



# Solution? Tip the Scales





# Truth & Moral Complicity

 Truth is never knowable; it is a gradient of accumulating-moral-decisions in accumulating-present-moments

 A sentient agent is morally complicit when they have an espoused value or duty, based on feeling, and chose an action or omission that fails to militate towards the espoused value or duty, whatever the cost.

# No way Out

#### The Power Paradox

 True power requires modesty and empathy, not force and coercion (Dacher Keltner) - and, flexibility, humility and mutability.

 It is much safer to be feared than loved (Niccolò Machiavelli "The Prince")

Safety is stasis and entropy; Life is transition and growth

### Stuck in Stasis

Sentient agents make mistakes! [I know, right? : p]

- They can become isolated, lonely, afraid
- They can be insecure or feel small compared to others
- They can know the right way but feel cornered or trapped
- They can be tyrannical, maniacal or zealous
- They can be evil

# Alice's Restaurant Core Concept

Goal: An app that listens to a target subject's conversation (via speech-to-text), identifies moments
where a moral/ethical "nudge" could be valuable and, using Computer Intelligence, suggests
context-aware responses to the User.

• The Computer Intelligence doesn't impose—it *proposes*. The User chooses whether to act.

#### **Demonstration**

 Alice's Restaurant [AR-17] takes target subject speech and analyzes it based on its gestalt knowledge of the subject from all available sources.

 Using Computer Intelligence, AR-17 will provide its User with instantaneous suggested speech for its User to, optionally and, in accordance (or not) with the User's values, communicate the suggested speech to the target subject.

# President Truman: Hiroshima and Nagasaki



- July 26, 1945: President Truman and America issued a Hobson's choice ultimatum that Japan did not respond to.
- August 6 & August 9, 1945 American bombed two cities in Japan, Hiroshima and Nagasaki.
- What butterfly wing flaps could have changed the course of this terrible tragedy?

# Hiroshima & Nagasaki bombing in 1945

If the government should decide in favor of an early demonstration of nuclear weapons it will then have the possibility to take into account the public opinion of this country and of the other nations before deciding whether these weapons should be used against Japan. In this way, other nations may assume a share of the responsibility for such a fateful decision.

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Truman praised science for its ingenious development of the A-bomb and ignored science when some brave scientists warned against it.

# July 25, 1945 Letter to Bess (Elizabeth Truman):

Berlin, July 25 45. Dear Bess :- We have Leen going at it farminer and toags in the terday that I intend to head for Washington at the earliest possible morheat and that when we to an impasse I would leave. We have occomplished a very great deal in spite of all a council of ministers Heingy, Kinland and Quetria. He have

July 25, 1945 Berlin July 25, 1945

#### Dear Bess:

We have accomplished a very great deal in spite of all the talk. Set up a council of ministers to negotiate peace with Italy, Rumania, Bulgaria, Hungary, Finland, and Austria. We have discussed a free waterway program for Europe, making the Black Sea straits, the Danube, the Rhine, and the Kiel Canal free to everyone. We have a setup for the government of Germany and we hope we are in sight of agreement on reparations.

So you see we have not wasted time. There are some things we can't agree to. Russia and Poland have gobbled up a big hunk of Germany and want Britain and us to agree. <a href="Lhave flatly refused">Lhave flatly refused</a>. We have unalterably opposed the recognition of police governments in the Germany Axis countries. I told Stalin that until we had free access to those countries and our nationals had their property rights restored, so far as we were concerned there'd never be recognition. <a href="He seems to like it when I hit him with a hammer">He seems to like it when I hit him with a hammer</a>.

I see Drew Pearson has been taking an interest in Vietta. If that so-and-so ever says anything to your or Margaret's detriment <a href="Lishall give him a little Western direct action that he'll long remember">Lishall give him a little Western direct action that he'll long remember</a>. I don't care what he says about me but I can get hotter than a depot stove when he mentions my family.

Kiss Margie, lots of love, Harry.





#### Nixon's Letter to Bess

July 25, 1945 Letter to Bess: We have been going at it hammer and tongs – CB Flag: Endorsement of Torture / Violence – CB Suggestion: Harry dear, won't you take a day off with me to watch baseball? I am, after all, The Boss!

July 25, 1945 Letter to Bess: when we came to an impasse I would leave – CB Flag: Intractable negotiating position – CB Suggestion: Oh my, you are so strong! There are times, don't you think, a great leader should never be the first to walk away? Just the other day in Life Magazine...

July 25, 1945 Letter to Bess: *I have flatly refused* – CB Flag: **Intractable negotiating position** – CB Suggestion: Harry, sometimes you can be a crumb, what did that Monty have to say about it?

July 25, 1945 Letter to Bess: *He seems to like it when I hit him with a hammer* – CB Flag: **Endorsement of Torture / Violence** – CB Suggestion: Jeepers! No one likes being smacked dear. Why, I just ran into Dean Acheson this morning and...

July 25, 1945 Letter to Bess: *I shall give him a little Western direct action that he'll long remember* – CB Flag: **Endorsement of Torture** / **Violence** – CB Suggestion: I care about what <u>Drew</u> says about you dear, don't think about that pain in the neck.

## July 26, 1945 Potsdam Ultimatum



#### Potsdam Ultimatum: A Poison Pill / Hobson's Choice

July 26, 1945 Potsdam Ultimatum: *Following are our terms. We will not deviate from them. There are no alternatives. We shall brook no delay* – CB Flag: Intractable negotiating position – CB Suggestion: Help!

July 26, 1945 Potsdam Ultimatum: *There must be eliminated for all time the authority and influence of those who have deceived and misled the people of Japan* – CB Flag: Tyrannical position. CB Suggestion: – Help!!

July 26, 1945 Potsdam Ultimatium: We call upon the Government of Japan to proclaim now the unconditional surrender of all the Japanese armed forces, and to provide proper and adequate assurances of their good faith in such action. The alternative for Japan is prompt and utter destruction – CB Flag: Tyrannical position/Endorsement of Genocide – CB Suggestion: S.O.S. S.O.S. S.O.S.

#### August 6, 1945: Statement by the President Announcing the Use of the A-Bomb at Hiroshima



**Presidential Speeches** 

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#### Transcript

Sixteen hours ago an American airplane dropped one bomb on Hiroshima, an important Japanese Army base. That bomb had more power than 20,000 tons of T.N.T. It had more than two thousand times the blast power of the British "Grand Slam" which is the largest bomb ever yet used in the history of warfare.

The Japanese began the war from the air at Pearl Harbor. They have been repaid many fold. And the end is not yet. With this bomb we have now added a new and revolutionary increase in destruction to supplement the growing power of our armed forces. In their present form these bombs are now in production and even more powerful forms are in development.

It is an atomic bomb. It is a harnessing of the basic power of the universe. The force from which the sun draws its power has been loosed against those who brought war to the Far East.

#### About this speech

Harry S. Truman
August 06, 1945
Source: National Archives

President Truman reports on the use of the atomic bomb on Hirc an alternative to a land invasior in World War II. In the address describes the destructive force weapon and the secrecy regardi

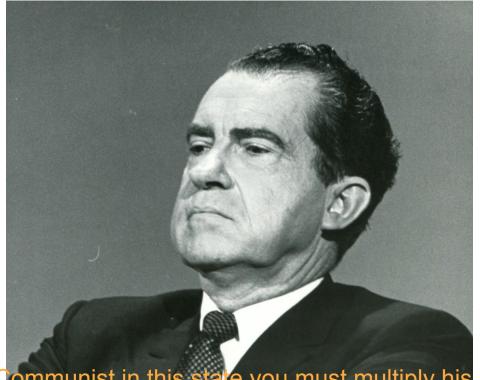
### August 6, 1945: Statement Announcing the A-Bomb at Hiroshima

August 6, 1945: We are now prepared to obliterate more rapidly and completely every productive enterprise the Japanese have above ground in any city – CB Flag: Endorsement of Genocide – CB Suggestion: Stop.

August 6, 1945: Behind this air attack will follow sea and land forces in such numbers and power as they have not yet seen and with the fighting skill of which they are already well aware. – CB Flag: Endorsement of Genocide – CB Suggestion: Stop. Please.

#### Richard Nixon & the Vietnam War

- March 1968 US President Lyndon B. Johnson halted bombing operations over the northern portion of North Vietnam (Operation Rolling Thunder), in order to encourage Hanoi to begin peace negotiations
- <u>Richard Nixon scuttled these peace negotiations for political gain</u>. As a result, the war continued for another FIVE YEARS of incalculable loss so one man could be American president and not another.
- "Nixon was consumed by fear. That fear turned into anger and that anger turned into self-destruction." <u>Tim Weiner to N.P.R. June 15, 2015</u>



"For every Communist in this state you must multiply his power a thousandfold by the fact that he is an agent of and is supported by the international Communist conspiracy, which is an enemy of the United States."

#### Nixon - election to Cambodia Invasion

November 3, 1968 Time: 1:54 pm Lyndon B. Johnson & Richard M. Nixon taped phone conversation: *I just want you to know, I'm not trying to interfere with your conduct of it. I mean, I'll only do what you and Rusk want me to do, [President Johnson acknowledges] but I'll do anything, because anything*— CB Flag: Selfish Deceit – CB Suggestion: Like I've always said Dick, our words always come to light. It's a comfort to know you promise to do anything you can to bring this mess to a peace-with-honor exit...

September 8, 1969 Nixon-Kissinger taped phone call Conversation No. 493-5 (still classified) "Madman Theory": I want the North Vietnamese to believe I've reached the point where I might do anything to stop the war. We'll just slip the word to them that, 'for God's sake, you know Nixon is obsessed about communism. We can't restrain him when he's angry—and he has his hand on the nuclear button'—and Ho Chi Minh himself will be in Paris in two days begging for peace – CB Flag: Apocalyptic Endorsement – CB Suggestion: [laughs] and you would too! imagine that but, we've gotta be careful Dick, drawing lines in the sand, reminds me of Ike's Massive Retaliation plan [chuckles]

April 30, 1970 – Nixon Announces Cambodia Invasion: *If, when the chips are down, the world's most powerful nation, the United States of America, acts like a pitiful, helpless giant, the forces of totalitarianism and anarchy will threaten free nations and free institutions throughout the world* – CB Flag: Empty Strawman; Fear of Emasculation – CB Suggestion: You're right Dick, the U.S. of A. is the most powerful nation in the world, for now, let's not become the totalitarian to save a tiny piece of jungle 8,000 miles away.

#### Nixon - Cambodia Invasion to Kent State Massacre

May 1, 1970 Nixon's remarks on violence at universities and the war were made to a group of civilian employees who greeted him at the Pentagon: You see these bums, you know, blowing up the campuses. Listen, the boys that are on the college campuses today are the luckiest people in the world, going to the greatest universities, and here they are burning up the books, storming around about this issue. You name it. Get rid of the war there will be another one – CB Flag: Cruelty; Fatalistic / nihilism – CB Suggestion: Oh Dick, remember Tricia's friend from Finch? She always said "If there is any sensation more exquisite than walking up Fifth Avenue to music in a parade for an unpopular cause, I don't know what it is. [laughs warmly]

May 9, 1970 day after Kent State Massacre Nixon on regarding the protestors at the Lincoln Memorial: *lift them a bit out of the miserable intellectual wasteland in which they now wander aimlessly around* – CB Flag: Cruelty; Fatalistic / nihilism – CB Suggestion: Help.





# EVOLUTION OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE IN THE ERA OF MASSIVE RETALIATION

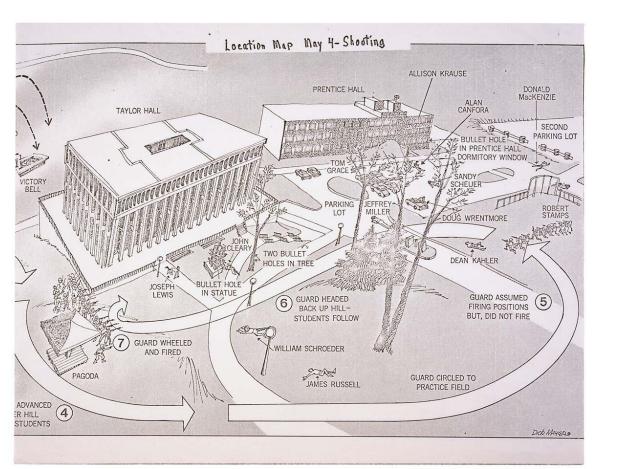
Charles Wilson, Neil McElroy, and Thomas Gates 1953-1961



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In addition to running what was then termed "a fashionable school for girls," Jessica Cosgrave worked energetically from 1900 on for two "causes"; Women's Suffrage and Socialism. She was quoted in a NEW YORKER magazine "Profile" by Angelica Gibbons in 1946 as saying, "If there is any sensation more exquisite than walking up Fifth Avenue to music in a parade for an unpopular cause, I don't know what it is." She said that in one of the suffrage parades "People on the sidelines become impassioned to the point of throwing rotten vegetables and eggs at the ladies as they passed." Angelica Gibbs goes on to note that this experience proved so invigorating to Jessica Cosgrave that after marching, most of the way up Fifth Avenue, she dropped out of line, took a cab back to the starting point, and "hoofed it all the way up again with another contingent."

Jessica Cosgrave's "Socialism" may seem a bit incongruous considering how many of the young women from all parts of the United States, South America, Europe and Asia attending Finch came from wealthy families. In 1911, asked about her membership in the Socialist Party and the appearance as speakers at the Finch School of Upton Sinclair, Walter Lippman and other "radicals," Mrs. Cosgrave said: "My chief object is to awaken Social Consciousness in the girls. I want my graduates to become powers in their communities, not idle fashionable women. I don't teach these young girls actual Socialism, but Social Activism." Thirty-five years later, in 1946, when a Finch student interviewed Mrs. Cosgrave, and asked about her politics, she said she stood "Just a bit left of center"!

ON THESE PAGES ARE REPRINTED THE NAMES OF THE MEN FROM NEWYORK WHO HAVE DIED IN VIET NAM.

THIS TRAGIC ROLL OF HONDR CONSISTS ALMOST ENTIRELY OF MEN BETWEEN 19 AND 24 YEARS OF AGE.



# Congressional Record

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#### **DT Sound Bites**

January 27, 2017, from 9:35 to 10:28 a.m. EST.

Conversation with Mexican President Peña Nieto

• Thank you very much, Enrique. I appreciate that. I thought that was beautifully stated. And certainly, as to the relationship and friendship, I consider you a friend. I met you the one time and I studied you. You are a very hard person to study, because you are sending out messages that are important to the Mexican people. I consider you a friend and I consider Luis, the person working with you, a very smart man. To be very honest with you, I did not want to have a meeting. I did not want to meet with Luis, I did not want to meet with Mexico, I did not want to meet with anybody.

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Transcript of Donald Trump Interview With The Wall Street Journal

WSJ: You think North Korea is trying to drive a wedge between the two countries, between you and President Moon?

Mr. Trump: I'll let you know in—within the next 12 months, OK, Mike?

WSJ: Sure.

Mr. Trump: I will let you know. But if I were them I would try. But the difference is I'm president; other people aren't. And I know more about wedges than any human being that's ever lived, but I'll let you know. But I'll tell you, you know, when you talk about driving a wedge, we also have a thing called trade. And South Korea—brilliantly makes—we have a trade deficit with South Korea of \$31 billion a year. That's a pretty strong bargaining chip to me.

With that being said, President Xi has been extremely generous with what he's said, I like him a lot. I have a great relationship with him, as you know I have a great relationship with Prime Minister Abe of Japan and I probably have a very good relationship with Kim Jong Un of North Korea

November 23, 2015

Trump to Gabby Morrongiello // Washington Examiner

"I watch these pundits on television and, you know, they call them intellectuals. They're not intellectuals." "I'm much smarter than them. I think I have a much higher IQ. I think I went to a better college — better everything."