

A Practical Plan for Pacifying Pakistan and Afghanistan

The plans of the U S and its allies that are intended to pacify Afghanistan are doomed to failure unless the Afghans are able to realize substantial improvement in their lives and their living conditions. Such military actions will succeed only if the majority of the Afghans understand and support the efforts that are planned. With adult illiteracy exceeding 85% in females and 55% in males, informing and persuading the Afghans present formidable problems. Such wide illiteracy severely inhibits the growth and development of the nation's economy, its culture, and its natural resources. At this time the Afghan's primary enemy is not the Taliban – it is the **ILLITERACY!**

Only through an informed citizenry can Afghanistan become a healthy and self-sustaining nation – a positive contributor to our planet's family of nations.

The Mudoc Corporation is proposing the development and operation of a national information dispensary system (abbreviated NIDS) in Afghanistan. Such a system is described in Chapter 3 of *The Mu Primer*, a textbook now being prepared for publication by Mudoc Corp's MuPress. That chapter is now available at mudoc.com/mpms3.htm. It describes how information technology tools that are either now available – or, are just on the horizon – can enable less-developed countries like Afghanistan, with a modicum of support from the advanced nations, to move rapidly to full literacy.

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