Energetic Contrasts and Subtle Points of Comparison Between Aries and Libra

Important Foundational Relationships

Aries	In Comparison With	Libra
1. The Ram, the Lamb		1. The Scales
2. Esoteric Mantram: I come forth and from the plane of mind, I rule.		2. Esoteric Mantram: I choose the way that leads between the two great lines of force.
3. Exoteric/Evolutionary Mantram: And the Word said: Let form again be sought.		3. Exoteric/Evolutionary Mantram: And the Word said: Let choice be made.
4. Quality of Light: The Light of Life Itself		4. Quality of Light: The Light that moves to rest
5. Element: Fire Sign		5. Element: Air Sign
6. Cardinal Cross		6. Cardinal Cross
7. Transmits R1 and R7 constellationally		7. Transmits R3 constellationally
8. Secondarily, (assuredly, but not exclusively), Aries transmits R6, R4 and R7 through Mars, Mercury and Uranus—its three planetary rulers on three levels—exoteric, esoteric and hierarchical.		8. Secondarily, (assuredly, but not exclusively) Libra transmits R5, R7 and R3 through Venus, Uranus and Saturn—its three planetary rulers on three levels—exoteric, esoteric and hierarchical.
9. Color: carmine, scarlet red		9. Color: indigo. Green (strong Saturn) should not be ignored.
10. Creative Hierarchy number II (unmanifested), characterized by "Unity thro' Effort"		10. Creative Hierarchy number III (manifested) which is number VII (of all twelve). "Lesser Builders, Conferring Form, the Triple Flowers".
11. Associated with the inaugural <i>first</i> , the blinding, surmounting <i>third</i> , the revelatory <i>fifth</i> and the resurrecting <i>seventh</i> initiations, but especially with the <i>third</i> (EA 388-389) and <i>seventh</i> (EA 304) initiations—transfiguration and resurrection. The exalted Sun in Aries can be understood as relating to each of these initiations.		11. Associated with the regulatory, balancing, reorienting <i>first</i> initiation; with the proportion-inducing, ideal-subduing, de-glamorizing <i>second</i> initiation, and with the decisive, nirvanic <i>sixth</i> initiation—the initiation of Decision.

12. Libra can be reasonably associated 12. Correlated to the synthesizing *crown* center and the ajna center—considered with the sexually-unitive, formas the center of personality direction. generating sacral center, and with the Also influencing the impulsive solar decision-making, force-balancing, plexus and the propagative center of triadally responsive ajna center. Libra sexuality—the *sacral* center, in relation has so much of the third ray (as do its to which, the opposites are brought rulers Uranus and Saturn, with Venus together. The fertility of the Ram ruling Taurus, the sign of the throat) suggests the sacral association. Some that throat center influence is to be connection with the based of the spine expected. Libra can be connected be center is also possible, as Mars and Mercury (Aries' first two rulers) rule connected with the center at the base kundalini "latent" and "in intelligent of the spine, from which stems the activity" respectively. Its hierarchical Sushumna—the "royal road" to ruler, Uranus, transmits the seventh ray Shamballa. (cf. EA 168) As well, since and is, thus, numerically related to this the heart holds the balance, Libra has seventh (lowest) center. a relation to the *heart* center. 13. The zodiacal signs influence the 13. The zodiacal signs influence the Monad of every human being (EA monad of every human being (EA 411, 411, 637, TCF 1191); the influence from 637, TCF 1191); the influence from Aries impels the Monad forth upon Libra governs the 'Path of Return', by its aeonial pilgrimage. The sense of means of which the immersed monad pure selfhood which characterizes regains its originating source. (cf. EA monadic awareness is enhanced by 168) Libra also endows the monad Aries. Further, Aries endows the with power from the Dragon and Monad with its inherent Pleiades and ensures that the monad *omnipotence* relative to the human performs its part in the balancing of energy system. planetary karma, for every monad is a cell within the planetary Logos. 14. Within the Triad—associated 14. In relation to the spiritual triad—it principally with *atma*, the spiritual can be said that Libra (the ruler of the third manifested Creative Hierarchvwill as it reflects divine will and law. Aries is also associated with the the Triple Flowers) rules the spiritual birth of ideas in buddhi (or at least triad as a whole. Within the spiritual their reception from the buddhic triad, Libra, transmitting constellationally (exoterically) only realm) and also with their abstract formulation within the sphere of the third ray, and related to "superhigher manas. mind", is clearly influential in relation to the higher mind—higher manas. Libra and Saturn are also express through the *atmic* plane, and hence are related to the principle—atma— Spiritual Will. Not surprisingly, Libra "admits the soul" to Shamballa. Eventually, Libra, ruling the union of all polarities, will be shown to be related to buddhi as well. 15. In relation to the Solar Angel, and the 15. In relation to the Solar Angel, and the soul-consciousness (and causal soul-consciousness (and causal body) body) through which it expresses through which it expresses—Libra Aries governs the persistent will-torepresents the skill, wisdom and incarnate "Let form again be power of the Solar Angel to supervise sought", and the first impulses a balanced development in its (emanating from the plane of mind) personality. Libra is one of the major towards descent onto the physical signs of karma, which the Solar Angel plane. "Aries—is connected with soul wisely administrates to ensure that the intention, the vibratory activity of which personality is eventually governed by (under impulse from the Monad) initiates the the Law of Love. successive involutionary periods which produce appearance upon the physical plane.) (EA 302)

be identified with the <i>ruling</i> and assertive qualities of the mental nature; with the <i>impulses</i> and passions of the astral nature; with the forceful but <i>irregular vigor</i> of the etheric nature; and, generally, with the <i>muscular strength</i> of the dense physical nature. Aries is especially related to the lower mental vehicle. (EA 92) (The vehicular focus and its degree of prominence, depends upon the stage of evolutionary development.)	16. Within the Personality—Libra can be identified with the <i>evaluative</i> , <i>judicial</i> and <i>decision-making</i> processes of the lower mental nature; with <i>balancing</i> and <i>proportion-inducing</i> processes within the astral nature; with the <i>harmonizing of energy flows</i> within the etheric nature; and, in general, with the <i>energetic balance</i> of the dense physical form. Libra has a special connection with the <i>mental</i> permanent atom. (EA 302) (The vehicular focus and its degree of prominence, depends upon the stage of evolutionary development.)
17. Stage within a Preliminary Fourfold Meditative Process: Conception 18. The Crisis of Orientation	17. Stage of Meditative Consciousness: Contemplation. "Libra—Contemplation— Life of soul and form is balanced. Neither dominates. Equilibrium. An interlude wherein the soul organises itself for battle and the personality waits. This is the probationary path. Duality known." (EA 228) 18. The Crisis of Balance followed by
characterized by the quality of Reversal. (EA 472)	Reversal. (cf. EA 101)

Wider Relationships: Cosmic and Systemic

Aries	In Comparison With	Libra
1. Expressive, principally, of the <i>first</i> or <i>will</i> aspect of divinity. "Aries is the focal point of the expression of the first aspect of divinity, the will aspect." (EA 194) Some <i>third</i> aspect may enter in relation to activity and, depending upon whether the seventh ray is interpreted in terms of the <i>first</i> or <i>third</i> rays.		1. Expressive, principally, of the <i>third</i> aspect of the divinity, with an expression of the <i>second</i> aspect slowly emerging." "This sign is consequently closely connected with the third aspect of the Godhead." (EA 243) "It is through a study of Libra that light upon the third aspect will come." (EA 244) "Libra—Divine Love—Understanding" (EA 333)
with the Great Bear: "Aries is, as might be expected, closely connected with the Great Bear, but peculiarly so with one of the stars called The Pointers;" (EA 195) "The Great Bear—Aries—Pluto—Shamballa." (EA 416) "Aries—Libra—The Sun (which are an expression of the Great Bear) bring about that focussing of energy in the life of the disciple which makes it possible for him to function consciously and with intention upon the Path of Initiation." (EA 466) "Aries, the initiator of impulses (either the impulse to incarnate or the impulse to return to the originating source) is closely in touch with one of the stars in the Great Bear to which we give the name 'Pointer' in common parlance. This Pointer is a 'major star of direction' because through it (in this world cycle) flows the will to unify and to bring about synthesis." (EA 482)		2. Related cosmically to the Pleiades. "Libra—is related to and transmits the potencies of the Pleiades." (EA 349) Libra is also related to the Dragon and the Dragon to the Pleiades. "The adepts who choose this Path are called esoterically the 'beneficent dragons,' and the energy with which they work and the stream of living force upon which they are found emanates from the constellation of the Dragon, working through the zodiacal sign Libra." (TCF 1245) D.K. speaks of the "buddhic force, which is transmitted via the Seven Sisters or the Pleiades from a constellation called the Dragon" (TCF 1162) Libra is related to one of the stars in the Great Bear. (A triangle?—Mizar-Libra-Sun?) (R&I 404)

3. Three Constellations Connected with Aries: a) Cassiopeia—the Enthroned Queen; b) Cetus—the Sea Monster; c) Perseus—the One Who Subdues (cf. LOH 35-36)

3. Three Constellations Connected with Libra: a) The Southern Cross; b) Lupus—the Wolf; c) Corona—the Crown (LOH 137-138)

Relationships Between Three Levels of Planetary Rulers and Planets in Exaltation, Fall and Detriment

1.	Mars is exoteric ruler of Aries.	In Comparison With	1.	Mars is in detriment in Libra.
2.	Uranus is hierarchical ruler of Aries.		2.	Uranus is esoteric ruler of Libra
3.	Venus is in detriment in Aries.		3.	Venus is exoteric ruler of Libra.
4.	Saturn falls in Aries.		4.	Saturn is hierarchical ruler of Libra
				and exalted in Libra as well.

Subtle Relationships Between Ray, Zodiacal and Planetary Energies

	Aries	In Comparison With		Libra
co fir re or siş Ta re	ries transmits the <i>first</i> ray onstellationally. Aries is also the est sign of the zodiac on both the versed and clockwise wheels, and in the wheel which numbers the gns by polarity (Aries-Libra, aurus-Scorpio, etc.) All this inforces the association of Aries ith the <i>first</i> ray.	In Comparison With	1.	Libra governs the entry into Shamballa, hence must be associated with the <i>first</i> ray. "Libra admits the soul into the world centre which we call Shamballa, for it is the polar opposite of Aries which is the place of beginnings" (EA 168). Uranus, the esoteric ruler of Libra, transmits the <i>first</i> ray "esoterically"—i.e., monadically. "Uranus is the home of 'fire electric'." (TCF 1154) Saturn, the hierarchical ruler of Libra (also exalted in this sign) transmits the <i>first</i> ray powerfully. (EA 450) "This is why Saturn is so powerful a ruler and transmitter to the Earth of the dynamic quality of the first ray of power" (EA 621)
	ries transmits the <i>seventh</i> ray onstellationally.		2.	Libra is the <i>seventh</i> sign of the zodiac on both the reversed wheel and the ordinary wheel (beginning with Pisces) and, hence, has numerical affinity with the <i>seventh</i> ray. Uranus, ruling Libra esoterically, transmits the <i>seventh</i> ray. Saturn, ruling hierarchically and exalted in Libra, has <i>seventh</i> ray associations, through its rulership of the dense systemic physical plane and cosmic physical plane—being the permanent atom of the latter. (TCF 406).

3. Counting from Pisces clockwise, Aries becomes the <i>twelfth</i> sign, and is thus, by numerological addition, numerically resonant with the number <i>three</i> and with the <i>third</i> ray. "Let form again be sought." Aries plunges into the material world at the outset of every new cycle.	3. Libra transmits the <i>third</i> ray, constellationally. Uranus, the esoteric ruler, is closely associated with the <i>third</i> ray (EA 138, 200), and may well transmit this ray as its personality ray. Saturn, exalted in Libra and ruling hierarchically, transmits the <i>third</i> ray monadically and probably, in addition, through its soul.
4. Mars, the exoteric ruler of Aries, transmits the <i>sixth</i> ray.	4. Venus, exoteric ruler of Libra, is closely associated with the <i>sixth</i> ray (TCF 595), and probably transmits this ray monadically. If one begins with Pisces as one counts signs upon the ordinary wheel (and this the Tibetan does at least once), Libra is the <i>sixth</i> sign, thus having resonance with the <i>sixth</i> ray.
5. Mars also transmits the <i>first</i> ray, because its "School" trains "those whose work is along the lines of the destroyer." (TCF 1179). It is the <i>first</i> ray which is the Ray of the Destroyer.	5. See # 1 above.
6. Mars manifests as the astral body of a great <i>third</i> ray Entity and, hence, is aligned with the transmission of the <i>third</i> ray. The physical body of Mars must be more the third than seventh ray. (EPII 99)	6. See #3 above.
7. Mars is closely associated with the <i>fifth</i> ray, because it governs the five senses and rules science. (EA 215)	7. Venus, the exoteric ruler of Libra, transmits the fifth ray. Uranus has strong fifth ray associations through its rulership of "exoteric science" (EA 149), and Saturn is easily seen as associated with the concrete mind (the generic ray of which is the <i>fifth</i>), and with the Law of Cleavages. "This fifth ray energy operates in connection with the Law of Cleavages." (R&I 602).
8. Mercury, the esoteric ruler of Aries, transmits the <i>fourth</i> ray.	8. Libra, because of its oscillatory nature, may well have some subtle fourth ray associations—destined to emerge more in other world periods. Venus, too, seems to have the higher more harmonious part of the fourth ray associated with it. But there are no direct fourth ray connections linking these two constellations.
9. Mercury, the esoteric ruler of Aries, has a strong affinity with <i>third</i> ray, just as has the Moon. (cf. EA 280). Mars, the exoteric ruler of Aries, participates in the expression of a great <i>third</i> ray Entity	9. See #3 above.

10. Mercury, the esoteric ruler of Aries, possibly transmits the <i>fifth</i> ray monadically (as Lord of Manas). Further, Mercury rules the <i>fifth</i> race and is connected with the <i>fifth</i> scheme and the <i>fifth</i> round. "The fifth race is born under Mercury. (the Aryan race. A.A.B.) (SD II. 32., EA 663)	10. See #7 above.
11. Uranus, the hierarchical ruler of Aries, transmits the <i>seventh</i> ray, probably as its soul ray.	11. See#2 above.
12. Uranus, the hierarchical ruler of Aries, the <i>first</i> sign, transmits the <i>first</i> ray "esoterically", i.e., monadically. (EPI 421)	12. See #1 above.
13. Uranus, the hierarchical ruler of Aries, is closely connected to the <i>third</i> ray which it probably transmits as the personality ray. (cf. EA 200, 238)	13. See #3 above.
14. Uranus stands for "exoteric science" which is on the <i>fifth</i> ray (EA 149)	14. See #7 above.
15. Uranus stands in a line of transmission along the second ray from Sirius and Pisces. Further, Uranus participates, probably as the mental body, in the expression of a great <i>second</i> ray Entity. (EPII 99)	15. See #16 below.
16. The Sun, exalted in Aries, is the veiling transmitter of the <i>second</i> ray, and, as a star, transmits the <i>second</i> ray in its own right (through its personality and its soul). Its <i>primary</i> or <i>major</i> monadic ray may also be the second.	16. Libra is also the <i>second</i> sign when numbering by polarities (Aries, Libra, Taurus, Scorpio, etc., and, hence, has numerical resonance with the <i>second</i> ray, which it may more powerfully express in a future world period. Venus (exoteric ruler), called by the Tibetan, "pure love wisdom" can be considered as transmitting the <i>second</i> ray. (EA 281)
17. Vulcan often substitutes for the Sun, and the Sun is exalted in Aries. Vulcan is related to the "heart of the sun", and hence, in some mysterious way, to the <i>second</i> ray. (EA 393)	17. See #16 immediately above.

General Qualitative Comparisons, Contrasts and Pragmatic Descriptors

	Aries	In Comparison With		Libra
1.	Shamballa—Impelling World Wars:		1.	Shamballa—the Center of Peace (cf.
	"Perfection calls imperfection to the			R&I 314)
	surface." (EA 295)			
2.	Shamballa as Perpetual Resurrection		2.	Shamballa as Perpetual Equilibrium
3.	Sanat Kumara—the "Eternal Youth"		3.	The Spirit of Peace
4.	The Inception of Karma		4.	The Balancing of Karma: the four
				Lords of Karma
5.	The Self as Pure Spirit		5.	The Self as Reflection in Matter

6. The Path of Spirit—Extreme	6. The Path of Soul—"Noble Middle Path"
7. The Unrelated Self	7. The Related Self
8. The Self-as-Itself	8. The Self-as-Other; altruism
9. The Lonely Path: "I will brook no	9. The Divine Marriage; the Marriage
companion; I am the one alone." (EA II	between Soul and Personality; the
353)	"Marriage of Heaven and Earth"
10. Associated (through exaltation) with	10. Associated (through "fall") with the
the <i>rising</i> Sun, and hence with the East	setting Sun, and hence with the West
and with the Self	and the <i>not</i> -Self.
11. The Man: the Force of the Masculine;	11. The Woman: the Force of the
Men and their concerns	Feminine; Women and their concerns
12. Or, the Exaltation of the Masculine	12. The Balancing of the Masculine and
Force: "macho"	Feminine Forces
13. Ancient Rome (FOP)	13. Ancient Greece (FOP)
14. The Warrior	14. The Peace-maker
15. The Sword	15. The Laws of the Land
16. "The first"	16. " among equals"
17. The Leader (whether President, Prime	17. The Legislature, Congress or
Minister, CEO, etc.)—Executive	Parliament—Consensual Government
Government	10 TI D' 1
18. The Dictator	18. The Diplomat
19. The Director	19. The Adviser
20. The Criminal, the Offender, the Defendant	20. The Judge and Jury
21. The Enemy of Society	21. Society
22. The Rugged Individualist	22. The Sociable Man
23. Rudeness	23. Politeness
24. Roughness	24. Polish
25. Following the Path—"no matter what"	25. Ensnared by social expectations
26. The 'Unilateralist'	26. The Consultant
27. The Self; thus, often self-absorbed and	27. The "Other"; thus, often aware of
ignorant of the nature and needs of	others—their natures and their needs
others.	
28. Individuality	28. Partnership
29. The Self as a "law unto itself" (Sun is	29. The Self under law—whether divine,
exalted, Saturn falls)	natural, or man-made. (Saturn is
,	exalted, the Sun falls.) "He becomes his
	own <i>legislator</i> , ruling his conduct wisely,
	controlling his impulses intellectually and then
	Libra enables him to balance the material and
20 1 2	the spiritual law." (EA 240)
30. Aries— <i>Creation:</i> "Cosmicallythe	30. Libra—Legislation: "the working out of
activity of Deity when spirit and matter are brought into a definite relationship and,	the plan under spiritual and natural law which is evolutionary in expression; this is the goal of
under divine purpose, produce that fusion of	evolutionary in expression, this is the goal of evolution and its expression and is steadily
living energies which will be adequately	revealing the nature of God, for the laws under
potent in time and space to bring that	which this solar system of ours is governed are
purpose to its desired consummation. This is Creation, or Aries in activity." (EA 239)	expressions of God's quality and character. This is Legislation, or Libra in activity. (EA 239-240)
31. The Evolutionary Process in	31. The Evolutionary Process in Relation
Relation to Creation in Aries upon	to Legislation in Libra upon the
the Cardinal Cross: "Then he becomes a	Cardinal Cross: "He becomes his own
cooperator in the great creative process and purpose. He begins to <i>create</i> his own body of	legislator, ruling his conduct wisely, controlling his impulses intellectually and then Libra
expression upon the Cardinal Cross and the	enables him to balance the material and the
impulse of Aries begins to appear to him. As	spiritual law." (EA 240)
yet he understands it not." (EA 240)	
32. Mental control: "from the plane	32. "Unbalanced fiery passion" (EA 333)
of mind, I rule."	Corrected later, becoming an
	emotionally balanced attitude.

33. Ordinary Wheel Aries: "Unstable, embryonic beginnings leading to" (EA 337) 34. Ordinary Wheel Aries: "Embryonic desire for expression" (EA 337) 35. Reversed Wheel Aries: "provides the mental impetus for soul control" (EA 338) 36. Reversed Wheel Aries: "Passion" (EA 338) 37. Reversed Wheel Aries: "and the initial desire of Aries" (EA 338) 38. Reversed Wheel Aries: "Desire to manifest becomes the aspiration to be." (EA 338) 39. Aries: entry "into the formless worlds"—on the Path of Initiation. (EA 467) 40. Aries—for the Undeveloped Man: "Unbalanced fiery passion. Hum."	'(EA .''(EA ieved .''(EA
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41. Aries—for the Advanced Man: "Directed personality effort. Desire." (EA 332) 41. Libra—for the Advanced Man: " weighing of the opposites. Devot and aspiration." (EA 333)	
42. Aries—for the Disciple/Initiate: "Recognition and work with the Plan. Will." (EA 332) 42. Libra—for the Disciple/Initiate: "Balance attained. Divine love. Understanding." (EA 333)	
43. Yearly Opportunity in Relation to Aries: When the Sun is in Aries, an individual may cultivate response to the will of the soul and, even, to the influence of the monad. He should undertake initiatives under the direction of the spiritual factors within his nature. 43. Yearly Opportunity in Relation to Libra: When the Sun is in Libra, individual may cultivate proporti action and response, and both ba and equilibrium within his own e system, as well as between his en system and the environment in w expresses.	an onal lance nergy ergy
44. The Life of the Christ from an Aretian Perspective: "Aries.—This sign, which is the sign of beginnings, provided the impulse and energy which enabled Him to inaugurate the Christian era; it initiated, through Him, the 'age of Love' which is only now beginning to take form, and its potency is now so great that it has brought about (paradoxically) the present world cleavage." 44. The Life of the Christ from a Lib Perspective: "Christ stood at the point balance in human evolution; He stood be the old world and the new, between the E the West. In the Christian era comes a 'p balance' or that 'crisis of equilibrium' in human kingdom. (EA 567)	t of etween East and oint of
45. Associated with Absoluteness 45. Associated with Relativity	
46. Initiating the relationship between spirit and matter 46. Equilibrizing the relationship between so and personality)	
47. A major sign of <i>synthesis</i> 47. A major sign of <i>relationship</i> , her <i>duality</i>	ice of
48. The principle of Free Will 48. The factor of Karma	
49. The number <i>one</i> 49. The number <i>two</i>	
50. The laws of the Self (at all levels) 50. The laws of society (at all levels)	

52. Verticality	52. Horizontality
53. Radiation (the exalted Sun shines)	53. Magnetism (drawing two together)
54. Over-estimation; exaggeration	54. Proportional-estimation
55. Impulse	55. Regulation
56. Inception	56. Pause
57. Dynamism	57. The Still Point
58. "He who hesitates is lost"	58. "Look before you leap"
59. Aries: the Vernal Equinox (in the	59. Libra: the Autumn Equinox (in the
Northern Hemisphere); the	Northern Hemisphere); the Vernal
Autumnal Equinox (in the Southern	Equinox (in the Southern Hemisphere)
Hemisphere)	
60. Ultimate Subjectivity	60. Ultimate Objectivity
61. The resurrection of spirit from	61. The balanced expression of spirit <i>in</i>
matter	matter
62. Beginning a new cycle or direction	62. The "reversal of the wheel"
63. That which initiates imbalance	63. That which restores balance
64. Infringement, trespass	64. Compensation, restitution
65. "Don't get mad"	65. "get even"
66. War	66. Peace
67. Martial Law	67. Trial by Jury
68. Friction	68. Harmony
69. Adversarial relationships	69. Cooperative relationship
70. Radiation; out-going	70. Magnetism; in-gathering
71. The Harem (the one-in-many)	71. The Marriage (the two-as-one)
72. Individualism (often rugged)	72. Partnership
73. The isolated self	73. The partnership, the group
74. Unilateral action	74. Cooperation
75. Bluntness	75. Tact
76. Frankness	76. Intrigue (MC)
77. Refusal to compromise	77. Wise compromise
78. Standing on principle	78. Unprincipled compromise—
	appeasement
79. Inaugurating the new	79. Maintaining the status-quo
80. The force of disturbance	80. Tranquilization
81. The ultimate synthesis of the	81. All processes of interplay between the
opposites into Oneness	opposites which lead to that synthesis
82. Self-confidence through	82. Loss of Self in the <i>not</i> -Self, in the
identification with Spirit	"other"

Similarities and Points of Cooperation Between the Influences of the Aries and Libra

A.Aries and Libra, though opposites, are essentially one sign and govern the pathway to Shamballa. Aries rules the crown and Libra the base of the spine. When the relationship between Aries and Libra is clear, the path of resurrection has been established and the Kundalini can flow from the base of the spine to the crown, this regardless of the living system to which it applies, regardless of whether that system is large or small.

B.Aries and Libra are both signs relating to the Law: Aries governs the Law of self-hood, for ultimately the One Self is a law unto Itself. Libra governs the law which originates as a result of the social contract. This type of law is based upon duality and multiplicity, all parts receiving their just desserts.

C.Aries and Libra are governed by hard-line rays; the *first* and the *seventh* in the case of Aries and the *third* in the case of Libra, though the *seventh* ray can also be associated with this *seventh* sign. Aries and Libra are archetypally related to the 'Axis of Selfhood', the 'Axis of Identity', and govern the relationship between self and others. They are similarly related through the planet Uranus which is the esoteric ruler of Libra and the hierarchical ruler of Aries. Uranus always guarantees the optimum expression of the individuality. In Libra this individuality is maximally expressed within the social contract. In relation to Aries the individuality is expressed free from all dualistic constraints. In all structures where right human relations prevail, the self must be fully and completely expressed and yet others must be respected so that *their* selves can be fully and completely expressed as well. Aries and Libra govern the dynamics of this equilibrized relationship between self and others.

D.Aries and Libra are both found upon the Cardinal Cross, composed of four signs which govern initiative Aries governs individualistic self-related initiative and Libra governs social initiatives. Both have an intimate relationship to the Great Bear as the purveyor of primary first ray energy. In relation to the first ray, the triangle Great Bear,/Aries/Libra (the energies of which are distributed by Uranus or Vulcan veiled by the Sun) is most significant.

E.It will be noted that those born in opposing signs show many of the same physical characteristics. This is true of those born in Aries and Libra and a similarity can be seen in the shape of the head and a peculiar shape of the eyelids.

F.Both signs are peculiarly associated with rights: Aries the rights of the individual considered as a free agent, Libra the rights of the individual within society.

G.A further similarity shows the natives of both Aries and Libra initiating *passionate* human relations. For Aries initiates the battle of the sexes or the relationship between "Spirit and Matter" and Libra, in the early days, governs uncontrolled human love and passion.

H.Both signs are associated with the concept of the path: Aries rules especially the burning ground and Libra the noble middle path or the razor-edged path.

I.When the twelve signs of the zodiac resolve into six at the end of the cycle of local cosmic evolution, Aries and Libra will be considered one sign.