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Great American Heist: Elites' \$50 Trillion Transfer From American Workers to Global Empires

By Rebecca Terrell
TheNewAmerican.com

In an interview on The Shannon Joy Show, financial whistleblower Catherine Austin Fitts laid bare what she calls a monumental “bank robbery” orchestrated by Washington’s uniparty elite. Drawing on decades of experience as a former Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, Fitts detailed how \$55 trillion has vanished from the U.S. economy since 1998. She breaks it down: \$21 trillion in “undocumentable adjustments” at the Department of Defense (DOD) and HUD from 1998 to 2015, \$29 trillion in bailouts during the 2008-2012 financial crisis, and another \$5 trillion injected via the Federal Reserve’s “Going Direct” reset amid the 2019 pandemic.

“We don’t have a financial problem,” Fitts asserted. **“We’ve got a bank robbery.”** This staggering sum, she argues, wasn’t lost to incompetence but deliberately siphoned by insiders to fund shadowy agendas, leaving everyday Americans footing the bill through inflation, debt, and eroded savings.

Echoing Fitts’ revelations, economic analyst Charles Hugh Smith has documented a parallel plunder in his blog *Of Two Minds*. Referencing a 2020 RAND Corporation study on income trends from 1975 to 2018, Smith highlights how \$50 trillion was effectively transferred from American workers to the top one percent.



The study contrasts post-World War II equitable growth, when incomes rose across all classes, with the post-1975 era of skyrocketing inequality. If growth had stayed balanced, incomes for the bottom 90 percent would have been \$2.5 trillion higher in 2018 alone, culminating in a \$47 trillion shortfall over four decades. Smith’s annotated graph from the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis illustrates this starkly: Labor’s share of gross domestic income plummeted from 51 percent in 1975 to 42 percent by 2018, with capital claiming the difference. He labels it thus: “Capital siphoned \$50 trillion from workers,” attributing the shift to financialization, where Wall Street prioritizes stock buybacks, executive bonuses, and asset bubbles over wage growth.

The convergence of Fitts’ and Smith’s claims paints a damning picture. This embezzlement wasn’t random, but a strategic wealth transfer from the American working class to empower global elites. Fitts connects the dots to globalization’s acceleration after the 1995 Uruguay Round and World Trade

Organization’s creation, which fluidized capital flows and equalized labor costs worldwide. Trillions in “missing” funds, she suggests, were redirected to build parallel systems, including massive investments in East Asia’s manufacturing hubs. Policies such as offshoring jobs to China and other low-wage nations — enabled by trade deals such as NAFTA and China’s WTO entry — hollowed out U.S. industries while building out East Asia as the world’s manufacturing hub.

Smith concurs, arguing that globalization’s “wage arbitrage” shifted high-paying manufacturing overseas, benefiting capital at labor’s expense. U.S. elites funneled siphoned wealth into Asian factories, supply chains, and infrastructure, transforming China into the world’s workshop. This created trillion-dollar trade deficits, funded by American debt, while workers faced stagnant wages, deindustrialization, and community decay. The result? A bifurcated global economy where East Asia booms on pilfered U.S. capital, and American middle-class dreams evaporate.

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Letter from the Editor

by: Leesa Bolden, LAc
TPFP Editor in Chief

We all survived the Quartzsite Big Tent Sports, Vacation & RV Show despite the crowds and traffic. I do hope that everyone enjoyed it, albeit the traffic and crowds are difficult to deal with. If you've not been to Quartzsite for the Big Tent, it is wild. The town grows by roughly 50,000+ people for a few weeks. Back in the day, it was 2 to 2.5 times that but it is still wild. If you're still in the area, stick around. There is lots more fun to be had in this little Southwestern part of Arizona, check out the events on page 13.

As usual there is never a shortage of information to share about what is happening in the U.S and abroad. I did my best to cover most of it in this issue and in the News Briefs. Topics not covered in this issue that are news worthy are abundant and some are posted on our extra articles on the website, TPFPnews.com. One of them is a very good article explaining Due Process.

Elon Musk is getting back in the

game of supporting political candidates to help save our Republic. He gave 10M to Nate Morris of Kentucky to defeat Mitch McConnell. Tom Homan is wanting to create a database of people who interfere with, impede, or assault ICE officers during enforcement actions — especially those arrested at protests. He has described this as a way to make those individuals "famous" by publicizing their names and faces to employers, schools, neighborhoods, etc. I love it! Let's make them famous, that is what they want after all to be seen virtue signalling. This phenomenon (especially in woke white women) is explained very well on page 27.

During the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) Committee hearing titled "Protecting Women: Exposing the Dangers of Chemical Abortion Drugs," Senator Josh Hawley asked Dr. Nisha Verma "Can men get pregnant?" and she could not answer the question. You just can't make this

stuff up! Nayib Bukele, the President of El Salvador, is making prisoners clean up the beaches amongst other public work programs. The John Birch Society is pushing to End the Federal Reserve (which is not Federal and has no Reserves) JBS.org.

Locally there is a big push for the Town of Quartzsite reverting back to a 5 day work week and applying the town codes equally and fairly. Seems others in town are getting the Mike Roth treatment. Makes me think of Martin Niemöller, and his famous quote "First they came for [Mike Roth] and I did not speak out—because... Then they came for me—and there was no one left to speak for me."

You still have time to get your photo submitted for the contest. TPFP.com for full details.

If you want to submit a letter to the editor, please email it to me or type it so I can scan it. Please use discernment and concise arguments. I don't have a word limit per say because we have received some



brilliant long letters and appreciate them. In fact, there is one on page 4.

I hope you enjoy this month's issue as much as I enjoyed putting it together for you. Please share the articles with those who would enjoy it or simply need to think more critically. With an online subscription you can share via email or text, it's super easy and only **\$24/year** for the digital version and only **\$59/year** for digital plus a mailed hard copy. Discounts available for larger quantities, contact us, we are happy to help.

Love you all. God Bless America. Keep praying that the truth continues to emerge and that God's light extinguishes all of the darkness in the hearts of those wanting to rule over us. God bless and protect us all!

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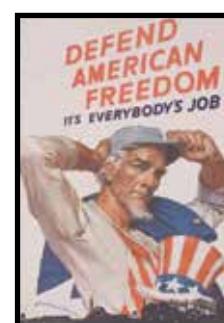
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COME JOIN THE FUN, LAUGHS & HIGH SPEED ACTION!

By: Justin Griffiths Photo Credit:
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The green flag dropped on Blythe Speedway Season 4 in unforgettable fashion with the opener “Tame the Beast 60,” and from the very first lap, it was clear the Beast was wide awake. The highly anticipated 60-lap Factory Stock main event, paying \$1,000 to win, delivered exactly what fans came for—hard racing, relentless pressure, and nonstop action from start to finish. With the VIP section and Tailgate areas packed and buzzing all night long, the energy around the track set the tone for what promises to be an exciting season ahead.

We proudly begin our gratitude with ACE Hardware of Blythe, California, whose generous support helped make this marquee Season 4 opener possible. Events like “Tame the Beast 60” don’t happen without strong community backing, and ACE Hardware continues to show up in a big way for local racing. Additional thanks go to Jones Racing and Steve Burke, whose sponsorship further elevated the night and reinforced the deep-rooted support that keeps Blythe Speedway thriving year after year.

The evening’s racing program kicked off with Mini Stock heat races, where Richard Selph wasted no time establishing himself as the driver to watch. Selph charged to the front and secured the heat race win, with Wynona Ragland applying pressure and staying close behind, setting the stage for a competitive night in the division.

Factory Stock heat races followed, and the



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intensity immediately ramped up. Richard Selph captured the win in Heat 1, while Andrew Anderson took the checkered flag in Heat 2 after a determined run that saw him hold off a hard-charging Allen Hakes. The battles in the heats hinted at the drama yet to come and had fans on their feet well before the main events even rolled onto the track.

The Mini Stock main event delivered on expectations, with Richard Selph once again finding Victory Lane. Wynona Ragland crossed the line in second, and Ryan Selph rounded out the podium, showcasing both experience and emerging talent within the class.

All eyes then turned to the night’s headline attraction—the Factory Stock 60-lap main event. Rolling off with Richard Selph on the pole position and Andrew Anderson alongside him on the front row, the field was stacked

and ready. For much of the first 30 laps, Derek and Erik King stayed locked in behind Selph, keeping



Enzo Decker finishing a hard-earned third after an impressive charge through the pack.



Adding to the night’s storylines, a second Mini Stock feature provided a memorable family

showdown, with Ryan Selph outperforming his father Richard, a moment that highlighted the depth of competition and the next generation of racers coming into their own.

Blythe Speedway extends a heartfelt thank you to the fans, drivers, crews, officials, sponsors, and track staff who helped make the Season 4 opener such a success. From the grandstands to the VIP and Tailgate sections, the support and enthusiasm were felt across the facility.

Mark your calendars—the next green flag drops on February 7, 2026. If “Tame the Beast 60” was any indication, this season at **Blythe Speedway** is just getting started.



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the leader honest and the margin razor-thin. Starting seventh, Enzo Decker methodically worked his way through the field, eventually surging into second place and adding another layer of intensity as the laps wound down.

A late-race caution bunched the field and set up a tense restart, but Selph remained composed under pressure.

When the green flag waved again, he powered away, holding his line and his lead to the checkered flag. Selph took the victory, followed by Derek King in second and



Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Let's be honest, if you're not a full time RVer, Snowbird, Rockhound or Astronomer it's not very likely you've heard of Quartzsite. But this little town has so much to offer in many ways.

This is our 2nd time spending a winter at the South La Posada BLM camping area. We have made many new friends and continue to be surprised by Quartzsite.

My wife (Cindy) retired in December of 2023, we sold a 112-year-old house, bought an 18-year-old motorhome and headed west to experience all that is desert living. We had no idea what to expect, but we thought it was worth finding out. We were right.

Our first year here was delayed due to a breakdown, but we still made it for the big show and all the crowds associated with it.

It took a bit but Cindy found a quilters group that met weekly at the Senior Center and I found the Quartzsite Metal Detectors Club.

This year we got here early, just before Thanksgiving and had a better idea of what to expect from this community and wasted no time getting involved. We found a nice church (Alliance) to start attending and Cindy found a 2nd quilters group at the Holiday Psalms.

We both liked the message Pastor Jeremiah shares and that their focus of the church is on its youth, tomorrow's leaders. Who knew a community that attracts seniors from all over North America would have a church that strives to build a program shaping its youth?

Our appreciation of Quartzsite continued to expand as we stayed this year. Needing some Jeep repairs, I asked a guy at K&B Tools if he knew of any local mechanics and he led me to Elvi who does mobile repair who was able to get our transmission leak fixed and going again.

The list goes on with people who have impressed us. When I went looking for parts for our vehicles, Steve at the local auto parts store next to Roadrunner had just

what we needed. For a small shop, he has a nice inventory.

Did you know about the Brotherhood of Rogue Riders? Yet another group making an effort to help the youth of Quartzsite. A friend told me how they put on a toy drive for Christmas. They had enough support from the community to fill the back room at the QIA full of toys and even some bicycles.

This dot on the map of Arizona has a charm that you have to experience firsthand to really enjoy. A history of Camels loaded with cargo through the desert to a village that has become a thriving winter destination that has more radio stations, newspapers and grocery stores than it does banks! Where else in America has that combination?

Even the local police helped me when I asked if there were any long-range gun ranges in the area. I was given information about the Adair range near Yuma. Speaking of loud and fast, have you seen the dog park? The best grass northern

AZ has to offer is within the boundaries of this dog park, ask any K9 in the area.

I could go on for paragraphs talking about specific things this community offers that surprised us or impressed us, but I think you get the idea. We are glad to have found this spot in the desert and grateful for all its people who have made an impression.

Last but certainly not least... I have to say thanks to Leesa Bolden who, if it weren't for her, I would have never been asked to be a judge for the 2026 Camelpalooza Parade. What a unique way to start a year.

To the people who are in charge of this desert gem of a town, I ask that you continue in being a gracious community of people who open your arms in the winter to so many of us who enjoy your climate. I hope its youth grow strong faith, become good leaders of tomorrow and follow in the steps of our Lord.

Thank You and God Bless.

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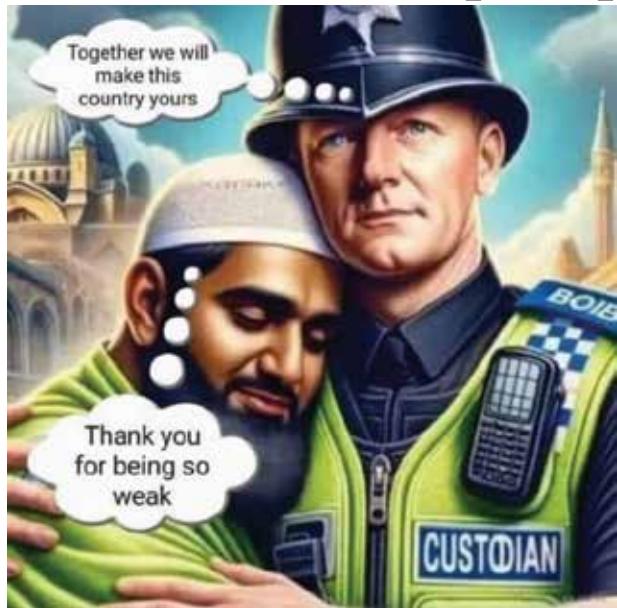
UK Activists Assaulted & Arrested By Police During Debate On University Campus, Told Not To “Rile People Up” If They Don’t Want To Be Attacked

More proof Great Britain is an anti-free speech authoritarian state.

By Kelen McBreen
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Freedom Watch Great Britain founder Montgomery Toms and journalist Will Coleshill were recently attacked by a radical leftist while debating students at the London College of Communication campus. Toms was sitting at a table and speaking with a student when a man approached him from behind and flipped the table over, breaking the crew's cameras in the process. Coleshill then stepped in to defend Monty and restrained the individual under a citizen's arrest.

“This was lawful and justified. The individual had already assaulted



Monty, damaged property, and posed a clear risk of further harm or fleeing before police arrived. All legal criteria for a citizen's arrest were met,” the Freedom Watch account wrote.

Next, university staff and students started attacking Coleshill in an attempt to free the culprit while the assailant bit the journalist's arm.

The suspect was eventually able to break free and escape thanks to the people on campus who attacked Coleshill. “Drinks were thrown at William by other LCC students, and he was further assaulted and grabbed, forcing Monty to intervene and pull off those restraining and attacking William,” Freedom Watch noted.

Toms called the police and shared his side of the story, with an officer suggesting the activists were asking for trouble after learning they support mass deportations in Britain. When the policeman was shown the banner the group displayed on their table, reading, “Britain Needs Mass Deportations. Prove Me Wrong,” the cop said, “That's going to rile people up now, isn't it? If you don't want things to kick off, I suggest you don't create a situation where people are gonna be upset.”

“So, we have to live in a society where we can't say what a leading polling party in the country says?” Toms asked. The activist was referring to Nigel Farage's Reform Party UK calling for mass deportations. At one point Colehill asked police officers if they were going to arrest the man who assaulted him, and the cops instead shoved and arrested him for filming the incident.

Colehill shouted that his ancestors fought two world wars for English citizens to have the right to free speech and accused the police of being “criminals” who targeted him after seeing the banner supporting deportations. A large crowd of university anti-free speech leftists cheered as Colehill was dragged away and thrown into a paddy wagon. The assailant who started the chaotic scene was never arrested and was allowed to walk free.

RV INDUSTRY NEWS

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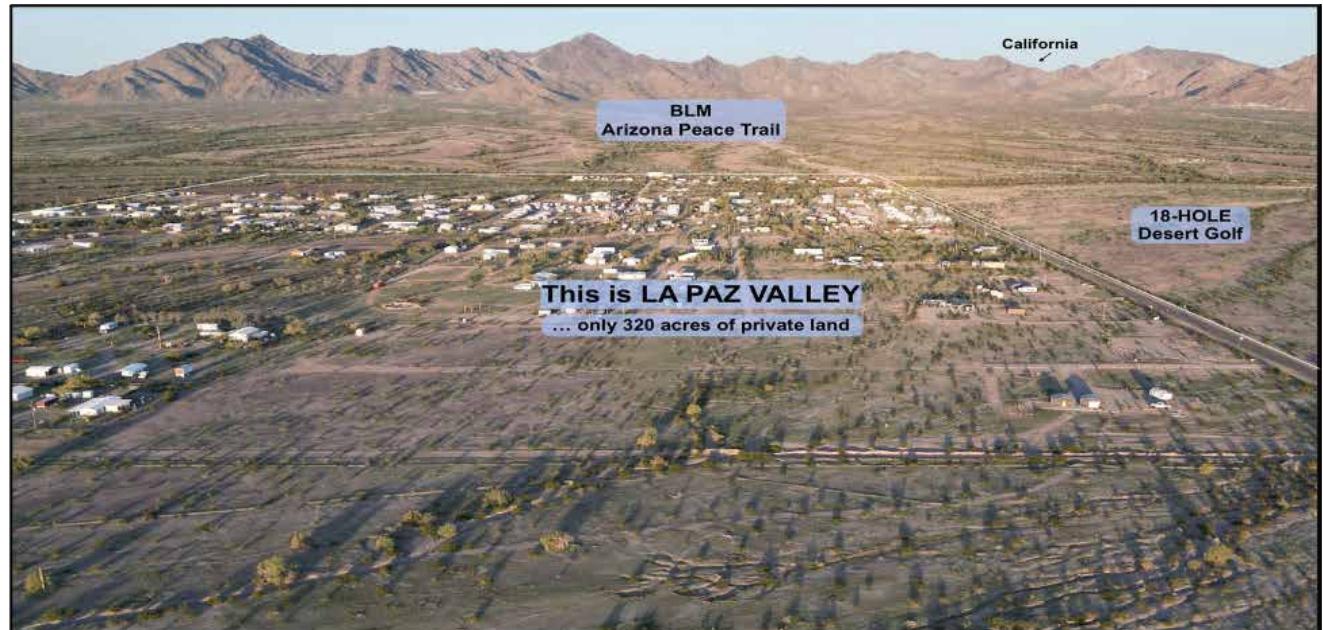
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Dedollarization, Its More Like De-fiatization

By Daniel Lacalle
Mises.org 01/26/2026

Despite the consensus narrative, what we are currently experiencing globally is not “de-dollarization,” but a broad loss of confidence in developed economies’ fiat currencies and sovereign debt as a reserve asset for central banks and institutions. This fundamental loss of confidence in the solvency of developed economies’ sovereign issuers is boosting demand for gold. However, the latest data shows no crossover or fiat alternative substitution. The US dollar’s central role in the fiat system remains intact.

Gold over Debt: the Key Shift
Modern Monetary Theory supporters state that monetary sovereign nations can issue all the debt they want without inflationary and confidence risk. However, monetary sovereignty is not a given; it is not perennial and governments face three limitations when it comes to issuing debt. Domestic and global

confidence in sovereign issuers begins to decline once they surpass those limits.

The three limits for governments are: the economic limit, when more government debt leads to stagnation and productivity growth decline; the fiscal limit, when interest expenses and debt burdens soar despite central bank easing and rising tax receipts; and the inflationary limit, when the loss of the purchasing power of currencies becomes large and persistent, eroding citizens’ standards of living.

Over the last few years, the most important trend in global reserves has been the rotation from government bonds of advanced economies toward gold, not “out of dollars,” as some media highlights, and even less so into other fiat currencies. Many analysts blame the recent

sanctions against Russia as a factor that has triggered the move to other forms of reserve.

However, this does not seem like a plausible cause when most of the gold reserves that have been added globally are stored in countries that

enforce those sanctions. The evidence is more complex and different: Central banks globally stopped trusting developed nations’ debt as their core asset in 2021 when inflationism and lack of fiscal responsibility started generating losses at major central banks. Sovereign debt stopped being the quality, stable, and income-generating asset that provided real economic returns to institutions all over the world.

Despite the media and social media comments, the slump of euro and yen assets as reserves has been more aggressive than that of the US

dollar. Bloomberg and the World Gold Council data show central banks and sovereign funds have doubled the pace of gold purchases in roughly three years, accumulating around 80 metric tons a month and driving record demand and record prices. This buying comes on top of strong private-sector investment demand, turning gold into the main beneficiary of rising concerns about debt sustainability and currency debasement in the US, Europe, Japan, and the UK. At the same time, analysts at JP Morgan highlight that much of this official gold buying is opaque, with significant “unreported” flows via hubs such as Switzerland, which reinforces the idea of a stealth shift into a real asset outside the fiat system.

The real underlying driver is the deterioration in the fiscal and monetary credibility of developed economies. Government debt is close to peacetime record levels, while long-term spending commitments, unfinanced liabilities, weak growth, and aging populations make future

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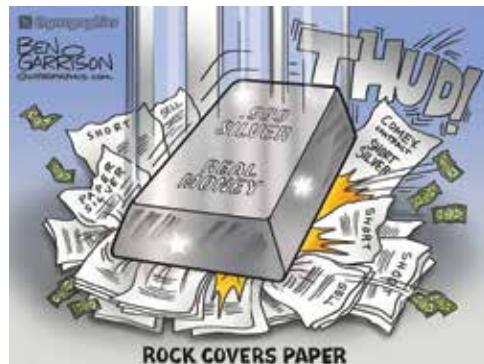
fiscal consolidation politically challenging. Since the pandemic, major central banks have combined ultra-loose policy, large balance sheets, and implicit financial repression to maintain the illusion of solvency of sovereign issuers, which has strengthened the view that fiat currencies will be used to manage debt through inflation and negative real rates for a long time. The freezing of Russian reserves in 2022 and the weaponization of sanctions only served as a confirmation of the debasement risk and convinced many emerging-market central banks that holding large stocks of G7 sovereign debt and deposits entails growing political and legal risk. Faced with a mix of fiscal excess, financial repression, and geopolitical risk, reserve managers have finally returned to the strategy of adding reserves in an asset with no counterparty risk. The famous “gold is money, everything else is debt” sentence becomes more relevant than ever.

There Is No Good Fiat Alternative to the Dollar

The same sources that show soaring gold demand also show that there is no true “dedollarization” in the sense of a fiat-to-fiat substitution. This also makes sense. The US dollar is the world’s strongest weak currency because it has a higher level of liquidity, more independent institutions, and better legal and investor security than any alternative. The US dollar is losing its place as a global reserve to gold but not losing its position relative to the euro, yen, pound, or yuan.

IMF COFER figures show that the US dollar’s share of allocated FX reserves remains at 59.6%, and when adjusted for exchange-rate moves, the IMF itself concludes that the dollar’s share has been broadly stable, with recent declines explained mostly by valuation effects, not active selling. The euro, at 20.3%, is not even close to being a contender. The euro, yen, sterling, and even the Chinese renminbi have not captured the supposed “lost” dollar share. Their combined importance in reserves is flat or declining, while the rising share belongs to gold and “other assets,” including silver, oil, or domestic equities in the case of Japan.

BIS FX turnover and SWIFT payment data allow us to reach the same conclusion. The dollar is on almost 90% of all FX transactions and roughly half of global SWIFT payments, with the euro a distant second and the renminbi still only a low-single-digit share. There is no crossover where another fiat currency replaces the dollar’s role in trade, finance, or reserves. The real story is that all major fiat currencies are losing relative trust to an asset outside the system, like gold.



Institutions all over the world have suffered losses with sovereign debt since 2021 and see no end to the inflationary currency debasement policy, while solvency is under question as governments reject any form of spending control.

Calling this “de-dollarization” is misleading, because it suggests a transition from a dollar-centric order to a euro-, yuan- or BRICS-centric fiat order, something the data clearly do not show. What is actually happening is better described as “de-fiatization at the margin,” a shift away from all heavily indebted, policy-managed fiat currencies towards real assets that do not depend on governments. The dollar remains the least-imperfect fiat currency, with unmatched liquidity, legal and investor security, and support in trade and finance, so there is no scalable alternative that reserve managers can move into without assuming even greater risk. That is why central banks diversify some of the marginal flow into gold but keep the bulk of their liquid reserves, payment systems, and FX operations in US dollars.

The world is penalizing the fiscal and monetary excesses of developed economies by demanding less of their debt and more gold, not by building a new fiat-currency alternative. The record highs of gold and the constant purchases by central banks indicate a lack of confidence in the long-term purchasing power and credit quality of sovereign issuers, not in a competing fiat currency. Meanwhile, the dollar’s share in reserves, trade invoicing, FX turnover, and payments remains dominant and broadly stable, with no evidence of a large-scale substitution into euros, renminbi, or any other fiat unit.

The global system is therefore not moving from “dollar hegemony” to “yuan hegemony” or a multipolar fiat regime; it is moving from unchallenged trust in developed-market paper to a world where gold re-emerges as the ultimate reserve asset, and the dollar stays at the declining fiat center because nothing else can replace its security, infrastructure, and depth.

While investors legitimately worry about America’s credit credibility and the US dollar’s purchasing power, no one is naive enough to consider the euro area, Japan, China, or a basket of serial devaluators like the BRICS as viable alternatives to the US dollar.

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Denouncing Socialism While Supporting It

By Gary Benoit 02/01/2026
New American Magazine

Even in today's woke times, most Americans, if asked, would say they oppose socialism. So would most politicians. Yet the country has, over time, become increasingly socialistic. Why is that?

One reason is that many Americans, including many who consider themselves anti-socialist, do not possess enough understanding to recognize socialist policies for what they are. They may recognize that full-blown socialism is destructive of freedom and prosperity, but still be blissfully unaware of the creeping socialism that leads to full-blown socialism. Another reason is the difference between the rhetoric and record of many politicians — and that includes socialist politicians whose constituents oppose socialism and would vote out of office a self-proclaimed socialist.

The idiom "Actions speak louder than words" is particularly apropos when it comes to deceptive politicians. But occasionally the deception is not only in the words they utter, but also in the actions they may take. In such cases, albeit rare, both the words and the actions are deceptive.

Such was the case in the U.S. House of Representatives on November 21, 2025, when many congressmen who routinely vote for unconstitutional Big Government socialist policies joined their genuinely anti-socialist colleagues in overwhelmingly passing H. Con. Res. 58. This concurrent resolution (you guessed it!) denounces socialism. It accurately states that "socialist ideology necessitates a concentration of power

that has, time and time again, collapsed into communist regimes, totalitarian rule, and brutal dictatorships." Then it resolves: "That Congress denounces socialism in all its forms, and opposes the implementation of socialist policies in the United States."



Perhaps not surprisingly, H. Con. Res. 58 passed by the lopsided vote of 285 to 98. Yet this lopsidedness could not have occurred unless the "yeas" included not just representatives who genuinely oppose "the implementation of socialist policies in the United States," but also representatives who claim to be against socialism while supporting it in at least some of "its forms." How could it be otherwise? After all, if 285 members of the House truly oppose socialist policies, then those policies would soon cease to exist — if for no other reason than that all funding bills must originate in the House.

Because we did not want to give undeserved favorable scores to the pretenders, we did not include this vote in the latest installment of our Freedom Index congressional scorecard. To see how House members voted on H. Con. Res. 58, go to congress.gov/votes/house/119-1/305. We recommend doing so, in part, to find out who the 98 congressmen are — all of them far-left Democrats, by the way — who voted against denouncing socialism. But we also recommend looking at the yeas — and making your own assessment as to who sincerely opposes social-



ism and who does not by checking out their scores in the Freedom Index.

The 285 yeas included 199 Republicans (all of the Republicans who voted) and 86 Democrats. Certainly the motivation behind the votes cast by many Democrats may be questioned, but how about Republicans?

During the floor debate prior to the vote, Democrat James Himes (Conn.), who voted for the resolution, indicated that the Republican president is imposing socialism by taking a 10-percent stake in Intel, as well as significant stakes in other companies. "If the definition of socialism is political control over the means of production, welcome to the great socialist state of the United States of America," he said. He also said that "we are now living in one of the most socialist countries on the planet."

Congress should have intervened to stop President Trump from unilaterally (and unconstitutionally!) acquiring partial U.S. government ownership of major companies. If Congress had done its constitutional duty to pass legislation against this form of socialism, this vote would be in our Freedom Index. Unfortunately, no such vote has (yet) taken place.

The problem is bipartisan. The solution is to become informed and insist that politicians honor their oath of office to the Constitution irrespective of their party affiliation — and that includes opposing socialism in all its forms.



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Mamdani Is Actually a Social Democrat. Here's Why That Matters.

Historically, “democratic socialist” really means something entirely different from what he’s doing, and what he’s doing is better.

By Michael Kazin 01/09/2026
NewRepublic.com

In his first address as mayor, Zohran Mamdani declared: “I was elected as a democratic socialist, and I will govern as a democratic socialist. I will not abandon my principles for fear of being deemed radical.”

That bold assertion delighted many of his admirers on the left while confirming the fears of his critics on the right and center. But in terms of what he aims to accomplish and in the context of history, it was not really true. Mamdani does not intend to give wage earners control of their workplaces or to turn private businesses into public property, as Karl Marx advocated (along with other renowned socialists he inspired like Eugene Debs, who was also a small-d democrat, and Vladimir Lenin, who was decidedly not). He does not call, as did the U.K. Labour Party right after World War II, to nationalize major industries and have them run by government employees.

Mamdani wants instead to make transportation, childcare, and housing more “affordable” for every New Yorker. That makes him not a democratic socialist but a social democrat. What’s the difference?

The latter term has never caught on in the United States, but its adherents have a long and successful history in Europe and in developed nations on other continents. Social democrats seek to create a more egalitarian order within a capitalist market society. They build welfare states that provide health care, family leave, and union protection to their citizens and reject the tyrannical one-party states created by the likes of Lenin, Mao, and Castro. There have been many full or partial social democracies; the most successful ones exist throughout Scandinavia. But democratic socialism, aside from the utopian colonies that existed rather briefly in the nineteenth century in the United States and Great Britain, has always been an unrealized vision.

The good news for Mamdani, and the models for him to follow, come from the last century, when practical socialists governed, for a time, dozens of small and midsize American cities where the gap between the wealthy elite and wage earners had widened



alarmingly, much as in New York City today. In St. Mary’s, Ohio, they expanded sewer lines, provided gas and electric service to all neighborhoods for the first time, and made sure working-class children felt welcome in the newly opened high school. In Milwaukee, socialist mayors erected the nation’s first public housing project, won an eight-hour workday for municipal workers, and developed an extensive system of public parks.

Michael Harrington, a founder of the Democratic Socialists of America, to which Mamdani proudly belongs, called on his fellow radicals to develop “the left wing of the possible.” New York’s new mayor follows such mentors as Bernie Sanders and Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez in balancing his dream of a humane, “collectivist” order with the need to fight for changes in the only world they will ever know. All three compete in Democratic primaries—the bailiwick of a “capitalist” party—and seek to implement sweeping reforms that revolutionary socialists once denounced as sly tricks to make a rotten system appear fresh and tolerable but that nearly everyone on the contemporary left supports.

In recent polls, about 40 percent of Americans say they have a “positive image” of socialism. A clear majority of people under 30 feel that way. But for most of them, the term evokes what Mamdani and other social democrats who have actually managed to win elections try to achieve: a more secure life in a society that narrows class differences without preventing some individuals from becoming rich as long as they create products or services that ordinary people value. Four decades ago, the great social democratic author Irving Howe described those “socialists” who managed to gain influence in capitalist countries: “They engage themselves with the needs of the moment, struggling for betterment in matters large and small, reforms

major and modest: They do not sit and wait for the millennium.”

Mamdani’s eloquent inaugural address struck those same chords. “City Hall,” he promised, “will deliver an agenda of safety, affordability, and abundance, where the government looks and lives like the people it represents, never flinches in the fight against corporate greed, and refuses to cower before challenges that others have deemed too complicated.” A full social democracy cannot be built in a single city, even one as large and consequential as New York. But, unlike the yearning for a revolutionary overhaul of an economic order that has endured for centuries, it is a goal that can sustain popular support as the reality gradually draws near.

The collapse of the Soviet Union and its bloc discredited the old definition of socialism that required public ownership of businesses and an army of bureaucrats to run them. But if Mamdani can govern as well as he campaigned, he might spur a new meaning for the s-word grounded in the history of societies more equal and democratic than our own.

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Assessor 01/21/2026

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After much reflection and consideration, I have decided to retire and focus on my health. The amount of unnecessary stress created by our county administration has ultimately taken its toll.

Throughout my tenure, I have experienced a continued unwillingness to listen to concerns and frustrations, which I believe stems from a lack of basic communication skills necessary to run a successful county operation. On many occasions, county employees and taxpayers alike have shared similar frustrations regarding county operations, often without resolution.

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve the citizens of La Paz County for the past ten years as the

La Paz County Assessor Retires

elected County Assessor, following three years in the Building Department as a Permit Technician and seven years as an Appraiser. I had big dreams for my service to this county, including creating programs that would benefit local businesses, residents, and future development.

Over the years, I made multiple recommendations to the Board of Supervisors, including the creation of a GIS Department-consistent with other counties-to better integrate the Assessor's software and improve property assessment accuracy. Such integration would have benefited not only the Assessor's Office, but all county departments by providing improved technology to meet their operational needs. I also introduced Pictometry as an aerial software tool to help capture escaped property assessments and promote a more equitable distribution of taxpayer burden. Additionally, I worked

toward implementing the Assessor Address Protection Program (AAPP) to provide taxpayers with an added layer of protection against property address fraud. Unfortunately, none of these initiatives came to fruition.

During my tenure, I had the opportunity to take on challenging projects and grow both personally and professionally. One of our most significant accomplishments was the creation of comprehensive policies and procedures for all duties within the Assessor's Office, completed with the assistance of consultant Judy Bender. I am deeply grateful for her contributions. Not only for the extensive cleanup of the assessor database, but also for the additional training she provided to other county departments. We are also in the final stages of implementing a point-of-sale system to accept credit card payments and better serve the public.

To my fellow elected officials

and county employees, it has been an honor to serve alongside you-through good times and challenging ones alike. I encourage you to confront issues that negatively affect your daily operations. Do not be afraid to stand up for what is right.

To my staff, past and present, it was always my vision to build a department that excelled in customer service and provided taxpayers with knowledgeable, well-trained staff. I sincerely thank you for your dedication, patience, and kindness in serving the public.

To the constituents of La Paz County, I am grateful for the trust, support, and confidence you placed in me throughout my years of service, and for the many lessons I learned along the way.

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This heist has profound implications. As Fitts warns, it's funding a "leveraged buyout of the world,"

eroding democracy and sovereignty. Smith predicts social unrest from unchecked inequality. With national debt soaring and trust in

institutions crumbling, reclaiming this wealth demands transparency, audits, and policies prioritizing domestic strength over globalist

agendas. Until then, the American dream remains collateral in the World Economic Forum's larger global scheme.





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Trump's Latest Regime Change Target

By Ron Paul Mises.org 01/27/2026

What does the Federal Reserve have in common with Venezuela and Greenland? It has been targeted by President Trump for regime change.

The Justice Department recently launched a criminal investigation into whether Federal Reserve Chairman Jerome Powell lied to Congress about the costs of renovating the Federal Reserve's offices. Many believe this investigation was launched in order to support President Trump's effort to replace Powell, who he nominated to be Fed chairman in 2017, with a Fed chairman who will accommodate President Trump's demands for lower interest rates.

Almost all observers believe that President Trump's desire to stack the Federal Reserve board with loyalists who will tailor monetary policy to his liking motivated the investigation of Federal Reserve Board Member Lisa Cook. President Trump is using allegations that Cook lied on a mortgage application as a justification to fire her.

At a Supreme Court hearing on Lisa Cook's case, the majority of justices — including some who have been supportive of President Trump's attempt to exercise greater authority over federal agencies — seemed to oppose his firing of Cook. One reason for this would be viewing the Fed as different from federal agencies like the Federal Trade Commission because private banks play a role in the Fed's governance. This indicates the Fed is a public-private hybrid.

The criminal investigation into Chairman Powell and the attempt to fire Lisa Cook have caused investors, stock traders, and others to fear Trump is endangering the economy by compromising the Fed's independence. This supposed threat to Fed autonomy has also caused some Republicans who are usually defenders of President Trump to criticize him.

There is a long history of presidential attempts to influence monetary policy. President Richard Nixon, for example, pressured Fed Chairman Arthur Burns to lower rates. Nixon and Burns were even recorded joking about Fed independence.

Fed Chairman William Martin may not have liked Ike, but he caved to President Eisenhower's demands that the Fed increase the money supply. President Bill Clinton persuaded Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan to support Clinton's economic plans. The most extreme case of presidential pressure (at least until the Justice Department launched its criminal probe into Powell) was when President Lyndon Johnson shoved the Fed chairman against a wall because the Fed raised interest rates, causing trouble for Johnson's Great Society at home and Vietnam War abroad. President Trump is thus not different from his predecessors; he is just more transparent.

Opponents of Federal Reserve "independence" have a point. Allowing a secretive central bank to control interest rates and the money supply is the reason the purchasing power of the dollar has vastly declined since 1971, when President Nixon severed the last link between the dollar and gold. Fed-produced fiat currency is also the cause of rising economic inequality and instability. The beneficiaries of this system are the politicians and the corporatist interests living off the welfare-warfare state. On the other hand, President Trump's critics are correct that giving politicians power to set interest rates would be a recipe for disaster. Instead of arguing over who should control the money supply and set rates, President Trump and Congress should work to audit and end the Fed.



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CCP's First Official Response to Purges Reveals Lack of Confidence in Military Capabilities: Analysts

Xi's purge has created a vacuum in the PLA's top leadership and significantly weakened its capabilities and his own control of the military, analysts said.

By Alex Wu 2/1/2026
www.theepochtimes.com

The Chinese communist regime on January 28th provided its first official response to the ousting of two top generals after days of unusual silence. Zhang Han, spokeswoman for the CCP's Taiwan Affairs Office, said the case once again demonstrates that the Chinese Communist Party's (CCP) and the Central Military Commission are committed to "combating corruption without restrictions, comprehensively, and with zero tolerance," adding that it is an important manifestation of the CCP and its military's "determination and strength."

She was responding to a question at a news conference of the Taiwan Affairs Office of the CCP's State Council four days after Zhang Youxia, vice chairman of the CCP's Central Military Commission, and Liu Zhenli, a member of the Central Military Commission and chief of the Joint Staff Department, had been removed from their positions and placed under investigation. Analysts told The Epoch Times that the regime spokeswoman's vague response shows the impact of the purge on the Chinese military's capabilities and the ongoing infighting within the ruling CCP's top echelon.

At the news conference, a reporter asked the spokeswoman how the removals of Zhang and Liu and the turmoil at the top of the People's Liberation Army will affect cross-strait relations. Zhang Han kept her head down while flipping through

documents before providing a generic answer, repeating the CCP's stance on Taiwan, saying it was "striving for peaceful reunification," but never promising to renounce the use of force." After the news conference, the transcript on the Taiwan Affairs Office's official website was scrubbed of references to Zhang Youxia and Liu, and the only mention was a reference to "personnel changes among high-ranking military officials on the mainland."

The Chinese regime's official media has been unusually quiet about the incident, after the PLA Daily (the official mouthpiece of the People's Liberation Army) published an editorial on Jan. 24 criticizing Zhang Youxia and Liu for "seriously violating and undermining the system of responsibility under the Chairman of the Central Military Commission, and endangering the foundation of the CCP's rule."

Meanwhile, various departments of the Central Military Commission or major CCP military commands have been silent about CCP leader Xi Jinping's purge of the two top generals—unlike previous inci-



dents in which they expressed support almost immediately through official statements. The unusual silence indicates that the case is not totally settled and dissent is growing within the military, according to analysts.

U.S.-based current affairs commentator Li Linyi told The Epoch

Times that the spokeswoman clearly lacked confidence when answering the question, which corresponds to the unusual circumstances surrounding the CCP's shift to a low-key approach the day after announcing the downfall of Zhang Youxia and Liu. Dissident Wu Renhua wrote on X, "When a Taiwanese journalist asked a question about Zhang, the spokeswoman for the Taiwan Affairs Office flipped through her notebook, couldn't find the answer, and then gave a completely irrelevant response."

Regarding the spokeswoman's attempt to downplay the incident from political power struggle to anti-corruption, Ding Shuh-fan (professor emeritus of the Graduate Institute of East Asian Studies at National Chengchi University in Taiwan) told The Epoch Times that "corruption

is merely a convenient excuse." He said that Zhang's case is a political issue. "Zhang Youxia and Xi Jinping had ideological disagreements, and ultimately Xi Jinping could no longer tolerate Zhang Youxia, so he had him arrested."

Weakened Military

This latest personnel shake-up has reduced the number of members on the CCP's Central Military Commission from seven to just two: Xi and Vice Chairman Zhang Shengmin, who was just recently appointed.

Ding said the response from the CCP's Taiwan Affairs Office about "determination and strength" is inconsistent with the facts. He said that almost the entire Central Military Commission of the CCP is vacant, with the commanders and political commissars of the army, navy, air force, and rocket force, as well as several military regions, all currently without appointed leaders after the previous leaders were removed by Xi. "This complete personnel vacuum will continue for a considerable period," Ding said.

He believes that how Xi will lead the military in the future has become a major problem. "Because there is a lack of trust between them, how will they work together in the future?" he said. "This could very likely lead to a situation where military officials, like many local officials who have been purged, might simply become passive. The consequences are actually very serious."

Taiwanese military commentator Qi Leyi told The Epoch Times that the Taiwan Affairs Office is merely an implementing body and may not be aware of the power struggles among top CCP leaders. "Therefore, Zhang

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Will New Election Evidence Damage the Supreme Court?

Congratulations, Chief Justice Roberts. You kept your hands clean. But at what cost?

By John Green 02/01/2026
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The “stock in trade” of judges is trust. The only thing that gives a jurist’s opinion weight is public confidence that the guy in the black robe honestly and properly applied the law as prescribed by his oath. Unfortunately, courts at all levels seem to gleefully disregard the importance of that trust.

Local judges appear uninterested in public order. Their release of violent offenders with low or no bail to prey on the innocent has become an epidemic.

District judges are busily trying to nullify an election. They are ruling that Congress may neither legislate nor appropriate, and that the president needs their permission to enforce duly enacted laws and conduct foreign affairs.

The Supreme Court sits atop that chaos, more concerned

with avoiding conflict than with defending the Constitution. We are galled by the chief justice’s gaslighting that the Article III branch of government can be trusted. His claim that “there are no Obama judges, Biden judges, nor Trump judges” was a lie that he insisted we accept despite what we were clearly observing.

For elections to work, mere accuracy is insufficient. They must be transparent and beyond reproach, not riddled with question marks. There will always be millions of Americans dissatisfied with the outcome of

any one election, but we expect them to abide by the outcome, because it represents the will of the majority. A peaceful transfer of power depends on the minority believing that an election does, in fact, represent the will of the majority.

Unfortunately, the conduct of the 2020 election created suspicion rather than confidence. A pandemic was used to justify rule changes that loosened election controls. The MSM hid relevant information from the voters until after the election. Standard electoral procedures were ignored, clearing a path for fraud. “Flexible” ballot acceptance criteria were applied to ensure that every vote was counted — even the illegal

ones. “Mules” dumped armloads of ballots into drop boxes under the cover of night. Ballots were handled without a chain of custody, making their source a mystery. A critical ballot-counting facility was evacuated for a crisis that never happened. Poll-watchers were barred from

watching. Boxes of ballots were “discovered” in places they should never have been. Photocopies and ballots that apparently hadn’t arrived in required envelopes were allegedly counted. Some precincts reported more ballots than registered voters. Windows were covered while the counting was underway. Counting that should have been done in hours continued for days. Election boards refused to cooperate with audits.

What happened in the 2020 election may turn out to be the biggest electoral scandal in U.S. history. If so, it was made worse by the inaction of the branch of government whose duty it was to ensure fairness: our courts.

After Joe Biden was declared the winner, we were told to believe that the man who couldn’t greet a foreign leader without a TelePrompter, and

who had a creepy habit of sexualizing young girls, got more votes than Barack Obama. Our suspicions rose. We needed the courts to adjudicate our election grievances. Donald Trump, along with several states, gave them the opportunity to do so. Lawsuits were filed challenging the election results.

Rather than ensuring that the election represented the will of the people by hearing the evidence and taking appropriate action, the courts refused to hear the cases, claiming that the plaintiffs lacked “standing.” Let that sink in: The Supreme Court held that candidates, states, and citizens had no stake in the outcome of an election! Contrary to the assertions of the Democrats, the courts didn’t find the challenges unfounded because they never heard the arguments or reviewed the evidence. When the Article III branch of government had the chance to defend the Constitution and our rights, the judges instead became risk-averse monkeys. They chose to see nothing, hear nothing, and say nothing. Suspicions left unaddressed festered.

We were asked to assume that our new president was legitimate — not because he was elected, but because he was inaugurated. That is not how a self-governed republic is supposed to work. What started as a questionable election became a disastrous administration. In a mere four years, President “Asterisk”: exploded inflation, admitted millions of illegal aliens, lost 320,000 migrant children — many to slavery and prostitution, squandered trillions of taxpayer dollars, enabled billions of dollars of fraud, pardoned thousands of criminals — including family members, censored political debate, targeted religious observance, corrupted the machinery of justice, enabled faceless bureaucrats to rule with an Autopen, and brought the planet to the brink of WWIII.

Perhaps most disturbing of all, the Biden administration didn’t address the questions of election fraud, but instead demonized those who voiced the questions. The Garland Justice Department even sought to imprison

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citizens for questioning the election. Do those seem like the actions of people who were confident of their victory?

The Biden administration’s resistance to transparency and the Supreme Court’s refusal to get involved only increased our distrust of elections and those whose duty it is to protect our rights.

When the Supreme Court took a “mental health day” in lieu of doing its duty five years ago, I predicted that “if and when” the truth was discovered, it would expose the Court as derelict and severely damage its standing with those it serves. Well, Donald Trump beat the margin of fraud in 2024, and now it seems that “if and when” has arrived.

Judges have declared many of the 2020 rule changes illegal. Fulton County, Georgia, election officials have admitted that they never validated 315,000 ballots — in a state decided by 11,000 votes. Tens of thousands of ineligible voters have been discovered on voter rolls nationwide by Assistant Attorney General Harmeet Dhillon. The FBI has seized over 600 boxes of 2020 election records from the Fulton County election office, for purposes yet unknown.

At Davos, President Trump made an offhand remark that arrests are coming. Are we about to learn that the most disastrous administration in U.S. history was launched by the biggest electoral fraud in history? Will it turn out to be a fraud too big to hide forever?

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Minneapolis Exposed the Weakness the Media Won't Admit

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What is unfolding in Minneapolis is not spontaneous unrest, and it is not about social grievances. It is a disciplined political operation following a playbook that has been publicly available for decades. The tactics being employed align closely with the organizing doctrine articulated by Saul Alinsky, which relies on pressure, ridicule, narrative inversion, and institutional coercion to extract concessions from power centers without ever engaging the stated issue itself. Alinsky was explicit that the issue is never the issue. The issue is power, and Minneapolis is being treated as terrain, not as a community to be stabilized.

The sequence is familiar. A triggering incident occurs. Facts are declared settled before investigations begin. Emotional framing replaces evidence. Institutions are pushed to violate their own rules in the name of compassion. When they comply, the violation becomes the precedent. When they resist, ridicule and escalation follow. The objective is leverage, and every concession extracted becomes proof of concept for the next demand. Each display of restraint by authorities is interpreted not as good faith but as weakness to be exploited. Compromise accelerates conflict rather than resolves it.

The White House and federal leadership should understand this clearly. What is being tested is not immigration policy or law enforcement conduct in isolation. What is being tested is whether institutions can be forced, through narrative pressure and moral intimidation, to abandon their own standards in real time. If they can, the tactic will be repeated elsewhere. If it works once, it becomes doctrine. The actors driving escalation are not trying to win an argument. They are trying to condition behavior. The measure of success is institutional submission.

Minneapolis matters because it is being treated as a demonstration site. What happens here will be replicated nationally if it proves effective. That



reality should be acknowledged without illusion or emotional manipulation. The situation is not going to be resolved through appeasement, and it was never intended to be.

We saw this playbook deployed successfully against local police departments after 2020. Single incidents were elevated into national moral crises before facts were established. Media narratives hardened instantly. Elected officials, facing coordinated pressure and public shaming, moved not to restore order but to distance themselves from their own institutions. Funding was cut, authority was restricted, proactive enforcement was rebranded as provocation, and officers were left politically exposed. Policing did not become safer or more accountable. It became hesitant, risk-averse, and selectively enforced exactly as intended. Data from the Police Executive Research Forum shows that in 2021, 60 percent of urban police departments reported a decline in proactive enforcement due to fear of public backlash, illustrating how perception management directly impacts operational capability.

What is different now is the level at which the tactic is being applied. The same pressure sequence is being pushed upward, from municipal police departments to the federal government itself, and specifically against immigration enforcement. In Minnesota, federal agents are now operating under sustained political, legal, and narrative assault from state officials, activist networks, and national

media simultaneously. State authorities have openly moved to counter federal messaging, challenge federal investigations, and force de-escalation through public pressure rather than adjudicated findings, while the White House signals retreat amid mounting outrage.

From a conservative standpoint, this is not about improving ICE or refining operational standards. Independent investigations, transparency, and accountability mechanisms already exist for that purpose. What is happening instead is the deliberate use of crisis politics to make enforcement itself untenable. When every operation carries the risk of immediate political backlash, litigation, and reputational destruction, enforcement becomes optional in practice, even if it remains legal on paper. This is how the law is nullified without repeal. You do not need to abolish an institution if you can raise the political cost of action so high that no leader will authorize it and no agent will execute it with confidence. Minneapolis is functioning as a test case. If federal immigration enforcement can be forced to stand down through narrative pressure and institutional intimidation here, the same model can be exported nationally.

The lesson from the post-2020 policing collapse is clear. Once an enforcement body is conditioned to believe that any use of authority will be punished regardless of context, the authority ceases to function. That outcome becomes the objective. The conservative failure in this moment is not one of messaging or optics. It is a failure of institutional nerve. Faced with coordinated pressure, many Republican officials are not defending process, authority, or the

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rule of law. They are preemptively retreating. Instead of demanding independent investigations before judgment, insisting on operational transparency grounded in facts rather than headlines, and protecting federal agents from political scapegoating while reviews are conducted, they are signaling accommodation.

This retreat is communicated in subtle but unmistakable ways. Public approval polling is cited as justification for inaction. Media narratives are treated as presumptively true rather than as claims requiring verification. Enforcement itself is reframed as a political liability rather than as a sovereign obligation of the state. In doing so, Republicans validate the very pressure tactics being used against them. The strategic consequence of this posture is predictable. When institutions observe that authority will not be defended under pressure, they adjust their behavior accordingly. Agents hesitate. Leadership delays. Enforcement becomes sporadic and defensive. The law remains written, but its execution

becomes discretionary in practice. This surrender also teaches a dangerous lesson to adversarial actors. It communicates that tragedy, whether organic or manufactured through narrative escalation, is an effective tool for extracting concessions. It establishes a precedent that policy rollback follows emotional pressure rather than due process. Once that lesson is learned, it will be applied again, more aggressively, and in more locations. From a strategic standpoint, this dynamic guarantees repetition. It incentivizes escalation rather than restraint. It ensures that future incidents will not be resolved through investigation and accountability, but through coercion and retreat. It is the steady erosion of institutional authority under the guise of compassion.

The bigger picture is stark. The United States no longer applies a single moral standard to political violence. The reaction now depends entirely

on who is harmed and whether that harm advances or threatens ideological power. When violence targets figures on the political right, it is minimized, rationalized, mocked, or even celebrated. When violence threatens the left or its institutional dominance, it is instantly framed

as an existential crisis demanding unity, censorship, and emergency authority. That is the exact definition of virtue signaling.

What is being signaled is permission. Permission to excuse bloodshed when it serves the cause. Permission to dehumanize political opponents while retaining the language of compassion. Permission to treat some victims as warnings rather than as human beings. In intelligence terms, this is moral conditioning. The purpose is not to incite violence directly, but to lower resistance to it by laundering it after the fact through narrative, context, and selective outrage. This pattern is not fringe behavior. It is

reinforced at scale through media, social platforms, and institutional silence. Silence, in this environment, functions as approval. Over time, repeated exposure trains audiences to accept the unacceptable so long as it is ideologically aligned. Violence becomes wrong in principle but negotiable in practice. That is the hallmark of insurgent-style information warfare, not democratic disagreement.

The most dangerous mistake now is pretending we are still operating inside a shared ethical framework. We are not. One side increasingly treats politics as a zero-sum struggle over legitimacy itself, where opponents are not fellow citizens but obstacles. Understanding that reality is not extremism. It is situational awareness. Without it, moral confusion becomes the most effective weapon on the field. Minneapolis has revealed that weakness, and until it is recognized and addressed, the United States will continue to cede ground to those who understand the rules of the game far better than those entrusted to enforce them.



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Video Shows Man Who Resembles Pretti Fighting Agents the Week Before He Was Killed in Minneapolis

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Newly released video from a pro-illegal-immigration riot on January 13 purports to show Alex Pretti, the gunman whom border agents shot to death on Saturday, in a violent confrontation with federal law enforcement. The video, confirmed by the BBC, the narrator says, shows an unhinged man who resembles Pretti. He attacks the agents' vehicle, after which an agent puts him on the ground. If the man is Pretti, it might well be the attack in which he suffered a broken rib.



Meanwhile, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) told NewsNation today that the agents involved in shooting and killing Pretti are on administrative leave. A report on the shooting from U.S. Customs Border and Protection (CBP) went public yesterday.

The Video

Posted to YouTube today, the video from the independent News Movement shows what appears to be Pretti in a furious attack on the agents' Ford Expedition. The video shows the man spitting on the SUV and twice kicking it as the agents left the scene. The second kick broke the passenger-side tail light. An agent emerged from the SUV and took Pretti down.

"Our footage was analyzed by the BBC, whose facial recognition technology confirmed his identity to a 97-percent degree of accuracy," the narrator says. During the fight with Pretti, the agents deployed tear gas and pepper balls. "The man in our footage is wearing a similar outfit to what Pretti was

wearing on the day he was killed," the narrator continues: "What appears to be a gun is also visible above his waistband. In other words, the video shows a violent,

out-of-control man — very possibly Pretti — attempting to provoke the agents into responding.

As The New American reported yesterday, CNN revealed that Pretti told a source about the fight that left him with the broken rib. The altercation with agents began "when he stopped his car after observing ICE agents chasing what he described as a family on foot, and began shouting and blowing his whistle," CNN reported.

"Pretti later told the source that five agents tackled him and one leaned on his back — an encounter that left him with a broken rib," the network continued: "The agents quickly released him at the scene. "That day, he thought he was going to die," said the source. Pretti was later given medication consistent with treating a broken rib, according to records reviewed by CNN... Pretti's name was known to federal agents, according to a source — though it's unclear whether the new intake form was used to share his information. It's also not clear whether the federal agents who encountered Pretti on Saturday recognized him before they confronted him — eventually wrestling him to the ground, taking a gun from his waistband and then fatally shooting him."

DHS is investigating what happened with Pretti's gun, a Sig Sauer P320, the day he was fatally shot. The agency is trying to determine whether the 9mm semiauto-

matic fired when an agent took it from Pretti, or whether the agent inadvertently discharged it.

Agents on Administrative Leave
 Whatever the answer, DHS has



placed the agents involved in the Pretti shooting on administrative leave, it told NewsNation. Sources told NewsNation that "three days of administrative leave are given to any agent following any officer-involved shooting per department policy, the website reported: DHS Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs Tricia McLaughlin called agents being placed on leave 'standard protocol.' Administrative leave is full pay and not a disciplinary status, the source said. If an agent had his gun and badge pulled, they would be considered on restricted duty, not administrative leave, the source told NewsNation. A DHS spokesperson said that the agents were placed on leave on Saturday. Gregory Bovino, the former Border Patrol commander-at-large who oversaw the Minneapolis operation until Monday, said Sunday that the agents involved in the shooting had been reassigned to administrative duties."

U.S. Customs and Border Protection released a short report, based on a preliminary review of the shooting, that went to Congress. At about 9 a.m., the report says, two

leftist women confronted CBP officers, which include Border Patrol agents, and blew whistles at them. The of-

ficers ordered the women out of the road and; they refused to budge.

An officer "pushed them both away and one of the females ran to a male, later identified as 37-year-old Alex Jeffrey Pretti, a US citizen," the report continued: "The CBPO [CBP officer] attempted to move the woman and Pretti out of the roadway. The woman and Pretti did not move. The CBPO deployed his oleoresin capsicum (OC) spray towards both Pretti and the woman. CBP personnel attempted to take Pretti into custody. Pretti resisted CBP personnel's efforts and a struggle ensued. During the struggle, a BPA [Border Patrol agent] yelled, 'He's got a gun!' multiple times. Approximately five seconds later, a BPA discharged his CBP-issued Glock 19 and a CBPO also discharged his CBP-issued Glock 47 at Pretti. After the shooting, a BPA advised he had possession of Pretti's firearm. The BPA subsequently cleared and secured Pretti's firearm in his vehicle."

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Will the Globalist Order Survive Trump?

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The Trump administration's disorienting deluge of anti-globalist moves and ambitions of conquest are toppling a hitherto U.S.-led "Rules-based" Western order, one that's also facing attacks from budding nationalism spreading across the European continent. In response, Western elites are scurrying about and trying to glue the international project back together without the America piece. Meanwhile, what's next for America? While the Trump administration claims to operate according to an America First agenda, its foreign policy suggests an inclination toward imperialism.

Globalists Fret

There's been a steady stream of tears emanating from globalist figures and outlets over the massive shock Donald Trump has delivered to the system. "We are in the midst of a rupture, not a transition," Canadian Prime Minister Mark Carney said on Tuesday at the World Economic Forum (WEF). Carney said institutions including the World Trade Organization and the United Nations are "greatly diminished." He said those who aren't at the table are on the menu. More on Carney later.

European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen also believes the U.S.-led international order may be dead. "Nostalgia will not bring back the old order," she said Tuesday. "If this change is permanent, then Europe must change permanently too. It's time to seize this opportunity and build a new independent Europe."

The Wall Street Journal took it a step further, announcing that Europe's "major ally for the last 70 years has turned into one of its most urgent threats." The primary context is the growing friction over Trump's



push for American ownership of Greenland, which was a major topic at the WEF. But there's more to it than that. "Trump has destroyed Western cohesion," according to an Italian senator. This collapse in trust between longtime allies "is forcing the Continent to re-examine its reliance — from security to trade — on America under an unpredictable Trump administration that has expressed an antipathy toward Europe." Tom Switzer summarized in *The Spectator*: "Trump appears intent on ending the Pax Americana."

Shaking Things Up

After only a year back in the White House, Trump has rendered Europe's managing elites dizzy, disoriented, and dejected. Just days into his tenure, his vice president went to the Munich Security Conference and told Europe's elite managers that they were becoming the tyrants their grandfathers fought. Then Trump began leveling tariffs against Europe and Canada. He's also forced the Europeans to raise their own armies, pay for their own security, and hinted that he is willing to dial back America's military presence on the Continent and leave them to fend for themselves against the big scary Russians.

He has ridiculed and exited several international organizations, including the United Nations, World

Health Organization, Paris Agreement, UNESCO, and many others. He stopped writing blank checks for their anti-Russia project in Ukraine. Then he tore up their script of silence toward Russia and has held regular conversations with our Cold War enemies, who undoubtedly enjoy watching the arrogant and detached European elites squirm.

In addition to the UN and a slew of its subagencies, the European Union is also in big trouble. "No one seems to seriously care about the EU," the left-wing German newspaper *Süddeutsche Zeitung* recently lamented. Not only is the American president setting the tone for debate in Europe, but the Continent's globalist projects are losing support from within. Franziska Brantner, co-president of the German Greens, observed: "When I defend it, people say to me: 'Who do you want to build your Europe with? Giorgia Meloni is Eurosceptic; Hungary, Czechia, and Slovakia are as well. Emmanuel Macron has lost power, and France could shift to the far right in 2027.' People are giving up on moving forward, especially in defense and security, because of the possibility that Marine Le Pen could be at the Elysée in 2027. If we keep letting Trump divide us like this, the end of the EU is possible."

Collapse of Europe?

Trump is also supplementing in-

spiration for the populist sentiment spreading across the Continent.

Assuming the people in charge don't figure out more creative and illegal ways to quash this movement, they are on track to dominate European politics in the coming years. *Süddeutsche Zeitung* predicted "the collapse of Europe as early as next year [2027]" due to the electoral success of populist and Eurosceptic parties in France and Poland." Nationalism is also rising in Spain, the United Kingdom, some Scandinavian nations, and Germany, where the AfD is becoming the most popular single party. It took them a while to figure it out, but the regular people of Europe have finally concluded that unless they resist, they're heading toward "civilizational erasure."

Also fighting for air is the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), the U.S.-led military alliance that has been deceptively portrayed as a security pact instead of an aggressive military alliance created to consume the world. The rift over Greenland is providing most of the ammo against this "Cold War relic," as some American legislators have called it.

Since he got back into office, Trump has made a series of moves and statements indicating that America will not be as involved in European security as it has been in the past. He's asked Europe to beef up defense infrastructure, which many of them have already begun doing. He's pulled some troops out of Romania's NATO base, albeit a relatively small number. Just Tuesday, *The Washington Post* reported that "the Pentagon plans to cut its participation in elements of NATO's force structure and a range of the alliance's advisory groups." Assuming WaPo's sources are accurate, Washington plans to incrementally withdraw NATO participation: "The impending

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move will affect about 200 military personnel and diminish U.S. involvement in nearly 30 NATO organizations, including its Centers of Excellence, which seek to train NATO forces on various areas of warfare, [Pentagon officials] said. ... The Pentagon will also reduce its involvement in official NATO organizations dedicated to special operations and intelligence, two officials said, though one noted that some of those U.S. functions will be shifted elsewhere within the alliance, limiting the move's impact."

How Will Europe Respond?

So what's next for Europe? The acrimony with America has left it in a tough spot, given how frail it has become since World War II. "The conditions for a fresh start are not ideal," admitted a German lawmaker. It turns out that decades of subsidizing their security to the U.S. so they spend themselves into debt on dreamy welfare programs — while taking in a deluge of Third World migrants — hasn't helped them any. Neither has the illogical and destructive embrace of green energy implementation. European citizens now find themselves strangers in their ancestral lands and governed by a nefarious continental oligarchy that cares nothing for them.

Word is that European leaders are considering imposing their own tariffs of more "than \$100 billion of American goods, and making it harder for American multinationals to bid on European contracts," reports say. The only problem is that "a trade war would be devastating for Europe, which already suffers from stagnant growth." That's not to say the American economy wouldn't suffer, say the experts; a trade war would slow economic growth. American companies would sell less to Europe, which would reduce their profits and open

the door to competitors such as China.

Some countries are already starting to pivot. Canada recently made a trade deal with China that includes electric vehicles and canola oil. Carney wants to double Canada's non-U.S. exports over the next 10 years. To do this, the country will have to rely more on China, which is its No. 2 trade partner. Our northern neighbors send about 70 percent of their exports to America.

Canada's Carney

It appears that Carney is also interested in a top leadership position in the emerging, America-less international order, according to reports. Carney as a globalist leader makes sense. He was groomed for this. His background is in central banking (he's the former head of both the Bank of England and the Bank of Canada), he's a former WEF Young Global Leader, and he has ties to the Bilderberg group, Chatham House, and the United Nations, to which he was appointed as special envoy for climate action and finance.

"I viewed the WEF as not a flagpole in the middle, but in fact they are the flag. Whichever way the wind blew, so it blew. You should have solar, you should have wind. Why are you going to do solar and wind? Why would Europe agree to be net zero in 2030 when they don't make a battery. ... So if they go 2030, they are deciding to be subservient to China, who makes the batteries." Lutnick also challenged the sentiment that America and Europe are not on friendly terms anymore. He said the U.S. is great allies with both Europe and Canada.

From Globalism to Imperialism

Which brings us to the less-desired component of Trump's policies. While you won't find us shedding any tears over the crumbling globalist order and America's leading role in it, there are some concerning signs about what is emerging out of

this.

Trump ran on an America First platform. Lutnick emphasized this in Davos. People have taken the America First platform to mean that Americans would be prioritized. But,

to some extent, they were mistaken. The nation is approaching a \$40 trillion national debt. People are struggling to pay for food, healthcare, and heat for their homes. Yet the White House is spending enormous resources on foreign projects. Trump is bombing countries in the Middle East; he's swooping in, abducting heads of state, and taking over other country's governments; he's mulling over invading Cuba in a



similar fashion; and he's threatening a military takeover of Greenland. Perhaps Ishaan Tharoor was right when he said a year ago in the The Washington Post that "Trump hates globalism, but he seems to like imperialism."

As the United States retreats from the international order, the chances that the dollar will lose its reserve currency status only increase, making a financial disaster more likely and the urgency to get our debt under control more pressing. Americans voted against globalism, but they didn't vote for might-makes-right imperialism or continued intervention all over the world. In fact, one of Trump's most appealing campaign promises was "no more foreign wars." It will be of little benefit if America trades internationalism for blatant imperialism (as opposed to the covert empire-building it has been engaging in for decades). Both are destructive.

We Must Remain Vigilant

It's also important that Americans and populists worldwide don't let their guard down. The old order is falling apart mainly because of the Trump administration. However, the apparatus, people, and ideas that fueled it for decades will still be there when Trump is no longer in the White House. Some of those people are eyeing the Oval Office here in America. As we reported from COP30, the internationalists have said outright that their plan is to wait Trump out and come back with a vengeance, and with the pervasiveness of AI technology, their schemes for global totalitarianism are never out of reach.

America at Davos

This week, the elites are meeting in Davos, Switzerland, "against the most complex geopolitical backdrop since 1945," as WEF chief executive Børge Brende put it. Trump has brought "the largest U.S. delegation ever." U.S. Secretary of Commerce Howard Lutnick has already hinted that Trump's people were not bringing niceties. "Globalization has failed the West and the United States of America,"

Lutnick said during a panel discussion. "It's a failed policy. It is what the WEF has stood for." He also went on a tear against the WEF:

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Our Neighbor to the North Enters Into a Perilous Partnership With China

Mark Carney sought to build a “new strategic partnership” with Beijing and, in doing so, sacrificed security, democracy, and freedom for Canada and its allies.

By Janet Levy 01/30/2026
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On January 16th, Canadian Prime Minister Mark Carney met Chinese President Xi Jinping in Beijing to establish a “new strategic partnership” that enhances cooperation in trade, energy, the economy, and security. Such an agreement between our biggest neighbor and our biggest rival naturally heightened tensions between Carney and President Donald Trump. Carney contributed to the friction by stating at the World Economic Forum (WEF) that the old world order is over, emphasizing that he aims to reduce Canada’s reliance on the U.S.

President Trump’s response acted as both a warning and a cautionary note. In a direct statement on Truth Social, he said: “If Governor Carney thinks he is going to make Canada a Drop Off Port for China to send goods and products into the United States, he is sorely mistaken. China will eat Canada alive, completely devour it, including destroying their businesses, social fabric, and way of life.” He also threatened a 100% tariff on all Canadian imports into America.

Although Carney initially countered by saying, “Canada thrives because we are Canadian,” and not because of the U.S., he later softened his stance, stating that Canada had “no intention” of pursuing a free-trade agreement with China. He explained that Canada

had only “rectified some issues” that had arisen over the past few years. He also emphasized that Canada remains committed to the Canada-U.S.-Mexico Agreement (CUSMA), which establishes preferential tariffs for trade among the three countries.

Trump’s concerns are valid, considering we share the world’s longest border (about 5,525 miles) with Canada, a country that the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) has been steadily infiltrating since the mid-1980s. His “drop-off port” comment was also quite on point. According to national security expert and author Jeff Nyquist, half of Canada’s recent immigrants are Chinese, and China is already purchasing land along the demilitarized Canada-U.S. border, which could be used for espionage and smuggling.



Communist China’s efforts to become the world’s leading power involve a sneaky, multi-layered strategy: at the grassroots level, slow infiltration through its diaspora, students, scientists, and media figures; at the middle level, through business ventures, infrastructure projects, and the infiltration of communications networks; and at the highest level, through “elite capture,” targeting influential politicians and business leaders to serve its interests. In Canada, this seems to have happened at all levels. According to a February 1986 intelligence report, recently obtained by the Canadian media in a heavily redacted form under access to information laws, China was in-

fluencing and exploiting the Chinese diaspora in Canada for political and intelligence reasons even in the early 1980s. These efforts intensified after the 1989 Tiananmen massacre.

Another top-secret briefing note reveals that in 2023, the Canadian Prime Minister’s Office was informed by the Canadian Security Intelligence Service (CSIS) that China interfered in the 2019 and 2021 federal elections, supporting pro-China or neutral candidates. The Wall Street Journal reported in 2023 that Erin O’Toole, a former Conservative Party leader, told Parliament that he had learned that the CCP paid agents in Canada to campaign against him in his bid to replace Justin Trudeau. The WSJ report has been cited by Canada’s Foreign Interference Commission.

A 1997 study conducted by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) and CSIS, known as the Sidewinder report, focused on three key areas: Chinese criminal organizations or triads in Canada, the tactics and methods used by Chinese government intelligence agencies for infiltration, and the PRC’s ties with these criminal groups, which utilize companies and casinos to launder their earnings.

According to Sidewinder, China recruits companies to spread disinformation and pro-China narratives through social media and to conduct cyberwarfare. It also coerces diaspora communities into gathering government or proprietary information. Chinese laws require its citizens abroad to cooperate with its intelligence agencies. Additionally, there is always the fear of relatives in China being arrested, which makes compliance easier.

Sidewinder also revealed China’s involvement in real estate, major shipping, and investment companies, as well as its influence over Canadian ports and shipping routes. One maritime and cybersecurity concern, flagged in March 2024 by the U.S.

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House of Representatives, is that cranes made by Shanghai’s Zhenhua Heavy Industries Company have hidden modems that “do not contribute to [their] operation.” These cranes are widely used at ports in Vancouver, Montreal, Halifax, Prince Rupert, and other ports across the U.S. The company denies that the modems pose a security risk.

Michel Juneau-Katsuya, a former CSIS officer who was among the Sidewinder authors, asserts that his report was diluted and the evidence he collected was destroyed because it was considered too politically sensitive. Essentially, the original report was suppressed. Since CSIS is also supposed to share such reports with allies like the U.S., his claim has wider implications.

In Canada, key intelligence reports, such as those mentioned, can remain unavailable indefinitely. It is the only country in the Five Eyes intelligence alliance—comprising the U.S., Britain, New Zealand, Australia, and Canada—with a formal process for fully declassifying intelligence reports. This leaves Canada vulnerable, and politicians like Carney can go unchallenged on deals with a country that is clearly not a benign partner.

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Is Canada Really Warming?

By Tom Harris, Executive Director of International Climate Science Coalition – Canada. 01/30/2026
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Is Canada really warming at double the global average rate, as the Canadian government says it is? A new report says no, because the data Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) uses are apparently corrupted by fundamental mistakes, mistakes so severe that when corrected, all the supposed warming of the past six or seven decades vanishes.

Given that Canada represents a large fraction of global land surface area, one naturally wonders if the world is warming at anything like we are told it is. This discovery should have generated mainstream media headlines across Canada. After all, the mistakes in the Canadian temperature data were discovered over four years ago by Dr. Joseph Hickey, a highly qualified Canadian data scientist, and the group I lead, the International Climate Science Coalition – Canada, has been publicizing the story for the past month.

Don't expect mainstream media in the Great White North to say anything about this. Most of Canada's press are heavily subsidized by the federal and provincial governments, which would probably not appreciate the story being covered. Dr. Dave Snow, Associate professor in political science at the University of Guelph, writes: "Canada has created a bevy of policies, ranging from subsidies to tax breaks to mandated contributions from foreign tech companies, that undoubtedly constitute a major portion of news outlets' revenue and journalists' salaries -- potentially upwards of 50 percent."

Publicly questioning government narratives on something as significant as climate change is a risky proposition for any editor when

doing so leaves their paymasters with egg on their faces.

Here's what governments in Canada and the media outlets reliant on their largess would rather you never heard. On December 23, the report "Artificial stepwise increases in homogenized surface air temperature data invalidate published climate warming claims for Canada" was released by Dr. Joseph Hickey, a data scientist with a PhD in Physics. The report was published by CORRELATION Research in the Public Interest regarding a significant error in Canada's temperature data.

Using the data from ECCC for hundreds of stations across the country, scientists had previously calculated that the surface air temperature has increased 1-2 degrees Celsius over the past six to seven decades in Canada. Yet in 1998, the exact year in which 72 Canadian reference climatological stations were first added to the Global Climate Observing System, a sudden stepwise increase of approximately 1 degree Celsius occurred at most stations across the country.

Numerous studies in scientific literature assert that sudden temperature jumps like this are not due to real climatic change but instead are caused by temperature measurement artifacts corrupting the data. They contend that this data should therefore be removed from the record. Even though one of the studies explaining this was authored by Dr. Lucie A. Vincent, the senior Environment Canada Research Climatologist, the temperature jump was left in ECCC's data and is still there to this day. Hickey concludes, "The reported climate warming of Canada appears to be entirely from a temperature measurement artifact."

Hickey first discovered this in 2021

when he was an analyst for the Bank of Canada and so was barred

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from sharing his findings with the public. After leaving the bank, he secured his communications with Environment Canada via an access to information, which is why we know what happened next.

In that year Hickey alerted Environment Canada to the problem and explained in detail to Vincent that the sharpness of the temperature increase, and its magnitude, indicate that it is not due to real climatic change. He also laid out a thorough analysis of potential sources of the artifact, which could include land

use changes and instrumentation changes. Both of these could easily cause a one-degree shift in the temperature data. Moreover, he explained,

"there are no other similar large and geographically widespread discontinuities in the AHCCD dataset [Environment Canada's flagship temperature dataset] in other years." This increase could be responsible for almost all the claimed warming calculated for Canada over the past six or seven decades.

Vincent essentially brushed him off, did not provide an explanation for the step increase, and said that the shift "is probably due to climate variability only." So, Canada is spending hundreds of billions of dollars to fight climate change largely based on data that the

can only say is "probably" indicative of warming.

Hickey was not the only Bank of Canada employee to find fault with ECCC's temperature data. In his December report, he writes: "On December 7, 2020, Bank of Canada Economist Julien McDonald-Guimond sent an email to Environment Canada researchers with an inquiry about the ... daily temperature records, noting he had found some cases in which the daily minimum temperature was greater than the daily maximum temperature for the same day and for the same AHCCD station." In fact, there were more than 10,000 instances of days for which the daily minimum temperature was greater than the daily maximum temperature.

Environment Canada Climate Data Analyst Megan Hartwell replied to McDonald-Guimond, saying that "We were quite surprised by the frequency of the issue you reported, and have taken some time to go through the data carefully." That ECCC were surprised by McDonald-Guimond's finding is cause enough to worry. But the fact that they now "have taken some time to go through the data carefully" begs the question: didn't they go through the data carefully before releasing it the first time?

Environment and Climate Change Canada have yet to respond to Hickey's December report. They have

some explaining to do.



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Australia's Latest Firearms Ban and Free-speech Clampdown

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Following the December 14, 2025, Islamic State-inspired terrorist attack at Bondi Beach that killed 15 people, Australia's Parliament returned early from its recess for a special two-day session, passing two bills on January 20, 2026 that establish anti-hate-speech measures and expand firearm restrictions.

The firearms bill passed the House of Representatives by a 96-45 vote, and the Senate by a 38-26 vote. It establishes a massive national "buyback" scheme and imposes sweeping firearm restrictions, tougher background checks incorporating Australian Security Intelligence Organisation (ASIO) surveillance data, and stricter import controls.

The anti-hate-speech bill passed the House of Representatives by a 116-7 vote, and the Senate by a 38-22 vote. It expands "anti-hate



speech" authority, imposing additional restrictions on speech, banning "hate groups," adding harsher sentences for hate crimes, and enforcing visa cancellations for offenders.

Instead of focusing on radicalization and failed intelligence, Prime Minister Anthony Albanese's government exploited the tragedy to rush through two oppressive bills, which enables the ASIO to decide who gets targeted, turning

nies, or policies that favor Chinese interests in Canada. Carney, it says, has thrown open the gates to "media operatives" whom Canadian intelligence has "explicitly documented as threats to Canadian democracy and Canadian lives."

Despite these risky sacrifices to security, democracy, and freedom made by Carney, Canada is unlikely to gain significant trade benefits. As U.S. Commerce Secretary Howard Lutnick remarked at the WEF meeting in Davos, "They (Canada)

the intelligence agency into a government speech police. Shadow Attorney-General Andrew Wallace, a member of the opposition Liberal National Party, said, "this bill reveals the contempt the government has for the million gun owners of Australia." Home Affairs Minister Tony Burke blamed legally owned firearms for the attack, stating that the two shooters, father and son, had "hate in their hearts and guns in their hands." He failed to mention that the shooters were investigated by the ASIO in 2019 for ties to an Islamic State cell, but were incorrectly determined to be no threat.

These bills won't stop terrorism. Instead, they are a thinly veiled, opportunistic power grab to disarm and silence law-abiding Australians. The Australian government has taken another shameful step toward completely disarming and silencing its own citizens. Sadly, Australia is only the latest country

are playing with a set of rules that they haven't really thought through." He criticized Carney's actions as unrealistic, stating that China would never open its economy to Canadian exports.

Unless freedom-loving Canadians persuade Carney to change his mind on this dangerous deal, what is likely to happen is this: Canada will not only have its security compromised but also jeopardize the northern border and the security of its staunchest, long-standing ally.

The U.S.-Canada border has long been a permeable line for Canada-based smuggling operations, which have frequently smuggled cigarettes and, in smaller quantities, fentanyl into the U.S. In fact, shortly after his inauguration, Trump imposed a 25% tariff on Canadian goods because Canada did not do enough to curb smuggling. If Chinese criminal groups, which are often connected to the CCP, establish a presence along the border, they could cause chaos in both countries. This broader security view reveals

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to weaponize crises to expand government control.

Importantly, this overreach erodes the God-given rights of free speech and to bear arms for self-defense. As the American Founding Fathers affirmed, rights come from God — they cannot be granted or taken away by governments — and governments have a duty to protect them. True freedom comes from defending God-given rights, not from governments that restrict freedom following a tragedy.

the huge risk in Carney's generous offer of Most Favored Nation status to China. Clearly, China has taken advantage of the recent problems in U.S.-Canada relations to pressure Carney into a deal that provides trade benefits but threatens Canada and its allies.

After Trump's 100% tariff threat, Carney stated his commitment to CUSMA, whose future depends on a review in July 2026 by all three nations. This could result in a 16-year extension, annual reviews, or even withdrawals. Two other factors could influence it: Trump is expected to submit a report to Congress urging stricter regional content and labor standards, and the U.S. Supreme Court will decide on Trump's use of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act to impose tariffs on other countries.

Regardless of CUSMA's fate, Carney's risky engagement with China has greatly endangered his country's national security and hindered cooperation with NORAD, NATO, Five Eyes, and other allies.

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Israel and Its Relationship to the Islamic State

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This week, ISIS (the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria), also known as ISIL, IS, or Daesh, has reappeared in the headlines following the killing of two Iowa National Guardsman—Sgt. Edgar Brian Torres-Tovar and Sgt. William Nathaniel Howard—in an ISIS airstrike in Palmyra, Syria. These two

American men are only the latest of the over 40,000 soldiers, from numerous different nations, who have lost their lives in the war against ISIS—a war which America's supposed greatest ally against terrorism, Israel, has not assisted.

The AIPAC website proudly proclaims that Israel is an “Indispensable Ally” against terrorism; and indeed, the Trump administration has continued funding the Israeli government at massive expense, including a \$4 billion dollar military aid package earlier this year.

Just this last week, a Newsweek Opinion author insisted that the United States must continue to support Israel, claiming: “Instability around Israel does not stay local. It affects energy markets, counterterrorism efforts, nuclear proliferation, regional power balances and American credibility worldwide. A weakened Israel would invite wider conflict and embolden adversaries far beyond the region. Supporting Israel is not about subsidizing complacency. It is about preventing dangerous chain reactions in one of the world’s most volatile regions.”



A similar opinion piece in the New York Times bemoaned the breakdown of American support for Israel, claiming that Israel and the United States have been natural allies in the fight against “radical Islam.” But is this true? Are these calls by regime media for a closer military relationship with Israel to stop terrorism based in fact? In fact, why does ISIS still have a presence in Syria at all?

Israel: The Greatest Ally of Jihadists

The Israeli government supported al-Qaeda and the notorious al-Qaeda breakoff/ISIS affiliate al-Nusra Front in Syria during the Syrian Civil War—long after both groups had been designated Foreign Terrorist Organizations by the United States. The purpose of this alliance was to counter Iranian influence in the region, which both Israel’s government and the terrorists saw as an enemy.

In spring of 2015, journalists at the Wall Street Journal revealed that Israel had been treating wounded al-Qaeda and al-Nusra fighters. Further investigation revealed that Israel had been clandestinely funding, arming, and providing logistics to these and other Islamist terrorist groups, going as far as to pay the salaries of the terrorist commanders. One of these commanders spoke candidly in an interview to a WSJ reporter: “Israel stood by our side in a heroic way,” said

Moatasem al-Golani, spokesman for the rebel group Fursan al-Joulan, or Knights of the Golan. “We wouldn’t have survived without Israel’s assistance.”

The most infamous group that Israel supported during this era was the al-Nusra Front—a violent ISIS affiliate, probably connected to dozens of mass killings and led by warlord, and

new Syria President, Abu Mohammad al-Julani. Julani is not a member of ISIS today, however, the current dispute with ISIS is personal rather than ideological. Julani was close a close friend and ally of ISIS commander Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi in the early 2010s and their respective groups shared weapons and supplies and often fought together, including an incident in 2013, where ISIS and al-Nusra forces worked together on a campaign of terror against Kurdish civilians in northern Syria. The two men later had a falling out over personal ambitions leading to a formal split between ISIS and al-Nusra Front.

However, Israel’s relationship to ISIS goes far beyond a strategic military alliance. Israel was—during the height of the ISIS caliphate—the largest buyer of oil from ISIS’s captured oil wells in Syria and Iraq, purchasing billions of dollars’ worth of stolen oil from the terrorist state through a network of oil brokers. Curiously, neither OFAC nor the State Department considered economic sanctions on Israeli oil brokers for funding the most dangerous terrorist group in the region.

Israeli support for ISIS goes beyond funding and arming. During the mid-2010s, pro-Likud Party Israeli military experts and think tanks downplayed the threat of ISIS and urged the United States to dial back its war against ISIS in Iraq



and Syria, all while ISIS militants rampaged around Levant waging a campaign of mass murder against Christians, Shiite Muslims, Druze, Alawites, and Yazidis. This friendly posture towards ISIS was, as before, justified as a way for Israel to combat Iran and Hezbollah.

In 2016, widely-respected Israeli foreign policy analyst Efraim Inbar wrote the following in a shockingly titled whitepaper: “The Destruction of Islamic State is a Strategic Mistake” published by the Begin-Sadat Center for Strategic Studies in Tel Aviv: “The West should seek the further weakening of Islamic State, but not its destruction. A weak but functioning IS can undermine the appeal of the caliphate among radical Muslims; keep bad actors focused on one another rather than on Western targets; and hamper Iran’s quest for regional hegemony.”

Inbar went on to whitewash the threat of ISIS, writing: “It is true that IS has ignited immense passion among many young and frustrated Muslims all over the world, and the caliphate idea holds great appeal among believers. But the relevant question is what can IS do, particularly in its current situation? The terrorist activities for which it recently took responsibility were perpetrated mostly by lone wolves who declared their allegiance to IS; they were not directed from Raqqa. On its own, IS is capable of only limited damage.”

Israel did not participate in the multi-national coalition that temporarily ***Continues on Next Page***





U.S. Seeks to Implement UN Security Council Resolutions on Iran

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History's proverbial tendency to rhyme rather than repeat is on display with the buildup of U.S. and other nations' forces in the Middle East, in obvious preparation for a major war with Iran. And while the buildup is not being undertaken with the same overt globalist theatrics as the lead-up to the first Gulf War 35 years ago, the parallels are eerie, especially for those of us old enough to remember President Bush's UN-centered military campaign against Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein.

Then, as now, we see the horrific fruits of an undeniably brutal, murderous Middle Eastern dictatorship. Then, as now, the ostensible threat is the construction of nuclear weapons and other weapons of mass destruction by the miscreant regime. And most tellingly, then, as now, we are starting to hear the globalist narrative, to the effect that the "rogue regime" is in defiance of UN Security Council resolutions that must be enforced.

President Bush, an unapologetic globalist, was very open about this back in the day, in justifying the anti-Iraqi alliance that eventually

unleashed Operation Desert Storm under the aegis of UN authority. Trump, a professed America Firster and UN skeptic, has been more nuanced, but he is proving no less willing than his Deep State presidential predecessors to invoke UN authority when it suits his purposes.

The Resolutions

It appears that the looming war against Iran is

such an occasion. On January 27, the U.S. Department of State issued a press release entitled "Implementation of Iran-Related United Nations Security Council Resolutions." The statement, authored by Thomas "Tommy" Pigott, principal deputy spokesperson, outlines a supposed international consensus on Iran, and what must be done: "The United States of America, along with 40 countries, gathered last week in Prague, the Czech Republic for a symposium designed to further advance the implementation of the reimposed United Nations Security Council resolutions (UNSCRs) on the Iranian regime. Par-

ticipants discussed the full range of issues affecting UN Member State implementation of the renewed obligations.



The symposium featured discussions on the threats posed by the Iranian regime's nuclear, ballistic missile, and conventional arms activities. Participants discussed the importance of using all relevant

national measures and capabilities to implement the provisions enumerated in the restored resolutions more robustly. In view of the Iranian regime's continued proliferation threat and the brutal crackdown on Iranian protestors, the United States and partners recognize the urgent need to promote universal implementation of the UNSCRs and associated restrictive measures on Iran's proliferation activities.

The six UNSCRs — 1696, 1737, 1747, 1803, 1835, and 1929 — were reimposed on September 27, 2025, following the Iranian regime's continuing "significant non-performance" of its nuclear

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dismantled the ISIS caliphate in Iraq and Syria. The Israeli government's support for the fight against the Islamic State amounted to reassuring words. The Israeli government did not deploy a single IDF soldier, tank, or aircraft. There

were several Israeli airstrikes during the war in southern Syria. However, these were actually aimed at Iranian targets, not ISIS, despite what reporting at the time claimed.

In late 2016, the former Head of Policy Planning at Israel's

Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Eran Etzion admitted: "Israel and ISIS have both—perhaps surprisingly—demonstrated high levels of restraint toward one another. Israel is not part of the international coalition fighting ISIS, and the jihadist group has yet to mount any serious attack on Israel-proper. ISIS rhetoric toward Israel is also limited in volume and even less brutal in tone compared to ISIS' other enemies, mainly Shiite Muslims and Arab regimes."

During the entirety of its existence, ISIS has attacked Israel only once—a brief skirmish in the contested Golan Heights region in 2016—after which ISIS promptly issued an apology to the IDF.

In the years since the ostensible de-

commitments.

It should be noted that 12 UN Security Council resolutions were issued against Iraq following Saddam Hussein's invasion of Kuwait and prior to Operation Desert Storm. Several of those resolutions — in particular 678, authorizing military force against Iraq, and 687, establishing the terms of the ceasefire — were repurposed by the second Bush administration in 2003 to justify the U.S. invasion and occupation of Iraq.

With Iran, the parameters have changed, since it is highly improbable that either of Iran's allies on the Security Council, Russia and China, would countenance any resolution explicitly authorizing force against the Mad Mullahs. But that doesn't mean that some U.S.-led "coalition of the willing" will not seek to frame a war on Iran as justified under the UN Charter.

It's also worth pointing out that, unlike the late Saddam Hussein, Iran is a genuine enemy of both the United States and the West, and certainly one of the most bloodthirsty, repressive regimes of modern times. But that does not mean that any American *casus belli*, whether legitimate or not, should be framed as a UN affair.

feat of ISIS and the death by suicide vest of ISIS commander al-Baghdadi in 2019, Israel has continued to support violent ISIS affiliate groups. Recently, Israeli journalists revealed that Netanyahu's government has been funding and arming the Hamasha Clan—a pro-ISIS drug gang that operates in Egypt and Palestine. When asked about his support for the group, Benjamin Netanyahu replied "What's wrong with that?"

In short, Israel is not a partner of the United States against terrorism. The Israeli government has cynically used ISIS and its affiliate groups as tools to attack its greatest enemy—Iran—and promote Netanyahu's vision of territorial expansion into Syria.



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What's the Deal With White Leftist Women?

On the Most Mentally and Morally Ill Demographic of Our Time

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Melinda Cook, a nurse in VA, posted a video telling healthcare workers to stab law enforcement officers with syringes of succinylcholine, a paralyzing agent. She also instructed people to date ICE agents & find out where they are staying in order to poison their food. She has been FIRED. She should also be charged and prosecuted with incitement to violence.

White leftist women are currently the most mentally and morally ill demographic in America. According to a 2020 Pew Research study, a staggering 56.3% of them have been diagnosed with a mental health problem. They report less life satisfaction than any other demographic, and they have the highest usage of antidepressants (National Health and Nutrition Examination Study, as reported by the New York Times).

Woke Leftism is a destructive and dangerous ideology, from root to stem. It's not only aimed at destroying our country, our culture, the family, faith in God and our liberal republic, it also destroys the souls of those who are in it. Those who get sucked into it become more depressed, more resentful, more angry, more possessed by the ideology - the longer they stay in it. I think it both attracts the morally ill, makes them worse, and *creates* the morally ill out of those who join it unwittingly.

It has this effect on all people who are in it, no matter their race or sex or age. But it begs the question: why is it seducing and devouring white women more than any other demographic? Why is it chewing them up and spitting them out more than any other group?

Modern society, and the erosion of marriage, of the family and of faith, has had deleterious effects on all of us to varying degrees. The falling away from God and from Biblical values of truth and the fruits of the

spirit (love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control) has enabled an erosion in the MEANING of marriage and family. Marriage still exists as a cultural remnant of Christianity, but most people (myself included, before Christ claimed me) seem to go into it without any real thought to the weighty meaning of joining two people together in one flesh and the vow being made to one's spouse and to God. It is treated like dating: something non-serious to leave easily. An "instagram moment." A tax benefit. A government contract. An afterthought to years of sexual promiscuity and thoughtlessness.

Without healthy marriages, we don't have healthy families. A healthy family is the building block for a healthy society. As divorce, adultery and illegitimacy rates rise, more families become broken and toxic, and we have seen a more broken and toxic world emerge around us as a result. But why has this disproportionately affected white women?

White women get hit with TWO different messages from Woke ideology. They get told they are "oppressed" because they are women, and that they are "oppressors" because they are white. In Woke ideology, you obtain status and deferential treatment and social power based on how many "oppressed" groups you can claim.

So on the one hand, being part of a so-called "oppressor" group means white women believe they also

have "privilege" (a Woke bastardization of sin) and that they need to "do the work" to "divest" of that "privilege"...it's a works-based religion, with no concept of grace.

Because they are also part of one "oppressed" group, white women also enjoy the elevated social status and the false virtue that Woke ideology affords to the "oppressed." They get a taste of both and they want more of the latter.

How do you do that, as a white woman? How do you "do the work" in this twisted bastardized cult? You virtue signal. You do things in order to be SEEN doing them by the other cult members (remember the hypocrites in Matthew 6:5-6). You put the black square on your profile. You don all the flags. You wear the mask. You say what the cult is saying on EVERY issue, but there is incentive to go further - to show you are a "good" white woman. Remember - in the Woke Cult, everything is

upside down. They put good for evil and evil for good, as it says in Isaiah. So how do you prove you are a "good" (evil) white woman in this kind of cult? You become violent. You encourage violence. You might even be willing to become a religious martyr and do a suicide by cop, if you're very, very miserable and radicalized.

Add to this, that women of all races are, like men, growing up in a culture that has demonized masculinity, demonized men, befooled women, and eroded marriage and the family. Women's natural and biological traits of being (on average) more nurturing, more empathetic, more aimed towards caring for the vulnerable are exploited by Woke ideology - which perverts and uses for evil this natural desire to protect and nurture.

These women are starved for meaning and purpose, and that hunger is being exploited by an ideology that destroys their spirit, their joy and sometimes - their life.

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A good story often ends well, and even though our small-town story is still being written, the first few chapters are very compelling. Why? Because the spirit of John Birch, Robert Welch, and Larry McDonald is playing out in real time.

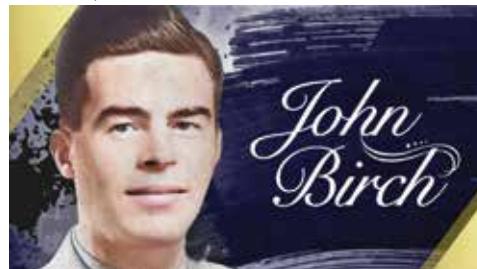
I am the elected mayor of Newberry, Florida, a city of 9,000 people spread out across 63 square miles. Founded in 1895, it is one of the largest cities in Florida in terms of land area, and has its roots in agriculture and phosphate mining. I am also the director of marketing for The John Birch Society. Prior to being elected mayor I was a city commissioner for Newberry, and this is where my story as a JBS member-turned-mayor begins.

My walk to City Hall started in 2012. The country was four years into the Obama administration, and things were still not good from the 2008 housing crisis. But I was encouraged by the mayor at the time to run for city commissioner. I ran, and I lost. Undeterred, I tried again and won. Why? Messaging. I was just speaking from the principles I learned from the Birch Society and read about in The New American: Small government, more responsibility. I took my oath and stuck to it.

Since 2013, I have been repeatedly reelected, sometimes unopposed, on a JBS platform. I wore JBS on my sleeve. In subsequent city elections, other JBS members were elected, as well. The city has really embraced Americanist philosophies and practices. Newberry has become an incubator of sorts in the effort to get the government back to basics.

We have had lots of victories along the way. One of our

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first wins was eliminating several city-funded programs outside core government responsibilities, such as "Meals on Wheels," a city chamber, and a food pantry. Trust me, these were not political winners.

Maybe it was naïveté or just plain stupidity to keep trying. But the truth is, it worked. So, we kept doing it. With each budget, we kept taxes the same or lowered them. We lowered our own pay and started talking about value instead of cost, and volunteerism over government solutions.

My favorite victory was winning the Covid battle with our County Commission. Although Florida is lauded as "Freedom Florida," there are a few very blue counties. Newberry is in one of them, Alachua County. The home of my alma mater, the University of Florida, Alachua County is a leftist Petri dish.

During Covid, the county flip-flopped on a mask mandate after having a joint commission meeting with the county seat, the city of Gainesville. The county had lifted the mandate, but the city of Gainesville scared the commissioners into reversing their decision. Consequently, our City Commission called an emergency meeting and asserted the principles outlined in The Doctrine of the Lesser Magistrates by Pastor Matt Trewella. We voted unanimously to ignore the county's mask mandate. In our view, adults can make decisions based on what is best for themselves, their families, and their businesses. What a concept!

Fast-forward to 2025. Small government and personal responsibility is now our city brand. We have become an outpost of independence, both physically and philosophically, in blue Alachua Coun-

ty. We attract like-minded folks by just focusing on what the government was meant to do. This does not happen, though, without sufficient understanding among the electorate.

People and groups rarely come to the City Commission hat-in-hand anymore. Citizens have formed multiple volunteer groups. Free-market ideas flourish. Hurricane response is a community effort. The shuttered food pantry expanded from a 10' x 10' shed to two much larger buildings feeding hundreds more per month.

Without a social-engineering agenda, our City Commission meetings are short and seldom. The City Commission meets twice a month for about two hours per meeting. We set the table for businesses to succeed, and then get out of the way for private enterprise to work. A company recently announced a \$66 million agriculture technology business on the east side of town along a main artery.

Birching is not a passive endeavor; it is a lifestyle. It is a mission to preserve our nation. We cannot do that from the keyboard alone, but must do something actionable from the JBS Bulletin.

This year, Newberry will be celebrating America's 250th birthday in a big way. In April, we will be producing a reenactment of the Battles of Lexington and Concord, Paul Revere riding his horse included. Both events were pivotal to the ensuing American Revolution. Because this will take place during our Spring Festival, we will have British soldiers marching through the crowd and "harassing" the festival vendors and patrons to ensure they are paying their taxes. As a counterpoint, we will have the Colonial militia trying to raise resistance groups like the Sons of Liberty. Imagine being in one of our downtown restaurants when a British squad comes in and "arrests" a "traitor" to King George.

In July, we will have a 100 element parade of significant Amer-



ican events. A float, a car, a marching band, and walking characters will all be included. This parade will proceed in chronological order, starting with the earliest and ending with the most recent American achievements.

The third event will be turning the inside of our municipal building into a replica of Independence Hall, complete with pale green table cloths, ink wells, books, and feather pens. We will have a couple actors reciting the just cause of liberty throughout the day and inviting attendees to learn about the great elements and purpose of the Constitution.

All this resulted from little bits of repeated action. I invested \$1,100 on my first winning campaign to "do something about it." You can, too. Start small and grow from there. Get others to help you. The appetite in America is there. There is an awakening happening. Now is the time to move!

The JBS agenda works because it is America's agenda. Restoring the Republic from the ground up will work. It is working here in my town, and is starting to take hold in surrounding towns. Our best days are ahead. Please go out and write a few chapters of your own story — no excuses! I would love to hear about your success, or how I and the Birch Society can help.

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New Zealand Negotiating Critical Minerals Deal With the US

By Rex Widerstrom 02/01/2026

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New Zealand is in confidential negotiations with the United States on the supply of critical minerals after President Donald Trump issued a proclamation on Jan. 14 declaring that countries that didn't sign a deal would be subject to tariffs.

Having officially joined a trading partnership last year, New Zealand has been designated a "foreign trading partner" and could face tariffs if it doesn't negotiate. But a claim before the Waitangi Tribunal covering Māori rights to a share of the country's petroleum, natural gas and minerals could potentially stymie the deal. While the Tribunal cannot stop the deal, its findings often serve as the legal basis for judicial reviews in the New Zealand courts, where a judge could potentially find the government's actions unlawful if they breached statutory requirements to consider the Treaty.

President Trump's proclamation says processed critical minerals and their derivative products (PCMDPs) are being "imported ... in such quantities and under such circumstances as to threaten

to impair the national security of the United States," which it attributes to being "too reliant on foreign sources ... lacking access to a sufficiently secure and reliable supply chain ... unsustainable price volatility and weakened domestic manufacturing and production capacity."

In November 2025, President Trump predicted the U.S. could end its dependence on China for rare-earth minerals within 18 months. Currently, the U.S. is totally or largely dependent on imports of over 40 critical minerals, while China is the leading refiner with a reported global market share of 70 percent. The elements are essential to advanced weapons systems, high-tech industries (including artificial intelligence and data centres), nuclear energy, and electric vehicles.

New Zealand's participation in negotiations was revealed after claimants submitted a memorandum to the Waitangi Tribunal pointing to the "secret" agreement signed between the U.S. and Australia in October 2025, claiming it was "likely to provide the template" for any deal with New Zealand, and demanding the government reveal whether it was negotiating with

America.

Government Caught Between Tariff Threat and Treaty Obligation

The submission says a deal similar to Australia's would show "wilful disregard" for the Crown's obligations under the Treaty of Waitangi. While the government has shown a willingness to involve Māori interests in other projects utilising natural resources, such as geothermal power development, the behind-closed-doors nature of the critical minerals negotiations means Māori representatives have not been consulted. The claimants argued that there was "a risk that such a negotiation is already underway and could be finalised and signed without Māori, or anyone else in [New Zealand], being made aware."

Aboriginal interests in Australia had similar criticisms of that country's deal, with former Greens-turned-independent Senator Lidia Thorpe saying the Australian prime minister was "trading stolen goods from stolen land with President Trump in this minerals deal." The U.S.-Australia deal incorporates informal price supports, limits on Chinese investment, and compliance enforced through the threat of trade

retaliation rather than formal dispute mechanisms. After the Tribunal memorandum became public, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade confirmed that discussions were underway regarding a "non-binding critical minerals framework" with the United States and signalled that an announcement on the deal could be just weeks away.

'Fast Track' Legislation

Under New Zealand's Resources

Minister Shane Jones, the country has lifted bans on new mining imposed by the previous government, and fast-tracked approval for seabed mining off the Taranaki coast, which is expected to produce approximately 5 million tonnes of vanadium-rich titanomagnetite concentrate. Several of the 19 other fast-tracked mining projects are also seeking rare earth minerals, including nickel, antimony, and cobalt. Jones refused to comment on the negotiations.

The government has mapped mineral reserves, resources, and processing capacity in 2024 and, in January 2025, published a Minerals Strategy that included a list of 37 critical minerals, 21 of which could be exploited in New Zealand. The strategy aims to double mineral exports to \$3 billion (US\$2.08 billion) by 2035.

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Things They Didn't Teach You in Church: A Marriage

By: Jim Brouillette
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Did you hear about the Board of Peace? It was established and announced by President Trump in January of 2026 and includes a diverse group from various countries. Donald Trump is Chairman of the Board of Peace and has authority to invite countries to join and contribute to overseeing the organization's activities. Other key members and their roles:

- * Marco Rubio – founding member and senior advisor
- * Jared Kushner – founding member and senior advisor
- * Tony Blair – senior advisor
- * Nickolay Mladenov – High Representative for Gaza
- * Steve Witkoff - special envoy to the Middle East
- * Robert Gabriel - deputy national security adviser.

It is the aim of the board to oversee the reconstruction of Gaza and guide the political and security decisions being made during the transition period. According to its charter, "... to promote stability, restore dependable and lawful governance, and secure enduring peace in areas affected or threatened by conflict". It was also announced that a 15-member Palestinian Committee would manage the day-to-day civilian affairs in Gaza.



According to Britannica, "Dozens of countries have been invited to take part on the board. Among the most notable... apart from the United States, are Israel, Qatar, Turkey (Türkiye), and Saudi Arabia. Member states are able to renew their membership every three years, subject to approval by the chair, or buy a permanent membership by contributing \$1 billion to the board's fund within its first year." This is unprecedented and importantly these are mostly Islamic countries. With peace in the Middle East, all that is left is Russia and Ukraine. We are racing headlong into peace and prosperity through commerce orchestrated by Donald Trump. Even China, one of the least trustworthy countries we deal with, seems to have been boxed into passiveness, for the time being, by Trump's tariffs.

From Trump's statements after the assassination attempt in Butler, PA, I'm sure he realizes there is something spiritual going on in his life. Although the president has spoken of God several times in his first and second terms (although some people claim otherwise) I can't find any place where he has ever spoken the words Jesus Christ in public. When Trump filled in for Pastor Robert Jeffress at First Baptist Church in Dallas, he said; "Our country needs a savior right now. Our country has a savior and it's not me. It's somebody much higher up than me. Much higher. Yes, much, much higher, indeed." I don't see "Jesus" in that quote.

I believe the president believes in our Father, I'm just not sure what he thinks about the Son (Jesus), only time will tell. As God's plan unfolds, it is important to remember what God has told us will happen during the Generation of the Fig Tree. In **Matthew Chapter 24**, the same chapter in which we are told (speaking of the *End Times*) there will be "*wars and rumours of wars*" and "*famines, and pestilences, and*

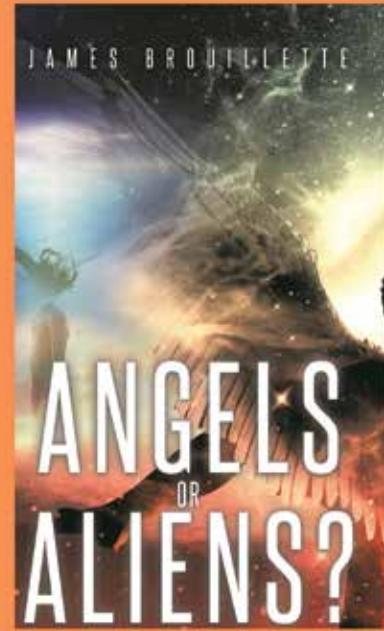
earthquakes, in divers places", and that "... many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many

we are then told in **verse 32**, "*Now learn a parable of the fig tree...*" This Parable of the Fig Tree begins in the **Book of Jeremiah Chapter 24** where the prophecy that the nation Israel would be returned to the Holy Land after many years (millennia in reality) after being scattered by God to the four corners of the world. This prophecy was fulfilled in 1948.

However, in this same **Book of Jeremiah Chapter 8**, speaking of the same false prophets **Matthew Chapter 24** warned us, **11 For they have healed the hurt of the daughter of my people slightly, saying, Peace, peace; when there is no peace.** There will be no true peace until the true Lord and Savior Jesus Christ returns to us, after all those other events have come to pass.

I am sure President Trump means well, but there has been a marriage between two powerful entities worldwide which Trump seems to overlook; we have witnessed a marriage between modern-day Communism (they call it Socialism) and radical Islam. Their goals and methods are basically the same and have been embraced by two large, mostly non-Islamic, factions in this country: younger and older, unmarried women. If you doubt me, just watch any video of ICE protests and who do you see participating? I believe this is referred to in the **Book of Revelation Chapter 9, verse 7 And the shapes of the locusts were like unto horses prepared unto battle; and on their heads were as it were crowns like gold, and their faces were as the faces of men.** This word *crowns* in the Hebrew can mean a crown, but its main meaning is: to twine or wreath; a chaplet, as a badge of royalty...a symbol of honor generally. Sounds a lot like a turban, and "*faces*

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of men" has no gender, it means humans, male and female. Then in **verse 8 And they had hair as the hair of women, and their teeth were as the teeth of lions.** They had hair of women because many are women, young and old, they have teeth as lions because they will spiritually tear apart, like lions tear apart their prey, the weak Christians that believe their lies.

This marriage between Communism and Islam has been on display of late in Minnesota (among other places) and one thing is almost certain, the fraud perpetrated upon the Minnesota taxpayers by the Somali Islamic community certainly leads back to the communist politicians in the state's Democrat party. How else can you explain Minnesota Rep. Ilhan Omar's skyrocketing wealth in a single year. The New York Post reported; "Rep. Ilhan Omar (D-Minn.) reported a net worth of up to \$30 million in her latest financial disclosure, filed in May 2025, shows the far-left "Squad" lawmaker and her husband, Tim Mynett, experienced a ~3,500% increase in net worth last year." That sounds like an Islamic Nancy Pelosi. Islam and Communism until death do they part.

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“James Bond Villain” Tycoon Is Funding Anti-ICE Agitation

By Selwyn Duke 01/28/2026

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Many Americans have expressed frustration with how many products have long been “Made in China,” but now something else may bear that label: the violent anti-ICE protests convulsing our nation. An American-born mega-multimillionaire, now residing in China, is helping fund the current anti-ICE agitation with troves of cash. What’s more, while this man made his nigh-on billion-dollar fortune under America’s free-market system, he’s a self-professed Marxist who prefers Chinese governance.

His name is Neville Roy Singham, a 71-year-old tycoon and son of a Sri Lankan-born father and Cuban-born mother. He’s best known for founding Thoughtworks, an IT consulting company, which he sold for \$785 million in 2017. Yet he should be better known for his dark activism, which didn’t begin with anti-ICE efforts. In fact, the “Singham network,” as it’s known, was previously orchestrating pro-Palestinian, anti-Israel agitation and disinformation.

In other words, Singham’s business appears to be “destabilization,” an old Marxist tactic and the second stage of communist subversion. This would mean that with him, to quote 1960s SDS radicals, “The issue is never the issue. The issue is always the revolution.” Additionally, there are allegations that the tycoon is executing these anti-American schemes in concert with the Chinese Communist Party (CCP). This wouldn’t be surprising since Beijing government tentacles extend into everything within its borders (and many things beyond).

The Enemy Within — and Without
Many readers are already acquainted with the political term and phenom-



emon “astroturf.” This references a phony “grassroots” movement, one that seems organic but is actually orchestrated by powerful, behind-the-scenes forces. Left-wing protests have long often been astroturf, too, with the 2016 Project Veritas revelations providing a prime example.

As for the Singham astroturf, commentator Bill O’Reilly reported on it yesterday on his show, No Spin News. Playing a long segment in which he was interviewed Monday on NewsNation, he first asserted that states such as Minnesota are in open “rebellion” against federal law. He then quite passionately reported on Singham, telling host Leland Vittert that “Singham is funneling millions of dollars into the United States of America through 501s like Party for Socialism and Liberation, Democratic Socialists of America, and Minnesota Immigration Rights Action Committee.... He is funneling money here to these radical organizations, who are then agitating professional people, communists mostly because Singham’s a communist ... to go in and foster rebellion.”

O’Reilly then added that the deep-pocketed activist has even “been investigated by the FBI.” Yes,

well, it’s a decent bet that Singham doesn’t live in China simply because he loves authentic chow mein. After all, his new home also places him beyond American law’s reach. He then cemented his points, stating to Vittert that “the sometimes-violent protests aren’t some organic thing. This is a foreign power (Beijing) using this American citizen [Singham] who lives openly in Shanghai in luxury, knowing that this man is funneling tens of millions probably more into this country to try to destroy the government.”

Machiavellian Malevolence

O’Reilly later donned his interviewer’s hat, introducing guest Jerry Dunleavy, a reporter who has been investigating Singham deeply. What follows is a bullet-point summary of the points he and O’Reilly made:

- * There may be a strong case under the Foreign Agents Registration Act (FARA) against Singham. Issue: his close ties to the CCP and his funding of pro-communist, anti-American activities.
- * Singham and his funded organizations openly call themselves pro-communist. Key groups include:
 - ~ The People’s Forum (Manhattan-based with national reach).
 - ~ Party for Socialism and Liber-

ation (PSL) — highly organized in protests/demonstrations nationwide (e.g., visible signs at pro-Palestine, anti-ICE events).

~ Code Pink (co-founded by Singham’s wife, Jodie Evans).

~ ANSWER Coalition (Act Now to Stop War and End Racism) — long-established, shares resources/personnel/money with the others.

~ BreakThrough News — lesser-known media outlet producing videos with high views (hundreds of thousands to millions), promoting the network’s protests and actions.

* Singham has constructed a coordinated system capable of rapidly organizing protests, demonstrations, and actions across the U.S. Groups share money, resources, personnel, databases, and email lists (including with local DSA/communist groups).

* The “professional demonstrator” aspect — Leaders/executives are paid, members participate, and they mobilize local allies.

* Recent/current activities — The network organized a shutdown/strike in Minneapolis (anti-ICE focus), aiming for nationwide efforts. Previously emphasized anti-Israel/pro-Palestine protests. It now will be targeting ICE operations in places such as New York City, with thousands signed up. The overall goal is to create chaos and disruption.

* Dunleavy has written dozens of stories on the network. And the deeper he digs, the more connections and sophistication in operations he discovers.

Singham’s involvement is perhaps not surprising, given his pedigree. His father, Archibald Singham, was an academic — a political science professor in the City University of New York system. And now the son is using the immense wealth and free time America has given him — to destroy America.

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Immigration Enforcement and Political Reality

Despite repeated pledges to pursue unprecedented mass deportations, deportation totals under President Donald Trump have not exceeded those recorded during the administration of Barack Obama, according to federal data cited by KIMT. The Obama administration oversaw more than three million deportations over eight years — the highest total of any modern presidency.

While the Trump administration has emphasized aggressive enforcement rhetoric, analysts note that actual removal numbers depend heavily on classification methods, including distinctions between border expulsions, interior removals, and voluntary departures. Changes in reporting standards and enforcement priorities complicate direct comparisons, but the data highlights a persistent gap between political messaging and documented outcomes. Immigration remains one of the most polarizing issues in American politics, and these figures continue to fuel debate over enforcement effectiveness versus symbolism.

Surveillance, Data Mapping, and

Privacy Concerns... Thanks Palatir

An editorial from The HighWire has renewed scrutiny of Palantir Technologies' growing role in government enforcement. At the center of the debate is Palantir's ELITE system — Enhanced Leads Identification & Targeting for Enforcement — which aggregates data from multiple government databases to generate predictive enforcement maps, particularly for immigration operations. Critics argue that ELITE goes beyond traditional analytics and enters the realm of predictive surveillance, flagging individuals or communities without direct evidence of wrongdoing. Privacy advocates warn that, absent firm legal bound-

aries and public oversight, such systems could normalize domestic surveillance and erode constitutional protections. The editorial calls for transparency, clear usage limits, and public debate before powerful data-mapping tools become entrenched across federal agencies.

Trade Realignment Between the United States and India

The United States and India have announced a new trade agreement aimed at reducing tariffs and easing non-tariff barriers between the two countries. President Donald Trump confirmed that reciprocal U.S. tariffs on Indian imports will be lowered, while India has committed to reducing barriers on American goods. Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi also pledged increased purchases of U.S. energy and technology products. The agreement follows a period of trade friction and is framed by officials as a step toward strengthening strategic and economic ties, improving market access for American exporters, and counterbalancing China's influence in global trade.

Manufacturing Rebound Signals Economic Resilience

U.S. factory output has climbed to its highest level in nearly four years, signaling a sustained rebound in manufacturing. Federal data shows broad-based growth across durable goods, industrial machinery, and capital equipment production. Economists attribute the increase to stronger domestic demand, stabilizing supply chains, and increased corporate investment. The rebound has tightened labor markets in manufacturing regions as employers expand staffing to meet demand. The trend suggests renewed resilience in a sector long pressured by globalization, automation, and pandemic-era disruptions.

Synthetic Drug Crisis Evolves

Mexican drug cartels are increasingly mixing fentanyl with medetomidine, a powerful animal tranquilizer manufactured in China, according to recent reporting. Sometimes referred to on the street as "rhino tranq," the drug is not approved for human use and intensifies fentanyl's effects.

Public health officials in cities including New York, Philadelphia, and Chicago report rising detection rates. Medetomidine complicates overdose treatment because it is not reversed by naloxone, raising mortality risks. The trend underscores the evolving nature of the synthetic opioid crisis, which continues to claim tens of thousands of American lives annually.

Chinese Hospital Ship Raises Strategic Concerns

A Chinese hospital ship touring Latin America has drawn scrutiny from U.S. and regional officials. While presented as a humanitarian mission providing free medical services, analysts warn the deployment may serve broader strategic or intelligence-gathering purposes aligned with Beijing's expanding influence in the Western Hemisphere. The initiative coincides with China's increased infrastructure investment, defense cooperation, and diplomatic engagement across the region. While host nations welcome medical aid, policymakers urge transparency to ensure the mission remains humanitarian rather than part of a broader state strategy.

Transatlantic Relations and European Security

Germany's foreign minister, Johann Wadephul, reaffirmed that the United States remains Europe's most important partner despite policy tensions. Speaking at an international forum, he emphasized Europe's continued reliance on U.S. security guarantees through NATO. Wadephul noted that while Europe seeks greater strategic autonomy, ties with Washington remain closer than those with China. His remarks come amid debates over defense spending, burden-sharing, and the long-term future of transatlantic cooperation.

Epstein Files Released

The U.S. Department of Justice has released more than three million pages of documents, videos, and images related to convicted sex offender Jeffrey Epstein, as required by the Epstein Files Transparency Act. The materials span years of investigation and include communications, legal strategies, and records involv-

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ing numerous high-profile figures. Officials stress that inclusion in the files does not imply wrongdoing. While the DOJ says the release fulfills its legal obligations, critics argue additional responsive records remain undisclosed.

Precious Metals Market Turmoil

Gold and silver markets experienced a sharp sell-off this week, wiping out trillions in paper market value. Some analysts cited profit-taking and shifting investor sentiment, while others accused COMEX futures markets of manipulation through heavy paper trading and forced liquidations. Critics argue that margin requirements and futures dominance distort price discovery, reigniting long-standing debates over market structure. The volatility highlights continued instability in commodity markets and uncertainty for investors and producers.

Arsenic Found in Children's Candy

Florida health officials have detected arsenic in dozens of popular children's candies. Testing under the Healthy Florida First initiative found elevated levels in 28 of 46 products sampled from 10 manufacturers, including Jolly Ranchers, Sour Patch Kids, Nerds, and Twizzlers. Officials warn of long-term exposure risks, especially for children. The National Confectioners Association disputed the findings, arguing the testing methods diverge from federal standards, setting up a potential regulatory clash.

Florida Mandates English-Only Driver Exams

Florida will require all driver license exams to be administered exclusively in English starting Feb. 6, 2026. Governor Ron DeSantis supports the change, citing safety concerns.

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Supporters argue English proficiency is necessary for road safety, while critics warn it may disadvantage non-English-speaking residents.

Vehicle "Kill Switch" Amendment Defeated

The U.S. House rejected an amendment by Rep. Thomas Massie to block funding for a vehicle impairment-detection mandate included in the 2021 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. The amendment failed 268–164, with bipartisan opposition. Supporters argue the technology could reduce drunk-driving deaths, while critics raise concerns about privacy, safety, and federal overreach. Regulators continue to debate implementation details.

Funding Disputes Over Abortion and Transgender Procedures

A \$1.2 trillion House spending package advanced despite controversy over funding linked to abortion and gender-related procedures. An amendment by Rep. Ralph Norman to strip the funds failed 291–136, with 76 Republicans opposing it. Supporters of the amendment argued against taxpayer funding for elective procedures, while opponents prioritized keeping the government operational. The Senate is expected to consider the bill soon.

Trump Eyes Peace Deal for Ukraine & Russia

In a high-stakes summit in Anchorage, Alaska, US President Donald Trump and Russian President Vladimir Putin held talks aimed at advancing peace in the Ukraine war, but no ceasefire deal was agreed. Trilateral negotiations with Ukraine and the US are set to resume midweek, and Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy invited Putin to Kyiv. Trump also touted a trade pact with India he says could help end the conflict.

U.S. Foreign Policy Realignments

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The United States is undergoing a major foreign-policy realignment, sharply reducing its role in global institutions. Washington has completed its withdrawal from the World Health Organization, halting funding and participation after decades of involvement. The Trump administration has also begun pulling out of multiple UN bodies, including the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change, signaling a decisive shift away from multilateral cooperation toward a more unilateral approach.

Nuclear Rhetoric From Moscow

Russian strategist Sergey Karaganov warned that Russia could target Germany and the United Kingdom with nuclear weapons if the Ukraine war continues. Analysts view the statement as deterrence rhetoric aimed at discouraging Western military support for Kyiv. Both Germany and the U.K. are NATO members protected under Article 5, and officials reaffirmed their commitment to Ukraine while emphasizing de-escalation.

Clinton Essay Rekindles Political Debate

Former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton published an essay in The Atlantic accusing Trump and the MAGA movement of waging a "war on empathy." The piece argues that cruelty has replaced compassion in current political culture. Supporters say the essay highlights moral leadership concerns, while critics call it hypocritical and politically motivated. The essay has intensified partisan debate over values and governance.

Govt. Shutdown and Congressional Gridlock

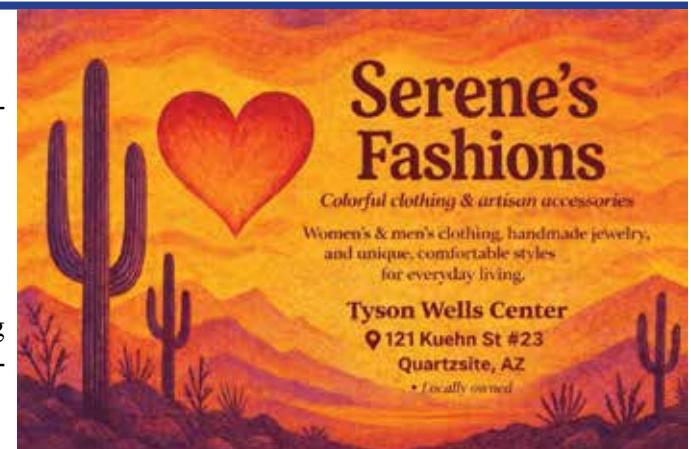
The federal government entered a partial shutdown after Senate Democrats blocked a full funding deal. A temporary agreement funds most agencies except the Department of Homeland Security, whose budget remains unresolved. With a narrow House majority, Speaker Mike Johnson faces pressure to unify Republicans without Democratic support. The shutdown's duration depends on internal party negotiations.

Conflicting Immigration Rulings

Two immigration-related court rulings in Minnesota drew attention. Judge Fred Biery ordered the release of an illegal immigrant whose child was temporarily taken into ICE custody, issuing the order on the nonexistent date "February 31." In a separate case, even Biden-appointed Judge Katherine Menendez rejected Minnesota Attorney General Keith Ellison's attempt to halt federal immigration enforcement on Tenth Amendment grounds, reaffirming federal supremacy.

China's Overcapacity and Global Risk

An analysis from The New American warns that China's industrial overcapacity and



Belt and Road expansion could heighten global tensions. Launched by Xi Jinping, the initiative spans more than 150 countries. Excess output in steel, electric vehicles, batteries, and renewables is pushing China into foreign markets, risking economic and geopolitical clashes. The analysis cites scholar Graham Allison, warning that competition between rising and established powers has historically led to conflict.

Political Volatility in Australia

Polling in Australia shows rising support for Pauline Hanson and her One Nation party, with some surveys placing her ahead of Prime Minister Anthony Albanese in approval ratings. The shift reflects voter dissatisfaction with major parties and increasing political volatility ahead of future elections.

International Pressure on Iran

Experts at the Council on Foreign Relations outline options for defending Iranian human rights, including sanctions, diplomatic pressure, and U.N. investigations. The EU and U.S. continue targeted sanctions, while military intervention remains controversial and unlikely.

Greenland's Strategic Importance Grows

Greenland's location makes it critical to Arctic and global security. It anchors the Greenland–Iceland–U.K. gap, a key corridor for monitoring Russian naval activity. Melting Arctic ice and emerging shipping routes further elevate its importance. While Greenland remains an autonomous territory of Denmark under NATO protection, analysts say its strategic value will continue rising amid great-power competition.

Global Order 'Dead,' Europe Urged to Go It Alone as U.S. Shifts Focus

Former Italian PM Mario Draghi says the global order is "dead," urging EU unity on defence and foreign policy as US strategic focus shifts away from Europe. European leaders debate defence autonomy amid criticism of Washington's NATO stance and renewed concerns over US interest in Greenland. Ukraine-Russia talks are set to resume, and calls intensify for stronger European strategic autonomy in security.

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New Election Evidence

Will Georgia become a roadmap to national election fraud, in the same way that Minnesota has become a roadmap to national financial fraud? In an election decided by fewer than 50,000 votes, will we learn that millions of ballots were invalid? The next time Chief Justice Roberts asks for our trust, will we give it?

To be clear, we will never know if Donald Trump won the 2020 election. But we may learn something far more troubling: that we can't know who won.

The implication of that uncertainty is shocking. The most powerful country in the world may have taken a time-out from self-governance for a full presidential term. It was not a representative republic, but instead a monster created by bureaucrats and enabled by judges to unleash global havoc. *Congratulations, Chief Justice Roberts. You kept your hands clean. But at what cost?*

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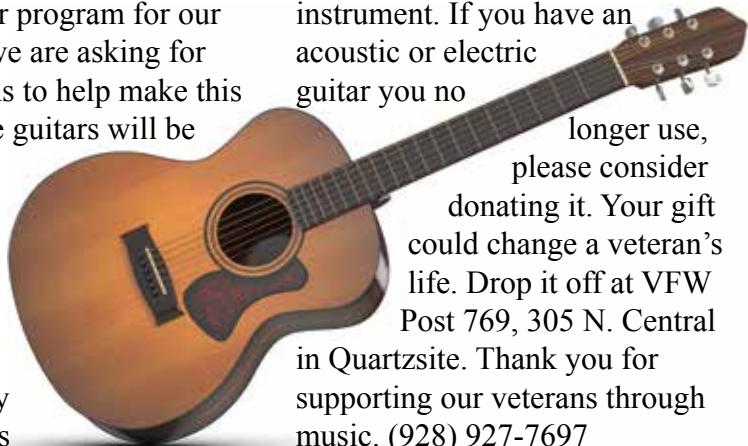
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Han's remarks were nothing special, and her statement that they would never give up the use of force over Taiwan was nothing new," he said. Regarding the shake-up within the Chinese military, Taiwanese Minister of National Defense Wellington Koo stated on Jan. 26 during an interview at the Legislative Yuan that Taiwan is closely monitoring the shakeup among high-ranking officials in the CCP, its government, and military. He emphasized that despite the high-level purges within the CCP, the Taiwanese military will not let down its guard.

Analysts have also warned of the CCP's infiltration of Taiwan. Qi said that Taiwan has indeed been heavily infiltrated by the CCP for a long time. Ding added that, "for Beijing, the best approach would be to achieve Taiwan's surrender without a fight through extensive infiltration." He said that counter-infiltration has now become a key focus of Taiwan's security.

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Funding Anti-ICE Agitation

Conclusion

Returning to O'Reilly, he notes that the FBI and Justice Department have Singham "on the radar." But there's no visible action or exposure from the president on down, he complains. We wouldn't know what's occurring behind the scenes, however. Congress has pushed for probes for years, too, O'Reilly adds, with little result. Crickets are heard from the media as well. Left-wing media ignore the story because focusing on it could unite most Americans against the anti-ICE (and anti-American) forces, and they don't want the citizenry united with Trump for any reason. They want to destroy Trump.

As for right-wing media, they perhaps have not fully grasped the Singham story's significance. Note,

too, that the story dovetails with my January 20 report, "Enemy Powers Using Immigration as a Weapon to DESTROY U.S...." Hostile foreign regimes, power-hungry Democratic politicians, and socialist/communist activists at home are all conspiring to destroy our Republic. They employ useful-idiot protesters — who are expendable — as their destabilizing shock troops.

On a closing note, it's ironic how some of these über-wealthy, left-wing puppeteers (e.g., Klaus Schwab) take on a James Bond villain appearance. Unfortunately, this isn't a movie. No debonair English super-agent will swoop in at the 11th hour to save the day. That's up to us. If we vote for the people fomenting unrest and facilitating *Invasion U.S.A.*, we'll be authoring our own demise — and will richly deserve it.

~ Wandering vs. Seeking Something New ~

What Does the World Say?

When asked, AI (artificial intelligence) responded:

While wandering can be both intentional and unintentional, seeking is always intentional.

Intentional wandering occurs when individuals deliberately allow their minds to drift, often for creative thinking or problem-solving. In contrast, seeking typically implies a purposeful action aimed at finding something specific, making it inherently intentional.

What Does the Bible Say?

Jeremiah 29:13 You will seek Me and find Me when you search for Me with all your heart.

2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.

Luke 22:20 And in the same way He took the cup after they had eaten, saying, **"This cup which is poured out for you is the new covenant in My blood."**

John 13:34 **"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another."**

1 John 2:4-6 The one who says, "I have come to know Him," and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him; ⁵ but whoever keeps His word, in him the love of God has truly been perfected. By this we know that we are in Him: ⁶ the one who says he abides in Him ought himself to walk in the same manner as He walked.

Matthew 7:7-8 **"Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. 8 For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened."**

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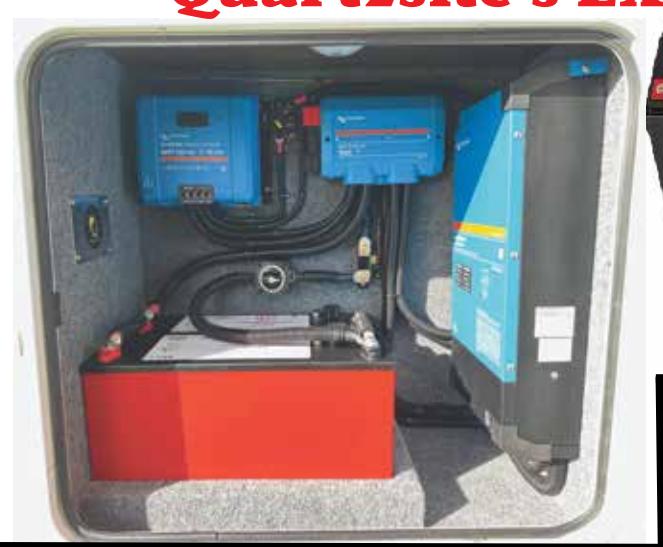


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