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LAWSUIT EXPOSES DNC

• Case against Democratic Party reveals total disregard for rank-and-file

By Sophia Meyer

A lawsuit brought by supporters of Democratic presidential contender Bernie Sanders against the Democratic National Committee (DNC) has revealed the depth of corruption demonstrated by the Democratic Party when it disregarded the will of a great number of its members in promoting Hillary Clinton to the exclusion of Sanders as the presidential nominee. The problem is, few Americans know about this because the mainstream media has so far refused to cover the case.

As the contentious 2016 Democratic presidential primary campaign wore on, supporters of Sanders increasingly suspected the DNC and its chair, Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz (D-Fla.), of creating a manufactured win for Mrs. Clinton by promoting her candidacy while sabotaging that of Sanders.

In June 2016, attorneys for 150 Sanders supporters filed a class action lawsuit against the DNC and Mrs. Wasserman Schultz, demanding a jury trial. The suit claims the DNC's actions violate its charter, which "expressly obligates the DNC to maintain a neutral posture with respect to candidates seeking the party's nomination for president during the nominating process."

The suit's merit had been affirmed shortly before it was filed when WikiLeaks published nearly 20,000 emails and other documents, including donor lists, hacked



from key DNC party members, which provided evidence supporters' suspicions were indeed warranted.

Following the leak, party leadership immediately issued a "deep and sincere" public apology to Sanders and his supporters "for the inexcusable remarks made over email," and assured party members, "These comments do not reflect the values of the DNC or our steadfast commitment to neutrality during the nominating process."

Not satisfied with words alone, Sanders supporters filed suit.

Plaintiffs charge that, contrary to the charter, "the DNC was biased in favor of

one candidate—Hillary Clinton—from the beginning and throughout the process. The DNC devoted its considerable resources to supporting Clinton above any of the other Democratic candidates. Through its public claims to being neutral and impartial, the DNC actively concealed its bias from its own donors as well as donors to the campaigns of Clinton's rivals, including Bernie Sanders."

Many readers will no doubt be surprised upon first learning of this year-old news given the mainstream media's near "total blackout" of it, as Jared Beck, lead attorney for the plaintiffs, said in an interview.

The media's anti-Sanders bias is nothing new, however. Despite massive turnout at Sanders rallies and higher contributions to his campaign from small, individual contributors than to any other candidate in U.S. history, mainstream media coverage clearly favored Mrs. Clinton. From the beginning, media marginalized Sanders as "a long shot" and the presumed loser. Analysis conducted by TV News Archive reveals Mrs. Clinton's cable TV coverage was nearly double that given to Sanders.

The week before the Iowa primary election—which Mrs. Clinton won by

0.25%, the slightest margin in history—Associated Press (AP) had declared Mrs. Clinton the "presumptive winner" of the primary. AP based its reporting in part on polling of the extra 716 unpledged delegates, called "superdelegates"—which included Democratic Party leaders and elected officials—who had been appointed by DNC leadership. Clearly, the party was not interested in moving forward the choice of registered Democrats if that choice was not Mrs. Clinton.

It is not surprising, then, that this same media has failed to report on the DNC's shady political maneuvering, as its own unethical, anti-democratic practices would be brought to light were they to accurately cover the lawsuit.

In perhaps one of the more shocking moves, DNC lawyers have filed a new motion to dismiss the suit, claiming that "campaign contributors donated knowing the DNC favored Hillary Clinton," and "Sanders supporters were aware that the primaries were rigged and that neutrality is a political promise that cannot be enforced by a court," reports online news source the "Observer."

DNC lawyer Bruce Spiva argued at the latest hearing on April 25 that the DNC has "no contractual obligation" to follow its charter and has the right to favor a candidate. "It's not a situation where a promise has been made that is an enforceable promise," said Spiva. "We could have voluntarily decided that, 'We're gonna go into back rooms like they used to and smoke cigars and pick the candidate that way.'"

They claim, "neutrality is a political promise and the DNC can do whatever it wants without being legally bound to the charter. The resulting message is that the Democratic Party serves the interests of itself and its wealthy donors and that its voters have no choice but to deal with their totalitarian authority and undemocratic processes," wrote the "Observer."

As the "Observer" points out, regardless of the court's eventual decision on the motion to dismiss, the DNC is now "on record arguing that its voters have no reason to trust it to maintain fair elections." ★

A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Put the Blame Where It Belongs: The Media

The morning of June 14, a 66-year-old man armed with a semi-automatic rifle stalked a group of Republican congressmen and their aides, who were playing baseball at a ballpark in Alexandria, Va. A short while later, the man opened fire in the heavily populated area, but, miraculously, thanks to quick action on the part of police, only five people were injured. Rep. Steve Scalise (R-La.) was shot, as were two police officers, a congressional aide, and a lobbyist. Only one person was killed: the shooter, James T. Hodgkinson from Belleville, Ill., a suburb of St. Louis.

We don't report on every shooting or murder in the Washington area—and there are a lot—but what makes this brazen attack worth calling out is what sparked it.

Since President Donald Trump took office on Jan. 20, there has been a constant drumbeat from the mainstream media, liberal talking heads, leftist “civil rights” groups, and Hollywood celebrities that Trump and his fellow Republicans are out to destroy the world. While this may sound like hyperbole to many of us, apparently Hodgkinson—a staunch liberal and Trump-hater, according to his social media posts and reports from family and friends—heard this loud and clear, believed what he heard, and decided to take matters into his own hands and murder as many Republicans as he could.

There have been so many examples of anti-Trump media hatemongering that it's hard to pick just a few.

Recall when Trump announced he was

pulling out of the Paris climate agreement last month? After his announcement, multiple liberal icons took to the Internet to cry that the president “had just declared war on life on Earth.”

The truth is, the so-called Paris treaty is a joke. Worse, it's patently unfair to the United States, which—thanks to President Barack Obama—was committed to costly carbon emission reductions while the world's worst polluters, China and India, got a free pass for decades.

But perhaps worst of all is the near constant repetition of the fable that Russia hacked U.S. elections to undermine Hillary Clinton and get Trump elected. AFP has been covering this issue for nearly a year now in an effort to combat the baseless conspiracy theories being tossed around by the big media. After multiple investigations on the part of news outlets, FBI inquiries, and a half-dozen congressional hearings, not one Trump aide has been indicted on charges related to hacking or undermining U.S. elections. In fact, we now know that, thanks to former FBI director James Comey's testimony before the Senate intelligence committee on June 8, Trump has never even been under FBI investigation—something that media outlets have been intimating since last summer.

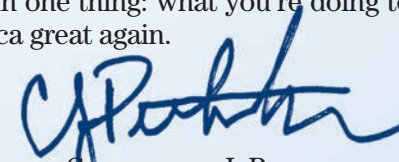
Every time some nutcase shoots up a school or picks up a phone to make a bomb threat to a religious community center, big media and its cohorts blame conservative news outlets and individuals for inciting the violence. And we all know what happens next: There are screams

for censorship and gun control. Free thinkers are thrown off the Internet. Books are banned. Good organizations are put out of business.

There should be no mincing words here: In this latest shooting, MSNBC, *The Washington Post*, *The New York Times*, CNN, Democratic Party leadership, the Southern Poverty Law Center, and most of Hollywood—to name but a few of the worst troublemakers—all bear responsibility for inciting this poor, depressed, angry individual to attempt to murder conservatives and law enforcement officials.

The sad thing here, though, is that this is not going to stop, because all the left-wing groups have to offer America at this time is incendiary verbiage. They have no plan to bring jobs back to the country. They offer nothing to save the failing healthcare system in this country. They are not interested in reining in out-of-control debt in this country. They are focused solely on taking down Trump.

The good news is, average Americans are beginning to see right through this. They know the Russian story is a fairytale. They know the investigations of Trump officials are goose chases. And what better pitch can we make to support AMERICAN FREE PRESS? Whether you're a Democrat or a Republican, we're only interested in one thing: what you're doing to make America great again. ★



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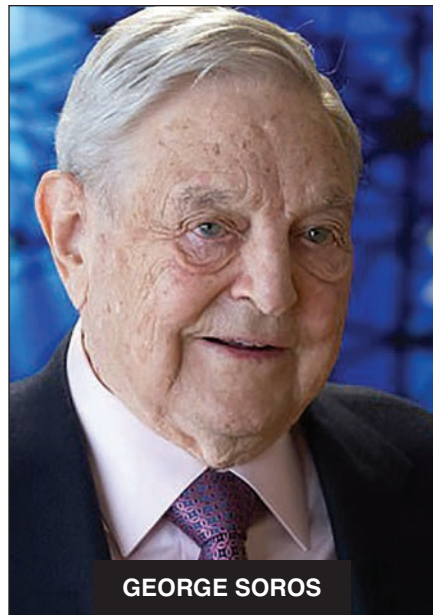
Round two in the trials of Cliven Bundy ranch supporters is coming up, and Judge Gloria Navarro has ordered that the men being tried must wear shackles in her courtroom. They are not violent, nor have they tried to escape, so why this demand? One of the defendants in the case, *U.S.A. vs. Cliven Bundy et al.*, is Pete Santilli, whose attorney, Chris Rasmussen, has responded that the judge's order violates his client's rights (as well as those of all other defendants in the case). The wearing of chains and handcuffs has the effect of making the defendant appear guilty to the jury—which is probably the judge's intent. In America, people who have not been convicted of a crime are innocent until proven otherwise, contrary to the impression the judge apparently wishes to create. She is most likely responding to the previous trial of several Bundy supporters that was covered in AFP's May 8 & 15 edition. In that case, prosecutors were only able to get convictions on Todd Engel and Gregory Bursleson. The latter was a paid government informant.

Assassinating Trump

Comedienne Kathy Griffin sparked controversy recently by simulating the beheading of Trump. But now a new production of "Julius Caesar" by Shakespeare in a theater in New York City has the titular character dressing and acting like President Donald Trump in a business suit and with blond hair—and, of course, being stabbed to death. This likeness isn't an accident, as the public theater makes clear. What is it with these Trump haters? Kudos to Delta Air Lines and Bank of America for withdrawing support of the theater for its inflammatory portrayal.

China Expands Bases

Just as the U.S. has military spread over 800 bases in some 130 foreign countries now, China is planning to have bases in Pakistan and other "friendly" countries, says the Pentagon. "This initiative, along with regular naval vessel visits to foreign ports, both reflects and amplifies China's growing influence, extending the reach of its armed forces," says the Pentagon's annual assessment of China's military.



GEORGE SOROS

Anti-Soros Law

In what many are saying is a direct response to left-wing billionaire George Soros funding violent coups in foreign countries, the Hungarian government recently passed a new law mandating that all foreign non-governmental organizations, such as those funded by Soros, register as foreign entities. The law means tougher rules that will make the organizations more transparent and is intended to reveal who is in fact supporting them.

Cutting the Sacred Cow

Congratulations to President Donald Trump for proposing in his latest budget plan a \$3 million cut in taxpayer dollars to the U.S. Holocaust Museum. But the Zionist lobby holds America in a death grip, and 64 members of Congress are asking the House Appropriations Committee to ignore the cost-cutting measure. In a sickening bipartisan letter, the groveling solons wrote, "Now is not the time to cut funding for this national treasure." Apparently, these elected officials have time to lobby for museum funding, but they can't fix America's failing healthcare system or pass legislation to bring jobs back to the U.S.

Failed Experiment

Highly processed foods are inexpensive to make, easily shipped, and have a long shelf life—and are generally more addictive than healthier alternatives. The prices of potato chips, cereal, ground beef, chocolate candy, and crackers has gone down over the

last few decades, while fresh fruit and veggies—especially organic ones—and quality meats have gotten more expensive. As a result, says a new study in the *New England Journal of Medicine*, in 2015, 2.2 billion people, or 30% of the world's population, were overweight, with a body mass index (BMI) higher than 30. Any BMI over 30 is considered obese, while a BMI of 40 or above qualifies as morbidly obese. Once a BMI of 25 is hit, the risk of diabetes, cancer, and heart disease all begin to increase. Making things worse, it turns out that many "low-fat" goodies actually cause weight gain.

Brits Coddled Extremists

The UK's MI5 spy organization has been "closely monitoring" a Muslim extremist network for decades that included radical jihadists Kuram Shazad Butt, Rachid Redouane, and Youssef Zaghba—the three terrorists who were shot and killed after a horrific truck-and-knives attack on civilians in the London Bridge area the night of June 3. Prime Minister Theresa May's open-door policy toward Britons fighting in Syria and Iraq alongside ISIS and other violent, extremist groups directly expanded the threat. But the collusion between Western "security services" goes back to the 1930s, when, in an attempt to gain control of the Arabian peninsula, King Abdulaziz said the key was [and is] Wahhabism, a radical form of Sunni Islam. Says Charles Shoebridge, former British army and Metropolitan



KING ABDULAZIZ

Police counterterrorism intelligence officer, "Only a fully empowered and totally independent inquiry could establish the truth of the matter . . . and there's no sign this is likely to happen anytime soon."

Forcing Immigration

Is there some law that a nation has to let "refugees" into its country even when the population doesn't want them? The European Union (EU) seems to think so. Three countries unfortunate enough to be EU members—the Czech Republic, Hungary, and Poland—are being sued by the EU for not having taken the "necessary action" in dealing with illegal immigrants. In legal proceedings launched on June 13, the three formerly sovereign nations are accused of not fulfilling their "obligations" toward the unarmed invaders according to a 2015 plan. The EU complains the three nations "have not yet relocated a single person."

More Neighborhoods Gone

Muslim immigrants can go anywhere in Sweden they like, but native Swedes better stay out of certain neighborhoods carved out of the Scandinavian land. There are already 53 districts throughout Sweden listed as "vulnerable" or "no go," meaning places with high rates of crime and poverty that may also play host to Muslim extremism, where locals do not report crimes to the police for fear of retribution. Even the Swedish mailman is forced to limit mail delivery in these alien zones for reasons of safety.

More Genocide

Gazans are bracing for a huge 40% cut in their electricity supply, which could result in many deaths in hospitals in the Gaza Strip. It is caused by feuding between the Palestine Authority (PA) and Israel, and between the PA and Hamas. PA President Mahmoud Abbas runs the West Bank, while Hamas runs the strip. Both Israel and the PA have accused Hamas of collecting millions of dollars from Gazans every month without transferring the money to the PA. Meanwhile, to add to the woe, Egypt's power company has warned it could cut the power lines leading to Gaza at any time.

Bilderberg Convenes for 65th Time

By Mark Anderson

CHANTILLY, Va.—The Bilderberg group's 65th meeting since 1954, held June 1-4 at the Westfields Marriott hotel, was totally ignored by the national mainstream and regional media. The mainstream media blackout came despite the meeting's vital importance, given the identity of this year's attendees, the key topics they secretly discuss, and the relevance of those topics to major political and economic developments.

This AFP writer placed several calls and emails to newspapers ranging from the *Arkansas Gazette-Democrat* to South Carolina's *The Post and Courier*—in those cases due to the Bilderberg meeting attendance of two sitting U.S. senators: Tom Cotton of Arkansas (R) and South Carolina's Lindsey Graham (R).

Thus far, both senators have ignored all our calls.

During initial calls, AFP also pressed the staffs of these senators to make some kind of statement on what role the senators played at Bilderberg 2017, but no official statement was given.

A *Post and Courier* editor conceded that the newspaper published a story about Graham attending Bilderberg for the first time last year in Dresden, Germany. However, he sounded fairly certain that the newspaper would not cover Bilderberg this year, characterizing the hush-hush meeting as mildly interesting, at best.

The Washington Post—whose parent company made a \$25,000 donation to the American Friends of Bilderberg “charity” group in 2008—was also contacted, as were *The Washington Times* and *USA Today*. No calls or emails were returned. Same goes for *The Kansas City Star*, which, like the *Post and Courier*, ran with the story last year of Graham jetting to Dresden.

This icy press indifference is especially odd given that Trump's national security advisor, H.R. McMaster, attended Bilderberg 2017, as did U.S. Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross, strategic advisor Christopher Liddell, and Deputy National Security Council Assistant Nadia Schadlow. This is perhaps the largest White House contingent to ever attend Bilderberg.

Combine that with the hot topics inside and outside the Bilderberg meeting, and the press silence becomes even harder to comprehend:

- Trump's “Prexit” decision to exit the Paris climate accord (which the press is obsessing over) while multiple corporate interests within Bilderberg

are affected by that decision, including Bilderberg's longtime partner, Royal Dutch Shell.

- And, among other things, the larger question, missed by the mainstream press, of whether Trump's Prexit decision means the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) is the next thing in line to “walk the plank.” Trump already exited the Trans-Pacific Partnership, after all.

The big picture is this: The Bilderberg group's overall agenda, with only minor exceptions, is to uphold the Paris Agreement over a professedly unshakeable belief in manmade global warming and the need to combat it no matter the cost to everyday people. Plus, the Bilderberg worldview is also attuned to undying support for far-reaching free-trade agreements.

Thus, the important matter that the U.S. press is so far missing—partly illustrated by a broadly worded official Bilderberg 2017 topic listed at its website, “The Trump Administration: A Progress Report”—is whether Trump will follow up on his pull-outs from the Trans-Pacific Partnership and the Paris accord by also pulling out of another holy grail of the Bilderberg universe: NAFTA.

AFP found that a Bilderberg-member newspaper that sent two people to Bilderberg this year, the *Financial Times* (which sent common Bilderberg attendee Martin Wolf and added fellow writer Gideon Rachman), had run a story about Ross being engaged in tense negotiations with sugar barons as part of the NAFTA accord, wherein Ross is reportedly trying to protect U.S. sugar growers from Mexican interests dumping cheap sugar on the U.S. market.

The catch is that Ross reportedly had a June 5 deadline to iron

out the many wrinkles in the often heated negotiations that involve other sugar interests as well. Given that Bilderberg ran through June 4, the question how Ross could have afforded to take the time to attend Bilderberg and still work through this matter, besides the question of whether the sugar deal will have a bearing on the United States staying in NAFTA in the first place. Either way, this matter is seen as an “inside Bilderberg” topic, in a more unofficial manner.

Meanwhile, on the ground in Chantilly, the demonstrators and alternative media members together numbered about 150, gathering on a grassy strip along the hotel's outer property—well away from the hotel, which is engulfed on all sides by trees and thick foliage, making it one of the most difficult Bilderberg meeting locations at which to photograph attendees.

[See page 8 for the attendee list.—Ed.] ★

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Supporters of Donald Trump were at the front gates of the hotel. Several said they showed up because they heard anarchists were planning to cause trouble.



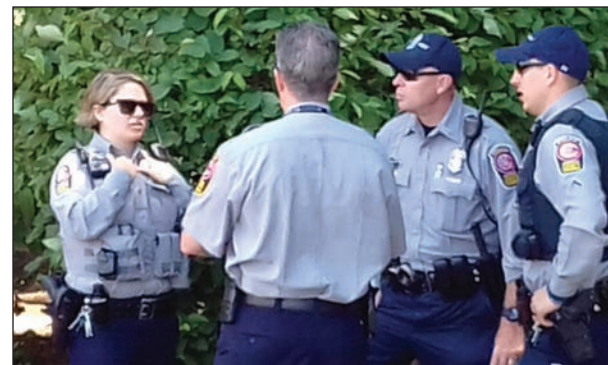
Editor-in-Chief Francois Lenglet of the French public TV station France 2 was spotted and photographed at Dulles Airport by diligent activists.

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Hiding behind the tinted glass is Klaus Kleinfeld, former chairman and CEO of Arconic, former chairman and CEO of Alcoa, Inc., and former president and CEO of Siemens AG. Kleinfeld resigned as Arconic's CEO in April 2017.

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The following is a brief focus on three 2017 Bilderberg attendees, postulating as to what their attendance might have offered to the assembled movers and shakers at Bilderberg this year.

By Mark Anderson

Nadia Schadow

Deputy Assistant to President Trump and Senior Director for National Security

In line with one of the 13 official Bilderberg meeting topics, “The Trans-Atlantic Alliance: Bullets, Bytes, and Bucks,” and perhaps to a lesser extent, “Russia in the International Order,” Ms. Schadow most likely attended the globalist gathering this year due to her views on something known as “hybrid warfare,” which is also of interest to NATO Secretary General Jens Stoltenberg, a returning Bilderberg attendee. “Hybrid warfare” refers to “a blend of military, economic, diplomatic, criminal, and informational means to achieve desired political goals,” Ms. Schadow explained in an April 2015 essay, “The Problem with Hybrid Warfare.” Ms. Schadow’s writings focus on Russia as a threat to the Western alliance, which Bilderberg helps uphold and control, arguing that “[Russian] actions [against the West]—a media campaign here, a cyber-intrusion there (and even the occasional political assassination) . . . [appear] to be deliberately staying under the . . . threshold [to provoke retaliation by NATO], while still pursuing its aggressive aims and seeking to destabilize NATO members.” ★



Fabiola Gianotti

Italian Director General of CERN

A particle physicist and the first woman to head the European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN), Ms. Gianotti oversees the massive hadron particle collider in Switzerland. Independent journalist Jason Bermas, commenting outside this



year’s Bilderberg meeting, remarked that Ms. Gianotti’s presence at Bilderberg evidently is tied to CERN being a “macro project” of a plan to use quantum computers to dramatically advance artificial intelligence (AI) in a manner that gives Bilderberg-connected interests control over how AI is introduced and functions in the world. Frequent Bilderberg attendee and longtime Google chief Eric Schmidt of Alphabet just came out of a Chinese AI conference before Bilderberg’s 2017 meeting. Thus, Goldman Sachs’s major Bilderberg presence—combined with White House freelance technology advisor Peter Thiel steadily attending Bilderberg—strongly suggests that past Bilderberg press releases specifying AI as a key topic (and one of the 2017 topics “Can Globalization Be Slowed?”) are geared toward using super computers to make quantum leaps in AI technology for military and various other applications.

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Alexander Karp

Co-founder & CEO, Palantir Tech.

Karp’s college advisor was well-known German philosopher Jürgen Habermas—a student of Theodor Adorno, a leading thinker of the subversive cultural communist Frankfurt School. The school’s change agents over the decades have undermined the family, the law, the arts, and other facets of Western culture. But what Karp brings to Bilderberg’s table is Palantir’s hard-wired relationship with intelligence agencies and various other government offices. “Founded in 2004 by Peter Thiel, Nathan Gettings, Joe Lonsdale, Stephen Cohen, and Alex Karp, Palantir’s original clients were federal agencies of the United States intelligence community,” Wikipedia notes. By 2013, Palantir’s clients included DHS, NSA, FBI, CDC, the Marine Corps, Air Force, Special Operations Command, West Point, and others. Furthermore, U.S. spy agencies have employed Palantir to connect databases across their departments. And with topics like “The War on Information” on this year’s Bilderberg agenda, people like Karp, Schmidt, and others provide policymakers, bankers, and investors at Bilderberg with vital inroads for more advancements in surveillance, military, and other cutting-edge technologies. ★



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Leaving Bilderberg: Left, Robert Rubin, former Treasury secretary and currently the co-chair of the Council on Foreign Relations. Right, Zanny Minton Beddoes, the editor-in-chief of *The Economist*. Journalists are sworn to secrecy.



Robert Zoellick, former president of the World Bank, was the only Bilderberger who was willing to brave the crowd. Here, Gabriel Brown, a freelance photographer for We Are Change NYC, snaps a “selfie” with Zoellick during an afternoon jog. Zoellick is a Bilderberg regular.



AFP’s Mark Anderson (right) is shown interviewing commentator Chris Dorsey (left) of the Virginia Militia, who joined other demonstrators at the gates of the Westfields Washington Dulles Marriott in Chantilly, Va. AFP PHOTO



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Former CIA Officer Reveals the Secret to Protecting Yourself From Violent Assaults

•...without carrying a knife, gun, or taking years of expensive martial arts classes

By Jason Hanson, *Former CIA Officer*

Hi. My name is Jason Hanson. I'm a former CIA officer. You may have seen me on the NBC Today Show, Rachel Ray, or even the hit ABC TV show Shark Tank.

If you're like me, the ability to protect yourself and your loved ones is a top priority.

Personally, I believe the best ways to do this is with a knife or a gun — but the problem is you can't legally carry these items everywhere.

However, what if I told you there was an item that you can legally carry virtually anywhere? On airplanes, in courthouses, in a number of federal buildings that are highly secure...

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Now, I should warn you, the TSA can confiscate this, since they can confiscate anything... but I have personally flown all over the world with this self-defense tool. So you may want to check out information to see if you can

"Jason, I recently purchased a tactical pen while in the Ultimate Concealed Carry Course. I love it, have traveled quite a bit, including overseas, without any TSA troubles. This pen is awesome, it's lightweight, durable, and easy to carry around. I always have it with me."

— **Laura Hollingsworth, Suffolk, VA**

carry it places you're trying to go.

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"I also purchased a tactical pen during the course, having already been convinced of its utility virtually anywhere (as opposed to pepper spray and the Swiss Army knife that most of the time I have to leave at home)... as I work as Congressional staff and must walk through a metal detector/bag x-ray to get to my office every day."

— **Chris Fogelberg, Arlington, VA**



"Every single American should own one of these pens."

the tactical pen on some major media appearances such as the Rachel Ray show, Fox News, ABC, or NewsMax TV.

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"Every single American should own one of these pens."

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Does Dollar Dump Mean War?

• Iran, Russia and China put final touches on system to replace U.S. petrodollar

By Matthew Raphael Johnson

Many have been predicting it. This writer spoke of it as early as 2004. The elite have dreaded it. It's finally happened. The dollar is soon to be removed as the trading currency for oil and other commodities among Russia, Iran, and China. The effect on the U.S. economy will be catastrophic. However, in the long run it will serve to force the U.S. into a regional rather than a global role.

The Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (ICBC) began operations in Moscow starting in mid-March 2017. The sole purpose was to act as a new intermediary for international commodity and energy trade. Iran has already declared its interest in following suit. At the end of 2015, the Russian central bank officially announced China's currency, the yuan, as a reserve currency. It took several more years to build the infrastructure to handle a radical shift of this kind.

The U.S. cannot but act militarily, and its buildup of forces is unprecedented. It has no financial weapons to answer the massive drop in demand for the dollar once this is made operational.

It also shows that the Russian Central Bank is under state control. If it were a foreign-owned bank, this sort of cooperation would be out of the question. The building of this financial infrastructure is one of the most significant events in geopolitics.

Russia has the mechanisms in place to build its own SCO-BRICS banking system. SCO-BRICS refers to the Shanghai Cooperation Organization—an intergovernmental organization founded in Shanghai on June 15, 2001 by China, Russia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan—and BRICS, the economic arrangement among Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa. The two groups have held several summits over the years with the intent to foster economic and political cooperation.

Compounding the situation is the fact that, since the big credit cards pulled out of Russia, local alternatives have been exploding. Whatever dependency and Western control Russia's banking had faced is now gone. The current SWIFT system—the computer module that governs international trade and credit—is controlled by Western bankers in Belgium. It is a manifestation of the cooperation of the globe's financial elites. Since these are deeply in debt and largely criminal enterprises, removing Russia from their system is a positive thing. Already, Russia has its own system in place, the MIR, a payment system established by the Central Bank of Russia, which is used by almost 400 banks. It is also used by members of the SCO on most occasions.

Any nation under American sanctions no longer



Russian President Vladimir Putin holds a large gold bar. Both Russia and China have been buying up huge quantities of gold in preparation for their switch from the U.S. dollar to the yuan in order to bypass the U.S. when buying petroleum.

uses the SWIFT system. Quietly, American Express and Citibank have joined the MIR, as have most Northern European banks. Profits are more important than Western oil company demands, and a faction of the elite realize that there is no future in Western debt. As of May 2017, they are the only two Western financial institutions to be included in the new system.

The MIR structure is proof that Russia has removed the Rothschild presence from Russia.

Russia is misinterpreted in Western financial analysis. It is not a petroleum-based economy. Roughly 20% of its foreign exports is in this sphere. It is a powerful actor, but it is not dominant. In truth, Russia is the 26th most complex economy in the world, meaning that it is not dependent on just one thing. For a little perspective, Canada is 11th. While the U.S. is an important importer, it is not an important export destination for Russians. Asia and Northern Europe are far more important. In other words, Russia does not need the U.S.

The Rothschild dynasty thought BRICS was something it could guide and control. They were

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Both China and Russia are buying up gold at a breakneck pace. They are also dumping treasury notes.

wrong. Both China and Russia are buying up gold at a breakneck pace, and the export of precious metals is illegal in both countries. They are also dumping treasury notes. Gold provides the SCO with a degree of independence that was unthinkable 20 years ago. Almost 50 million ounces of gold have been added to the SCO just in 2017, and about \$350 billion in treasuries have been dumped. It also helps that Russia is the world's third-largest miner of gold and China is the first.

A massive revolution is taking place right under the West's nose, and very few understand its nature. Liberalism itself is being directly challenged.

Russia's removing itself from the domination of the dollar means the end of American "superpower" status.

As might be imagined, the military buildup on Russia's border has been rapid and is ready to strike at any moment. The excuse for this has been the annexation of Crimea, an event demanded by about 97% of Crimeans. The supposed evidence of Russia's ill will has been its modernization of its missile systems and air force.

The West claims that American special forces are stationed in those countries for the purpose of "defense." However, this has nothing to do with Romania and Bulgaria. The sole reason for the countdown to war is fear over the damage this "dollar dump" will do to the American economy. The truth is that it will force the U.S. into a more reasonable, local role rather than as the world's enforcer of the global, liberal order.

Gen. Raymond Thomas, head of the Pentagon's Special Operations Command, has been put in charge of the buildup in the Baltic states. He has made the claim that these countries fear an imminent "takeover" by Russian forces.

Not a shred of evidence has ever been put forward proving this claim.

Russia maintains strong trade relations with all of these states and has no incentive to "invade" them.

This is crude propaganda masking the real issue: the destruction of the globalized order this financial connection between Russia and China is already completing. ★

What Would Happen if We Stop Vaccinating?

Head of world-renowned clinic supports vaccinations, but wonders if there is another, better way. . . .

THE HEAD OF A WORLD-RENOWNED U.S. clinic in Ohio said recently he supports vaccinations but suggests that there has to be a better way to defeat disease. Suffice it to say, he is in some hot water now! Today we are injected with foreign disease substances that we normally would want to avoid simply to elicit a lifesaving IMMUNE RESPONSE.*

Here's a possible answer (I am a graduate engineer not a doctor). In my 88th year—a family effort—I am not new to controversy! In 1957 I had the best discus throw in the World (*T&F News*, Vol. 10, No. 12) but gave it up because I knew Anabolic Steroids would cause users heart damage! At the time, all the top athletes were being pushed to use them. They had been told they were safe by doctors.

Anabolic steroid inventor John Ziegler, M.D. said before he died at 63: "I wish I had listened to [John Ellis]. I damaged my own heart!"

I WAS RIGHT THEN AND I AM RIGHT NOW

A great friend, Al Oerter (won the Olympic discus four times), needed a heart transplant and died shortly after he and his wife visited my daughter in Atlanta. I have a long list of Olympic friends who are dead because they were "FDA approved" (now banned).

I was right then about anabolic steroids and I am right

***IF YOU GO TO THE CDC.GOV/VACCINES WEBSITE YOU WILL SEE THE RESULTS OF STOPPING ALL VACCINATIONS WORLDWIDE COULD BE CATASTROPHIC! HOWEVER, IN SPITE OF THE FACT THERE MAY BE A BETTER WAY THAN VACCINES (see above), STATISTICS SHOW VACCINES WORK THE VAST MAJORITY OF THE TIME, THOUGH THERE ARE SERIOUS HEALTH RISKS & SIDE EFFECTS.**



Two nursing sisters with wounded soldiers are shown in a ward room at the Queen's Canadian Military Hospital in Shorncliffe, Kent, England, circa 1916. Top right: Clara Barton tends a soldier. Bottom right, Susan B. Anthony.

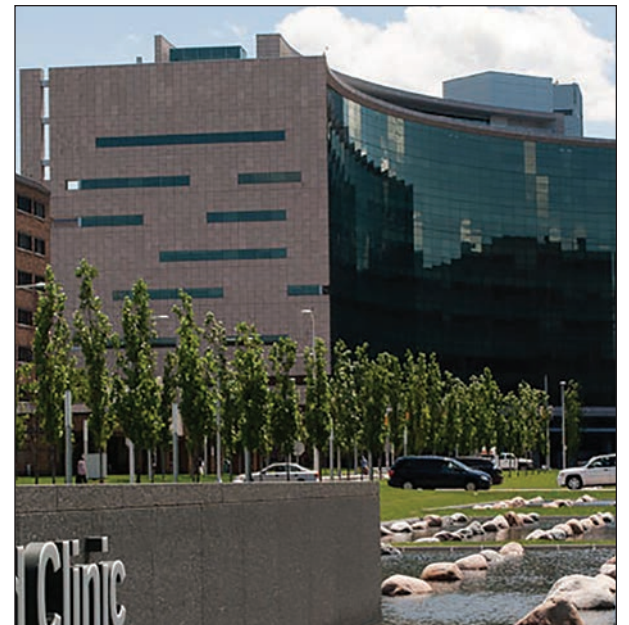
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One doctor at a prominent U.S. clinic is in hot water for suggesting there might be a better way than vaccinations to beat disease. John Ellis has been saying this for decades.

from celebrities concerned about autism, for example, to spread the word!

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A wonderful woman from a major foundation funded our Ebola results in the video ignoring her male counterparts like American Red Cross Founder Clara Barton: "We nursed you back to health and now we need your help!" But unfortunately some of her counterparts made sure help never came ... even after thousands of women like my grandmother and Clara Barton went to Rochester, NY and descended on the home of women suffragist Susan B. Anthony (Clara Barton's 6th cousin) to offer their support for a woman's right to vote! If you Google: Nursing Sisters Port Dover, you'll see a book by Harry B. Barrett with pictures of my grandmother and her heroic nursing sisters during WW1 including one sister who was mentioned in wartime dispatches for her heroism resulting in a certificate presented to her by King George V. In spite of her "valor in the face of the enemy", after throwing caution to the wind because the love of her life had been killed in action, a woman was ineligible to receive the Victoria Cross!

Heartbroken, this beautiful lady never married.

There are hundreds of letters and pictures, including one of the ambulances my grandmother donated (before we entered WWII) encouraged by her friend, suffragist Carrie Chapman Catt, who moved around the corner from my grandmother in New Rochelle, N.Y. As a youngster, I remember all the sewing machines and their many friends at my grandmother's house sewing thousands of pre-die cut clothes together to keep children warm during the brutally cold English winters. Carrie Chapman Catt also founded the League of Woman Voters and is most famous for her Congressional speech resulting in the 19th Constitutional Amendment that gave woman the right to vote in 1920!

All this took place after Susan B. Anthony died.

Now, history repeats itself, except this time their counterparts have problems with clogged arteries, heart attacks, prostate problems and cancer **by stonewalling a Man's right and a Woman's right to flush DEUTERIUM** (a major cause of Aging and Cancer) **and Pathogens out of their bloodstreams** . . . so these diseases aren't handed down to generations of our unborn children and grandchildren!!

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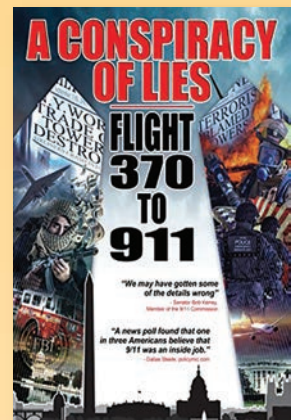
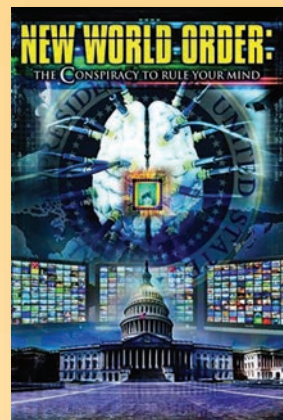
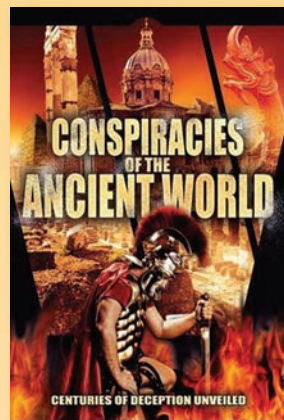
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AMERIGEDDON has been described as “the movie the establishment doesn’t want you to see.” Showing what happens when a not-so-future U.S. government conspires with the United Nations to stage a false-flag attack on the energy grid, *AMERIGEDDON* depicts a country ruled by martial law in which citizens are stripped of their constitutional rights and their guns. A group of patriots fight back and tries to rescue the country from chaos. The film illustrates a dystopian future all patriots must guard against and is a call to action to preserve gun rights and stop executive rule by fiat. Director Mike Norris, son of actor Chuck Norris, says, “The fact that a recent poll showed a majority of Americans are enraged with the federal government points to a frenzy of unrest with the dictatorial way in which our country has been run.” **DVD, 90 minutes, \$20.**

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Are we being controlled from the very moment we are born until the time of our death? Or, is it time to put a stop to the ever encroaching and invasive conspiracies upon our minds and our lives? Richard Wilson, author of *Don't Get Fooled Again*, talks about his work to debunk conspiracy theories and conspiracy theorists. Which ones can he debunk? Which ones stand the test? Also, Phil Booth explains his campaign against mandatory ID cards. Together they speak about conspiracy theories and theorists. An interesting angle on conspiracy research—one might say a “counterpoint”—we thought AFP readers would be interested in testing for themselves. Featuring: Nick Margerrison, Phil Booth and Richard Wilson. **DVD, 48 minutes, \$20.**

CONSPIRACY OF LIES: Flight 370 To 911

Since 9/11, our nation's police appear more like a military force than officers of the peace. We have seen the creation of Homeland Security, the TSA and the Patriot Act, all as a result of this one event, yet no one can explain why Building 7, which was not hit by a plane, collapsed along with the Twin Towers. We have now discovered the NSA can and does spy on every American citizen and we only need the national media to see that many of the New World Order plans are already in place. Col. Philip Corso on his deathbed claimed that the military had indeed reverse-engineered alien spacecraft and that he was responsible for disseminating the technology into the military-industrial complex. He also claimed he was aware of a secretive UFO controlling committee made up primarily of very high-ranking military officers and intelligence people. His nickname for this group was “The Unholy Thirteen.” Are we living under a New World Order? Look around. It seems it's only a short matter of time until all of the control levers are put in place. **DVD, 60 minutes, \$15.**

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Can Monuments Receive New Homes?

• Outraged by assault on U.S. history, citizens work to save venerated statuary

By John Friend

Monuments, statues, and memorials honoring and commemorating the Confederacy and Southern history are under assault, with leftists, “anti-racists,” and countless politicians demanding state and local governments dismantle and remove the iconic monuments and memorials peppering various cities and towns across Dixie. Many have been defaced and vandalized by radical leftists, who have become more and more bold in expressing their contempt for the people and history of the South.

For instance, in New Orleans, all four Confederate monuments scattered throughout the city were recently declared a public nuisance by the New Orleans City Council, and have been removed. The statue of Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee, which dominated Lee Circle in New Orleans for decades, was the latest and final monument to come down. The Liberty Place monument, which commemorates the Battle of Liberty Place in 1874, and bronze statues of both Confederate President Jefferson Davis and Confederate Gen. P.G.T. Beauregard had previously been torn down at the behest of leftist New Orleans Mayor Mitch Landrieu, who has been a primary proponent of dismantling and bringing down Confederate monuments in both New Orleans and across the South.

Like New Orleans, Baltimore also has four Confederate monuments that are now under attack. City officials there, including Mayor Catherine Pugh, have expressed interest in removing the city’s iconic monuments.

“The city does want to remove these,” Mayor Pugh told reporters recently, referring to the city’s Confederate monuments. “We’ll take a closer look at it and see how we go about the business of following in the footsteps of New Orleans.”

It’s becoming increasingly obvious that Southern history specifically, and American history more generally, are under attack by forces that seek to destroy, demonize, and marginalize the very men and women who founded and built this nation.

“It is the outright hatred of whites that has sparked a renewed interest in dismantling Southern heritage and they are still outraged with the election of Trump,” Rachel Pendergraft, a long-time supporter of this newspaper and leading activist with the Knights Party, recently explained to AMERICAN FREE PRESS. “This is one way they have to punish white people. The Confederate flag and Southern monuments are symbols of the fight against tyranny and centralized government. This is the type of government that anti-whites are promoting because they feel that with power in



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Above left, a statue of Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee is shown being hoisted away by a crane from Lee Circle in New Orleans. Lee’s statue was the last of four monuments to Civil War-era figures to be removed under the regime of Mayor Mitch Landrieu. Right, the statue of Lee in New Orleans before its desecration.



The Lee and Jackson Monument in Wyman Park in Baltimore is another example of a gorgeous piece of sculptural art doomed for the trash bin. Perhaps private buyers could purchase such deeply meaningful works of art and place them on private property so they could be properly honored, instead of seeing them spray-painted with hate graffiti.

the hands of just a few, it will be easier to consolidate and grow a powerful machine against the last vestiges of Western Christian civilization.”

Protests against the dismantling and removal of Confederate monuments have been organized across the South, with hundreds rallying to support Confederate history and, more specifically, to expose the anti-white agenda behind those who seek to tear down the heroes of the South.

Richard Spencer, a leading figure in the alt-right movement, helped organize a rally recently in

Charlottesville, Va., where local city government has taken steps to remove a statue displayed in the city commemorating Gen. Robert E. Lee. In April, the city council voted to sell the statue and eventually remove it from public view. The city council’s decision is currently being challenged by local historians and pro-Confederate groups. Other rallies have taken place in New Orleans, Houston, and other cities across the South, and will continue to take place in the months ahead.

Confederate monuments and other symbols, including the Confederate flag, have been under intense scrutiny, particularly in the wake of the attack on a traditional black church in Charleston, S.C. two years ago. The attack, carried out by Dylann Storm Roof, a young, alienated white man, resulted in the deaths of nine black church members, all gunned down by Roof. Roof has been convicted of a variety of federal offenses and was sentenced to death earlier this year.

As America continues to be radically transformed by massive Third World immigration and experiences increasing racial tensions manufactured by the mass media and political establishment, Ms. Pendergraft sees hope as more Americans are forced to recognize the dire straits they find themselves in.

“With the changing demographics and balkanization of America, there may be a real opportunity in the future for a New America as white majority areas begin pushing for states’ rights,” Ms. Pendergraft explained to this reporter. “This is why the white family is so important. The white family will be instrumental in this renewal as the conquering spirit of our forefathers is carried forward.”

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Comey: No Obstruction by Trump

By Robert Romano

Former National Security Advisor Mike Flynn was fired after it was revealed that he had not fully disclosed to then-Vice President-Elect Mike Pence the details of Flynn's Dec. 29, 2016 conversation with Russian Ambassador Sergey Kislyak.

The only reason it had even come up was because the conversation that had occurred was illegally leaked, presumably by a government official with access to an intercept of the conversation. It was published by *The Washington Post* on Jan. 12.

Flynn briefed Pence on the conversation, who then appeared Jan. 15 on CBS's "Face the Nation" and stated that Flynn and Kislyak had not discussed sanctions that were imposed on Russia.

Next, the contents of the conversation were leaked, presumably by a government official, on Feb. 9, again to *The Washington Post*. According to that report, as it turned out, "National security adviser Michael Flynn privately discussed U.S. sanctions against Russia with that country's ambassador to the United States during the month before President Trump took office."

So, three things happened, if the reports are true: 1) Mike Flynn talked with Kislyak, 2) sanctions came up in the conversation, and 3) Flynn did not fully disclose the details of the conversation to Pence, who then appeared on television, mischaracterizing what had been discussed.

If that's all there is and was, then no crime was committed by Flynn—not by talking to Kislyak, not by discussing foreign policy issues that were likely to come up during the Trump administration, including sanctions, and not when he allegedly failed to fully brief Pence, who was not yet vice pres-



MIKE FLYNN



SERGEY KISLYAK



MIKE PENCE



JAMES COMEY

According to testimony, the only crime committed was the release of the Flynn tapes.

ident. None of those things are crimes.

Four days later, on Feb. 13, Flynn resigned his position as national security advisor, the first victim of the surveillance state unmasking of American citizens from raw intelligence gathered by the outgoing Obama administration.

Again, the only reason it came up was because of the felony disclosure of Flynn's conversation with Kislyak to the *Post* on Jan. 12. Had that never hap-

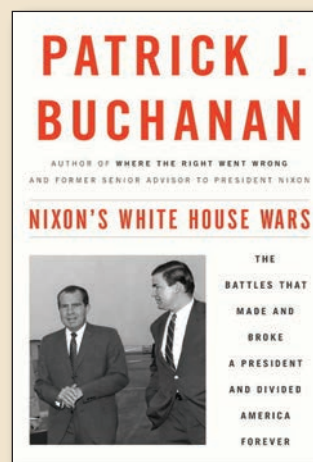
pened, Flynn might still be national security advisor.

This is the context that must be understood as the nation now considers the pre-released testimony of former FBI Director James Comey before the Senate Intelligence Committee on June 8, which states of his Feb. 14 meeting with President Donald Trump:

When the door by the grandfather clock closed, and we were alone, the president began by saying, "I want to talk about Mike Flynn." Flynn had resigned the previous day. The president began by saying Flynn hadn't done anything wrong in speaking with the Russians, but he had to let him go because he had misled the vice president. He added that he had other concerns about Flynn, which he did not then specify. The president then made a long series of comments about the problem with leaks of classified information—a concern I shared and still share. After he had spoken for a few minutes about leaks, Reince Priebus leaned in through the door by the grandfather clock and I could see a group of people waiting behind him. The president waved at him to close the door, saying he would be done shortly. The door closed.

New book from AFP: **Nixon's White House Wars** The Battles That Made and Broke a President and Divided America Forever

From Vietnam to the Southern Strategy, from the opening of China to the scandal of Watergate, Pat Buchanan—speechwriter and senior adviser to President Nixon—tells the untold story of Nixon's embattled White House, from its historic wins to its devastating defeats. In his inaugural address, Nixon held out a hand in friendship to Republicans and Democrats alike. But by the fall of 1969, massive demonstrations in Washington and around the country had been mounted to break his presidency. In a brilliant appeal to what he called the "Great Silent Majority," Nixon sent his enemies reeling. Vice President Agnew followed by attacking the blatant bias of the media in a fiery speech authored and advocated by Buchanan. And by 1970, Nixon's approval rating soared to 68%, and he was labeled "The Most Admired Man in America." Then one by one, the crises came, from the invasion of Cambodia, to the protests that killed four students at Kent State, to race riots and court-ordered school busing.



Buchanan chronicles Nixon's historic trip to China, and describes the White House strategy that brought about Nixon's 49-state landslide victory over George McGovern in 1972. When the Watergate scandal broke, Buchanan urged the president to destroy the Nixon tapes before they were subpoenaed, and fire Special Prosecutor Archibald Cox, as Nixon ultimately did in the "Saturday Night Massacre." After testifying before the Watergate Committee himself, Buchanan describes the grim scene at Camp David in August 1974, when Nixon's staff concluded he could not survive. In a riveting memoir from behind the scenes of the most controversial presidency of the last century, *Nixon's White House Wars* reveals both the failings and achievements of the 37th president, recorded by one of those closest to Nixon from before his political comeback, through to his final days in office.

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In theory, the president could carry out federal law enforcement functions without an FBI director.

The president then returned to the topic of Mike Flynn, saying, “He is a good guy and has been through a lot.” He repeated that Flynn hadn’t done anything wrong on his calls with the Russians, but had misled the vice president. He then said, “I hope you can see your way clear to letting this go, to letting Flynn go. He is a good guy. I hope you can let this go.” I replied only that “he is a good guy.”

This is of critical importance. Providing fuller context to President Trump’s comments to Comey on Feb. 14, he did not think Flynn had committed any crime by talking with the Russians or misleading Pence about whether sanctions were discussed.

So, if there was no criminal matter for the FBI to attend to pursuant to Flynn’s conversation, then there was nothing to investigate. Hoping that Comey would come to the same conclusion in the independent exercise of his own authority is not obstruction of justice, as Democrats are now alleging. It is simply an interpretation of the law—which Trump under the Constitution has the Article II power and duty to enforce.

Note how Trump was extremely concerned about the leaks of classified information. That is absolutely connected to the Flynn matter. Again, the only reason any of this happened was because Flynn’s conversation with Kislyak was illegally leaked to the *Post*. It’s the only true crime committed here.

The unmasking of Flynn was the crime Trump thought Comey ought to be investigating. It’s a fair point, and he had every right to point this out to Comey. The Russia witch hunt is out of control—and apparently everyone in the country knows it except for those leading the investigation.

As *National Review*’s Andrew McCarthy has noted, even if Trump had ordered Comey to end the investigation into Flynn, that would still not be obstruction: “[It] cannot be doubted that a president has constitutional authority to order the FBI to drop a criminal investigation.” Why?

For starters, neither the FBI nor the director is in the Constitution, McCarthy points out. The only executive officer stated in the Constitution is the president. “In theory, the president could carry out federal law-enforcement functions without an FBI director,” McCarthy notes.

In other words, in the exercise of his constitutional authority to enforce the law, the president has the same prosecutorial discretion lower level prosecutors have—including prioritizing which crimes ought to be investigated.

Thus, even if a crime had been committed by Flynn—he hadn’t committed one, but let’s pretend he did—per McCarthy, “There are often good reasons for not pursuing a viable criminal case. Every day,



Former FBI Director James Comey is sworn in prior to his hearing in front of the Senate Intelligence Committee in Washington, D.C. in early June. He had an obvious bone to pick with Trump, but could provide no information that indicted the president for any illegal activities, including obstruction of justice.

throughout the country, the FBI forgoes various investigations and U.S. attorneys decline prosecutions.”

That is true. For example, it was Comey who, exercising his discretion, did not recommend criminal charges against Hillary Clinton to the Justice Department. Perhaps he just thought prosecuting the Democratic Party nominee for president would have torn the country in half. There was plenty of evidence she had broken the law by keeping classified information on her private server. Alas, he concluded no criminal statute had been broken.

As did then-President Barack Obama, opining on television on April 10, 2016—while the FBI’s criminal investigation into Clinton was still ongoing—that, “Hillary Clinton was an outstanding Secretary of State. She would never intentionally put America in any kind of jeopardy . . . She has not jeopardized national security. Now, what I’ve also said is that she’s acknowledged that there’s a carelessness in terms of managing emails that she has owned and she recognizes.”

Later, when Comey let Clinton off the hook on July 5, he used the same words, that Clinton had been “extremely careless.”

Per *National Review*’s McCarthy, again, “A cynic might say that Obama had clearly signaled to the FBI and the Justice Department that he did not want Mrs. Clinton to be charged with a crime, and that, with this not-so-subtle pressure in the air, the president’s subordinates dropped the case—exactly what Obama wanted, relying precisely on Obama’s stated rationale.”

Still, nobody at the time suggested Obama had obstructed justice by appearing on national television and giving his opinion about whether Clinton had committed any crime. Obama took pains to say: “I do not talk to the attorney general about pending investigations. I do not talk to FBI directors about pending investigations. We have a strict

line and have always maintained it.” Yet he apparently was not worried that then-Attorney General Loretta Lynch or then-FBI Director Comey might have been watching television at the time when he discussed the investigation into Clinton.

Not that it mattered all that much. Obama had every right, both as a First Amendment matter and an Article II matter, to offer his own interpretation that Clinton had not endangered national security or committed a crime by keeping classified information on her private server.

Just as Trump had every right to offer his interpretation that Flynn had not committed any crime by talking to Kislyak.

Love prosecutorial discretion or hate it—I’m personally not a fan, but I recognized at the time that was why Clinton got off—that is the system of justice in which we live.

Indeed, if the president was concerned that Flynn’s troubles would not end with his firing—even though he committed no crime—he could pardon him if he wanted to prevent a severe miscarriage of justice, and it would be no crime. For, if Trump could pardon Flynn under Article II then he could audibly hope that Comey might save him the trouble. Many might disagree about such a political decision, and yet it is undeniable that the president could do so under his constitutional authority.

Which, perhaps, is the real problem here, where the president’s enemies still have not accepted the fact that he won the 2016 election—and so seek to deny him the legitimacy to execute the constitutional powers of his office. That is why, like the Flynn matter, Comey’s testimony is largely a distraction from the real issues facing the country.

Now that it is over, can we finally get back to work? ★

Leftist Leaker Arrested

• Anti-white fanatic leaked documents in bid to destroy Trump

By John Friend

A 25-year-old former Air Force linguist employed as a private contractor for a company that does work for the National Security Agency (NSA) has been arrested and charged with stealing classified information and illegally releasing it to “The Intercept,” a top alternative media outlet, it has been revealed.

Reality Leigh Winner, who had been employed by Pluribus International Corporation—a private defense contractor that works for the NSA—since February of this year, held a top secret clearance and was fluent in Farsi, Dari, and Pashto, according to reports. Born and raised in Kingsville, Texas, Ms. Winner was apparently a top-notch student and athlete in high school before joining the Air Force shortly after graduating. Following her release from the military in January of this year, Ms. Winner took a position with Pluribus and began doing work for the NSA.

Ms. Winner was arrested on June 3 at her home in Augusta, Ga. after the FBI discovered she had printed and removed a classified NSA report from the government facility she worked at in Georgia and mailed it to “The Intercept.” The classified report Ms. Winner stole and released to “The Intercept” was used as the basis of a lengthy report published June 5—the same day Ms. Winner was being charged in the Southern District of Georgia for illegally accessing and removing classified information in violation of 18 U.S.C. Section 793(e)—purportedly detailing “Russian hacking efforts” during the 2016 presidential election.

“The Intercept’s” report represented yet another desperate attempt to undermine President Donald Trump by baselessly insisting the Russian government nefariously interfered with the 2016 presidential election in an effort to boost Trump

and harm his then-rival, Hillary Clinton.

According to an affidavit submitted on behalf of the government in its case against Ms. Winner, she illegally accessed, printed, and removed from the government facility she worked at the classified NSA report later leaked to “The Intercept” on or around May 9 of this year. “The Intercept” later contacted the NSA for comment regarding its upcoming article based on the leaked classified report. The NSA then contacted the FBI indicating classified information had been leaked to the media outlet, which prompted a federal investigation that led the law enforcement agency to Ms. Winner.

The FBI was able to determine that six individuals accessed and printed the classified report in question, and that Ms. Winner was one of these individuals. It was further revealed that Ms. Winner was in email communication with reporters at “The Intercept.” When federal agents confronted Ms. Winner at her home on June 3 in relation to the stolen and illegally released NSA report, Ms. Winner “admitted intentionally identifying and printing the classified intelligence reporting at issue despite not having a ‘need to know,’ and with knowledge that the intelligence reporting was classified,” according to the affidavit. Ms. Winner further admitted to mailing the classified information to “The Intercept” with the full knowledge that “she was not authorized to receive or possess the documents” and that “the reporting could be used to the injury of the United States and to the advantage of a foreign nation.”

“Exceptional law enforcement efforts allowed us quickly to identify and arrest the defendant,” Deputy Attorney General Rod J. Rosenstein stated shortly after Ms. Winner was arrested and charged. “Releasing classified material without authorization threatens our nation’s security and undermines public faith in government. People who are trusted with classified information and pledge to protect it must be held accountable when they violate that obligation.”



REALITY WINNER a leftist loser?

Ms. Winner’s social media posts indicate her strong support for leftist causes, including the Black Lives Matter movement, as well as her utter contempt for Trump. According to *The New York Times*, Ms. Winner described Trump as “the orange fascist we let into the White House” and derided Attorney General Jeff Sessions as a “Confederate.” “The Daily Caller” reported that she supported Sen. Bernie Sanders (D-Vt.) and looked up to leftist activists like Bill Maher and Michael Moore.

Ms. Winner reportedly denounced Trump as a racist in a Tweet published in February of this year, and encouraged rap star Kanye West to “make a shirt that says, ‘being white is terrorism,’” according to *The Washington Times* and “Breitbart.” Ms. Winner’s social media history make quite clear her disdain for Trump along with her irrational and hysterical anti-white leftist views.

Trump has repeatedly criticized “leakers” who have attempted to undermine his administration by releasing sensitive and, in the case of Ms. Winner, classified information in an effort to harm the president.

The fact that Ms. Winner has been investigated, charged, and arrested for her crimes is an indication Trump is taking this threat seriously. If convicted, Ms. Winner could face up to 10 years in prison. ★

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Trump's New Budget

• Radical changes or simply more of the same?

By Rep. Ron Paul

President Donald Trump's proposed budget has generated hysteria among the American left. Prominent progressives have accused the president and his allies of wanting to kill children, senior citizens, and other vulnerable Americans. The reaction of the president's allies—including some conservatives who should know better—is equally detached from reality as they hail Trump for launching a major assault on the welfare state and making the hard choices necessary to balance the budget.

Trump's budget does eliminate some unnecessary and unconstitutional programs such as the Overseas Private Investment Corporation and the National Endowment for the Arts. However, it largely leaves the welfare-warfare state intact. In fact, this so-called "radical" budget does not even cut domestic spending. Instead, it plays the old D.C. game of reducing "the projected rate of growth." For example, under Trump's budget, Medicaid spending increases from \$378 billion this year to \$525 billion in 2027. Only in the bizzaro world of Washington, D.C. can a 38% increase be considered a cut.

Trump's budget combines phony cuts in domestic spending with real increases in military spending. Specifically, the budget increases the military budget by \$23 billion over the next ten years. Trump claims that the increase is necessary to reverse the damage done to our military by sequestration. But, despite the claims of the military-industrial complex and its defenders in Congress, on K Street, and in the me-

dia, military spending has increased over the past several years, especially when the "off-budget" Overseas Contingency Operations funding is added to the "official" budget.

The restrained America-first policy promoted by candidate Trump does not require a large and expansive military that literally spans the globe. This budget is the latest indication that President Trump is embracing the neocon foreign policy that candidate Trump correctly denounced.

The budget also relies on rosy scenario economic projections of 3% growth without even a mild economic recession to justify the claim that the federal budget will achieve balance in a decade. This claim bears little or no resemblance to reality.

It certainly is true that some of Trump's proposed tax and regulatory reforms can increase economic growth. However, the benefits of these pro-liberty policies will not offset the continued drag on the economy caused by the continued growth of federal spending and the resulting monetization of debt by the Federal Reserve. Far from bringing about endless prosperity, Trump's big-spending budget increases the odds that Americans will face a Greece-style crisis in the next few years, while the Federal Reserve's inflation tax evaporates the benefits of any tax reductions passed as part of tax reform.

Some of Trump's supporters claim his proposed \$1 trillion infrastructure spending plan will help create jobs and grow the economy. But government spending programs do not create real wealth; they only redistribute resources from the private sector to the (much more inefficient) government sector. Therefore, any short-term gains from these programs are illusionary and out-



President Donald Trump's overview of the budget priorities for Fiscal Year 2018 is displayed at the U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO) on its release by the Office of Management and Budget earlier this year.

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weighed by the long-term damage the expansion of government inflicts on the economy. Trump's proposed new parental leave mandate will also hurt the economy, as well as the job prospects of the new entitlement's supposed beneficiaries.

Far from presenting a radical challenge to the status quo, President Trump's budget grows the welfare-warfare state, albeit with more emphasis on the warfare. This budget is thus more evidence that, for a pro-liberty political revolution to succeed, it must be preceded by an intellectual revolution that reignites the people's desire and demand for liberty. ★

Ron Paul, a former U.S. representative from Texas and medical doctor, continues to write his weekly column for the Ron Paul Institute for Peace and Prosperity, online at <http://www.ronpaulinstitute.org/>.

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Liberty Survivors Remember 50th

By Dave Gahary

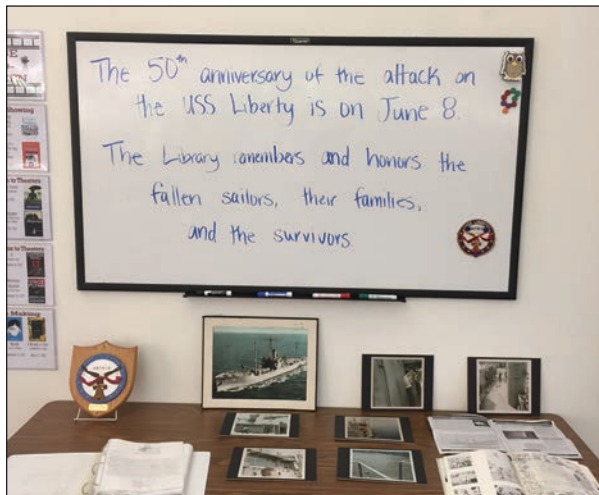
NORFOLK, Va.—The 50th reunion of the most decorated ship for a single action in the U.S. Navy's 241-year history took place from June 8-11 at the Sheraton Norfolk Waterside Hotel. Norfolk, home to the largest Navy base in the world—Naval Station Norfolk—was the *Liberty's* home port city from its commissioning in 1964 to its decommissioning in 1968. Crewmembers, along with their families, and supporters converged on the hotel, determined to not let the truth about the *Liberty* fade from the pages of time. By all accounts, the reunion cemented old friendships, forged new ones, and launched a new round of supporters, eager to tell the *Liberty's* story to all who will listen.

Exactly 34 *Liberty* crewmembers were slaughtered on that beautiful, sunny day in the Eastern Mediterranean on June 8, 1967, and that exact number of survivors was present for the reunion—one unofficial representative for each man killed that horrific day. Additionally, over 100 family members and supporters were at the reunion, making it one of the best attended get-togethers since they began meeting.

The first stop for those honoring the ship and crew was Arlington National Cemetery for a noon memorial service for those murdered by Israel, attended by around 150. *Liberty* survivor Bob Scarborough and his wife came up from Georgia for the reunion, and he spoke with this reporter about his time at the national military cemetery.

"I was proud and happy to see that it was the biggest crowd I'd seen among those ceremonies so far," he said.

Sadly, no public officials were present for the hour-long somber event.

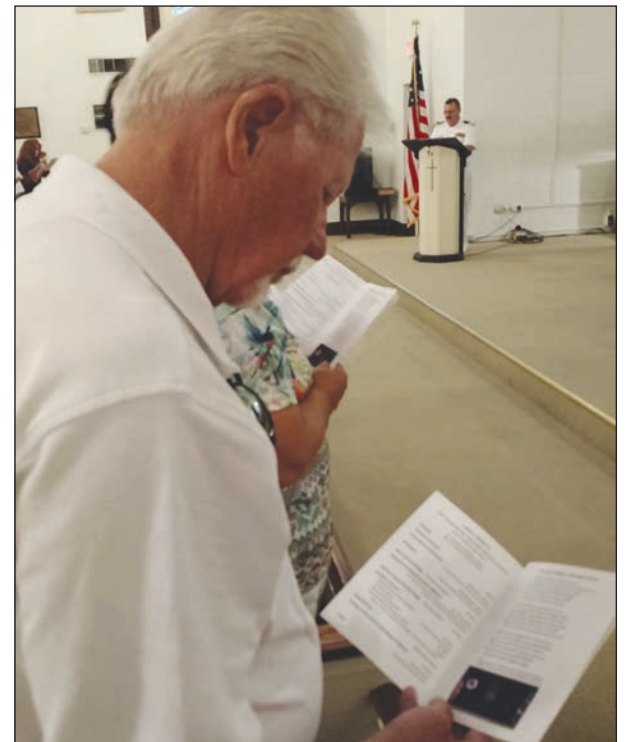


Above, the USS *Liberty* Memorial Public Library in Grafton, Wis. Although the library is the official repository of *Liberty* memorabilia, all it could muster to honor the ship and her crew was a handwritten note on a chalkboard, above. (See the accompanying article on page 21.)

"I don't recall seeing any senators or congressmen," he said. "Thank you very much to the American government for their support. I've been damning them for 50 years."

He continued: "We went straight to Arlington for the ceremony. . . . We had 34 crewmembers there, and what a coincidence that the 34 crewmembers—I thought—represented the 34 shipmates that we lost on June 8, 1967. As they called the names of the men who were lost, they laid roses on the front of the mass gravestone for the men who were killed in action and lost at sea."

Six *Liberty* crewmembers—five sailors and one Marine—lie in a mass grave there, although it's impossible to know if any of their remains are actually present, as the Israeli torpedo shredded the 25 Americans so thoroughly as to prevent



Liberty survivor Phil Tourney reads the program for the USS *Liberty* 50th Anniversary Memorial Carillon Concert held at the David Adams Memorial Chapel at Naval Station Norfolk on June 9.

identification.

The next day, following a photo shoot and a crew's meeting, three buses were loaded at the hotel headed for Naval Station Norfolk's David Adams Memorial Chapel for a memorial carillon concert. "Carillon" is derived from the French word *quadrillon*, "four bells," and is a musical instrument usually housed in the belfry of a church, consisting of cast bronze, cup-shaped bells, struck to produce a melody or chord.

Saturday featured a noon banquet at the hotel, where the new USS *Liberty* Veterans Association (LVA) board was introduced and several speakers took their turn at the microphone, including three-time president of the LVA, Phil Tourney, who traveled from Colorado. Although Tourney felt this was the best reunion he had attended, he still held sour feelings for being quarantined by the powers-that-be.

"The only thing that really disappoints me," Tourney began, "is that we didn't get any local media coverage; they're not gonna touch us with a 10-foot pole, because of the people who attacked us. Even more disconcerting for me is how the United States Navy shunned us, as they did 50 years ago, leaving us out there alone to be slaughtered by the Zionist state of Israel."

Tourney concluded with a message that bears remembering.

"When they attacked our ship, they didn't just attack a U.S. naval ship in international waters, they attacked each and every American then and now," he said. "As far as I'm concerned, the U.S. government is just as guilty as Israel for covering up premeditated, cold-blooded murder." ★



Phil Tourney (right) and Larry Broyles (left) listen to speakers at the USS *Liberty's* 50th Reunion at the Sheraton Norfolk Waterside Hotel in Norfolk, Va. Dave Lewis, head of the nearly 200 analysts aboard the almost defenseless spy ship, can be seen on the far right.

Old Wounds: Half a Century Later, *Liberty* Still Taboo

By Dave Gahary

The front page story of the Oct. 19, 1987 edition of *The Spotlight* set into motion a chain of events that would produce the greatest monument to the ship and crew of the USS *Liberty*, the U.S. Navy vessel viciously attacked by Israelis on June 8, 1967.

A few days after the paper hit the streets, Phil Tourney, who was the subject of the article due to a *Spotlight*-sponsored conference he headlined, got a phone call from Willis Carto about a letter he had received, which congratulated Tourney on his courage and proposed naming a new library in Grafton, Wisc. "The USS *Liberty* Memorial Public Library."

With plans for the library moving forward, the organized Jewish community in nearby Milwaukee swung into action to oppose the project, with squeals of "anti-Semitism" gracing the pages of the compliant local media. It got so bad that police were forced to escort buses carrying *Liberty* veterans to the dedication ceremony. Fortunately, the June 10, 1989 dedication ceremony went off without a hitch.

Almost 28 years later, USS *Liberty* supporter Robert Dubrey III, spurred by an interview he heard on May 22 with Tourney and this reporter on the "Jeff Rense Program," drove up to Grafton from Milwaukee the next day to check out the library. Dubrey relayed to this reporter what he uncovered.

On May 23, he met with the library's director for permission—which he received—to set up a table to hand out information about the *Liberty*. At that time, he also found that there was an entire room in the library dedicated to the *Liberty*.

On his next visit there on June 5, the director was singing a different tune, though. "He said I couldn't have a table," Dubrey said. "He didn't want to open old wounds." This response is absurd given the library is the official repository of *Liberty* memorabilia.

Dubrey acquiesced but he did ask that the library at the very least keep the doors open to the memorial room. "I explained that if the doors are not open, no one would know this exhibit is even here," said Dubrey.

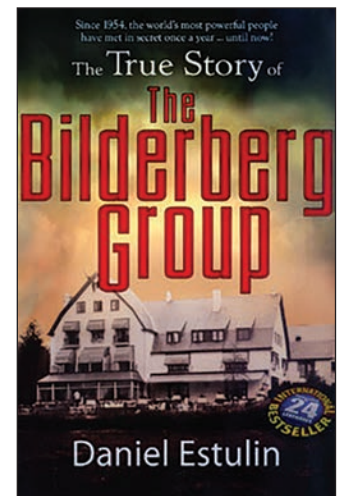
When the 50th anniversary of the attack arrived, Dubrey and three others were the only Americans who showed up to honor the most decorated ship in the history of the U.S. Navy for a single action. ★

Dave Gahary, a former submariner in the U.S. Navy, prevailed in a suit brought by the New York Stock Exchange in an attempt to silence him. Dave is the producer of an upcoming full-length feature film about the attack on the USS *Liberty*. See erasingthelibrary.com or call (850) 677-0344 for more information and to get the new book on which the movie will be based, *Erasing the Liberty*.

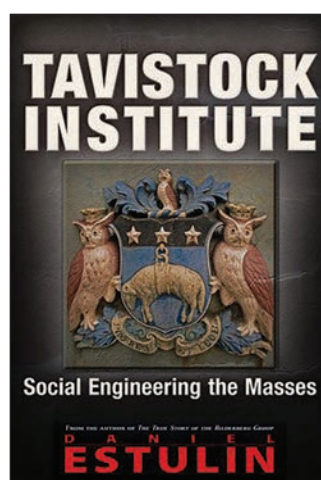
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New Saudi Alliance Raises Questions

• Complex religious, military, financial factors combine to further destabilize region

By Richard Walker

President Donald Trump's much heralded alliance with Saudi Arabia, and what he claimed was the biggest arms deal of all time with the kingdom, raise a host of issues.

After multiple ceremonies during his Saudi trip when he performed a traditional sword dance and kissed the Saudi king's ring in obeisance, Trump announced that he had sold the Saudis \$110 billion of sophisticated weaponry. His apparent justification for making such a deal with a country he once accused of giving America 9/11 was explained by his surrogates as an example of his fulfilling a campaign pledge to make allies pay for their own security.

While that appeared to be a reasonable explanation, it has not fully addressed why he continues to applaud a questionable alliance that draws a line in the sand, placing America firmly in the Saudi camp in a bitterly divided region. It means America is now the ally of Sunni Arabs while U.S. troops continue to battle radical Sunni groups in Shiite Iraq where the Pentagon hopes to retain bases into the future.

While the president and his entourage were in Riyadh, it was striking that Saudi Arabia's neighbor and enemy, Iran, was holding democratic elections, something the Saudis have never done.

Nevertheless, the president blamed Iran for the woes of the region, thereby pleasing both the Israelis and the Saudis.



Above, Saudi soldiers—part of the 10,000-man coalition Saudi Arabia has mustered to battle what it refers to as Iranian-backed anti-government forces in Yemen—stand guard over a row of military vehicles.

But the arms deal itself may not have been everything it was cracked up to be. For example, Bruce Reidel, a senior fellow at the Brookings Institution, writing in *Defense News*, was quick to point out that the deal was merely a series of letters of intent and no documents had been cleared by the State Department.

He went so far as to call the arms deal “fake news,” adding there was no deal at all.

“Many are offers that the defense industry thinks the Saudis will be interested in someday. So far nothing has been notified to the Senate for review. The Defense Security Cooperation Agency, the arms sales wing of the Pentagon, calls them ‘intended sales.’ None of the deals identified so far are new; all began in the Obama administration,” he wrote.

If the arms sale was a real deal of “money, big

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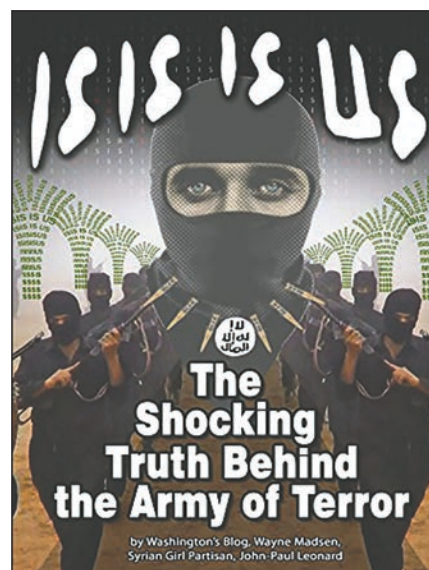
In the 1980s, the Reagan administration wanted to topple the government of Nicaragua, using right-wing mercenary death squads, based in Honduras. But Congress passed a law prohibiting that. So they went around it, by financing the Contra army via Iran.

Three decades later, Washington hawks wanted to topple the elected governments of Libya and Syria, and crush

the popular resistance in Iraq. Once again, they planned to do this using death squads. They got around Congress by having Qatar and Saudi Arabia finance it. To set up ISIS in Iraq, they sent Ambassador John Negroponte to Baghdad in 2004—the same man they sent to Honduras as ambassador from 1981 to 1985.

Then in 2011, the U.S. strategy planners sent some of those killers from Iraq to Libya to overthrow Qaddafi, with NATO air cover. From Libya, they were sent on to Syria to start the killing there, in a war directed by Negroponte's man, Ambassador Robert Stephen Ford.

Over the next couple of years, the embedded mockingbird media perversely pinned the killings of civilians on Syria's Bashar al-Assad. Only Russia's UN veto spared Syria. Still, the sheikhs kept on fi-



nancing the “rebels”—and the U.S. pretended to fight them—until they grew into the ISIS terror army.

Today, in spite of Russian military intervention, ISIS and its backers are not giving up. Even Fox News is saying the U.S. coalition against ISIS is a myth. That was shown quite clearly when the Russian military hit more ISIS targets in a week than the U.S. and its allies did in two years. The authors of *ISIS Is Us* dig deeper and look harder than any to bring you the full story that is being hidden by the U.S. government and twisted by CIA-controlled media outlets.

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Qatar's leader has an independent streak and does not like accepting orders from the Saudis.

money” as some of the president’s cabinet colleagues described it, it may come back to haunt America. The weapons will be used in Yemen where the Saudis, with Obama’s and now Trump’s backing, have killed untold numbers of women and children. Lt. Col. Michael Newtown (ret.), a professor at Vanderbilt, penned a legal brief to the Senate warning that it was illegal for the U.S. to sell weapons to a country like Saudi Arabia that had been judged guilty of war crimes.

Trump’s visit to Riyadh emboldened the Saudis to expel one of their Arab neighbors, Qatar, from its Arab coalition, accusing it of financing terror, a strange charge coming from the Saudis. Qatar is one of the world’s richest countries due to its large supplies of oil and especially natural gas. It also houses the biggest U.S. military base in the region, al-Udeid.

The Saudis and their Arab partners, including Egypt, the UAE, and Bahrain, closed off their ports and air corridors to all Qatari traffic. [See page 25 for more on the blacklisting of Qatar and the real reasons behind it.—Ed.] While Trump backed the Saudi play, the Pentagon instead publicly praised Qatar for its support for regional security. Turkey, a NATO member, sent 3,000 troops to the tiny nation, which invests heavily in Turkey. Russia praised Turkey’s move.

Missing in the mass media coverage of the Qatar crisis is an explosive truth. Qatar’s young leader, Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani, has an independent streak and does not like taking orders from the Saudis, who have long been jealous of Qatar’s massive natural gas reserves, which are in an area it shares with Iran.

A source close to the Kremlin, who spoke to AFP on condition of anonymity, explained that Qatar has been working out joint deals with Russia’s Gazprom because it could not move its gas through war-torn Syria, an objective once considered possible. Gazprom has the means to transport the gas to Russia and EU countries via Turkey.

Angered by Qatar’s sudden closeness to Moscow, the Saudis took action and, according to the source, persuaded Trump to support their strategy to rein in Qatar.

“If the Saudis were to invade Qatar, or were to try to destroy it economically, the region could explode,” the source pointed out.

Meanwhile, the White House is in a quandary because it has bought into the Saudi fiction that this is all about the Qataris financing terror while ignoring the fact that the Saudis fund radical Sunnis in the region. ★

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A Prisoner’s Shocking Revelations

Railroaded prisoner’s FOIA discoveries reveal massive illegal federal program designed to undermine, discredit, obliterate patriot groups who resist NWO

By William A. White

Thanks to the support of AFP readers, this AFP writer has been able to force the release of seals and protective orders that have been keeping the public from secret FBI-Joint Terrorism Task Force documents showing the extent of an illegal counter-intelligence operation which targeted, in the words of former FBI-JTTF informant David Gletty, “law-abiding citizens.”

An internal memo written by FBI SSA Andrew Lenzer, one of the supervisors of this operation, has confirmed what we already knew, that the FBI, using tactics learned from the Soviet Bolsheviks, set up a network of phony “white supremacist” organizations as part of a “disruption operation” designed to “sow paranoia” among American citizens, and, “disrupt” the fabric of American life. This official confirmation of Gletty’s memoirs was an important step, but, with the release of the seals, even more shocking documents have come forward.

Shortly after a protective order was released in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Virginia, the FBI released documents showing that, in 1975, through an informant named Robert Brennan, it created the National Socialist Movement, “America’s Nazi Party,” as what it calls a “notional”—a phony organization designed to draw membership away from legitimate white nationalist groups. The documents also show that, shortly after 9/11, the FBI-JTTF ordered the National Socialist Movement and other groups to hold notional “neo-nazi” rallies across the United States, while simultaneously ordering “anti-racist” groups, also controlled by the FBI-JTTF, to attack those rallies. The goal was to use the violence to justify diverting public counter-terrorism funds away from the fight against al-Qaeda and ISIS and toward a fight against their own law-abiding American citizens.

But, it gets worse. Documents released to date also show that, as part of its counter-intelligence activities, the FBI-JTTF controls a network of Satanic cults, including the Teens for Satan organization and the New Bihar Mandir Temple, which it has populated allegedly using drug addicts and pedophiles, recruited out of federal prisons. These cults are not only used to recruit people willing to do anything as counter-intelligence agents, and to target foreign nations like North Korea and Russia, but also to infiltrate and discredit white nationalist organizations by associating white nationalism with satanic pedophilia.

There has been much, much more coming out, and the extent of these kinds of phony FBI-JTTF



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political networks is amazing. According to what I have discovered, in the white nationalist movement alone, the FBI-JTTF has employed an estimated 3,000 persons since 2001 as impersonators of “white supremacists,” and has even instructed these informants to commit “hate crimes” against random non-white citizens, including at least one high profile “hate” murder, as part of an effort to create racial “paranoia.” The FBI also murdered, or attempted to murder, several American political dissidents which

it declared to be “terrorists.” This operation is only one of several “Countering Violent Extremism Operations” which targeted dissidents, including a similar, parallel, operation which targeted “patriots” and “constitutionalists,” with similar tactics.

And, to top it off, we have the personnel file of FBI-JTTF Task Force Officer Robert Killian, who was fired from his position for conducting “unauthorized investigations,” part of his close relationship with the Southern Poverty Law Center, which appears to have corrupted and suborned law enforcement officers involved in these activities.

All of this has come out because of the support of AFP readers who have funded my efforts to exonerate myself from a series of false federal indictments brought against me during the course of this operation because of my outspoken advocacy for white working people against the forces of the New World Order.

My expert investigators say that the FBI-JTTF paid informants to hack my email and Facebook accounts and then use them to commit crimes. Then, knowing this, the U.S. Attorney’s Office deliberately and falsely charged me with those crimes, using perjury and forged documents to obtain multiple convictions for transmitting essentially anonymous internet threats.

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Picking Wrong in Mideast

• Trump should be supporting legitimate Arab democracies

By Kevin Barrett

On Feb. 17, 2016, Donald Trump offered an amazing statement on the campaign trail: “Who blew up the World Trade Center? It wasn’t the Iraqis, it was Saudis—take a look at Saudi Arabia, open the documents.” Later that day he promised that if he were elected, “you will find out who really knocked down the World Trade Center.”

So who really blew up the World Trade Center? It must have been people with access to the core columns, whose explosive removal had to be perfectly timed to ensure that the buildings would come straight down symmetrically, rather than toppling sidewise and destroying non-WTC-prefixed buildings. That would have brought too many property owners and insurers into too many lawsuits, risking discovery that could have exposed the whole scam.

Did the Saudis have access to the WTC? Of course not. Security was controlled by Israel’s minions. Larry Silverstein, a close friend of Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, bought the condemned-for-asbestos WTC two months before 9/11 and immediately doubled the terrorism insurance. The Zionist firm Kroll Associates provided “security.”

So has Trump fulfilled his campaign promise to reveal the truth about 9/11? Hardly. Instead, he has cozied up to the Zionist 9/11 criminals. In so doing, he has picked the wrong side in a Mideast conflict that is rapidly escalating out of control.

Trump visited Saudi Arabia and Israel two weeks ago. His message was simple: Behave as recklessly as you want; I’ve got your back.

Shortly before Trump’s visit, Saudi Deputy Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman said, “We will work so that the battle is for them in Iran, not in Saudi Arabia.” Trump tacitly okayed bin Salman’s plan to attack Iran. Then, on June 7, a week after Trump’s visit, Saudi-backed “ISIS” terrorists struck in Tehran, killing at least 12 people.

The ISIS terror attack on Iran was not the only reckless Saudi move okayed by Trump. The Saudis have also blockaded Qatar, an act of war. Turkey and Iran are moving to support Qatar. A large-scale regional war—and possible global escalation into World War III—is looming.

What is the Saudi-vs.-Qatar fight really about? The Saudis claim Qatar supports terrorism. That is an Orwellian lie. In fact, Saudi Arabia is the main ideological and financial source of ISIS-style Wahhabi terrorism worldwide. Saudi-backed ISIS mercenaries are also supported by the West’s deep state.

Qatar has also angered the Israelis by supporting Hamas. Bizarrely, Saudi Arabia is an ally



Qatar’s Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani

of Israel, and is following Zionist orders to attack Qatar and Iran. Israel is always looking for a way to start a big Mideast war so it can finish the genocide of the Palestinians under cover of “the fog of war.”

Both Turkey and Iran have launched relatively successful experiments in democratic political Islam. This is what the people of the Middle East, and the larger Islamic world, want. Polls show that people in Muslim-majority countries want both Islam-based political and legal systems and democracy.

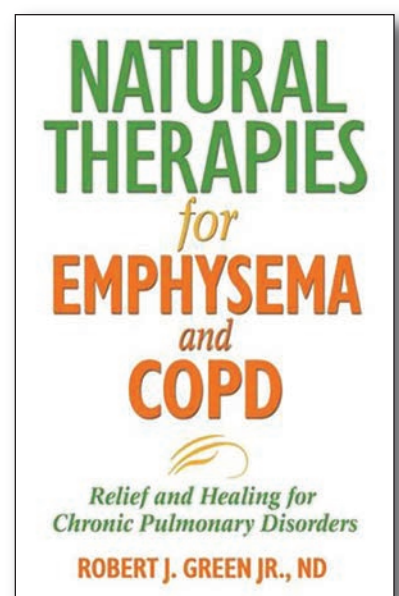
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Qatar Ostracized

• Leaked memos indicate plan a long time in making

By Ronald L. Ray

During recent months, there has been a growing media and diplomatic effort to isolate Qatar from the rest of the world. The drama reached a climax at the beginning of June 2017, when the surrounding governments of Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, and the United Arab Emirates (UAE), along with Egypt, broke off diplomatic relations, expelled Qatari nationals, and instituted a land, sea, and air blockade of their newfound foe, ostensibly because Qatar promotes “terrorism.” Similar to the Balkans crisis in 1914, the action has created a potentially explosive basis for world war.

Despite its contrary protestations, Qatar has been a major exporter of weapons to terrorists—particularly the various incarnations of al Qaeda, al-Nusra, and the Islamic State, that have been seeking with U.S., Israeli, and NATO backing to conquer Syria for the last six years. AFP reported early on that Qatar and Saudi Arabia both were funneling large amounts of war materiel to the insurgents, including chemical weapons used repeatedly and unsuccessfully to frame Syrian President Bashar al-Assad for “war crimes.”

What—other than Saudi desire for regional hegemony—is behind this fracture in the Gulf Cooperation Council, promoted by the U.S. as an “Arab NATO,” against Iran and Syria to the north, but which now pits Sunni against Sunni and unites some Sunnis with Shiites?

First, most terrorist or putative terrorist organizations in the region are creations of the CIA, the UK’s MI6, and Israel’s Mossad. These organizations control both sides in the ever-shifting sands of Middle East insurgency, revolution, and war: the Islamic State, al-Nusra, the Muslim Brotherhood, Hamas—albeit its “terrorist” status is arguable—and others. Qatar and Turkey support the Muslim Brotherhood, Hamas, and the Palestinians, but Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Bahrain, and the UAE do not. That fight is over who constitutes the “real” Sunnis.

Then there is the perpetual struggle for control of production and transport of Middle East oil and natural gas, which has forced Sunni Qatar to seek cooperation with Shiite, non-Arab Iran—the unforgivable sin to the blockading Sunni countries, Israel, and the West.

Turkey’s efforts to rebuild the Ottoman Empire have alienated its Western and Mideast allies, as have its renewed relations with Russia and its efforts to build a bridgehead alliance with Qatar.

The present conflict is set to rearrange regional alliances in what appears to be a renewed U.S./Israeli/Gulf Arab effort to take down Iran directly, having been stopped in Syria by Russia. It seems



Ambassador Yousef Al Otaiba of the UAE

these warmongers, if they cannot subjugate Qataris, want to provoke Iran to military action in defense of Qatar, so as to have an excuse to attack Iran.

Most telling is the surprising cooperation in the plot between Israeli interests and the UAE, which both see Iran as chief enemy. In fact, they have been working toward the present conflict for some time, as shown by numerous emails, going back years, leaked to “The Intercept,” “The Huffington Post” and “The Daily Beast.”

Yousef Al Otaiba, UAE ambassador to the U.S. and one of the most influential men in D.C., according to a report in “The Huffington Post,” has been coordinating with the rabidly pro-Israel, neo-conservative Foundation for Defense of Democracies (FDD), a think tank founded shortly after 9/11, to bring about the present volatile situation isolating Qatar. They established the current media and policy narrative over a number of months and reinforced it at a June conference, counting on Americans’ inability to remember even the recent political past. Al Otaiba reportedly also has established almost daily contact with Jared Kushner, President Donald Trump’s son-in-law.

FDD, an IRC 501(c)3 “charitable” organization, has been acting as an unregistered foreign agent and likely violating the Logan Act by lobbying and working for a U.S. and international foreign policy that favors Israel and the UAE at the expense of Qatar and Iran. Much of its past funding has come from the likes of the Leonard Abramson Family Foundation, billionaire gambling tycoon Sheldon Adelson, and the powerful, pro-Zionist Bronfman mafia family of Canada, according to research by investigative group Think Progress and others.

Who benefits from this new chaos? Not the U.S., which earns additional global enmity. The benefactor is Israel, which seeks through its terrorist, Arab, and American proxies to totally destabilize the Mideast, destroy its “enemies,” and establish “Greater Israel,” even if it means nuclear world war. ★

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Breitbart Editor Fired for Comments

• McHugh gets boot for comments about link between Islam and terrorism

By John Friend

A journalist with the supposedly conservative website “Breitbart” was fired recently for simply echoing calls by President Donald Trump to address the link between Islamic refugees and terrorism in Western countries.

In the immediate aftermath of the recent terrorist attack in London, which was purportedly carried out by radical Muslim extremists connected to ISIS and resulted in the death of at least seven individuals and injury to 48 others, Trump insisted political correctness was preventing Western nations from adequately dealing with the threat of Islamic terrorism.

“We must stop being politically correct and get down to the business of security for our people,” the president tweeted the morning after the London attack. “If we don’t get smart it will only get worse.”

Trump also criticized London Mayor Sadiq Khan for his perceived weakness in the face of the threat of Islamist terrorism.

Unsurprisingly, Trump has faced a backlash for these frank remarks. Leftists generally have accused the president of “racism” and “bigotry” yet again, while Khan has called on the UK government to cancel an upcoming state visit by President Trump.

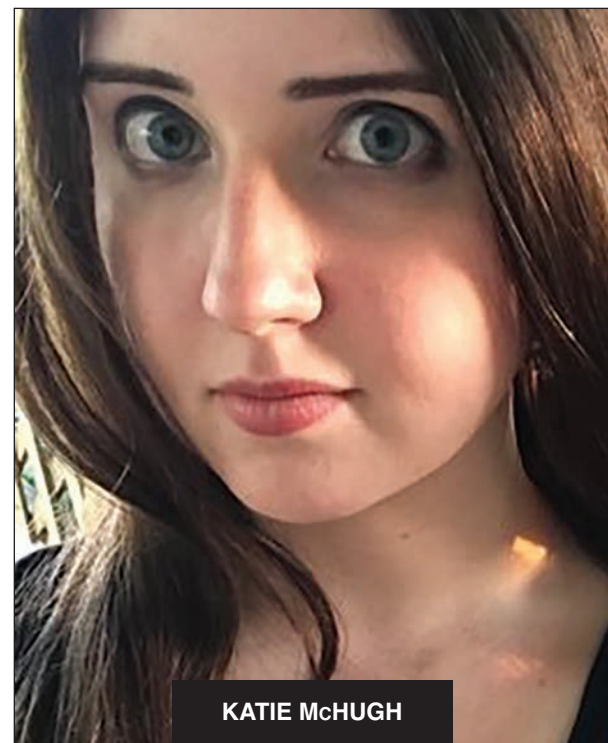
“I don’t think we should roll out the red carpet to the president of the U.S.A. in the circumstances where his policies go against everything we stand for,” Khan explained in an interview with Channel 4. “When you have a special rela-

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Ms. McHugh said she was fired “for speaking frankly about Islam and Muslim immigration.”

tionship it is no different from when you have got a close mate. You stand with them in times of adversity but you call them out when they are wrong. There are many things about which Donald Trump is wrong.”

Incredibly, many UK citizens and leftists around the world seem more concerned about the potential backlash against Muslims and the demonization of Islam than about the alleged attacks themselves. Every time a terrorist attack is committed in the West, social justice activists take to their social media platforms to insist that “not all Muslims are terrorists” and that “tolerance” and “diversity” must prevail. For example, the UK’s chief rabbi, Ephraim Mirvis, insisted that “our commitment to the values of peace and tolerance” must not be diminished in the wake of the terrorist attack. Others are working feverishly to promote legislation cracking down on “hate crimes” against Muslims and other minorities, while downplaying and ignoring the very real problems associated with massive immigration, Islamist terrorism, and increasing diversity.



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This leftist, politically correct mindset has severely impaired the Western world in dealing seriously with the threat of Islamist terrorism and unchecked, massive Third World immigration into the West. Indeed, political correctness is preventing an honest discussion of the very nature of terrorism and what must be done to prevent it.

Case in point: Former Breitbart editor Katie McHugh, a critic of radical Islam and massive immigration to the West, was recently fired from her position at the popular news outlet for publishing a statement on the Internet indicating that terrorist attacks would not be happening in the UK—or anywhere else in the West for that matter—if Muslims did not live there.

Ms. McHugh explained that she was fired “for speaking frankly about Islam and Muslim immigration.”

She noted: “If there were no Muslims in London, there would be no Muslim terror attacks, period. I said nothing wrong. As President Donald Trump says, if we don’t get smart, it will only get worse.”

It’s clear the political and media establishment are not interested in “getting smart” and dealing with the existential challenges facing this nation. As expected, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit has once again ruled against Trump’s commonsense proposal to temporarily restrict immigration from six majority Muslim nations and reduce the total number of refugees entering the United States. As the case eventually makes its way to the Supreme Court, let us hope that our nation’s chief justices demonstrate some sensibility and wisdom rather than caving to the tyrannical dictates of political correctness. ★



London Mayor Sadiq Khan seems to think Londoners should get used to more deadly terror attacks.

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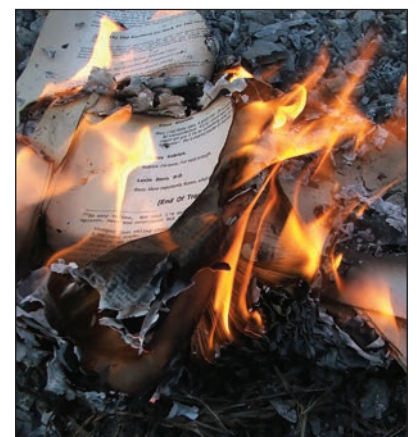
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Prescription Drug Overdoses Skyrocket

By James Spounias

An American tragedy is unfolding right before our eyes. Opioid overdose deaths in 2016 may have reached more than 59,000, according to data compiled by *The New York Times*, published on June 5.

Opioids are linked to the escalation of drug overdoses, which have crushing effects on communities on many levels. Local governments are saddled with additional emergency service, as hospitals, police departments, and family services providers face more burdens. The toll on families is heartbreaking.

To put things in perspective, 59,000 overdose deaths exceeds the number of reported American deaths in the Vietnam conflict (58,200) and peak car crash deaths in 1972 (54,589).

Deaths by prescribed opioids may exceed those caused by illegal versions.

The *Times* reported that drug overdose deaths are now the leading cause of death among Americans under 50 years of age. The “paper of record” also noted that middle-class white men “suffer disproportionately from opioid abuse, and the states with the highest overdose tolls are Ohio, Kentucky, New Hampshire, and West Virginia.”

Heroin is perhaps the best-known opioid, derived from the poppy plant—which, according to professor Michel Chossudovsky of online news and research site “GlobalResearch.ca,” has reached record production in Afghanistan in 2017, despite claims by the United Nations that production is being erad-

icated. Chossudovsky wrote:

There are powerful business and financial interests behind narcotics. From this standpoint, geopolitical and military control over the drug routes is as strategic as oil and oil pipelines. However, what distinguishes narcotics from legal commodity trade is that narcotics constitutes a major source of wealth formation not only for organized crime but also for the U.S. intelligence apparatus, which increasingly constitutes a powerful actor in the spheres of finance and banking. In turn, the CIA, which protects the drug trade, has developed complex business and undercover links to major criminal syndicates involved in the drug trade.

Could this explain why American military involvement in Afghanistan seemingly has no end in sight, following what many insightful people believe were false-flag attacks on the World Trade Center and Pentagon on Sept. 11, 2001?

Hillary Rodham Clinton, as secretary of state in February 2011, may have slipped when she answered a question from Denise Maerker of Mexican news outlet “Televisa” as to whether drug legalization was feasible, in light of the “war on drugs.”

Secretary Clinton responded: “I don’t think that will work. I mean, I hear the same debate. I hear it in my country. It is not likely to work. There is just too much money in it, and I don’t think that—you can legalize small amounts for possession, but those who are making so much money selling, they have to be stopped.”

Secretary Clinton was correct that there is just too much money in it.

In the opinion of some, governments unwilling to consider decriminalization are either intentionally or

ignorantly contributing to the narcotic deep state.

Ohio filed a lawsuit on May 31 against pharmaceutical companies making opioid narcotic drugs, on the grounds they have promoted the change from doctors prescribing short-term use of opioids to treat acute pain to long-term prescriptions for chronic pain, and have spent “millions of dollars on promotional activities and materials that falsely deny or trivialize the risks of opioids while overstating the benefits of using them for chronic pain.”

The lawsuit claims that by 2012, opioid prescribing had reached the equivalent of 68 pills a year for every state resident, including children. That’s a lot of pills. Ohio wants Big Pharma to pay for the costs the state must now absorb.

Overdoses from opioids fentanyl and carfentanil, a derivative of fentanyl, are now eclipsing heroin overdoses in some areas of the United States.

On July 6, 2016, carfentanil hit the streets of Akron, Ohio, and according to Capt. Michael Shearer, commander of the Narcotics Unit for the Akron Police Department, “17 people overdosed and one person died in a span of nine hours,” according to the *Times*.

Powerful anti-overdose medications such as naran (naloxone) are proving less than helpful with carfentanil overdoses, according to emergency responders who told the *Times* that even with 14 hits, the drug fails to help because it’s like “a squirt gun in a house fire.” Carfentanil is used to sedate elephants and other large zoo animals.

There is no easy solution to a problem that has so many causes, from environmental assaults on health to economic despair wrought by elite bankers. ★

Federal Agency’s Ties to Monsanto Probed

By James Spounias

On June 6 it was reported that the inspector general of the United States may investigate whether there was “collusion” between a high-level Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) official and Monsanto to conduct “a biased review of glyphosate,” the controversial herbicide found in RoundUp.

In a letter dated May 31, Inspector General Arthur Elkins wrote to Rep. Ted Lieu (D-Calif.): “As you are aware, there is considerable public interest regarding allegations of such collusion. As a result, I have asked the EPA Office of Investigations to conduct an inquiry into several agency review-related matters.”

The anticipated investigation followed alarming documents revealed in a lawsuit in federal district court in San Francisco, as reported by this

writer in the March 27 and April 3 issue of AFP.

Emails by Jess Rowland, deputy director of the EPA, were brazen. Rowland bragged that he should “get a medal” for tipping off an international agency that RoundUp was under scrutiny because of its link to non-Hodgkins lymphoma. Will anything come of this?

It’s not easy to predict, because the treatment of major corporations has its own set of rules—which in this writer’s opinion have all the trappings of a psychological operation. The elite may have numbed the public into acceptance of criminality by the most powerful corporations in America without any repercussion by government.

Think about this: The phrase “too big to fail” was hammered into the consciousness of Americans using the lie that taxpayers needed to bail out corporate America after the 2007 financial crash.

In reality, bailing out corporate America, especially banks, didn’t help the average American, but rather consolidated wealth and power into fewer hands while demolishing the net worth of many

Americans. Without a whimper, people lost wealth and found themselves foreclosed upon. All the while the rich got richer and more powerful via trillions of dollars of Federal Reserve bailouts.

The talking heads on Fox News castigated Occupy Wall Street protestors as “dirty hippies” and the Soros left called for “higher taxes,” further misdirecting already confused Americans away from what would have been a far better solution—a complete bailout of all debt held by every American.

Even while admitting no criminal behavior major banks paid billions in fines, which was chump change, considering they had been given trillions. It gets worse.

The phrase “too big to jail,” a play on words now being applied to mega-corporations like Monsanto, is becoming American parlance. Will we simply adopt the concept into their psyches, letting go of any pretense of the rule of law?

In regard to our health, it’s too important to let go. It’s time to revisit an ancient maxim: “Let justice be done though the heavens fall.” ★

The 'Forever War'

• Unless imams stand united against terror, carnage will continue

By Patrick J. Buchanan

On May 22, Salman Abedi, 22, waiting at the entrance of the Arianna Grande pop concert in Manchester, blew himself up, killing almost two dozen people, among them parents waiting to pick up their children.

On June 3, three Islamic terrorists committed “suicide-by-cop,” using a van to run down pedestrians on London Bridge, and then slashing and stabbing nearby patrons of pubs and diners.

By all accounts, the killers bore no special grudge against those they murdered. They appear not even to have known their victims. Why, then, did they kill these strangers, and themselves?

A BBC eyewitness suggests a motive: “They shouted, ‘This is for Allah’ as they stabbed indiscriminately.” The murderers were Muslims. The rationale for their crimes lies in the belief that their bloody deeds would inscribe them in a book of martyrs, and Allah would reward them with instant ascension into the paradise that awaits all good Muslims.

Ideas have consequences. And where might these crazed killers have gotten an idea like that? Is there a strain of Islam, the basis of which can be found in the Quran, that would justify what the murderers did at London Bridge?

On Palm Sunday, an explosion in Tanta, 56 miles north of Cairo, killed 29 and injured 71 Copts as they prayed at the Mar Girgis church. A second blast at a church in Alexandria killed 18.

On May 26, masked gunmen stopped two buses carrying Coptic Christians to Saint Samuel the Confessor Monastery in Egypt and opened fire, killing 26 and wounding 25. “I call on Egyptians to unite in the face of this brutal terrorism,” said Ahmed el-Tayeb, the grand imam of al-Azhar, Egypt’s 1,000-year-old center of Islamic learning.



This extremist school of Islam needs to be purged from the West, even as these same fanatics seek to purge Christianity from the East.

Yet, years of such atrocities have effected a near-complete cleansing of Christianity from its cradle provinces in the Holy Land.

If these killers of Christians are apostates to Islam, headed to hell for their savageries, why have not all the imams of the world, Shiite and Sunni, risen together to condemn them as heretics?

Clearly, from the suicide bombings and shootings of civilians in the Middle East, now across the West, there is a belief among some Muslims that what the killers are doing is moral and meritorious—taking the martyr’s path to salvation.

When have the imams of Saudi Arabia, the Middle East, and the West ever stood as one to condemn all such acts as against the tenets of Islam?

In condemning the London Bridge attack, Prime Minister Theresa May said that recent atrocities across England were “bound together by the single evil ideology of Islamist extremism.”

Correct. There is an extremist school of Islam that needs to be purged from the West, even as this school of fanatics is seeking to purge Christianity from the East. We are at war. And the imams of Islam need to answer the question: “Whose side are you on?” Are honor killings of girls and women caught in adultery justified? Are lashings and executions of Christian converts justified? Do people who hold such beliefs really belong in the United



HERESA MAY

States or in the West during this long war with Islamist extremism?

Other questions need answering as well.

Is our commitment to diversity broad enough to embrace people with Islamist beliefs? Is our First Amendment freedom of speech and of religion extensive enough to cover the sermons of imams who use mosques to preach in favor of expelling Christians from the Middle East and an eventual takeover of the West for an Islam where sharia replaces constitutional law? Are such Islamist beliefs not perilous for our republic?

Clearly, the West is in a civilizational struggle, with the outcome in some doubt. Four years after Pearl Harbor, the Japanese empire had ceased to exist. Japan was smoldering ruins, its navy at the bottom of the Pacific. An American proconsul, Douglas MacArthur, was dictating to the Japanese from the Dai Ichi building.

Today, we are in the 16th year of a war begun on 9/11. We are mired down in Libya, Syria, Iraq, and Yemen. Our alleged victory in Afghanistan is being reversed by the Taliban.

While the ISIS caliphate is being eradicated in Raqqa and Mosul, its elements are in two dozen countries of the Mideast. Muslim migrants and refugees, ISIS and al Qaeda among them, are moving into Europe.

Terrorist attacks in the West grow in number and lethality every year. The new normal. Now, second-generation Muslims within Europe seem to be converting to a violent version of Islam.

To fight them, we are being forced to circumscribe our sovereignty and empower police and intelligence agencies of which free men were once taught to be wary. Wars, it is said, are the death of republics. And we now seem to be caught up in an endless war. ★

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It is worth mentioning that it is not gold that is increasing in value; it is the dollar that is decreasing in value.

Utah and Idaho appear to be headed in the same direction. Hopefully, all states will adopt this measure, and the U.S. will be able to return to a sound money basis.

It is theoretically possible that you will soon be able to buy a car with gold coins based on the stated value of gold in commodity markets as of the close of business on that particular day. From that condition, it is only one short step to operating the entire economy on a hard-money basis, with paper money as a convenient medium of exchange when payment in silver and gold coin becomes difficult to handle.

In the past, when the government was tending to spend more money than was being collected in taxes, the people would start converting their paper money to gold, thus reducing the government's ability to pay for imports from other countries that were on a gold standard. This process kept the government on a short leash, and the people controlled government impulses toward buying votes with generous handouts. It is the first step on a long road back to sanity.

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He Knows CIA Controls Media

To those of you who wonder why Donald Trump rubbed shoulders with Israel on his recent trip to the Middle East, he did it for his own protection. I'm sure he is well

aware of those involved in the JFK assassination, and he was just trying to diminish his chances of being targeted as well. Why his crusade against the media, i.e., "the fake news agency"? The significance of these remarks is that he is well aware of CIA control over the media. The media crusade against him is the CIA's method of getting him out of the White House by impeachment.

Therefore, Trump is going after the CIA by way of the media.

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ISIS on the Cake

Two of the worst things that have happened to mankind in the last century were the creation of the CIA and the establishment of the state of Israel with its own CIA, the Mossad. Then came along the Bush family papa and son. Desert Storm I and II put the icing on the cake. That icing is al Qaeda and lately ISIS.

Wouldn't life be a lot better if Saddam Hussein were still ruling Iraq? We wouldn't be \$20 trillion in hock to the world lenders, not to mention having wasted millions of lives.

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Truth Can Withstand Scrutiny

In regard to AFP's article on Ernst Zuendel [in the May 22 & 29 issue], we are overlooking an important detail concerning laws against speech against the holocaust. As true as everything we state against it being a holocaust is, our efforts are in vain as long as free speech is denied. What we have here is a failure to communicate. The failure results in the denial of allowing the animated contest of reading, comparing, and judging the truth.

No one has a patent on the truth. The



truth needs no laws to protect it. Quite to the contrary, the truth demands to be tested, analyzed, attacked, questioned, and assessed from every conceivable aspect and angle.

The truth cannot ever be destroyed, but it can be hidden, buried, misstated, and ignored, and the people be so dumbed down they can't accept the truth.

We have ended up with a people who hate the truth, while striving to inject their own versions of lies, passing them off as truth. At the same time, they have no choice but to protect their versions by passing laws restricting the real truth from ever being considered in comparison to their versions. They are simply admitting their version cannot stand scrutiny when compared to the truth. So we end up with suppression of free speech under the pretext of hate speech, disregarding the memory of the dead, and anti-Semitism, a term which is also a lie.

The truth can handle itself, regardless. All we can do is go spread and plant it.

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Probe Fast & Furious

The National Rifle Association (NRA), by its ineptness, never misses an opportunity. For the moment, both houses of Congress as well as the presidency are controlled by sympathizers of the Second Amendment. It is therefore remarkable that the NRA's Executive Board has not suggested to President Donald Trump and Attorney General Jeff Sessions that a special prosecutor with subpoena and indictment powers should be set up now to probe the Fast & Furious gun-running conspiracy. This scheme, initiated by the Obama Justice Department, resulted in the death of federal Border Patrol agent Bryan Terry.

It goes without saying that, if such a prosecutor were created, it would put the Democrats on the defensive. Former Attorney General Eric Holder has been implicated. His alleged guilt has not been proven, however; who knows what the

truth is?

One crucial point: The special counsel is generally selected by the deputy attorney general, presently Rod Rosenstein, who I believe has a good reputation as a straight arrow. Regrettably, in this particular case he would be ethically required to recuse himself from any role in the selection process. During the 1990s and during the Obama administration, Mr. Rosenstein, a career Justice Department employee, worked closely with Holder as his *de facto* aide.

We suggest that Wayne LaPierre of the NRA give Trump a phone call, suggest the special prosecutor be set up, and also recommend the name of a scholar with sterling integrity to fill the post. Attorney General Sessions will surely second the motion. The people want the truth about Fast & Furious. Onward to the special prosecutor.

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No Wonder We're in Debt

So let me get this straight. If you cross the North Korean border illegally, you get 12 years of hard labor. If you cross the Afghan border illegally, you get shot. Two Americans just got eight years for crossing the Iranian border.

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