

# PROMETHEUS COUNCIL

## Insurrection

What separates this from Civil Disorder is the intent. Insurrection is a revolution against the in place governing body with the intent to remove the existing government or force it to capitulate to the revolutionaries' demands.

Currently all nations have individuals and groups that act and prepare covertly for a governmental downfall. Most of these groups are benign and will not actively start or even participate in an insurrection. Others, those already identified as extremists and violent do actively participate. The latter groups are under constant watch of various governmental agencies and undercover agents have infiltrated most. It is highly unlikely that these fringe groups alone will cause an insurrection on their own initiatives.

Usually it is the in place government acting through self-indulgent motives that will initiate the catalyst. Increasing taxes substantially, enacting of laws that remove or reduce civil rights or constitutional guarantees is often sufficient to set the stage for insurrection. The political environment will change and this leads to open aggression against the in place government. If the government acts overtly in a hostile manner and attempts to suppress the population this often results in citizens becoming hostile and combative against the government.

The more benign groups will simply drop off the grid and go into seclusion, the more extremist and violent groups will take active steps to engage the government in forms of guerrilla warfare. The government including local law enforcement will go to extreme measures to suppress the insurrection to the point of draconian oppressions. If this becomes unbearable to the mass citizens, they will start to identify with the revolutionary groups and support their cause but only secretly.

When citizens in general start to support these revolutionary groups, these groups will start to integrate strategies and tactics. Though federal forces and local law enforcement will have been used against citizens, individual members of these agencies will begin to atrophy and start siding with the mass population.

The government will be placed into a position of self-preservation, and not being able to trust their own troops and law enforcement, will import United Nations troops if they have not already done so. Citizens, particularly those living in democratic based nations, will not tolerate United Nations troops. The single action of bringing in U.N. troops will do more to galvanize the citizens against to government than any amount of oppression levied against them.

At this junction the citizens will overtly start to support the various groups and overtly oppose government and local law enforcement. Government entities cannot exist against the collective will of its citizens without a great deal of expense. In democracies, not having the will of the people behind government rule is fatal. Citizens will actively lash out at government and law enforcement agencies with rage and vengeance. Citizens will target anything that is associated with the government, or any group that even looks like a government entity will be attacked.

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