Securing Property Rights in the Absence of a State



Guest post by George F. Smith.

Many Rothbardians are vowing not to vote in this or any election since voting only supports the State. But I wonder if they could be persuaded otherwise if they knew one of the ballot choices were to dissolve the governments and replace them with voluntary market institutions. Of course, we don't have that choice, and most people would either laugh or be scared to death if it were proposed. But with sovereign nations riding the Keynesian sled into the Abyss, the dissolution might fall in our laps anyway. Preposterous as it might sound, we might need to consider organizing society around something other than the coercive monopolies driving us to extinction. Fortunately, we have both experience and theory to draw upon.

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