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POST ABORTION HUMAN FETAL HARVESTING



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PREFACE

This material was initially presented as a lecture in a graduate school neuropsychology class. It is here rewritten in academic paper format. The purpose of this inquiry is to address the little known and rarely discussed subject of post abortion human fetal harvesting: What is the nature of the post abortion human fetal harvesting industry and its relationship to the abortion industry? What does it harvest, to whom does it provide aborted human fetal materials and for what purposes?

This raises questions as to the nature of abortion: what are the various techniques of human fetal abortion? And what is the response of the human fetus during the abortion process? This requires a short review of human fetal anatomy and development: What are the major physical and behavioural landmarks of human fetal development? This paper will attempt to address these issues, in the hope of offering a groundwork for the consideration of the morality of the abortion and post abortion human fetal harvesting industries and the very humanity of the human fetus.

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## ABSTRACT

In studying the anatomy and physiology of human behaviour, a widely used graduate school level textbook notes a current experimental treatment for patients with Parkinson's Disease involving the surgical implantation of aborted human fetal brain tissue into the brains of such patients. The text, "Physiology of Behavior" by Carlson, [8<sup>th</sup> edition, 2004], takes the reader from a fertilized human embryo to a 28-day "neural tube," and then directly to a living and thriving post birth human infant, while remaining curiously silent on the intervening in utero period.

In seeking materials on the nature of post abortion human fetal harvesting, many major questions are raised with not surprisingly few public sources from which to obtain the desired answers. To understand post abortion human fetal harvesting, we must address the question of fetal distress and response to abortion. This requires a review of various common abortion techniques, as well as an overview of major anatomical and behavioural landmarks of human fetal development.

In the course of seeking some answers to these questions, we can not avoid the question of the ethics of human abortion and its associated industries, nor of the question of human fetal pain experienced during abortion. And most striking of all, we can not avoid the issue of the humanity of the human fetus. It is hoped that this paper will contribute to laying an objective and comprehensive groundwork for the consideration of the morality of post abortion human fetal harvesting, its connection with the issue of abortion itself, and the very humanity of the human fetus.

## DEDICATION

To the suffering of aborted human babies, and their mothers and fathers never to be, that all such things may be brought to a speedy end.

## EPIGRAPH

PSALM 127:3, "Lo, children are an heritage of The LORD: and the fruit of the womb is His reward! [KJV]

## EDITORIAL NOTE

I have endeavored to use as many internet resources as possible for this lecture, most especially for the incredible pictures presented herein, so that others may more conveniently and directly access the same astounding written and visual material. I provide the internet link with each reference when available. All website links were active as of 10/10/2003 AD.

## I. ON THE NATURE AND TREATMENT OF PARKINSON'S DISEASE

We begin with Neil R. Carlson's "Physiology of Behavior" (8<sup>th</sup> edition), a widely used graduate school level textbook on human psychobiology, which describes the cause of Parkinson's disease and its current standard drug treatment as follows: "Degeneration of dopaminergic neurons that connect the substantia nigra with the caudate nucleus causes Parkinson's disease, a movement disorder characterized by tremors, rigidity of the limbs, poor balance, and a difficulty in initiating movements. The cell bodies of these neurons are located in a region of the brain called the substantia nigra..."<sup>1</sup>

Carlson continues by noting the traditional pharmacological treatment of this disease: "People with Parkinson's disease are given L-DOPA, the precursor to dopamine. Although dopamine cannot cross the blood-brain-barrier, L-DOPA can. Once L-DOPA reaches the brain, it is taken up by dopaminergic neurons in patients with Parkinson's disease. As a consequence, the patient's symptoms are alleviated."<sup>2</sup>

The same source notes the complications of and limitations of treating Parkinson's disease with L-DOPA: Treatment of Parkinson's disease with L-DOPA "often produces dyskinesias and dystonias - involuntary movements and postures that are presumably caused by too much stimulation of dopamine receptors in the basal ganglia... In addition, L-DOPA does not work indefinitely; eventually, the number of nigrostriatal dopaminergic neurons declines to such a low level that the symptoms become worse. Some patients... even become bedridden, scarcely able to move."<sup>3</sup>

## II. ABORTED HUMAN FETAL BRAIN TISSUE IN TREATING PARKINSON'S DISEASE

Carlson then reports briefly on one possibly promising and highly experimental long term treatment for Parkinson's disease involving the injection of harvested fetal brain tissue into the brains of patients with Parkinson's disease: "...Transplantation of fetal tissue attempts to reestablish the secretion of dopamine in the neostriatum. The tissue is obtained from the substantia nigra of aborted human fetuses and implanted into the caudate nucleus and putamen by means of stereotaxically guided needles.... Scans have shown that dopaminergic fetal cells are able to grow in their new host and secrete dopamine, reducing the patient's symptoms."<sup>4</sup>

## III. THE QUESTION – WHAT OF THE HUMANITY OF THE PREBORN HUMAN FETUS?

The therapy of implanting harvested post abortion fetal brain tissue into the brains of Parkinson's disease patients raises interesting questions that are not covered by Carlson in his "Physiology of Behavior" textbook. The Text takes one from a 28 day old

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<sup>1</sup> 1, Carlson, "Physiology of Behavior," on the nature of Parkinson's Disease, p 117.

<sup>2</sup> 1, Ibid., on the traditional drug treatment of Parkinson's Disease, p 117.

<sup>3</sup> 1, Ibid., on the complications of and limitations of traditional drug treatment of Parkinson's Disease, p 265.

<sup>4</sup> 1, Ibid., on the possibly promising and highly experimental long term treatment of Parkinson's Disease by the surgical implantation into the brains of such patients of post abortion human fetal brain tissue, p 265.

human embryo as a “neural tube” to a post birth adult human brain, while giving little consideration to the subsequent in utero period of human fetal brain development.<sup>5</sup> What are the biopsychological milestones of human fetal development? What are the different types of abortion procedures? How does the human fetus respond to abortion? What is the nature of fetal harvesting? Here we will seek some answers to these questions.

#### IV. SELECTED HUMAN FETAL ANATOMICAL & BEHAVIOURAL MILESTONES

It will first be necessary to review some basic anatomical and behavioral milestones of human fetal development. We will note select major milestones from each of the first, second and third trimesters of pregnancy and the proceed onward.

##### A. THE FIRST TRIMESTER OF HUMAN FETAL DEVELOPMENT

Here we have a 9 weeks gestation post abortion dead human fetus. The procedure has resulted in gross trauma to the fetal body, the parts having been reassembled post the abortion procedure, thus accounting for the majority of the fetal tissues. Noted is the distinctly humanoid form of the fetal remains at this age of gestation:<sup>6</sup>



9 weeks gestation post abortion dead human fetus.

Source: “First Trimester [Abortion] Photographs.” AbortionTV.com.

<http://www.abortiontv.com/AbortionPictures-FirstTrimester.htm>

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<sup>5</sup> 1, Carlson, “Physiology of Behavior,” on “An Overview of [Human] Brain Development,” p 75-80.

<sup>6</sup> 2, AbortionTV.com, “First Trimester [Abortion] Photographs.”  
<http://www.abortiontv.com/AbortionPictures-FirstTrimester.htm>

And here we have a 10 weeks gestation live in utero human fetus. Note the discernable outline of the human fetal head, torso and extremities: <sup>7</sup>



Source: “10-Weeks Ultrasound.” AbortionFacts.com.  
10 weeks gestation in utero live human fetus  
<http://www.abortionfacts.com/movies/10weeks.asp>

This is what is termed the 1<sup>st</sup> trimester of the 3 periods of human fetal development. At 18 days the eyes start to develop. At 20 days the foundations of the brain, spinal cord and nervous system are laid down. At 24 days the heart begins to beat. By 28 days the muscles are developing along the future spine. Arms and legs are budding. At days we observe the fetal brain to have human proportions. At 35 day the pituitary gland in brain is forming. Further, the mouth, ears and nose are taking shape. <sup>8</sup>

At 6 to 7 weeks of human fetal development the brain begins to coordinate movement of muscles and organs. Reflex responses have begun. <sup>9</sup> And it is at this point that fetal brain waves are now detected. <sup>10 11 12</sup>

By 8 weeks the neurological structures are present, establishing the anatomy necessary for both sensory and motor function pathways for both feeling and movement: “[a] a sensory nerve to feel the pain and send a message to [b] the thalamus... and [c] motor nerves that send a message to that area... The pain impulse goes to the thalamus. It sends a signal down the motor nerves to pull away from the hurt.” Therefore by 8

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<sup>7</sup> 3, AbortionFacts.com, “10-Weeks Ultrasound.”  
<http://www.abortionfacts.com/movies/10weeks.asp>

<sup>8</sup> 4, AbortionFacts.com, “Milestones of Early [Human in utero] Life.”  
[http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_921ms.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_921ms.asp)

<sup>9</sup> 4, Ibid.

<sup>10</sup> 4, Ibid.

<sup>11</sup> 5, AbortionFacts.com, “7 Week Ultrasound.”  
<http://www.abortionfacts.com/movies/7weeks.asp>

<sup>12</sup> 6, Abortion Gallery, “Modern Day Child Sacrifice – Abortion Facts.”  
<http://www.mttu.com/abort-pics/index.html>

weeks, sticking the living in utero human fetus in the palm of the hand with a sharp object causes the opening of the mouth and the pulling away of the hand.<sup>13</sup>

Further, by 8 weeks gestation, we find in the live in utero human fetus that a lip tactile response may be evoked.<sup>14 15</sup> Spontaneous movements have begun.<sup>16 17 18</sup> Taste buds are forming.<sup>19</sup> And a steady heartbeat may be heard with an ultrasound stethoscope.<sup>20</sup>

By 9 weeks the human fetal eyelids are sensitive to touch.<sup>21</sup> The in utero fetus will bend its fingers around an object placed in the palm.<sup>22 23</sup> And by this time fetal thumb sucking occurs.<sup>24 25</sup>

At 10 weeks the fetal body generally is sensitive to touch. At this point squinting, swallowing, puckering up of the brow and frowning are observed.<sup>26 27</sup> More body movement is observed, including such movements as jumping.<sup>28</sup>

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<sup>13</sup> 7, Dr & Mrs. J. C. Wilke, "Fetal Pain: When Can a Fetus Feel Pain? By 8 Weeks." <http://www.fetal-pain.com/>

<sup>14</sup> 4, AbortionFacts.com, "Milestones of Early [Human in utero] Life." [http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_921ms.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_921ms.asp)

<sup>15</sup> 7, Dr & Mrs. J. C. Wilke, "Fetal Pain: When Can a Fetus Feel Pain? By 8 Weeks." <http://www.fetal-pain.com/>

<sup>16</sup> 4, AbortionFacts.com, "Milestones of Early [Human in utero] Life." [http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_921ms.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_921ms.asp)

<sup>17</sup> 5, AbortionFacts.com, "7 Week Ultrasound." <http://www.abortionfacts.com/movies/7weeks.asp>

<sup>18</sup> 8, Dave Andrusko, "Every [Fetal] Scan is an Adventure." [http://www.nrlc.org/News\\_and\\_Views/September03/nv092303.html](http://www.nrlc.org/News_and_Views/September03/nv092303.html)

<sup>19</sup> 4, AbortionFacts.com, "Milestones of Early [Human in utero] Life." [http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_921ms.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_921ms.asp)

<sup>20</sup> 9, AbortionFacts.com, "Is There Life Before Birth?" [http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_9311lb.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_9311lb.asp)

<sup>21</sup> 4, AbortionFacts.com, "Milestones of Early [Human in utero] Life." [http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_921ms.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_921ms.asp)

<sup>22</sup> 4, Ibid.

<sup>23</sup> 9, AbortionFacts.com, "Is There Life Before Birth?" [http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_9311lb.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_9311lb.asp)

<sup>24</sup> 4, AbortionFacts.com, "Milestones of Early [Human in utero] Life." [http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_921ms.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_921ms.asp)

<sup>25</sup> 3, AbortionFacts.com, "10-Weeks Ultrasound." <http://www.abortionfacts.com/movies/10weeks.asp>

<sup>26</sup> 4, AbortionFacts.com, "Milestones of Early [Human in utero] Life." [http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_921ms.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_921ms.asp)

<sup>27</sup> 6, Abortion Gallery, "Modern Day Child Sacrifice – Abortion Facts." <http://www.mttu.com/abort-pics/index.html>

<sup>28</sup> 3, AbortionFacts.com, "10-Weeks Ultrasound." <http://www.abortionfacts.com/movies/10weeks.asp>



By 11 weeks we find of the human fetus that the face and the upper and lower extremities are sensitive to touch.<sup>29</sup> Some distinct facial expressions are observed, such as smiling.<sup>30</sup> At this time the human fetus begins to make a fist with the hand.<sup>31</sup>

By 12 weeks increased facial squinting is observed.<sup>32</sup> The human fetus begins to draw the knees up to the chest. It is at this point that fetal kicking begins.<sup>33 34</sup> The arms wiggle and the head moves.<sup>35</sup> There is a here marked increase in fetal bodily movement, evidenced by the fetus leaping about in uterus.<sup>36</sup>

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<sup>29</sup> 7, Dr & Mrs. J. C. Wilke, "Fetal Pain: When Can a Fetus Feel Pain? By 8 Weeks."

<http://www.fetal-pain.com/>

<sup>30</sup> 4, AbortionFacts.com, "Milestones of Early [Human in utero] Life."

[http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_921ms.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_921ms.asp)

<sup>31</sup> 6, Abortion Gallery, "Modern Day Child Sacrifice – Abortion Facts."

<http://www.mttu.com/abort-pics/index.html>

<sup>32</sup> 9, AbortionFacts.com, "Is There Life Before Birth?"

[http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_93111b.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_93111b.asp)

<sup>33</sup> 4, AbortionFacts.com, "Milestones of Early [Human in utero] Life."

[http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_921ms.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_921ms.asp)

<sup>34</sup> 10, Jean McElwee Polking, "How Full of Life."

<http://www.nrlc.org/news/1999/NRL699/mcelwee.html>

<sup>35</sup> 10, Jean McElwee Polking, "How Full of Life."

<http://www.nrlc.org/news/1999/NRL699/mcelwee.html>

<sup>36</sup> 8, Dave Andrusko, "Every [Fetal] Scan is an Adventure.

[http://www.nrlc.org/News\\_and\\_Views/September03/nv092303.html](http://www.nrlc.org/News_and_Views/September03/nv092303.html)

## B. THE SECOND TRIMESTER OF HUMAN FETAL DEVELOPMENT

Here we have a 21 weeks gestation post delivery live premature human baby. Note the clearly human structures and appearance of the living human subject, which we now term a premature newborn human infant:<sup>37</sup>



21 weeks gestation post delivery live premature human baby.

Source: "Right and Wrong Made Simple." Author not identified.

<http://www.geocities.com/capitolhill/3382/index.htm>

We now enter the 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester of human fetal development. At 13 weeks we find vigorous fetal activity. Here the fetus now kicks, turns the feet, curls and fans the toes, makes a fist, moves the thumbs, bends the wrists, turns the head, opens the mouth, presses the lips tightly together, jumps and waves the arms.<sup>38 39</sup> Though the lungs themselves are not functional, and oxygen and carbon dioxide exchange takes place through the placenta until actual birth, at this time we see the beginning of the exercise of the muscular activities and coordination of breathing.<sup>40</sup>

By 14 weeks most human fetal body surfaces are sensitive to pain.<sup>41</sup> There is now the presence of delicate finger movements.<sup>42</sup>

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<sup>37</sup> 11, Author not identified, "Right and Wrong Made Simple," 21 weeks gestation post delivery live premature human baby. <http://www.geocities.com/capitolhill/3382/index.htm>

<sup>38</sup> 4, AbortionFacts.com, "Milestones of Early [Human in utero] Life."

[http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_921ms.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_921ms.asp)

<sup>39</sup> 12, AbortionFacts.com, "Ever Wonder What You Were Like Before You Were Born?"

[http://www.abortionfacts.com/movies/movies\\_ours.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/movies/movies_ours.asp)

<sup>40</sup> 4, AbortionFacts.com, "Milestones of Early [Human in utero] Life."

[http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_921ms.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_921ms.asp)

<sup>41</sup> 7, Dr & Mrs. J. C. Wilke, "Fetal Pain: When Can a Fetus Feel Pain? By 8 Weeks."

<http://www.fetal-pain.com/>

<sup>42</sup> 8, Dave Andrusko, "Every [Fetal] Scan is an Adventure.

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At 16 weeks there is a firm grasping with the hands. We now see that the human fetus swims and turns somersaults and more readily fans the toes. Movement generally is now vigorous and kicking markedly increases. And now we observe thumb sucking.<sup>43 44</sup> The human fetus now hears and reacts to external sounds: classical music has a calming effect, while hard rock music has an agitating effect.<sup>45</sup>

By 18 weeks the mother first feels fetal movements.<sup>46</sup>

At 20 weeks clear fetal sleep patterns are evident.<sup>47 48</sup> A slamming door will provoke activity.<sup>49</sup> The human fetus is here observed to scratch himself. The mother now senses fetal punching, kicking and elbowing on a regular basis. At this point the fetal vocal cords are now functional and are used to cry, though with only amniotic fluid passing over them, no sound of crying is yet heard.<sup>50</sup> Now also yawning begins.<sup>51</sup>

At 21 weeks the human fetus has been observed during fetal surgery via hysterotomy into the mother's womb to actually reach out of the uterus through the surgical incision therein and grasp the surgeon's finger with a vigorous hand grasp.<sup>52</sup> The human fetus born alive at this premature age – now termed a human baby – can survive if given constant intensive medical and nursing care in the intensive neonatal hospital unit.<sup>53</sup> If however the intent is to abort the pregnancy, whether birthed alive and left to expire passively or actively, or if the fetal life is terminated in utero before being birthed, the subject is still referred to as a human fetus.

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<sup>43</sup> 4, AbortionFacts.com, "Milestones of Early [Human in utero] Life."

[http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_921ms.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_921ms.asp)

<sup>44</sup> 9, AbortionFacts.com, "Is There Life Before Birth?"

[http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_9311lb.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_9311lb.asp)

<sup>45</sup> 9, Ibid.

<sup>46</sup> 4, AbortionFacts.com, "Milestones of Early [Human in utero] Life."

[http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_921ms.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_921ms.asp)

<sup>47</sup> 4, Ibid.

<sup>48</sup> 9, AbortionFacts.com, "Is There Life Before Birth?"

[http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_9311lb.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_9311lb.asp)

<sup>49</sup> 4, AbortionFacts.com, "Milestones of Early [Human in utero] Life."

[http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_921ms.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_921ms.asp)

<sup>50</sup> 9, AbortionFacts.com, "Is There Life Before Birth?"

[http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_9311lb.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_9311lb.asp)

<sup>51</sup> 8, Dave Andrusko, "Every [Fetal] Scan is an Adventure.

[http://www.nrlc.org/News\\_and\\_Views/September03/nv092303.html](http://www.nrlc.org/News_and_Views/September03/nv092303.html)

<sup>52</sup> 13, Michael Clancy, "Samuel's Spina Bifida Surgery In Utero."

<http://www.michaelclancy.com/index.html>

<sup>53</sup> 11, Author not identified, "Right and Wrong Made Simple."

<http://www.geocities.com/capitolhill/3382/index.htm>

By 24 weeks the human fetus is observed to stick out the tongue.<sup>54</sup>

### C. THE THIRD TRIMESTER OF HUMAN FETAL DEVELOPMENT

Here we have a 30 weeks gestation post abortion dead human fetus. Note the well formed anatomy of this intact expired human fetus. The presentation of the fetal face and mouth are of interest. Note the hemorrhagic discoloration of the abdomen. Rigor mortis of the obviously expired fetal body has clearly set in:<sup>55</sup>



30 weeks gestation post abortion dead human fetus.

Source: Right and Wrong Made Simple. [not identified]

<http://www.geocities.com/capitolhill/3382/index.htm>

We now then enter the 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester of human fetal development. At 7 months there is clear and constant blinking of the eyelids.<sup>56 57 58</sup> The eyelids are often open and the eyes look around.<sup>59 60</sup> There is now a markedly strong hand grasp.<sup>61 62</sup> The human fetus now

<sup>54</sup> 14, AbortionFacts.com, "24-Weeks Ultrasound."

<http://www.abortionfacts.com/movies/24weeks.asp>

<sup>55</sup> 11, Author not identified, "Right and Wrong Made Simple," 30 weeks gestation post abortion dead human fetus. <http://www.geocities.com/capitolhill/3382/index.htm>

<sup>56</sup> 4, AbortionFacts.com, "Milestones of Early [Human in utero] Life."

[http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_921ms.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_921ms.asp)

<sup>57</sup> 8, Dave Andrusko, "Every [Fetal] Scan is an Adventure.

[http://www.nrlc.org/News\\_and\\_VIEWS/September03/nv092303.html](http://www.nrlc.org/News_and_VIEWS/September03/nv092303.html)

<sup>58</sup> 9, AbortionFacts.com, "Is There Life Before Birth?"

[http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_93111b.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_93111b.asp)

<sup>59</sup> 4, AbortionFacts.com, "Milestones of Early [Human in utero] Life."

[http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_921ms.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_921ms.asp)

<sup>60</sup> 9, AbortionFacts.com, "Is There Life Before Birth?"

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recognizes the mother's voice from the voices of others.<sup>63 64</sup> And now the mother is clearly aware when the fetus hiccups.<sup>65</sup>

At 8 months the human fetus senses the difference between light and darkness through mother's abdomen. The taste buds are functional, showing a distinct preference of sweet to sour. Constant and distinct smiling, frowning, yawning and swallowing are observed.<sup>66</sup>

By 9 months the human fetus is now fully formed and developed. Labor is triggered and birth occurs, usually within 255 to 275 days after conception.<sup>67</sup>

#### V. SELECT METHODS OF HUMAN ABORTION

By definition, "abortion is the medically induced, premature death of a pre-born baby in the womb."<sup>68</sup> Abortion may be accomplished by any one or combination of various methods: suction (vacuum aspiration) abortion; dilation & curettage (D&C) abortion; salt poisoning abortion; hysterotomy abortion; dilation & extraction (D&X), aka partial birth abortion; RU-486 abortion; dilation & evacuation (D&E) abortion; prostaglandin hormone abortion; induced labor abortion, aka live birth abortion. We shall consider each of these briefly.

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<sup>61</sup> 4, AbortionFacts.com, "Milestones of Early [Human in utero] Life."  
[http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_921ms.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_921ms.asp)

<sup>62</sup> 9, AbortionFacts.com, "Is There Life Before Birth?"  
[http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_93111b.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_93111b.asp)

<sup>63</sup> 4, AbortionFacts.com, "Milestones of Early [Human in utero] Life."  
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<sup>64</sup> 9, AbortionFacts.com, "Is There Life Before Birth?"  
[http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_93111b.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_93111b.asp)

<sup>65</sup> 9, Ibid.

<sup>66</sup> 9, Ibid.

<sup>67</sup> 4, AbortionFacts.com, "Milestones of Early [Human in utero] Life."  
[http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature\\_921ms.asp](http://www.abortionfacts.com/literature/literature_921ms.asp)

<sup>68</sup> 15, AbortionFacts.com, "Learn Abortion." <http://www.abortionfacts.com/learn/methods.asp>

A. SUCTION (VACUUM ASPIRATION) ABORTION

Here we have a 10 weeks gestation post abortion dead human fetus, aborted by vacuum aspiration of the mother's uterus. Note the gross mechanical destruction of the fetal anatomy typical of this abortion technique. Nonetheless, note the clearly discernable and fully intact human fetal upper and lower extremity within the mass of fetal tissue remains. We may also clearly discern a portion of the second upper extremity within the mass of products of conception:<sup>69</sup>



10 weeks gestation post abortion dead human fetus, aborted by vacuum aspiration.

Source: "Abortion by Vacuum Aspiration." Society for the Protection of Unborn Children.

<http://www.spuc.org.uk/images/vacuum.htm>

The cervix is stretched to allow passage of a hollow suction tube into the pregnant uterus, which has sharp-edged openings near its tip. Powerful suction force is then applied, allowing the fetus to be ripped apart into pieces that are then suctioned out of the uterus into a collection container. The placenta is then suctioned out from the uterus. In post-12 weeks pregnancy terminations, supplemental instruments are often required to crush and remove fetal parts that are too large to be evacuated by suction. Most 1<sup>st</sup> trimester abortions in North America and the United Kingdom are done in this manner.<sup>70</sup>  
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<sup>69</sup> 16, Society for the Protection of Unborn Children, "Abortion by Vacuum Aspiration."  
<http://www.spuc.org.uk/images/vacuum.htm>

<sup>70</sup> 16, Ibid.

<sup>71</sup> 17, AbortionTV.com, "The Many Ways to Do Abortion."  
<http://www.abortiontv.com/themanyways.htm>

<sup>72</sup> 18, AbortionTV.com, "Methods of Abortion."  
<http://www.abortionfacts.com/learn/methods.asp>

### B. DILATATION & CURETTAGE (D&C) ABORTION

Here we have an estimate 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester post abortion dead human fetus, aborted by Dilation and Curettage (D&C) from a mother's womb. Note the detached clearly evident lower extremities of the fetal remains. Note also the distinctly human upper torso and attached upper extremities of the products of conception:<sup>73</sup>



estimate 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester post abortion dead human fetus, aborted by Dilation and Curettage (D&C) from a mother's womb.

Source: "Abortion by Dilation and Curettage." Society for the Protection of Unborn Children. <http://www.spuc.org.uk/images/dilation.htm>

A surgical procedure that can serve to abort a 1<sup>st</sup> trimester fetus. The cervix is dilated and a curette - a sharp loop-bladed knife - is inserted into the pregnant uterus in order to cut the fetus and placenta into pieces. The dismembered fetal parts and related tissue are then scraped out of the womb into a basin. The fetal remains must then be accounted for to assure all relevant tissues have been removed from the mother. This technique is often associated with significant maternal bleeding.<sup>74 75 76</sup>

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<sup>73</sup> 19, Society for the Protection of Unborn Children, "Abortion by Dilation and Curettage," estimate 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester post abortion dead human fetus.

<http://www.spuc.org.uk/images/dilation.htm>

<sup>74</sup> 17, AbortionTV.com, "The Many Ways to Do Abortion."

<http://www.abortiontv.com/themanyways.htm>

<sup>75</sup> 18, AbortionTV.com, "Methods of Abortion."

<http://www.abortionfacts.com/learn/methods.asp>

<sup>76</sup> 19, Society for the Protection of Unborn Children, "Abortion by Dilation and Curettage." <http://www.spuc.org.uk/images/dilation.htm>

### C. SALT POISONING ABORTION

Here we have an estimate late 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester or early 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester post abortion dead human fetus, aborted by salt poisoning. Note the well formed body and detailed facial features. Note also the red discoloration of the human fetal body, which is characteristic of this abortion technique: <sup>77</sup>



estimate late 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester or early 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester post abortion dead human fetus, aborted by salt poisoning.

Source: "Abortion by Salt Poisoning." Society for the Protection of Unborn Children  
<http://www.spuc.org.uk/images/salt.htm>

Used after 16 weeks, this technique is no longer used commonly in western nations, but is employed often in third world nations because of its cost effectiveness and ease of administration. A syringe of a concentrated salt solution is injected into the amniotic fluid via a long needle through the mother's abdomen. The fetus then breathes and swallows the hyper-salted amniotic fluid. The fetus struggles and sometimes seizes until dead within usually one hour. The mother typically then delivers a dead fetus within one to two days. The complication of fetal survival upon delivery is not uncommon. The fetal skin upon delivery, having been chemically burned away by the hyper-salted amniotic fluid, usually presents as a glazed red surface. This abortion procedure was first developed in Nazi concentration camps during World War II. <sup>78 79 80</sup>

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<sup>77</sup> 20, Society for the Protection of Unborn Children, "Abortion by Salt Poisoning," an estimate late 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester or early 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester post abortion dead human fetus, aborted by salt poisoning.  
<http://www.spuc.org.uk/images/salt.htm>

<sup>78</sup> 17, AbortionTV.com, "The Many Ways to Do Abortion."

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<sup>79</sup> 18, AbortionTV.com, "Methods of Abortion."

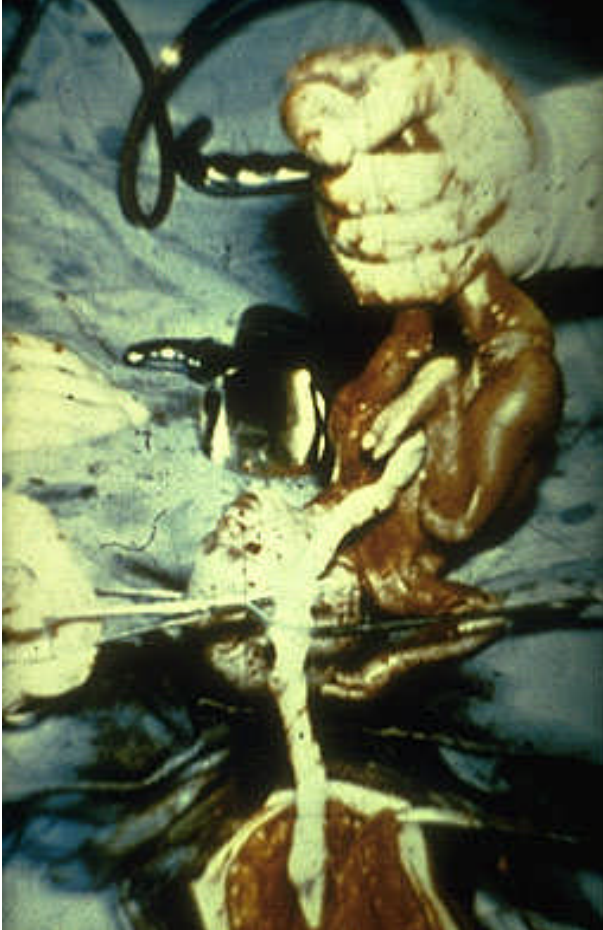
<http://www.abortionfacts.com/learn/methods.asp>

<sup>80</sup> 21, Priests For life, "Partial Birth Abortion." <http://www.priestsforlife.org/partialbirth.html>



D. HYSTEROTOMY ABORTION

Here we have an estimate early 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester post caesarian section delivery of either a live human baby or post abortion hysterotomy dead human fetus. Surgical access to the mother's womb is by the same procedure in both cases, the difference being the delivery of a live mid to full term human baby versus the termination of the fetal life before the fetal body is actually removed from the mother's womb. Fetal discoloration in this case, in particular of the head, suggest that fetal demise may have already occurred:  
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estimate early 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester post caesarian section delivery live human baby or post abortion hysterotomy dead human fetus.

Source: "Abortion by Hysterotomy." Society for the Protection of Unborn Children  
<http://www.spuc.org.uk/images/hysterotomy.htm>

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<sup>81</sup> 22, "Society for the Protection of Unborn Children, "Abortion by Hysterotomy," an estimate early 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester post caesarian section delivery live human baby or post abortion hysterotomy dead human fetus. <http://www.spuc.org.uk/images/hysterotomy.htm>

Used for late term abortions in rare instances. Identical to a Caesarian Section delivery used to deliver a live baby in the presence of certain pregnancy/fetal complications, except the object here is to deliver a dead fetus. A low abdominal incision is made into the pregnant uterus. If the fetus is alive, the complication of delivering a live baby is to be avoided. The live fetus is first terminated while still in the mother's womb, such as by cutting of the umbilical cord. Once the fetus is dead, the fetus is then physically lifted out of the mother's womb and the abortion is completed.<sup>82</sup>

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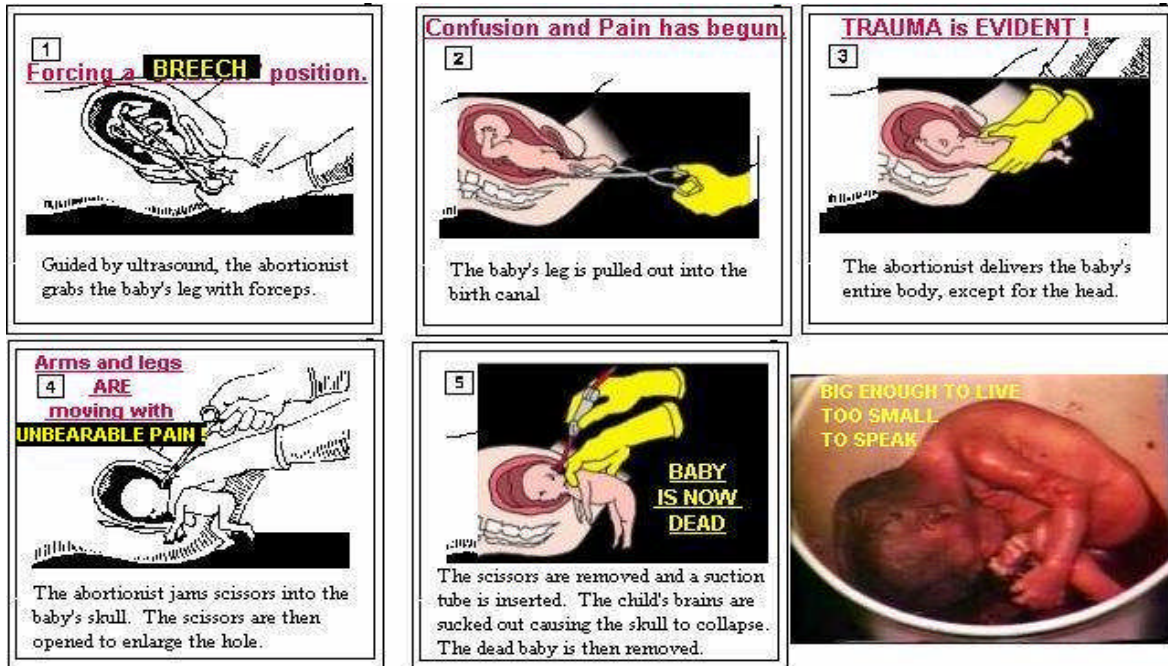
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<sup>82</sup> 17, AbortionTV.com, "The Many Ways to Do Abortion."  
<http://www.abortiontv.com/themanyways.htm>

<sup>83</sup> 22, Society for the Protection of Unborn Children, "Abortion by Hysterotomy."  
<http://www.spuc.org.uk/images/hysterotomy.htm>

### E. DILATION & EXTRACTION (D&X), aka PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTION

Here we have an estimate mid to late 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester gestation dead human fetus, presumably aborted by partial birth abortion. The schematic demonstrates the steps involved in this abortion procedure. Note the expired fetal remains, which reveals an apparently late term and well formed human fetus in the collection receptacle as it awaits disposal. The position of the fetal remains in the collection container in the photo provided obscures our view of the rear of the fetal cranium. The human fetal subject is nonetheless clearly expired:<sup>84</sup>



## PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTION

estimate mid to late 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester gestation post abortion dead human fetus, aborted by partial birth abortion.

Source: "Partial Birth Abortion." Save My Children Ministry Inc.  
<http://www.partial-birth.com/alertpetition.html>

Used in well developed 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester pregnancies. The cervix is dilated over a period of time. The fetus is located via ultrasound, which serves to guide the entrance of forceps into the mother's womb. A foot is grasped and the fetus is placed into a face-down breech (feet first) delivery position. The fetus is then pulled out of the uterus, but keeping the head still inside the mother's cervix. Surgical scissors are then

<sup>84</sup> 23, Save My Children Ministry, "Partial Birth Abortion," an estimate mid to late 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester gestation post abortion dead human fetus, aborted by partial birth abortion.  
<http://www.partial-birth.com/alertpetition.html>

inserted into the skull at the back of the neck and an opening is thus enlarged to allow placement of a large-bore suction catheter attached to high powered suction. The fetal brain is then suctioned out of the fetal cranial vault. The fetus is now dead and the delivery is completed.<sup>85 86 87 88 89</sup>

#### E. RU-486 ABORTION

An early pregnancy abortion inducing drug containing Methotrexate taken after the mother misses her period. The drug blocks the use of an essential substance by a newly implanted fetus, causing fetal death and then separation from the uterine wall. The dead fetus and associated tissues are then passed vaginally by the mother. No longer able to induce abortion after six to eight weeks of pregnancy.<sup>90</sup>

#### G. DILATION & EVACUATION (D&E) ABORTION

Used for 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester abortions, at which point in fetal development the fetal bones become calcified. A pliers-like instrument is inserted through the dilated cervix into the pregnant uterus. Fetal body parts are grasped and twisted off from the fetal body one at a time and removed from the uterus. It may be necessary to snap the fetal spine and crush the fetal skull to remove them through the dilated cervix. Fetal body parts must be “reassembled” to assure that all fetal tissue has been removed from the mother’s womb.<sup>91 92</sup>

#### H. PROSTOGLANDIN HORMONE ABORTION

Used to abort mid and later term pregnancies. The hormone prostoglandin is administered to the pregnant mother, such as via injection into the amniotic fluid and vaginal suppositories. The hormone induces violent premature labor contractions, thus expelling the fetus. The fetus usually dies in the process of delivery, but the complication of live fetal birth is not uncommon. To avoid this complication, drugs lethal to the fetus are often injected into the amniotic fluid, thus assuring fetal death before delivery.<sup>93 94 95</sup>

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<sup>85</sup> 17, AbortionTV.com, “The Many Ways to Do Abortion.”

<http://www.abortiontv.com/themanyways.htm>

<sup>86</sup> 18, AbortionTV.com, “Methods of Abortion.”

<http://www.abortionfacts.com/learn/methods.asp>

<sup>87</sup> 24, Author identified as [life@tidalweb.com](mailto:life@tidalweb.com), “Exactly What is Partial Birth Abortion (BPA)?”

<http://www.tidalweb.com/life/>

<sup>88</sup> 25, Priests For Life, “Statement of Brenda Pratt Shafer, R.N. Before the Subcommittee on the Constitution Committee on the Judiciary, U.S. House of Representatives Hearing on The Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act (HR 1833) 3/21/1996.”

<http://www.priestsforlife.org/testimony/brendatestimony.html>

<sup>89</sup> 21, Priests For Life, “Partial Birth Abortion.” <http://www.priestsforlife.org/partialbirth.html>

<sup>90</sup> 17, AbortionTV.com, “The Many Ways to Do Abortion.”

<http://www.abortiontv.com/themanyways.htm>

<sup>91</sup> 17, Ibid.

<sup>92</sup> 18, AbortionTV.com, “Methods of Abortion.”

<http://www.abortionfacts.com/learn/methods.asp>

<sup>93</sup> 17, AbortionTV.com, “The Many Ways to Do Abortion.”

## I. INDUCED LABOUR ABORTION, aka LIVE BIRTH ABORTION

Premature delivery of a commonly midterm fetus is induced via various means, the objective being to deliver a premature baby that is not capable of surviving outside the uterus. When such abortions typically produce the complication of live birth, the now delivered living baby is provided only “comfort care” - wrapping the infant in a blanket - and denied all medical and nursing care. Such infants can linger for hours before dying of “natural causes.”<sup>96</sup>

## VI. SELECT HUMAN FETAL RESPONSES TO ABORTION

Obtaining information and studies about human fetal pain and distress endured during abortion procedures is understandably not abundant, as the abortion and fetal harvesting industries and their customers do not wish such knowledge disseminated. The documentation and dissemination of human fetal distress experienced during abortion procedures is not a focus of these industries. That having been said, there are some well resources available that document human fetal distress during abortion.

### A. 12-WEEK FETUS REACTS TO A SUCTION ABORTION

Dr. Bernard Nathanson - a former abortionist - narrates the video, “The Silent Scream:” a real time fetal ultrasound video of a live 12-week fetus undergoing a suction abortion. He states in Part 6, “The clip begins with an ultrasound of the fetus (girl) who is about to be aborted. The girl is moving in the womb; ...and is at times sucking her thumb. As the abortionist’s suction tip begins to invade the womb, the child rears and moves violently in an attempt to avoid the instrument. Her mouth is visibly open...” And in Part 7, “The child’s heart rate speeds up dramatically...[as the suction catheter makes contact with the fetus]. She moves violently away in an]...attempt to escape the instrument...”<sup>97</sup>

In an article in the London Telegraph on 8/28/2000 titled “British Medical Experts Say Unborn Children Feel Pain During Abortion,” Dr. & Mrs. J. C. Wilke, comment on the abortion video “The Silent Scream:” “...What of The Silent Scream? A Real-time ultrasound video tape and movie of a 12- week suction abortion is commercially available as, The Silent Scream, narrated by Dr. B. Nathanson, a former abortionist. It dramatically, but factually, shows the pre-born baby dodging the suction instrument time after time, while its heartbeat doubles in rate. When finally caught, its

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<http://www.abortiontv.com/themanyways.htm>

<sup>94</sup> 18, AbortionTV.com, “Methods of Abortion.”

<http://www.abortionfacts.com/learn/methods.asp>

<sup>95</sup> 20, Society for the Protection of Unborn Children, “Abortion by Salt Poisoning.”

<http://www.spuc.org.uk/images/salt.htm>

<sup>96</sup> 26, United States House of Representatives, “Testimony of Jill L. Stanek, RN. Hearing on H.R. 4292, the “Born Alive Infant Protection Act of 2000,” July 20, 2000.”

<http://www.house.gov/judiciary/stan0720.htm>

<sup>97</sup> 23, Save My Children Ministry, “Partial Birth Abortion.”

<http://www.partial-birth.com/alertpetition.html>

body being dismembered, the baby's mouth clearly opens wide — hence, the title..."<sup>98</sup>

#### B. 21-23 WEEK GESTATION BABIES UNDERGOING "LIVE BIRTH ABORTION"

Nurse Jill Stanek, RN on 7/20/2000, in testimony before a US House of Representatives committee hearing on HR4292 - the "Born Alive Infant Protection Act of 2000" - reported the following regarding live birth abortion infants at a "Christ Hospital" - where she was employed as a Nurse in the labor & delivery ward. She was Mrs. Stanek is a Registered Nurse and an eye witness to what she testified of before The U.S. Congressional committee.<sup>99</sup>

She testifies, "The method of abortion that Christ Hospital uses is called "induced labor abortion," also now known as "live birth abortion."... It is not uncommon for one of these live aborted babies to linger for an hour or two or even longer. One of them once lived for almost eight hours. In the event that a baby is aborted alive, he or she receives no medical assessments or care but is only given what my hospital calls "comfort care." "Comfort care" is defined as keeping the baby warm in a blanket until he or she dies."<sup>100</sup>

Charged with the direct "comfort care" of such "live birth abortion" human babies, Nurse Stanek says further, "One night, a nursing co-worker was taking an aborted Down's Syndrome baby who was born alive... I cradled and rocked him for the 45 minutes that he lived. He was 21 to 22 weeks old. He was too weak to move very much, expending any energy he had trying to breathe..."<sup>101</sup>

Nurse Stanek further testified of another case to the US House committee, "...a patient who was 23+ weeks pregnant, and it did not look as if her baby would be able to continue to live inside of her... But the patient chose to abort. The baby was born alive... After delivery the baby, who showed early signs of thriving, was merely wrapped in a blanket and kept in the Labor & Delivery Department until she died 2-1/2 hours later."<sup>102</sup>

#### C. ABORTED HUMAN FETUSES SENT ALIVE TO A FETAL HARVESTING LAB

A 2/2000 article in Coral Ridge Ministries' Impact Newsletter titled "Industry for Baby Body Parts Uncovered," reveals that aborted fetus cases born alive are terminated by abortion doctors by various means just prior to delivery to fetal harvesting labs on the premises of abortion clinics: "This Frankensteinian saga surfaced when 'Kelly,' a fetal parts worker, told her story in 1997 to Life Dynamics, a Texas pro-life group. After a

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<sup>98</sup> 2, AbortionTV.com, "First Trimester [Abortion] Photographs."

<http://www.abortiontv.com/AbortionPictures-FirstTrimester.htm>

<sup>99</sup> 26, United States House of Representatives, "Testimony of Jill L. Stanek, RN. Hearing on H.R. 4292, the "Born Alive Infant Protection Act of 2000," July 20, 2000."

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<sup>100</sup> 26, Ibid.

<sup>101</sup> 26, Ibid.

<sup>102</sup> 26, Ibid.

two-year undercover investigation, Life Dynamics went public last year with her first-hand account, documented by copies of orders for baby body parts sent to Planned Parenthood abortion clinics.”<sup>103</sup>

The article states further, “...she [the human fetal harvesting lab technician] tells how an abortionist presented her with 24-week-old twins in a bucket. "Got you some good specimens – twins," he announced as the infants, Kelly recalls, were "still moving and gasping for air." When Kelly refused to end the babies' lives, the doctor obliged her by drowning them in sterile water. The article reports of the interview further, “That was not the only live birth Kelly witnessed. She claimed that in numerous instances unborn children between 16 and 30 weeks old were killed outside the womb when a doctor broke their neck or beat them to death with tongs...”<sup>104</sup>

#### D. A 26-WEEK HUMAN FETUS RESPONDS TO PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTION

On 3/21/1996, Nurse Brenda Shafer, RN testified before a US House of Representatives committee hearing on HR1833 - The Partial Birth Abortion Ban Act. Nurse Shafer reports that she was present for three “partial birth abortions” at an abortion clinic. She shares her observations of a 26 ½ week fetus responding to a “partial birth abortion” with U.S. Congressmen: “I am a registered nurse...In September, 1993, ...assignment at the Women's Medical Center, which is operated by Dr. Martin Haskell... I stood at a doctor's side as he performed the partial-birth abortion procedure... I worked as an assistant nurse at Dr. Haskell's clinic for three days-- September 28, 29, and 30, 1993...”<sup>105</sup>

Nurse Shafer continues, “I was present for three of these partial-birth procedures. It is the first one that I will describe to you in detail. The mother was six months pregnant (26 1/2 weeks)... Dr. Haskell brought the ultrasound in and hooked it up so that he could see the baby. On the ultrasound screen, I could see the heart beating... As Dr. Haskell watched the baby on the ultrasound screen, the baby's heartbeat was clearly visible on the ultrasound screen.”<sup>106</sup>

And further, “Dr. Haskell went in with forceps and grabbed the baby's legs and pulled them down into the birth canal. Then he delivered the baby's body and the arms-- everything but the head. The doctor kept the baby's head just inside the uterus... The baby's little fingers were clasping and unclasping, and his feet were kicking. Then the doctor stuck the scissors through the back of his head, and the baby's arms jerked out in a

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<sup>103</sup> 27, Coral Ridge Ministries, “Industry for Baby Body Parts Uncovered – Kelly’s Story.”  
<http://www.nutritionhighway.com/babies.html>

<sup>104</sup> 27, Ibid.

<sup>105</sup> 25, Priests For Life, “Statement of Brenda Pratt Shafer, R.N. Before the Subcommittee on the Constitution Committee on the Judiciary, U.S. House of Representatives Hearing on The Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act (HR 1833) 3/21/1996.”

<http://www.priestsforlife.org/testimony/brendatestimony.html>

<sup>106</sup> 25, Ibid.

flinch, a startle reaction, like a baby does when he thinks that he might fall.” The doctor opened up the scissors, stuck a high-powered suction tube into the opening and sucked the baby’s brains out. Now the baby was completely limp... ”<sup>107</sup>

## VII. THE NATURE AND FUNCTION OF THE HUMAN FETAL HARVESTING INDUSTRY

In 1997, “Kelly” - a former fetal harvesting lab technician who worked in an abortion clinic - reported to Life Dynamics, Inc. [a pro life group] on her experiences in the fetal harvesting industry. Life Dynamics conducted a two year undercover investigation and then went public with her testimony and documented evidence of the industry in 1999.<sup>108 109 110 111 112</sup>

### A. THE FETAL HARVESTING FIRMS

At least two US fetal harvesting firms have received recent media attention - AGF (Anatomical Gift Foundation) and Opening Lines. At least one - AGF - is set up as a non-profit organization. These firms collect, prepare and ship harvested fetal remains from abortions.<sup>113 114 115</sup>

### B. A THRIVING AND PROFITABLE INDUSTRY

Opening Lines claims in its literature to fill over 1,500 fetal parts orders per day.<sup>116 117</sup> AGF had revenues of more than \$2 million dollars in 1998.<sup>118</sup>

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<sup>107</sup> 25, Priests For Life, “Statement of Brenda Pratt Shafer, R.N. Before the Subcommittee on the Constitution Committee on the Judiciary, U.S. House of Representatives Hearing on The Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act (HR 1833) 3/21/1996.”

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<sup>108</sup> 27, Coral Ridge Ministries, “Industry for Baby Body Parts Uncovered – Kelly’s Story.”

<http://www.nutritionhighway.com/babies.html>

<sup>109</sup> 28, Concerned Women For America, “Congressman Calls for Investigation of Selling Baby Parts.” <http://www.cwfa.org/articles/1411/CWA/life/index.htm>

<sup>110</sup> 29, Family Research Institute of Wisconsin, “Radio Spot 7 March 2000, #302. Body Parts Bill (AB 808).” [http://www.fri-wi.org/radio%20Spots/radio\\_spot\\_7\\_march\\_2000.htm](http://www.fri-wi.org/radio%20Spots/radio_spot_7_march_2000.htm)

<sup>111</sup> 30, Lynn Vincent, “The harvest of Abortion: Fetal Tissue Research.”

[http://www.worldmag.com/world/issue/10-23-99/cover\\_1.asp](http://www.worldmag.com/world/issue/10-23-99/cover_1.asp)

<sup>112</sup> 31, Life Dynamics, “Baby Parts Marketing Book.”

<http://www.lifedynamics.com/Products/index.cfm?fuseaction=Product&id=5>

<sup>113</sup> 28, Concerned Women For America, “Congressman Calls for Investigation of Selling Baby Parts.” <http://www.cwfa.org/articles/1411/CWA/life/index.htm>

<sup>114</sup> 29, Family Research Institute of Wisconsin, “Radio Spot 7 March 2000, #302. Body Parts Bill (AB 808).” [http://www.fri-wi.org/radio%20Spots/radio\\_spot\\_7\\_march\\_2000.htm](http://www.fri-wi.org/radio%20Spots/radio_spot_7_march_2000.htm)

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<sup>116</sup> 27, Coral Ridge Ministries, “Industry for Baby Body Parts Uncovered – Kelly’s Story.”

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<sup>117</sup> 29, Family Research Institute of Wisconsin, “Radio Spot 7 March 2000, #302. Body Parts Bill (AB 808).” [http://www.fri-wi.org/radio%20Spots/radio\\_spot\\_7\\_march\\_2000.htm](http://www.fri-wi.org/radio%20Spots/radio_spot_7_march_2000.htm)

<sup>118</sup> 28, Concerned Women For America, “Congressman Calls for Investigation of Selling Baby Parts.” <http://www.cwfa.org/articles/1411/CWA/life/index.htm>



### C. HOW THE US FETAL HARVESTING INDUSTRY OPERATES

In the USA, the US Federal Uniform Anatomic Gift Act has made it illegal to buy or sell fetal remains.<sup>119 120</sup> Violation of this law is a federal felony, carrying penalties of up to 10 years in prison and \$250,000 in fines.<sup>121</sup> To circumvent this law, US fetal harvesting firms are charged a “site fee” by abortion clinics to cover the costs of allowing fetal harvest lab technicians the use of space at US abortion clinics. The collected fetal remains are then “donated” by the abortion clinics to the fetal harvesting firms. These firms in turn then “donate” the desired fetal remains to clients, who in turn “reimburse” the fetal harvesting firms for their costs of collection and shipping.<sup>122 123 124 125</sup>

### D. THE CUSTOMERS OF US FETAL HARVESTING FIRMS

Clients of US fetal harvesting firms like AGF and Opening Lines are sent overnight to public universities, pharmaceutical firms, and private research laboratories in the US and the world.<sup>126 127</sup>

### E. HARVESTED FETAL “DONORS” MUST BE IN OPTIMAL CONDITION

Such researchers ordering harvested fetal remains make such requests as “normal donor; healthy, no genetic disorder; healthy mother.”<sup>128</sup> One former fetal harvest lab technician reported that at least 90% of the aborted fetus subjects she saw for harvesting appeared to be healthy, “These had to be the most perfect specimens we could give these researchers for the best value.”<sup>129</sup>

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<sup>119</sup> 27, Coral Ridge Ministries, “Industry for Baby Body Parts Uncovered – Kelly’s Story.”

<http://www.nutritionhighway.com/babies.html>

<sup>120</sup> 29, Family Research Institute of Wisconsin, “Radio Spot 7 March 2000, #302. Body Parts Bill (AB 808).” [http://www.fri-wi.org/radio%20Spots/radio\\_spot\\_7\\_march\\_2000.htm](http://www.fri-wi.org/radio%20Spots/radio_spot_7_march_2000.htm)

<sup>121</sup> 27, Coral Ridge Ministries, “Industry for Baby Body Parts Uncovered – Kelly’s Story.”

<http://www.nutritionhighway.com/babies.html>

<sup>122</sup> 27, Ibid.

<sup>123</sup> 28, Concerned Women For America, “Congressman Calls for Investigation of Selling Baby Parts.” <http://www.cwfa.org/articles/1411/CWA/life/index.htm>

<sup>124</sup> 29, Family Research Institute of Wisconsin, “Radio Spot 7 March 2000, #302. Body Parts Bill (AB 808).” [http://www.fri-wi.org/radio%20Spots/radio\\_spot\\_7\\_march\\_2000.htm](http://www.fri-wi.org/radio%20Spots/radio_spot_7_march_2000.htm)

<sup>125</sup> 30, Lynn Vincent, “The harvest of Abortion: Fetal Tissue Research.”

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<sup>127</sup> 28, Concerned Women For America, “Congressman Calls for Investigation of Selling Baby Parts.” <http://www.cwfa.org/articles/1411/CWA/life/index.htm>

<sup>128</sup> 27, Coral Ridge Ministries, “Industry for Baby Body Parts Uncovered – Kelly’s Story.”

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#### E. LATE TERM FETAL “DONORS” NOT UNCOMMON

One fetal harvest protocol obtained by Life Dynamics from a client reads, “Whole eyes ... Fresh, remove eye with as much optic nerve intact as possible. Whole intact Leg, include ENTIRE HIP JOINT, 22-24(-) weeks gest.... Kelly (the same former fetal harvest lab tech) reports she harvested organs from 30 to 40 “late” term fetal subjects per week.<sup>130</sup>

#### G. WHAT FETAL HARVESTING FIRMS MARKET

Such fetal harvesting firms market fetal eyes, livers, spleens, pancreases, brains, thymuses, bone marrow, cardiac blood, venous blood from limbs, extremities, spines, spinal cords and kidneys.<sup>131 132 133 134</sup> Thus, one fetal cadaver can be marketed to multiple clients for multiple orders. One such firm - Opening Lines - markets fetal livers for \$150; two fetal limbs for \$150; fetal bone marrow for \$350; fetal brains for \$999 (with a 30% discount if significantly fragmented).<sup>135 136 137</sup> AGF markets fetal livers for \$360; fetal hearts for \$490; fetal spines for \$630.<sup>138</sup>

#### H. FRESH FETAL “DONORS” MOST DESIRED

Kelly [again the same fetal harvest lab technician] reports one instance in which a doctor at the abortion clinic where she worked delivered live fetal subjects to her for dissection. She reports the abortion doctor walked into the fetal harvest lab and said to her, "Got you some good specimens. Twins." She reports the pan the doctor carried contained two perfectly formed 24-week-old babies moving and grasping for air. Kelly reports she objected saying, "They are moving. I don't do this. That's not in my contract." In response to her objection, the abortion doctor reportedly immediately filled the pan until the mouths and noses of the fetal subjects were covered by water.<sup>139</sup>

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<sup>133</sup> 29, Family Research Institute of Wisconsin, “Radio Spot 7 March 2000, #302. Body Parts Bill (AB 808).” [http://www.fri-wi.org/radio%20Spots/radio\\_spot\\_7\\_march\\_2000.htm](http://www.fri-wi.org/radio%20Spots/radio_spot_7_march_2000.htm)

<sup>134</sup> 30, Lynn Vincent, “The harvest of Abortion: Fetal Tissue Research.” [http://www.worldmag.com/world/issue/10-23-99/cover\\_1.asp](http://www.worldmag.com/world/issue/10-23-99/cover_1.asp)

<sup>135</sup> 27, Coral Ridge Ministries, “Industry for Baby Body Parts Uncovered – Kelly’s Story.” <http://www.nutritionhighway.com/babies.html>

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<sup>137</sup> 30, Lynn Vincent, “The harvest of Abortion: Fetal Tissue Research.” [http://www.worldmag.com/world/issue/10-23-99/cover\\_1.asp](http://www.worldmag.com/world/issue/10-23-99/cover_1.asp)

<sup>138</sup> 29, Family Research Institute of Wisconsin, “Radio Spot 7 March 2000, #302. Body Parts Bill (AB 808).” [http://www.fri-wi.org/radio%20Spots/radio\\_spot\\_7\\_march\\_2000.htm](http://www.fri-wi.org/radio%20Spots/radio_spot_7_march_2000.htm)

<sup>139</sup> 29, Ibid.

Kelly further reported this was not an isolated case, “Sometimes the fetus appeared to be dead, but when you’d open up the chest cavity, you’d see the heart beating... They were coming out alive...with three to four live-births in a typical two-week period.”<sup>140</sup>

Documents of orders obtained from Planned Parenthood abortion clinics by Life Dynamics confirms that clients requested fetal harvesting to be done immediately after fetal death. Such requests stated, “Whole eyes ... Fresh, remove eye with as much optic nerve intact as possible. Whole intact Leg, include ENTIRE HIP JOINT, 22-24(-) weeks gest.... To be removed from fetal cadaver within 10 minutes. The tissue needs to be snap frozen as fresh as possible.”<sup>141</sup>

Life Dynamics uncovered other fetal harvest protocols revealing that clients wanted fetal remains to be collected as soon after fetal death as possible. One request reads, "Tissue should be removed and prepared under aseptic conditions within a maximum of ten minutes after circulation has stopped." Another request for fetal placenta, liver, heart and lung be dissected "ASAP (within 30 minutes)." <sup>142</sup> One of Opening Line’s marketing brochures assures clients of "the freshest tissue prepared to your specification and delivered in the quantities you need it." <sup>143</sup>

#### VIII. IN REVIEW

We began with a brief consideration of the long-term failure of the traditional treatment of Parkinson’s Disease with the drug L-DOPA, the precursor for dopamine. One emerging experimental surgical treatment involves injecting of harvested aborted human fetal dopamine-producing brain tissue into the brains of Parkinson’s Disease patients. This raises questions about human fetal neurological development, abortion methods, fetal behavior responses to abortion and the fetal harvesting industry itself. Thus this lecture and paper.

Anatomy and behaviors relevant to human fetal psychobiology in the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> trimesters were briefly listed. Selected pictures of live in utero and aborted human fetus subjects at different ages of pregnancy were noted. The information reviewed strongly suggests that the human fetus begins early in gestation to show clear anatomy and behaviors that are distinctly human.

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<sup>140</sup> 28, Concerned Women For America, “Congressman Calls for Investigation of Selling Baby Parts.” <http://www.cwfa.org/articles/1411/CWA/life/index.htm>

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<sup>142</sup> 27, Coral Ridge Ministries, “Industry for Baby Body Parts Uncovered – Kelly’s Story.” <http://www.nutritionhighway.com/babies.html>

<sup>143</sup> 29, Family Research Institute of Wisconsin, “Radio Spot 7 March 2000, #302. Body Parts Bill (AB 808).” [http://www.fri-wi.org/radio%20Spots/radio\\_spot\\_7\\_march\\_2000.htm](http://www.fri-wi.org/radio%20Spots/radio_spot_7_march_2000.htm)

Selected methods of abortion were briefly reviewed. Several pictures of aborted human fetus subjects were presented. This raised the very relevant question of how the human fetus behaves in response to abortion. Commentary on a real-time ultrasound recorded abortion of a 12-week live fetus - narrated by a well experienced former abortion doctor - was presented. Eye witness testimony at US Congressional hearings of two Registered Nurses - one who witnessed “live birth abortions” and another who witnessed “partial birth abortions” on late 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester and 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester human fetal subjects - were reviewed.

Accounts of aborted fetus subjects delivered still alive by abortion doctors to fetal harvesting lab technicians at an abortion clinic was presented. These accounts strongly suggest that human fetal subjects undergoing abortion respond to and suffer from the termination of their lives in a distinctly human manner.

Lastly the U.S. fetal harvesting industry was briefly examined. Human fetal “donors” provide tissues, organs and body parts at US abortion clinics to industry, academic and research facilities across the nation and abroad. Although buying and selling of fetal remains in the US is prohibited by federal law, money changes hands between abortion providers, fetal harvesting firms and recipients of fetal remains. Clients requesting specific fetal remains were shown to prefer later term fetus subjects who are screened for ideal health in which the harvesting is done immediately after fetal death.

One aborted human fetus can be marketed for multiple fetal matter to multiple clients. Some aborted human fetal subjects are delivered still alive post abortion at abortion clinics to fetal harvesting labs on the premises. The marketing of aborted fetal dopamine-producing brain tissue for treatment of Parkinson’s Disease patients is apparently but one small submarket in the emerging post abortion human fetal harvesting industry.

#### IX. IN CONCLUSION

This brief review of abortion of human fetuses and the emerging post abortion human fetal harvesting industry and its clients has not addressed the ethics of these procedures and activities. However, in presenting these issues and the relevant information and documentation, it is hoped that this paper can offer a deeper and wider basis for addressing the question of the humanity of unborn human babies and the morality of the abortion and the post abortion human fetal harvesting industries.

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