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Human Nature:

The Individual-Level of Analysis

In the global arena, equal political opportunity plays a vital role in the development and the success of a nation. Every nation is made up of both men and woman, therefore in these ever-changing times it is no longer an acceptable response to discriminate against men or women primarily based upon their gender. In most societies these days there are few people who would disagree, at least publicly, with this view. This quote from Rourke shows us that peoples' attitudes are changing in this world and in a sense, could be considered to be a positively evolving force.

Within the United States there are an increasing amount of equal opportunities that are available to women that are not so prevalent elsewhere in the world. The United States realized years ago that there are capable, competent women out there that can positively influence society and help in the betterment of our nation. When women come into the workplace they bring a different perspective to the table which allows for a greater range of alternative needs to be met than before. Another interesting point that can be made is the difference in leadership styles that women, so-called innately possess. >From our observation of how women react once in a position of power from countries such as England and India we can see that there are favorable responses to woman in high political positions by certain groups of people. It can be argued, that by having a woman president or high ranking political official, this world would be somewhat less hostile and less warlike. Many feel that as an attribute to the nation success, a woman could better appropriate funds to other aspects of society instead of military buildup and other sectors of the national defense. I tend to strongly disagree to this statement for a couple of reasons. One, it is imperative that a nation such as the United States equip itself with a large military arsenal for the sole purpose of defending the large amount of assets, and investments that it is currently sustaining. Second, it is important to understand that having a strong military, does not always mean that a nation is looking for war. It merely means that we are ready for war.

In this pursuit for equality between men and woman, I can see a place where we truly are equal compared to everyone else, whether it be gender, race, or

ethnicity, but I can't see  
that truly happening for quite some time. The people of this world are  
not ready for such  
a drastic change, but there does not need to be a drastic change. With  
time, things  
change, and with change comes the weeding out of bad habits and bad  
prejudices.