected with at their next meal of local food.

Use it or lose it is a popular, and accurate, saying. The KPA is, I believe, close to lost. There was no extra ration issue before this December's field exercises. The KPA went to the field hungry and came back hungrier. The North Korean people have no food to contribute to the KPA. How long this can go on before North Korean society begins to come apart is unknown. There are reports, however, that the PRC is building refugee facilities just north of the Yalu river in anticipation of war or civilizational failure in North Korea.

At the moment it appears that it will take only one provocation for the United States to launch an attack on Kim's missile facilities and nuclear weapons facilities, at least those that we know about. The massive destruction wrought by both sides will quickly follow.

The realization that Seoul is a dead city walking is perhaps the greatest idea I can put forth. The only way to save Seoul from almost immediate destruction is to surrender South Korea to the North. It is, I believe, the same as the head of the Hostage Rescue Team telling the relatives of the hostage that they will do everything in their power to get the hostage out alive and with minimum injuries. But the stark truth is that you cannot, even once, negotiate with terrorists or kidnappers. If the bad guys get away they will do it to someone else.

Since we cannot afford to allow Kim to blackmail us with nuclear weapons, we must tell South Korea that their capital will probably be destroyed when we decapitate the North. We can hope that Kim attacks first and that is our reason to destroy North Korea. Only Kim really knows how close he is to societal collapse. But we cannot be good allies and not confront the South with the stark truth. While it will be much easier for South Korea to justify the destruction of Seoul in its own psyche if Kim restarts the war, our national survival requires us to attack Kim before he does the same to us or to the South under the cover of his nuclear weapons.

Either way we must accept that Seoul is dead city walking and plan accordingly.