

CONTEXT STATEMENT ON  
PANCHAYAT MISSIONAL INTENTIONS

As the Panchayat looked at the next four years in the light of the GRA and the Council, it discerned that it was called upon to focus attention in specific, critical arenas for the long-range mission of the Order:Ecumenical. The chart, "Panchayat Missional Intentions" is a description of this focus.

The inclusive commission of the Panchayat is to guard the comprehensive, watch over the election and defend the deeps. This, however, always takes concrete form: the three Master Strategies best held for us the current expression of that commissioning.

As a powerful new four-year plan is initiated, incorporating and transforming everything we have been doing up to now, the Panchayat saw their role or function to be less an 'inclusive' or 'over-viewing' one, than one of radically focussed participation. This means bracketing many things they might have been doing, or which the Panchayat did in the past. The three middle lines on the chart represent the form of this focus. These five arenas are of critical importance for the effectiveness of the next four years. Within each arena is a needed demonstration or bottom line for the year. The purpose of the demonstrations is not so much for any single special accomplishment, but in order that the learnings from them can be used to better articulate the future.

**Arena 1: Order Training.** It will be important that rational training plans are actuated across the globe for the Symbolic Order; not only for the development of priorship prowess, etc., but that this coming July we can discern the critical components and timing of an effective journey design.

**Arena 2: Order Forms.** This had a lot of thought given to it this July: concern for 'cadre' development, Order Dynamics triangles, covenantal base, etc. The key breakloose this year is not finalizing the theoretics, nor finely written covenantal hallmarks (all of which we will eventually need), but is the actual engagement of self-conscious forces in the regions--people who plan, act, lead, study and train. From these actual occurrences, next July we will have the needed experience to do major work on the dynamics, forms and relationships of various forces and bring a powerful thrust to the inclusive pluriform order.

**Arena 3: Operational Modes.** Our globality and strategic flexibility need to be expressed structurally. The demonstration of Regional Consult and Pilot HDZ Consult teams drawn from various locations and working configurations across the world frees us from established patterns and images. This will give us the capacity to explore patterns of life and action which will be required for our four-year strategies.

**Arena 4: Geo/Social Analysis.** The bold leap of demonstrating geo/social analysis will not be done in abstraction, but in the concrete selection of the sites for the seven initial HDZ's on seven continents. This selection will force us to do some major work on the tools for effective analysis of the region, from which selections can be made. From this we will be in position to get a handle on the social dynamics needed for inclusive regional impact in July.

Arena 5: Human Development Zone. The key this year is the total regional coverage. Without this, there is no basis for the HDZ. Our decision to place the HDZ in the center of these arenas does not imply shifting the overall focus away from regional coverage. Just the opposite: limiting the number of pilot HDZ's this year will give us the intensive experience for the extensive creation of common tactics, models and procedures next July. This will bring to the zone a unity of thrust similar to the HDP's. This implies that all of the zones, like projects before them, are part of a global strategy and should be rationally expanded and globally selected.

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It is in these arenas that you will find the Panchayat thinking through models and considering needed parameters; where you will find them physically present and where they will be engaged with the Order in demonstration activities.