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Greetings Friends!

It has been a very turbulent summer in the northern hemisphere so far. I had intended to write a Cancer letter that was more focused on the United States this time around with the elections that are coming, the recent racial violence that has arisen and other factors. However, given recent events in other parts of the world, I will have to save most of the comments about the US for another time. We can see this letter, therefore, as an extension of the mid-year letter I sent out just over a week ago. Within the space of a week we have seen some amazing events, given past trends in world affairs. Aside from the Brexit vote last month, we have seen a reversal of direction regarding Syria and the Middle East by the US with Kerry's recent trip to Moscow, <u>Tayyip Erdogan</u> of Turkey with his reversal of direction in apologizing to the Russians for the downing of their jet and paying restitution to the family of the pilot, as well as his overtures to Israel and Syria for normalization of relations between Turkey and those two countries. And then there was the latest disgusting attack in Nice, France. It is no accident or coincidence that all these events have happened so closely together, and we will have a look at why. The Nice attack is the latest in a string of increased events of that kind that have taken place in the past month especially. Thousands of people have died in terrorist-related activity this year alone. In the West, political capital is made by blaming Muslims and 'radical Islam' for the attacks, but the thing that is not mentioned by the people who spout such rhetoric is that most of the victims of these attacks by far have been and continue to be Muslim.¹

So, given the events of the past week, in this letter we will have a look at what is going on with <u>Turkey</u> – a country with Cancer rising, as it turns out – and how the recent coup and reversals of Turkish policy are fitting in with the larger world picture. The US has been commented upon enough in other postings I have seen. And while the US is restive in sectors at the moment, I do not see any special need to worry about outcomes in the US, as surprising as that might sound. Recent events there are not without precedent, and we will move through them and on as a country. And I say that even if by some strange fluke Trump wins the US election. Most readers of these letters would not recognize the name Barry Goldwater², for instance, but he was a candidate much like Trump and with a very similar message. Racial tensions in the US were also very high at the time (1964), far worse than what they are now, if we remember. Goldwater was soundly defeated in the 1964 US election. I will comment more on the US in future letters, especially after we have confirmed candidates. However, there has been little focus on Turkey in other astrological commentaries, and it is a country with more than a little importance to world security at the moment. It bears a closer look given the recent coup attempt. But first, since this is the full moon of Cancer, let's have a look at this sign and some of its more esoteric aspects, one that is right at the heart of the human condition. This will also tie in with Turkey later.

We are one humanity, regardless of birth or custom, and our sense of brotherhood begins with our experience as families, which Cancer represents. Right now, our sense of family is being tested and tried in many ways. Cancer is the sign that is most connected with the mass of humanity, or us, in other words. It is the sign associated with coming into incarnation – birth – hence its connection with the fourth house of the natural zodiac: the beginning of life, family, security (we'll get to that one in a bit), and the resolution of situations/conditions at the end of life. Its orthodox ruler (the Moon) is associated with motherhood, women in general, the populace in mundane horoscopes, the body and with the past – thus Cancerians' natural interest in genealogy, bloodlines, history and the like. However, the esoteric and hierarchical rulers of Cancer are both by Neptune, and this points to the challenge and the triumph of this sign, which can perhaps be seen in the following stanza from a Buddhist prayer:

Aware of the disadvantages of worldly goods, for they are unsatisfying when consumed and the door to all suffering, I ask blessing to generate the great striving for the bliss of liberation.³

This stanza is a call to develop the mind that seeks serve the greater good, to dissolve boundaries between people, and to come to the ultimate realization that security and well-being are found not in material wealth and satisfaction, but in the mind that sees the needs of others as the greatest expedient and joy in one's own life. This is very much the mind of the advanced Cancerian, and it is a type of mind that is one of the great gifts of family life, for family teaches self-sacrifice, patience and recognition of the value of other people's lives, among a great many other things. For most people, what greater joy is there than family? Now having said that, we realize that not all families are examples of blissful cohabitation. Far from it. But if we 'do family' right, then family living is our first exposure to what is meant to be the joy of giving. In esoteric astrology, Neptune is pure reason, which is our doorway into the 'bliss of liberation'. Pure reason and pure love are synonymous terms.⁴ The dissolving power of Neptune, as it is talked about in psychological astrology, is the power that dissolves our sense of little ego and merges us instead with the great ocean of universal consciousness, which is experienced as pure bliss.

The esoteric motto of Cancer is "I build a lighted house and therein dwell." The 'bliss of liberation' as seen in the prayer, is experienced in the clear light, which is beyond ego and which is alluded to in the esoteric motto for the sign. A 'lighted house' refers not simply to a life that is spent developing good qualities, but is instead a mind that has at least glimpsed the clear light, or primordial mind, the mind from which we are born and the mind to which we return at the end of life. The primordial mind is what we might call the 'mind of God', or universal consciousness.

Confined in the body as in a prison ... the soul seeks its pristine sphere of pure rationality by pursuing the philosophic life, by thinking the universal, by loving and living according to reason. The bodily life is but an episode in the eternal career of the soul, which precedes birth and proceeds after death. Life in the flesh is a trial and a probation; death, the release and the return to the soul's destiny; to another term of probation, or to the realm of pure reason.⁵

So, Cancer represents or holds within its symbolism the 'alpha and omega' of human existence. It holds a key to universal consciousness, to which we are consciously released (or release ourselves) in the opposite sign, Capricorn. In this axis of the zodiac, then, we have the duality of life in form and release from it, of being in the body but not of it. In Cancer we learn to live and work through a body, to give of the wisdom from which we sprang and to show the world what 'true love' really means, which is learning about expressing unconditional, universal love – a love that grasps not, yet which holds all within its embrace. With that, what do we see with the full moon?

The full moon takes place on 19 Jul 16 at 22:57 UT (9:57 AM AEDT on the 20th). This will be quite a challenging full moon, since the full moon axis makes t-squares with the Uranus/Eris conjunction and with Ceres, the latter of which is 6° away from Uranus and Eris. If you use Ceres in charts (which I do), then there is quite an unusual septile trapezoid configuration comprised of Ceres, Mercury, Mars and Pluto. In addition, there are septiles between the Sun and Jupiter and between Ceres and Neptune. Also, Neptune is at the midpoint of the Moon/Uranus square, making a 'hard triangle', Mars makes an 'easy opposition' with the full moon axis, and there are quincunx links between Mercury/Venus with Neptune, and Mars with Uranus. It is quite an unusual chart in many ways, and it holds a great potential. Given these points then, what do we see with Turkey?

As I alluded at the first of this letter, the <u>Turkish coup</u> was not an isolated event. If we look at all the factors leading up to it we see that it was probably precipitated over time by the following:

Russia's success in Syria; Russian and Chinese cooperation in the developing One Belt, One Road vision⁶ (which would run right through Turkey, as it turns out) which would join the economies of Europe, Russia, Central Asia and the Far East, as well as India, Southeast Asia and parts of Oceania. The Brexit vote ties in with this, because Britain will likely now focus more on strengthening economic ties with its Commonwealth of nations, and some of these are involved in the planned One Belt, One Road project, India being a case in point. If we look at a map, we might see why Turkey would be interested. And then, there is the presence of not just Russian and American forces in Syria, but Chinese troops as well, given the preceding; the reversal of US policy in Syria with regard to the fight against terrorism and its overtures to cooperation with Russia in that fight; and also with the Brexit vote, Europe moving toward a closer cooperation with Russia and the eventual scrapping of the sanctions against the latter.

Erdogan might be an autocrat, but he is also an opportunist and he is not stupid. His dreams of being the sultan of a caliphate or neo-Ottoman Empire⁷ are dead now. He was being expedient, it would appear, with his change of heart toward Syria, Israel and Russia. He also knows that he does not have the full backing of the US now, and Europe is reticent to allow Turkey into the EU, especially since Turkey now hosts over 2 million Syrian refugees and is looking at reinstating the death penalty. Aside from these points, though, this coup is not all it would appear to be. There are facets of it that are mighty fishy, and as usual, astrology tells the tale.

Starting with the chart of Turkey, the present governmental system was founded under the leadership of Mustafa Kemal Atatürk. The Turkish Republic came into being, or was declared, on 29 Oct 1923 at 8:30 PM Turkish time. This gives a Scorpio Sun, Cancer rising and Cancer Moon. Thus, the internal problems and challenges for the country as well as much of its personality can be seen with the Scorpio Sun, which is in the fifth house and in a wide conjunction with Mercury and Saturn, and is trine to the Moon. Uranus is in the ninth house conjunct the Midheaven and Mars is square to the horizon, which indicates the revolutionary nature of its government as well as the four military coups it has experienced over the years. Pluto is in the first house close to the ascendant, and there is a quintile triangle involving the Moon, Jupiter (which is conjunct Venus) and Uranus, with Uranus being the midpoint of the triangle. So, we already have a picture of a rich, sometimes obsessive country that does not always play by everyone else's rules and which can be heavyhanded in its dealings with other countries and its citizens. It can be quite secretive and insular, and with the Cancer ascendant, there is more than a little interest in its 'glory days' of the Ottoman Empire. The latter is what has been at the root of some of its current woes, but those troubles also indicate that it is responding somewhat to its higher way forward – integration with the mass of humanity, as indicated by the sign Cancer and its recent moves to distance itself from the belligerent stance it took with regard to Russia, Israel and the Syrian civil war.

In recent years Pluto transited opposite Turkey's Moon (2009) sextile to Turkey's Sun (2010 – 2011) and across the 7th house cusp (2011 – 2013) squaring the nation's Mars at the same time, which was a period when Turkey was rocked by scandal. It was also the period when Erdogan was rising in power in the country and espousing a return to the Ottoman days. This period included a deal under the table with Iran by members of Recep Erdogan's AK Party (he was the founder of the Party) to trade gold for Iranian oil (the 'gas for gold' scandal⁸) and this at a time when Iran was under sanctions by the UN for its nuclear program, *and* at the time the Iranian nuclear deal was being negotiated. This was in 2013 and failed to topple the government, as the present coup has also. Erdogan's sons and close aides were implicated in the scandal, but it was successfully covered up, as evidenced by the fact that Erdogan was chosen as the first freely elected president of Turkey in August 2014.⁹ If all this rings a bell, then we remember as well that Russian evidence during the Russian intervention in Syria uncovered a similar scheme with Daesh to trade oil for cash with Turkey, directly implicating the Turkish government and Erdogan's family once again, especially in aiding the cause of Daesh at a time when Turkey was supposedly fighting the same.¹⁰ The Western

press made attempts to try to disavow such evidence. The 2013 scandal ties in with the latest coup attempt, as we will see.

The reason that I mentioned the Pluto transits before is that Pluto represents subterfuge, underhanded dealings, power plays in governments as well as the mass subconscious, among other things in a mundane chart. In short, whenever Pluto is active in a national chart as it has been with Turkey, the darker side of a nation comes up for examination and we often see moves by governments to shore up control and to clamp down on freedoms and opposition. We saw this with the US starting with 9/11, when Pluto transited across the US ascendant. At the same time Saturn was on the US descendant. Since then American freedoms have been gradually whittled away, all in the name of 'security'. Now, these points being made, Pluto is the planet that clears the way to greater spiritual capacity, and the reasons these things come up with Pluto transits and progressions is that the soul of a person or nation is seeking greater freedom of expression, expression that cannot be realized until the issues or hindering structures are cleared away. Pluto is a direct challenge to the status quo, and it is most often met with stiff resistance. Hence, the emergence of power plays when Pluto comes calling. After all, Pluto transmits the first Ray of will or power, hence the struggles for power within a person or nation when Pluto is strongly influencing a chart. Pluto is currently in the 7th house of Turkey's horoscope. What we saw with the 2013 scandal, the cover-up that followed and the present coup is that members of the judiciary who opposed the government or who sought the truth, as well as members of the police force, were dismissed, threatened or jailed.

At present, over 2,700 members of Turkey's judiciary have been dismissed¹¹ since the coup attempt. It has been suggested that the list of judges to be arrested was prepared before the coup, ¹² which brings up some very interesting speculations about the coup itself. Turkey is also looking at re-instituting the death penalty in response to the coup (interesting from the standpoint of Pluto transiting the 7th house of a national horoscope, too), which would kill off any hope that Turkey would enter the EU at some point. So, the rule of law in Turkey looks to be under threat, its relationship with the West is likewise under threat (the 7th house also representing contracts and partnerships), and its relations with the United States are likewise shaky, with one Turkish minister accusing the US of being behind the coup. That didn't go down well in the US. The fact that the US is hosting Gulen, Erdogan's nemesis, as a refugee and refuses at the moment to hand him over to Turkish authorities is a sore point, too. So, what about this coup? What do we see as its causes and outcomes?

There are many things about this coup that do not add up, and which paint it in a suspicious light. To start, Erdogan had just apologized to Russia for the downing of their jet, had held out olive branches to Syria and India, and recent Islamic movements across the region such as the Muslim Brotherhood have collapsed or become radically violent. Turkey has a strong relationship with the Muslim Brotherhood, and Erdogan is a supporter. ¹³ Daesh is now targeting Turkey instead of being covertly aided by it and there have been a string of violent terrorist incidents in recent months in the country as a result. Additionally, the Kurdish insurgency has been emboldened by what it sees as gains being made by Kurdish forces in the Syrian civil war. Turkish policy since 2011 and the Arab Spring have not been helpful for the country and have been detrimental to Turkey's security. These policies were largely put forward by the former Prime Minister Ahmet Davotaglu, who was ousted in 2015. The new Prime Minister, Binali Yildrim, is pushing for more friendship in the region. These things combined have angered many Islamists in the country, especially the overtures to Israel, but Erdogan is being realistic now instead of belligerent as he was a year ago. The positive, pragmatic nature Capricorn as his ascendant would have appeared to be coming through more strongly now, as was the more accommodating nature of his Pisces Sun. However, given what is happening in Turkey with the purge indicates that the more manipulative, 3rd Ray side of Capricorn and the Pluto rulership of Pisces is what is at work with Erdogan at the moment. The coup is unlikely to alter any of the aforementioned reversals, but reading between the lines, they can also be seen as a smoke screen to shore up support prior to the coup. There is too much at stake for Turkish security and foreign relations into the future to renege on agreements now, but that could all change very quickly. We'll have to wait and see.

As for the coup itself, it was poorly organized. To begin, with most coups one of the first things that happens is the media outlets are seized and a concerted effort is made to convince the populace that the coup leaders are in control and that the coup is succeeding. That did not happen in Turkey this time. Erdogan was on vacation at the time. When he heard about the coup his entourage whisked him away and his private jet was tailed by F-16s, which did not shoot down his plane, nor engage the two F-16 escort jets¹⁴ – odd, for a faction trying to overthrow a government. It is alleged that he asked for asylum in Germany but was refused – this from an unconfirmed source in the US military. This was reported by NBC in the US, but there is no record of the report now. The coup was immediately pinned on a cleric by the name of Fethullah Gulen, a one-time ally and now bitter rival of Erdogan, at least in Erdogan's eyes. Gulen is currently in self-imposed exile in the US, and Erdogan has made calls for his extradition, which the US at present refuses to do without due process.

It is doubtful that Gulen was behind the coup, and he has denied any involvement, instead making the statement that Erdogan probably staged the coup himself, which is possible, although it has been stated that factions within the Turkish military staged it. ¹⁷ At first glance the astrology of the coup looks very similar to many false flag operations, and much the evidence after the fact – the way the government has reacted and the coup itself – points to it. However, there are other points about the coup that point to it actually having been committed by factions in the Turkish military. As of this writing there are still 14 Turkish navy ships unaccounted for, as well as two helicopters and special forces units. ¹⁸ Hours before the coup Erdogan was warned by Russian intelligence that the coup was about to take place. ¹⁹ There are reportedly deep divisions within the Turkish elites. ²⁰ The power remains cut off to Incirlik Air Base, which is a US Air Force installation where the US nuclear weapons in Turkey are housed. ²¹ And so on.

Also, the WikiLeaks site is currently being jammed since the coup attempt by unknown sources, and they are prepared to leak between 300 – 500 thousand emails and documents, some of them related to the coup. ²² During the coup, most of the major social media sites were jammed, but people found ways around that. Only full control of the internet can enable jamming such as that, and a small faction within the military would not have been able to pull that off with everything else that was going on. And since then upwards of 60,000 people have been arrested, sacked or asked to resign. It all smacks of state censorship and state sponsorship of the coup, but it will take time to find the truth. It would appear that Erdogan and his government are doing their best to purge the state of any opposition. Do we really have to wonder what is going on? Add to this the fact that 2/3 of those people are academics²³ then the picture is quite clear: Although this coup was probably instigated and executed by factions within the Turkish military, the government is taking full advantage of it to silence opposition. One of the first things a despotic government does in a crackdown is to at least severely curtail the academics within the state. They do not want people analyzing what happens, nor do they want angry students stirring up trouble, inciting people to question authority. And many of the academics are thought to be followers of Gulen.

As far as Erdogan's astrology, he served as Prime Minister of Turkey from March 2003 to August 2014 when he was elected President of Turkey. He was imprisoned for four months starting 24 Mar 1999 for inciting rhetoric against the secular state as mayor of Istanbul, when he spoke for colleagues who were members of the outlawed Islamic conservative Welfare Party. He has the dwarf planet Ixion square to his horizon, which is often a mark of inflammatory speech – this as well as his Moon/Mars conjunction. At the time of his imprisonment, Mars was activating a solar

eclipse that had taken place on his Midheaven a few years before. When he was elected Prime Minister, transiting Neptune was square to his Midheaven, and transiting Saturn was sextile his Pluto and trine to his Neptune. Also, his progressed Sun was opposite his Neptune and there was a solar arc of his ascendant to his natal Sun. The influence of Neptune is often seen in elections, and his case is no exception. This was in evidence again with his election as president in 2014 with Neptune transiting across his Sun. His Moon/Mars conjunction was also making a solar arc to his natal Saturn (ruling his first house) and Pluto was making solar arcs to his Moon/Mars conjunction. He was quite energized for success at the time. This was cemented by Saturn having just crossed his Midheaven, the mark of a culmination in his career. He should have left it at that.

What we see now is that Saturn has gone retrograde toward the square to his Sun and was within orb of his Moon/Mars conjunction on the day of the coup. It will hover there until the end of August. In addition, the Uranus/Eris conjunction by transit is opposite his natal Neptune at the moment, as well as being opposite the Turkish state Mercury/Saturn conjunction, and Neptune is very close to his Mercury/Venus conjunction. So, it is anyone's guess as to what is up with Erdogan, but what seems clear is that he is feeling very threatened at the moment and under enormous pressure from all sides. He called the coup a 'gift from Allah', however, and he is now using it to get rid of any vestige of opposition. The transit of Neptune to his Mercury also indicates fuzzy thinking or deliberate deception on his part. And, the Eris connection is of more than a little interest with Turkey, because in the mythology of Eris, it was Eris' actions that were the trigger for the Trojan war. Troy was located in what is now Turkey at Hissarlik.

There is a purge going on in Turkey, and this is indicated by solar arcs of Turkey's Mars and ascendant to Turkey's Pluto. This shows the excessiveness of response to the situation – the purge, in other words, and all the rhetoric that is going along with it. It also shows the Turkish press now painting Erdogan the hero and the winner against the odds. However, there is also a solar arc of Neptune to Turkey's Jupiter, and this along with the just-mentioned solar arcs point to something interesting: The religious element is strong with this coup, as well as the response to the judiciary, which seems out of place. Also, there are solar arcs of Mercury and Saturn to Turkey's Uranus, which also indicate nervousness, heavy-handedness and the clash between religious conservatism and the progressive secularization of the state. This latter point is an indication of the widening disconnect in relations between Turkey and the West, especially the EU.

Erdogan's Saturn is close to Turkey's Sun, indicating his heavy hand in Turkey's government and the control he seeks to wield over Turkey's destiny. He might and probably will succeed in eliminating many of his political opponents, but it will not serve him in the long term. At the end of next year the planetary dynamics relative to his chart are quite heavy, and he could be deposed at that time, with transiting Mars over his Saturn and Midheaven, Pluto on his ascendant, Uranus and Eris opposite his Neptune and Neptune moving up to his Mercury/Venus conjunction. His progressed Moon will also be balsamic at that point, indicating a darker mood for him. Turkey may well have had enough of Erdogan at that point, finding herself increasingly isolated from her Mediterranean neighbors and the US, which seems to be the direction she is headed under Erdogan's leadership.

All this being said, Turkey has a major role to play in world affairs into the foreseeable future. It is a crossroads in the near East, between the Middle East and Europe. It has historically been of great importance in European history and will continue to be into the future. But the days of the Ottoman Empire are gone, as the French, Roman, Spanish and British Empires among others have also had their day and are now gone. The same is beginning to be evidenced of the American economic empire, too. Turkey is a nation whose mundane chart for the birth of its present secular government matches its subjective synthesis. It has been closely tied with Washington in the past through the Cancerian emphasis, which conditions the higher expression of both. In other words, they are meant

to unite people with an open hand rather than in a grasping fashion, and they are meant to bring spiritual light into their respective spheres of influence. That is hardly what we see at the moment, but the structures are in place for it to happen. Once again, it is the public will that will bring it about, and Cancer rules the general public. Turkey is tied with New York, too, through Cancerian emphasis and thus with finances and through the UN.

Turkey is a NATO ally, but she also realizes that her destiny lies with the region in which she finds herself. This is partly what is behind the yearning for the neo-Ottoman empire, but that is a distortion and a throwback, based upon the more conservative elements in the society who feel uncertain about the direction Turkey has taken since 1923. Her power must now lie with her ability to embrace the cultures that find a home there now, with the cultures that form her boundaries and with the diverse belief systems that make up her populace. Turkey can be a model of dialog between Christianity and Islam, for instance, if she chooses, or between the Middle East and Europe, but to do so would require that she abandons the quest for influence through might and interference in regional affairs that she has evidenced recently. She can also eventually stand with Russia as a bridge between the East and the West, different in ideal and application, but bridging nonetheless.

Turkey faces problems similar to Washington in some ways, with a government that has seen the steady rise of the religious right in their legislative matters, with the corruption that comes from the involvement of money in politics, with the meddling in the affairs of its neighbors, with a secular structure that most people want expanded, but which the conservative elements in society want to see curtailed with a return to 'family' or 'old-time' values. Turkey, too, has a powerful military, second only to the US in NATO deployment, and that military has a very strong influence in the political life of the country, as it does in the US, although in different ways. In the US the influence is through economics and lobbying, whereas in Turkey it is through direct intervention and the dissolution of governments. Through it all, though, Turkey has remained secular and until recently was moving steadily and increasingly toward embracing Western (meaning European) values. There is the danger that the present government in Turkey might forestall that for a time and take a step backwards into a more fundamentalist approach, but we will have to wait and see. As a passing note, Tokyo also has Cancer as a ruling sign, and it has recently seen the re-election of Abe, who is an advocate of the return of Japan to its imperial past and the revision of its constitution along pre-WWII lines. When Cancerians feel threatened by change, they tend to retreat into what they have known and try to insulate themselves from the perceived changes. It never works for long, and change comes regardless. The best approach for Cancerians is to embrace the change and the people who come along with it.

So, Turkey needs to be watched carefully in the coming years. The fear in Europe is that she will use the refugees as a leverage point and perhaps expel them across the Bosporus and into the Mediterranean, but that probably has no basis in fact. There is also the fear both in Europe and in Washington that she will take a step back into fundamentalist ideology, which would quickly sour relations and play into the hands of the fear mongers in the West. Let us hold the thought that the higher Cancerian ideals in the centers and countries mentioned here will prevail, and that dialog and active application of solutions will supplant the isolationist and nationalistic tendencies that have arisen in those places in recent years. Much of what we see in the world at the moment in relation to violence, resistance to change and the like are now acts of desperation. May we all move steadily and with resolve toward the recognition that we are all one human family, regardless of our differences. Love and time are the great healing balm.

Blessings on this full moon day, Malvin 19 Jul 2016

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