

Looking back in time, we can see the unfolding of a plan for absorbing the Hawaiian Islands into the United States Empire. This document is a fictional creation of what that plan might have looked like, had there been one.

Note: To explore more about the traditional faith mentioned in this document, go to: <http://kingdomofhawaii.info/wp-content/uploads/2015/04/Temple-of-Lono-and-Hale-O-Papa.pdf>

### The Imperial Guide to the Conquest of Hawai'i: A Fictional Perspective on Hawaiian History

The given foundation for this plan is the strategic importance of Hawai'i based on its location and resources. Controlling this strategic high ground and ensuring access to the natural resources of the islands is the goal of the plan.

What we have encountered in Hawai'i is a very sophisticated civilization founded on a strong faith rooted deeply in the people's understanding of natural processes. Over thousands of years, on that foundation of faith, the Hawaiians have developed a complex social system suitable for an island civilization and a highly effective economic system that sustainably supports hundreds of thousands of people.

At the same time, the civilization provides such a comprehensive guide to daily life that the indigenous people are in many ways innocents. They know what needs to be done each day and survive totally on what they produce based on their exquisite knowledge of their local environment. That integration produces a simplicity that we can challenge by introducing new ways of thinking and new products. That challenge will, in turn, destabilize the existing civilization.

To dismantle the existing civilization and absorb Hawai'i into the Empire will require a multi-pronged approach.

**Introduce diseases** = The indigenous population does not have immunity to diseases that the imperial agents bring with them. Every imperial traveller -- sailors, merchants, clergy, laborers, etc. -- can all provide a vector for introducing deadly diseases into the indigenous population. The debilitating effect of these diseases will weaken the entire social and economic structure. We can allow this process to proceed naturally from interactions between the indigenous populations and our agents or we can accelerate the process with the deliberate introduction of the necessary pathogens, as we did in sending blankets infected with small pox to the Native Americans.

The impact of the diseases will also weaken the influence of the traditional faith that will appear to be unable to prevent the spread of the diseases and their deadly consequences. As further insurance against the natives developing defenses, our agents should work to discredit the local healers as practicing Devil worship.

**Destroy the faith** = Indigenous populations almost always have a faith that underlies their civilization. In the case of Hawai'i, that faith is expressed in the worship of food and the four Gods, representing the ocean, Sun, Earth, and fresh water.

Missionaries will be the agents for introducing the alternative faith and destroying the traditional faith.

The form of Christianity that will be introduced will stress the miracle aspects of Jesus, i.e. walking on water, producing the loaves and fishes, etc. because the Kahunas of the traditional Hawaiian faith have those same powers. The goal will be to convince the Hawaiians that Jesus was the greatest Kahuna of all time. Jesus' teachings of peace and brotherly love will resonate well with the concept of Aloha.

The story will also stress the crucifixion as the central event focus because the Hawaiians understand the sacrifice made by their high chiefs.

In the Hawaiian social system, the high chief is the one who can order the taking of life. The Hawaiians consider that function necessary to preserve the civilization from those who fail to respect the laws governing survival.

At the same time, the Hawaiians believe that those who take a life will pay a high price in the life coming after death. So in appreciation for the high chief's willingness to pay that price, the people contribute part of the products of their labor to the high chief, who in turn shares that contribution with those assisting the chief in managing the society.

In this cosmology, the story of a high chief who gives his life to save his community from having to pay for their sins after death would be totally understandable.

The missionaries will also introduce the concept of the Devil. While the Hawaiians have highly developed moral codes that include guidance on what is right and wrong, they do not have the concept of one evil force. The introduction of the Devil will allow the missionaries to impose that construct on the practitioners of the traditional faith and turn the newly converted Christians against their own traditional faith and its practitioners.

A key aspect of the religious conquest will be getting the Hawaiian converts to do the actual destruction of the traditional faith. Wherever possible, the transition into the imperial system should be something that the indigenous people have embraced and serve willingly. The use of external coercion is less effective in the long run and is still a viable tool if needed.

The goal is to destroy the influence of the traditional faith and, in doing so, to remove the foundation of the Hawaiian civilization. That destruction will pave the

way for destroying the economic, social, cultural, and other aspects of the indigenous civilization.

**Destroy the Economic System** = The Hawaiian economic system is based on the principle of stewardship of the land and sharing. The land does not belong to anyone; the people belonged to the land. Everyone contributes their particular skill and fulfills their particular function within the community.

To destroy this economic system will require the introduction of the private property concept, which is the foundation of capitalism, and introduce the concept of constant growth, which is the driving ideology of capitalism. As these concepts are introduced, the Hawaiians will be at a disadvantage because they cannot argue effectively against something that has no meaning for them.

As part of the transition, we must convince the indigenous people that our products are superior to those they produce. Our tall ships will overshadow even their largest war canoes. We know that we start with the advantage of having products they do not, such as metal. With a civilization built on constant observation and learning, we can be assured that they will find such products fascinating and easily incorporate such products into their daily lives. Laying silk next to tapa will lure the Hawaiians towards abandoning their traditional products in favor of our imported products. Teaching them that nudity is evil will allow the introduction of our clothing products.

Overall our economic goal is to devalue indigenous skills and products in order to replace them with products that will make the indigenous dependent on us to provide what they want. As we make the indigenous less and less self sufficient, they will increasingly rely upon us in matters beyond the economy.

**Destroy the Political System** = The indigenous have a stratified political system based on the Tahitian model. There are the Kahunas, who provide guidance to all aspects of community life. There are the Ali'i who rule the society and are revered because they have high spiritual energy (mana). There are the warriors (Na Koa) who serve the high chiefs. And there are the Maka'ainana, who till the land, raise the fish, and otherwise provide the food that sustains the civilization.

A key component of the political system are the family relationships. A key selection criteria for high positions in the community is genealogy. Removing both of these influences will be part of the political transition.

In Hawai'i, we do have the challenge that there are multiple islands with independent governing structures. When we ultimately move to absorb the islands into the Empire, we do not want that process to require fighting from island to island. Part of the overall plan for Hawai'i, therefore, is to identify a major high chief to whom we can provide our superior weapons and encourage that chief to unite all the islands under his rule.

That the high chief can pay for these weapons with products from the islands, such as the highly valuable sandalwood, makes this part of the plan both feasible and profitable.

Once we have a unified government, we can then begin the process of annexation, which will ultimately extinguish the existing political system altogether.

We will start with the introduction of democracy and constitutional government. Once we supplant the traditional system for selecting leadership with an elective system, we can control who qualifies to vote and assure ourselves a major place within the government.

Much as the converted Christians will be used to destroy the traditional faith, the elected government will be used to destroy the monarchy. As we gain influence within the Legislature and Executive Branch, we will force constitutional changes that will increasingly limit the authority of the monarch. Any break in the line of descent for a monarch will be an opportunity to replace the traditional process of hereditary monarchs with a new process of elected monarchs.

All of these types of changes will undermine, and eventually erase, the people's commitment to the traditional political structure and disempower those who might oppose our plans.

**Destroy the Social Structure** = As we gain power and can pass legislation, we will use the legislative process to further our other goals. We will pass laws that ban the traditional faith practices, such as ancestor worship. We will pass laws that ban the social customs that hold the community together, such as the practice of families with multiple children giving one of their children to a childless couple (hanai). We will ban the practice of multiple marriages that currently solidify the ruling class by joining genealogies.

We will ban the speaking of Hawaiian in the schools to begin the process of deculturalization of the next generation. As a civilization that passes much of its wisdom and culture by oral chants, bringing up a generation that does not speak the language will break their ties to the past. We will indoctrinate the children to becoming Americans.

Our local agents will be encouraged to intermarry with the Hawaiian ruling class. Such marriages will provide us intelligence on the plans and discussions of the Hawaiian rulers and an ability to influence their thinking and actions. One goal would be to have our agents assume official positions within the Hawaiian government.

Even if all our plans are successful, we may still face resistance to incorporating the islands into the Empire. The day may come when force will be necessary to finally

destroy their independence. Imperial representatives will remain in contact with those within the islands who might be called upon to take that step and be prepared to provide military support, should that day come.

To the greatest extent possible, the overthrow of the local government must be implemented without a full scale United States invasion in order to give some appearance of legitimacy to those who seize the government. Once the overthrow is solidified, the Empire will rely upon the local agents to pursue the process of annexation in concert with our representatives in the United States.

While fictional, all the elements included in this plan appear to have been implemented.

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