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### CHAPTER I

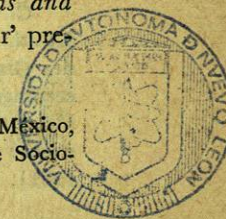
#### *In search of a philosophical foundation for an Integral Sociology*

THE HEART OF ANY scientific discipline is a consistent system of concepts, principles and theories.

The open and clandestine opposition by the majority of modern sociologists against almost all speculative sociology vituperating against it by calling it "armchair" sociology, aims uniquely at constructing "a natural science sociology" as a sham replica of the physical sciences.

This attitude is justly criticized by *Pitirim Sorokin*, when he says: "As to the revolt against 'armchair philosophy' is sociology, here again a sociologist can reject a specific brand of philosophy as a wrong philosophy but no sociologist can dismiss philosophy qua philosophy from sociology and sociological research. The very nature of psychological, cultural and value-problems cannot be properly defined and analyzed without some philosophical-epistemological, *ontological* and *phenomeno-logical* presuppositions. Of these philosophical premises three presuppositions are particularly unavoidable. Clearly or vaguely, convertly or overtly, in one way or another, they are assumed, and function in any research of any sociologist: 1, *the true nature of reality*; 2, *the true nature of man, society and culture*; 3, *What are the adequate ways, methods and techniques of their cognition*? Especially unavoidable are these 'armchair' presuppositions in investigation of basic problems of sociology".<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> C. PITIRIM A. SOROKIN: "A quest for an Integral System of Sociology", México, D. F. 1961, p. 14 (Reprint from *Mémoire du XIXe Congrès International de Sociologie*", vol. III, México, D. F. 1961), italics are the authors.



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