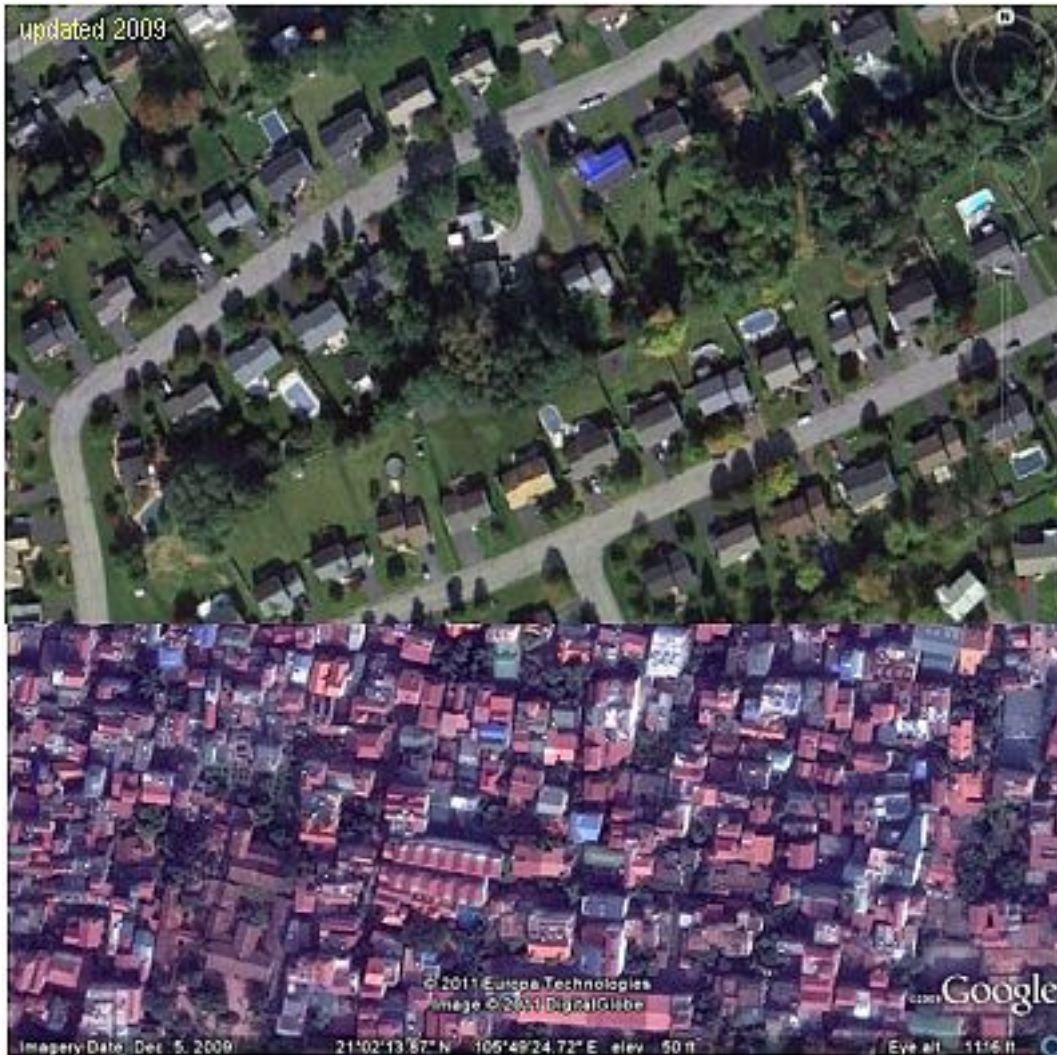


## Comparison

**Maybe I should have waited for Thanksgiving, but a thought occurred to me today regarding how lucky we are here in the U.S. So I used Google Earth to compare aerial views of a neighborhood in Hanoi and a nice**

**neighborhood near Albany from a thousand feet up. It's a stark comparison. For those not used to working with scale, each photo is of the same amount of land area, a few acres. Two or more homes in Hanoi might fit into one American home or your swimming pool. Some "streets" between the Hanoi homes are probably about 6 feet wide. Calcutta looks much the same.**

*David Griffin, 2007/11*



The Windswept Press Murrells Inlet, SC