Javier Solana, the High Representative for the European Common, Foreign and Security Policy, will travel to Manila next week to take part in an ASEAN summit to discuss regional security issues. The Association of South East Asian Nations is a political and economic organization similar to that of the European Union. It is made up of the states of Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam. The states are seeking to form an
ASEAN Economic Community
by the year 2020 through the creation of a common market, a single regional currency and the integration of transport, telecommunications services and energy resources. They also hope to create a new ASEAN "common regional identity" similar to that of "Europeans", eroding the ideas of nationalism and sovereignty and promoting the idea of "global governance".

Quote: *"In articles published in several leading Asian papers ahead of his visit, Solana said the EU had a major stake in a stable and prosperous Asia. "Our political, security and economic interests are* ***more intertwined than ever****," said Solana, adding that Europe and Asia also* ***sh ared a commitment to a system of global governance*** *which effectively addresses trans-national problems.*

As many of you know, "global governance" is the new catch-phrase that is replacing the term of the "New World Order". It doesn't sound as confrontational, but it means exactly the same thing. Europe's political, security and economic interests are also "more intertwined than ever". Of course there are benefits to be gained from increased co-operation between states, namely a measure of peace and prosperity. And apart from what the Scriptures state, I would be lauding man's efforts to create peace and stability in the world. But the Bible predicts that the last great empire, a Revived Roman Empire or European Union, will pave the way for coming of the Antichrist. Solana has been given authority over Europe's crisis-management machinery, and he will be speaking about this during his visit to Manila. During the the tribulation period, the world will experience a time of unprecedented crisis, when the powers of the heavens will be shaken (Matthew 24:29). At this time the Antichrist will be given complete authority over the whole earth (Revelation 13:7), and it will be said of him, "Who is like unto the Beast? Who is able to make war with him?", Revelation 13:4. And he shall make war, and prevail, against the tribulation saints. Revelation also states that he shall make war with the Lamb - Jesus Christ, as He returns to set up His kingdom (Revelation 19:19). Whose side are you on, the world's or the Lord's? Have you said as Thomas did, "My Lord and my God", John 20:28, or have you said in your heart, "I will not have this Man to reign over me", Luke 19:14? Trust in Jesus Christ for salvation today.

Jude 1:14-15
And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints, To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.

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