

HAITI SNAPSHOTS

NOTES FROM HAITIAN INDEPENDENT MEDIA

Translated from French and Haitian Creole by Boadiba

Three leaves three roots oh

Throw them away, forget

Pick them up, remember

(Traditional sacred song of Haitian Vodou)

Dominican president Abinader's recommendations to the United Nations concerning Haiti.

September 22, 2021.

Since I took office we have mentioned the possibility that the Haitian situation may be overflowing its borders and becoming a factor of insecurity in the Dominican Republic; thus the necessity for the UN to take into urgent consideration once and for all the Haitian crisis as a very high priority which should be monitored continuously. We have noticed that several governments have taken measures to face the consequences of the Haitian crisis. For years, everyday our country has been facing these consequences alone and we have become convinced that no unilateral action will be sufficient to address this dramatic situation. It is imperative to firmly state that the international community should not and cannot abandon the Haitian people at a time when the levels of insecurity are pushing it to autodestruct... because of the actual divisions within the Haitian leadership and the presence of criminal gangs who control much of the Haitian territory, the Haitians alone cannot pacify their country and even less guaranty conditions leading to a minimum of order.

Consequently, the most immediate and important priority is security in Haiti. Only after having reached this objective will it be possible to organize equitable and credible elections after which, with a new government as legitimate representative, it will be feasible to prepare a truly all-inclusive plan for economic and social development with all the necessary resources and support in solidarity with the international community. Because humanitarian measures alone are no longer an option, within this solemn conclave, I insist on reaffirming that the Dominican Republic has been and will continue showing the solidarity and cooperation owed to the Haitian people but I reiterate that there cannot ever be a solely Dominican solution to the Haitian crisis.

L. Abinader

From Haiti Scoop F.M. November 2021.

The Dominican president Abinader sent a strong message to the international community, primarily to the U.S, Canada and France that the D.R cannot face alone the Haitian migratory crisis across its borders.

He asked for the full support of the international community in promoting respect for his nation's sovereignty with the understanding that military force be used if necessary to carry out this position.

From New York Post. September 27, 2021. (Originally in American)

Bill Clinton attends an 11 hours long party organized by D.R president Luis Abinader in a New York city hotel to celebrate the alliance signed the previous day between the U.S, the Dominican Republic, Panama and Costa Rica to take care of the Haiti situation.

Commentator from Haiti Scoop FM. Sept 2021.

While Bill Clinton and other multimillionaire godfathers of cartels are planning with Luis Abinader a response to the Haiti crisis under the banner of the R2P (Responsibility to Protect Act) and with the blessing of the Biden/Harris administration in the Haitian diasporic community and within Haiti, the actors currently labelled good girl and bad guy to act as Jovenel Moise's possible replacement have both agreed to the accord that would make the Dominican Republic, Panama and Costa Rica a screen masking U.S intervention to mine several natural resources in Haiti under conditions detrimental to Haiti and which assassinated president Jovenel Moise had categorically refused to accept. Since 2013-14 the United Nations have put in place this R2P subterfuge and the D.R is working on setting up the prerequisites to a possible invasion of Haiti under U.N sponsorship.

Ex Haitian president and one of the U.S sponsored candidates for the next elections Michel Martelly (Sweet Mickey) has met, along with the principal leaders of the Haitian political parties, with the Dominicans during a week-long conference in the D.R to discuss this topic which had been introduced as far back as the first visit of assassinated president Moise to the D.R, even before he was sworn in as president in 2017. Journalists from the Haitian diaspora as well as an evangelical pastor supported by Kamala Harris also joined members of the Dominican elite and other forces serving the core group (U.S, France, Canada, Israel) to fine tune the plan with the complicity of the Haitian political class. Don't think that Daniel Foote, (the U.S special envoy who resigned shortly after Moise's assassination) was bluffing. He knows what these factions are plotting, he knows what we don't know. Remember that in one of his presidential speeches Michel Martelly stated that the two countries, the D.R and Haiti, should become one, with one government and one currency which the world bank is putting in place.

Meanwhile, in June 2021 the U.S closed its investigation of the Mazaranes, the boat transporting kilos of cocaine for a personal friend of Bill Clinton's, Marc Antoine Acra, who had been hiding out in the D.R in spite of a writ of extradition against him. What is missing in the picture drawn by the U.S establishment and the other members of the core group? We're looking at these lackeys, collaborators and gofers who are up to their anus in this plan to sell out their country. While we are being hog-tied by "leadership" and "crisis solutions", let me remind you of how we got to this point. Compared to the Dominican Republic, Haiti has a much richer subsoil over which the U.S and the other presidential brokers involved would like to have free rein. During the last 15 years they have been igniting hubs of violence in militarily strategic positions throughout Haiti with the collusion of Haitian politicians on their payroll, and ex officers from the deposed army of the Papa Doc era. The sponsoring of gangs is not a random act, as one gang member, Jean Rebel Dorcenat reveals: Barbecue, Little Rain, Christ is Here, 100 Days of

Death, the Isolator, Five Seconds and other gang leaders, are well paid employees. Don't be fooled when D.R president Abinader cries for help to deal with the problem of gang violence in Haiti, don't be fooled when U.S president Biden cries that he doesn't want to "seem to meddle" in Haitian affairs therefore he can't move to dissolve the gangs or stop their sources of armament from the U.S. The Haitian politicians (issued from the masses, the people, the proletariat, the lower middle class, are gutter dogs for certain known members of the upper middle class, the elite and the international core group) all have important investments they wish to protect in the Dominican Republic.

Cohorts of middle class and upper class Haitians now living in the Dominican Republic are all for this lucrative permanent hold-up scenario but still want to realize their dream of a county stabilized for business and if that is the price to pay let's pay it: Let's sell out our country, get rich in the process and still remain the poorest country in the western hemisphere in spite of our billionaire one-percenters. A wide network of Haitian would-be multi-millionaires are at the service of the foreign alliance. They are recipients of scholarships, missionary sponsorships and educational grants. They become sponsored candidates to the Haitian house of representatives, to the Haitian Senate, to the presidency and their star is shooting up, maintaining their role as buffer/ bluffer of the people. This is the made-up logic we must enter to our misfortune: the selection/election of shit-filled leaders with their multi-layered army of thugs. By this induced gang violence Haiti is being pushed toward a crisis provoked to usher-in a new era of occupation and subsoil exploitation. Refugees at the Mexican borders, at the Panamanian borders, at the Costa-Rican borders; a situation in existence for decades becomes a sudden state of emergency and there you have it, intervention completely justified. And here they are on top of it all, on top of the pile of dung they are creating: Politicians on the make and on the take, high class gang sponsors, arms and drug dealers, wealthy lower class ghetto gang organizers receivers of high tech weaponry and a license for terror; but for the U.S State Department, the C.I.A, the F.B.I, Mossad, Interpol, it's all business as usual.

From Just Security. October 12 2021. (Originally in American)

(Writer, filmmaker, producer whose work includes "I am not your Negro" (on James Baldwin) and "Exterminate all the brutes" (a recent four-part HBO MAX series on colonization,) Raoul Peck was once minister of culture during the Aristide presidency in Haiti, a post from which he rather promptly resigned.)

In the recent congressional testimony of Ambassador Daniel Foote, the former U.S special envoy to Haiti, I heard words I never thought I would hear from an American government official. Daniel Foote told members of the House Foreign Affairs Committee exactly why he could no longer pursue U.S policy in Haiti:

"Our Political interventions have never worked, we have always prioritized stability which is critical, over the root causes of instability"

The United States has essentially adjudicated Haitian elections and anointed and supported political leaders who have joined them in the rape of the nation. Foote said he saw these disastrous

interventions up close after Haiti's 2010 earthquake when he was part of the effort to "rebuild". He said, "I feel responsible."

For people like me – whose life and work are built on the History of my home country, Haiti – these admissions were shattering and redemptive. It felt as though one U.S envoy had restored some measure of honor to decades of shameless American intervention in my country. Foote spoke words that finally reconcile with Haitian reality.

...In Haiti, recent governments have decimated the structure of political life. There has been no president since the assassination of Jovenel Moise this summer. There is no parliament since Moise dissolved it and began ruling by decree. Gangs armed and empowered by the regime control everyday life. The police and judiciary are weak and corrupt.

Still I have felt a huge spark of energy and hope because civil society leaders are organizing Haitians in a grassroots effort to build a way forward and they are doing so in spite of facing death threats. They have produced an accord that includes the blueprints for each step of the proposed transition to democracy and they have gathered signatories representing a majority of Haitian society, including unions, farmers' alliances, professional organizations, Protestant and Episcopal Churches and dozens of political parties. They want to build a path toward an interim government that will hold legitimate and truly participatory elections.

Root Causes of Instability.

The United States has not supported this effort to restore public trust and democratic institutions. U.S leaders have persisted in backing the current illegitimate government that has contributed to Haiti's destruction. In instances where there was controversy about the results of a Haitian election, U.S officials have repeatedly decided them.

"I believe the root cause of instability now" Foote told the committee "is the Haitian people have not believed they have a voice in their destiny and in selecting their leader for a long time."

Via Zoom, I have attended meetings of the civil society initiative called the Commission to Search for a Haitian Solution to the Crisis. On numerous phone calls and through writing papers and critiquing documents, I have been able to participate like many other Haitians, in a transparent discussion and wide-ranging negotiating process unparalleled in the history of our country.

I have not seen this kind of energy in Haiti since the end of the Duvalier regime, when a popular movement for democracy helped write a new constitution...

It is now time for the United States to acknowledge the historic achievements the new civil society accord represents, stop blocking its success and end U.S backing for the current corrupt regime. Asked in his congressional briefing whether the current government of Haiti would survive without U.S support, Foote said, "I do not believe they would survive or remain."

...Our "friends" of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank insist on structural adjustment policies that decimate Haiti's agricultural sector, lead Haitians to import crops...and cause mass exodus from the countryside to the capital and beyond.

Our “friend” the Organization of American States, OAS, has so frequently failed as mediator and enforcer in Haitian conflicts and democratic efforts that Haitians now consider this organization a kind of guarantor of strife and stolen elections...

Our “friend” the United States Agency for International Development, USAID, has provided significant aid over the years, but most of it flows through American non-governmental organizations and for-profit companies, hindering the development of Haitian businesses and impeding our country’s self-sufficiency. Foote in his testimony told of a meeting he attended in the aftermath of the 2010 earthquake to help coordinate \$5.1 billion of U.S assistance, “I was struck by the fact that it was all Americans in the room...I believe we need Haitians in the room. Haitian buy-ins and Haitian-led solutions.”

... In 2016 in an election imposed, financed and organized by the U.S and a small group of other countries, Haitians voted at the lowest rates in the country’s history. Jovenel Moise won the presidency with about 600,000 votes in a country of 11 million people.

When Moise was assassinated in July 2021, the U.S Embassy tweeted its designation of Claude Joseph (a Moise appointee who had been revoked) as acting prime minister – only to abruptly shift gears and tweet a new statement from a group of international diplomats who had decided to anoint a more recent Moise appointee, current prime minister, Ariel Henry. The U.S Ambassador has no right to interfere in the matters of a sovereign country. It is illegitimate under our constitution.

Foote said, “It’s critical that civil society has a voice in this new government, it’s not critical that Ariel Henry has a voice in this new government, so I hope that our administration will stop imposing Ariel Henry on the Haitian people.”

Dear friends stand by our side and do what Foote has done: acknowledge U.S mistakes and help repair them.

As Foote has urged it is time for the U.S to reset its policy toward Haiti and listen to the voice of those Haitians trying to rebuild democracy. We are fighting for our lives and the ideals the United States has long espoused but failed to deliver.

From Haiti Liberte, New York. April 6, 2022

Attorney Newton St Juste calls out Anthony Blinken on Moise assassination.

Panic in the Dominican Republic upper crust after Haitian attorney Newton St Juste requests from the Biden Administration an investigation of the Dominican banking system.

The famous Dominican expert on money laundering, Jose Manuel Patin Muniz who revealed that 20 million U.S dollars went through the Dominican banking system to fund Jovenel Moise’s assassination, is now under heavy pressure from the Dominican mafia. According to American Journalist Kim Ives who published this information in Haiti Liberte, the pressure aims to silence the Dominican expert. Ives also reported that the mainstream Dominican media source which translated into Spanish, then reprinted his article, removed said article from its web site two days later. This came after Haitian attorney St Juste filed a complaint on April 4, 2022 at the Dominican Prosecutor’s office to request an investigation of

these acts of money laundering linked to the terrorist acts leading to Moise's assassination. The attorney also filed a letter last April 2022 to the U.S Secretary of State Anthony Blinken asking the Biden administration to widen the investigation launched by U.S Congress on the Moise assassination by including the Dominican banking system, according to the International Convention on Money Laundering and Financing of Terrorism.

While the official investigation of the assassination has fallen by the wayside in Haiti, this file seems to have been left completely up to the international community. In his open letter to Blinken, Newton St Juste urged him to dissipate any doubts about "an alleged passive or active role of the United States in the Moise assassination." ... In his letter Newton invokes the decree signed into law by U.S President Biden on March 15, 2022, mandating that U.S investigative agencies lead a detailed investigation on the events leading to the assassination of president Moise, including identification of foreign persons of interest in this assassination who may have previously worked as informants or contractors for the U.S government.

In spite of this, St Juste adds, the investigation led by the FBI, and the Department of Homeland Security has so far yielded only biased preliminary reports reflecting no efforts or will to bring to justice the intellectual actors of this crime, especially those of U.S nationality who had recently been serving U.S interests.

The Haitian attorney underlines in particular that this crime was planned in the U.S by U.S citizens Antonio Intriago, Walter Veintemilla and Arcanjel Pretel Ortiz. These three U.S citizens own the firms called Counter Terrorist Unit (C.T.U) and World Wide Capital Lending Group, hired in the U.S under shady conditions, to recruit Columbian criminals, plan and finance the crime in question. Antonio Intriago was in Haiti two weeks before the murder in order to coordinate matters on the field and even contacted the U.S Embassy in Haiti for a briefing. Walter Veintemilla financed the recruiting of the Columbian assassins. Arcanjel Pretel Ortiz, an ex FBI informant who had been influential in the arrest in Columbia of certain FARC leaders in 2015, was said, according to the depositions of those members of the assassination teams detained and interrogated in Haiti, to have stated to his team members that the U.S government was fully cognizant of their presence and mission in Haiti. These three main suspects have been interrogated by the FBI but not arrested, unlike the drug dealer Rodolphe Jaar, the ex-Columbian soldier Antonio Palacios and ex Haitian senator John Joel Joseph, also implicated in the assassination. The FBI had pursued and arrested these latter in Jamaica and the Dominican Republic, that is outside of U.S territory, while Intriago, Veintemilla and Ortiz are still allegedly holed up in Florida, protected for services previously rendered to the U.S government. St Juste ended his letter by asking Blinken whether the U.S was planning to turn a blind eye on the acts of money laundering and terrorism committed in its sphere of influence on the person of an elected president who had shown total loyalty toward U.S policies in the region and blindly gave them his support.

Meanwhile in a February 1, 2022 interview for Tele Spiral Channel in Orlando Florida, ophtalmologist Dr. Frantz Large a close friend of the assassinated president and a former Representative at the Haitian Parliament, declared that Jovenel Moise had been starting to change his mind about the U.S. Large told interviewers Jean Simeon and Frantz Dorissa that Jovenel had the sense of having been sullied by the Venezuela affair in January 2019 when he had been made to shift his allegiance from the legitimate Venezuelan president Nicolas Maduro to the U.S imposed puppet Juan Guaido after president Trump threatened him with disastrous consequences if he did not comply. During the last month of his

presidency, Dr. Large said, Moïse attempted to shift the paradigm between Haiti and the international community and in doing so, he signed his death warrant.

From Haiti Débat Scoop FM. October 2021. File on the assassination of president Jovenel Moïse.

Dr. Frantz Georges Large interview.

Dr. Large is an ex-president of the Chamber commerce for the Southeast region of Haiti, who was a close friend to assassinated Haitian president Jovenel Moïse as well as of the current prime minister Dr. Ariel Henry and still maintains contact with senate members and insiders of Haitian politics.

Interviewer. U.S policy and insecurity in Haiti.

Dr. Large. Why did they kill Jovenel and who killed Jovenel? ...He killed himself. From the moment he rendered himself undesirable... I know Jovenel well from the time when he was president of the Chamber of Commerce for the Northwest and I was president of the Chamber of Commerce for the Southeast. Not a day went by that we didn't speak. We spoke sometimes twice a day...I cannot imagine that this man I knew well and with whom I spoke every day, could be transformed into a monster. Let me tell you a joke, I called him once to say Jovenel you better be careful because some people are dragging your name around to say that you are candidate to the presidency. That's when he told me it was really him who was candidate. "It's me for real, yes truly me Frantz." That's how he spoke...Why was he chosen to be candidate to the presidency? Because Jovenel, he had a dream it's true, but he was a child. He was chosen by our mafia. The main reason he was chosen is because he was from Trou du Nord, Northeast: gold. That is where the gold is and a son of the region would be able to pull the wool over the eyes of the peasants in the area. When Jovenel Moïse finally realized that the Americans were not about to do anything to benefit us in Haiti, he made the decision to go to Turkey. But in reality it wasn't about a cement business he went there to settle, and he didn't really go see the Turkish government but he went there in the hopes of getting in contact with the Russian government. So the Americans meanwhile watching this state of affairs, were they to cross their arms and let the gold pass under their noses? were they to let the copper from Mèmè march right past them? The copper from Saint Michel de Latalaye slip under their nose, iridium and gold from Mèmè stream right past them. Haiti is the second biggest reserve of iridium in the world, so they would let all that pass them right by? How can you imagine that Mrs. Clinton's brother, Mr. Rodham, could make a declaration stating that Haiti's gold mines were his? He did not say that officially but he said it during an encounter, and it was reported, that he had the gold mining contract for Haiti. As we speak, candidates to the presidency are touring the sites with foreign concerns, to show off the supposedly inexistent wealth of our country. Candidates who are calculating, estimating... So there are big, big interests at stake here.

Interviewer. What prevents us Haitians from exploiting these resources?

Dr. Large. In Haiti we don't have the technology to exploit these minerals...

Interviewer. But we could partner up with another country...

Dr. Large. There you go. In reality, what we should do, if we had a person of consequence at the head of the country, would be to immediately send young people of promise, about 30 of them to learn everything they needed to learn about mining exploitation. Look at Ghana, these days; Ghana, fourth African economy, after Nigeria, South Africa and Ethiopia, an extraordinary thing. So Ghana in fact is exploiting its own mines, but doing so with control. And Ghana agrees to partner with us; they are the ancient kingdom of the Ashanti, where we come from in part, willing to receive Haitian students into their country who are eager to learn the latest on mining exploitation. So I say that if really, in all this empty talk that is going on around here, if there was something serious going on, that is what we should be doing.

Interviewer. What should we do exactly?

Dr. Large. Start by sending students to Ghana to learn how to control the exploitation of these mineral resources. But those guys here are not interested. This is not what they are interested in. Because in reality as we were saying this country is controlled by a mafia which has its interests in it. This is what we should do in reality because we do not see mineral exploitation as an end onto itself, no, but we see it as a preliminary condition indispensable to enabling us to make a quantum jump into another axis of development.

Open letter from Dr. Frantz Large to the Haitian media. February 1, 2022.

Two hours ago, about 50 heavily armed policemen blocked all entrances to my house which I lawfully acquired 30 years ago and which I have been occupying ever since.

As I was not present on the premises at the time (I was at my clinic) I was alerted by a phone call from a witness to the event, to whom I asked to be put in contact with the justice of the peace who accompanied the policemen, in order to ask him what was going on, and eventually solicit a mediation. The justice of the peace in question refused to communicate with anyone. On the other hand, the policemen themselves announced to all the persons present that they should ask Dr. Frantz Large if he were still interested in propagating his information to the press.

This said they proceeded to pull out of my dwelling everything that was in it, including medical equipment of great value with which I intended to furnish the health centers of Gros Morne, of Saint Michel De Latalaye, of Dessalines, of Petite Riviere de l'Artibonite and of Jacmel, clinics where I regularly do volunteer work. This destruction represents a great loss for the patients of these health centers throughout Haiti.

I declare that:

One. As I purchased this home 30 years ago and have inhabited it ever since, the law forbids all manner of contestation to my rights as an owner of the said property.

Two. I have never received any manner of legal convocation.

Three. With regards to the pressure aiming to reduce me to silence in view of my declarations to the press, they are in complete contradiction with the present authorities' pretensions of defending a constitutional state.

Four. My response to those who are endeavoring to shut me up is this: My ancestors include two original signatories of the Haitian Act of Independence as well as a private secretary to the Emperor Dessalines and I Dr. Frantz Large will never cease to expose the plot hatched by an international mafia which gives its orders to bought men and women willing to pillage our mineral resources and plunge our people further into a state ever closer to slavery.

Our fate is in the hands of the Eternal God of armies but our struggle is that of the people. We will continue according to the will of the almighty, this struggle, all the way to victory.

Dr. Frantz Georges Large, Tuesday February 1, 2022.

Open letter from M. Sansariq, member in good standing of the civil society.

I'd like to know when there was ever justice in Haiti. Thirteen of my family members are dead, assassinated by the Duvaliers. Ever since my return to Haiti in 1986, I officially pressed charges with proof in support, to the prosecutor's office in Port Au Prince. One of the members of the military investigating group, knowing full well it was the military who had assassinated my family, asked me to have lunch with the then head of the military junta. I said no. Not one of the men implicated in the murder was ever arrested. The officer Regala, from the dictatorship and who was later put in control after Jean Claude Duvalier's departure, was the same officer who had given the orders to murder not only the Sansariqs but many other families in Jeremie at the time. Don't tell me there can be justice here. When I continued to press charges in 1987, Regala sent me a message that he had an envelope waiting for me. I answered him to go and check out his mother clit. After that they tried to assassinate me to close my mouth for me. This is justice in Haiti. The last surviving assassin of my family and of the other families from Jeremie, Abel Jerome is still enjoying the fruits of his crimes. So don't tell me about justice here, about a judge in charge of investigating this assassination of president Jovenel Moise. Who is behind it? The United States is behind it. The FBI has been investigating for months with no results and nothing will be done. And all those guys in the government who are behind the president's assassination are still at the head of the country, pointing their fingers at scapegoats, come on now, I know all about justice in Haiti. I was Senator to the Republic for six years, the first Senator from the Grande Anse. I know the Haitian system of doing business very well. What justice is there from guys who are stealing, killing, raping? Which president has ever been arrested? What Prime Minister has ever been arrested? To anyone acting as if there were justice in Haiti I say: go to the clit of your mother because I lost thirteen members of my family to these goons.

Open letter from George Samir Saty, member in good standing of the civil society.

This morning I heard Samir Andal had been arrested in Turkey, in connection with Jovenel Moise's assassination. I can tell you all, that I've known Samir Andal for 41 years and politics has never

interested him. Only his own small business. He has heart problems and he's not up to getting involved in an assassination. He went to Turkey on business and the members of the government who are actually implicated in the assassination had Interpol arrest him. His only problem is that he had rented a property to Dr. Sanon who was one of the scapegoats in the assassination affair. Samir Andal was interviewed by the FBI in Miami at the time, but they did not arrest him as a result and they returned him to Haiti. This is the same game of smoke and mirrors intended to make people think that there actually is an investigation going on right now. So here we are with the Haitian investigative services, the Dominican Information Services which are very good, the Columbian Information Services, also very well trained, beside which we have Interpol and FBI, greatest information services in the world and we still can't know who is behind the Moise assassination? Since it's the U.S who controls Haiti, they should end this charade right now, for can they arrest the Haitian politicians who are their partners? It seems to be a question of bandits rolling with other bandits, bandits sacrificing the innocents. It's time the United States start to control its rats.

Georges Samir Saty.

From JP Bonbagay Radio. November 10, 2021. Repeat broadcast of a Jovenel Moise speech from that same year. Jojo Told Us So.

There are some things I didn't think I had the right to tell you but now there are certain little things I feel I'm obligated to begin telling you. The other night I was talking to a big shot who told me that political stability was not to our advantage at all times. So I asked how come political stability would not be to our advantage and he answered, "I swim in murky waters."

Now tell me people, do you understand this part? Do you understand it means that political instability has become an industry, an extremely lucrative, flourishing industry that generates a great amount of money? It thrives on lengthy negotiations which take place at night. Yes, it is only at night that certain meetings with certain big players take place. Sometimes I spend months with sleep deprivation because of these endless meetings in the dead of night with a brand of big, big guys, to try to ask them please, I beg of you, to see if we could not find a little peace in the country. The thing is grave, the situation more serious than you think. But today as a responsible person, a president who knows that it is peace, it is non-violence I believe that must bring the country along the road to development, I'm telling everyone, let's see if we can change our behavior. There is a lot of talk generated in the media that is not really what it seems. Look for the real reasons behind the words stirred up by the media, look for what is not being said. These major interests being worked out over here today, we need to put them aside, for we see now how far the thing has come. They cannot go back to the way things were anymore, these major interests that are trafficking here with one another they can no longer be forced upon us by others. Let me tell you that it means the big gentlemen who swim in murky waters, they can no longer stay in these waters if the waters are made clear today. Then we can all swim in it. The dirty waters don't get us anywhere, it can no longer invade our terrain, the people say no.

Ever since 1986, since the end of the Duvalier regime, the system that has been installed in our country is one of break and destroy. The solution to every problem is to break and destroy, to swim in murky waters. But if the waters are cleared that system cannot go on. For example, the day I decided that the price of gas on the international market had to be made available to the Haitian market as stated by the law, we had to pay heavily for that to happen and that day I received many phone calls from big players telling me that I was putting my hand inside a hole I had no business going into, that I was disturbing an order that had been in place for fifty years. That law about the price of gas had been on paper for twenty-five years, but it was never put into effect because those people who should have been putting it into effect had been refusing to do so and I got it done finally to avoid the huge deficit the Haitian government faces every year because of that state of affairs with the gas tax.

The best way to solve all the problems we have especially the problem of insecurity is to put our heads together, to say we will not tolerate another student losing her/his life, but we must do this together. We must turn our backs on those people who prevent us from putting our heads together, those people who place conditions on the way we come together, those people who care only about their own interests. Those who stand behind the scene, they are the ones to be avoided. Let's work together, that is what the people of Haiti are asking and what I have come to tell you today. I'm giving you the people's message, not my own, I'm on my way out. The people ask for peace, the people ask for union, the people ask for solidarity, the people ask for security the people ask for lowering the skyrocketing cost of living, that's what they ask for and that is what I must do because I'm the servant. You who are called to direct the country, let's work hand in hand so we can take Haiti out of the morass in which it is mired. It's not the foreigners who will do it for us. They can partner with us they can witness what we decide but they can't do it for us. We must do it for ourselves.

From Tele Spiral, Orlando Florida. February 1, 2022. Invited guest: Dr. Frantz Large.

Dr. Frantz Large. Dr. Ariel Henry is a friend, he is an excellent neurosurgeon, one of the best neurosurgeons I could even say probably of the continent, a virtuoso surgeon and when I send him patients, money is not a motivation for him to accept them as patients. That is whatever the person can pay he will accept it. On this point, there is no discussion.

Now Dr. Ariel Henry was appointed by a president whose legitimacy at the time of the appointment was being contested. It is not up to me to say that president Jovenel at the time was or was not legitimate, just that the question was debated. Some people thought that president Jovenel's mandate had ended and other people thought that his mandate had not yet ended. Therefore, we can say that Dr. Ariel Henry as prime minister appointed by such a president has a kind of legitimacy, not a definite legitimacy but a legitimacy between quotation marks...Now let's look at the Senator Joseph Lambert, we could even say the president Joseph Lambert because he had been president of the National Assembly and he is still president of the Senate. We can also say that he possesses a kind of legitimacy, whether we want to or not because he was elected, even doubly elected; on one hand, elected by the Department of the

Southeast, which is also my Department, and on the other hand he was elected by his peers, the other Senators, as president of the Senate. This constitutes a double legitimacy which cannot be contested. Now according to the Haitian constitution, if he had still been president of the National Assembly, there would have been no question, he would have automatically become interim president of the Republic in charge of preparing new elections. But as it happens that the Senate had been amputated and reduced to one third of its effective, we can also say that he enjoys a kind of legitimacy as opposed to an absolute one. We cannot deny him that because he was elected and a part of the Senate is still fulfilling its function.

So when Dr. Ariel Henry was appointed prime minister I was coming back from Jacmel at the time. I'm from Jacmel, I'm an ex candidate to the senate and I used to go every Monday see patients at the Jacmel hospital of Saint Michel, as a volunteer, I did not get paid but did this a community service. So it was four o'clock in the morning, I was leaving Jacmel to come back to Port-Au-Prince and that is the first time I'm sharing this news on your radio. I called Dr. Ariel and he answered and I told him I hoped he was dealing with the difficult position he was now occupying but I advised him to seek an agreement with Joseph Lambert because they were both the only ones in this mess who possessed anything remotely resembling a kind of legitimacy. He answered that it was out of the question. I enjoined him to reflect on the matter, not to react under the sway of emotion which could mean that there was a possibility he could change his mind on the matter...

Now I have a problem with this state of affairs and it's that we all know very well that the Deus ex machina of Haitian politics is the United States government. I'm not stating anything new. Which means that if tomorrow morning the U.S State Department decides that you must be interim president, they'll find a way to install you. There can be no discussion. The problem I have with this scenario is that the Haitian Senate in spite of all the blame you can heap on it, and I know what I'm talking about because in reality they stole my own election. So in spite of all the things I can reproach to the Haitian Senate, in spite of everything, it is still the last frail barrier against absolutism. Let me explain myself.

Interviewer. So you're speaking of Joseph Lambert?

Dr. Large. I'm not speaking of Joseph Lambert. I'm speaking of the Haitian senate as an institution which Senator Lambert represents as its president. When we examine one instance, for example, that is being played out right now: There are contracts relating to exploration, research and at least one contract of exploitation with regards to mining in Haiti. They have drawn up contracts for gold, for copper and I don't know what else, but of these two I know for sure. The mining concerns which are wanting to set up operations in Haiti do not like our current laws on mining. And let me add something that is not a secret to anyone, that there was a first mining company which included a Haitian doctor from Miami at its head, which was given a contract that was taken away subsequently and given to another enterprise which included the Clintons, Mrs. Clinton's brother, Mr. Rodham, having been a big shareholder in this concern. So these guys didn't like our mining laws. The World Bank spent 23million dollars to, as they said, help to reform these Haitian laws on mining. They then prepared another version of these laws stating that the Haitian State was to be given 2.7% of the profits; we should be aware of this.

The second point included in the new version of the mining law is that if a problem arises from said exploitation, we must allow ten years to go by before we can reveal the problem. Whatever that problem may be; miscalculation on the amount of mineral the mine contains or a major hurdle at the level of the environment, or that King Henry Christophe's citadel Laferriere could be endangered, the Haitian State would be bound to wait 10 years before whatever it is could be revealed. So when things reached this level the World Bank increased the pressure on the Senate to get it to vote-in this new version of the mining exploitation laws. The truth must be told, the Haitian Senate refused to engage itself in this direction and reacted in turn by voting on a new law to block all contracts. They blocked all research, exploration and exploitation contracts and I'm not saying that they are saints but in this instance we could believe that the spirit of Dessalines inspired them by dancing in their heads because they unanimously refused to pass the law that would set these new conditions to the mining contracts. They answered that mining exploitation could not be planned under this atmosphere of heavy pressure that hindered a cold headed decision on the subject so therefore they declared a standstill.

Interviewer. Does that mean that as a result of this decision of the Senate, no mining exploitation is going on right now within the country?

Dr. Large. There might be small scale operations going on but to exploit gold there must be a big investment, we are speaking of hundreds of millions and even billions in investments so no one is willing to invest that kind of money without knowing what's what in terms of business climate.

Interviewer. This is what explains all the pressure with regards to the U.S push for the referendum, the proposed changes in our constitution...

Dr. Large. This explain several things. It explains first of all and this the Haitian people should know, that the choice of Jovenel Moise as candidate to the presidency is not a matter of chance. I was there then because Jovenel was a good friend, he was like a brother to me, we spoke every day. Jovenel voted for me as representative of the business sector at the Center for Facilitating Investments. I know that one of the reasons he was chosen to be candidate to the presidency is that he was born in Trou du Nord. And since he was born there and that is where the gold is, they needed a peasant who would be able to lull into acceptance the peasants in the region.

Interviewer. But that didn't happen because he had come to the end of his mandate...

Dr. Large. Let me tell you the second thing. Jovenel used to be a small vendor of water in plastic bags then he had a small business selling car parts. He had never been involved in bigger ventures than that. From the moment he was set up as presidential candidate by our mafia, they co-signed for him to get a loan for 20million dollars from the Economic Industrial Development Fund. You can call them and ask them if what Dr. Large is saying is not true. Jovenel had nothing. They set him up in a business of banana export about which he knew nothing. They just needed to build him up as a kind of financially successful dark-skinned entrepreneur but he was really not that character at all. What happened was that at the last minute Jovenel realized that the Americans were leading him nowhere, that he had dirtied himself with the sequels of the Venezuela Petro Caribe scandal which yielded no benefits to him, he tried to tap Ecuador to attempt to re-establish a line of contact with Maduro and above all at the level of Turkey, through which he could contact Putin to find a way of changing the paradigm for Haiti at the

international level. And doing that he signed his death warrant. Don't pay attention to anyone talking about this or that possible assassin, in reality he is a man who has been executed by U.S secret services because he was deviating from the path they set for him.

Interviewer. Stop a minute Dr. Large. That means the Americans executed Jovenel?

Dr. Large. Listen, it's clear. At the last minute he wanted to switch his gun to the other shoulder. Three days after I made this declaration on Radio Caraibes during the aftermath of the assassination, I was shot at, and that is somewhat bizarre, three days later.

Open letter from Dr. Frantz Large. February 26, 2022.

Armed bandits including elements from Haitians White House Security Team are presently occupying my dwelling.

Yesterday morning following a decision of the public prosecutor's office obtained upon request of my attorneys Newton Saint Juste and Ramon Jean Louis, the justice of the peace accompanied by bailiffs returned me to legal possession of my house in Fermathe 54 which had been illegally occupied for three weeks by a certain Cupidon and his gang, even though the said locale had formerly been evacuated of two persons of the feminine sex who had also been squatting there. On instruction of the bailiff we replaced the locks installed by these illegal occupants with some of my own. That same evening, heavily armed men broke the new locks and retook possession of my home. After I called the emergency number for the National Palace, a police squadron promptly arrived at the scene. The occupants of my house responded to the police injunction with copious gunfire which was echoed by the policemen's. After a pause, the Haitian White House Chief of Security showed up at the house to evacuate the bandits, in total tranquility and in the armored car in which he himself had arrived.

Early this morning the bandits again broke into my house announcing that "they were backed up by Power" and that as long as this was the case, no force on earth would be able to dislodge them.

Anyway, in spite of the menacing phone calls, in spite of the threats and intimidations directed at me, nothing will force me to shut up.

Dr. Frantz Large. Port-Au-Prince, February 26 2022.

From Haiti Débat Scoop FM. Interview with professor Auguste D'Meza. October 2021.

Interviewer. The circumstances leading to Jovenel's assassination.

Professor Meza. Jovenel entered the political galaxy of Michel Martelly and disappeared there. We know that in 2015 he announced his candidacy to the Senate as a representative of the Northeast but ever since January second, 2015, during a reception at president Martelly's house, as they were announcing the choice of Mr. Karoly as the designated candidate to replace Martelly at the end of his term, Martelly

called Jovenel over and pointing to Karoly, said, “look at that idiot, if I need to designate my successor, do you think this is the guy I would pick? Jovenel, I’m making you candidate to the presidency.” I learned this from a man who was present at the scene and heard without being seen.

I really didn’t understand how Jovenel could become president in the midst of this clique, this clannish spirit characteristic of Martelly’s entourage. They considered Jovenel like an untouchable from India, lower than lower class. He endured social humiliation upon humiliation at their hands. On March 16, 2016 Jovenel sent for me and I went to see him. We talked and my advice to him at the end was “send your wife and kids to Miami, join them there and ask for political asylum because they will shoot you.” Martelly’s power rests on that clannish set up and if you are not one of them you are marked. The Martelly inner circle never accepted Jovenel.

Interviewer. It’s a known fact.

Professor Meza. And Jovenel never had the courage to stand up to them. The only minister Jovenel ever nominated during his own presidency was the last Defense Minister, Mr. Dorneval. All his other ministers were imposed on him... He was not their president. I met with him again in 2018 and spoke to him of the oligarchy. It is a class in power which is forever insuring a social, political and cultural disarticulation which is not decided within that class but at the international level where their orders originate. The oligarchy does all it can to lead the masses toward a traditionalist vision, in petty bickering, in hatred of the other, in “ever since Africa, Blacks hate Blacks”, because that is what enables them to strengthen their power over you. In the countries where poverty is maintained, the oligarchy corrupts, crowns, buys, tames and pirates both the State and the Church. Jovenel Moise was forced to abandon all his friends...He had gone to university, with only two classes left to finish, he was making a living as a trained mechanic and was a brilliant one but he was not part of the clique. To them he was a social pariah who didn’t even get to manage his own campaign funds. They doled out money to him, they paid for his gasoline but they couldn’t give him the management of the money because the money was too good, they couldn’t let go of it. Jovenel’s great mistake which led him to his brutal death is that he never learned the meaning of History, was never aware of his own place within the politics of the stand-in who in order to survive needs to become as bloodthirsty as his puppet masters. Jovenel let himself be invaded by these sharks, I should say piranhas because sharks hunt when hungry but piranhas enjoy the kill.

This oligarchy has no loyalties to anything, they have no organic ties to this country or anyone. Their only obligation is to count their dollars and imagine they are what in reality they are not because a few millions will make you rich in Haiti but in Miami you are still a poor shmuck compared to the rich over there. All the political and business big shots in Haiti are piranhas who are using the colorist problematic to get on top. Jovenel didn’t get it. He abandoned even his best friend, he never called on any of his professors from university and thus, in isolation, he dug his own grave. It seems to me he was not helped by his distinguished wife. Both arrived at the presidency wounded by all the contempt they had endured, the shame they had faced, they drank the chalice to the dregs and when the time came and they were in power, they attacked indiscriminately and viciously. I knew Jovenel as an honest man; they say he was into drug trafficking, I don’t know, but I witnessed him refusing to do business with a known drug dealer...

Interviewer. Before his rise to power you knew him as an honest man.

Professor Meza. I spent a lot of time travelling the country with him for the Chamber of Commerce. If the Chamber of Commerce is as it is today it is in great part because of Jovenel Moise, and this should be recognized... But let's take a look at History shall we? Jean Marie, you are a journalist, you met Jean Bertrand Aristide during his campaign in 1990, right?

Interviewer. Yes of course.

Professor Meza. You also met him after he won the elections, right?

Interviewer. Right.

Professor Meza. You met him again after he left.

Interviewer. Yes.

Professor Meza. You also met him after he returned. Was he the same man who had left?

Interviewer. Ah no, definitely not.

Professor Meza. Well how could he be? He was suddenly sporting 15,000 dollar suits! It's the same thing. How many married women caused Jovenel's wife to have fits of jealousy? And with the connivance of their husbands too. The president was watering their garden of eden.

Interviewer. Ah, well...

Professor Meza. Jovenel got trapped. I worked with him in 2018, we formed a government, I advised him and he was in agreement. I said, "Jovenel, let's get out of these diatribes, let's think about this. When you are a country whose food depends on outsiders, on foreigners, you end up disappearing as a people. I said Jovenel let's shore up the bread basket of the Haitian homemaker, the small farmers: Let's ensure the native chickens, eggs, beans. With just these three foodstuff, we would have saved 200million dollars in imports. The oligarchy no longer wants the Haitian chickens. Who imports from the U.S, these pieces of chicken already frozen for six months and which the Americans do not find fit for consumption? Americans got a surplus of this frozen chicken after they tried to pass it off to Putin who told them that whatever the cost Russia would produce their own chickens. He said they would no longer buy chickens from the U.S and he taxed the American chickens 300%. In the Dominican Republic American chicken is taxed 87%, in Belize 129%, in Haiti? 15%. There is only one man in the country of Haiti who brings in one million eggs in trailers per day and do you know how many people he has to buy? Even if he made 20cents per egg? Customs, politicians...

Another example; Jovenel fought for years and finally reached an agreement with a German firm and a Swedish firm, I believe, to install electricity in the entire Northeast using wind energy. Suddenly I see Jovenel buying thermal energy, which he had always been against, from General Electric! ...Jovenel was taken hostage and there was only one solution, his death.

Don't listen to the B.S about trips to Turkey, signed contracts...Let's get real here. Do you think Jovenel could have signed any contracts with Putin if the American Whites did not approve? Be serious. Where would he have found the buzz for such a decision? Everything he owns is in the U.S, all his money, his

kids are in the U.S and he would be making business deals with Russia? What the hell? Who is fucking Haiti? The same way the two Turkish ships were supposed to come install electricity in Haiti and we're still waiting for them? The same way a Turkish ship was on its way here to build 40,000 houses then backed off and was never heard of again? Why would Jovenel have signed a contract for electricity with Turkey then a few days later, sign one with General Electric which was in bankruptcy? Who imposed this contract on him? Who had to bail out General Electric? The U.S obligated him to sign this contract which now forces Haitians to pay their electric bills online directly to General Electric but as usual we still don't get electricity. It is clear to me. It was an internal plot under the indulgent eyes of the international community. Did president Moise ever question an American contract? No, he signed them all. Then the oligarchy tries to shift the blame on the Americans. I don't say that the Americans are not hurting us, but they succeed in hurting us because we have a cast of actors in this society who sell the country in exchange for an I.T license plate, in exchange for food at the French Embassy's July 14 reception, in exchange for reject frozen chicken, hamburgers and hot dogs at the American Embassy on the fourth of July and those are the same people we meet in all the political arenas.

Interviewer. Let's move on.

Professor Meza. So Jovenel has been a historical error and, having betrayed history, there was no other solution, but to take him out. That had to eventually happen. All those husbands whose wives he tumbled, all those guys he made money with who thought they hadn't received their fair share...Power corrupted him. And these big businessmen never had a mass said for his soul but had the drums sound to say, "the burst-eyed one is gone." As for myself, to whom he was like a son, I'd say I lost him in 2013 when he entered into alliance with the Martelly clan who are all deeply motivated to defend the life of the clan. He was caught in this trap as well as in other traps laid by other clans.

From Scoop FM. Leaked transcript of: Direct File Assassination Police Records. Interrogation of John Solages, member of the Jovenel Moise assassination team. February 20, 2022

Solages was one of the Americans of Haitian origin arrested with the other foreign and Haitian-American assassins. This is what he revealed to the police interrogator as reported by Scoop F.M.

Solages' job was to force president Jovenel to sign a document attesting to his resignation as president of Haiti and the appointment of Joseph Lambert, Senate President, as the interim president of Haiti. President Jovenel refused to sign before they killed him. They tortured him for twenty minutes, they spent twenty minutes beating him to sign these dozen sheets of paper but he continued to refuse. They broke one of his wrists, after which he reiterated, "I refuse to sell the country." They then shot him at close range in the leg. Still he continued to refuse and Solages then burst one of his eyes. Still he resisted, refusing to sign and saying he would not sell the country over to the foreigners. That is when they shot him full of bullets. Solages then affirmed that Joseph Lambert had full knowledge of what was happening and was preparing to be sworn in, the next day, the seventh of July, as interim president of Haiti.

Open letters from the civil society of Jeremie. March 2022 and May 2022.

This is the second time we are attempting to alert the population and the international community that U.S mining enterprises are installing equipment in the Southeastern town of Jeremie, while the same enormous ships with heliports signaled by us in March are still moored in Haitian territorial waters. Their work connected with petroleum exploitation is causing many earthquakes in the region.

We neither have a functioning government nor civil servants willing to defend the Haitian territory. The population is hostage to insecurity, murders, kidnappings, rapes while these foreign entities are busy siphoning our natural resources, along with the profits that should be contributing to better living conditions for us Haitians. It is not Putin who is thus invading Haiti or stealing its wealth. The U.N remains silent on this subject, harried Haitians are continuing to run away wherever they can while wealthy concerns appropriate what is ours. We implore president Biden to address this question and we alert the world to inspire them to get involved in our situation.

From Tic Toc @ciaosasha. April 3, 2022 rebroadcast from a June 3 2015 article by Justin Elliot, Pro Publica and Laura Sullivan, NPR. (Originally in American.)

In 2010 Haiti was hit by a series of devastating earthquakes. The world rallied to help and at the forefront of the effort was the American Red Cross. They launched a campaign so successful that they raised nearly half a billion dollars to help Haitians and it wasn't long before they were bragging about having spent those funds on helping people. The question is which people because confidential memos emails and internal documents uncovered years later show that this was purely a lie. They claim to have built homes for more than 130.000 people. But how many homes did they actually build? They build six homes. This was uncovered by the brilliant investigative journalists over at NPR and Pro Publica... The Red Cross won't disclose details on how they did spend the hundreds of millions of dollars donated for Haiti by Americans. In promotional materials the Red Cross said it had helped more than 4.5 million Haitians get back on their feet but has not provided details to back up that claim...Did the Red Cross use that money to erase the more than one hundred million in deficit from their books? ...The numbers do not lie.

From The Nation and Business insider and from a Telegram in WikiLeaks. Reissued in French Time! October 2021.

The U.S ambassador to Haiti fought like a boxer to prevent a raise of the Haitian minimum hourly wage from 27 to 61 cents. Levis and Haines, American fashion multinationals, have factories in Haiti and don't want to see their shareholders' profits decrease due to such a raise. According to the American embassy telegram, multinationals like Haines and Levi Strauss were incensed at this proposed salary hike and added they would only accept a 7 cents/hour augmentation. They then asked the U.S State Department to take care of it. So the American ambassador put the pressure on the Haitian government who subsequently lowered the proposed minimum daily salary. Haiti has about 25,000 apparel workers. If

you payed each one of them 2 dollars a day more it would cost their employers 50,000 dollars/day more, so 12million dollars more per year. It is out of the question for Haines which employs 3,200 Haitians in their factory or others, to pay that much more so they forced an agreement to level the hourly wage to 31 cents. In the U.S, minimum wage is 58 dollars/day so we understand why the Americans seized Haiti. This is how one country reduces a whole other country into slavery.

From Infoplus04 Haitian news studio. Fun Facts.

There are 2 cell phone companies allowed to do business in Haiti. Only 5 individuals/families are allowed to import gasoline. 5 individuals/families are permitted to import steel. Only 3 individuals/families have permission to wholesale flour and only 4 individuals/families have the right to wholesale rice in Haiti.

From RHInews (Haitian Information Network News). March 5,2021

Haitian president Jovenel Moise's driver and right hand man Mathieu Joseph was arrested by the DEA in Port-Au-Prince for alleged drug trafficking and was transferred to the U.S for trial. He is an American citizen of Haitian origins who had previously been arrested in 2006 and convicted for cocaine trafficking. He is also accused of having violated the terms of his then 10-year parole by escaping to Haiti in 2008. According to the Miami Herald, the man arrested with him this time, Peterson Benjamin, faces additional charges of kidnapping.

Open letter to the Mayor of Miami, Francis Suarez from members of the Haitian civil society, business leaders and activists in Little Haiti, Miami Florida. May 13 2022. (Originally in American)

We write this letter to express our concern over the scheduled visit of former Haitian president Michel Martelly, alias Sweet Mickey at the cultural center in Little Haiti on May 18-21, 2022, where Haitian Flag Day is honored every year along with cultural celebrations in Haiti as well as in the Haitian diaspora.

The cities of New-York and Montreal have declared Michel Martelly persona non grata for violent crimes (kidnappings/gang-related crimes) committed against innocent Haitians, men, women and children. He is reportedly one of the major gang leaders currently terrorizing the Haitian people.

We vehemently oppose his presence in little Haiti.

Consequently, we ask you, as members of the Haitian communities in Miami to declare without equivocation, Michel Martelly, persona non grata in the city of Miami for crimes committed against the Haitian people. For further information, please contact the following citizens at 786-587-5384

We hope and trust you will heed our request

Sincerely,

(Signatories)

From RHInews (Haiti Information Network news). May 20 2022.

The Mayor's office in Miami informed the Haitian protesters that it had decided to cancel the concert in which Sweet Mickey was to perform for the celebration of Haitian Flag Day at the cultural center in Little Haiti.

The community leaders told RHInews they would continue to pressure the authorities to declare Sweet Mickey persona non grata which the Miami mayor's office has not done. The Miami authorities face a conundrum on this subject namely a legal grey area involving declaring an American citizen persona non grata in an American city, which reopens the discussion of Martelly's American citizenship and its implications for the legitimacy of his presidency in Haiti.

(Word on the street is he is the candidate chosen by the U.S to take back the reins of the Haitian presidency, which he had passed on to Jovenel Moise in 2016, at the next elections. TN)

MEANWHILE BACK AT THE O.K CORRAL

Beside the presidential assassination, this is the hottest topic reported by the Haitian media. It is currently the subject of heated debates in the Haitian newspaper, Le Nouvelliste. (TN)

From the Guardian. March 26 2022.

A former Haitian Minister of Sports and Youth, Evan Lescouflair has been accused of repeatedly raping an eleven-year-old pupil while he was an instructor at Saint Louis of Gonzague school in the 1980's. He is facing a civil lawsuit by several other alleged victims who claim he abused them. He served as Minister of Youth, Sports and Civic Action between 2008 and 2011 and remains influential in Haitian football as president of Youthsport Club of Saint Louis of Gonzague (a prestigious catholic boys' school). Charges against him were filed at the Commissioner of the Port-Au-Prince Governorate on behalf of Claude Alix Bertrand and other alleged victims. They contain information that one of Lescouflair's alleged victims committed suicide in 2008. "There are also criminal charges of repeated rape of minors under 15." Attorney Franck Vaneus told the Guardian, "The sentence for this crime is life imprisonment."

Bertrand, Haitian ambassador to UNESCO, told the Guardian he was abused by Lescouflair when he was an 11-year-old student in Saint Louis of Gonzague at the end of the 1980's. He said he experienced severe depression but did not report the abuse and rape because he was afraid of the potential consequences. "He kept doing it until I became sick." Bertrand said. His family subsequently moved to the U.S where he received psychiatric treatment for several years. Lescouflair didn't deny the allegations; his only statement was that he had nothing to say since the man accusing him is now married to another man of foreign nationality.

The dead student's mother said, "Lescouflair is still a powerful man here. We don't trust the Haitian justice system or police. Our son took his own life after being raped by this man, we could be killed just for revealing our existence." Lescouflair had been accused of raping underage boys in 2010 but the case was closed by a judge citing lack of evidence.

From Miami Herald Archives. February 8, 2018. Rebroadcasted in Haiti March 2022 in the wake of the Lescouflair scandal.

In the Haitian/Dominican border towns of Ouanaminthe/Dajabòn, the passers ferry people and merchandize across the Massacre river. They also carry children over as part of a parallel and illegal market where Haitian children are carried into the DR, to be sold and bought.

The Border Commander, Francisco Jose Gil insisted his soldiers monitored all crossings. He said, "We can't cross into Haitian territory, we have to work things out from this side. We're going to correct the wrongdoings from our side."

The Herald team managed to witness once such episode of monitoring because only after the Dominican soldiers saw the news team's cameras pointed at them, did they monitor the situation.

Estelencia Medici, 6, says she had been kept in one of the shelters near the river where the crossed over children are routinely taken to spend the night in rooms where they can hear adults having sex in the adjacent rooms. Estelencia spent two weeks there. She explains her parents couldn't pay the 100dollar trafficking fee due to the smuggler so he kidnaped her to pressure them into paying up.

After her parents had paid up, Estelencia continued on the trek made by thousands of children. The distance from Port-Au-Prince to Ouanaminthe is 187 miles. Once in the Dominican Republic, some of the children are dropped off at towns along the way until some reach the capital, Santo Domingo.

From UNICEF TV. October 10, 2021. Rebroadcasted in Haiti March 2022 in the wake of the Lescouflair scandal.

In villages along the Haiti/Dominican Republic border, UNICEF sensitization workers warn Haitian/Dominican parents not to send their children away to the Dominican Republic with strangers they have to pay in order to achieve the better life for all, promised by these smugglers. The UNICEF Protection Brigade is on the alert to prevent undocumented children from crossing illegally into the DR. Unfortunately, between UNICEF points, many miles of uncontrolled border make the joy of traffickers. Haiti has the highest rate of child exploitation in the world.

From CBS News. February 5 2010. Rebroadcasted in Haiti February 26, 2022 in the wake of the Lescouflair scandal.

Laura Gaylor Silsby, founder of the Baptist Church Missionary Foundation New Life Children Refuge, a mission rescuing orphans in Haiti, was arrested at the Haitian/Dominican border with a truckload of Haitian children she said were about to be adopted in the United States. But after investigation, it was

found that no adoption papers were in Ms. Silsby's possession. Furthermore, it was found that some of the children were not orphans and were later reunited with their parents.

Laura Gaylor Silsby was the head of Alert Sense, the company providing technology for Amber Alert, the technological branch of emergency intervention to search for missing children in the United States. She was found guilty of child trafficking and her links to Amber Alert made public. Her rescue mission in Haiti turned out to have provided a cover for getting children clandestinely out of Haiti and into the DR. Mr. and Mrs. Clinton, Ex U.S president and first lady obtained a reduced sentence for Ms. Silsby of six months in jail.

Silsby's attorney, hired for her by the Clintons, is himself a convicted pedophile who was arrested and charged with directing a human trafficking network specializing in women and children. He received 3 years. His wife was also arrested on charges of sexual exploitation of women and minors.

From the Guardian. July 15, 2018. Rebroadcasted in Haiti March 2022 in the wake of the Lescouflair scandal.

Oxfam, an organization known throughout the world for empowering women and fighting against poverty, was banished from Haiti after the 2010 earthquake, after it was discovered, according to the Times, that members of Oxfam were implicated in orgies involving underage children who were being paid for sex. The star witness, Klans Eberwein, a member of the Haitian government, who was supposed to give testimony about the Clinton corruption in Haiti, was found dead from a bullet in the head a few days before the trial of July 12,2017.

From Reuters. February 2010. Rebroadcasted in Haiti March 2022 in the wake of the Lescouflair scandal. (originally in American)

Ten American missionaries were arrested on the Haitian/Dominican border for allegedly trying to smuggle 33 Haitian children into the DR. Some of the kids thought they were headed for a vacation camp and their parents were looking for them. Members of the missionary Baptist Church said it was all a misunderstanding, they were just trying to rescue Haitian orphans in the cadre of their organization the Haitian Orphan Rescue Mission. They added they had planned to take 100 Haitian children off the streets (their terminology) and bring them to a hotel they had purchased in the Dominican Republic's town of Cabarete, a resort town on the Northern coast of the DR, which is renowned throughout the world for sex tourism, unfortunately including the pedophilic sex trade.

AP Archives, Reuters. February 2 2010. Rebroadcasted in Haiti March 2022 in the wake of the Lescouflair scandal.

A Haitian judge hears testimony from detained U.S missionaries accused of child trafficking in a case that could be diplomatically sensitive at a time when the United States is spearheading a huge relief effort to help hundreds of thousands Haitian quake victims and as U.S aid groups pour millions of dollar in

donations for Haiti. The judge, after hearing the missionaries' testimony declared to the press without further ado that "the missionaries are innocent."

Three leaves three roots oh

Throw away forget

Pick up remember

I got my basin three leaves fell into it

Throw away forget

Pick up remember

(Traditional sacred song of Haitian Vodou)

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