A Supplement to Constructed Guilt

Preamble: On Knowledge and Choice

This supplement addresses a single, narrow question: At what point does continuing a policy despite evidence of a superior alternative constitute institutional negligence?

The answer, established in legal doctrine for over seventy years, is unambiguous: When the evidence is available, when the harm is measurable, and when the alternative is demonstrable, continuation of the harmful system is no longer negligence. It is choice.

This supplement presents the evidence, the costs, and the available alternatives. It concludes with an observation about what those facts entail.

Part I: What We Know About Behavior

Section 1.1: Environmental Determination as Established Fact

Behaviour—complex, identity-constituting, apparently chosen—is predominantly environmentally determined. The evidence is not contentious. It is quantified.

Language acquisition. Across eight nations with N=1,811,487,320 individuals, geographic residence predicts dominant language spoken with concordance rates of 72.0–96.9% (mean Cohen's h = 0.93, all p