

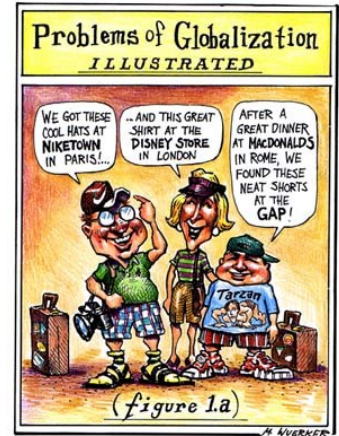
# Globalization

## 1. Preface: definition

- either: a single social movement
- or: a umbrella term (*Überbegriff*) for separate social movements (for example: church groups, national liberation factions, peasant unionists, intellectuals, artists, protectionists, anarchists)

## 2. Arguments against globalization

- reduces the international trading-regulations
- multi-national corporations control the markets and the local governments:
  - >this may damage the democratic rights of the citizens (national labor rights & the environment (for example: rain forest, air quality))
- deprives (*entziehen*) states of their sovereignty and democratic decision-making
- infringes (*verletzen*) on cultural traditions of developing countries
- increases poverty, inequality, injustice and spreads of new diseases
- poorer countries at disadvantage: they usually export agricultural goods
  - > in other countries the production of these goods is subsidized (*subventioniert*) -> the farmers have to sell their crops for much lower prices
- exploitation of foreign impoverished (*verarmt*) workers:
  - >are able to force workers to endure (*aushalten*) extremely long hours, unsafe working conditions, and just enough salary (*Lohn*) to stay alive
  - >could leave their jobs, but: this would mean starvation for the worker, and possible even his/her family.
- the stronger nations try to keep this state of inequality, because: due to the industrialization the cheap labor would disappear
  - > it is impossible for the workers to escape poverty
  - >they shift from manufacturing to service work: laid off unskilled workers have to move to the service sector but the wages in this sector are lower while the turnover is very high.



## 3. Vocabulary:

**to encompass – umfassen**  
**to deprive – entziehen**  
**spread - Ausbreitung**  
**impoverished – verarmt**  
**to subsidize - subventionieren**  
**to endure – aushalten**  
**starvation - Verhungern**  
**manufacturing - Produktionsarbeit**  
**service work – Dienstleistungsarbeit**  
**unskilled – nicht ausgebildet/ungelernt**