



THE EMERGING REGULATORY STATE

The Next Step in the Unfolding “New World Order”

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Through the Process of Abstraction the 2024 Thesis outlines how the Global Macro continues to be on a well defined path towards an eventual global Fiat Currency Failure and the resulting emergence of a New World Order.

2024 will again be punctuated by rising geo-political tensions, expanding government control and shrinking public freedoms. US economic growth will further decline as a 'livable working wage' becomes increasing a global issue. As a result Macro-Prudential policies of Financial Repression will accelerate through the broadening emergence of the new Regulatory State in a major new shift towards “Regulatory Repression” to counter the global era of Stagflationary economic problems ahead.

Increasing centralized planning and control by sovereign government will manifest in a continued push towards the advancement of collectivism, statism and the erosion of personal freedoms.

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*"We are in the middle of a war in this country! That's what this is. It's not a war between black and white. It's not between Democrats and Republican, even in a deeper sense, it's between **the permanent state and the everyday citizen**, between those of us who love the United States of America and a fringe minority who hates this country and what we stand for."*

"You gotta know you're in a war to win one,"

Vivek Ramaswamy's Speech
 on withdrawal from US Presidential Race

AMERICA IS ON THE RAZOR'S EDGE OF HISTORIC CHANGE



WILL THE CHANGE BE THE BEST FOR AMERICA???

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

OVERVIEW

In the 2023 Thesis paper we forecasted that the upcoming year would be "further punctuated by rising geo-political tensions, expanding government control and shrinking public freedoms". We also felt that we would witness a "Broadening Regulatory State" with "Increasing centralized planning and control by sovereign government" which would "manifest in a continued push towards the advancement of collectivism, statism and the erosion of personal freedoms". We believe that is exactly what occurred!



2024 THESIS APPROACH

Throughout 2023 we archived endless articles that effectively documented this evolution. Some with observations, some with facts and some with opinions. It has always been our approach in these annual Thesis papers to present critical thinking supported by facts. We try not to give opinion but rather the facts to allow you to draw your own opinions and crystallize your opinion. With that perspective to then develop an investment strategy that you were personally comfortable with.

This year we are taking a slightly different approach.

In this year's thesis paper we are submitting a broad array of well crafted research articles to gain a broad perspective versus giving you our opinions & views. We endeavor to hold our thinking to strictly the "Conclusions".

There is a practical reason for this approach and that the amount of materials that are involved in properly coverage of this subject is so vast, complex and inter-related it is not possible to adequately cover it the time available. We had over 1000 articles archived this year in anticipation of writing the paper.

2024 THESIS ORGANIZATION

Even organizing the vast amount of evidence regarding what is occurring was in itself a challenge this year.

The structure of the Table of Content was not intended to try conclusions but to give a "flow" of thinking that made the research readable.

We hope that we achieved that.

The flow is conceptually structured to answer the following questions and to handle the maze of information::

1. Why Is this apparent evolution occurring?
2. Are there DRIVERS behind it?
3. HOW are these Drivers being employed?
4. Are there TOOLS that are being used that we should be cognizant of?



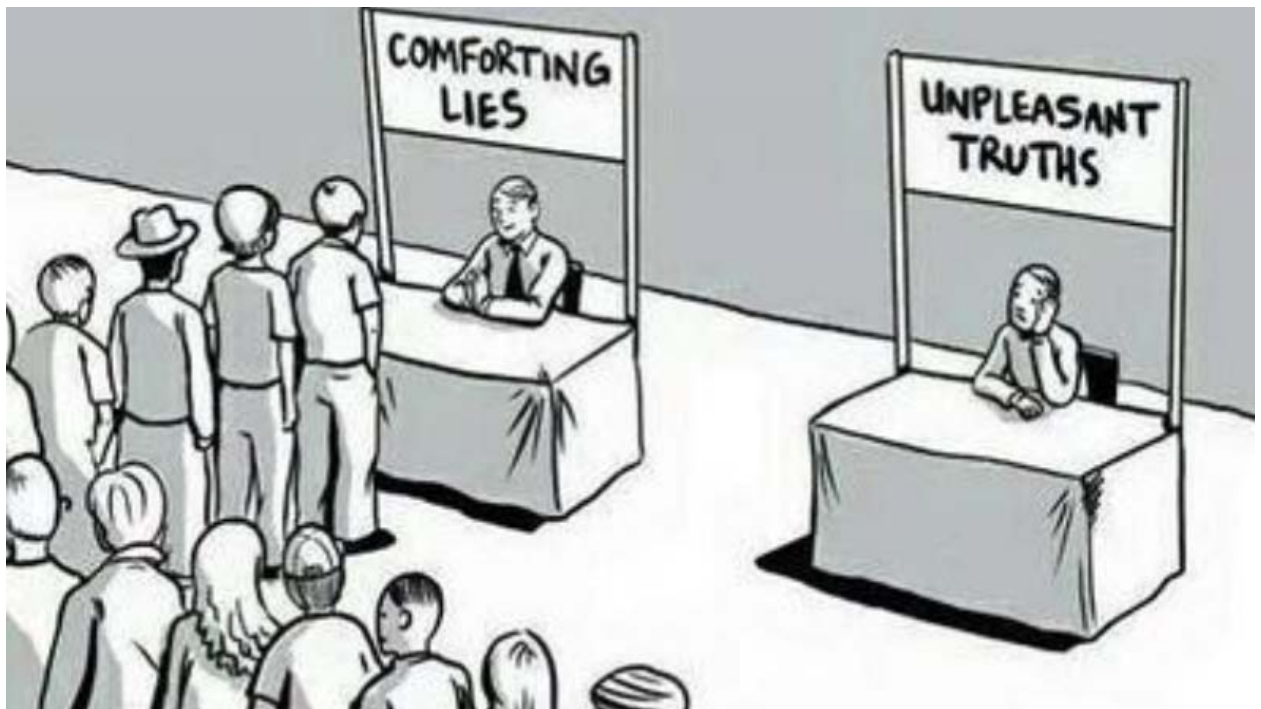
We leave you to read the research you are interested in.

The fact is that the preponderance of evidence is quite clear. The emergence of the Regulatory State is well planned, financed, resourced and managed, but it is also an almost assured societal development.

THE REGULATORY STATE: A FOURTH BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT – *Neither fully under the Executive Branch's Control nor under Congressional Oversight.*

In 1849, Europe the center of the developed world and Imperial controller of global colonization began a major shift. A shift from Imperial powers to Democratically elected Sovereign States. It was profound and consequential.

Today we are going through a similar metamorphosis. This time it is the inevitable part of the emerging New World Order. The global exercise of power will be increasingly be through the exercise of power through global regulations, laws, doctrines established by agencies such as the United Nations, IMF, World Bank/BIS and a host of regional institutions run by appointed bureaucrats. The Democratic process will increasingly be dominated by Party policy control, supportive public media censorship and financed through the Corporatocracy and emerging Billionaire/Trillionaire global elite class. This last part may be difficult to accept but it the Unpleasant Truth!



To understand how the Regulatory State fits, and specifically US Regulatory State, we need to place it in the context of the bigger global picture.

NEW WORLD ORDER

The New World Order should not be seen as some conspiracy theory but rather what the preponderance of global leaders view as a more effective framework to manage world order which we should be responsibly moving towards. We have organizations and institutions in place that would be expected to leading this effort such as the United Nations, IMF, World Bank, World Economic Forum (WEF) and many others.



This is happening and has been happening for many years. I encourage you to read our 2018 Thesis paper "[New World Order](#)".

The exposure is that of the process being "captured" by bad thinking and powerful forces. There is nothing worse than Group Think by the "privileged" class remembering that a "Camel" is a "Horse drawn by and coming out of a Committee!"!

Unfortunately, this is exactly what is occurring. The process has been "captured" by vested powers and beliefs. One of the reasons is because of where and how global power is presently exercised.

MERGING OF GOVERNMENT, CORPORATORCRAY, THE BILLIONAIRE CLASS & "OLD MONEY"

Power has always stemmed from Wealth, Influence and the exercise of Force. Force historically meant Military but today it is more economic and political and therefore those who control those levers. In prior generations real power was held by monarchs, families such as the Rothschilds and organizations such as Free Masons, Council of Foreign Relations (CFR), Club of Rome etc. Those days have long past and the today's power brokers are a vast array of "influencers" that operate through the organizations and institutions mentioned publically. They can be viewed as four spheres.

POWER	WAS	IS/BECOMING
GOVERNMENTS	SOVEREIGN	→ REGIONAL
CORPORATIONS	COUNTRY	→ GLOBAL
WEALTHY	MILLIONAIRES	→ BILLIONAIRES (TRILLIONAIRES)
OLD MONEY	FAMILIES	→ FOUNDATIONS/TRUSTS

We will talk about these later in the section entitled **WEST v EAST: COORDINATION & CONTROL** including less visible ways these four groups communicate and overlap, including:

1. **SPECIAL COUNCILS:** Like the COUNCIL FOR INCLUSIVE CAPITALISM
2. **BY INVITATION ONLY:** Like the BILDERBERGER GROUP, TRI-LATERAL COMMISSION, CLUB OF ROME
3. **STRATEGIC PLANNING EVENTS:** Like the Summit for a New Global Financing Pact
4. **BROAD PUBLIC FORUMS:** Like the Annual WEF in DAVOS Switzerland
5. **UNITED NATIONS:** UN AGENDA 21, UN'S SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT STRUCTURE, UN'S GLOBAL DIGITAL COMPACT, UN NGOs etc

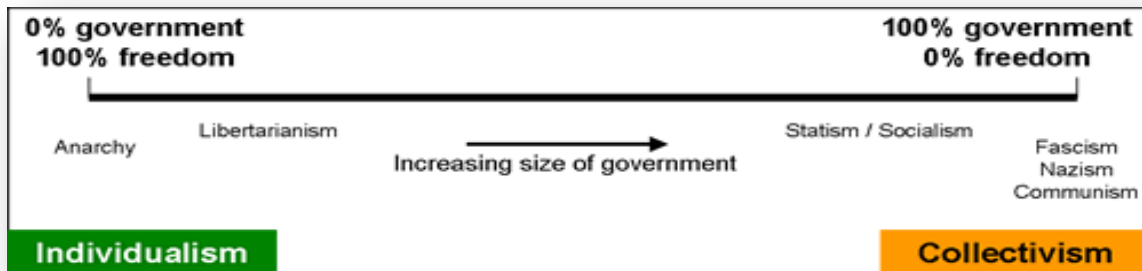
A NATURAL ONGOING PROGRESSION -- POWERFUL SOCIAL, POLITICAL & ECONOMIC FORCS

COLLECTIVISM

Most people who seek to deny and destroy constitutional liberties tend to lean towards a collectivist philosophy. They are usually socialist, or a variation (Marxist, Fascist), and can be professed members of either major political party. Collectivists understand one thing very clearly; an America without the Constitution is destined to become a centralized country.

NARRATIVE & COLLECTIVISM

It replaces freedom with dependency and control.



Insidious Removal of Protective "Walls" of Civil Liberties

- The Great Huxley-Orwell Transition
- From Manipulative to Repressive



ROADBLOCKS

- Financial Security through Sound Money REMOVED
- Reduced Personal Freedoms through a Crisis Even PENDING
- Reduced Personal Security through a Constitutional Crisis FUTURE



As we outlined and warned in our [2013 Thesis Paper: Statism](#):

The degree of socialism in the United States increased substantially after the establishment of the Federal Reserve System (1913) and the measures taken during the Great Depression (1929-46) which it created.

Ever since the early 1900's the United States has had a two-party system dominated by 'socialists'. The Republican Party has always advocated conservative socialism. The Democratic Party, which in the 19th century favored libertarianism, advocates social-democratic socialism.

So long as people are divided by Left and Right, Democratic and Republican, the US is prone to being influenced by factions who transcend party politics and from behind the scenes could possible exert strong control over the United States.

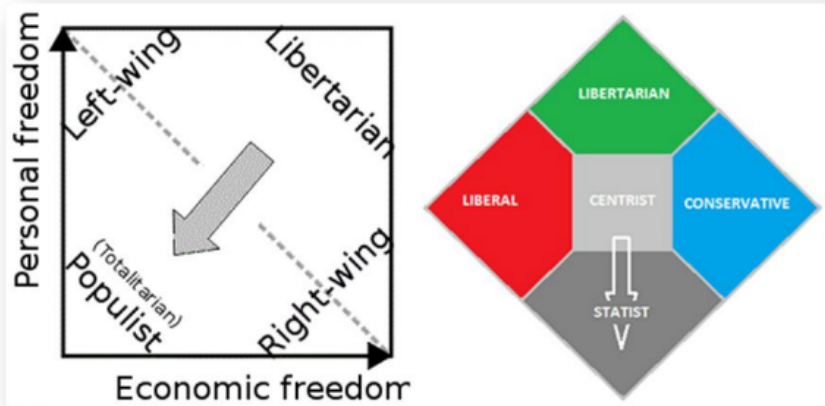
They could do this by maintaining power over public opinion and hence over the course of government.

Steadily, the United States has been travelling down the road to totalitarianism, and many people have not noticed, possibly because they are only looking at the position on the Left-Right paradigm.

Upon further analysis, it is clear that Left, Right and Centre, are all forms of socialism. In particular, we may call them "social-democratic socialism" (the Left) and "conservative socialism" (the Right). They are both socialism because they both share the principle that **the government should "run" and "mold" society, by using legal force and intervention to transfer property and personal wealth as part of the political scientists' process of 'redistribution of wealth'.**

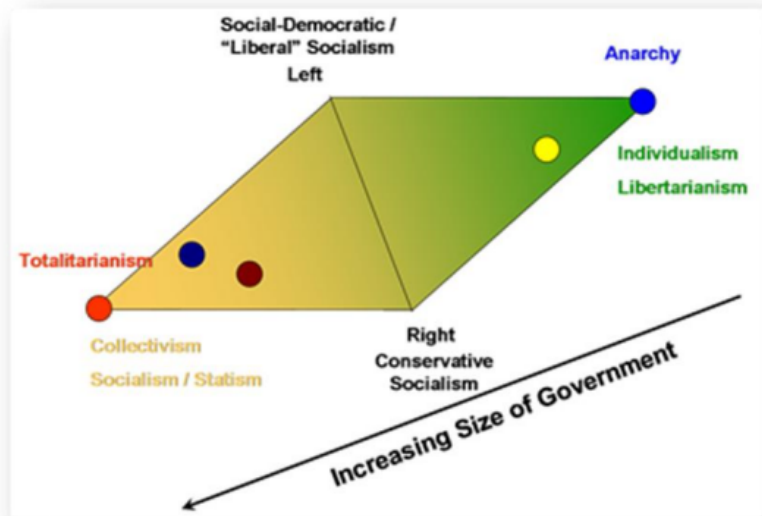
The differences are only in the particular ways the government should run society - the methods it should use, and who, exactly, should be the recipients of government wealth transfers and who should pay. In particular:

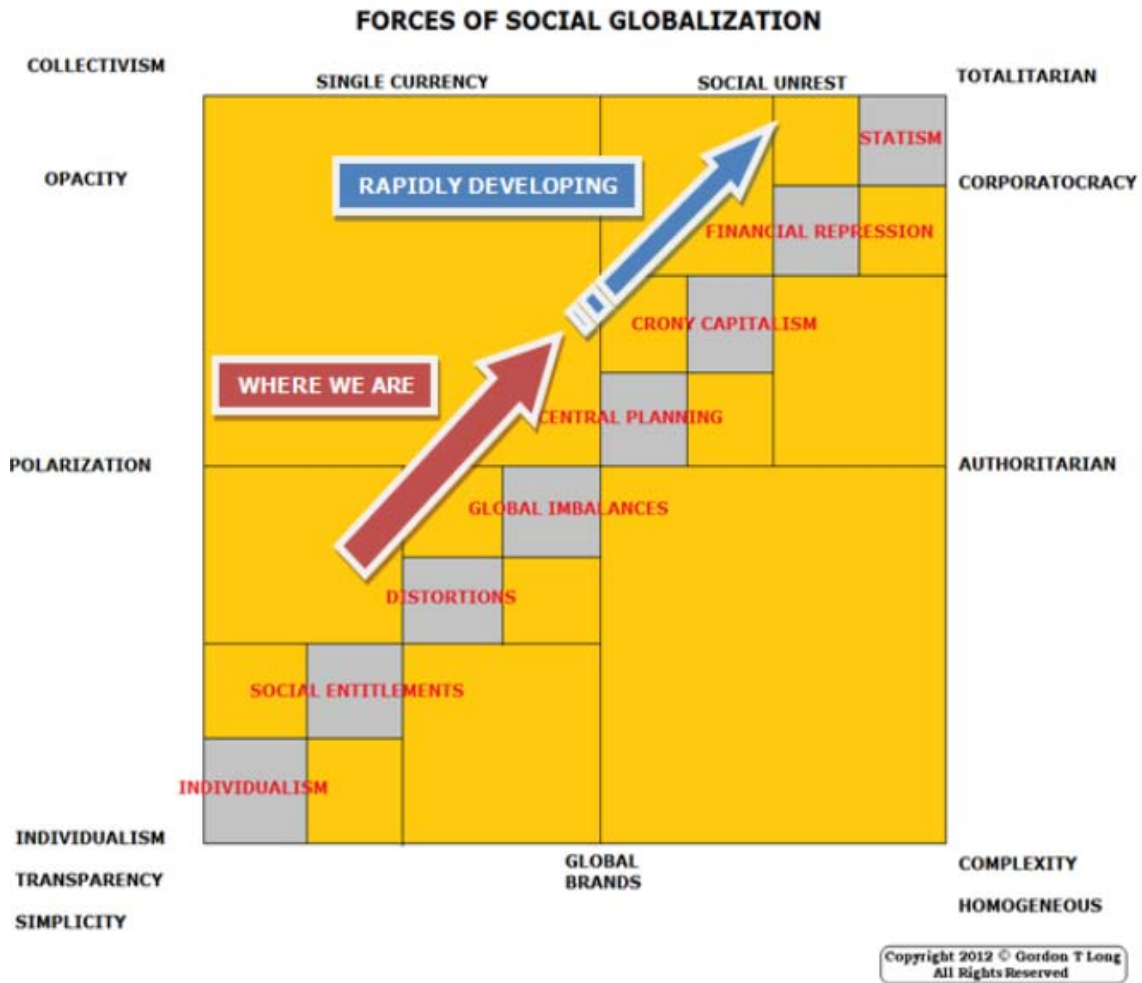
- Social democrats tend to prefer heavy taxation, large wealth transfers to the poor, and nationalized industries, and oppose price controls, regulations and behavioral controls.
- Conservatives tend to prefer lower taxation, a smaller welfare state, regulated (cartelized) industries, price controls, product and behavioral controls.



The modern Republican Party is Center-Right on the Left-Right paradigm. As with the Democratic Party, this obscures the huge range of views Republicans hold on how powerful and how much control the State should be allowed. Their 2008 presidential nominee John McCain, like Barack Obama, strongly favored socialism, though with a Right-wing flavors. Barack Obama (blue circle) and John McCain (red circle) are positioned in the accompanying graphic. Thus, the two main candidates at the 2008 Presidential election represented a false choice - really no choice at all. One candidate, Ron Paul (yellow circle), stood in stark contrast to the candidates favored by the mainstream media and political establishment. As would be expected, he was neutralized by the mainstream media outlets as a zealot with an unsound political view of America.

Our long time subscribers are well aware of the Roadmap below that we laid out in 2012 (next page) and how we followed it though most of the last decade.





The last few years have been fundamentally about breaking our SPIRIT and our MINDS.

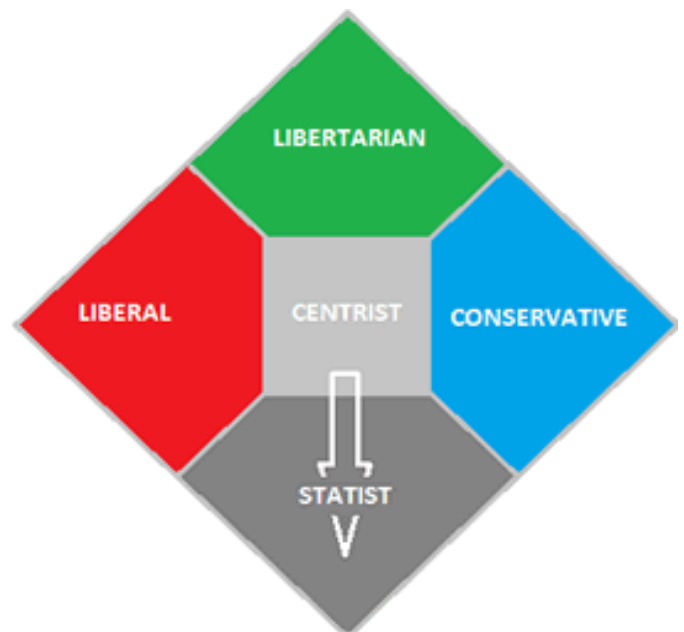
It's not just about deception or fakery or propaganda.

It's about the use of crazy narratives to erode the idea of objective truth,

If you don't even know such a thing exists (the truth) you are a lot easier to control.

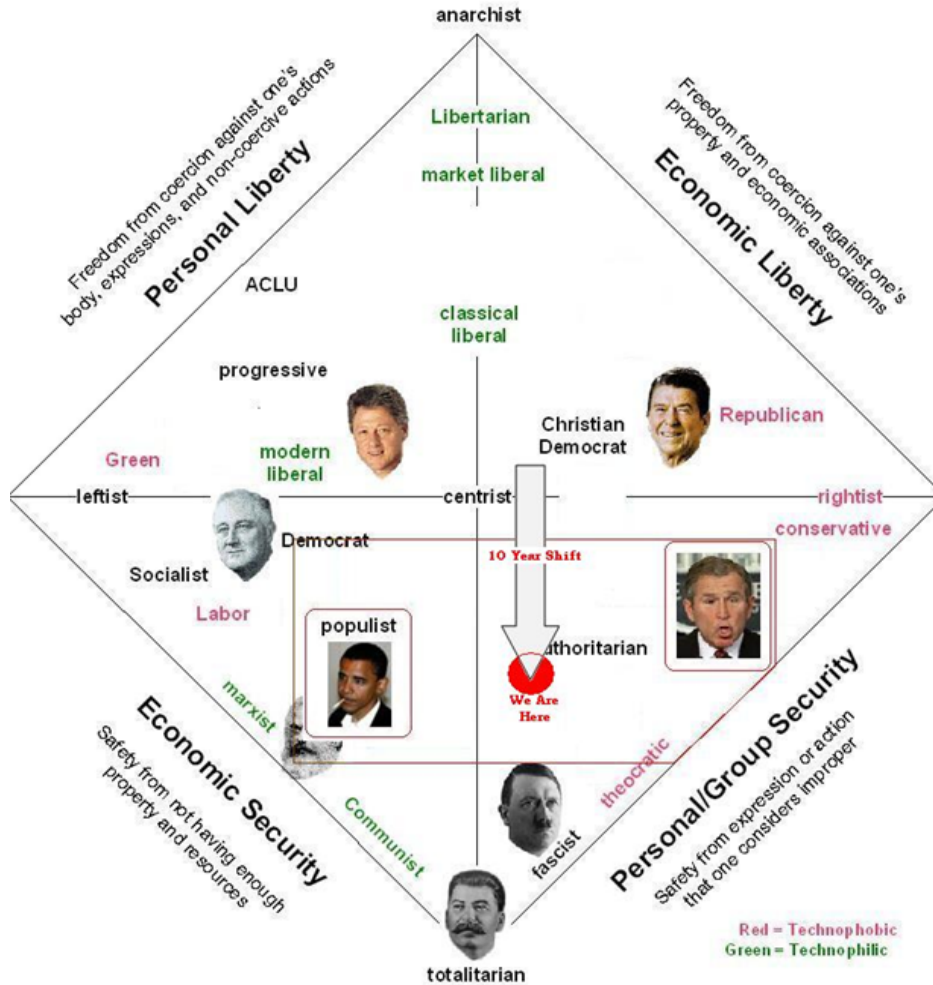
- In a world of no reason or rule, everything I tell you becomes inherently believable. In a world where nothing is true, anything *could* be.
- I can tell you that me taking your money makes us both richer, and you'll never realize I'm robbing you.
- I can tell you that bars and chains are an expression of freedom, and you'll never realize you're my slave.

It's about trading in your sanity for the comfort



of belonging.

THE ROADMAP HAS BEEN IN PLACE SINCE BEFORE PRESIDENT REGAN



WHY THE REGULATORY STATE = THE ADMINISTRATION OF CONTROL

OTHER BRANCHES OF GOVERNMENT DON'T DO THIS BECAUSE OF THE CONSTITUTION WHICH PLACES "WE THE PEOPLE IN CONTROL" – ALL POWER STEMS FROM THE PEOPLE.

FOUR SPHERES OF CONTROL

- 1- REGULATIONS: Rules you must live by
- 2- NARRATIVE: Beliefs you accept as your own
- 3- COLLECTIVISM*: Mass Behavior
- 4- CLAIMS**: Surrendering the efforts of your work

*Individualism v Complexity (ESG, DEI,)

** INCOMETAX/PROPERT TAX/SALES TAX/ GAINS TAX/ LICENSES/FEES/TOLLS

**INFLATION 9A Hidden Government Tax)

CLOWARD-PIVEN

IS THE CURRENT US MIGRANT INVASION AT THE SOUTHERN BORDER SIMPLY THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CLOWARD-PIVEN

Cloward-Piven is a political strategy that by overloading of the United States public welfare system through mass immigration it will precipitate a crisis, which will ultimately lead to the replacement of the welfare system with a national system of a guaranteed annual income and thus ideally an end to poverty.

Cloward and Piven is the Playbook of the Democrat Party. It is the second part of a two-pronged approach:

1. When you don't have logic or reason on your side, use power.
2. If you don't have enough power, flood the system to acquire more.

CHEVRON DOCTRINE DEFERENCE

A core tenet of the implementation of Cloward-Piven (second only to mass immigration) is the use of the Chevron Doctrine of "Deference" to exercise power through the unelected and appointed state administration. It is a foundational basis for the creation of the Regulatory State without Congressional Constitutional power for Oversight and only potentially contained by the Executive Branch (by choice) but who can use it (by choice) in an unconstitutional dictatorial manner.

"Chevron deference," is a bureaucracy-empowering legal doctrine that distorts the U.S. system of government. The doctrine, which arose out of *Chevron v. NRDC (1984)*, holds that an executive agency's interpretation of a statute is entitled to deference unless Congress has explicitly said otherwise.

It gives unelected regulators power to make policy by going beyond what Congress intended when it approved various laws. The authority of regulatory agencies in recent years has therefore grown.

- The doctrine effectively makes an agency a judge in its own cause, thereby violating the Constitution's guarantee of due process of law.
- It encourages agencies to expand their power.
- Administrative agencies are part of the executive branch, so allowing them to make legislative or judicial decisions violates separation of powers.
- The ***Chevron*** decision was not well considered, and over time the Supreme Court has had to carve out exceptions.

Conservative Justices Clarence Thomas, Samuel Alito, and Neil Gorsuch have expressed skepticism of the Chevron doctrine.

"I don't want to say that Chevron is responsible for all the ills of the modern administrative state, just most of them,"

EXECUTIVE ORDERS

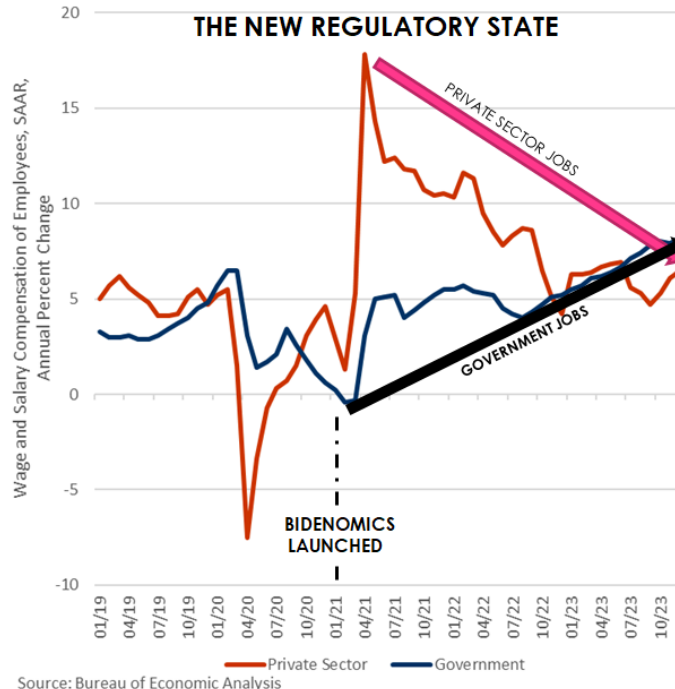
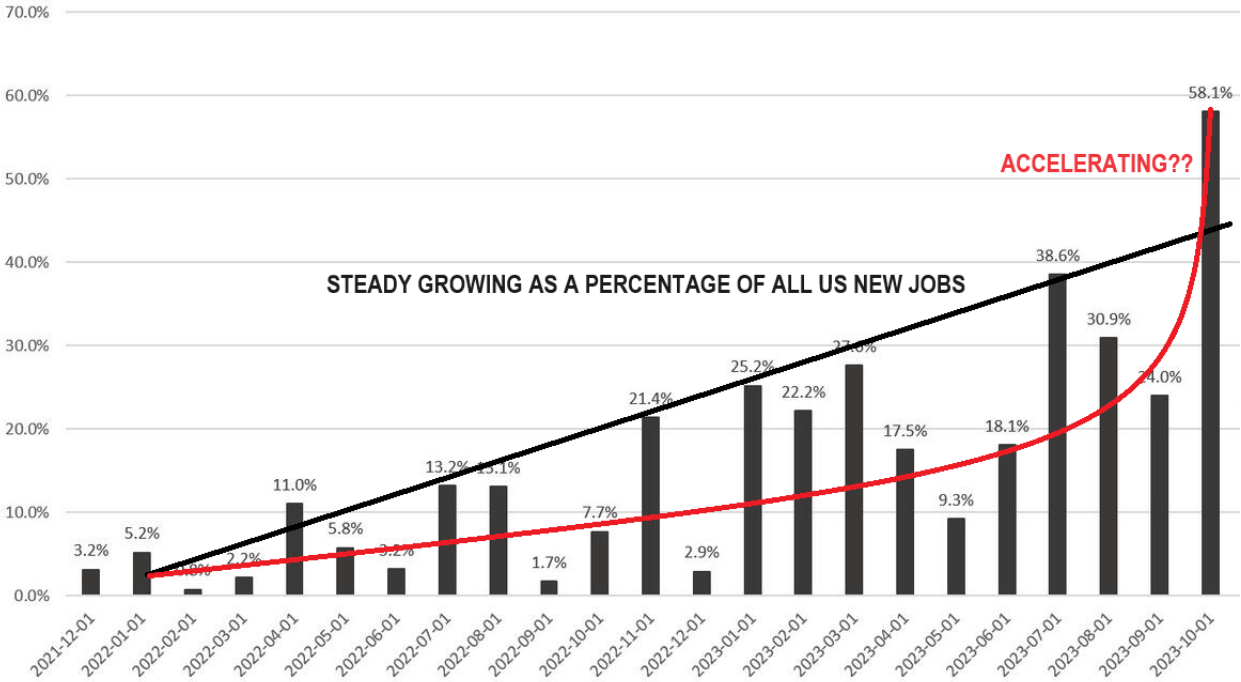
Since the 1980s, Republican and Democratic administrations have asserted broad discretion to use their executive authority to shape how the federal government manages and implements regulations, with little pushback from the other side of Pennsylvania Avenue.

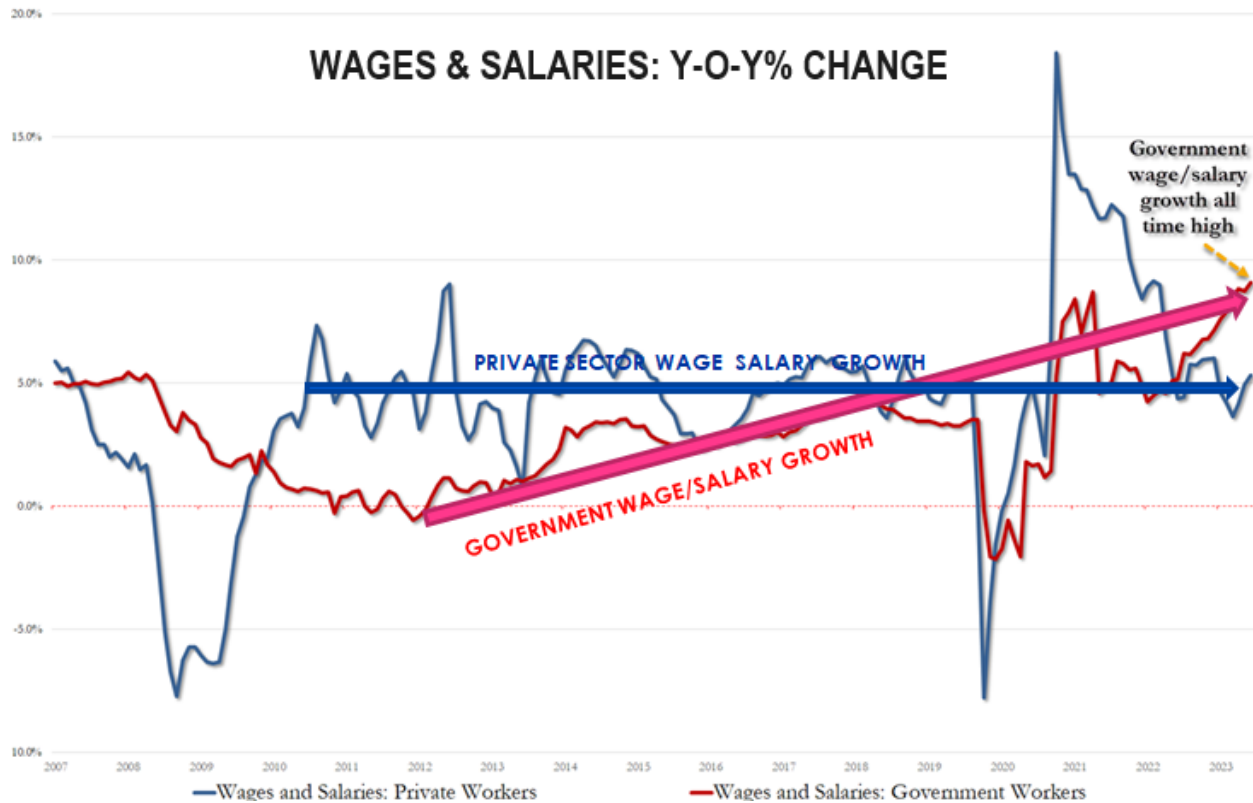
In recent years, the Trump and Biden administrations have implemented significant changes to the federal regulatory process through executive action (read: the rules on rules). The Trump administration used executive orders to constrain federal regulatory costs. For example, a 2017 Trump [executive order](#) required federal agencies to cap federal regulatory costs, and to establish a "one in, two out" "budget" for new regulations. One of [President Biden's](#) first acts after becoming president in 2021 was to revoke the Trump administration's policy. Now, new cost-benefit analysis

guidance reflects the Biden administration's preference for aggressively using regulations to achieve their policy goals. Given the pendulum-swinging nature of federal regulatory policy, a new Republican president in 2025 could quickly reverse the Biden administration's changes.

In other words, the federal government's approach to regulations, which cost the American economy as much as \$2 trillion annually, changes dramatically based on who is president. Now, even how the federal government analyzes the costs and benefits of proposed federal regulations will likely change depending on which party holds the White House.

Month-to-Month: New Government Payroll Jobs as a Percentage of ALL New Payroll Jobs.





NO CONGRESSIONAL OVERSIGHT OF THE REGULATORY STATE

Members of Congress have frustratingly attempted to assert greater legislative authority over federal regulations.

Lawmakers have used the Congressional Review Act to use legislative action to overturn federal rules during periods of presidential transition. But these opportunities are rare.

Conservative lawmakers also attempted legislative reforms to the federal regulatory process to give Congress greater power to review federal regulations. In June, the House of Representatives [passed the REINS Act](#), which would require Congress to legislatively affirm major rules or those that would have an economic impact larger than \$100 million or more. But the bill is unlikely to move in the Democrat-controlled Senate. Even a less aggressive regulatory reform bill, like the [Regulatory Transparency Act](#) sponsored by Sens. James Lankford (R-Okla.) and John Thune (R-S.D.), which would require more regulatory impact analysis and expand judicial review, has little chance to move in the upper chamber under its current leadership.

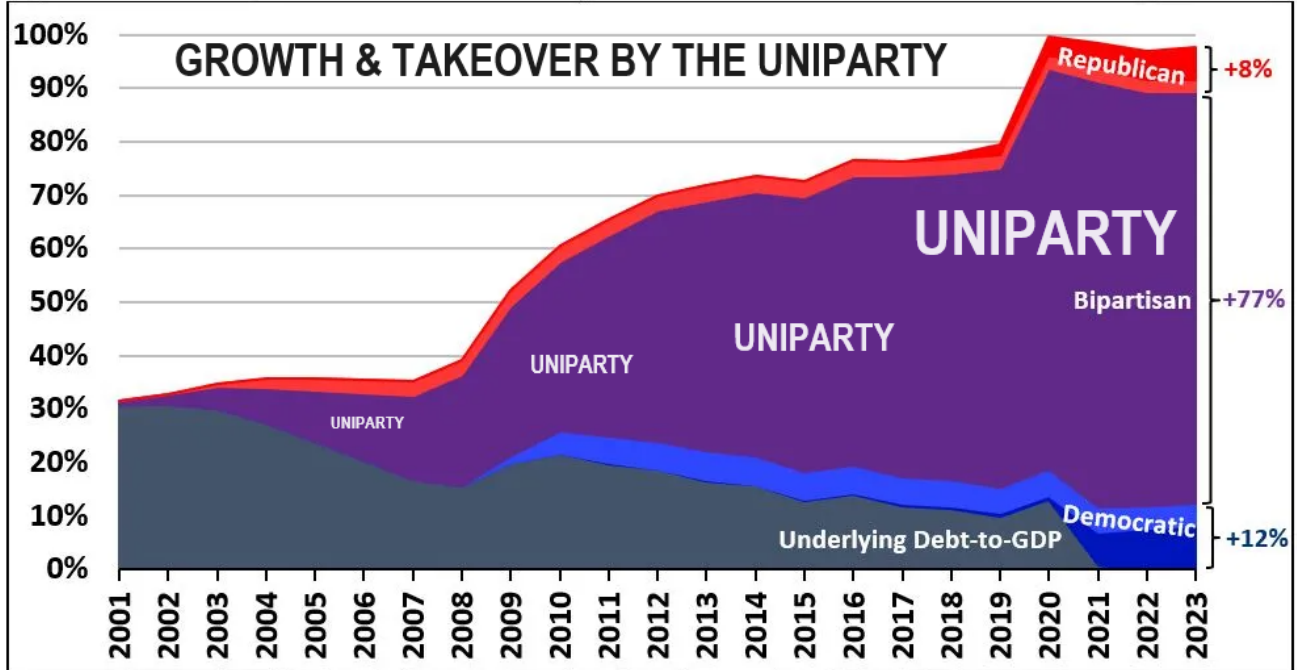
But one area of potential bipartisan, common ground would be to strengthen Congress's ability to analyze federal regulations, which would allow lawmakers to better use their legislative, appropriations, and oversight powers to influence the federal regulatory process. During the 117th Congress, the House Select Committee on Modernizing the Congress passed a bipartisan [recommendation](#) for Congress to examine "how increased regulatory and legal resources could help strengthen the role of the legislative branch." This recommendation in turn led to a nonpartisan review by the Government Accountability Office (GAO), which is expected to be published in the coming months.

In the past, regulatory experts have recommended that Congress create a Congressional Regulation Office, similar to the Congressional Budget Office, to give the legislative branch an independent source of regulatory reviews and cost-benefit analyses. Another strategy would be to expand the nonpartisan GAO's staffing and authorities to conduct regulatory oversight and analyses.

Congressional Republicans are right to push for reforms like the REINS Act to give Congress greater power over the regulatory state, but they're unlikely to pass in the current political environment. So they should also pursue incremental and institutional reforms to improve the legislative branch's ability to oversee regulations. In light of the Biden administration's new cost-benefit analysis guidance, establishing a new Congressional Regulation Office or regulatory review mission team within GAO would be a reasonable place to start.

UNIPARTY: Elected Representatives who consistently vote for Deficit Spending that supports Increasing Government Size, Media Operatives, Unelected Power Brokers, Campaign Contributions and Lobbyists (Domestic & Foreign).

Effect of Bipartisan and Partisan Legislation Enacted Since 2001 on the Debt (% of GDP)



Sources: Congressional Budget Office and Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget.

This graph accounts for policy changes enacted since 2001 but not built-in changes such as the automatic growth of Social Security and Medicare that has been largely ignored by both parties. Fig. 3 shows changes over time. Dark colors represent exclusive support from one party; lighter colors represent dominant support.

CONTROLLING THE CHANGE

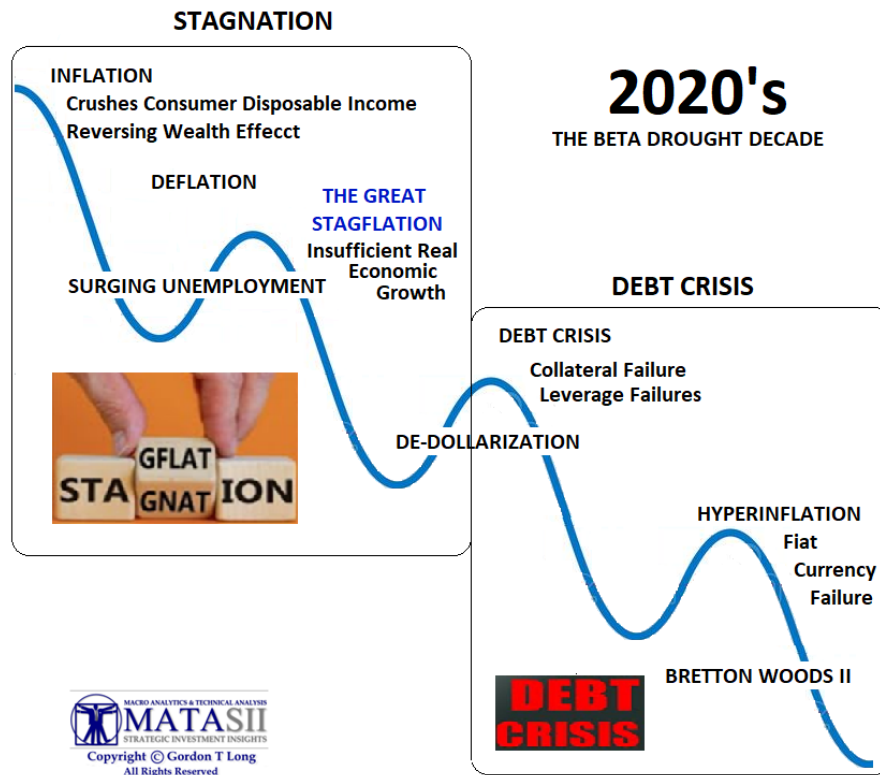
METHODS OF CONTROL

- 1- SOCIAL ENGINEERING THROUGH MANAGED CHAOS
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- 5- PUBLIC SURVEILLANCE
- 6- THE POLICE STATE
- 7- THE NEW IRS

TOOLS OF CONTROL

- 1- FINANCIAL
- 2- POLITICAL
- 3- SOCIAL

THE FINAL SOLUTION – A GLOBAL DEBT CRISIS



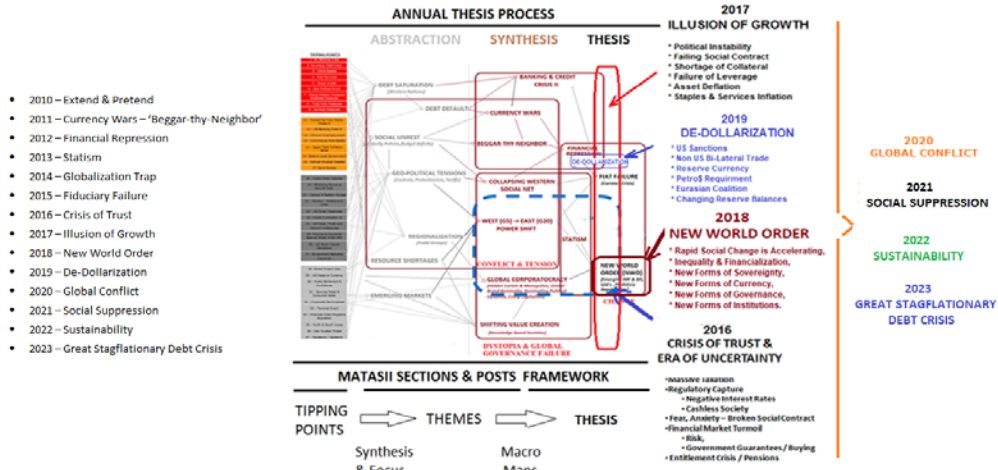
THE GREAT TAKING

What is the Great Taking?

It is about the taking of collateral, all of it, the end game of this globally synchronous debt accumulation super cycle.

- This is being executed by long-planned, intelligent design, the audacity and scope of which is difficult for the mind to encompass.
- The controlling brokers of power & influence have spent years to prepare for a 'super-cycle' collapse that will necessitate the transition to a New World Order, with them still in control.
- Included are all financial assets, all money on deposit at banks, all stocks and bonds, and hence, all underlying property of all public corporations, including all inventories, plant and equipment, land, mineral deposits, inventions and intellectual property.
- Privately owned personal and real property financed with any amount of debt will be similarly taken, as will the assets of privately owned businesses, which have been financed with debt. If even partially successful, this will be the greatest conquest and subjugation in world history.
- We are now living within a hybrid war conducted almost entirely by deception, and thus designed to achieve war aims with little energy input. It is a war of conquest directed not against other nation states but against all of humanity.
- There are now no property rights to securities held in book-entry form in any jurisdiction, globally. In the grand scheme to confiscate all collateral, dematerialization of securities was the essential first step. The planning and efforts began over half a century ago

15 YEARS OF CONTINUALLY EVOLVING THESIS PAPERS



What ‘We the People’ have witnessed throughout the progression of these Annual Thesis papers is the continuous surrender of both Personal and Economic Freedoms to government control. These freedoms have been eroded primarily through the use of fear and our desire for the perceived guarantees of security and safety. This has historically been the roadmap that leads to more authoritarian governance systems such as Socialism and Communism.

ECONOMIC SECURITY

First it was Economic Job Security after the Dotcom Bubble implosion as Corporations:

- Outsourced,
- Downsized / Right-Sized,
- Off-Shored.

Our bedrock ‘Mom & Pop’ employers and local merchants were lost to Corporate Franchisers, Malls and Big Box Stores.

FINANCIAL SECURITY

Then we experienced financial pressures in the form of:

- Skyrocketing College Costs / Student Debt,
- Shift from Defined to Contributory Pensions with the loss of Pensions,
- Benefit Reductions and Soaring Medical Costs with reduced hours worked.

PHYSICAL SAFETY

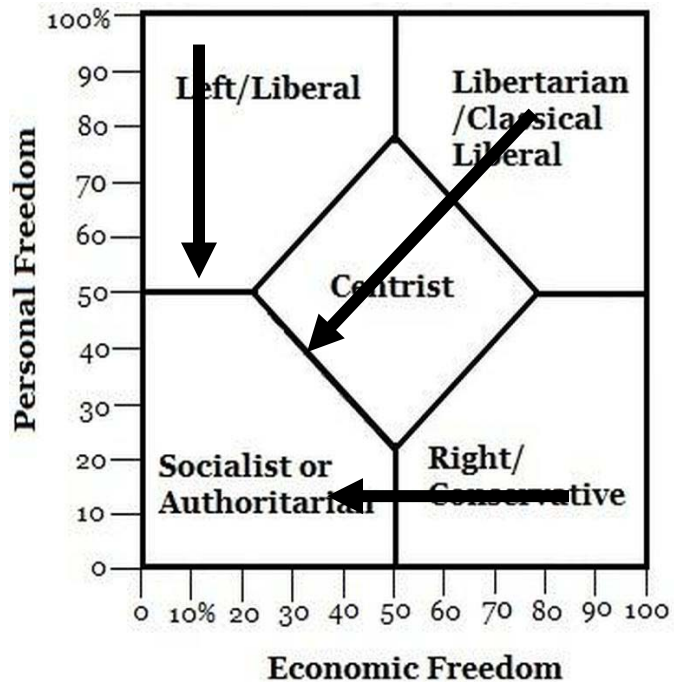
Then after 911, Terrorism and our Physical Safety altered as the world changed due to:

- Bin Laden & El-Quida,
- ISIS,
- Domestic School Shootings

HEALTH SAFETY

Now it is a Pandemic and the safety of the Health of family and friends.

- Covid-19 Pandemic,
- Social Distancing and Lockdowns



The following chronology is how Poor Policy Prescriptions, Expanding Government Control and a Reserve Currency & Risk-Free Benchmark problem have set the stage for a ‘Cocktail’ of Social Unrest & Shift towards Social Suppression **and now a major accelerated grab for broader political power. All disguised through socially driven words such as ‘Sustainability’, Climate Change, Green Energy, Environment, Social & Governance (ESD) and Diversity, Equality and Inclusion (DEI).**

WAS THIS AN ORCHESTRATED PROGRESSION?

The above man-made initiatives were a result of, and contributors to, the following list of mounting Globalization problems. In turn these developments have pushed the political landscape further towards the bottom of the Nolan Chart, illustrated to the right.

THE GLOBALIZATION PROBLEM

- I. Lack of Global Growth,
- II. Insufficient Need for Labor (AI Robotics),
- III. Population Becoming Unsupportable,
- IV. Unfundable Entitlements & Pensions,
- V. Unsustainable Global Debt & Leverage,
- VI. Global Trade Imbalances,
- VII. UniPolar to Multi-Polar World.

SPREADING & GROWING GLOBAL FALLOUT

The Global problems listed above have manifested themselves in the form of the following *crisis* (see schematic at the bottom):

DOMESTIC: FINANCIAL – 2008-2009

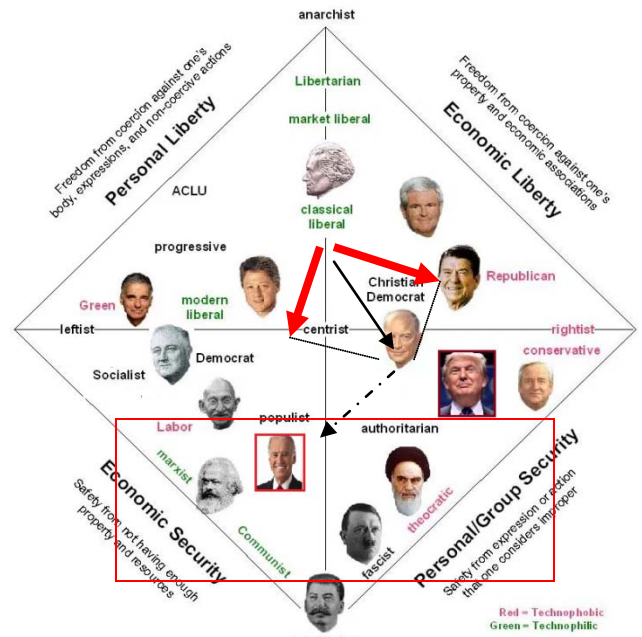
US Mortgage Market – Started as a collapse in Credit Default Swaps (CDSs) underpinning Collateralized Debt Obligations (CDOs) which supported the US Mortgage Market through Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (which forced both into government guaranteed Conservatorship).

ECONOMIC: REGIONAL – 2012-2014

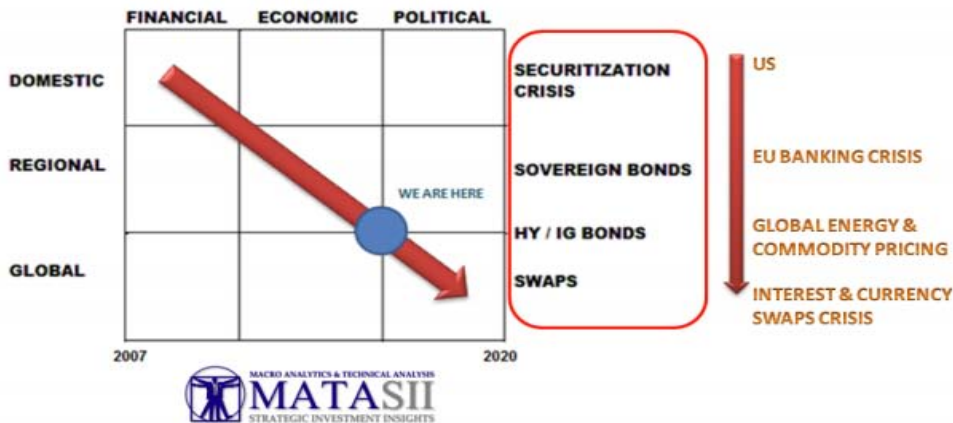
EU Banking Crisis – It started in Greece, spread to Cyprus and then the southern peripheral countries labeled the PIGS (Portugal, Italy, Greece & Spain) before being halted by and exploded in the EU Target2 payment system.

POLITICAL: GLOBAL – 2018-2020

Global Central Banks – An explosion of over \$15T in Global Central Banks' balance sheet to supply liquidity to a collateral short lending edifice unable to maintain credit growth sufficient to continue to rollover debt and fund sufficient debt growth.



A GLOBAL-IZATION PROBLEM



EARLY PART OF LAST DECADE

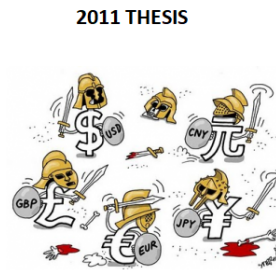
Our Annual Thesis papers documented the above evolution within the context of ‘strategic’ crisis developments.

In the early part of the last decade we witnessed the following Thesis papers:

- 2010 Extend & Pretend - Rather than address issues, our elected officials chose to avoid the tough decisions and to “Kick-the-Can-Down-The-Road”.



EXTEND & PRETEND



CURRENCY WARS



FINANCIAL REPRESSION

- 2011 Currency Wars

The easy way to gain competitive advantage (short term) was to adopt “Beggar-The-Neighbor” policies of Currency manipulation.

- 2012 Financial Repression
 The easy way to solve a lack of productive investment (short term) is to implement macro-prudential policies of Financial Repression which misprices the price of risk and cripples effective market price discovery.

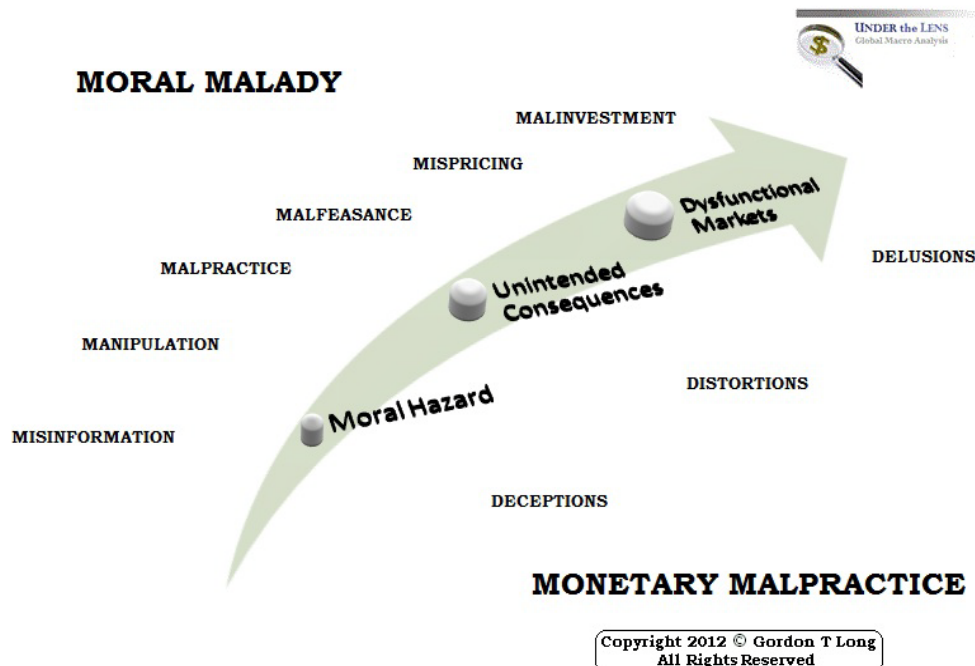
POOR POLICY PRESCRIPTIONS

MORAL MALADY

We witnessed policies that fostered Misinformation, Data Manipulation, Monetary Malfeasance, Mispricing of Risk and other short term “quick fix” approaches, all of which led to Malinvestment.

MONETARY MALPRACTICE

As a result we saw the emergence of Moral Hazard, Unintended Consequences and Dysfunctional Markets. The Deceptions, Distortions and Delusions that occurred can only be labeled as an Era of Monetary Malpractice.



MIDDLE YEARS OF LAST DECADE

In the middle years of the last decade we witnessed with the following Thesis papers:

- 2013 THESIS**
- 2013 Statism
 A failing Economic System as a result of Unsound Money forced governments as a consequence to enforce **Control** in lieu of a natural self correcting system.
- 2014 THESIS**
- 2014 Globalization Trap
 Mounting **Trade Imbalances**, as a result of developed economies consuming more than they produced, distorted current account balances and balance of payments resulting in unsupportable debt balances.
- 2015 THESIS**
- 2015 Fiduciary Failure
 Developed economies became increasingly burdened and trapped by **Unfundable Entitlement** programs which were left to worsen and become the problem of future political administrations.
- 2016 THESIS**
- 2016 Crisis of Trust
 An inevitable **Loss of Trust** of politicians, the government, financial institutions and the Status Quo grew within the electorate as populism grew. With it came new political leaders with socialist, nationalist and anti-government philosophies.



STATISM

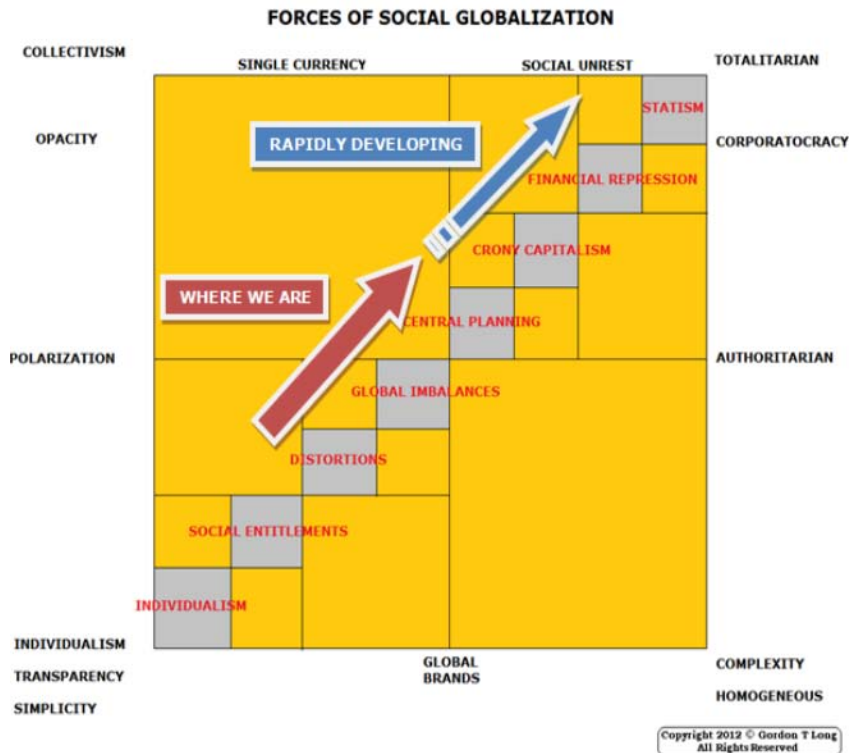
THE GLOBALIZATION TRAP

FIDUCIARY FAILURE

CRISIS OF TRUST

EXPANDING GOVERNMENT CONTROL

The above developments led to a shift towards Statism in the progression outlined below.



LAST PART OF THE 2010 DECADE

In the latter part of the last decade we witnessed with the following Thesis papers:

- 2017 Illusion of Growth - Government Deficit Borrowing is being double counted as "G" and "C" in the GDP formula hiding the degree of **Insufficient Real Growth** occurring over the last 3 decades.



ILLUSION OF GROWTH

2018 THESIS



NEW WORLD ORDER

2019 THESIS



DE-DOLLARIZATION

2020 THESIS



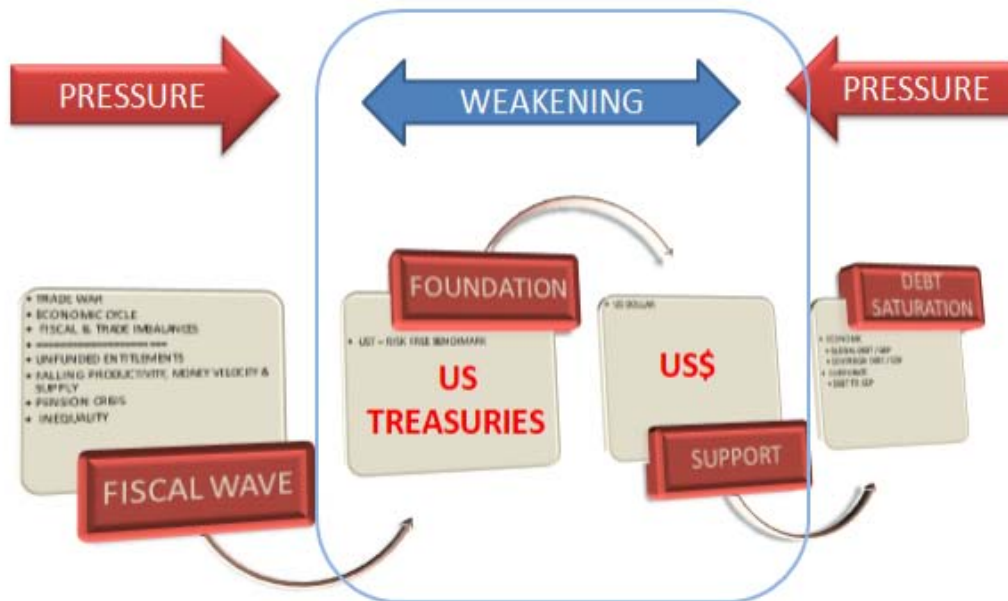
GLOBAL CONFLICT

- 2018 New World Order - The US is no longer the Unipolar controlling power in a new significantly changing **Multi-Polar World**.
- 2019 De-Dollarization - The US' use of economic sanctions has effectively "Weaponized the US\$", thereby forcing targeted countries (and their trading partners) to **reduce their US\$ dependency**. Additionally, BRICS have steadily been reducing their US\$ currency reserves along with many countries adopting bi-lateral trade agreements using their own currencies.
- 2020 Global Conflict - Not since the Cold War have tensions been higher around the world. From the South China Sea, to Taiwan, Hong Kong, India, Iran, Syria, Yemen/Sudan, these conflicts continue to go unresolved with escalating **Power Tensions**.

BOTH A GLOBAL RESERVE CURRENCY & RISK FREE BENCHMARK PROBLEM

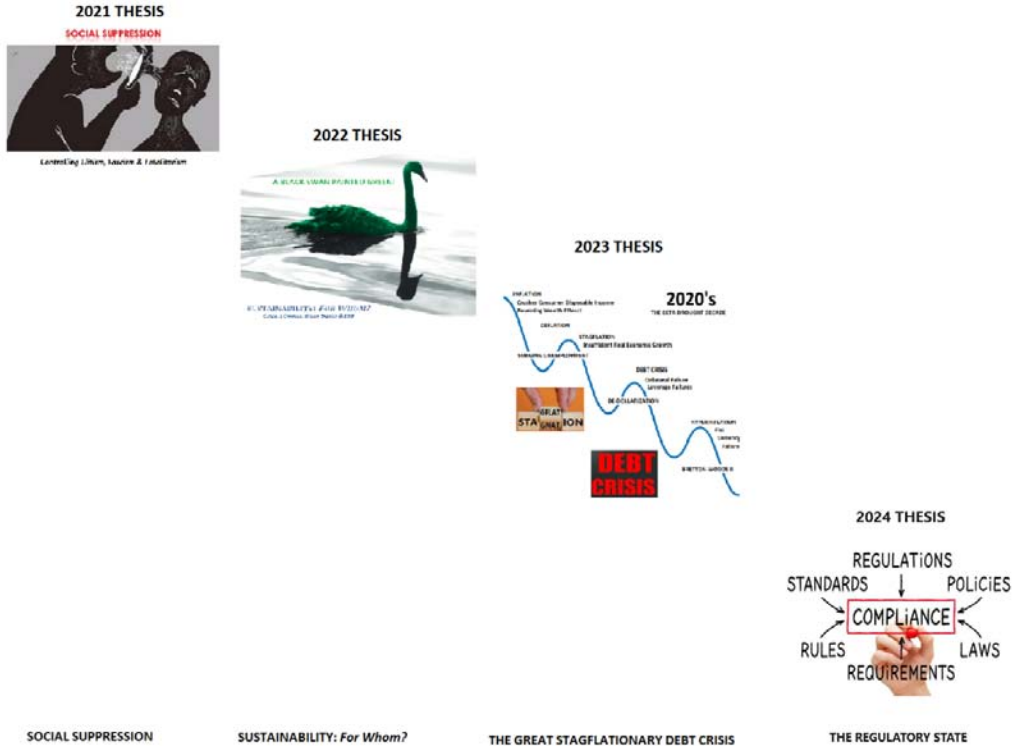
The world's modern post WWII financial system is built on two bedrocks which are under assault:

- 1- US DOLLAR: The World's Reserve Currency & Trade Currency is the US Dollar.
- 2- RISK FREE BENCHMARK: The US Long Bond is still considered the benchmark for the pricing of risk.



THE NEW 2020 DECADE

In the first part of the 2020 decade we have witnessed through the following Thesis papers increasing social oriented movements accompanied by higher levels of centralized government control:



- 2021 Social Suppression – A further and more pronounced shift to the “Left” in the political spectrum - We have witnessed Policies, Regulations and Approaches taken by developed economies’ governments and accepted by the public that are much **more centrally controlled** with less acceptance of free speech and political discourse.
- 2022 Sustainability - A strong and more **visible Global coordination** towards Sustainability or “Green” policies employing UN sponsored controlling methods such as Carbon Taxes, Carbon Credits & Offsets, Corporate policies of ESG & DEI, Climate Immigration & migration along with funding agreements under GFANZ.
- 2023 The Great Stagflationary Debt Crisis – Covid-19 triggered a **destabilizing global Inflationary surge** that ended the 40 year “Great Moderation” Era. Globally high levels of Inflation, Slowing Economic Growth and rising Unemployment ushered in an era of Stagflation which, if protracted steadily, exposes global debt levels to rising cost risk & credit premiums and debt defaults.
- 2024 The Regulatory State – This is a natural progression as government assumes and is given increasing power over personal liberties and freedoms. These are surrendered out of desire for security, fear of threats and the belief in the creation of a more harmonious social framework. What is delivered is a Regulatory State that exercises increasing control to continue its existence. He control expands to include four spheres of control: 1-REGULATIONS: Rules you must live by; 2-NARRATIVE: Beliefs you accept as your own; 3- COLLECTIVISM: Mass Behavior; and 4- CLAIMS: Surrendering the efforts of your work

FOLLOW THE MONEY

THE MERGER OF MONEY & POWER: Billionaires, Government, Big Tech Media & Global Corporations

Holding elections doesn't mean you have Democracy! Your duly elected representative must have and exercise the power entrusted to them by the constitution through the Rule of Law.

Did US citizens and/or their elected representative vote for any of the following which dramatically impacts their lives, Standard of Living or Taxation?

1. Mass Immigration of undocumented foreign aliens since Biden assumed the Presidency,
2. Covid-19 Mandates,
3. Student Loan Forgiveness,
4. Shifting America from Energy Independence to Dependence through executive orders impacting the Fossil Fuel Industry,
5. Military Involvement in Syria, Somalia, Yemen etc etc,
6. ... an the list goes on

Did our representatives actually receive or had the opportunity to review and read the following Acts before they were voted on? The answer is no if you listened to the hard issues and outcries of your representatives during the 15 rounds taken to elect GOP Speaker Kevin McCarthy. It was a fact that under Speaker Nancy Pelosi those final versions on the floor were often never delivered before the votes. These are final bills containing thousands of pages of legal language written by law firms paid by whom?? Reviewed by whom? It seems the old adage of "The devil is always in the details" is why no one wants to look!

1. The Build Back Better Act (\$2T)
2. The American Rescue Plan (\$1.9T)
3. The Inflation Reduction Act (Reworked ARP)
4. Infrastructure Bill (\$1T)
5. The Omnibus Funding Bill (2022)
6. The latest (and for that manner almost any) CRs (Continuation Resolution)

Large Law Firms come with a Party. Who in the party controls them and the bill writing process? Do the congressional chairs actually certify them as valid? No! The party apparatus takes care of that.

If any one of the examples above is something you strongly disagree with agree then we may not have the Democracy you believe we have and instead might have some possible version or combination of the following:

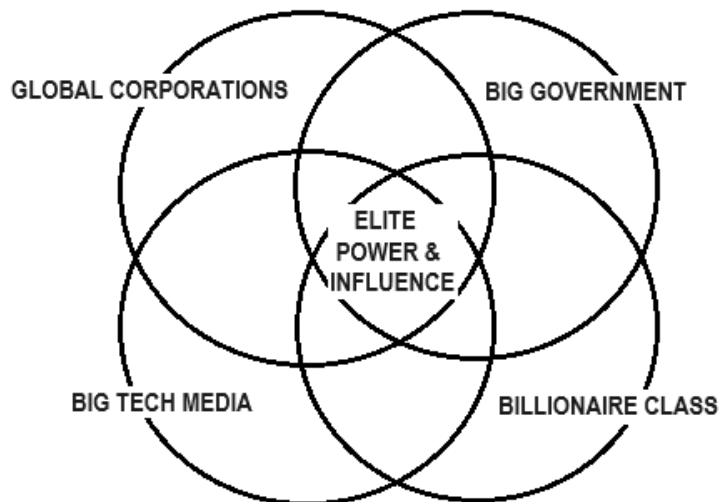
1. Corporatocracy,
2. Fascism (Mussolini version).
3. Socialism,
4. Communism or
5. Marxism,

I am not saying we have one of those but we may be quickly moving towards some convoluted mixture.

Whatever it is, it has evolved from FOUR major shifts since the US came of the Gold Standard in August of 1972 and accelerated with the adoption of Social Media:

1. **BILLIONAIRE/TRILLIONAIRE CLASS:** The astronomical explosion in the power and wealth of the "Billionaire Class",
2. **BIG GOVERNMENT:** The expansion, size and scope of "Big Government",

EVOLVING SPHERES OF POWER & INFLUENCE



- BIG TECH MEDIA:** The control and consolidation of public media distribution and content
- GLOBAL CORPORATIONS:** Powerful global corporations with revenues bigger than most UN membership countries.

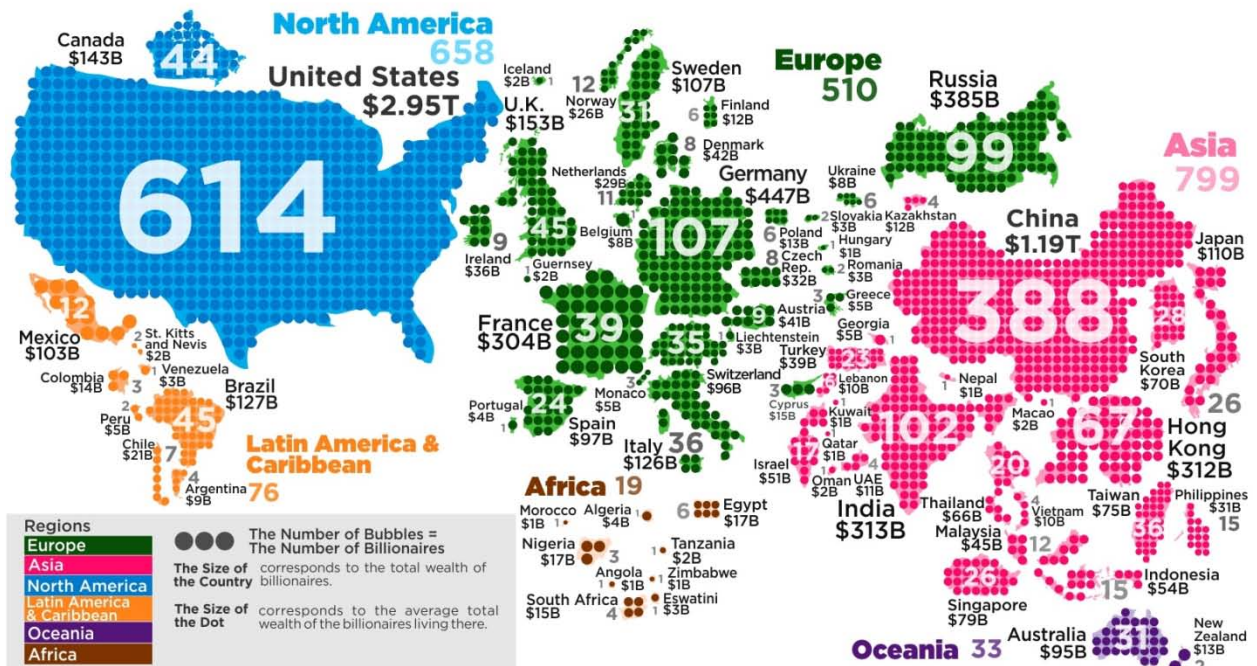
These factors have created a new reality in the exercise and control of power! It is about how money and power flows between these four controlling spheres of influence.

The one thing important thing all the spheres have in common is the pursuit of money and power.

THE NEW BILLIONAIRE / TRILLIONAIRE CLASS

No longer is the world one where immense power rests in the hands of the great wealth of the Rothschild's, Rockefellers or JP Morgan's. We now have a world of powerful and aggressive Billionaires and emerging Trillionaire class. They demand and receive the benefits this amount of wealth and influence provides.

World Map of Billionaires 2020
 Number of Billionaires & Total Wealth Accumulated



Article & Sources:
<https://howmuch.net/articles/world-map-of-billionaires-2020>
 Forbes - <https://www.forbes.com/>

TRILLIONAIRES

Back in 1916, oil titan John D. Rockefeller became the world's first confirmed billionaire. It wasn't until 1999 when the world saw its first centibillionaire, when Bill Gates' net worth, however briefly, surpassed \$100 billion.

The state of play in 2022 is that there are nine centibillionaires with fortunes greater than \$100 billion, but who could be on course to become the first trillionaire?

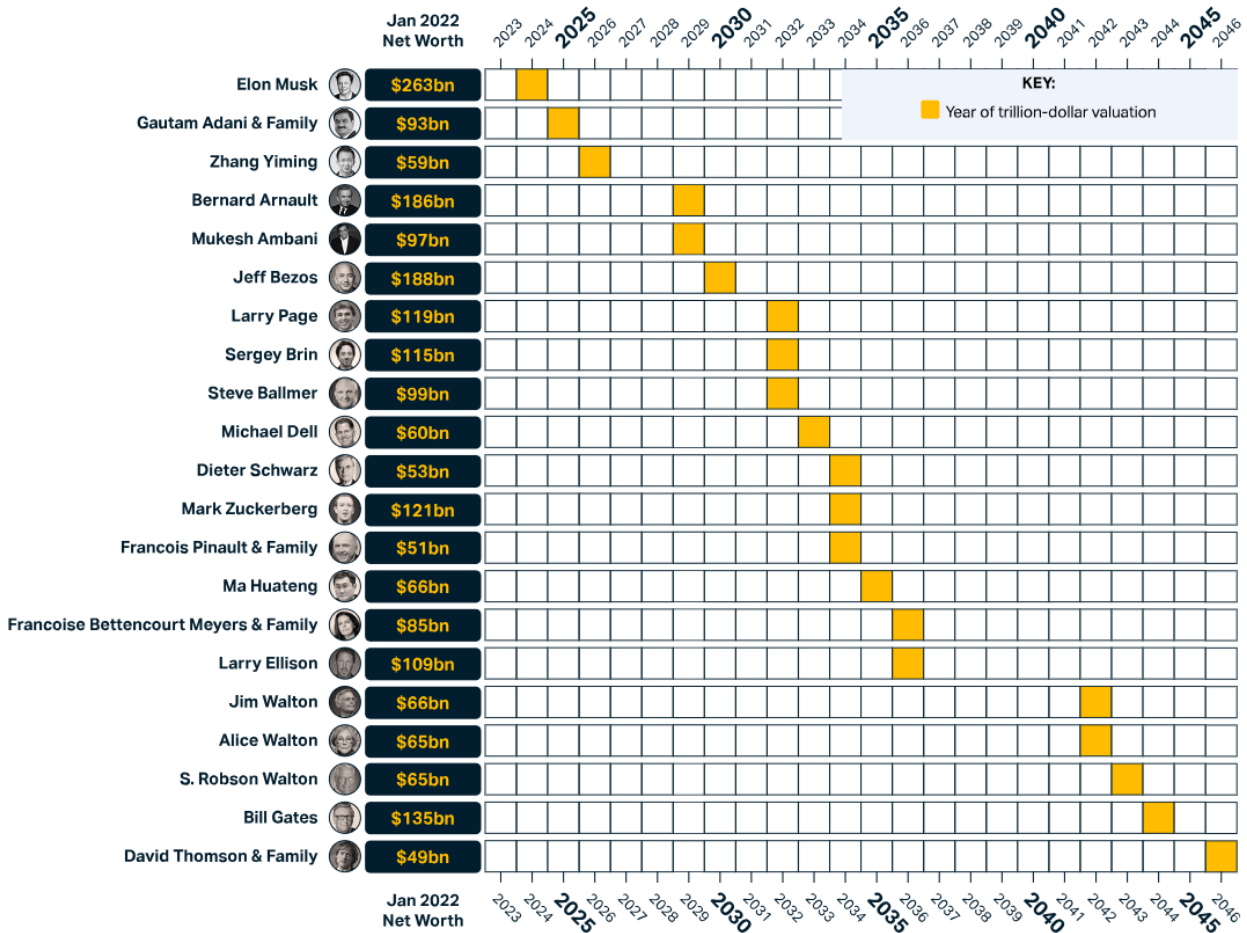
Of the thirty individuals analyzed, only twenty-one will realistically have a chance

Name	Rank	Worth	Chg 1D	Chg YTD
1) Elon Musk	1	232.4B	-5.9B	95.4B
2) Bernard Arnault	2	179.0B	-385.4M	16.9B
3) Jeff Bezos	3	178.3B	114.5M	71.3B
4) Bill Gates	4	140.5B	250.8M	31.3B
5) Steve Ballmer	5	130.5B	406.5M	44.7B
6) Mark Zuckerberg	6	129.6B	179.0M	84.0B
7) Larry Page	7	126.8B	-80.9M	43.9B
8) Larry Ellison	8	123.8B	-36.6M	32.0B
9) Sergey Brin	9	120.3B	-71.6M	41.0B
10) Warren Buffett	10	120.3B	272.6M	12.9B
11) Carlos Slim	11	104.4B	-249.3M	30.1B
12) Françoise Bettencourt Meye...	12	100.1B	184.2M	28.6B
13) Mukesh Ambani	13	97.1B	818.1M	10.0B
14) Amancio Ortega	14	87.6B	-66.2M	33.0B
15) Gautam Adani	15	83.2B	-1.1B	-37.3B

All Values in USD. Updated as of Thu Dec 28 2023

of becoming a trillionaire during their lifetime, based on their current net worths and rate of wealth growth over the last six years.

The race to be the first Trillionaire is still all to play for, as the standings can change very quickly. For example, Zhong Shanshan, the chairman of bottled water company Nongfu Spring, saw his net worth skyrocket from just \$2 billion in 2020 to \$71 billion in 2022, after two of his companies went public in Hong Kong in 2020. In 2017, e-commerce and global [procurement](#) giant Jeff Bezos was the first to reach \$100 billion since Bill Gates back in 1999. It was Bezos, not Musk, who a few years ago was expected to become the world's first trillionaire, and who now isn't expected to join the club until 2030, some six years after Musk. The volatility of the trillionaire race makes it one to keep an eye on.



BIG GOVERNMENT

Governments have become massive in size and scope since WWII. Much larger than the framers of the US constitution ever imagined or envisages as something Federalism would allow for.

How big is the federal government?

- Two measures are
 - The number of civilian employees at nearly two million and
 - The number of agencies now exceeding 440.
- **These numbers barely hint at their massive meddling into business activities and the personal lives of Americans.**
- **While government was relatively small and less intrusive during its first hundred years, the Constitution held defects.** In part, they resulted from the unavoidable compromises of consensus. The founders knew this, and some had anticipated civil war decades before the first shots were fired. Many other problems emerged during the great expansion of the nineteenth century due to the industrial revolution, the growth of America's land area, and several political

factors, mostly unanticipated. As population grew from about five million in 1800 to more than seventy-six million in 1900, government gained accordingly.

- **It was during the early twentieth century that the government acquired many extra-constitutional powers to intervene in our lives.** This was accompanied by a great expansion of its jurisdiction and cost: new agencies, more government workers, more taxes. To give you a hint of this growth, here is an excerpt from the [Congressional testimony](#) of Doctor Roger Pilon of the Cato Institute in 2005:
- We come, then, to the nub of the matter. **Search the Constitution as you will, you will find no authority for Congress to appropriate and spend federal funds on education, agriculture, disaster relief, retirement programs, housing, healthcare, day care, the arts, public broadcasting—the list is endless.**
- That is what I meant at the outset when I said that most of what the federal government is doing today is unconstitutional because it is **done without constitutional authority**. Reducing that point to its essence, the Constitution says, in effect, that **everything that is not authorized—to the government, by the people, through the Constitution—is forbidden**. Progressives turned that on its head: **Everything that is not forbidden is authorized.**
- Almost fourteen years have elapsed since Doctor Pilon’s testimony. Today, the federal government is far larger and more intrusive, having enlisted the support of Big Tech, Big Pharma, academia, the legacy media, and others. But still, how did the government grow so large?

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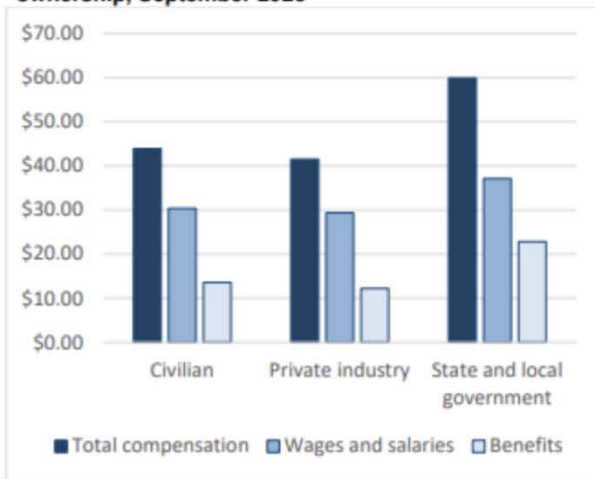
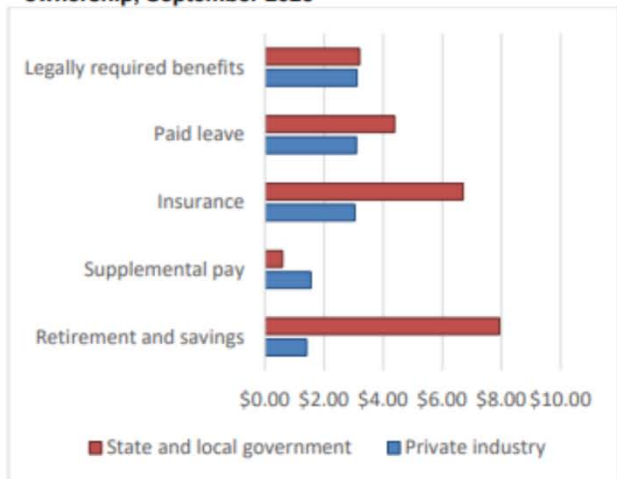


Chart 2. Benefit costs per employee hour worked by ownership, September 2023



September employer costs for employee compensation was 44.2% higher in state and local gov't than private industry w/ benefits being 87.1% higher in gov't; retirement costs are a big driver of benefits discrepancy: 462.4% higher for gov't employees:

- House slaves are always treated best. Uncle Sugar,
- Most new jobs in 2023 were state and local government,
- Government workers should not be allowed to receive a pension. They should be paying into SSI like the rest of the workforce.
- Birds born in a Cage Think Flying is an Illness!

BIG TECH MEDIA

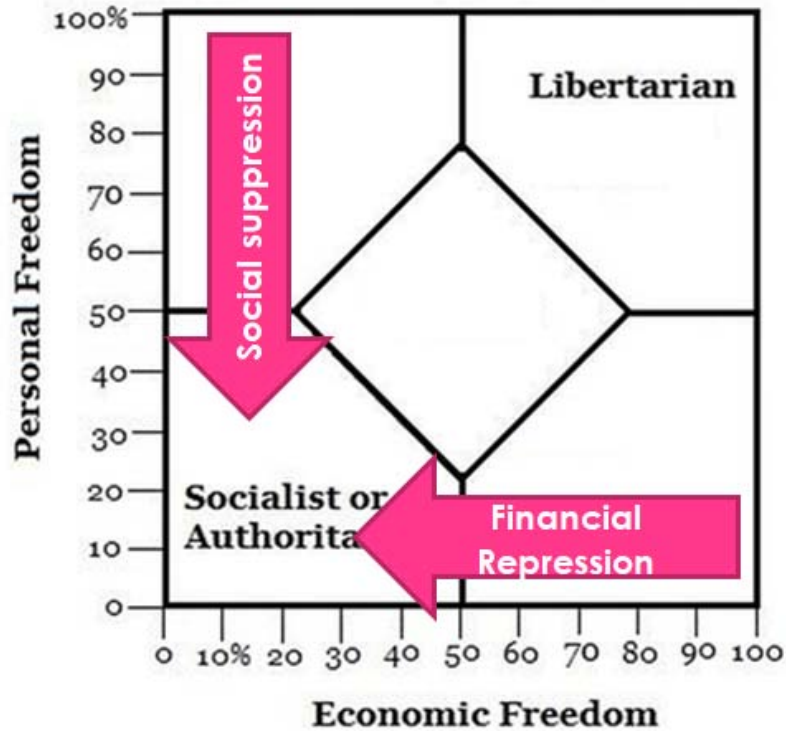
I refer you here to our 2021 Thesis paper “Social Suppression for the scale of power the Big Tech Media and post mainstream media consolidation now exerts.



Controlling Elitism, Fascism & Totalitarianism

[DOWLOAD THESIS PDF \(click here\)](#)

Unprecedented social power and influence

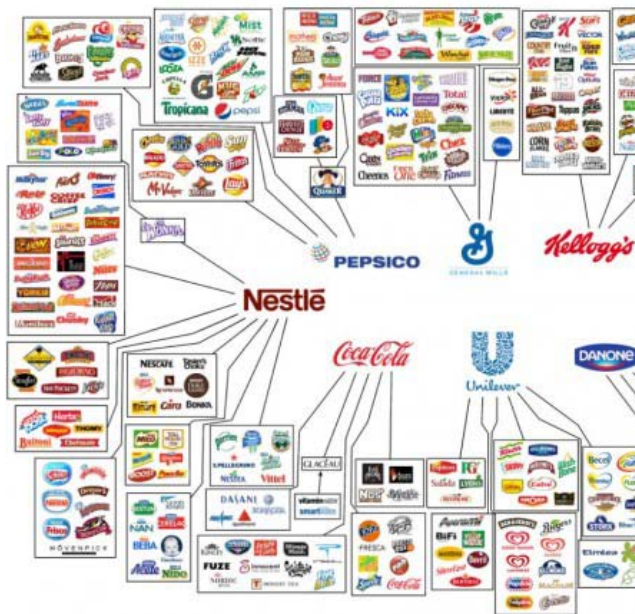


GLOBAL CORPORATIONS

Global Corporations have become so large, powerful and influential that they are almost impossible to control. They work across border that sovereign governments have no domain over. There are few global institutions that exercise even minor control. Global law firms representing them are the only outside agents that have any view inside there true workings.



These corporations owe their allegiance to no country! Their Board of Directors today have directors from all over the world on it representing vast foreign financial interests. I know from personal experience gone are the days where IBM and Motorola are American corporations. Their HQ location zip code is the only difference

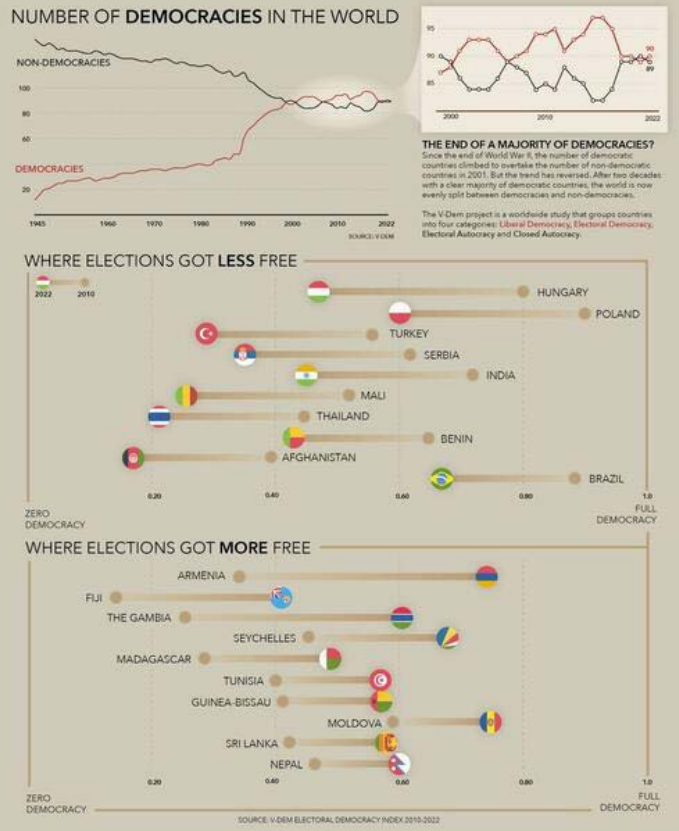


DEMOCRACY IN DECLINE WORLDWIDE

The end of World War II in 1945 was a turning point for democracies around the world.

Before this critical turning point in geopolitics, democracies made up only a small number of the world's countries, both legally and in practice. However, over the course of the next six decades,

DEMOCRACY IN DECLINE



the number of [democratic nations](#) would more than quadruple.

Interestingly, [as Visual Capitalist's Freny Fernandes details below](#), studies have found that this trend has recently reversed as of the 2010s, with democracies and non-democracies now in a deadlock.

In this visualization, Staffan Landin uses data from V-DEM's Electoral Democratic Index ([EDI](#)) to highlight the changing face of global politics over the past two decades and the nations that contributed the most to this change.

The Methodology

V-DEM's EDI attempts to measure democratic development in a comprehensive way, through the contributions of [3,700 experts](#) from countries around the world.

Instead of relying on each nation's [legally recognized system of government](#), the EDI analyzes the level of electoral democracy in countries on a range of indicators, including:

- Free and fair elections
- Rule of law
- Alternative sources of information and association
- Freedom of expression

Countries are assigned a score on a scale from **0 to 1**, with higher scores indicating a higher level of democracy. Each is also categorized into four types of functional government, from [liberal and electoral democracies](#) to electoral and closed autocracies.

Which Countries Have Declined the Most?

The EDI found that numerous countries around the world saw declines in democracy over the past two decades. Here are the 10 countries that saw the steepest decline in EDI score since 2010:

Country	Democracy Index (2010)	Democracy Index (2022)	Points Lost
Hungary	0.80	0.46	-34
Poland	0.89	0.59	-30
Serbia	0.61	0.34	-27
Turkey	0.55	0.28	-27
India	0.71	0.44	-27
Mali	0.51	0.25	-26
Thailand	0.44	0.20	-24
Afghanistan	0.38	0.16	-22
Brazil	0.88	0.66	-22
Benin	0.64	0.42	-22

Central and Eastern Europe was home to three of the countries seeing the largest declines in democracy. **Hungary**, **Poland**, and **Serbia** lead the table, with Hungary and Serbia in particular dropping below scores of 0.5.

Some of the world's largest countries by population also decreased significantly, including **India** and **Brazil**. Across most of the top 10, the "[freedom of expression](#)" indicator was hit particularly hard, with notable increases in media censorship to be found in **Afghanistan** and **Brazil**.

Countries Becoming More Democratic

Here are the 10 countries that saw the largest increase in EDI score since 2010:

Country	Democracy Index (2010)	Democracy Index (2022)	Points Gained
Armenia	0.34	0.74	+40
Fiji	0.14	0.40	+26
The Gambia	0.25	0.50	+25
Seychelles	0.45	0.67	+22
Madagascar	0.28	0.48	+20
Tunisia	0.40	0.56	+16

Country	Democracy Index (2010)	Democracy Index (2022)	Points Gained
Sri Lanka	0.42	0.57	+15
Guinea-Bissau	0.41	0.56	+15
Moldova	0.59	0.74	+15
Nepal	0.46	0.59	+13

Armenia, Fiji, and Seychelles saw significant improvement in the autonomy of their electoral management bodies in the last 10 years. Partially as a result, both Armenia and Seychelles have seen their scores rise above 0.5.

The Gambia also saw great improvement across many election indicators, including the quality of voter registries, vote buying, and election violence. It was one of five [African countries](#) to make the top 10 most improved democracies.

With the total number of democracies and non-democracies almost tied over the past four years, it is hard to predict the political atmosphere in the future.

THE REGULATORY STATE

The Regulatory State is a natural outcome and requirement of the four evolving spheres of Power & Influence.

WHY THE REGULATORY STATE = THE ADMINISTRATION OF CONTROL

FOUR SPHERES OF NEEDED CONTROL

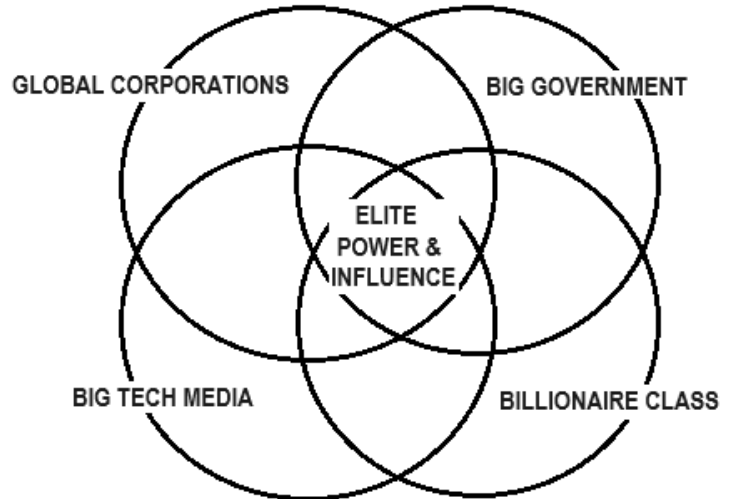
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*Individualism v Complexity (ESG, DEI)

** INCOMETAX/PROPERT TAX/SALES TAX/ GAINS TAX/ LICENSES/FEEES/TOLLS

**INFLATION (A Hidden Government Tax)

EVOLVING SPHERES OF POWER & INFLUENCE



THE OTHER THREE BRANCHES OF GOVERNMENT CAN'T DO THIS BECAUSE OF THE CONSTITUTION WHICH PLACES "WE THE PEOPLE IN CONTROL" – WHERE ALL POWER STEMS FROM THE PEOPLE.

The "DEEP STATE" as it is often referred to facilitates the delivery of new controls required to manage the new "Democratic" system and advance the New World Orders framework.

NOTE: The Billionaire / Trillionaire class increasingly exercise their influence through the purchase of major media assets.

- Why have these Billionaires
- Gates owns MSN
- Bezos owns Washington Post
- Musk owns "X" (formerly Twitter),
- Larry Page and Sergey Brin control Google

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WEST v EAST: COORDINATION & CONTROL

BILDERBERGER GROUP, TRI-LATERAL COMMISSION, CLUB OF ROME: Old versus New Money

Until the last decade Global Geo-political power was exercised through loosely coupled organizations such as the Bilderberger Group, the Tri-Lateral Commission, Council of Foreign Relations, World Bank, International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the Bank of International Settlements (BIS). It was effective as long as the US held dominate influence thought the dollar as the Global Reserve Currency, the 10Y US Treasury Note being the benchmark of risk free debt and the strongest military in the world. That has all changed due to a number of factors including the inevitable shift from a Uni-Polar to Multi-Polar world. We outlined this in our 2018 Thesis Paper: "[A New World Order](#)".

The 2016 Brexit vote the driver and accelerator of crystallizing a shift in the structure of global power to accommodate the changes at hand including the evolution of the Billionaire Class, Big Government and Big Tech Media.

[Secretive Bilderberg Gathering Of Global Elites Kicks Off: See Who's Attending & What They're Discussing](#) Authored by Tom Ozimek via The Epoch Times

- The 69th Bilderberg Meeting, a secretive conclave of global power brokers, has kicked off in Lisbon, Portugal, with issues on the agenda including **transnational threats, artificial intelligence, and America's leadership in world affairs.**
- This year's meeting, the latest in a series that began in 1954, continues to blur the lines between open diplomacy and clandestine elitism as political leaders brush shoulders with industry bigwigs, media barons, and finance tycoons.
 - ***"It's a really high-octane list, leaning heavily into the Russia/Ukraine conflict and the future of NATO,"*** journalist Charlie Skelton, who's in Lisbon to cover this year's event, told The Epoch Times in an emailed statement.
- As usual, the details of their discussions remain obscured by the "Chatham House Rule," a protocol that gives participants the discretion to use the information gleaned from the talks but forbids the identification of speakers or participants, ensuring anonymity.
 - ***"Thanks to the private nature of the Meeting, the participants take part as individuals rather than in any official capacity, and hence are not bound by the conventions of their office or by pre-agreed positions,"*** a Bilderberg Meetings [press release reads](#).
- Among the major topics slated for discussion are artificial intelligence, the banking system, energy transition, and industrial policy and trade.
- Other high-priority issues include the **geopolitical landscapes of Europe, China, India, Russia, and Ukraine, along with NATO and America's global leadership.**
- The topic of **U.S. leadership**, which [last appeared](#) on the Bilderberg agenda in 2018, comes as China and Russia have ramped up their efforts to reduce reliance on the U.S. dollar as the world's pre-eminent reserve currency.

The agenda outlined by the group is as follows:

- AI
- Banking System
- China
- Energy Transition
- Europe
- Fiscal Challenges
- India
- Industrial Policy and Trade
- NATO
- Russia
- Transnational Threats
- Ukraine
- US Leadership

Elites Gather

- The array of globally influential figures [includes](#) NATO Secretary General Jens Stoltenberg, with the dynamics of global security cooperation in sharp focus as the war in Ukraine continues with no end in sight.
- Also on the security front, attending the meeting are Avril Haines, U.S. Director of National Intelligence, and Thomas Wright, senior director for Strategic Planning at the National Security Council.



Avril Haines, head of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI), testifies during a Senate Select Committee on Intelligence hearing about worldwide threats, on Capitol Hill in Washington on April 14, 2021. (Graeme Jennings/Pool/AFP via Getty Images)

- There's no shortage of political leaders, including Roberta Metsola, president of the European Parliament, Mark Rutte, prime minister of the Netherlands, and Finland's outgoing Prime Minister Sanna Marin, who lost an election but continues to serve as part of a caretaker government until a new cabinet is formed.
- **Also attending is Sam Altman, CEO of OpenAI**, the creator of the artificial intelligence chatbot ChatGPT that has grabbed headlines for its potential to replace humans in jobs. Other prominent tech figures include Satya Nadella, CEO of Microsoft, Alex Karp, CEO of Palantir Technologies, and former Google CEO Eric Schmidt.
- Albert Bourla, CEO of Pfizer, is also on the list of participants, as is Thiel Capital founder Peter Thiel, and John Waldron, president of Goldman Sachs.



Pfizer CEO Albert Bourla gestures during a session at the World Economic Forum annual meeting in Davos on May 25, 2022. (Fabrice Coffrini/AFP via Getty Images)

Also in attendance are Didier Reynders, European Commissioner for Justice, Alexander Schallenberg, Austria's Minister for European and International Affairs, and Ukraine Foreign Minister Dmytro Kuleba. Kuleba, notably, has been at the forefront of efforts to bolster Western backing for Ukraine in its conflict with Russia. He recently took part in a meeting of 27 European Union foreign ministers, where he called for the provision of long-range artillery ammunition and the opening of talks for Ukraine's potential accession to the E.U.

While the Bilderberg Meeting is touted as a private, informal gathering devoid of any official capacity, the implications of such a potent concentration of power have been the subject of scrutiny.

"It seems like an awful lot of senior European politicians to be discussing vital topics such as Ukraine, Russia, and NATO, with such senior NATO officials, and with no press oversight and no press conference," Skelton told The Epoch Times.

"The conference seems to be a serious blind spot in the mainstream media. And this blind spot doesn't seem like it's about to clear up any time soon," he added, referring to reluctance on the part of legacy media outlets to cover the Bilderberg Meetings, which have been the subject of various rumors, including that attendees gather to strategize about how to create a new world order.

The secrecy surrounding the meetings has given rise to a number of unproven theories, including that Bilderberg attendees are behind the creation of the European Union or the invasion of Iraq. Below is a comprehensive list of participants of the 69th Bilderberg Meetings.

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- Botín, Ana P. (ESP), *Group Executive Chair, Banco Santander SA*
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- Eriksen, Øyvind (NOR), *President and CEO, Aker ASA*
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[The Club Of Rome: How Climate Hysteria Is Being Used To Create Global Governance](#) Authored by Brandon Smith via Alt-Market.us

- The reality is that the early 1970s was the beginning of the end for the west – it was the moment that our economic foundations were sabotaged and the affluence of the middle class was slowly but surely stolen by inflation
- **In the midst of this economic “malaise,” which Jimmy Carter later referred to as a “crisis of confidence,” the United Nations and associated globalist round table groups were hard at work developing a scheme to convince the population to embrace global centralization of power. Their goals were rather direct.**
- They wanted:
 - A rationale for governmental control of human population numbers.
 - The power to limit industry.

- The power to control energy production and dictate energy sources.
- The power to control or limit food production and agriculture.
- The ability to micromanage individuals lives in the name of some later defined “greater good.”
- A socialized society in which the individual right to property is abandoned.
- A one-world economic system which they would manage.
- A one-world currency system.
- A one-world government managing a handful of separate regions.
- One of the most revealing quotes on the agenda comes from Clinton Administration Deputy Secretary of State Strobe Talbot, who [stated in Time magazine](#) that:
 - ***“In the next century, nations as we know it will be obsolete; all states will recognize a single, global authority... National sovereignty wasn’t such a great idea after all.”***
- To understand how the agenda functions, I offer a quote from globalist Council on Foreign Relations member Richard Gardner in an article in Foreign Affairs Magazine in 1974 titled [‘The Hard Road To World Order’](#):
 - ***“In short, the “house of world order” will have to be built from the bottom up rather than from the top down. It will look like a great “booming, buzzing confusion,” to use William James’ famous description of reality, but an end run around national sovereignty, eroding it piece by piece, will accomplish much more than the old-fashioned frontal assault.”***
- In other words, the globalists knew that incrementalism would be the only way to achieve a one-world power structure that OPENLY governs, rather than hiding the rule of elitists behind clandestine organizations and puppet politicians. They want a global empire in which they become the anointed “Philosopher Kings” described in Plato’s Republic. Their narcissistic egos cannot help but crave the adoration of the masses they secretly hate.
- But even with incrementalism, they know eventually the public will figure out the plan and seek to resist as our freedoms are eroded. Establishing an empire is one thing; keeping it is another. How could the globalists come out of their authoritarian closet, eliminate individual freedoms and rule the world without a rebellion that ultimately destroys them?
- **The only way such a plan would work is if the people, the peasants in this empire, EMBRACE their own slavery. The public would have to be made to view slavery as a matter of solemn duty and survival, not just for themselves but for the entire species. That way, if anyone rebels they would be seen as a monster by the hive. They would be placing the whole collective in danger by defying the power structure.**
- **Thus, the globalists win. Not just for today, they win forever because there would no longer be anyone left to oppose them.**
- We got a big taste of this brand of psychological warfare during the pandemic scare, in which all of us were told that a virus with a tiny Infection Fatality Rate of 0.23% was enough to erase a majority of our human rights. Luckily, a large enough group of people stood up and fought back against the mandates and passports. That said, there is a much larger “greater good” agenda at play that the globalists plan to exploit, namely the so-called “climate crisis.”
- **To be clear, there is ZERO evidence of a climate crisis caused by man-made carbon emissions or “greenhouse” gas emissions.** There are no weather events that are out of the ordinary in terms of Earth’s historic climate timeline. There is no evidence to support “tipping point” theories on temperatures. And, the Earth’s temps have risen less than 1°C in 100 years. The official temperature record only goes back to the 1880s, and this narrow timeline is what UN and government funded climate scientists use as a reference point for their claims.
- I explain why this is fraudulent science in my article [‘The Gas Stove Scare Is A Fraud Created By Climate Change Authoritarians.’](#) **The point is, the UN has been promoting hysteria over a fake doomsday climate scenario, just like the WEF and WHO promoted hysteria and fear over a non-threat like covid. And, it all began back in the early 1970s with a group tied to the UN called The Club of Rome.**



- The globalists have been scheming to use environmentalism as an excuse for centralization since at least 1972 when the Club Of Rome published a treatise titled **'The Limits Of Growth'**. Funding a limited study of industry and resources in a joint project with MIT, the findings appeared to be scripted well ahead of time – The end of the planet was nigh unless nations and individuals sacrificed their sovereignty. How convenient for the globalists bankrolling the study...
- Twenty years later they would publish a book titled ['The First Global Revolution.'](#) In that document they specifically discuss using global warming as a vehicle to form supranational governance:
 - ***"In searching for a common enemy against whom we can unite, we came up with the idea that pollution, the threat of global warming, water shortages, famine and the like, would fit the bill. In their totality and their interactions these phenomena do constitute a common threat which must be confronted by everyone together. But in designating these dangers as the enemy, we fall into the trap, which we have already warned readers about, namely mistaking symptoms for causes. All these dangers are caused by human intervention in natural processes, and it is only through changed attitudes and behavior that they can be overcome. The real enemy then is humanity itself."***
- By making humanity's very existence the great threat, the globalists intended to unify the public around the idea of keeping themselves in check. That is to say, the public would have to sacrifice their freedoms and submit to control in the belief that the human species is too dangerous to be allowed liberty.
- The following news special from the Australian Public Broadcasting Service was aired in 1973, not long after the Club Of Rome was founded. It is surprisingly blunt about the purposes of the organization:
- What can we derive from this broadcast and its message? The globalists want two specific outcomes most of all.
 - They want the end of national sovereignty and
 - The end of private property through socially incentivised minimalism.
- The exact same objectives the Club Of Rome outlined in the 1970s are the driving policies of the UN and the World Economic Forum today.
- The "sharing economy" concept that Klaus Schwab and the WEF often proudly promotes was not thought up by them, it was thought up by the Club Of Rome 50 years ago.
- **It's a self fulfilling prophecy: They spend half a century inventing a crisis, drum up public terror, and then offer the very solutions they wanted to enforce decades ago.**
- In the end, the climate agenda has nothing to do with environmentalism and everything to do with economics. The plan began in the midst of a very real stagflationary crisis, a moment when the middle class populace was most afraid for the future and prices were rising rapidly. This crisis was not caused by the scarcity of resources, it was caused by the mismanagement of the financial system. It's not a coincidence that the culmination of the global warming scheme is taking place today just as another stagflation disaster is upon us.
- The Club of Rome is now a shell of its former glory filled with silly hippies, most likely because the **UN and other globalist think-tanks have taken on the role the group used to play.** However, the shadow of the original Club is ever present and its strategy of climate fear-mongering is being wielded right now to justify increasing government suppression of energy and agriculture.
- **If they are not stopped by the public, totalitarian carbon mandates will become the norm.** The next generation, living in engineered poverty, will be taught from early childhood that the globalists "saved the world" from a calamity that never really existed. They will be told that the enslavement of humanity is something to be proud of, a gift that keeps the species alive, and anyone who questions that slavery is a selfish villain that wants the destruction of the planet.

[Rickards: Globalist Elites Fear You](#) Authored by James Rickards via DailyReckoning.com

LOSSING CONTROL CORE PILLARS: "GLOBALIZATION", "FINANCIALIZATION" AND MERCANTILISM

- **When the U.K. voted for Brexit in June 2016, the globalists were stunned.** They couldn't believe it. **They then did everything they could to delay and fight Brexit.**
- **When Donald Trump won the election as president in November 2016, the globalists were even more stunned.** They went into complete denial and put their heads in the sand. They comforted themselves with the convenient myth that Russian interference lost them the election, not a popular rejection of their ideology.
- **Yet it kept getting worse for globalists.** Both China and Russia became more nationalistic and completely turned their backs on globalism.

- The war in Ukraine has only intensified that trend.
- The pandemic only strengthened the trend away from globalism, and the ongoing supply chain issues we've been seeing expose globalism's fragile underbelly.
- These chains may be efficient and economical, but when they break down, it has a rippling effect on the global economy. It's like pulling on one strand on a carpet. The entire thing is affected.

FREE TRADE IS A MYTH

- **Globalists worship at the altar of free trade. But free trade is a myth. It doesn't exist outside classrooms.** France subsidizes agriculture. The U.S. subsidizes electric vehicles. China subsidizes a long list of national champions with government contracts, cheap loans and currency manipulation.
- Every major economy subsidizes one or more sectors using fiscal and monetary tools and tariffs and nontariff barriers to trade.
- America grew rich and powerful from 1787–1962, a period of 175 years, using tariffs, subsidies and other barriers to trade to nurture domestic industry and protect high-paying manufacturing jobs.
- **In fact, tariffs are as American as apple pie.**
- Beginning in 1962, the U.S. turned its back on a successful legacy of protecting its jobs and industry and embraced the free trade theory. This was done first through the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, or GATT, one of the original Bretton Woods institutions in addition to the World Bank and IMF.
- Against the mercantilist system was a theory of free trade based on comparative advantage as advocated by British economist David Ricardo in the early 19th century. Ricardo's theory said that trading nations are endowed with attributes that gave them a relative advantage in producing certain goods versus others.
- These attributes could consist of natural resources, climate, population, river systems, education, ports, financial capacity or any other factor of production. Nations should produce those goods as to which they have a natural advantage and trade with other nations for goods where the advantage was not so great.
- Countries should specialize in what they do best, and let others also specialize in what they do best. Then countries could simply trade the goods they make for the goods made by others. All sides would be better off because prices would be lower as a result of specialization in those goods where you have a natural advantage.

BREAKDOWN OF "COMPARABLE ADVANTAGE"

- It's a nice theory often summed up in the idea that Tom Brady should not mow his own lawn because it makes more sense to pay a landscaper while he practices football.
- For example, if the U.K. had an advantage in textile production and Portugal had an advantage in wine production, then the U.K. and Portugal should trade wool for wine. But if the theory of comparative advantage were true, Japan would still be exporting tuna fish instead of cars, computers, TVs, steel and much more.
- The problem with the theory of comparative advantage is that the factors of production are not permanent and they are not immobile.
- If labor moves from the countryside to the city in China, then suddenly China has a comparative advantage in cheap labor. If finance capital moves from New York banks to direct foreign investment in Chinese factories, then China has the comparative advantage in capital also.
- Before long, China has the advantage in labor and capital and is running huge trade surpluses with the U.S., putting Americans out of work and shutting down U.S. factories in the process.
- **Worse yet, countries such as China can pull comparative advantage out of thin air with government subsidies.**
- We've been living in a world where the U.S. has been a free trade sucker and everyone else breaks the rules. In a world where a few parties are free traders but most are mercantilists, the mercantilists win every time. They are like parasites sucking the free traders dry.

GLOBALIZATION REQUIRED AT ALL COST

- **But to globalists, the moral arc of the universe bends in one direction, and that's toward increasing globalization.**
- **Populism and protectionism are therefore moral evils that must be condemned.**

- But **globalists have slowly realized that the nationalist trend is not an anomaly but a powerful force that is reversing globalist policies that have been ascendant since 1989, or even since the end of World War II, when institutions like the IMF and World Bank were established to promote globalist goals.**
- But right now, free trade is on the ropes, currency wars are rampant, there's an actual war in Eastern Europe and geopolitical hotspots like Taiwan are becoming more dangerous. **What happened to globalism?**
- The globalist-in-chief is Columbia University academic Jeffrey D. Sachs. He led the charge for "market" solutions in Russia in the 1990s, which backfired into a takeover by oligarchs and the rise of Putin.
- He also led the charge for "opening" China in the early 2000s, which led to the rise of Xi Jinping and the strongest form of Communism since the death of Mao Zedong.
- **Is Sachs willing to admit any mistakes? No. Like most globalists who are too arrogant to question their own worldviews and assumptions, Sachs instead says the problem is democracy itself.**
- Essentially, Sachs wants to abandon traditional voting in the U.S. and U.K. to create a system more favorable to globalists. Sure, you can let voters choose center-right candidate x or center-left candidate y, who might be 10% apart on many issues. Neither of them will really rock the boat and have no fundamental disagreement with globalism in general.

GLOBALISTS MUST CIRCUMVENT POPULIST VOTING

- As far as globalists are concerned, voters cannot be trusted to vote on fundamental issues like Brexit. They also can't be trusted to vote against presidential candidates like Trump. Such decisions should be beyond democratic control, globalists believe.
- **In fact, *Time* magazine ran an article gloating about how corporate and media elites essentially conspired to prevent Trump from winning the 2020 election.**
- Media refusal to cover the Hunter Biden laptop scandal was just one example. Former intelligence officials joined in by claiming it bore all the trademarks of "Russian disinformation." Of course, we all know the laptop was real. But they wouldn't allow it to influence the election.
- **Meanwhile, recent disclosures by Twitter revealed the extent to which the company worked with the federal government to censor viewpoints they didn't like.**
- The bottom line is, when elites don't like the potential outcome, just change the rules.

THE TROJAN HORSE: CLIMATE CHANGE

- The Climate Change Trojan Horse
- Another issue that unites globalists is climate change. Globalists argue that climate change is too important to trust to voters in individual countries. Climate change is the perfect cover for globalism because combating it requires an internationally coordinated policy run by elites.
- **Their real agenda is to define a "global problem" so they can advance "global solutions" such as:**
 - World Governance, w
 - World Taxation and w
 - World Rule by Elites.
- **It doesn't matter that the actual science behind hysterical climate alarmism is extremely weak.**
- Unfortunately, the media, corporations, governments and international organizations are run mostly by globalists, and many of them are working hard to silence dissent.
- We're in a Brave New World.

**FEAR IS USED FOR CONTROL &
 ADVANCEMENT OF GOVERNMENT EDICTS
 War on Terror
 Climate Change Crisis
 Losing Democracy (a vote for Trump
 Insured this)**



THE NEW WORLD OF BILLIONAIRES – No Longer Just the Purview of the Rothschild's

- [How The Billionaire Elite Manipulate The World](#) -- *Raymond Ibrahim*, author of [Defenders of the West](#) and [Sword and Scimitar](#) is the Distinguished Senior Shillman Fellow at the Gatestone Institute and the Judith Rosen Friedman Fellow at the Middle East Forum.
 - Herland -- a historian of religions and founder of [The Herland Report](#) -- traces all the world's major problems back to the billionaire elite and their use of Marxist repression and social engineering.
 - From a macro-historic perspective, the West is slowly regressing, and the ultra-rich are becoming "the globalist version of feudal lords, as the new Western slave class emerges beneath them."
 - Six corporations control 90% of all U.S. media.
 - As for the political arena, the "richest 0.01% have accounted for 40% of all campaign contributions through corporate donations."
 - In short, "These mastodon private companies completely dominate our way of life, what we eat, drink, watch on TV, what we wear, and who we vote for."
 - Little wonder that, no matter what happens in the world, and no matter how such developments are detrimental to the average person, the ultra-rich tend to only get richer.
 - "82% of all wealth generated in 2017 went to the richest 1% among us, while the poorest world population of 3.7 billion saw no increase in wealth."

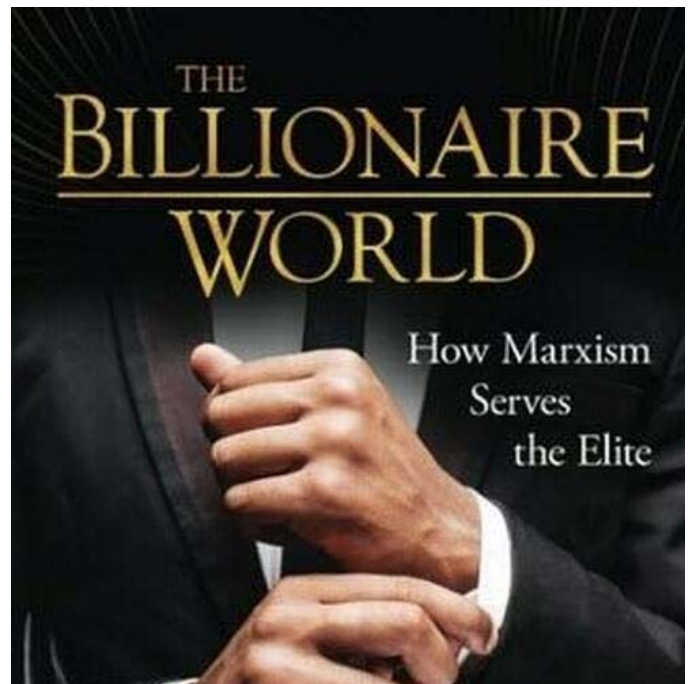
How this lamentable state of affairs did come to pass in the first place? Marxism -- in its myriad forms and iterations -- is Herland's answer.

Since the 1960s, beginning with the "free sex and drugs" movement, Marxism, especially in the guise of godless materialism, has wormed its way into Western culture, poisoning, corrupting and destroying everything that originally made the West great, and therefore making it ripe for the most powerful -- meaning the richest -- to manipulate and control. Writes Herland,

The Marxist attack on historic Western values has weakened the very core of our culture, destroyed social stability and the family, quenched free speech and silenced the people -- and thereby removed the obstacles for the billionaire class to gain centralized control... The combination of strong private corporations coupled with political socialist ideologies has pushed for a radical groupthink model in which the population is expected to agree with the consensus -- not unlike that which we witnessed during National Socialism in Germany before and during World War II."

Marxism is especially apt at exploiting any environment where freedom and liberty erode and are replaced with groupthink. In the words of Vladimir Lenin:

We must be ready to employ trickery, deceit, law-breaking, withholding and concealing truth... We can and must write in a language which sows among the masses hate, revulsion and scorn towards those who disagree with us.



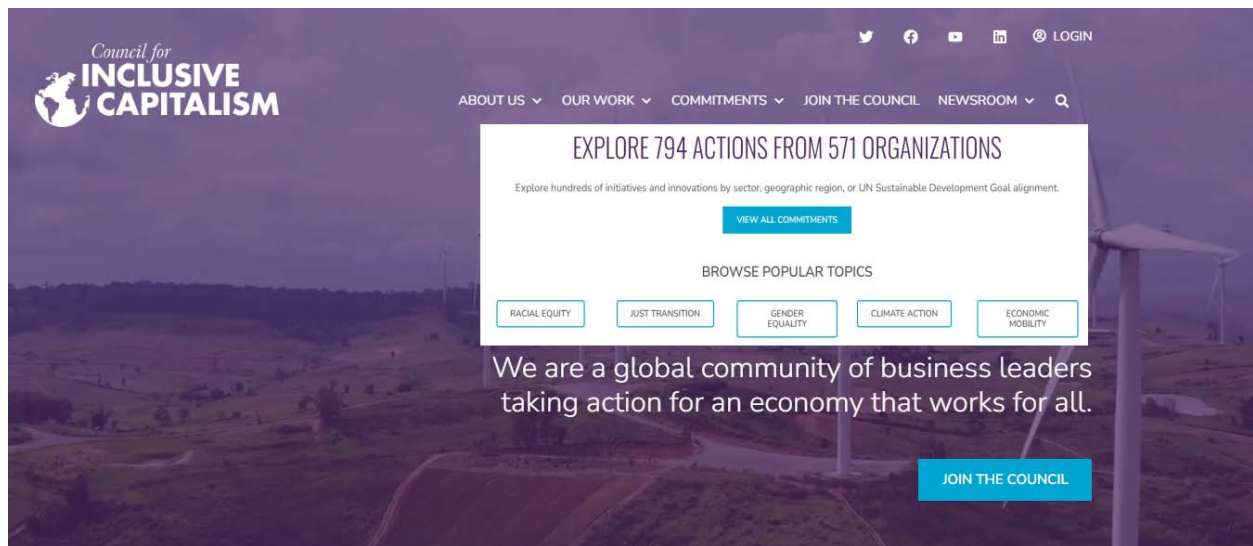
It needs no great expounding to say that these tactics dominate all social and political discourse today -- more than a century after they were first written down.

There is much more to recommend Herland's Billionaire World. Almost every pressing topic -- including the politicization of science, the rise of (openly Marxist) groups such as Black Lives Matter (BLM), the global persecution of Christians, the stoking of racial tensions, and the rewriting of history -- is connected to the overlooked role of the billionaire elites and their self-serving agendas.

COUNCIL FOR INCLUSIVE CAPITALISM – The Global Coordination of Major Corporations and Government

COUNCIL FOR INCLUSIVE CAPITALISM

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- [Rothschild Wants Merger Between Corporations, Governments, & AI To "Save Capitalism"](#)
 Authored by Brandon Smith via Alt-Market.us
 - [The "Council For Inclusive Capitalism"](#) - The basic root function of the council is to centralize most or all major corporations (corporations with global influence) and join them with governments into a network that places ideology over profit motive.
 - [The CIC](#) is a physical body representing the action arm of the ESG concept. It is meant to create incentives and punishments for the business world based on their compliance with the values of globalism and woke socialism, as well as their submission to the climate agenda.
 - It is the perfect shadow government; a technocratic Wizard of OZ using the smoke and mirrors of an AI puppet to rule the planet, removing all accountability and displacing all rebellion.

The idea is simple: Bring the majority of corporations into line with the far-left political order. Once this is done, they will force those companies to use their platforms and public exposure to indoctrinate the masses. We have seen this strategy in action over the past several years, with many companies producing a steady stream of products, media content and marketing rife with Diversity, Equity and Inclusion propoganda, not to mention anti-west and anti-conservative propoganda.

These corporations have been so ingrained into the DEI and ESG format that many of them are willing to alienate the majority of their customers and lose vast profits. The last vestiges of free market economics are thus destroyed, because the profit motive has been replaced with a political motive.

Why would companies choose to join with such an organization if they are going to be constantly micromanaged in their operations? It may not be presented to them as a choice, but rather an inevitable requirement. Those who get in on the ground floor get the best seats at the cabal's table; those who join late might be crushed under the weight of an oppressive socialist bureaucracy. Then again, the choice could also be voluntary with the promise that corporate leaders will be given extensive governance roles after the "Great Reset" of capitalism which the World Economic Forum discusses so often.

Keep in mind that the only way such companies would be able to survive after being shunned by the majority of the public is if they join with governments, are handed a state sponsored monopoly and are supported by perpetual subsidies. They might even be operating under the assumption that as long as they continue to serve the woke religion they will eventually be rewarded with "too woke to fail" status.

Mussolini once defined the meeting of corporate power with government power as the original design for fascism. The Council for Inclusive Capitalism is the living breathing expression of that authoritarian seed.

The group is headed by Lady Lynn de Rothschild of the notorious Rothschild dynasty, and has expanded to include an army of corporate partners, government partners, UN partners and even the Vatican. A key component to the globalist agenda that is mentioned frequently is Artificial Intelligence (AI), along with its supposed ability to upend everything in our society and economy forever. While the abilities of AI are highly overrated, the elites seem to think it's some kind of godlike apparatus that will remake the world. Lady Rothschild engaged with the media recently to promote an interesting and revealing argument:

Surprisingly, Rothschild meets some resistance from her interviewers which forces her to make an indirect admission: **AI will require a "root and branch reform of the economy," meaning, free markets have to go and government/corporate partners will have to step in to control everything, for the sake of the populace and the "greater good", of course.**

Except it's all a sham.

AI, much like climate change, is quickly becoming yet another fabricated excuse for global centralization. The CIC along with institutions like the WEF and the UN have been asserting for the past few years that "someone" needs to step in to moderate AI so that no single government abuses its apparently unlimited power. In other words: Problem, Reaction, Solution.

The globalists create a problem out of thin air (AI), then suggest it is a much greater boon (or threat) to humanity than it actually is, then they offer their services as fair and benevolent arbiters of the technology and its effects. Rothschild suggests it herself in the interview when she claims that "capitalists" will have to adjust their priorities over to social causes in the wake of AI. As I stated before, it's just ESG in another form.

I would point out the tone of disdain in Rothschild's reaction when free markets are brought into the debate. These people HATE any notion of free markets. Adam Smith's system was drafted in direct response to the trespasses of mercantilist control. The two constructs are mutually exclusive. You cannot have free markets (or freedom) within a centralized mercantilist empire. You cannot have free markets and socialism within the same economy. And to be clear, the system we have in the US today is NOT a free market system, it is former free market system slowly undermined over time.

Free markets are already fair. Corporate elites interfere with that fairness when they join with governments to rig the system in their favor and gain undue advantages. The inequities Rothschild describes as an excuse for centralization were in fact created by elites like her. The CIC and the Great Reset agenda are nothing more than tools to entrench corporate and elitist power forever.

They get to decide which companies thrive or die. They get to decide the social values of the next century. They get to dictate how the world's resources are utilized and who is allowed access to them. And, governments will ensure that they are protected from the rage of the people should the public become wise to their hostile takeover.

The most insulting part? **Anyone who criticizes or attacks this ideological invasion of our economic life will be accused of being a monster.** After all, the CIC just wants to save humanity from itself, right? If you want to stop them, you must be some kind of selfish villain that values individual freedom over the common good.

The bigger question that the globalists don't want us to ask, though, is what makes them qualified to determine the common good? Why is it assumed that they should be the arbiters of everything? Even the stagflation crisis we are facing today is a direct result of governments and central banks stepping in with trillions in fiat money to save the "too big to fail" corporations from their own disastrous practices. Why should we trust them with our social welfare, or anything else for that matter?

The globalists will respond to this argument with AI. They will say that AI is the ultimate “objective” mediator because it has no emotional or political loyalties. They will assert that AI must become the de facto decision making apparatus for human civilization. And now you see why Rothschild is so anxious to spearhead the creation of a global regulatory framework for AI – Whoever controls the functions of AI, whoever programs the software, eventually controls the world, all while using AI as a proxy. If anything goes wrong, they can simply say that it was AI that made the decision, not them.

It is the perfect shadow government; a technocratic Wizard of OZ using the smoke and mirrors of an AI puppet to rule the planet, removing all accountability and displacing all rebellion. For how can the populace argue with or revolt against a faceless algorithm floating in the digital ether?

MORE READING

- [What Is The “Council For Inclusive Capitalism?” It’s The New World Order](#)
 - The “NWO” has since changed names multiple times as the public grows increasingly wise to the conspiracy. It’s been called the Multilateral World Order, the 4th Industrial Revolution, the “Great Reset,” etc. The names change but the meaning is always the same.
- [When Did Governments Become So Ridiculous?](#) Authored by Jeffrey Tucker via The Epoch Times
 - The reputation of most governments in the world is utterly shot, probably for a generation or two.

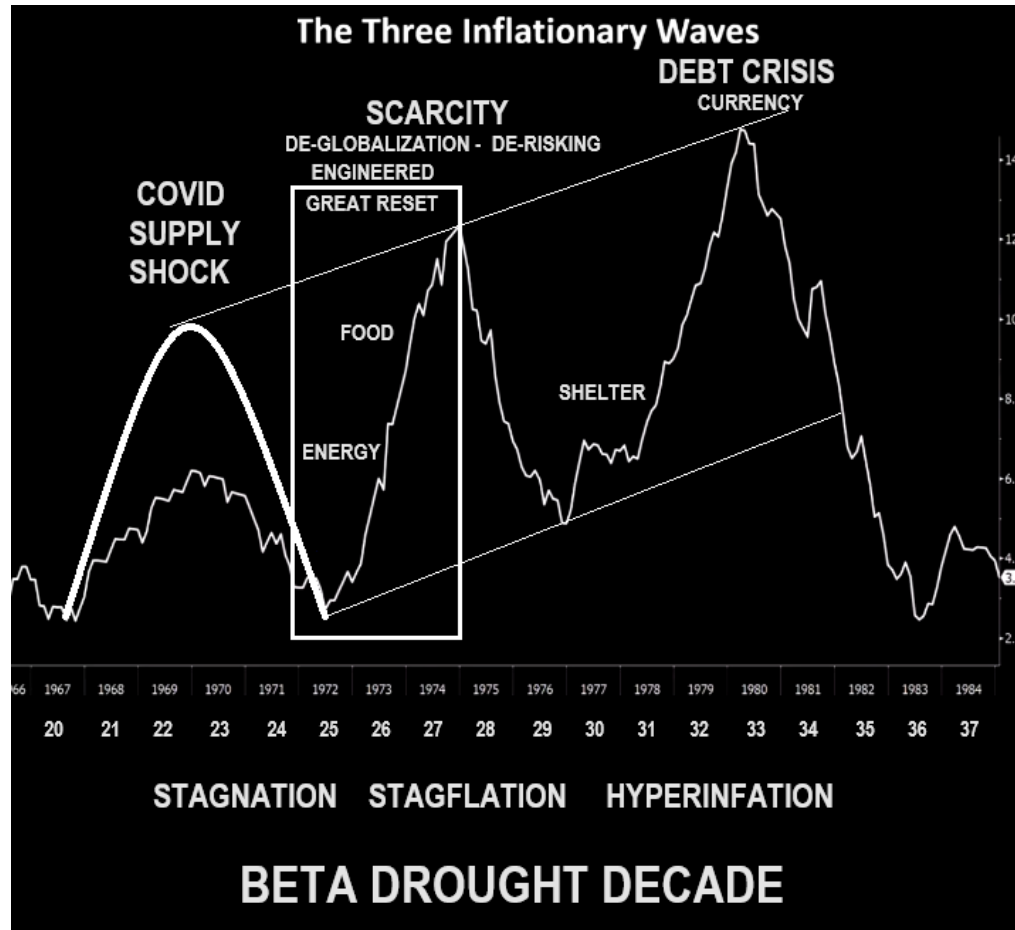
WORLD ECONOMIC FORUM (DAVOS): The Globalists CEOs & The Great Reset

- [The Great Famine Reset: You Will Own Nothing and You Will Be Starving](#) Authored by Augusto Zimmermann and John Hartnett via The Epoch Times,
 - By all appearances, the WEF is the most powerful organization in the world. For decades, it has been at the centre of bringing together the world’s richest and most powerful in business and politics, becoming the driving force in the world, especially after COVID-19.



- In July 2020, Mr. Schwab co-authored and published a book entitled “COVID-19: The Great Reset.” With this publication, he sought to identify the weaknesses of the present economic system, which, according to him, were exposed by the alleged pandemic.
- **Mr. Schwab’s WEF considers COVID-19 as a “rare but narrow window of opportunity” to reset the global economy.**
- **“You will own nothing, and you will be happy.”** This confronting statement emanates from the World Economic Forum (WEF), a non-governmental organization established in 1971 by Klaus Schwab.

**THE GREAT RESET: COVID MAY HAVE JUST HAPPENED,
BUT THE GLOBAL ENERGY AND FOOD CRISIS IS ENGINEERED**



- This involves the elimination of national borders and the removal of property rights and, indeed, any other individual right from the rest of us.
- In what is perhaps even more remarkable, the Great Reset also involves changing human beings.
- According to political economist and financial journalist [James Gorrie](#), one of WEF's people, professor and author Yuval Noah Harari declared that the era of people's free will is "over," with humans being merely "hackable animals."
- Above all, **the primary goal of the Great Reset is to restructure the entire world into a top-down dictatorship that is ruled by the global oligarchy.**
- **"COVID-19 restrictions and measures to tackle climate change were pillars of the Great Reset initiative aimed to remake global capitalism, leading ultimately to tyrannical control over societies,"** [says](#) climate journalist and formal political aide Marc Morano.
- If there is anything COVID-19 has taught us is that many governments are not working for the people.
- To the contrary, these governments are following the script of the WEF's Great Reset, which "is tied to the climate change and the green new deal policies pushed in the United States, Europe and some other countries as well as the United Nations' climate agenda and net-zero initiative."

JEOPARDIZING FOOD SECURITY

- It involves Jeopardizing Food Security to Lower Emissions
- These oligarchical plans to compromise food security and destroy property rights are well underway in many countries around the globe.
- Take, for instance, the example of the Netherlands. A tiny country in terms of land and population, this country is nevertheless the second largest food exporter in the world.

- And yet, this is all coming soon to an end due to governmental policies that effectively blame them for “high greenhouse emissions,” despite the nation contributing only 5.2 percent of all the EU emissions.
- It is estimated that up to 3,000 farmers could have to close down their productive farms in that country.
- Writing for [The Spectator Australia](#), Xin Du comments:
 - ***“The Dutch policies are particularly puzzling, as Dutch farmers are among the most efficient in the world ... It is, therefore, mind-boggling that the Dutch government and the EU would want to uproot this industry rather than to promote and emulate it in a world that is running out of food.”***
 - Unfortunately, the Dutch government is not alone in targeting their farmers. Many countries, including Canada, Germany, and Sri Lanka, are following a similar agenda to undermine the agricultural sector by reducing nitrogen in the environment by at least 30 percent.
 - Joshua Phillip, an investigative reporter and recognized expert on asymmetrical hybrid warfare, [says](#) “nitrogen reduction policies and chemical fertilizer trends in the majority of countries around the world will lead to food shortages, like what happened in Sri Lanka recently.”
- The global warming alarmists claim nitrous oxide is a greenhouse gas, and we must stop meat production to reduce it. This is just another scam.
- **In the United States, farmers already cannot find enough chemical nitrogen fertilizer to grow their crops. The WEF recommendation to “build back better” has been adopted in the United States as a “climate change policy.”**
- Under the Biden administration, this, too, has led to the collapse of the current energy system in order to lower carbon dioxide emissions.
- The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) recently released a disturbing report that essentially warns the American public about inevitable food shortages.
- The threat of food shortage in that country has been further aggravated by governmental policies that result in rising interest rates, price inflation, and excessive environmental regulations that, when combined, create very serious problems for that nation’s agrarian and livestock sectors.

GLOBAL POPULATION

- It is the WEF’s propaganda of overpopulation and environmental damage that leads governments to implement such rash insane policies.
- How is that going to affect global food supplies? Not very well, we suspect. How do we reduce the global demand for resources and limit environmental damage? Depopulate the world of humans.
- **We are constantly told that there are too many people on this planet and it can’t support everyone.**
- The WEF has set about implementing an agenda of dramatic depopulation of the world. This has been the program of the Club of Rome, an oligarchical think-tank, as far back as 1972 when its members were concerned with global resources and overpopulation.
- Renowned primatologist Jane Goodall [said](#) at the WEF in 2020:
 - ***“All these [environmental] things we talk about wouldn’t be a problem if the world was the size of the population that there was 500 years ago.”***
- In 1600, the world population is estimated to have been 500 to 580 million. That means 94 percent fewer humans in the world!
- **We are meant to believe that reducing the world’s population to 500 million will relieve the environment of the stress on both resources and environmental damage.**
- But the reduction of the human population can be done and has been done through wars.
- **In World War I, 21.5 million died of which 13 million were civilians. The civilian deaths were largely caused by starvation, exposure, disease, military encounters, and massacres. In World War II, 40-50 million died, the largest of any war.**
- Then there were the [massacres by the communists](#). For example, Joseph Stalin’s Bolsheviks killed 40-60 million in the former Soviet Union, and Mao Zedong’s communist regime killed 65-78 million in China.
- The war in Ukraine, coupled with the West’s economic sanctions, has put the world’s food security at tremendous risk. These sanctions aim to punish Russia for its invasion of Ukraine. However, they are causing a serious danger to the world’s ability to feed itself.

- In the worst-case scenario, [says](#) Chris Barrett, an agricultural economist at Cornell University, **“we are going to see tens of millions of people suddenly facing famine.”**

CONTROL THE MONEY

- We are presently experiencing an asymmetric war, some kinetic (NATO/Ukraine vs. Russia) but primarily a silent war where food shortages are engineered. This is achieved through shutting down production by driving farmers from the land, banning live animal exports, and disrupting supply lines, as we saw in the “pandemic” years.
- **But probably the greatest driver of famine is none of the above. It is the supply of currency and credit.**
- Control the food supply, and you control the people. But control the money supply, and you control the whole world.
- Of course, controlling the money supply also directly affects the food supply.
- It goes without saying that since 2008, the world-dominating U.S. Federal Reserve has been “printing money” like never before. Currently, the amount is already 2.3 times larger (in the same dollar terms) than was “printed” during and after World War II. And there is no sign of stopping.
- **Since the U.S. dollar is the global reserve currency, either hyperinflation will result and/or a total global economic collapse will ensue. Either way, it doesn’t matter; the global famine will accelerate. It is inevitable.**
- We need to wake up to the tactics of the global oligarchs and resist all efforts to impose their objectives on us.
- We must stop also the woke depopulation agenda and put an end to the WEF’s ungodly neofascist agenda before it is too late.
- **Otherwise, paraphrasing WEF’s statement, you will own nothing, and you will be starving!**

[Globalists Suggest "Finance Shock" And Climate Controls To Launch Their Great Reset](#) Authored by Brandon Smith via Alt-Market.us,

Billed as : *“...a giant leap towards global justice”*

- **At the end of June 2023 government leaders and think-tank power brokers from around the world met at the [Summit for a New Global Financing Pact in Paris](#).** Participants included
 - United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres,
 - US Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen,
 - IMF Managing Director Kristalina Georgieva and
 - World Bank President Ajay Banga.

SUMMIT FOR A NEW GLOBAL FINANCING PACT – Paris, June 2023

- **Globalists are now combining the climate change issue with international finance and monetary authority.** In other words, they aren’t hiding the fact that **the climate change agenda is part of the “Great Reset” agenda** anymore. They are even suggesting that the threat of climate change be used as a springboard for **giving global banks more power to dictate the circulation of wealth and for deconstructing the existing system so it can be replaced with something else.**
- The supposed purpose of the summit was to find financial solutions to the goals of tackling poverty while simultaneously



- curbing “planet-heating emissions.”** As with all climate change related events the discussion in Paris inevitably turned to international centralization of power and the formation of a global consortium to fix the problems that they claim sovereign nations cannot or will not fix.
- What we are seeing more and more in the past couple years is **a convergence of narratives** – Central banks and international banks are now suddenly more concerned with carbon taxation and global warming than they seem to be concerned with stagflation and economic collapse. Likely because this was the goal all along and economic collapse is part of the plan.
 - French President Emmanuel Macron [told delegates at the Paris summit](#) that *“the world needs a public finance shock”* to fight global warming while also creating “equity” for less wealthy nations. He also argued that **the current system was not well suited to address the world’s challenges.**
 - UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres: *“50 Nations now in or near Debt Default”*
 - *“Many African nations spending more on debt repayment than on healthcare”,*
 - *“Global Financial System conceived at the end of WWII was failing to rise to modern challenges and now perpetuates and worsens inequalities”,*
 - Guterres proposed a stimulus of \$500bn a year for investments in sustainable development and climate action.
 - *“COVID-19 restrictions and measures to tackle climate change are pillars of the Great Reset initiative aimed to remake global capitalism, leading ultimately to tyrannical control over societies”*
 - A UN expert group said **developing and emerging economies excluding China would need to spend about \$2.4 trillion a year on climate and development by 2030.**
 - **Other ideas on the table include taxation on fossil fuel profits and financial transactions to raise climate funds.**
 - This is obviously nonsense, but it fits with the narrative programming that globalists are trying to engineer by linking economic decline to climate change. In reality, there is ZERO evidence that global weather events are any worse today than they were over a hundred years ago before carbon producing industries were widespread. There is no proven connection between carbon emissions and any specific weather phenomenon. The claim is a fraud. There is no man-made climate crisis, as [I have outlined](#) and evidenced [in previous articles](#).
 - But how **many people will be fooled into thinking that there is a climate crisis, and what can that hysterical fear be exploited for?**
 - **There was also a plan presented to use the IMF’s Special Drawing Rights basket as a mechanism to boost global liquidity.**
 - Keep in mind that the fiat stimulus measures of central banks and the interest rate policies of global bankers are what caused the current economic crisis to begin with. It wasn’t Covid, it wasn’t the war in Ukraine and it certainly wasn’t climate change. It was the banks and their use of monetary manipulation that triggered 40 year high inflation, and this has led to central banks hiking interest rates into economic weakness. This strategy has consistently caused debt implosion and stock market disasters in the past. The bankers and the globalists are the source of the problem, they should not be put in charge of fixing it.
 - **Yet, here they are, trying to take control and institute a sweeping Reset plan for the calamity they created. But where is all of this leading?**
 - Last year the UN suggested that developed and emerging economies like the US and China would have to pay a kind of wealth/emissions tax of at least \$2.4 trillion a year into a fund for climate change developments, and this wealth would be redistributed to poorer nations. Redistributed by who? Well, the globalists, of course.
 - Other ideas on the table include taxation on fossil fuel profits and financial transactions to raise climate funds. Meaning, they plan to tax oil and gas until prices become so high that the general public will not be able to afford them.
 - Macron in particular backed the idea of an international tax on carbon emissions from shipping, ostensibly to make overseas freight more expensive in order to reduce manufacturing demand. This expands on the strict carbon rules already being implemented on European agriculture.
 - These all seem like disjointed plans to simply inflate prices through different forms of taxation and force the public to consume less goods, but there is a much bigger scheme at play here. It’s important to understand that climate change is nothing more than a vehicle to deliver a fully centralized global economic system, likely under the control of the IMF, BIS, World Bank and the UN.

- **The annual payments by wealthier nations into global institutional coffers are an act of tribute, a show of fealty.** It's also a way for groups like the IMF to create a system of greater interdependency. If vast sums of money are flowing through globalist institutions and they become the arbiters of how that wealth is redistributed, they can also build a system of rewards and punishments. They can punish countries that don't follow their dictates and they can give advantages to countries that toe the line.
- In terms of a new Bretton Woods, I suspect that this is all culminating in a currency crisis which the globalists will use as an opportunity to finally [introduce their CBDC](#) (Central Bank Digital Currency) model. And once CBDCs are implemented their ability to dominate the populace will be complete. A cashless system with no privacy in transactions and the ability to shut down the buying power of individuals and groups at will? It's a totalitarian's dream scenario.
- **It's no mistake that the public is being constantly bombarded with global warming propaganda these days – The powers that be need an existential crisis as a fear generator.** When people are afraid they don't think rationally and will often turn to the worst possible leaders for relief. And a global threat requires a global response, right?
- Climate change disaster narratives (if the public embraces the propaganda) will allow for a wide array of systemic changes that have nothing to do with the environment and everything to do with financial dominance.
- **National wealth taxation and redistribution.** The imposition of the **IMF and World Bank as a mediator** for global funds. **The use of the IMF's SDR basket as a defacto global currency umbrella.** The injection of **CBDCs** and a cashless society. None of these things would have any bearing on climate change even if it was a legitimate threat.
- But what about the scorched earth model? If the ultimate intent is to destroy the economy to the point that most industry dies, trade retracts and the population plummets because survival becomes untenable, then one might argue that the globalists are "saving the planet" by getting rid of people. **I suppose if you think keeping the population in perpetual third-world status will save us from global warming, then you might support such an agenda.**
- Whether the goal is simply economic micro-management or the forced liquidation of production, the outcome would be more power for internationalists and less freedom and prosperity for everyone else.
- **They can spin it however they want, but when the elites call for a "financial shock" they are really calling for a dramatic throttling of the system so that it can no longer maintain the existing populace.** When they call for global taxation and tribute in the name of "equality" they are not trying to make everyone equally rich, they want everyone equally poor.
- **And when they call for the centralized oversight of nations for the sake of saving the planet, what they really want is global governance.**

[Davos Devotees Deindustrialize Europe](#) In the name of green utopia, political leaders are quietly killing vital energy-intensive industries. Authored by Peter Huntsman of the WSJ

Political, business and security leaders gather in Davos next week under the mantra of "rebuilding trust." Key topics include security cooperation, artificial intelligence, energy security and job growth "for a New Era." Undoubtedly there will also be calls to phase out fossil fuels and aspirations for a hydrogen-based green economy. Amid this grand planning for the industries of 2050, leaders likely will pay little attention to how government pressure to reach this utopian vision is destroying the industries that made Europe the envy of the world.

Over the past two years, dozens of energy-intensive manufacturers of our most basic materials—chemicals, steel, ceramics, glass and fertilizers—have ceased or slowed production in Europe. As the leader of a U.S.-headquartered chemical company that once had more than 50% of its revenue and employees in Europe, I have witnessed this devolution firsthand.

According to a recent report from the think tank Agora Energiewende, German greenhouse-gas emissions dropped 20% in 2023 to their lowest levels in 75 years primarily due to a collapse in energy-intensive manufacturing. Media reports largely overlook the scale of this catastrophe, but the political ramifications are beginning to show in the polls. Agricultural protests against emission crackdowns in the Netherlands helped populist Geert Wilders win a surprise election victory, and similar demonstrations in Germany killed a green budget proposal.

The deindustrializing politics of Europe essentially seek to reverse all this by organizing the economy around limiting byproduct waste from the products that enable the world to sustain itself. Low-cost, abundant energy is the lifeblood of profitable industrial manufacturing. The production of virtually everything requires it. Every time an industrial facility closes, high-paying jobs disappear and the middle class shrinks.

If Europe won't make what the world needs, then production will go elsewhere. It is environmentally and economically irresponsible for Europe to outsource its energy-intensive industry to countries with weaker regulation, employment laws and safety standards. To believe differently is naive, dangerous, and detrimental to the environment. Serious people understand this reality and must speak out. Voters already are.

DAVOS 2024

[Death, 'Disease X', & "Rebuilding Trust" With The Denizens Of Davos](#) Authored by James Howard Kunstler via Kunstler.com

- **Disease "X"**
- The world can expect a soon-to-come crisis of 30-to-40 percent mortality in highly vaccinated countries with the emergence of a new Covid variant that won't be stopped by vaxx-damaged immune systems. Let that sink in.
- It means not just a bone-chilling, unprecedented mega-wave of deaths, but the likely dysfunction of every complex system that advanced nations depend on for normal operation as the people who know how to run them succumb. That is, farewell to normal modern life as we have known it.
- It's even possible that some of the things that cease operation will include the WEF, the WHO, the EU, and the CDC, considering their presumably multi-vaxxed and boosted members.

[Watch: EU President Demands Globalist Control Over All Information](#) Authored by Steve Watson via Modernity.news

- Tells Davos elite that their top priority should be countering "industrial-scale disinformation".
- President of the European Commission, Ursula von der Leyen addressed elites at the World Economic Forum in Davos Tuesday, calling for overarching globalist control over the flow of all information in the digital age.
- "The top concern for the next two years is not conflict, or climate, it is disinformation and misinformation," von der Leyen proclaimed, adding "The boundary between online and offline is getting thinner and thinner, and this is even more important in the era of generative AI."
- von der Leyen said 2024 is "the biggest electoral year in history", and expressed concern that "freedom comes with risks."
- "There will always be those who try to exploit our openness, both from inside and out. There will always be attempts to put us off track. For example, with disinformation and misinformation," she added.
- She also touted the EU Digital Services Act, which under the guise of preventing 'hate speech', establishes controls over all information on social media platforms.
- **"With our Digital Services Act, we defined the responsibility of large internet platforms on the content they promote and propagate,"** von der Leyen bragged.
- She concluded "there is no doubt that we face the greatest risk to the global order in the post-war era. But in my mind, there is also no doubt that we can move forward with optimism and resolve."
- "Our message was clear: **we have rules which have to be complied with, otherwise there will be sanctions,**" Jurov declared, adding "The time of the Wild West is over," and further having the gall to declare "we are the protectors of freedom of speech as well."

[Davos Rattled Over Trump; Zelensky Warns Europe Will 'Lose Ukraine'](#) Authored by Tyler Durden, Zero Hedge

[Watch: Globalist WEF Speak Complains 'X' Is "Toxic, Scary", Musk's Policies Are "Problematic"](#) Authored by Steve Watson via Modernity.news

- [CDC Drafted Alert For Myocarditis And COVID-19 Vaccines, But Never Sent It](#) Authored by Zachary Stieber via The Epoch Times,
- CDC later sent alert multiple alerts encouraging COVID-19 vaccination. None mentioned myocarditis..

[Anger In Davos After Iran FM & CNN's Zakaria Take Spotlight On Main Stage](#) Authored by Tyler Durden, Zero Hedge

- Amir-Abdollahian openly boasts that a missile attack took out "elements & agents of Mossad" in Erbil.

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UNITED NATIONS: A Hot Bed of Socialism & Marxism



[UN "Pact For The Future" Seeks Permanent Emergency Powers For "Complex Global Shocks"](#)

Authored by Steve Watson via Summit News

- Any new major event will see globalists attempt to take complete control.
- **The UN is set to outline a far reaching plan to secure emergency powers that would allow the global body to lead a "common agenda" for all nations during any "complex global shocks" such as a new pandemic.**
- [The Federalist reports](#) that the plan is to be finalized at a September 2024 'Summit of the Future' where the UN will adopt a 'Pact for the Future,' to include policies that have been outlined in the globalist body's 'Our Common Agenda' report.
- One such policy is an "emergency platform" during any events that have a global impact that would provide the UN the authority to "actively promote and drive an international response that places the principles of equity and solidarity at the centre of its work."
 - "...the United Nations would be given unprecedented authority over the public and private sectors of huge swaths of the world, all in the name of battling a yet unknown crisis." What could possibly go wrong?
- The report notes that some details of the emergency platform were outlined in a [paper from March](#) with the UN secretary-general declaring "*I propose that the General Assembly provide the Secretary-General and the United Nations system with a standing authority to convene and operationalize automatically an Emergency Platform in the event of a future complex global shock of sufficient scale, severity and reach.*"
- The paper gives several examples of what could trigger the emergency authority, including:
 - A "major climatic event,"
 - A "future pandemic risks,"
 - A "global digital connectivity disruption,"
 - A "Major event in outer space," and
 - A Generic "Unforeseen Risk" ('black swan' events).
- It goes on to suggest that the UN would have the power to oversee the "stakeholders" of the world, including
 - Academics,
 - Governments,

- Private sector actors, and
 - International financial institutions”
- .. to ensure there is a unified, global response to whatever crisis is declared.
- The paper further suggests that such authority would “Ensure that all participating actors make commitments that can contribute meaningfully to the response and that they are held to account for delivery on those commitments.”
 - It also states that while the emergency authority would have an initial finite lifespan, the UN would be able to extend it indefinitely if it saw fit to do so.
 - The Federalist report notes that the Biden Administration has [backed the proposal](#) on multiple occasions, prompting reporter Justin Haskins to warn that “If the emergency platform is approved, the United States as we know it could cease to exist.”
 - TAKEOVER: The U.N. Is Planning To Seize Global ‘Emergency’ Powers With Biden’s Support. The proposal might be the biggest attempted power grab in the history of the United Nations. If approved, the United States as we know it could cease to exist.

UN AGENDA 21

So what is the UN's AGENDA 21 and why should a care?

“UN Agenda 21 is a comprehensive Plan of Action to be taken Globally, Nationally and Locally by Organizations of the United Nations System, Governments and Major Groups in every area in which Humans impact on the Environment.”

It paves the wave for extraordinary United Nations Control!

At its core, UN Agenda 21 is about CONTROL.



It is about control over all global Land, Natural Resources and entire Populations.



It calls for control of AIR through Carbon Emissions REGUALTIONS



It calls for control of LAND through SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT



It calls for control over the SEA through ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS



WHERE THE FACTS ARE LAID OUT

Everything that needs to be understood is all thoroughly laid out on the UN's web site for "SUSTAINABILITY".

GO TO: <https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/outcomedocuments/agenda21>

Along with a list of books beginning here:
<https://www.amazon.com/Behind-Green-Mask-U-N-Agenda/dp/0615494544>

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Agenda 21
UNCED, 1992

Agenda 21 is a comprehensive plan of action to be taken globally, nationally and locally by organizations of the United Nations System, Governments, and Major Groups in every area in which human impacts on the environment.

Agenda 21, the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development, and the Statement of principles for the Sustainable Management of Forests were adopted by more than 178 Governments at the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED) held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 3 to 14 June 1992.

The Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD) was created in December 1992 to ensure effective follow-up of UNCED, to monitor and report on implementation of the agreements at the local, national, regional and international levels. It was agreed that a five year review of Earth Summit progress would be made in 1997 by the United Nations General Assembly meeting in special session.

The full implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the Commitments to the Rio principles, were strongly reaffirmed at the World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD) held in Johannesburg, South Africa from 26 August to 4 September 2002.

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- [Declaration of the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment \(1972\)](#)

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- [UNESCO Convention Concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage](#)
- [Convention on the Rights of the Child](#)
- [Documents related to the United Nations Special Session on Children](#)
- [Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context](#)
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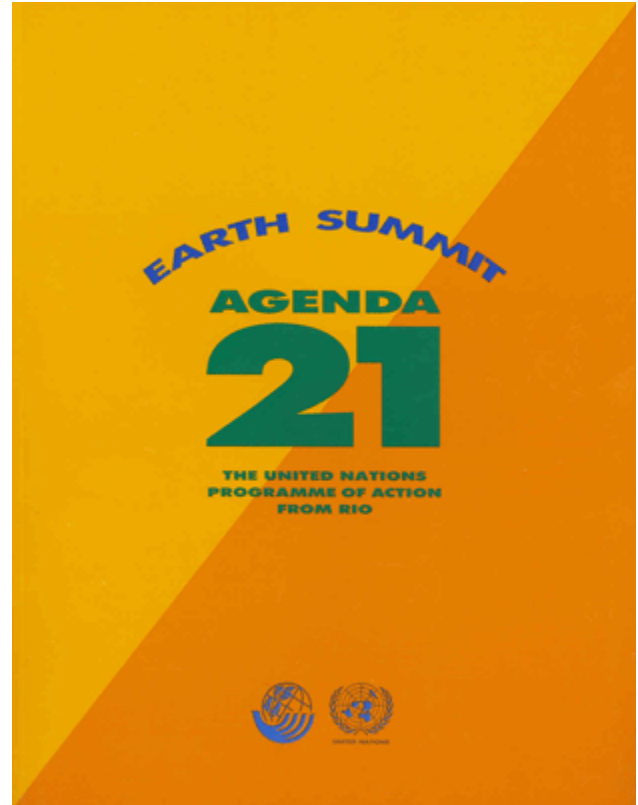
The 351 page pdf document is a long document that could only have been drawn up by a bureaucratic structure. It has lots of words but says nothing by design that could be considered neither controversial nor “quotable”.

However there can be no denying what it is intended to achieve.

“UN Agenda 21 is a comprehensive Plan of Action to be taken Globally, Nationally and Locally by Organizations of the United Nations System, Governments and Major Groups in every area in which Humans impact on the Environment.”

It paves the wave for extraordinary United Nations Control!

When you boil it down there are Nine key tenants.



NINE KEY TENANTS

1. Move citizens off Private land and into Urban Housing
2. Create vast Wilderness Spaces (Includes the existing Arctic, Antarctica, Africa, Russia, Northern Canada, Amazon Rain forest etc),
3. Eliminate Cars and Create “Walkable” Cities,
4. Support Chosen Private Business with public Funds for “Sustainable Development”,
5. Make Policy Decisions that favor the “greater Good” over Individuals,
6. Drastically reduce the use of Power, Water and anything else that creates “Carbon Pollution”,
7. Use Bureaucracies to make Sweeping Decisions Outside of Democratic Processes,
8. Increase Taxes, Fees and Regulations,
9. Implement Policies meant to incentivize a Reduced Population.

A PERSPECTIVE – Urban Housing

Considering its policies are woven into all of the General Plans of the cities and counties in the United States, it's important for people to know where these policies are coming from. While many support the United Nations for its peacemaking efforts, few know that it has very specific land use policies that it wants implemented in every city, county, state and nation. The specific plan is called United Nations Agenda 21 Sustainable Development, which has its basis in Communitarianism.



In a nutshell, the plan calls for governments to take control of all land use and not leave any of the decision making in the hands of private property owners. It is assumed that people are not good stewards of their land and governments will do a better job if it is in control.

Individual rights in general are to give way to the needs of communities as determined by a global governing body.

In case you think this all a little farfetched then you need to understand that a non-governmental organization called the International Council of Local Environmental Initiatives, the ICLEI, is tasked with carrying out the goals of the US Agenda 21 locally. Over 600 cities and counties in the US are members. I bet you didn't know that and the costs are being paid by you, the taxpayer.

OK, you say, interesting - but I don't see how that really affects my investing thinking?

Here are a few.

No matter where you live, I'll bet there have been hundreds of condos built or planned in the center of your town recently. Over the last 10 years there has been a 'planning revolution' across the US.

Your commercial, industrial and multi-residential land has been quietly rezoned to "mixed use".

Most of your towns provided funding and or infrastructure development for these projects. They used Redevelopment Agency Funds. Your money. Specifically, your property taxes.

Notice how there is very little money in your General Funds now, and most of that is going to pay Police and Fire? Your street lights are off, your parks are shaggy, your roads are pot-holed, your county hospitals are being downsized or closed.

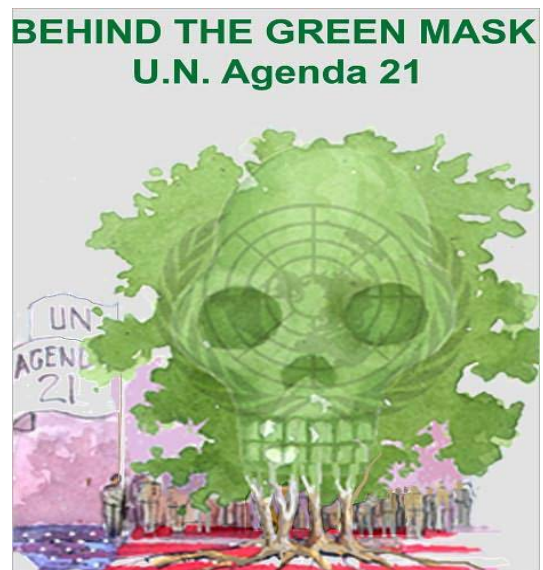
The money that should be used for these things is diverted into the Redevelopment Agency for 30 years. It's the only agency in government that can float a bond without a vote of the people. And they did that, and now you're paying off those bonds for the next 30 to 45 years with your property taxes. Did you know that?

So, what does this have to do with Agenda 21?

Redevelopment is a tool used to further the Agenda 21 vision of remaking America cities. With redevelopment, cities have the right to take property by eminent domain – against the will of the property owner, and give it or sell it to a private developer.

By declaring an area of town 'blighted' (and in some cities over 90% of the city area has been declared blighted) the property taxes in that area are diverted away from the General Fund.

The constriction of available funds is impoverishing the cities, forcing them to offer less and less services and thereby reducing your standard of living.



I could go on extensively but due to space must leave this here for you to investigate further.

I suggest on this topic of LAND use that a read of Rosa Koire's book "[Behind The Green Mask – UN Agenda 21](#)" is a good place to start.

If the nightly news of violence, defund the police, illegal immigration etc makes no sense then you need to read more to understand what is really going on by design and strategy!

A PERSPECTIVE – Eliminate CARS and Create Walkable Cities.

In case you think some of these goals make no sense then you need to watch the new more closely. Here is a recent headline from the UK that appears to make no sense. However, the bureaucrats in charge of regulations are making it is happening!



A PERSPECTIVE - Support Chosen Private Businesses with Public funds for Sustainable Developments

- [Bill Gates: Nuclear Energy Investment.](#)
- [Larry Fink: ESG Funds,](#)



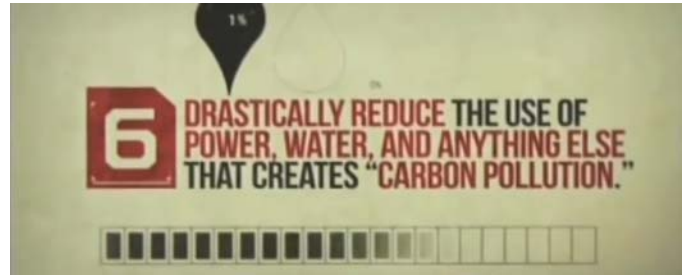
A PERSPECTIVE – Policy Decisions that favor the "Greater Good" over Individuals

- Collectivism – Central to the advancement of Socialism and Communism,
- Climate Migration – Balanced Standard of Living and Security,



A PERSPECTIVE – Drastically reduce anything that creates “Carbon Pollution”

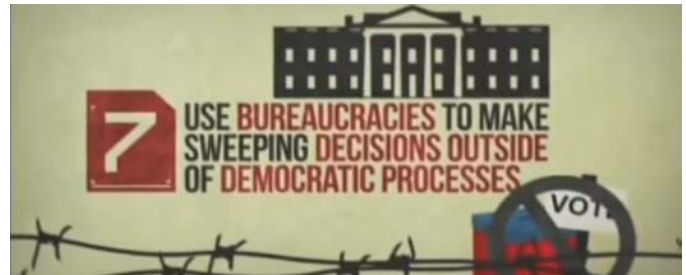
- Shuttering of the US Fossil Fuel Industry,
- Canceling Keystone XL,
- Suspension of oil drilling [leases](#) in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR),
- [Pausing](#) new oil and natural gas leases on U.S. federal lands,
- Proposing [red line](#) discriminatory tax hikes on energy companies — singling them out from every other sector of the economy for higher taxes.



A PERSPECTIVE – Use Bureaucracies to make Sweeping Decisions outside of Democratic Processes

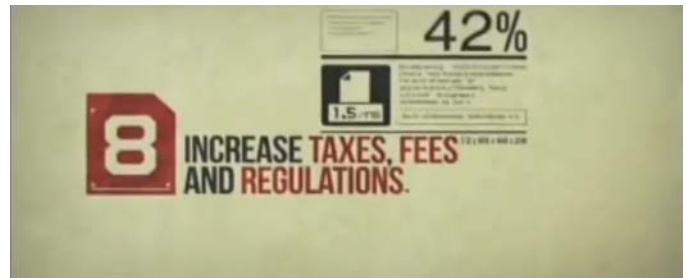
- [The Chevron Deference](#)

This is presently being challenged in the US Supreme Court as unconstitutional and is being debated as part of Biden’s recent Vaccine Mandate.



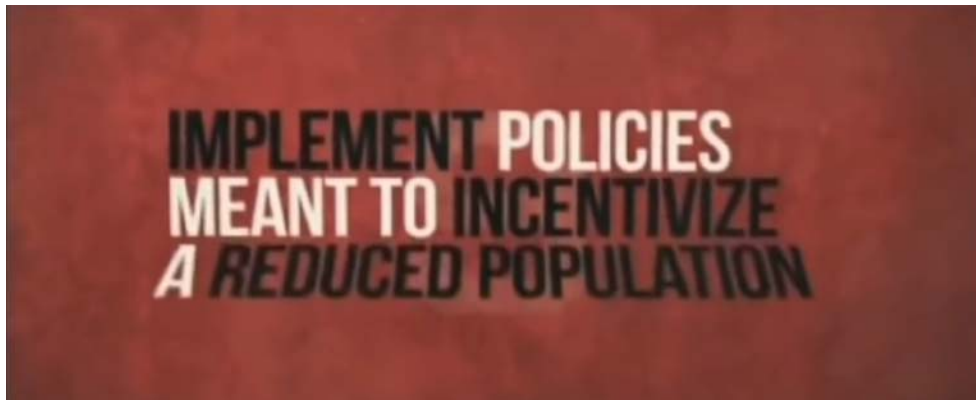
A PERSPECTIVE – Increase Taxes, Fees and Regulations

- Global Corporate Tax just enacted led by US Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen,
- Global Carbon Tax in Process of being enacted



COVID ?????
 AN ACCIDENT: *LIKELY*

THE GOVERNMENT DEBACLE IN CONTROLLING IT AND [THE POLICIES TAKEN WAS NOT](#)



UN AGENDA 21, Climate Change, Green Energy, ESG, DEI are all parts of larger policy frameworks that fit within what is referred to by the “Davos Global Elite” as the Great Reset.

The US Agenda 21 has broad initiatives that come under what they refer to as the three “E”s. Economy, Ecology and Equity.



They are about creating a balanced Global Standard of Living, Mass Migration & Rebalancing and Collectivism centering government policies.

A major catalyst for change and a social binder is Climate Change.

The solution that it fosters with the biggest financial ingredient is the advancement of Green Energy.

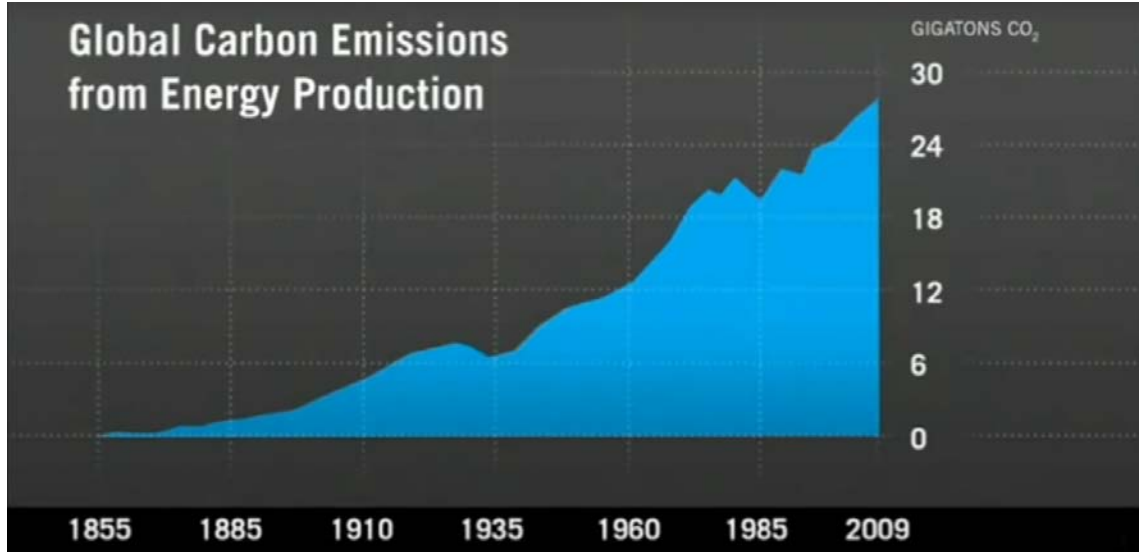
The Social Drivers for this are centered on the policies of ESG for organizations and DIE for social entities.

Major Behavioral Modification is achieved through rewards and penalization.



These have to include the Financial Sector, Country Governments and Consumers and Corporations.

The Net Zero Multi Trillion Carbon Swaps Market, Carbon Trading and Streaming as well as Carbon Taxes are all important pillars of the incentive reward system.



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PEOPLE SERVICES PER PERSON ENERGY PER SERVICE CO₂ PER UNIT ENERGY

In general the public is unaware and not particularly interested in the Financial Elements of all this but for Investors it is critical important in isolating where major emerging investments will appear. Of particularly interest is in the area of Green Bonds, Carbon Streaming and Carbon Taxation.

Green Bonds: We can expect central banks to begin buying Green Bonds the same as they currently buy Mortgaged Backed Securities to support the Housing & Real Estate market.

Carbon Streaming: We can expect Carbon Streaming credits to become an investment industry with a broad array of emerging players and instruments.

Carbon Swaps: Between countries we can expect balance of payments to be offset with Carbon Swaps. This is likely to expand the already \$600T Unregulated OTC Swaps market where global banks will dominate.

Green Technology: With the amount of money and financing available, mal-investment will run amok and as such Green Energy is likely to supersede High Tech and Bio Tech in the financial equity markets over the course of the 20's.

Green Services: Will emerge to support the adoption of green technologies. EV charging Stations, Ships and docking to support off shore wind farms, Solar Panel installation, replacement and cleaning, Wind generator "cowboy" technicians and the list goes on.

The adoption process will be culturally changing and something all investors should prepare for!

THE 17 “FRONTS” OF THE UN’S SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

17 Goals to Transform our World UN.org – Sustainable Development - Goals & Objectives

- The Sustainable Development Goals are a universal call to action to end poverty, protect the planet and improve the lives and prospects of everyone, everywhere.
- The Goals were adopted by all United Nations Member States in September 2015 as part of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development which sets out a 15-year plan to achieve the Goals and their related targets. Never before had world leaders pledged common action across such a broad and universal policy agenda.
- The 17 Goals are interconnected, apply to all countries, and need to be carried out by all stakeholders – governments, the private sector, civil society, the United Nations system and others – in a collaborative partnership.
- This year marks the midpoint of SDG implementation. However, on its current course, the world may miss many Sustainable Development Goals targets by 2030. For the first time in decades, development progress has stalled and even reversed under the combined weight of climate disasters, conflict, economic downturn and the lingering aftermath of COVID-19.

GOALS 2023 Update OVERVIEW



The US was initially envisioned as a “Peace Keeping” organization. It never achieved this goal as the UN Security Council has consistently over-ruled any coordinated acts against any aggressor nation. The Sustainable Development Goals when explored closely shows a well funded and organized plan to use “consensus accords”, taking the form of “regulations” which diminish the role of sovereign nations. They all lead to a centrally controlled organization. They effectively create Regulatory Control.

UN’S GLOBAL DIGITAL COMPACT

["A Global Digital Compact" - UN Promoting Censorship, Social Credit, & Much More](#) Authored by Kit Knightly via Off-Guardian.org

Late last month the office of the United Nation’s Secretary General published a policy document on aims for the future of the internet.



A follow-up to the 2021 report [“Our Common Agenda”](#), the new report’s title says it all really, *“A Global Digital Compact”*.

That’s the goal, international legislation that would seek to control and enforce the use of digital technology. The proposed clauses promote everything you’d expect them to promote.

- **Digital identities linked with financial access:**
 - Digital IDs linked with bank or mobile money accounts can improve the delivery of social protection coverage and serve to better reach eligible beneficiaries. Digital technologies may help to reduce leakage, errors and costs in the design of social protection programs
- **Environmental or climate change-based social credit systems:**
 - Sensors and monitors connected to the Internet of things, cloud-based data platforms, blockchain-enabled tracking systems and digital product passports unlock new capabilities for the measurement and tracking of environmental and social impacts across value chains.”
- **Public-Private Partnership:**
 - Partnerships between States, private sector and civil society leverage the capacity of digital tools to provide solutions for development across the Sustainable Development Goals. Examples include the Digital Public Infrastructure Alliance, the Coalition for Digital Environmental Sustainability and public-private partnerships for disaster response.”
- **Countering online “harm”:**
 - Disinformation, hate speech and malicious and criminal activity in cyberspace raise the risks and costs for everyone online [...] we must strengthen accountability for harmful and malicious acts online.
- **Those are the obvious ones, there’s also more sneaky, insidious language regarding “equity” and “access”.** The report is concerned there are many people in the world (mostly the developing world) who don’t have regular access to the Internet.
 - This concern would be more honestly expressed in the language of control – people who don’t consume digital media can’t be hypnotized, people who don’t communicate online can’t be censored, and people who don’t rely on digital banking can’t be controlled.

To sum up, the Digital Global Compact is a piece of globalist legislation serving the final aim of globalist policy: ***Control of all aspects of life, achieved by inserting a digital filter between people and reality.***

- Banking, communication, media consumption, shopping. Every interaction you have will be through a digital membrane which can both monitor your exchanges with the world and – if deemed necessary – deny you access to that world.
- An interesting final point to note is the words the report doesn’t use. “Globalist” and “globalism” do not appear once, “vaccine passports” or “vaccine certificates” are likewise not mentioned. Neither are “social credit” or “central-bank digital currency”. They are *discussed*, but not *mentioned*.

- They seem to be avoiding buzzwords they know will trigger resistance or set off alarm bells. Would they have done that before the skeptics started winning the Covid conversation? I don't think so.
- You don't have to take my word for any of this, of course, you can [read the whole report](#) yourself.

There's nothing surprising in there at all, obviously. But it's definitely a "quiet part out loud moment", and a link to send to those people who still dismiss you as a conspiracy theorist.

[United Nations Countering 'Deadly Disinformation' Through Creation Of 'Digital Army'](#) Authored by Katabella Roberts via The Epoch Times

The United Nations (U.N.) says it is battling mis- and disinformation on social media and beyond through what it calls a "digital army" located across the globe.

- In an Aug. 19 [press release](#), U.N. officials said peacekeepers throughout the world are building the "digital army" through smart phones, editing apps, and "innovative approaches" as part of efforts to "fight back against falsehoods that can trigger tensions, violence, or even death."
- The intergovernmental organization has also been monitoring how mis- and disinformation and hate speech can "attack health, security, stability" as well as progress towards its Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), officials said.
- "Digital platforms are crucial tools that have transformed social, cultural, and political interactions everywhere. Across the world, they connect concerned global citizens on issues that matter," U.N. Secretary-General António Guterres said in a policy brief ([pdf](#)) published in June on information integrity on digital platforms.
- **Such platforms have "given people hope in times of crisis and struggle, amplified voices that were previously unheard, and breathed life into global movements," Mr. Guterres wrote.**
- However, they have also "exposed a darker side of the digital ecosystem," the U.N. secretary-general noted.
- "They have enabled the rapid spread of lies and hate, causing real harm on a global scale," he wrote in the brief. "Optimism over the potential of social media to connect and engage people has been dampened as mis- and disinformation and hate speech have surged from the margins of digital space into the mainstream. The danger cannot be overstated."
- The U.N. policy brief acknowledges that there are "no universally accepted definitions" of the term "disinformation" but says the U.N.'s own working definition of the term refers to "false information
- GRAPHIC RIGHT: [Blue helmet members of the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of Congo MONUSCO sit on the back of a U.N. pick-up truck in Beni, on Oct. 23, 2014. \(Alain Wandimoyi /AFP via Getty Images\)](#)
- **'Digital Army Capable of Detecting False Information'**
- Disinformation is described by the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) as "false or misleading content that can cause specific harm, irrespective of motivations, awareness or behaviors."
- **The term "misinformation" is described in the U.N. policy brief as "the unintentional spread of inaccurate information shared in good faith by those unaware that they are passing on falsehoods."**
- "Misinformation can be rooted in disinformation as deliberate lies and misleading narratives are weaponized over time, fed into the public discourse, and passed on unwittingly," the U.N. brief reads. "In practice, the distinction between mis- and disinformation can be difficult to determine," it adds.



- According to the U.N., peacekeepers have been working across the globe to put "new tools into the hands of civilians of all ages" aimed at combating mis- and disinformation, including launching workshops in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC).
- Peacekeepers at the workshops are training young people to become "a digital army capable of detecting false information" by "producing content with the help of a smartphone and editing software and simultaneously spreading objective, credible information" through what they call "relay clubs" that disseminate these messages through their networks.

MISINFORMATION 'FESTIVAL'

- The U.N. is also launching similar efforts in Mali, where it recently held a "festival" to combat misinformation which drew crowds of nearly 400 people, officials said.
- Earlier this month, in Abyei—which is located on the border between South Sudan and Sudan and is a disputed region—the U.N. mission there, the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei UNISFA, also launched its own radio station called "Voice of Peace" aimed at countering hate speech and fake news, according to the latest press release.
- **"The ability to disseminate large-scale disinformation to undermine scientifically established facts poses an existential risk to humanity and endangers democratic institutions and fundamental human rights,"** Mr. Guterres concluded in the June policy brief.
- The announcement regarding the U.N.'s "digital army" comes shortly after the U.N. Development Program (UNDP) quietly rolled out its automated fact-checking and anti-disinformation tool, [iVerify](#), this spring.
- The tool, which is supported by the UNDP Chief Digital Office and the UNDP Brussels-based Task Force on Electoral Assistance and developed in concert with media organizations and the private sector, uses Artificial Intelligence, machine learning, and human-supported fact-checking to "identify false information and prevent and mitigate its spread," according to the U.N.
- **On its official website, the U.N. says the new tool will be provided to "national actors," who can then use it to review content and establish whether it is "fact-checkable and/or constitutes hate speech, as opposed to the expression of an opinion."**
- **The new tool was originally piloted in Zambia, ahead of the August 2021 general elections, and was used in the general election in Honduras in November 2021, according to the U.N., which noted the tool helped combat "the spread of false narratives during election periods."**

According to [Breitbart](#), iVerify was developed in partnership with Meta and "left-wing nonprofit groups," including the International Fact-Checking Network, which is funded by billionaire George Soros.

THE UN'S RWA OPERATIONS

[How UNRWA Grooms Terrorists](#) Authored by Bassam Tawil via The Gatestone Institute

The United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) was originally a small agency mandated to provide basic humanitarian relief for Palestinians, including a vote for renewal every three years. Seventy-three years and four generations later, and **with more than 30,000 employees and an annual budget of more than \$1 billion**, it has astonishingly become one of the largest UN agencies.

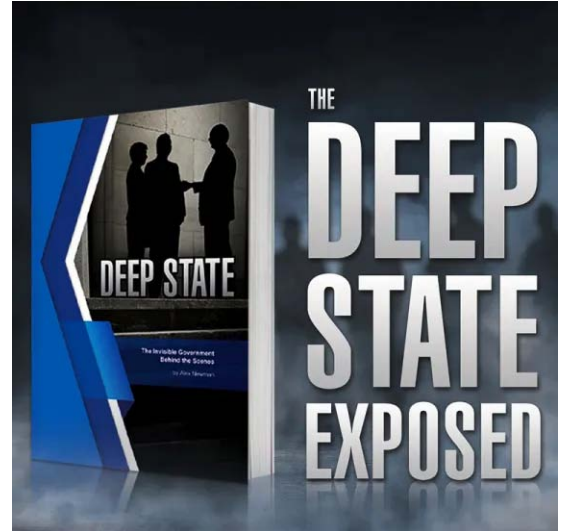
- In the Hamas-ruled Gaza Strip, UNRWA has, in fact, long been operating as the de facto government. **By providing the residents of the Gaza Strip with various services, UNRWA exempted Hamas from its responsibilities as the governing body**, such as creating a working economy that would pay for education and healthcare, and allowed it, instead, to invest resources in building tunnels and manufacturing weapons. If UNRWA were not there, Hamas would have been forced to fill the vacuum and, for example, build hospitals and schools and find solutions to economic hardship, including unemployment and poverty.
- As senior Hamas official Mousa Abu Marzouk [said](#), in explaining why no cement could be spared from terror tunnels to build bomb shelters for Gazan citizens:
 - "The tunnels were built to protect the fighters of Hamas from [Israeli] airstrikes. As you know, 75% of the residents of the Gaza Strip are refugees. It is the responsibility of the United Nations to protect the refugees."
 - **Hamas was effectively saying: We are responsible for what happens underground, while UNRWA is responsible for what happens above ground.**

- In addition to evolving into a monster-sized agency, UNRWA has also morphed into a very costly [incubator for terror](#).
 - UNRWA-run schools emphasize and promote the "right of return," a euphemism for flooding Israel with millions of Palestinians and turning it into a Muslim-majority Islamist state backed by Iran.
 - More than 50% of UNRWA's [annual budget](#) of [\\$1.6 billion](#) is dedicated to funding Palestinian schools. These schools have been fostering [war-mongering hatred](#) against Israel, and against Jews in general, from the youngest, most impressionable ages and onward throughout the school years, while predictably churning out their final product: terrorists and terrorist sympathizers.
 - **"They [UNRWA] teach us that the Al-Aqsa Mosque belongs to us [Muslims], that Palestine belongs to us,"** [said](#) Atif Sharha, a student at a UNRWA school in the Shuafat refugee camp, north of Jerusalem.
 - **"I hate the Jews,"** [said](#) Yousef, another student at a UNRWA school in Kalandia refugee camp, south of Ramallah.
 - **"Yes, they teach us that the Zionists are our enemy,"** [said](#) Nur Taha, a third student from Kalandia. **"We should carry out an [terror] operation against them [Zionists]."**
- Marcus Sheff, Chief Executive Officer at The Institute for Cultural Peace and Tolerance in School Education (IMPACT-se) studying these hate-policies, [laments](#):
 - **"The Palestinian matriculation exams have become a finishing school in extremism. It is as if the Palestinian Authority is cramming as much hate into the tests as possible, to ensure the twelve previous years of indoctrination stay with them into adulthood."**
- UNRWA then re-inserts many of these hate-infused people right back into its institutions, perpetuating what the UN is keen on blaming Israel for: "the cycle of violence."
- UNRWA schools have been the focus of media scrutiny on many occasions. UNRWA's [textbooks](#), compiled by the Palestinian Authority, have been blasted for showy, hate-provoking and terror-inciting material such as "a grammar exercise that encourages Palestinians to 'sacrifice their blood to liberate Jerusalem.'"
- Palestinian textbooks produced by UNRWA contain "antisemitic, hateful, and violent passages," according to [IMPACT-se](#). Some of these passages in an Islamic education drill [include](#) labeling Jews as inherently treacherous. A poem included in the educational content [glorifies](#) the killing of Israelis, and portrays dying as martyrs by killing Israelis as a "hobby."
- In a grammar exercise, Jews, it is [implied](#), are impure and supposedly defile the Al-Aqsa Mosque. (They do not. The Jews peacefully tour the exterior grounds, called The Temple Mount, a plateau on which the Al Aqsa mosque now sits. The site is the third-holiest in Islam, but in Judaism the holiest. The plateau is where two Jewish Temples once stood, mentioned in the Bible, before they were destroyed -- the [first](#) by the Babylonian King Nebuchadnezzar in 586 BCE; the second by the Roman Empire in 70 CE).
- **Despite years of considerable condemnation of the textbooks, newly produced editions, approved by UNRWA, are exponentially worse.**
- "Terrorist activities against Israeli civilians are also part of the struggle against the Zionist occupation of Palestine. Thus, the new books exalt Palestinian terrorists who participated in such actions. Dalal al-Mughrabi, for example, who was killed in a terrorist attack she had led against a civilian bus... in which more than 30 men, women and children were murdered, is mentioned in four books, all studied in UNRWA schools at present. In all of them she is described as a heroine and martyr of Palestine."
- According to the [textbooks](#) used in UNRWA schools, Jews have no rights whatsoever or any legitimate status in Israel. A Jewish presence in the country is [denied](#) historically, geographically and religiously. No reference is made in the books to the history of the Jews throughout the region, either in Biblical or [Roman](#) times. Any connection is also denied of the Jews to their ancient capital, Jerusalem, which is presented as an Arab city since its establishment thousands of years ago. The Jews' presence in Jerusalem today is bewilderingly presented in the books as an aggression against the city's Arab character.
- Beyond the textbooks, both UNRWA [administrators](#) and teachers have proudly displayed their approval of [terrorism and hatred](#) on countless occasions, including Hamas's recent October 7 massacre, according to a [report](#) published by UN Watch, an independent non-governmental human rights organization, as well as IMPACT-se.
 - UNRWA math teacher Adnan Shteivi, for instance, [glorified](#) Daa Hamarsheh, the perpetrator of the March 2022 Bnei Brak shooting attack -- in which he murdered four

Israeli civilians and one policeman -- as a "martyr" whose name should "forever remain in letters of fire, might, and magnificence."

- UNRWA's Asma Middle School for Girls B [encouraged](#) schoolgirls to "liberate the homeland by sacrificing 'their Blood' and pursuing jihad."
- Roni Krivoi, one of the Israeli hostages recently freed from Hamas captivity, [reported](#) that he had been kept prisoner in an attic for more than a month and a half, mostly starved and medically untreated. His jailer was an UNRWA [teacher](#).
- In Gaza -- as with Ahmad Kahalot, Director of the Kamal Adwan Hospital, who [admitted](#) that he was the equivalent of a brigadier general for Hamas and that 16 of the hospital's staff were also "[terror operatives for Hamas](#)" -- the mesh of Hamas and UNRWA is also [illustrated](#) in the high-profile case of Dr. Suhail al-Hindi.
- Al-Hindi served as both the principal of an UNRWA elementary school and as the chairman of the UNRWA employee's union in Gaza. In 2017, UNRWA suspended al-Hindi after it received information that he had just been elected to the Hamas political bureau. UNRWA [announced](#) that al-Hindi no longer worked for the agency, but did not say whether he had resigned or been fired. Al-Hindi first [said](#) he "resigned" from UNRWA, but later [clarified](#) that he was taking early retirement.
- The [case](#) of al-Hindi and **other UNRWA employees suspected of supporting terrorism makes the point that UNRWA is "the money," while thug terror-groups such as Hamas are "the muscle."**
- UNRWA tries to keep up public pretense that its hands are clean, and has taken a belligerently defensive stance against these and other accusations, as it publicly [claims](#) that it has a "zero-tolerance policy for hatred."
- The Israeli news site [Ynet](#), however, wrote recently about a UN Watch report:
 - "In it, some 47 documented cases of school staff promoting antisemitic material are recorded, as school staff openly violates the official UNRWA policy..."
 - "It was only two years ago that UNRWA apologized for similar instances, claiming they were done erroneously and will not occur in the future, but with this latest report, that promise rings hollow."
- **One UNRWA employee [portrayed](#) Adolf Hitler in a favorable light: "Wake up Hitler, there are people left to burn."**
- In addition, as is well-[documented](#), UNRWA has allowed its school buildings to be used by Hamas as storehouses for [rocket](#) and other [weapons](#), [terror tunnels](#), and to shelter jihadi terrorists. Hamas and other terror organizations have bet on the media [frenzy](#) that would ensue if Israeli forces strike a UN institution (or [hospital](#), [mosque](#), or even a [church](#)) that is being used for military purposes. Hamas has been launching rockets at Israel from alongside UNRWA schools, and, when possible, shooting from [inside the schools](#), thereby taking advantage of the [sanctuary](#) that a UN institution, especially a "[protected space](#)" such as a school, ought to offer under legitimate circumstances.
- Last week saw the media explode in [condemnation](#) of the Israel Defense Forces for blowing up an UNRWA school, despite the disclosure that the school had been used as a weapons depot and [terror tunnels](#) were found in its area.
- UNRWA kindergartens have been discovered with [weapons hidden](#) inside toys or even in UNRWA bags, and UN officials are charged with being complicit in holding [hostages](#), despite protestations to the contrary. It seems that "zero tolerance" had devolved into "zero oversight."
- When rockets were [discovered](#) in UNRWA schools in the past, UNRWA would reassure everyone that they had been turned over to "[local authorities](#)." Those authorities, of course, were Hamas, who most likely relocated them to another equally inappropriate location.
- Occasionally, UNRWA officials will make a [minor fuss](#) or put on a [shocked and affronted façade](#) for donors or the media, but reportedly do nothing in the way of changing the practice. In the upper echelons of UNRWA management, there have been accusations of [serious breaches of ethics](#) in the forms of nepotism, bullying, mismanagement of funds — as well as lack of accountability.
- This is no small matter, considering that in 2022, annual worldwide [contributions to UNRWA](#) alone -- not including direct donations to Palestinian governing agencies such as Hamas and the Palestinian Authority, nor to the many NGOs and other Palestinian-specific aid agencies -- from 68 donor nations, including the Holy See, was \$1.1 billion.
- **Extensive reports released by [UN Watch](#) and [IMPACT-se](#) have highlighted the malignant influence of terror organizations such as Hamas, Fatah, and Palestinian Islamic Jihad on UNRWA institutions that either feign ignorance or offer enthusiastic complicity.** The repercussions of these revelations are becoming an embarrassment.
- **Switzerland's Parliament recently [voted](#) to stop funding UNRWA (\$21 million annually), [labelled](#) Hamas a terrorist organization and unanimously banned it.** "Hamas' brutal terrorist attacks against Israel necessitate a clear position from Switzerland," they [said](#).

- **In 2018, the Trump administration, calling UNRWA an "irredeemably flawed operation," completely cut America's \$300 million annual donation.**
 - **The aid was reinstated by President Joe Biden almost immediately after he took office.**
- Many have called the very inception of UNRWA into question, as the UN already has an agency specifically designated for refugees: the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees ([UNHCR](#)). UNRWA remains a refugee organization distinctly apart from UNHCR based upon two premises:
 - First, that the Palestinians will "return" to their homes in Israel by means of a the "[right of return](#)"; and
 - Second, that there will never be a resolution *not* to "return," thereby making these refugees an eternal stick in the eye to Israel.
 - The first premise would effectively destroy Israel by imposing a demographic shift: flooding millions of Palestinians, demonstrably none too peace-oriented, into Israel.
 - The second premise would, and has been, effectively enslaving Palestinians as the [crying faces](#) that keep the international "pity-cash" flowing into the [coffers](#) of both [Palestinian](#) and UNRWA leadership.
- Perhaps this may be at least one answer as to why, when UNRWA recently cried for [more](#) aid money for Palestinians, the organization was found to have an [entire warehouse](#) "filled to the brim" with food. When Gazans [stormed](#) the warehouse [in October](#), they discovered copious amounts of rice, lentils, flour and oil.
- **Whatever hopes that anyone may have held for the trustworthiness of UNRWA have long expired, and were arguably misplaced at the outset. UNRWA, in its current state, has proven itself irremediably defective, unworkable and yet another massive stain on the already scandalously stained UN** [such as [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), [here](#) and [here](#).] The agency has perpetuated the issue of the "refugees" by keeping them in camps while providing them with basic services, only.
- Worse, UNRWA has deliberately created new generations of "refugees" by insisting that the descendants of refugees inherit the status of "refugee" – which on its face is nonsense. **It is high time for the international community and those who actually want a better future for the Palestinians to liquidate UNRWA and take actions that truly help the Palestinians move forward to a golden life.**



MORE READING

- [UNfortunately Predictable: United Nations Declares UNRWA Terrorism Story "Misinformation"](#) Authored by Tyler Durden, ZeroHedge.com
 - The UN has long been a hostile organization to free speech and fostered calls for [international blasphemy laws](#) and [censorship policies](#).
 - **United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) has issued a warning that a story about its staff holding hostages in Gaza is possible "misinformation" and should be removed from the media.**

COP-28

["They're Openly Telling Us They're Going To Brainwash The Next Generation Of Americans..."](#) Alex Newman Via Greg Hunter's USAWatchdog.com

Award-winning journalist Alex Newman, author of the popular book "Deep State," is back from the recent so-called COP28 conference in Dubai, UAE. Newman continues to report on the **not-so-secret plan to destroy everything in America by pushing scams on the West in energy and education.**

There is much more in the 38-minute interview. Join Greg Hunter of USAWatchdog.com as he goes One-on-One with hard-hitting journalist Alex Newman, founder of LibertySentinel.org and author of the new book called ["Indoctrinating Our Children to Death."](#) Newman is back to report on what he saw at the demonic anti-America UN COP28 conference in Dubai, UAE, for 12.23.23.

COP 28 & CO2

- Let's start with what Newman calls the "scam" of CO2 reduction. Newman explains,
 - *"The thing that really jumped out at me with this whole UN COP28 summit, my big take away... is **they were talking about phasing out carbon emissions and phasing out fossil fuels, but that's just for the suckers in the Western world.***
 - *That's just the United States under Joe Biden. That's just for European Union under their treacherous leaders.*
- **The communist Chinese, the Arab dictatorships, the Russians and all the different socialist kleptocracies, they were literally making oil deals at this summit.**
- *That's not my opinion, speculation or even exaggeration. We have the leaked documents showing the COP28 President, which was held by the United Arab Emirates (UAE)... that show they were plotting to make oil deals with Beijing. They were plotting to make oil deals with the Columbians. They were plotting to do oil and gas deals off the coast of Africa.*
- *So, on the one hand, the Western media and the United Nations are telling Westerners that you need to dismantle your energy systems. You need to stop all your coal fired power plants. Biden said he wanted to get rid of methane emissions...*
- *That would take out all the natural gas plants and take out 60% of our power generation in the United States. **The Arabs, communist Chinese and the globalists are laughing all the way to the bank. They are not really working on phasing out oil or phasing out fossil fuels. They are working on phasing out the Western world, which is also known as Christendom or the 'Free World.'**"*

While Newman was there, he saw several U.S. Senators at the conference. Newman said,

- **"I confronted multiple U.S. Senators about this. I said, hey, the communist Chinese are bringing two new coal fired power plants on line every single week.**
- **The Chinese CO2 emissions are massively larger than the entire Western world combined. Are you saying we need to jump off a cliff and beg the Chinese to jump after us?**
- *And the response was basically, yeah, we are going to ask them real nice. Give me a break.*
 - **They all understand this is a scam. They want to de-industrialize the Western world.**
 - **They want to shift economic and, ultimately, military power away from the United States and what used to be known as the 'Free World' towards the other pole in this multipolar world order that they are building, especially Beijing.**
- *The third world kleptocracies are going to play ball with the New World Order...*
- **John Kerry (who was at the COP28 conference) says, 'Nothing can stop this transformation. This is the biggest transformation in human history. Nothing and nobody can stop it.'** *The United Nations had all these billboards and placards in Dubai that said the transformation was unstoppable...*
- *All I can think of when they are saying this stuff, and I am seeing all the billboards, is that is very similar to what they said when they launched the Titanic. . . . The Bible says, 'Pride goes before the fall.' We will see about that, but **they certainly want the people in the world to believe this is unstoppable.**"*

Newman is especially worried about what the UN has planned for education and brainwashing the children of the world. Newman says,

- *"We actually got there on the COP28 'Education Day.' The first ad I saw said 'Education Transformation COP28.' This was a huge part of the festivities. **They are openly telling us that they are going to brainwash the next generation of Americans, Germans, Japanese, South Koreans and the West to believe this hoax with all their heart.** . . .*
- **The brainwashing of our children and the dumbing down of our children is the most significant weapon in their arsenal.**
- *They will never be able to get this to pass unless they can brainwash enough of our children...*
- **We've got to protect our kids. If we don't stop the brain washing of our kids, it's all over."**

WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION (WHO)

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- [These Amendments Would Open The Door To A Dangerous Global Health Bureaucracy](#)
 Authored by David Thunder via The Brownstone Institute
 - The Covid pandemic gave the World Health Organisation and its partners **unprecedented visibility and a tremendous amount of “soft” power to shape public health law and policies across the world**. Over the past year or so, the WHO has been pushing hard to consolidate and expand its power to declare and manage public health emergencies on a global scale.
 - The primary instruments for this consolidation is a WHO Pandemic Accord and a series of far-reaching amendments to [existing International Health Regulations](#) (IHR). **The target date for finalizing both the IHR Amendments and the new Pandemic Accord is May 2024.**
 - The net effect of the [proposed text for the pandemic accord](#) and the [proposed amendments to the International Health Regulations](#), would be to create a legal and financial basis for the emergence of an elaborate, internationally coordinated bio-surveillance regime and significantly strengthen the authority of the World Health Organization to direct and coordinate the international response to global and regional public health threats.
 - States will be bound by international law, in the event of a public health emergency (as defined by WHO) to follow the playbook of health policies determined by the WHO and its “emergency committee” of “experts,”

[New WHO Amendments Creating A Global Regime In The Name Of Health](#) Authored by Dr. Sean Lin and Jacky Guan via The Epoch Times

Since its establishment, the World Health Organization (WHO) has assumed the role of an advisory entity in the international health domain. Since 2005, the WHO established International Health Regulations (IHR) as the main compliance tool to ensure that public health emergencies would be handled swiftly. The COVID pandemic perfectly illustrates how powerful the WHO already is.



- However, a new set of amendments ([pdf](#)) proposed by state members of the WHO was published at the end of 2022, seeking to enhance the WHO’s power under the guise of the IHR. This, in addition to a newly proposed Intergovernmental Negotiating Body (INB) ([pdf](#)) and the addition of a pandemic prevention, preparedness, and response (WHO CA+) clause ([pdf](#)) in the INB, raises several red flags on the paradigm shift the WHO is undertaking, from playing the role of an international health advisory body to becoming a global regime acting in the name of health.

From Patient-Doctor Relationship to Powerful Health Conglomerate

- Throughout history, people have relied on connections with friends, family, and neighbors to maintain a healthy social life. This is important not only for wellness but also for building the trust upon which the foundation of relationships lies. Just as it is vital in relationships with family and friends, in regard to health, trust is vital in patient-doctor relationships.

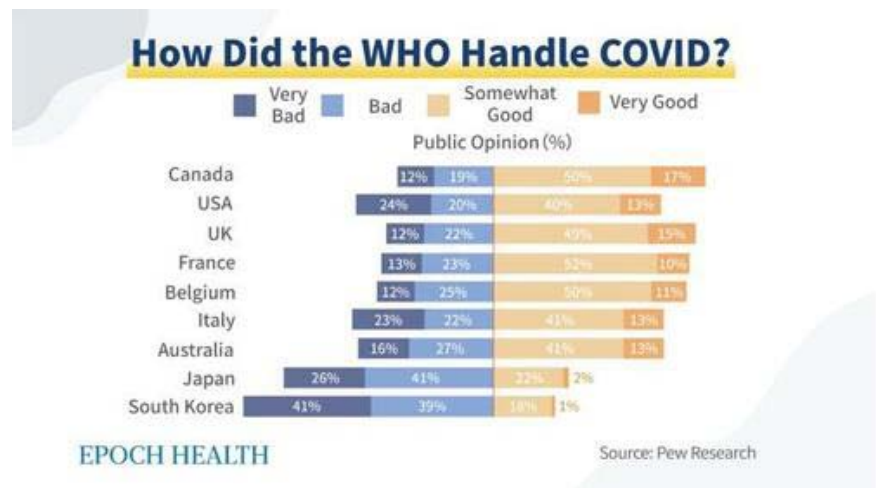
- Doctors across many countries and diverse regions have a plethora of different methods to treat something as simple as a cold. Some may give you a flu shot, some may prescribe you some minor medication, and some might even tell you to drink hot soup and get lots of rest. There may also be an unfamiliar remedy from Latin America or Southeast Asia that works just as well as something you could pick up in a U.S. pharmacy. This is all to say that well-trained doctors know what they're doing given the methods available to them.
- The one-on-one patient-doctor relationship has traditionally been the tried-and-true way to establish a health system in any society. Even under evidence-based medicine, advice from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), or other health agencies serves as nonbinding recommendations to doctors that give them the right to make their own decisions based on their knowledge of the patient.
- People make their own final health-related decisions; hence, doctors need consent from their patients for treatment or surgeries. The trust people give to their doctors is sacred and demands that doctors practice medicine grounded in ethics and based on genuine medical knowledge, skills, and experience—all things that most doctors still have.
- Notwithstanding what has been the norm for generations, the advancement of modern medicine and biotechnology has made the fields of health and medicine huge industries. As a result, the quality of health care has become increasingly dependent on the allocation of resources and distribution of wealth.
- Big Pharma, powerful health agencies, and dominant health insurance enterprises are all intertwined, forming a tremendous conglomerate of power. In the name of protecting the people, this manifestation of power has reached an unprecedented level, which was on full display during the pandemic in the form of lockdowns, mandates, the rush of drugs and vaccines, insurance policies determining diagnosis, etc.

WHO: A Global Regime in the Name of Health?

- Then we have international organizations like the WHO with a role many people deem too arbitrary to consider an eminent element in their life. It was created within the United Nations and historically played a coordinating role in global health issues and resources, in helping with public health threats like polio, AIDS, and COVID. However, its latest proposed reform raises a serious concern over whether the WHO is turning into a global quasi-regime.
- The newest changes the WHO is facing are amendments to the International Health Regulations agreement. The World Health Assembly [first adopted the IHR](#) in 1969 to cover six diseases and it has since been revised several times. A fully updated version was implemented in 2005 after China's SARS outbreak in 2003, after the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) refused to maintain transparency during the outbreak. This 2005 edition of the IHR is now facing stark changes.
- The IHR demands WHO nations detect, assess, report, and respond appropriately in regard to public health emergencies that can spread on an international scale. During the COVID-19 pandemic, especially during its onset, China demonstrated an aptitude for disinformation and a lack of transparency toward the international community with regard to sharing data, allowing a probe into the origins of the virus, and issues involving the most recent [unprecedented spike of infections](#) and death after the country lifted its zero-COVID restrictions.
- Not unrelated to these international incidences, the WHO has published a number of amendments to the IHR that will strengthen the WHO's power considerably pertaining to global health emergencies. For example, the WHO will have the power to act upon potential rather than actual emergencies, and allow the director-general of the WHO control over the production of medication that may be allocated as he or she deems fit.
- One concern is that the WHO will have the authority to override health measure decisions made by individual nations and grant the organization the capacity to censor what it considers misinformation and disinformation, should the amendments be adopted. This is a serious threat to the sovereignty of every WHO member.
- Another startling change was the removal of "respect for the dignity, human rights, and fundamental freedoms of persons" in Article 3 of the IHR, replaced with the terms "equity" and "inclusivity."
- At the same time, the WHO's new amendments change the advisory nature of the IHR to that of law, meaning that the organization will hold just as much power—if not more—compared with a governing body with legally binding jurisdiction and enforcement capabilities.
- The aforementioned changes, and many more, are troubling because the amendments are vague in nature and leave much room for interpretation. For example, the amendments do not specify the amount of funding countries need to contribute, which could lead to an escalation of corruption in underdeveloped countries.

A Global Health Certificate System With Multiple Risks

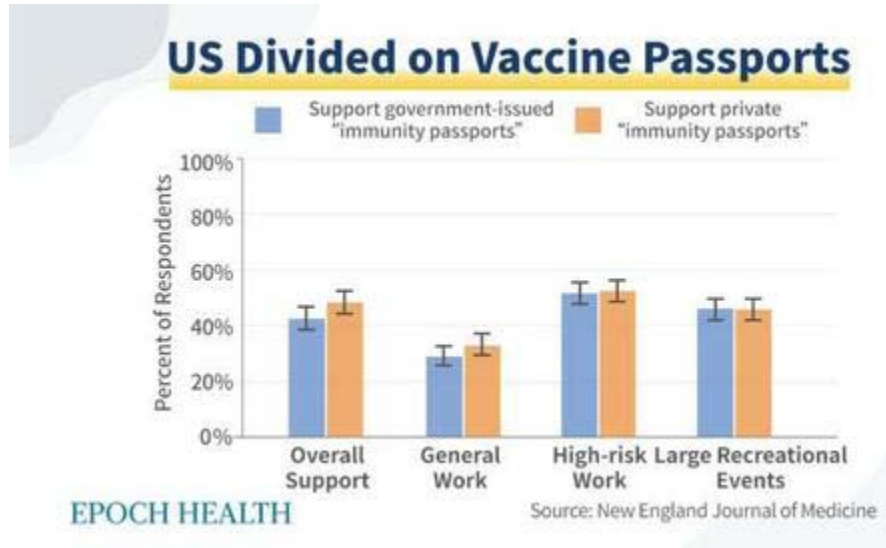
- During the pandemic, there have been a number of health certificate systems set up across some parts of North America, Europe, and other countries, yet none was as pervasive and heavily enforced as the [health QR-code system](#) in China. Throughout China's three years of extreme zero-COVID measures, the color of a code on your phone decided whether you were allowed to leave the community grounds, eat in restaurants, or even be [admitted to a hospital](#) to give birth.
- The QR-code system was able to track your movement and used an algorithm to determine if you were considered at risk of being infected. If you were at risk, your code would turn yellow and authorities would send you to a quarantine camp at your own expense. This QR-code system was also attached to your personal bank account so that your mandatory quarantine in a hotel could be paid for before you arrived.
- Implemented by a regime that has little regard for human rights, codes were allegedly turned yellow or even red (indicating infection) for citizens who complained about the strict pandemic measures. Such an invasive system has immense potential to abolish privacy and self-determination, forcing residents to live under an Orwellian regime.
- The superficial intent of the health certificate system is benign, yet it could be a convenient tool for driving the establishment of an overarching global government. It could be an integral component in achieving a globalist agenda without requiring support from the masses.
- Health certificates are not the only thing the WHO wishes to add to the world government. The agency also demands an International Negotiating Body (INB) with the power of pandemic prevention, preparedness, and response incorporated into its duties.
- **The INB Might Be Another Excuse for Control**
- Citing the "catastrophic failure of the international community in showing solidarity and equity in response to the ... pandemic" in its preamble, the zero draft for the INB initiated in 2022 and revised as of February 2023 calls for an international organization with authority exceeding some, if not most, governments across the world that is able to act in response to the next global health emergency.
- At the same time, the INB also includes the "One Health" initiative, currently a [five-year plan](#) aimed at tackling zoonotic epidemics around the world. It can be interpreted that the INB would be the acting arm of the WHO "superpower," while the IHR would provide the legal basis for the arbitrary government. Funding for these measures, as proposed, would come from the world bank.
- While the WHO prepares to balloon its power with these amendments, one question begs an answer: Were people satisfied with how the organization handled the pandemic? Global public opinion seems to be divided on this topic. While European and North American developed nations seem to be supportive of the WHO's efforts, some Asian countries such as Japan and South Korea are voicing their dissatisfaction.



- *Public opinion regarding how well the WHO handled the COVID-19 pandemic seems to vary among nations. (The Epoch Times)*
- Meanwhile, the policies the WHO is trying to enact are also sources of potent social tension and division. Many seem to be divided between enacting a private health passport and a government-operated health passport that can be used as proof of vaccination or for similar causes.
- *When asked about their stance on vaccine passports, 1,315 Americans were divided between deeming passports issued by the government and ones issued by private entities as acceptable. (The Epoch Times)*
- Like any good government with checks and balances, doesn't the WHO also need an objective post-COVID evaluation before the amendments are adopted? This brings up the issues of what kind of

supervising entity the WHO falls under, and whether legal mechanisms exist so the WHO can be held accountable should it fail to handle a critical public health crisis. These issues need to be addressed before any changes are adopted.

- Therefore, one of the most pressing issues here might be the WHO's lack of transparency and proposed accountability measures. The language used in the amendment document is extremely vague and leaves much room for interpretation. At the same time, there seems to be a concerning lack of checks and balances within the proposed new order.



All 194 nations in the WHO are set to vote on the amendments and finalize the new INB by May 2024, which could bring sweeping changes to the livelihood of generations to come. Have people been well-informed and educated about these changes? Shouldn't there be more public and open debates for more transparency to show what is coming if the amendments are adopted? Why is the mainstream media not picking up on this?

WHO Head: 'Global Compliance' Needed For Next Pandemic Authored by Steve Watson via Modernity.news, Jan 18, 2024

- In an appearance at the globalist World Economic Forum in Davos, the Director General of the World Health Organisation urged that global cooperation will be needed during the next pandemic, and that "national interests" hinder compliance.
- In a session titled "Disease X," Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus stated that in order to be "better prepared" and "to understand disease X," the WHO's 'Pandemic Agreement' needs to be adopted globally.
- "This is about a common enemy," Tedros continued, adding "without a shared response, we will face the same problem as COVID."
- He explained that the deadline for the legislation is May of this year and member states are negotiating between countries to implement it.
- "This is a common global interest, and very narrow national interests should not come in the way," he continued, adding "of course national interests are natural, but they could be difficult and affect the negotiations."
- Tedros also declared that COVID was "the first disease X, and it could happen again."
- Before the cosy chat, Rebel news reporter Avi Yemini confronted Tedros and asked for his opinion on global lockdowns and vaccination mandates.
- He had nothing to say.

"The Death Toll of A Global War": Bret Weinstein And Tucker Discuss COVID Vaccine, WHO's Authoritarian Plans For Humanity

- Weinstein also discussed the demonization of alternative treatments such as hydroxychloroquine and ivermectin, and suggested that **there have been 17 million deaths from the COVID-19 vaccine.**
- potential overreach and infringement on national sovereignty.

A COMPETING GLOBAL FACTION

FORCED INTO ORGANIZING TO RUN INTERFERENCE

- [UK COVID Inquiry Reveals Just How Vast International Communist Conspiracy May Be](#)
 Authored by Michael Senger via The Brownstone Institute
 - The COVID Inquiry is being used as a pretext to institutionalize lockdowns
 - 17 members of the pro-lockdown pressure group 'Independent SAGE' have been asked to [give evidence](#) at the COVID Inquiry. 'Independent SAGE' is not a legitimate political body. 'Independent SAGE' is nothing but a questionably-funded group of extremists with no relevant credentials proselytizing the dubious goal of 'Zero Covid,' while hijacking the name of an official Government body to fool the public into believing they have some legitimacy.
 - **In short, 'Independent SAGE' is nothing but a disinformation organization that caused unfathomable harm by convincing citizens and officials to pursue an illusory goal using illiberal methods with very real and catastrophic costs.** To have Independent SAGE give evidence at the COVID Inquiry means the potential criminals have, quite literally, been given a role in prosecuting the case. The members of Independent SAGE are the ones who should be facing an inquiry; given the scale of the harm, the UK could do worse than to have them all banged up in the Tower of London—at least until we know more.
 - **It reveals that many Members of Parliament are deliberately working to manipulate public perceptions to prevent the question of whether the UK should have imposed a lockdown from ever being asked**—and it begs the troubling question of just how many of these MPs are not mere incompetents, but rather knowing accomplices to the crime. To be frank, it evidences just how vast the communist [conspiracy](#) which may have given birth to Western lockdowns may in fact be.

BRICS-11

- BRICS Expands Footprint In The Global South
 - **In August, the bloc had announced that it would be admitting six new members, including Argentina.**
 - However, [as Statista's Felix Richter reports](#), the South American nation declared a formal rejection of the offer on 29 December, 2023 with Argentina's President Javier Milei stating in a letter published by several media outlets that the membership "was not considered appropriate at this time."
 - Speaking on the expansion of the BRICS, South African president Cyril Ramaphosa [said at a press briefing](#):
 - ***"We shared our vision of BRICS as a champion of the needs and concerns of the peoples of the Global South. These include the need for beneficial economic growth, sustainable development and reform of multilateral systems."***
 - He also indicated that the addition of the six new members is just the beginning of the bloc's expansion process.



- **“As the five BRICS countries, we have reached agreement on the guiding principles, standards, criteria and procedures of the BRICS expansion process, which has been under discussion for quite a while,” he said.**
- *“We have consensus on the first phase of this expansion process, and further phases will follow.”*
- Adding major fossil-fuel producers may give the bloc more scope to challenge the dollar’s dominance in oil and gas trading by [switching to other currencies](#), a concept referred to as dedollarization.
- However, expansion is **“more about politics and less about economics,”** according to analysts at Bloomberg Economics.
- Other groupings that are already **promoting a move toward a more “multipolar” world** - and away from the post-Cold War dominance of the US — include [OPEC](#), the [Shanghai Cooperation Organization](#), the Southern Common Market ([Mercosur](#)), and the [African Union](#).

READ MORE

- [Macleod on The Geopolitical Year-Ahead: BRICS, Gold, & Israel Gone Rogue](#) Authored by Alasdair Macleod via GoldMoney.com
 - Russia takes over the BRICS presidency from South Africa and membership expands from five to ten. It was to be eleven. But having applied and been granted membership from 1 January, Argentina withdrew its application on 30 December, leaving a total of ten nations in the organization whose **combined population is estimated at 3.3 billion, about 44% of the world’s population.**
 - And of the 30 nations which have expressed an interest last year, **a further 15 countries have formally applied to join BRICS.** As pro tempore president, Russia will probably authorize further membership applications in a quest to expand BRICS and Russia’s own sphere of influence. My guess is that fossil fuel production and consumption will rank with respect to Putin’s selection.
 - **The days of US divide and rule over Middle Eastern states are over.** And if Israel thinks it can simply drag America into the Gaza horror story it has badly miscalculated.
 - Russia has taken over the presidency of BRICS, and in his New Year speech President Putin stated there will be over 200 meetings and events planned. The final definitive meeting will be in Kazan in October. **It seems reasonable to assume that Russia will ensure that all current members will be educated towards the merits of adopting a gold-backed trade settlement arrangement instead of the dollar.**
 - The new currency is likely to replace the dollar as the intermediate step between non-dollar currency transactions. And it also makes compelling sense for Russia to put the rouble on a gold exchange standard as well, because it is one of the few economies that won’t require cuts in public spending to facilitate it. And as the dollar slides, China must follow in order to prevent the yuan going down with it.
 - President Putin in his New Year speech outlined Russia’s objectives for BRICS in the coming year. The following is extracted from the English translation: [\[ii\]](#)
 - *“In general, Russia will continue to promote all aspects of the BRICS partnership in three key areas: politics and security, economy and finance, and cultural and humanitarian contacts.*
 - *“Naturally, we will focus on enhancing foreign policy coordination among the member countries and on jointly seeking effective responses to the challenges and threats to international and regional security and stability. We will contribute to the practical implementation of the Strategy for BRICS Economic Partnership 2025 and the Action Plan for BRICS Innovation Cooperation 2021–2024 for ensuring energy and food security, enhancing the role of BRICS in the international monetary system, expanding interbank cooperation, and expanding the use of national currencies in mutual trade.*
 - *“Our priorities include promoting cooperation in science, high technology, healthcare, environmental protection, culture, sports, youth exchanges, and civil society.*
 - *“In total, over 200 events of different levels and types will be held in many Russian cities as part of the chairmanship. We encourage representatives of all countries interested in cooperating with our organisation to take part in them. The BRICS Summit in Kazan in October will be the culmination of our chairmanship.”*

METHODS OF CONTROL

KEY MESSAGES

THE CLOWARD-PRIVEN STRATEGY

- **THEORY: Create social destabilization by using migrants as a weapon.**
- **AUTHORITARIANISM:** This strategy additionally opens the door to **Authoritarianism** in the US.

OPERATION GARDEN PLOT & MARTIAL LAW

- In 1968 the US Department of Defense at the request of the government drafted a **civil disturbance plan** called 'Operation Garden Plot' which outlined what was essentially a martial law response to large scale social breakdown.
- One of the main factors listed in the plan as a trigger for martial law was the uncontrolled mass migration of minorities into the US, as well as riots by minorities in light of economic uncertainty.
- Garden Plot has provisions designed to install a long lasting domestic military presence in the US if deemed necessary, and was even tied to programs like REX 84 which planned out the installation of "FEMA camps" or detention facilities meant to hold large numbers refugees during a mass migration crisis.
- These programs were accidentally exposed during the Iran/Contra hearings of 1987 and were kept secret from a majority of representatives in Congress.
- In other words, political elites designed a set of operations to swiftly impose martial law if a migrant disaster occurred

AMNESTY & CREATING AN ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT MILITARY

- Democrats have fielded multiple bills including legislation in 2022 to give illegal immigrants the option to serve in the US military and gain citizenship as a reward. Representatives mention the growing shortfall in military recruitment as a rationale for the policy (a shortfall which they created after allowing woke cultism into armed forces curriculum).

CULTURAL REPLACEMENT THEORY

- Migrants are being used to phase out the pillars of western civilization.
- If the current trend is allowed to continue, the stage will be set for a host of emergencies that will be exploited to give elites the excuse to erase what constitutional protections we have left. This cannot be tolerated. It's time to end it.

CHEVRON DEFERENCE DOCTRINE

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- "Chevron deference," is a bureaucracy-empowering legal doctrine that distorts the U.S. system of government for decades at the expense of everyday citizens.
- The doctrine, which arose out of *Chevron v. NRDC* (1984), holds that an executive agency's interpretation of a statute is entitled to deference unless Congress has explicitly said otherwise.
- It gives unelected regulators power to make policy by going beyond what Congress intended when it approved various laws. The authority of regulatory agencies has been increasingly questioned in recent years as the conservative majority on the Supreme Court has grown. Conservative Justices Clarence Thomas, Samuel Alito, and Neil Gorsuch have expressed skepticism of the Chevron doctrine.

"I don't want to say that Chevron is responsible for all the ills of the modern administrative state, just most of them,"

- It is about the separation of powers and how power is allocated in our system, particularly between Congress and the executive.
- The Chevron doctrine has contributed to the growth of government in part because "if Congress creates ambiguous statutes, the executive has a lot of leeway under Chevron to interpret them one way or another."
- Over time it has created a "dynamic where Congress has very little incentive to legislate clearly,"
 - *"At any given time, about half the members of Congress have allies in the executive branch, and at a certain point, they figure, 'well, I'm not going to compromise anymore"*

because compromising is difficult—compromising could make me look weak, I can get a primary challenge.”

- So lawmakers prefer to keep legislation “fuzzy and vague” because they know they are going to get what they want from their “friends in the executive branch, and so it creates these long-term incentives.”
- The intensity of division within the US springs from a federal government operating far beyond the limits of the Constitution — fueling a fight for control over powers that were never supposed to exist at the national level.
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AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION

- There’s another long-shot avenue — amending the Constitution. Under Article V, a constitutional amendment convention must be convened if two-thirds (34) of the state legislatures call for one. Such a movement is already underway: As I previously covered, 19 states have now requested a convention, with one of the goals being to limit federal jurisdiction and power.
- If we don’t bend the union back into proper shape, it will surely break under the pressure of intensifying discontent with concentrated power and one-size-fits-all governance. Barring a burst of constitutional-amendment momentum, expect the country’s simmering secession movements to grow far more substantial and numerous.
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CLOWARD PRIVEN

[Cloward & Piven Are Laughing All The Way To The Welfare Agency](#) Authored by Brian Wilson via AmericanThinker.com

Worse than the Pinkerton agents to Butch and Sundance, Cloward and Piven are to the stability and future of America. If the Cloward-Piven Strategy is new to you, Fred Elbel's "[Cloward–Piven strategy - fundamentally transforming America](#)" does an outstanding job breaking it down into bite-size pieces.

Basically:

- [D]eveloped in 1966 by Americans Richard Cloward and Frances Fox Piven — both sociologists and political activists...
- ...[t]he strategy focused on overloading the United States public welfare system in order to precipitate a crisis, which would ultimately lead to replacing the welfare system with a national system of "a guaranteed annual income and thus an end to poverty."

It worked pretty well - so well, in fact, the outline has been applied in many instances to bring about the disruption of public programs, policies and systems:

- [1965 Immigration Act](#)
- [2008 Financial Crisis](#)
- [2014 Border crisis — Unaccompanied Alien Children](#)
- [2015 Syrian refugees — importing terrorism](#)

Time marches on and the Cloward–Piven strategy, as Elbel puts it, "**remains an active instrument of change in America. Ultimately, it is the tool by which multicultural elites aim to "fundamentally transform America."**

- To fully appreciate the genius of the strategy, just look around at the other pressure points of American society being clogged and hamstrung by the nonstop avalanche of C-P red tape.
- **The southern — and now northern — borders are beyond overwhelmed.** Border Patrol agents are taken away from the flood of illegals and reassigned to paper-pushing, babysitting, and chauffeuring gigs. And the flood continues unabated.
- As the immigrant invasion continues — over 5 million by current estimates — **local support structures and systems are overwhelmed:** schools, housing, law enforcement, retail outlets are unable to cope. The damage is not reserved to the systems. Visit a local hospital E.R. And not just in towns in Texas, Arizona, Oklahoma, and California. Identical issues around the country are similarly effected as "got-aways" and exported aliens make their way to Chicago, New York, Miami, L.A., San Francisco. All those cities already had overcrowding problems left over from the COVID-19 "pandemic." Crime stats are skyrocketing, primarily in Democrat-governed cities and blue states.
- **Food shortages are ubiquitous.** Baby formula to Brussels sprouts to ground meat to eggs continue to run in short supply as prices rise. Suspicious fires, bombings, and "accidents" at food processing plants are blamed without explanation along with droughts, avian flu, and the dreaded (supposed) COVID-19 super-duper "sub-variants." Government regulations reducing the application of certain fertilizers on farms in Holland, Spain, France are proliferating, forcing crop, flock, and herd reductions. Results: farms closing, creating more food shortages, unemployment, and increasing welfare rolls.
- **Public outcry and political pressure have been suppressed through ignorance caused by the media.** The MSM's OCR (Obsessive Compulsive Regurgitation) of the most salacious to the most dramatic to the most irrelevant "news of the day" leaves no air time for hard news stories and continuing tragedies that will inform the affected about the coming tragedies of system collapse.
- Meanwhile, politicians continue to focus on J6, laptops, classified docs, name-calling, distractions, denials, Harry and Meghan, and similar matters irrelevant to the preservation of liberty, erecting a fog bank over the news and information the public needs. People sufficiently talented to get themselves elected can whistle and chew gum simultaneously. But the analogy is lost on the blow-dried celebrity news media set.
- ***Don't presume that the C-P strategy can't — or doesn't — work both ways. What if the internals of the bureaucratic deep swamp work in harmony with the overwhelming external pressures by slow-walking the very administrative solutions to the problem?***

- Overall, that's been the plan all along. Proven effective over decades, Cloward-Piven remains the strategy "multicultural elites are using to fundamentally transform America."
- **Nothing good can come of it. It's rotten to the core.**

[Democratic Party Playbook Exposed: The Cloward-Piven Strategy](#) Via EconomicNoise.com

Cloward and Piven is the Playbook of the Democrat Party. It is the second part of this two-pronged approach:

1. When you don't have logic or reason on your side, use power.
2. If you don't have enough power, flood the system to acquire more.

Cloward and Piven

- Flooding the system was the [Cloward and Piven strategy](#) to bring down this country. Create real or phony problems that "require" government actions that begin the process of shifting freedoms from individuals to the State. (For a more layman's insight, see [here](#).)
- Rahm Emmanuel, President Obama's Chief of Staff, said that "no good crisis should ever go to waste." That implied an opening for more government, a Cloward and Piven (CP) opportunity. (To visualize one asserted implementation of this, involving Acorn, see [here](#).)
- The strategy is not a Democrat monopoly. Republicans use it also, although do not brag about it or depend upon it almost exclusively.
- The process is like rust eroding liberty, slowly and steadily. **It replaces freedom with dependency and controls.**
- There are two problems with the strategy:
 - It must be slow and steady (boil the frog beginning with unheated water, slowly increasing the temperature [a wonderful metaphor but physically erroneous] so that the frog doesn't notice until it is too late).
 - It must be stealth, that is citizen "frogs" must not realize what is happening.
- The CP strategy was developed in and for a world very different from today. The Internet changed this world. Conventional media was all that needed to be controlled in the CP world. By controlling this source, government created its own "Pravda."
- Controlling the media was possible because it was owned by corporations. It consisted of known and immovable assets, which are easy targets for government. The message was simple: **Obey or we will put you out of business!**
- Legal action against government is a "fool's errand." They own the courts and have unlimited funds to fight. If threatened, you will comply or they will bankrupt you! Tax issues and anti-trust cases are the bludgeoning weapons of choice. Fighting charges, regardless of how false, is akin to a minor suing his parents. That is why media, other companies and wealthy individuals generally settle government claims for enormous sums of money, but without the admission of guilt. **There is no better job than that of blackmailer when you are also the sheriff or the Department of Justice!**

Why are Things Different

- Then came the internet! While it didn't stop extortion of corporations, it exposed the media as "captured" propagandists.
- Bloggers began telling different "truths." The first reaction was to shut them down. Unfortunately for government, this group is so diverse geographically and otherwise, that traditional threats of "putting you out of business" were meaningless. Asset confiscation threats are meaningless when there are no physical assets. To be a blogger only requires electricity and the internet (and perhaps some intellectual capital to enhance success).
- The only way to shut these sources down is to control the Internet and its content.
 - The first was impossible.



- The second was tried.
- Unfortunately for government, silencing free speech is frowned upon in free countries, especially those where Free Speech is the First Amendment in the Bill of Rights.
- Definitions of speech that didn't qualify for protection were tried ("hate speech," "lies," "dangerous rhetoric," "racism," "inciting danger," etc.) in an effort to obviate the First Amendment. Threats of imprisonment were tried, but the First Amendment was too broad and too sacred for these efforts to succeed. Government then went after the platforms (Twitter, Facebook, etc.). It was the same corrupt strategy employed against traditional media — You impose our "bans" (censorship) or we will put you out of business!
- But, "muscling" these corporate platforms only caused new competitors to sprout. Most were smaller and not asset-heavy. Suppressed views and voices began to move to these venues where free speech was allowed.
- Censorship works, but only where government can exert leverage via harm. It was easy to cow Facebook and Twitter. Ditto for established institutions like public schools, colleges and corporations. These entities had to decide whether they wanted the hassle and threats of being "un-woke." Most submitted, presumably determining that losing some customers would be less costly than getting into a legal or other battle with Leviathan. Some probably thought this "new inclusiveness" would gain them additional customers.

The Wrong War

- Generals are always prepared to fight the next war in the same manner they fought the last one. They are rarely prepared to fight the next one if it requires different strategies and tactics. So it appears to be here! Government believed prior tactics and strategies would suffice.
- The prior war was against traditional media with fixed positions and assets. The Internet changed "warfare." **It created media guerrilla war!** This new enemy moves quickly and has no assets to threaten or destroy. Take away a bloggers website address and he easily gets a new one.
- Government wins against corporate internet players but loses against the "guerrillas." Vietnam and Afghanistan showed US military weaknesses in non-conventional wars. Traditional bloggers or start-up sharing sites are guerrillas. Conventional war strategies do not win guerrilla battles!
- Arguably the demented Joe Biden and his Obama staff are to thank for ultimately saving this country. Someone inside that Administration realized the "slow boil" strategy was not convincing the American public fast enough and had to be sped up. They put Cloward and Piven into overdrive! Time was likely not on their side, but escalating the war was a fatal mistake! [Marty Bent](#) summarized it nicely:
 - *They tried to do too much too quickly and people have started to develop pattern recognition on the go that allows them to recognize when the unproductive class is attempting to manipulate their minds. This pattern recognition is accelerated and enhanced by our ability to communicate directly with each other in real time over the internet.*
- Instant communications were not possible when Cloward and Piven designed their strategy. Nor was there a means to present an opposing view. That all changed with the Internet. Now you see why governments around the world want to control the Internet. They can't and they must not be allowed to change that!
- For all its negatives, the Internet has at least one positive — it obsoleted traditional and controllable sources of information. The fragmentation of the internet makes it impossible to control (unless you wish to go full Communist Korea or China). This country is not ready for that step, at least not yet.
- Thank God for the private sector, technology and the Internet. Together they voided the Cloward and Piven strategy, censorship and a complete government take-over of society.
- So long as the Internet exists in its present form (warts and all), freedom cannot be extinguished.
- Big guns do not silence big truths! **Only big censorship can do that** and we must not allow that to happen!

[Cultural Replacement: Why The Immigration Crisis Is Being Deliberately Engineered](#) Authored by Brandon Smith via Alt-Market.us

- There is absolutely no doubt – Elements of our own government are deliberately encouraging the acceleration of illegal immigration across the southern border and they are actively sabotaging any attempts to stop the madness.
- There are two questions we need to ask:
 - Why are they doing this?
 - And, what can be done to stop them?

- In a move that I think debunks any claims that the Biden Administration wants a secure border, the federal government recently challenged Texas efforts to install border fencing and barbed wire to prevent the massive influx of foreigners raiding the US. This is after several incidents in which convicted criminals and terrorists have been identified among migrant groups. The measures were working, so obviously, Biden felt the need to intervene.
- A majority of the Supreme Court has also taken Biden's side, forcing Texas Governor Greg Abbott to declare the situation an invasion that threatens the security of his state and America at large. The conflict is leading to a showdown between federal agencies and Texas. I would argue that it is a showdown that NEEDS to happen, the sooner the better.
- **The expulsion of unwanted or destructive groups of people has been an emergency measure used by civilizations for thousands of years.**
- The cultures that don't protect their own gates end up being erased or absorbed into a completely different population that may not hold the same values and principles.
- **The majority of nations on the planet today have strict immigration rules, yet, America and the EU are the only regions attacked for wanting to limit the flow of illegals.**

WHY IS THAT?

- The open borders propaganda common to the corporate media and Hollywood movies is part of a larger establishment agenda that has been active for many years in the US, but it has been accelerating since 2021. The Biden Administration in particular has overseen the largest spike in illegal migration in US history, with over 300,000 border violations in December alone (that we know of). To put this in perspective, that's the equivalent of a city the size of Pittsburgh moving across the US border and demanding welfare, subsidies, housing, jobs, free food, etc., every single month.
- This is unsustainable and the establishment knows it. In fact, Biden has actively tried to hide the crisis from the view of the American people for years, denying that there is any threat and claiming that the border is more rigid today than ever before. Anyone who questions the validity of this claim is immediately accused of racism, white supremacy and conspiracy theory.
- Border states have become so angered over leftist denials that they've started busing thousands of migrants into blue "sanctuary cities" like New York, Washington DC and Chicago. The result has been a calamity for their welfare programs and local economy. Even progressive voters in these areas are enraged by the flood of migrants into their neighborhoods.
- Schools in New York are being emptied and shut down to make room for migrant housing. Homeless shelters in DC have been inundated with migrants begging for handouts and the citizen homeless had far less food over the holidays because the illegals ate it all. The Chicago O'Hare Airport is being turned into a migrant shelter and the city is trying to prevent the media from documenting the situation.
- **Democrat mayors are finally calling the event a national emergency; funny how they refused to admit to the problem until they were directly affected by it.** Of course, they blame conservative governors instead of their own sanctuary city policies. In other words, Democrats are indignant because they are being forced by red states to suffer the consequences of their warped ideals. Leftists have a rule: Never admit when they are wrong, even if it means self destruction.
- And though low level progressive politicians are made to look foolish in their continued defense of sanctuary status, there is the greater issue of engineered crisis. Why have establishment elites and the Biden Administration been lying despite the clear and present danger? And why is it considered particularly wrong for western countries to defend their borders?
- Perhaps because certain groups of people within the centers of power benefit greatly from the continued migrant invasion.
- **We've all heard of the Cloward-Piven Strategy by now, and it's not all that difficult to understand – Create social destabilization by using migrants as a weapon.** But there's a lot more going on here than meets the eye. Cloward-Piven is almost too simplistic an explanation; it doesn't really define the bigger picture. There are a few ways that this strategy could open the door to authoritarianism in the US. Lets examine these scenarios to better comprehend why...

OPERATION GARDEN PLOT & MARTIAL LAW

- In 1968 the US Department of Defense at the request of the government drafted a civil disturbance plan called 'Operation Garden Plot' which outlined what was essentially a martial law response to large scale social breakdown. One of the main factors listed in the plan as a trigger for martial law was the uncontrolled mass migration of minorities into the US, as well as riots by minorities in light of economic uncertainty.
- **Garden Plot has provisions designed to install a long lasting domestic military presence in the US if deemed necessary, and was even tied to programs like REX 84 which planned**

out the installation of “FEMA camps” or detention facilities meant to hold large numbers of refugees during a mass migration crisis. These programs were accidentally exposed during the Iran/Contra hearings of 1987 and were kept secret from a majority of representatives in Congress.

- In other words, political elites designed a set of operations to swiftly impose martial law if a migrant disaster occurred. But were these measures meant to solve the crisis? Or were they meant to use the crisis as an excuse to put boots on the ground in the US and permanently end whatever constitutional protections we have left? That is to say, it may very well be the plan of the establishment to keep the borders open until illegals overwhelm the system and the public is willing to accept martial law.

AMNESTY & CREATING AN ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT MILITARY

- Democrats have fielded multiple bills including legislation in 2022 to give illegal immigrants the option to serve in the US military and gain citizenship as a reward. Representatives mention the growing shortfall in military recruitment as a rationale for the policy (a shortfall which they created after allowing woke cultism into armed forces curriculum).
- I have mentioned this in previous articles and I continue to believe that one of the main purposes for the establishment to leave borders open and entice illegals to enter is to create a migrant army; a situation in which millions of illegals will be offered easy citizenship in exchange for service. I also believe that this migrant army will be used against the American public (the real citizenry) to impose martial law measures in the wake of a national disaster.
- Look at it this way: **With the current military around 70% conservative and independent it is far less likely that the armed forces will follow orders to subjugate the populace, especially in the name of an increasingly unpopular leftist/globalist president like Joe Biden.** It is much easier for the elites to use foreigners with no inherent regard for American culture or the American people as a suppressive force.

CULTURAL REPLACEMENT THEORY

- “Replacement Theory” is often denigrated by the media as a racist conspiracy held by white people who are “afraid to lose power.” This is nonsensical for a number of reasons, including the fact that if “white people” were a monolith and we had all the power, then we would simply snuff out any threats to that power and lock down our borders. There would be nothing anyone could do to stop us.
- **The truth is, there is no white monolith, there is no patriarchy and there is no such thing as systemic racism.** Do some leftist activists clamor for mass migration to replace white people in the US and Europe? Absolutely. They call it “decolonization.” Is this the real purpose of mass migration? Probably not.
- The replacement going on is not so much about replacing white people as it is about replacing western culture. The goal, I believe, is to open the floodgates to foreign elements because most of them come from more socialist systems that have no understanding of individual freedom. In this way, the establishment can dilute the American culture of independence and use the tyranny of the majority (democracy) to erase our values and principles forever.
- This is why you will hear Biden and his ilk constantly pontificate on “democracy” and the “defense of democracy” and the conservative “threat to democracy.” This is very deliberate terminology. When they say “democracy”, they are talking about the rule of the mob; the tyranny of the majority. They are talking about collectivism, socialism and ultimately authoritarianism for the “sake of the greater good.”
- **Migrants are being used to phase out the pillars of western civilization.** This is why the borders must be secured now and illegals must be kicked out of the country with haste. No martial law, no FEMA detention facilities, no amnesty, no asylum, no welfare and no subsidies. They just need to be removed and sent back to where they came from and if they return illegally they should be severely punished.
- In order for this to happen it would appear that southern states will have to enforce their own border security. But how to do this without federal interference? The American public will have to step in and step up to help states like Texas. The movement will have to be so overwhelming that the federal government is afraid to intervene.
- The shape of this secure border action will require trial and error, but as long as Texas is willing to continue arresting illegals and shipping them out of the country, all that is needed is a contingent of deputized Americans to help watch the border and catch people trying to cross. There may also be a need for people to defend border walls and fences from federal sabotage.
- Some will argue that this constitutes a violation, a defiance of federal authorities, and I would say yes, it is, and that’s a good thing. The Biden Administration is in dereliction of its duty to keep the

country safe from foreign invasion. Doing nothing and leaving borders undefended from mass immigration is no different from refusing to defend the border from a foreign military.

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[Americans Are Fighting For Control Of Federal Powers That Shouldn't Exist](#) By Brian McGlinchey via Stark Realities

- It's no secret that politics in the United States is growing increasingly acrimonious — to the point that a 2022 poll found 43% of Americans think a civil war is a least somewhat likely in the next decade.
- But here's what few people realize: The intensity of our division springs from a federal government operating far beyond the limits of the Constitution — fueling a fight for control over powers that were never supposed to exist at the national level.
- To put it another way, if the federal government were confined to its actual granted authorities, federal elections would be of little interest to the general public, because the outcome would be largely irrelevant to their everyday lives.
- America's founders drafted the Constitution with great trepidation. Having just escaped British tyranny, the people of the separate states that would comprise the proposed union were wary of centralizing too much power at the federal level, and thus sowing the seeds of a new tyranny.
- They therefore set out to create a federal government to which the states delegated only certain limited powers, with all other subjects of governance reserved to the states.
- Those powers — only 18 of them — are listed, one by one, in Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution. They include such things as:
 - The power to raise armies, m
 - Maintain a navy,
 - Declare war,
 - Borrow money,
 - Coin money,
 - Establish punishments for counterfeiters and pirates,
 - Set standards of weights and measures,
 - Secure patents and
 - Establish post offices.
- Reassuring those who were considering the enormously consequential decision of whether to ratify the Constitution, James Madison wrote,
 - *"The powers delegated by the proposed Constitution to the federal government are few and defined. Those which are to remain in the State governments are numerous and indefinite. [Federal powers] will be exercised principally on external objects, as war, peace, negotiation, and foreign commerce...The powers reserved to the several States will extend to all the objects, which, in the ordinary course of affairs, concern the lives, liberties and properties of the people."*
- To win over those would-be ratifiers who still feared the proposed federal government would undercut state sovereignty and infringe individual liberties, ten amendments were drafted — the Bill of Rights. The 10th Amendment codified Madison's previous assurance about the division of authorities between the federal and state governments:
 - "The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people."
- We arrive then at a hard fact: **Today's sprawling federal government, which involves itself in almost every aspect of daily American life, is almost entirely unconstitutional.**
- To rattle off just a random fistful of the federal government's unauthorized undertakings and entities — brace yourself — there is zero constitutional authority for
 - The Social Security,
 - Medicare,
 - Federal drug prohibitions,
 - The Small Business Administration,

- Crop subsidies,
 - The Department of Labor,
 - Automotive fuel efficiency standards,
 - Climate regulations,
 - The Federal Reserve,
 - Union regulation,
 - Housing subsidies,
 - The Department of Agriculture,
 - Workplace regulations,
 - The Department of Education,
 - Federal student loans,
 - The Food and Drug Administration,
 - Food stamps,
 - Unemployment insurance or
 - Light bulb regulations.
 - Even that sampling doesn't begin to fully account for the scope of the unsanctioned activity.
- Don't let your affinity for any of those enterprises short-circuit your intellectual honesty: Even if you view some of them as benign, that doesn't render them constitutional. And if you've ever invoked the Constitution to spotlight a different kind of government overreach, it would be hypocritical to nod approvingly when it's violated in ways where you deem the result beneficial.
 - So how did we get to this place where the intended relationship between federal and state powers has been completely inverted — with a federal government wielding powers that are now “numerous and indefinite” rather than being “few and defined”?
 - Much of the current state of affairs has been driven by the Supreme Court's extreme and expansive interpretations of certain clauses of the Constitution.

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James Madison's design has been corrupted by the Supreme Court (via Britannica)



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- Countering those who sought to interpret the clause that way, Thomas Jefferson wrote, “To consider the...phrase...as giving a distinct and independent power to do any act they please, which might be for the good of the Union, would render all the preceding and subsequent enumerations of power completely useless.”
- Clearly, based on context and history, those two words, general welfare, do not bestow an authority. Indeed, they're present to limit an authority — the power to tax and spend.
- The forces seeking to reshape the federal government by exploiting those two words were held at bay, but only for so long. In 1937, the Supreme Court used the imaginatively expansive interpretation of the General Welfare Clause to turn back a constitutional challenge to the Social Security Act — and to set a precedent that would fundamentally change the nature of our federal government.
- That decision — *Helvering v. Davis* — came as the court was under intense institutional duress. Following a wave of high court decisions rightly striking down various pieces of New Deal legislation as unconstitutional, President Roosevelt — emboldened by his massive landslide reelection in 1936 — pushed a legislative scheme that would enable him to appoint as many as six more justices to the Supreme Court.



An editorial cartoon mocked FDR's plan to "reform" the court by packing it with justices willing to approve New Deal provisions

- Whether to derail that plan or to merely cave to the overwhelming public opinion manifested in FDR's jaw-dropping 523-8 Electoral College landslide, the court — thanks in great part to swing-vote Justice Owen J. Roberts — began stamping its approval on New Deal legislation, with *Helvering* among the first.
- Fittingly for a ruling that eviscerated limited government in America, *Helvering's* very language had its own air of authoritarianism:
 - "Congress may spend money in aid of the 'general welfare.' There have been great statesmen in our history who have stood for other views. **We will not resurrect the contest. It is now settled by decision.**"
- As if that proclamation didn't do enough to demolish the concept of limited federal government, the court proceeded to amplify the damage. While acknowledging that determining what falls under "general welfare" requires discretion, the court declared, "the discretion...is not confided to the courts. The discretion belongs to Congress." Thus, **the court not only granted broad new power to Congress, but also limited the extent to which that power would be subject to checks and balances.**
- We don't have to imagine how the "Father of the Constitution" would feel about the Supreme Court's interpretation of the welfare clause. In 1792, Madison wrote, "The federal government has been hitherto limited to the specified powers...If not only the means, but the objects [purposes] are unlimited, **the parchment had better be thrown into the fire at once.**"
- While the Welfare Clause has been abused to expand federal spending power, Commerce Clause abuse has unleashed sprawling federal regulatory power. **As with the Welfare Clause, what was**

meant to curtail government intrusion into the lives of Americans has perversely been used to expand it.

- The Commerce Clause gives Congress the power to “regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes.” The Supreme Court’s sham interpretation focuses on “among the several states.”
- It’s important to consider that the Constitution was drafted to replace the Articles of Confederation. Among the woes that prompted that evolution was the imposition of tariffs by individual states against other states. **The Commerce Clause was intended to enable a free trade zone** within the union, by empowering Congress to bar interstate tariffs.
- “It grew out of the abuse of the power by the importing States in taxing the non-importing,” wrote Madison, “and was intended as a negative and preventive provision against injustice among the States themselves, rather than as a power to be used for the positive purposes of the General Government.”
- Those working to expand federal authority have argued that “commerce” doesn’t merely apply to trade, but also encompasses manufacturing and agriculture or even “all gainful activity.”
- However, **in the constitutional ratification debates, the word “commerce” uniformly and narrowly referred only to mercantile trade or exchange** — not to manufacturing, agriculture or retail sales, much less to any gainful activity.
- Thomas Jefferson underscored the intended scope of the clause:
 - *“The power given to Congress by the Constitution does not extend to the internal regulation of the commerce of a State, (that is to say of the commerce between citizen and citizen,) which remain exclusively with its own legislature; but to its external commerce only, that is to say, its commerce with another State, or with foreign nations, or with the Indian tribes.”*
- However, **the Commerce Clause is now used to justify federal regulation of nearly every aspect of our existence**, including activities that happen entirely within a single state. On this front, the Supreme Court did its greatest harm with its 1942 decision in *Wickard v Filburn*.
- In a move that would leave founding farmers aghast, **the federal government had fined Ohio farmer Roscoe Filburn for growing more wheat on his small farm than allowed** by the Agriculture Adjustment Act of 1938.
- Filburn wasn’t even growing the wheat for sale — **only to feed his own family and animals**, and for future planting. This clearly wasn’t commerce as meant by the Constitution’s authors and ratifiers, to say nothing of the fact that Filburn’s activity lacked any interstate character whatsoever.
- That didn’t stop the Supreme Court from upholding the law on Commerce Clause grounds. The court creatively declared that, by choosing not to buy wheat in the marketplace, individuals like Filburn could collectively have a substantial effect on interstate commerce.
- As Rand Paul wrote in a 2012 Supreme Court amicus filing, **“Wickard stands for the sad proposition that Congress can prevent a man from feeding his family in his own home with food he grew himself.”** Of course, it does far more than that, serving as a key precedent that subjects any activity to the federal government’s control and punishment. All that’s needed is a theoretical, tangential link to the economy — something every single aspect of life has to some degree.
- We’d be far better off had the founding arrangement endured. **The decentralization of power and governance reduces political discord** and results in more people being governed in ways they find agreeable. If our federalism matched the constitutional design, we’d see citizens focusing most of their political energy on state and local governments — where they have far more meaningful representation compared to the federal legislature, which now has the average House member representing 761,000 people.
- If state law, rather than federal law, were preeminent on the vast majority of topics, we’d also see sharper differentiations in what life is like in each of the 50 states. **Americans would be presented with a more diverse selection of places to live**, while enjoying the freedom to choose the one that best comports with their views on how things should be.
- As it is, the **Supreme Court-enabled concentration of power in Washington locks us all into a massive, winner-take-all steel-cage match**, forcing us to fight over who gets to impose their philosophy on 332 million people across 3.8 million square miles of territory.
- Even when the states comprising the union were far fewer in number and occupied far less territory, **the prospect of centralized government was anathema to the likes of George Mason**. At Virginia’s ratifying convention, he asked:
 - **“Is it to be supposed that one national government will suit so extensive a country**, embracing so many climates, and containing inhabitants so very different in manners, habits, and customs?”
- **How can we close the Pandora’s box the Supreme Court has opened?** Though Helvering, *Wickard* and similar decisions are objectively outrageous, it’s hard to imagine the Supreme Court setting things right by overturning them.

AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION

- There's another long-shot avenue — **amending the Constitution. Under Article V, a constitutional amendment convention must be convened if two-thirds (34) of the state legislatures call for one.** Such a movement is already underway: As I previously covered, 19 states have now requested a convention, with one of the goals being to limit federal jurisdiction and power.
- **If we don't bend the union back into proper shape, it will surely break** under the pressure of intensifying discontent with concentrated power and one-size-fits-all governance. Barring a burst of constitutional-amendment momentum, **expect the country's simmering secession movements to grow far more substantial and numerous.**
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[Supreme Court May Put Administrative-State On Chopping-Block In Upcoming Term, Lawyers Say](#)

Authored by Matthew Vadum via The Epoch Times

The Supreme Court may take steps to roll back the administrative state in its approaching term that begins next month, according to lawyers who frequently appear before the nation's highest court. The lawyers were appearing at a Sept. 20 event hosted by The Heritage Foundation think tank.

- Attorney Paul Clement of the law firm of Clement and Murphy in Washington participated. Mr. Clement was U.S. solicitor general under President George W. Bush from July 2004 to June 2008. Also participating was attorney Lisa Blatt, a partner at the law firm of Williams and Connolly in Washington.
- The court agreed on June 30 to hear Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) v. Jarkesy (court file 22-859) at some point in the upcoming term. The SEC, an independent federal agency, enforces federal securities laws administratively or by filing civil actions in court.
- George Jarkesy and his advisory firm, Patriot28, were sued in federal court in the District of Columbia in 2013 for infringing securities laws in managing two hedge funds. Mr. Jarkesy countersued, arguing that the structure of the commission ran afoul of the U.S. Constitution.
- The lower court found for the SEC, which continued the proceedings and assigned the case to an administrative law judge who confirmed the violations. The SEC reviewed and ratified the decision and ordered the parties to pay \$300,000 in civil penalties.
- A divided U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit found that the two levels of removal protections applying to administrative law judges unconstitutionally shielded them from presidential oversight. The court also held that SEC proceedings infringed the Seventh Amendment right to a jury trial and that Congress had unconstitutionally delegated its lawmaking powers to the commission, according to a Ballotpedia summary.

'Rethinking These Fundamental Questions'

- ***"We're at a place in our country, and I think with the court, where they're rethinking these fundamental questions about the administrative state, and how people's liberty interests are being taken away by bureaucrats."***
 - ***"SEC is an aggressive agency,"***
 - ***"To be gone after by the SEC, I think, triggers all the senses of big, bad, mean government."***
- The 5th Circuit found the SEC's system was unconstitutional "because Congress could not have, or should not have, delegated to the SEC the decision to proceed either internally by adjudication or go to court."
- With the Federal Trade Commission and many other agencies, "you can either do it in-house or go to court," she said.
 - ***"Well, guess what you would do if you were an agency. I would do it in-house because you're going to win. You get to be the judge, jury, and the executioner. And it is very unfair to have that."***
 - ***"I do think there's some due process arguments to be made for the fact that the government can always go after you internally where your government's always going to win."***



Lawyer Lisa Blatt speaks before the Senate Judiciary Committee during the confirmation hearing for Judge Brett Kavanaugh to be associate justice, in Washington, on Sept. 4, 2018. (Saul Loeb/AFP via Getty Images)

- Ms. Blatt noted that in 2010 the Supreme Court found in *Free Enterprise Fund v. Public Company Accounting Oversight Board* that laws insulating lower-level federal officers from presidential removal authority with two levels of for-cause removal violated the Constitution.
- Mr. Clement said, “The double for-cause removal issue is the one where I think the government definitely has the greatest vulnerability.”
 - ***“Part of the unfairness of all of this is that you’re stuck in front of this agency, and they’re adjudicating their own cases, and they never lose.”***
 - ***“What I think a majority of the court cares deeply about in this context is accountability.”***
- Oral arguments in the case, *Loper Bright Enterprises v. Raimondo* (court file 22-451), have not yet been scheduled.

'Chevron Deference'

- **The case challenges “Chevron deference,” a bureaucracy-empowering legal doctrine that critics say has distorted the U.S. system of government for decades at the expense of everyday citizens.**
- **The doctrine, which arose out of *Chevron v. NRDC* (1984), holds that an executive agency’s interpretation of a statute is entitled to deference unless Congress has explicitly said otherwise.**
- **Conservatives and Republican policymakers have long been critical of the doctrine, saying it gives unelected regulators far too much power to make policy by going beyond what Congress intended when it approved various laws. The authority of regulatory agencies has been increasingly questioned in recent years as the conservative majority on the Supreme Court has grown. Conservative Justices Clarence Thomas, Samuel Alito, and Neil Gorsuch have expressed skepticism of the Chevron doctrine.**
- ***“I don’t want to say that Chevron is responsible for all the ills of the modern administrative state, just most of them,”***
- The appeal itself concerns a federal rule that requires the owners of fishing vessels, which tend to be small, to pay for having federal observers onboard to oversee operations and ensure compliance with a litany of federal regulations.
- The court’s eventual ruling in the case could alter the current balance of power among Congress, executive agencies, and the nation’s judiciary by tearing away at the legal underpinnings of the modern administrative state, which critics deride as an illegitimate fourth branch of government.

- Mr. Clement expressed outrage over the fisheries rule, saying it is the “maritime equivalent of the forced quartering of British soldiers,” a colonial-era policy that helped to spur the American Revolution.
- The rule forces fishing companies “to give over precious space on the vessels,” and to make matters worse, “the fishermen themselves have to pay the salaries for the federal monitors who are monitoring them for compliance with all the federal regulations.”
- **This is “really a case about the separation of powers and how power is allocated in our system, particularly between Congress and the executive.”**
- The Chevron doctrine has contributed to the growth of government in part because “if Congress creates ambiguous statutes, the executive has a lot of leeway under Chevron to interpret them one way or another.”
- Over time it has created a “dynamic where Congress has very little incentive to legislate clearly,” Mr. Clement said.
 - **“At any given time, about half the members of Congress have allies in the executive branch, and at a certain point, they figure, ‘well, I’m not going to compromise anymore because compromising is difficult—compromising could make me look weak, I can get a primary challenge.’”**
- So lawmakers prefer to keep legislation “fuzzy and vague” because they know they are going to get what they want from their “friends in the executive branch, and so it creates these long-term incentives.”

The U.S. Supreme Court in Washington on Sept. 18, 2023. (Madalina Vasiliu/The Epoch Times)

16th Amendment

Ms. Blatt said the government’s brief in the Loper Bright case “didn’t even acknowledge that for the last eight years, or at least since the Obama administration, the government has been disavowing reliance on Chevron.”

“And the court itself hasn’t been applying it so there’s somewhat of a disconnect between the government’s brief defending Chevron and the reality of the last eight years,” she said.

- Mr. Clement said the tax case of Moore v. United States (court file 22-800), which has not yet been scheduled, is “the great 16th Amendment case of the court’s term.”
- Charles and Kathleen Moore, a married Washington state couple, are challenging a wealth tax that was levied on capital gains they never received.
- The mandatory repatriation tax, also known as the Section 965 transition tax, was part of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act passed by the Republican-controlled Congress in 2017 and signed into law by President Donald Trump in December 2017.
- The provision taxes U.S. citizens on certain accumulated foreign earnings of foreign corporations going back 30 years, even if the earnings haven’t been distributed.
- **This “pretty obscure statute” addressed a “concern that there were certain taxpayers who were leaving lots and lots of money in foreign companies, and they weren’t repatriated to the United States where it could be taxed. And so they were building up lots of wealth in a way that wasn’t giving any sort of benefit to the public fisc,” Mr. Clement said.**
- Before the 16th Amendment was ratified in 1913, “there were some real limits on how big the federal government could get because it was seriously revenue-constrained,” he said.
 - **“The 16th Amendment just blew the doors off of that and paved the way for the income tax, which is now why we have a federal government of this huge size that we have.**
 - **“So other than thinking about this as a boring tax case, I think the 16th Amendment [and the] 17th Amendment, which also fundamentally changed the relationship between the states and the federal government by having direct election of senators—this is super interesting stuff, at least to me.”**
- Loper Bright is a “hugely important” case because “people are talking about a wealth tax and the constitutionality of a wealth tax may well be decided in the context of this case,” he said.
- If the mandatory repatriation tax is upheld, “then there’s no reason for the federal government to wait until you actually take money from your stocks that have appreciated over time and take it as a capital gain.”
- “I think the issue here is much more important than meets the eye,” Mr. Clement added.

Social Media

- Ms. Blatt discussed O'Connor-Ratcliff v. Garnier (court file 22-324), and a related case, Lindke v. Freed (court file 22-611). The court granted both petitions on April 24 and will hear both cases on Oct. 31.
- The issue is whether Americans can sue government officials who block them on social media. The court's ruling in the matter is likely to have an impact on all levels of government as citizens increasingly turn to social media to interact with public officials.
- **The court is expected to decide if a public official is engaging in state action subject to the First Amendment when he blocks an individual from accessing his social media account.**
- One federal appeals court found in favor of the citizens; another found for the public official.
- Petitioners Michelle O'Connor-Ratcliff and T.J. Zane were two elected members of a school district in California who used their personal Facebook and Twitter accounts to communicate with the public. They complained that parents of local students spammed their posts. The officials blocked the parents, who in turn, maintained they were exposing mismanagement.
- Petitioner Kevin Lindke, a resident of Port Huron, Michigan, criticized the municipality's response to the COVID-19 pandemic including the perceived hypocrisy of local officials. An official blocked Mr. Lindke and removed his comments.
 - ***"If you block somebody from your website based on their negative criticism that's blatantly a First Amendment violation," Ms. Blatt said.***
 - ***Despite that, "I do think the public officials are more likely than not to win," she said.***
- Several individuals also sued then-President Trump after he blocked them from accessing his account on Twitter, now called X, but the Supreme Court ordered that case dismissed in April 2021 as moot because he had already left office.
- Mr. Clement said when it is a president doing the blocking "it does feel slightly different."
 - *"The president's different because it's such an all-encompassing, 24/7 sort of thing. Everything the president does is sort of official," so it begins "to sound like an immunity argument that's probably being made in some courts somewhere in the country right now, too."*
 - *"It'll be interesting to see how the court tiptoes around that issue because it's definitely going to be in the backdrop, but I think there are probably some pretty good reasons for the court to not say anything in particular about that in the context of these cases."*
- The Supreme Court is in recess for the summer. It resumes oral arguments on Oct. 2.

[The Supreme Court Might Curb The 'Deep State' By Overruling The Chevron Case](#) Authored by Rob Natelson via The Epoch Times

- **The Supreme Court will not be announcing its decisions in most of this year's big cases until June or early July. But the court recently agreed to consider a case that could trim the power of the "deep state."**
- The "deep state" is a web of federal administrative agencies, career politicians, lobbyists, and compliant mass media. It acts as a shadow government that largely sets the nation's political agenda.
- The deep state has been around for decades, but is more powerful than ever because the federal government is larger and more intrusive than ever. **Most Americans witnessed deep state power for the first time during the Trump administration, when it publicly resisted the authority of an elected president.**
- One prop of the deep state's power is the 1984 Supreme Court's ruling in Chevron v. Natural Resources Defense Council ([pdf](#)). That ruling is called the "Chevron doctrine." On May 1, the justices granted certiorari in (that is, agreed to review) a new case in which they may overrule the Chevron case and its "Chevron doctrine."

The 'Deep' Background

- The Constitution created a democratic federal republic. It instituted an elected Congress to make laws, an elected president to enforce laws, and an appointed judiciary to resolve disputes under those laws.
- In addition to empowering the new government, the Constitution also [limited it](#). The Constitution included some specific exceptions to federal authority, such as the first eight

amendments in the Bill of Rights. It also reserved most governmental functions to the states, a reservation encapsulated in the Ninth and Tenth Amendments.

- People who wield power are seldom happy with limits on their power. Federal officials and those who cater to them always pushed back against the Constitution's limits. Those limits began to fall in earnest during the late 1930s and early 1940s. Instead of resisting the assault, liberal majorities on the Supreme Court "reinterpreted" the Constitution to accommodate the assaulters. I described the court's decisions during that era in my Epoch Times series, "[How the Supreme Court Re-Wrote the Constitution.](#)"
- **This process of constitutional distortion slowed after 1944, but it didn't end.** It continued for the entire six decades that liberal justices comprised a majority—that is, until late in the 20th century.
- In Epoch Times essays published in [2021](#) and [2022](#), I described the major themes of the liberal jurisprudence that prevailed throughout most of the 20th century. That jurisprudence is now embedded in the court's case precedent.
- Liberal justices enormously increased the authority of Congress. For example, they transformed Congress's power to regulate Commerce (Article I, Section 8, Clause 3) into authority to oversee the entire national economy. They changed Congress's power to **tax** (Article I, Section 8, Clause 1) into a license to **spend** for almost any purpose. These and other changes rendered the federal government supreme in American life.
- Not only did liberal justices permit Congress to exercise almost unlimited power, they also permitted Congress to delegate it to unelected administrative agencies. Congress may (and frequently does) pass a statute creating an agency and telling it to regulate some broad swathe of activities, and—voilà!—Americans are saddled with a new set of bureaucratic masters.
- It's true that the court has stated restrictions on Congress's ability to delegate, but those statements are mostly empty words. The justices readily approve vague and undefined delegations such as "this agency may regulate the airwaves in the public interest."
- **Liberal Supreme Court majorities also stacked the rules heavily against any citizen challenging federal power.** Outside of a few areas (such as freedom of speech) a citizen claiming a federal law is unconstitutional must prove that there's no possible constitutional reason for the law. (This was why Obamacare's insurance mandate was upheld on the silly ([pdf](#)) theory that it was a "tax.")

How *Chevron* Fits In

- Just as the court imposed an almost impossible burden of proof on citizens challenging a law's constitutionality, the Chevron doctrine imposes a similar burden on citizens challenging the power of federal agencies. The doctrine says that an agency almost always has the final word on whether federal law gives it the powers it claims. Courts must defer to these self-interested agency decisions unless they are "unreasonable." **In constitutional law, it's exceedingly difficult to prove that a government decision is "unreasonable."**

The Un-Conservative Supreme Court

- As I have explained in several Epoch Times [essays](#), contrary to the mainstream media narrative, the current Supreme Court doesn't have a 6–3 conservative majority. Rather, the bench is highly fragmented: It contains three liberal activists, one nearly pure [originalist](#), one justice who usually defers to government decisions (liberal or conservative), and four others in between.
- As a result, the current court has left almost all the liberal case precedents in place. (The principal exception, *Roe v. Wade*, was an unusually weak decision but even so it was overruled by only a bare 5–4 majority.) When the media characterize a ruling as "conservative," it's often because the court has applied a liberal precedent that liberals no longer find convenient.
- Thus, the current composition of the court suggests that, just as it has preserved other liberal precedents, it may well preserve *Chevron*.

Criticisms of the Chevron Doctrine

- On the other hand, there's some evidence the justices may overrule *Chevron*. Several justices have been critical of the Chevron doctrine. They and other commentators point out that:
 - **The doctrine makes an agency a judge in its own cause, thereby violating the Constitution's guarantee of due process of law;**
 - **It encourages agencies to expand their power;**
 - **Administrative agencies are part of the executive branch, so allowing them to make legislative or judicial decisions violates separation of powers; and**

- **The *Chevron* decision was not well considered, and over time the Supreme Court has had to carve out exceptions.**
- Another reason for believing that *Chevron*'s days are numbered is that the court didn't refer to it when adjudicating [recent cases](#) on the limits of agency authority.

The Present Case

- The case the court agreed to hear is *Loper Bright Enterprises v. Raimondo* ([pdf](#)). Loper Bright Enterprises is the plaintiff. It operates fishing vessels in the Atlantic Ocean.
- The defendant, Gina Raimondo, is the Secretary of Commerce. Part of her department is the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), which Congress created to regulate fishermen.
- Federal law allows NMFS to require fishing boats to carry official observers to ensure compliance with federal regulations. That much is undisputed. But the NMFS also claims federal law allows it to force fishermen to bear the cost of paying the observers. Loper Bright disputes that.
- The appeals court held that under the *Chevron* doctrine, the fishermen lose because the agency's interpretation isn't completely "out-to-lunch." But if the Supreme Court overrules *Chevron*, the fishermen will have a chance to persuade a judge that the NMFS exceeded its power.
- The case probably will be argued in the fall and decided before June 30, 2024.

[Supreme Court Conservatives Appear Open To Rolling Back Power Of Federal Agencies](#) Authored by Matthew Vadum via The Epoch Times – Jan 18, 2024

- A bureaucracy-empowering judicial doctrine that critics blame for the explosive growth of the U.S. government in recent decades should be overturned, the Supreme Court heard on Jan. 17.



Associate Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito poses for the official photo at the Supreme Court in Washington on Oct. 7, 2022. (Olivier Douliery/AFP via Getty Images)

- The court may overturn the so-called *Chevron* deference doctrine that the Supreme Court enunciated in 1984, or narrow its application.
- "Chevron deference," as lawyers call it, holds that an agency's interpretation of a statute it administers is entitled to deference unless Congress has said otherwise.
- **The court's ultimate ruling might alter the current balance of power among Congress, executive agencies, and the nation's judiciary by curbing the legal underpinnings of the modern administrative state, which critics deride as an illegitimate fourth branch of government.**
- In the landmark ruling in *Chevron v. Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC)*, the court held that while courts "must give effect to the unambiguously expressed intent of Congress," where courts

find “Congress has not directly addressed the precise question at issue” and “the statute is silent or ambiguous with respect to the specific issue, the question for the court is whether the agency’s answer is based on a permissible construction of the statute.”

- Conservatives and Republican policymakers have long been critical of the doctrine, saying **it has contributed to the dramatic growth of government and gives unelected regulators far too much power to make policy by going beyond what Congress intended when it approved various laws.** The authority of regulatory agencies has been increasingly questioned in recent years as the conservative majority on the Supreme Court has grown.
- Conservative Justices Clarence Thomas, Samuel Alito, and Neil Gorsuch have expressed skepticism of the Chevron doctrine.
- Those on the other side say the Chevron doctrine empowers an activist federal government to serve the public interest in an increasingly complicated world without having to seek specific congressional authorization for everything that needs to be done.
- The court heard two related cases: *Relentless Inc. v. Department of Commerce* and *Loper Bright Enterprises v. Raimondo*.
- **In the cases at hand, in 2020, the U.S. Department of Commerce’s National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and its National Marine Fisheries Service implemented a final rule to compel fishing companies to pay for human monitors aboard their vessels.**
- The companies say the burden of paying for the monitors is a hardship that significantly reduces their profit margins.
- *Relentless Inc.* attorney Roman Martinez told the justices that Chevron deference must be overruled.
- “For too long, Chevron has distorted the judicial process and undermined statutory interpretation,” he said.
- “Chevron violates the Constitution. Article III empowers judges to say what the law is ... [and] to interpret federal statutes using their best and independent judgment. Chevron undermines that duty. It reallocates interpretive authority from courts to agencies, and it forces courts to adopt inferior agency constructions that are issued for political or policy reasons.
- “In doing so, Chevron blocks judges from serving as faithful agents of Congress. It mandates judicial bias and encourages agency overreach, and by removing key checks on executive power, it threatens individual liberty. Chevron also violates the APA,” referring to the Administrative Procedure Act.
- The APA “contemplates that courts, not agencies will authoritatively resolve ambiguities in statutes,” Mr. Martinez said.
- **“This court’s only justification for Chevron is the implied delegation theory, but that theory is a fiction.** There’s no reason to think that Congress intends every ambiguity and every agency statute to give agencies an ongoing power to interpret and reinterpret federal law in ways that override its best meaning.
- “In this case, the agency misinterpreted the MSA [i.e., Magnuson–Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act] to force struggling fishermen to pay up to 20 percent of their annual profits to federal agents.”
- The government is arguing that “even if all nine of you agree with us that the agency’s construction is worse than ours, you should nonetheless defer to that construction and uphold their program under Chevron.
- “That’s not consistent with the rule of law. If we have the best view of the statute, we should win this case,” the lawyer said.
- Justice Clarence Thomas told Mr. Martinez, “Your argument is that Chevron deference is problematic.”
- **“How do we know where the line is?”** he said.
- Justice Elena Kagan offered a hypothetical to show the difficulty that lawmakers could face if deference to agencies were overruled.
- The justice asked how lawmakers would decide if a product aimed at alleviating bad cholesterol was a dietary supplement or a drug. Having specialized agencies staffed with experts who understand these things can be helpful, she said.
- Along similar lines, Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson said she saw Chevron as “doing the very important work of helping courts stay away from policymaking.”
- “I’m worried about the courts becoming uber-legislators,” the justice said.
- Justice Samuel Alito suggested that Chevron became popular because it was viewed as a way of discouraging judges from imposing their own views in a case.
- Justice Alito asked Mr. Martinez if he agreed “that one of the reasons why Chevron was originally so popular was concern that judges were allowing their policy views consciously or unconsciously, to influence their interpretation of the statutes in question.”

- Mr. Martinez replied, “yes.”
- That fear has diminished over time because nowadays courts rely less “on legislative history and on more free-form analysis that I think made it easier for policy considerations to infect the judicial decision-making process,” the attorney said.
- But the Supreme Court has “now made clear that, really, we should be text-focused, we should be focused on faithful agency to Congress.”
- The late Justice Antonin Scalia backed away from his initial enthusiasm about Chevron deference after he realized the APA “had text that actually bore on this question,” he said.
- “When you’re enforcing that text, you come to the same place as our Article III argument, which is that courts have to exercise independent judgment.”
- Justice Alito suggested Mr. Martinez was arguing that courts decide cases arbitrarily.
- “Do you think that the canons of interpretation that we have now and all of the other tools that we have in our statutory interpretation toolkit are like the enigma machine? And so we have these statutes and they’re sort of written in code and we run them through the enigma machine and – abracadabra—we have the best interpretation? Do you really think that’s how it works?”
- Mr. Martinez said the problem with Chevron is that “you’re not trying to find the best interpretation anymore. You’re, in fact, agreeing that you have to impose the not-best interpretation because you have to defer.”
- This means that Chevron is the only canon “that says to courts, ‘you can stop doing your normal interpretive function and we’re going to allocate that interpretive function outside of Article III,’” the attorney said.
- Responding to Justice Sonia Sotomayor, Mr. Martinez said the Supreme Court “has tried to rein in Chevron in numerous ways, but I think that what all of those efforts show is that you kind of need a secret decoder ring to figure out what the law means under this court’s approach.”
- Loper Bright attorney Paul Clement said Chevron deference hurts small businesses.
- “Commercial fishing is hard,” he said. Space on vessels “is tight, and margins are tighter still.”
- For his clients to have “to carry federal observers on board is a burden, but having to pay their salaries is a crippling blow.”
- Chevron deference “is unworkable as its critical threshold question of ambiguity is hopelessly ambiguous. It is also ... a reliance-destroying doctrine because it facilitates agency flip-flopping.”
- U.S. Solicitor General Elizabeth Prelogar told the court that Chevron deference should be affirmed.
- **“The Chevron framework is a bedrock principle of administrative law with deep roots in this court’s jurisprudence,”** she said.
- “Overruling a precedent is never a small matter. But overruling a precedent as foundational as Chevron should require a truly extraordinary justification. And petitioners don’t have one.”
- The other side argues that Article III “requires de novo review of all statutory interpretation questions.”
- De novo review is when a court rules on an issue without giving deference to a previous decision, as if the case were being heard for the first time.
- “But that’s flatly inconsistent with precedent going back” to the early days of the American republic, she said.
- They are wrong to argue that Chevron violates due process because “the application of deferential standards of review doesn’t constitute impermissible bias.”
- And the contention that the APA requires de novo review is “inconsistent with the statute’s history and the way it’s been understood ever since its enactment, including in the more than 70 cases in which this court has relied on Chevron to sustain an agency’s interpretation.”
- Overturning Chevron deference would cause upheaval and lead to “endless litigation,” Ms. Prelogar said.
- “Thousands of judicial decisions sustaining an agency’s rulemaking or adjudication as reasonable would be open to challenge, and that profound disruption is especially unwarranted because Congress could modify or overrule the Chevron framework at any time.
- “Congress has many times considered proposals to do so, but it’s never taken that step,” she added.
- Justice Neil Gorsuch told the top government lawyer that, “Maybe a dozen or more circuit judges have written asking us to overrule Chevron. And ... it also may be why one of your colleagues last year said I don’t know what ambiguity means at this lectern.”
- “And should that be a clue that something needs to be fixed here, that even the federal government at the podium can’t answer the question what triggers ambiguity?”
- **Even “here in this rather prosaic case,” lower court judges “can’t figure out what Chevron means,”** the justice said.
- Justice Amy Coney Barrett said, “Most scholars of statutory interpretation consider Chevron to be an interpretive canon, much like clear statement rules, rule of lenity, judicially created.”

- Ms. Prelogar said she didn't think of it as "a canon," but instead regards it as "fundamentally rooted ... in kind of setting the ground rules for how all three branches of the government are operating together."
- The Supreme Court has been "recognizing that there are legitimate reasons why Congress cannot answer every question itself and why it will want to go hand-in-hand with an agency by charging that agency with administering the statute."

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- That organization is [Empower Oversight Whistleblowers & Research](#). It has represented whistleblowers at the heart of some of the most consequential and contentious congressional investigations in recent years, touching on matters ranging from the impeachment inquiry into President Biden, to alleged FBI inflation of the domestic terror threat.

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"Once a government is committed to the principle of silencing the voice of opposition, it has only one way to go, and that is down the path of increasingly repressive measures, until it becomes a source of terror to all its citizens and creates a country where everyone lives in fear."

- [Harry S. Truman](#)

John Adams famously observed:

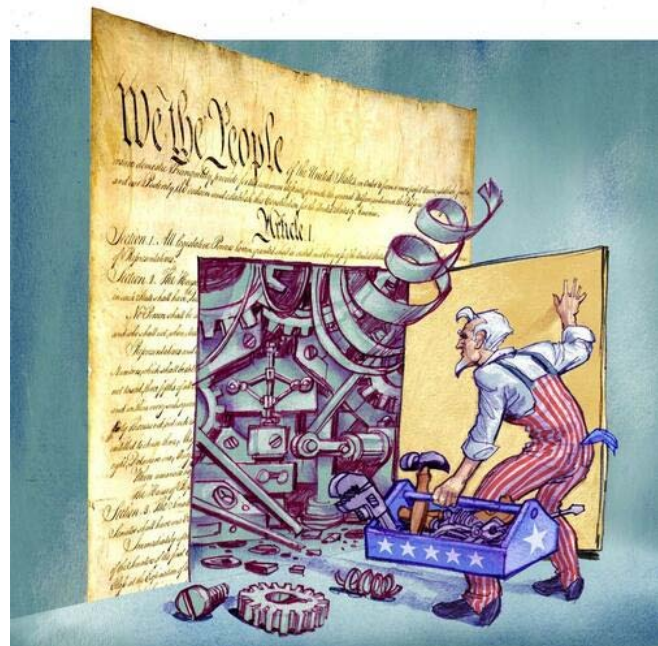
"Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious People. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other."

This is one reason "progressives" disdain it. They disdain the very concepts of morality and religion, as they tend to put boundaries on people's behavior. A God would be competition for them, and that they cannot countenance.

When it comes to corrupt governments, principles and the rule of law go out the window very quickly if their power is legitimately threatened.

Leftists can exploit mob actions; invade government buildings and burn cities to the ground because the government **ALLOWS** them to. When "We the People" do the same thing, well...how many years now have we heard the word "insurrection" over a protest on January 6th 2021?

"RE-ENGINEERING" THE CONSTITUTION →



WHAT POWER GRAB WAS ATTEMPTED DURING THE COVID PANDEMIC?

QUESTION: Are Government Mandates (not Authorized by Congress) BUT decreed by "Executive Order" and enacted by the Regulatory State Constitutional?

ANSWER: According to the Supreme Court Ruling they were ruled NOT.

[Circle The Wagons: The Government Is On the Warpath](#) Authored by John & Nisha Whitehead via The Rutherford Institute

- **How many Americans have actually bothered to read the [Constitution](#), let alone the first ten amendments to the Constitution, the [Bill of Rights](#) (a quick read at 462 words)?**
- *Take a few minutes and read those words for yourself - rather than having some court or politician translate them for you - and you will be under no illusion about where to draw the line when it comes to speaking your mind, criticizing your government, defending what is yours, doing whatever you want on your own property, and keeping the government's nose out of your private affairs.*
- **In an age of over criminalization, where the average citizen unknowingly commits [three crimes a day](#), and even the most mundane activities such as [fishing](#) and [gardening](#) are regulated, government officials are constantly telling Americans what not to do.**
- *Yet it was not always this way.*
- **It used to be "we the people" giving the orders**, telling the government what it could and could not do. Indeed, the three words used most frequently throughout the Bill of Rights in regards to the government are "no," "not" and "nor."
- *Compare the following list of "don'ts" the government is prohibited from doing with the growing list of abuses to which "we the people" are subjected on a daily basis, and you will find that we have reached a state of crisis wherein the government is routinely breaking the law and violating its contractual obligations.*
 - *For instance, the government is NOT allowed to restrict free speech, press, assembly or the citizenry's ability to protest and correct government wrongdoing. Nevertheless, the government continues to [prosecute whistleblowers](#), [persecute journalists](#), criminalize [expressive activities](#), crack down on large gatherings of citizens mobilizing to voice their discontent with government policies, and insulate itself and its agents from any charges of wrongdoing (or what the courts refer to as "[qualified immunity](#)").*
 - *The government may NOT infringe on a citizen's right to defend himself. Nevertheless, in many states, it's against the law to carry a concealed weapon (gun, knife or even pepper spray), and the average citizen is permitted little self-defense against [militarized police officers who shoot first](#) and ask questions later.*
 - *The government may NOT enter or occupy a citizen's house without his consent (the quartering of soldiers). Nevertheless, government soldiers (i.e., militarized police) carry out more than [80,000 no-knock raids on private homes every year](#), while maiming children, killing dogs and shooting citizens.*
 - *The government may NOT carry out unreasonable searches and seizures on the citizenry or their possessions, NOR can government officials issue warrants without some evidence of wrongdoing (probable cause). Unfortunately, what is unreasonable to the average American is completely reasonable to a government agent, for whom the ends justify the means. In such a climate, we have no protection against roadside [strip searches](#), blood draws, DNA collection, SWAT team raids, surveillance or any other privacy-stripping indignity to which the government chooses to subject us.*
 - *The government is NOT to deprive anyone of life, liberty or property without due process. Nevertheless, the government continues to incarcerate tens of thousands of Americans whose greatest crime is being [poor and not white](#). The same goes for those who are put to death, some erroneously, by a system weighted in favor of class and wealth.*
 - *The government may NOT take private property for public use without just compensation. Nevertheless, under the guise of the "greater public interest," the government often hides behind [eminent domain laws](#) in order to allow megacorporations to tear down homes occupied by less prosperous citizens in order to build high-priced resorts and shopping malls.*
 - *Government agents may NOT force a citizen to testify against himself. Yet what is the government's extensive surveillance network that spies on all of our communications but a thinly veiled attempt at using our own words against us?*

- *The government is NOT permitted to claim any powers that are not expressly granted to them by the Constitution. This prohibition has become downright laughable as the government continues to claim for itself every authority that serves to swell its coffers, cement its dominion, and expand its reach.*
- ***Despite what some special interest groups have suggested to the contrary, the problems we're experiencing today did not arise because the Constitution has outlived its usefulness or become irrelevant, nor will they be solved by a convention of states or a ratification of the Constitution.***
- *No, the problem goes far deeper.*
- *It can be traced back to the point at which "we the people" were overthrown as the center of the government. As a result, our supremacy has been undone, our authority undermined, and our experiment in democratic self-governance left in ruins.*
- *No longer are we the rulers of this land. We have long since been deposed and dethroned, replaced by corporate figureheads with no regard for our sovereignty, no thought for our happiness, and no respect for our rights.*
- *In other words, without our say-so and lacking any mandate, the point of view of the Constitution has been shifted from "we the people" to "we the government." Our taxpayer-funded employees—our appointed servants—have stopped looking upon us as their superiors and started viewing as their inferiors.*
- ***Unfortunately, we've gotten so used to being dictated to by government agents, bureaucrats and militarized police alike that we've forgotten that WE are supposed to be the ones calling the shots and determining what is just, reasonable and necessary.***
- *Then again, we're not the only ones guilty of forgetting that the government was established to serve us as well as obey us. Every branch of government, from the Executive to the Judicial and Legislative, seems to be suffering this same form of amnesia. Certainly, when government programs are interpreted from the government's point of view (i.e., the courts and legislatures), there is little the government CANNOT do in its quest for power and control.*
- *We've been so brainwashed and indoctrinated into believing that the government is actually looking out for our best interests, when in fact the only compelling interesting driving government programs is maintain power and control by taking away our money and control. This vital truth, that the government exists for our benefit and operates at our behest, seems to have been lost in translation over two centuries dominated by government expansion, endless wars and centralized federal power.*
- ***Have you ever wondered why the Constitution begins with those three words "we the people"? It was intended to be a powerful reminder that everything flows from the citizenry. We the people are the center of the government and the source of its power. That "we" is crucial because it reminds us that there is power and safety in numbers, provided we stand united. We can accomplish nothing alone.***
- *This is the underlying lesson of the Constitution, which outlines the duties and responsibilities of government. It was a mutual agreement formed by early Americans in order to ensure that when problems arose, they could address them together.*
- *It's like the wagon trains of the Old West, comprised of individual groups of pioneers. They rarely ventured out alone but instead traveled as convoys. And when faced with a threat, these early Americans formed their wagons into a tight circle in order to defend against invaders. In doing so, they presented a unified front and provided protection against an outside attack.*
- ***In much the same way, the Constitution was intended to work as an institutionalized version of the wagon circle, serving as a communal shield against those who would harm us.***
- *Unfortunately, we have been ousted from that protected circle, left to fend for ourselves in the wilderness that is the American frontier today. Those who did the ousting—the courts, the politicians, and the corporations—have since replaced us with yes-men, shills who dance to the tune of an elite ruling class. In doing so, they have set themselves as the central source of power and the arbiters of what is just and reasonable.*
- *Once again, we're forced to navigate hostile terrain, unsure of how to protect ourselves and our loved ones from militarized police, weaponized drones, fusion centers, Stingray devices, SWAT team raids, the ongoing military drills on American soil, the government stockpiling of ammunition, the erection of mass detention centers across the country, and all other manner of abuses.*
- *Read the smoke signals, and the warning is clear: the government is on the warpath.*

- As I make clear in my book [Battlefield America: The War on the American People](#) and in its fictional counterpart [The Erik Blair Diaries](#), **if we are to have any hope of surviving whatever is coming at us, it's time to circle the wagons, folks.**

[We Need A Constitution That Means What It Says](#), Authored by Frank Miele via RealClear Wire,

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- Some U.S. senators have famously kept a pocket Constitution handy to use as a prop at political rallies; a few may have even read it. But **at this point in American history it no longer matters whether they, or anyone else, can read the words of the Constitution because the words no longer mean what they say.**
- Take, for instance, the Supreme Court's ruling that state legislatures do not have the sole discretion to determine how federal elections will be run in those states. Instead, state courts are given veto power over the decisions of the legislature.
- The mainstream media (and of course their Democratic Party allies) celebrated the court's decision in *Moore v. Harper* that rejected the so-called "independent state legislature" theory. **The New York Times called the theory "dangerous."** Vox said the ruling was a "big victory for democracy." Those who supported the independent state legislature "theory" were called extreme, fringe, radical, and worse. In other words, they were Trump supporters.
- **The only problem is that if the theory is extreme, then so is the U.S. Constitution,** because no matter how much the 6-3 majority insists otherwise, it isn't a theory at all. It is the plain language of the Constitution. Check it out for yourself.
- Article 1, Section 4 of the Constitution says specifically, "The Times, Places and Manner of holding Elections for Senators and Representatives, shall be prescribed in each State by the Legislature thereof; but the Congress may at any time by Law make or alter such Regulations, except as to the Places of choosing Senators."
- It is not the governor or the courts or even the people of the state which set election rules, according to the Constitution, but the legislatures. Mind you, the state legislatures are not entirely unchecked in their decision making, but it is the Congress of the United States that provides the checks and balances, not the courts.
- **And as for presidential elections, the matter is even more cut and dried.** Article 2, Section 1, declares, "Each State shall appoint, in such Manner as the Legislature thereof may direct, a Number of Electors, equal to the whole Number of Senators and Representatives to which the State may be entitled in the Congress."
- **Notice again that the Constitution gives state legislatures the exclusive power to determine the manner in which electors are appointed to vote for president and vice president.** In this case, even Congress does not have the authority to override the legislatures.
- Yet now the Supreme Court has determined that the words of the Constitution do not mean what they say. This is pure revisionism, and plainly the result of judicial activism. The plenary power of the state legislatures to make the final decision about federal elections is settled conclusively by the fact that for many years after the adoption of the Constitution, it was common in many states for electors to be chosen directly by the legislature with no election at all. Not only did the courts have no say in the matter; neither did the people.
- **We don't have to defend that practice in order to confirm that it is clearly constitutional,** and having said so, we can also declare that the Supreme Court in *Moore v. Harper* has not interpreted the Constitution, but written a new one. **If we the people decided that it was inappropriate for the state legislatures to make the rules for how to elect federal officials, we could have done what the Constitution calls for and sought to amend it.** But instead, lawyers have waged war upon the English language and enlisted activist judges and justices to implement interpretations that are based more on sentiment than common sense.
- If we are being honest, it is not just crazy liberals who twist the words of the Constitution to mean whatever they want. Not long ago, I wrote a column titled ["Do Democrats Value Abortion More Than the Constitution?"](#) It lambasted Biden and others who want to create a law to protect abortion.
- As I explained then:
 - *Congress has no such ability. Article 1, Section 8 of the Constitution enumerates the powers of Congress. They are remarkably straightforward – and limited. Raise taxes, borrow money, regulate international commerce and commerce among the states, establish a*

process for naturalizing citizens, coin money and punish counterfeiters, establish post offices, establish copyright and trademark laws, establish lower courts, regulate pirates, declare war, raise armies and a navy, provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections and repel invasions, and create and maintain a small district that shall be the seat of government.

- Search as you will, **you won't find any congressional power to promote social justice or to impose a moral standard on the nation.** Unfortunately for lovers of limited government, Republicans have proven to be just as willing to ride roughshod over the Constitution as their Democrat counterparts. Former Vice President Mike Pence, whom I defended in my prior column, has now publicly called for a federal ban on abortion after 15 weeks. No matter how much you abhor abortion, it is impossible to find any words in the Constitution which give Congress the power to regulate such a medical procedure.
- So regardless of how many members of Congress (or former vice presidents) tuck a Constitution in their pockets, it is also impossible to make them read it, let alone be guided by it.
- **As a final note, I should probably give credit to the Supreme Court for overturning the policy of affirmative action in college admissions in two separate cases last week.** It turns out that all those references in the Constitution to equality and equal protection of the law actually mean something. At least they do today. But for 45 years since the court's ruling in the *Bakke* case, students who were rejected for college admission because of the color of their skin were just supposed to grin and bear it. Sure, the 14th Amendment prohibits states or state agents from "deny[ing] to any person ... the equal protection of the laws." But once again the plain language of the Constitution was ignored until last week.
- I would propose writing an amendment that forced elected and appointed officials of the United States to follow the Constitution as written, not the one with invisible asterisks and footnotes and a "social justice clause," but chances are it would be found unconstitutional anyway – or at least inconvenient.
- [How Did The US Government Become So Big?](#) Authored by John Carroll via The Mises Institute

The numbers barely hint at their massive meddling into business activities and the personal lives of Americans.

How big is the federal government?

- Two measures are
 - The number of civilian employees at nearly two million and
 - The number of agencies now exceeding 440.
- **These numbers barely hint at their massive meddling into business activities and the personal lives of Americans.**
- **While government was relatively small and less intrusive during its first hundred years, the Constitution held defects.** In part, they resulted from the unavoidable compromises of consensus. The founders knew this, and some had anticipated civil war decades before the first shots were fired. Many other problems emerged during the great expansion of the nineteenth century due to the industrial revolution, the growth of America's land area, and several political factors, mostly unanticipated. As population grew from about five million in 1800 to more than seventy-six million in 1900, government gained accordingly.
- **It was during the early twentieth century that the government acquired many extra-constitutional powers to intervene in our lives.** This was accompanied by a great expansion of its jurisdiction and cost: new agencies, more government workers, more taxes. To give you a hint of this growth, here is an excerpt from the [Congressional testimony](#) of Doctor Roger Pilon of the Cato Institute in 2005:
- We come, then, to the nub of the matter. **Search the Constitution as you will, you will find no authority for Congress to appropriate and spend federal funds on education, agriculture, disaster relief, retirement programs, housing, healthcare, day care, the arts, public broadcasting—the list is endless.**
- That is what I meant at the outset when I said that most of what the federal government is doing today is unconstitutional because it is **done without constitutional authority.** Reducing that point to its essence, the Constitution says, in effect, that **everything that is not authorized—to the government, by the people, through the Constitution—is forbidden.** Progressives turned that on its head: **Everything that is not forbidden is authorized.**

- Almost fourteen years have elapsed since Doctor Pilon's testimony. Today, the federal government is far larger and more intrusive, having enlisted the support of Big Tech, Big Pharma, academia, the legacy media, and others. But still, how did the government grow so large?

A Fateful Error

- It actually began during America's founding, according to Professor Randy Barnett of George Mason University. In his most recent [book](#), *Our Republican Constitution*, he cites the [principal-agent dilemma](#) that arose after the 1787 constitution was ratified: The adoption effectively dissolved the Articles of Confederation and the Continental Congress. In turn, this deprived the states of an active forum to oversee the new government. Furthermore, there was no provision in the Constitution for an *independent* plenary tribunal to adjudicate disputes concerning federalism. No wonder then that several delegates refused to sign the final draft. In his last [work](#), *The Rise and Fall of Society*, Frank Chodorov wrote this about the charter's signers:
 - *"The ink was hardly dry on the Constitution before its authors, now in position of authority, began to rewrite it by interpretation, to the end that its bonds would loosen . . . to extend the power of the central government."*
- Some readers might respond that the states now had the Senate as their forum for overseeing legislation. Although members of the Senate were to be appointed by their respective state legislatures, and the Senate body held veto power over bills, the small states were outnumbered. Importantly, Senate bills were subject to defeat by the House of Representatives, in which a few densely populated commercial states reigned supreme.

Exploiting the Stealth Clauses

- Federalist delegates to the 1787 Constitutional Convention openly stated their desire for a strong central government. In private communications with these colleagues, Alexander Hamilton expressed hope that the new government would eventually consolidate, with the states losing power and importance over time.
- **It should not be surprising then that the final draft Constitution held expressions that were capable of more than one interpretation.** I shall refer to these as *stealth clauses* because they have been employed by federal courts to produce outcomes that were clearly unintended using customary meanings at the time of founding. Let us examine a few cases and consider their consequences.

How the Courts Boost Federal Power

- First of all, courts do not base their decisions exclusively on the text of the Constitution with its amendments. No, instead they refer to the Constitution Annotated, a publication weighing many pounds. The Constitution Annotated is comprised of an amended Constitution *annotated with analyses* of all federal Court decisions since the federal judiciary opened for business. Constitutional lawyers depend on this publication to employ the rule of [stare decisis](#), which serves to honor judicial precedents of like cases.
- Murray Rothbard discussed the issue at length in his [work](#) *Anatomy of the State*. In the chapter "How the State Transcends Its Limits," he quotes from *The People and the Court* by Professor Charles L. Black Jr.:
 - The prime and most necessary function of the [Supreme] Court has been that of validation, not that of invalidation. What a government of limited powers needs, at the beginning and forever, is some means of satisfying the people that it has taken all steps humanly possible to stay within its powers. This is the condition of its legitimacy, and its legitimacy, in the long run, is the condition of its life. The court, through its history, has acted as the legitimation of the government.
- It should be noted that the court is biased to favor Congress (the justices call it *deference*) in these cases. This is common knowledge and is openly conceded by judicial appointees and by justices in their official opinions. Indeed, Chief Justice John Roberts provided the key [defense](#) for the Affordable Care Act, even though that law was opposed by twenty-six attorneys general during a court challenge.
- **The earliest event that my research uncovered was not a court case but a dispute between Alexander Hamilton and Thomas Jefferson.** Hamilton was promoting his ambitious plan to improve the new nation's financial condition; it would require Congress to charter a bank modeled after the Bank of England. Jefferson believed this was unconstitutional; the Constitution did not even mention banks.
- But Hamilton convinced President George Washington that the Constitution was not meant to cover everything the nation might need in the future, and to meet this need, Article I, Section 8 ended by

granting power to “make all Laws which shall be **necessary and proper** for carrying into execution” (emphasis mine) the enumerated federal powers granted by the Constitution. So, the “bank law” was passed by Congress and signed into law, creating the First Bank of the United States.

- **Of all stealth clauses, the commerce clause was almost the last to be exploited. Article I, Section 8 states that “Congress shall have the power to regulate commerce among the several states.”**
- In the [case](#) Wickard v. Filburn, a poor Ohio farmer was fined \$117 for planting more wheat than his allotted 111 acres under a New Deal law. The government claimed his infraction “affected” market prices of wheat, even though he planted it just for family use. The false principal established after the Supreme Court upheld this case had a profound outcome. Almost all federal agencies could be disbanded if the case were overturned.
- In a case under the New Deal’s National Recovery Act, a poor immigrant operated his dry-cleaning shop in New Jersey. He was fined one hundred dollars for charging five cents less than was allowed by the National Recovery Act to dry-clean a garment. He was jailed for a second infraction, while his family struggled to pay the fine.
- In both of these cases, the government claimed that the violations affected interstate commerce, even though that was patently false. Nonetheless, the Supreme Court upheld both cases. Clearly, government inspectors chose to prosecute the innocent citizens to serve as examples and create fear in others.
- **The Constitution refers to general welfare in two places, the preamble and the taxing and spending [clause](#). These references have been used as justification for a number of measures that were surely not envisioned by the framers. One example was adoption of the prohibition amendment. Another was the Social Security Act and countless other measures passed for the “general welfare.”**

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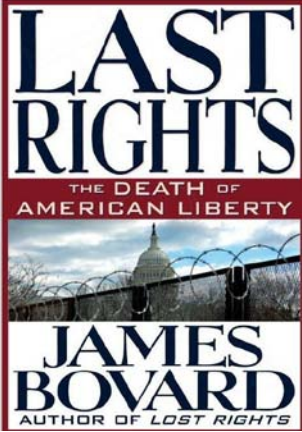
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THE RULE OF LAW

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 - At a time when foreign democracies are collapsing like dominos, can America avoid becoming the “elective despotism” the Founding Fathers dreaded? The first step to reviving liberty is to recognize how far politicians have stretched their power. But nothing can safeguard freedom except the bravery of citizens who refuse to be shackled.
 - **“We live in a world in which everything has been criminalized,”** warned Supreme Court Justice Neil Gorsuch. There are now more than 5,200 separate federal criminal offenses, a 36% increase since the 1990s, along with tens of thousands of state and local crimes. More laws mean more violators who can be harshly punished on command, resulting in the arrests of more than 10 million Americans each year. Thanks to the Supreme Court, police can lock up anyone accused of “even a very minor criminal offense” such as an unbuckled seatbelt.
 - Half a million Americans have been robbed by government agents on the nation’s sidewalks, highways, and airports in recent decades.
 - Federal law enforcement agencies arbitrarily confiscate more property from Americans each year than all the burglars steal nationwide. The IRS pilfered more cash from private bank accounts because of alleged paperwork errors than the total looted by bank robbers nationwide. Federal bureaucrats blocked landowners from farming or building on a hundred million acres of their own property because of puddles, ditches, or other suspected wet spots.
 - Gun owners are America’s fastest-growing criminal class.
 - Politicians and bureaucrats exploited the COVID-19 pandemic to forbid any activities they chose, from going to church to buying garden seeds.
 - Government decrees are blighting more lives than ever before.
 - Schoolchildren are being sacrificed on an altar of social justice.
 - The First Amendment is becoming a historic relic.
 - Every recent administration has expanded and exploited the dictatorial potential of the presidency.
 - Americans today have the “freedom” to be fleeced, groped, wiretapped, injected, censored, injected, ticketed, disarmed, beaten, vilified, detained, and maybe shot by government agents.
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- [A Rigged-System From Top To Bottom: George Orwell Meets Lewis Carroll](#)
 - This system isn’t just rigged. It’s irreparably broken.
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 - **The millions of Americans who cling to some semblance of sanity, and believe in some semblance of liberty, are powerless.** They have no “representatives,” in Congress, in the courts, in the business world, or in Hollywood. Every organ of the establishment is aligned against them. You might even call that a conspiracy.

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LEVERS OF CONTROL

KEY MESSAGES

We can all sense and tell that there is something sinister going on! It is all around us but somehow hard to articulate.

The real onslaught began coincident with the Covid-19 pandemic restrictions.

- o It initially came with mask mandates, then
- o Shutdowns and mandates that cost people their jobs and careers,
- o The triumph of woke ideology,
- o The intense push for EVs and elimination of any gas powered home utility equipment,
- o The wild ramp-up in weather paranoia with to augment the raging "Climate Crisis",
- o A rampant gender dysphoria and denial of chromosomal reality – 2SLGBTQI+

2SLGBTQI+

2S at the front, recognizes Two-Spirit people as the first 2SLGBTQI+ communities

L Lesbian

G Gay


B Bisexual


T Transgender

Q Queer

I Intersex, considers sex characteristics beyond sexual orientation, gender identity and gender expression

+ is inclusive of people who identify as part of sexual and gender diverse communities, who use additional terminologies





- o An unprecedented refugee flood that no one in power is willing to mitigate,
- o A continued attack on gas including even stoves, and a host of other inane things that are driving rational people to the brink of despair.

We long ago gave up the hope that all of this is random and coincidental, any more than it so happened that nearly every government in the world decided to plaster social distancing signs everywhere at the same time.

Something is seen to be going on which is something malevolent.

The battle of the future really is between them and us but who or what "them" is remains opaque and too many of "us" are still confused about what the alternative is to what is happening all around us.

At the core of creating the acceptance of the New World Order is acceptance. That acceptance is achieved by **breaking your SPIRIT and your MIND.**

SOCIAL ENGINEERING THROUGH MANAGED CHAOS

For years now, the government has been pushing us to the brink of a national nervous breakdown.

This breakdown is being triggered by:

- Polarizing Circus Politics, m
- Media-Fed mass hysteria, m
- Militarization and militainment (the selling of war and violence as entertainment),
- A sense of hopelessness and powerlessness in the face of growing corruption,
- The government's alienation from its populace,

- An economy that has much of the population struggling to get by
- ... Has manifested itself in the:
- Polarized,
 - Manipulated mayhem,
 - Madness and
 - Tyranny
- ... That is life in the American police state today.

PROPAGANDA BECOMES SOCIAL ENGINEERING

Why is the Deep State engineering this societal madness? What's in it for the government?

What is playing out before us is a chilling lesson in social engineering that keeps the populace fixated on circus politics and conveniently timed spectacles, distracted from focusing too closely on the government's power grabs, and incapable of standing united in defense of our freedoms.

- It's not conspiratorial.
 - It's a power play.
 - It's really not so far-flung a scenario when you consider some of the many ways the government already has the ability to manufacture crises in order to sow fear, fuel hysteria, destabilize the nation and institute martial law.
1. **The government has the tools and the know-how to manufacture health crises.** Long before COVID-19 locked down the nation, the U.S. government was [creating lethal viruses](#) and unleashing them on an unsuspecting public.
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- o When we're being bombarded with wall-to-wall news coverage and news cycles that change every few days, it's difficult to stay focused on one thing—namely, holding the government accountable to abiding by the rule of law—and the powers-that-be understand this.
 - Yet as John Lennon reminds us, "nothing is real," especially not in the world of politics.
 - In other words, it's all fake, i.e., manufactured, i.e., manipulated to distort reality.
 - Much like the fabricated universe in Peter Weir's 1998 film [The Truman Show](#), in which a man's life is the basis for an elaborately staged television show aimed at selling products and procuring ratings, the political scene in the United States has devolved over the years into a carefully calibrated exercise in how to manipulate, polarize, propagandize and control a population.
 - This is the magic of the reality TV programming that passes for politics today.
- o **As long as we are distracted, entertained, occasionally outraged, always polarized but largely uninvolved and content to remain in the viewer's seat, we'll never manage to present a unified front against tyranny (or government corruption and ineptitude) in any form.**
 - The more that is beamed at us, the more inclined we are to settle back in our comfy recliners and become passive viewers rather than active participants as unsettling, frightening events unfold.
 - Reality and fiction merge as everything around us becomes entertainment fodder.
 - We don't even have to change the channel when the subject matter becomes too monotonous. That's taken care of for us by the programmers (the corporate media).
 - "[Living is easy with eyes closed](#)," says Lennon, and that's exactly what reality TV that masquerades as American politics programs the citizenry to do: navigate the world with their eyes shut.
- o **As long as we're viewers, we'll never be doers.**
 - Studies suggest that the more reality TV people watch—and I would posit that it's all reality TV, entertainment news included—the [more difficult it becomes to distinguish](#) between what is real and what is carefully crafted farce.
 - "We the people" are watching a lot of TV.
 - On average, [Americans spend five hours a day](#) watching television. By the time we reach age 65, we're watching [more than 50 hours of television a week](#), and that number increases as we get older. And reality TV programming consistently captures the [largest percentage of TV watchers](#) every season by an almost 2-1 ratio.
 - This doesn't bode well for a citizenry able to sift through masterfully-produced propaganda in order to think critically about the issues of the day, whether it's fake news peddled by government agencies or foreign entities.
 - Those who watch reality shows tend to view what they see as the "[norm](#)." Thus, those who watch shows characterized by lying, aggression and meanness not only come to [see such behavior as acceptable](#) and entertaining but also [mimic the medium](#).
 - This holds true whether the reality programming is about the antics of celebrities in the White House, in the board room, or in the bedroom.
 - **It's a phenomenon called "[humilitainment](#)."**

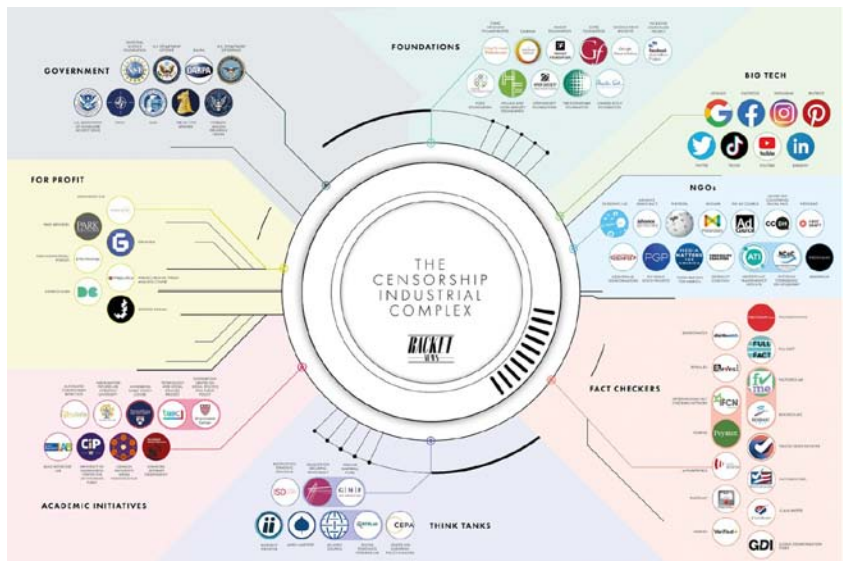
- A term coined by media scholars Brad Waite and Sara Booker, "[humilitainment](#)" refers to the tendency for viewers to take pleasure in someone else's humiliation, suffering and pain.
- "[Humilitainment](#)" largely explains not only [why American TV watchers are so fixated](#) on reality TV programming but how American citizens, largely insulated from what is really happening in the world around them by layers of technology, entertainment, and other distractions, are being [programmed to accept the brutality](#), surveillance and dehumanizing treatment of the American police state as things happening to *other* people.
- o **The ramifications for the future of civic engagement, political discourse and self-government are incredibly depressing and demoralizing.**
 - This is what happens when an entire nation—bombaraded by reality TV programming, government propaganda and entertainment news—becomes systematically desensitized and acclimated to the trappings of a government that operates by fiat and speaks in a language of force.
 - Ultimately, the reality shows, the entertainment news, the surveillance society, the militarized police, and the political spectacles have one common objective: to keep us divided, distracted, imprisoned, and incapable of taking an active role in the business of self-government.
 - Look behind the political spectacles, the reality TV theatrics, the sleight-of-hand distractions and diversions, and the stomach-churning, nail-biting drama, and you will find there is a method to the madness.
- o **How do you change the way people think? You start by changing the words they use.**
- o **In totalitarian regimes—a.k.a. police states—where conformity and compliance are enforced at the end of a loaded gun, the government dictates what words can and cannot be used.**
 - In countries where the police state hides behind a benevolent mask and disguises itself as tolerance, the citizens censor themselves, policing their words and thoughts to conform to the dictates of the mass mind.
 - Even when the motives behind this rigidly calibrated reorientation of societal language appear well-intentioned—discouraging racism, condemning violence, denouncing discrimination and hatred—inevitably, the end result is the same: intolerance, indoctrination, infantilism, the chilling of free speech and the demonizing of viewpoints that run counter to the cultural elite.
 - Labelling something as "fake news" is a masterful way of dismissing truth that may run counter to the ruling power's own narrative.
- o As George Orwell recognized, "***In times of universal deceit, telling the truth is a revolutionary act.***"
 - Orwell understood only too well the power of language to manipulate the masses. In [Orwell's 1984](#), Big Brother does away with all undesirable and unnecessary words and meanings, even going so far as to routinely rewrite history and punish "thoughtcrimes."
 - In this dystopian vision of the future, the Thought Police serve as the eyes and ears of Big Brother, while the Ministry of Peace deals with war and defense, the Ministry of Plenty deals with economic affairs (rationing and starvation), the Ministry of Love deals with law and order (torture and brainwashing), and the Ministry of Truth deals with news, entertainment, education and art (propaganda). The mottos of Oceania: WAR IS PEACE, FREEDOM IS SLAVERY, and IGNORANCE IS STRENGTH.
 - Orwell's Big Brother relied on Newspeak to eliminate undesirable words, strip such words as remained of unorthodox meanings and make independent, non-government-approved thought altogether unnecessary.
 - Where we stand now is at the juncture of Oldspeak (where words have meanings, and ideas can be dangerous) and Newspeak (where only that which is "safe" and "accepted" by the majority is permitted).
 - Truth is often lost when we fail to distinguish between opinion and fact, and that is the danger we now face as a society. Anyone who relies exclusively on television/cable news hosts and political commentators for actual knowledge of the world is making a serious mistake.
 - Unfortunately, since Americans have by and large become non-readers, television has become their prime source of so-called "news." This reliance on TV news has given rise to such popular news personalities who draw in vast audiences that virtually hang on their every word.
 - In our media age, these are the new powers-that-be.
 - Yet while these personalities often dispense the news like preachers used to dispense religion, with power and certainty, they are little more than conduits for propaganda and advertisements delivered in the guise of entertainment and news.

- Given the preponderance of news-as-entertainment programming, it's no wonder that viewers have largely lost the ability to think critically and analytically and differentiate between truth and propaganda, especially when delivered by way of fake news criers and politicians.
- The bottom line is simply this: Americans should beware of letting others—whether they be television news hosts, political commentators or media corporations—do their thinking for them.
- A populace that cannot think for themselves is a populace with its backs to the walls: mute in the face of elected officials who refuse to represent us, helpless in the face of police brutality, powerless in the face of militarized tactics and technology that treat us like enemy combatants on a battlefield, and naked in the face of government surveillance that sees and hears all.
- As I make clear in my book [Battlefield America: The War on the American People](#) and in its fictional counterpart [The Erik Blair Diaries](#), it's time to change the channel, tune out the reality TV show, and push back against the real menace of the police state.
- If not, if we continue to sit back and lose ourselves in political programming, we will remain a captive audience to a farce that grows more absurd by the minute.

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PUBLIC SURVEILLANCE

- Artificial Intelligence Is Allowing Them To Construct A Global Surveillance Prison From Which No Escape Is Possible
- Every inch of our planet is being watched, and incredibly sophisticated "artificial intelligence solutions" make it possible for those that are watching our planet to find whatever they want in just minutes.
- You can try to run, and you can try to hide, but if they really want to find you it won't be very difficult. All around us, a global surveillance prison is being constructed. Even if you completely stay off the Internet and you totally avoid all forms of modern technology, cameras and satellites will still be endlessly watching you. And once your face has been identified, artificial intelligence can be used to locate you wherever you pop up on the entire planet.
- According to NPR, it "really can find anything you want anywhere in the world"..
- In the wrong hands, such technology could potentially be used to enforce tyranny on a scale never seen before in all of human history. Most people don't even know that this sort of surveillance technology exists.
- Of course most of us willingly hand them vast troves of personal information about ourselves anyway. Needless to say, this isn't just happening on the Internet.
- For So where is all of this ultimately going?example, just check out what anyone that buys a new Subaru [is agreeing to](#)..
- There is so much potential for AI surveillance tools to be abused, and tyranny is on the rise all over the globe.

THE POLICE STATE

On the surface, quite a few governments – most notably First World governments – have been passing a plethora of laws for which there is no victim but for which the government is the recipient of damages. As if coincidentally, these same governments have been going in precisely the *opposite* direction with regard to crimes in which there most definitely *is* a victim.

Let's have a look at a few of those.

- **Looting of stores and other places of business**
 Under the claim that the prisons are too full, governments have been determining that theft or looting that amounts to less than a given dollar amount is not prosecutable, essentially legalizing the crime of looting.
- **Destruction of property due to rioting**
 Rioters are habitually arrested, only to be released without being charged. Owners of the property that the rioters have burned or otherwise destroyed are no longer entitled to restitution or compensation as they once would have been.
- **Decriminalisation of people taking up residence on public property**
 Tents may be pitched on sidewalks and in front of stores, discouraging residents from frequenting stores and destroying businesses. Concurrently, the homeless are assisted by the State in drug dependency.
- **Loss of bodily rights**
 Laws that call for forced vaccinations are blanket laws that allow a government the authority to control whatever goes into the body, whether medical or nutritional.
- **Systematic elimination of parental rights**
 Parental rights are being removed from parents to allow school authorities and medical professionals to dictate what they wish to physically do to children, free from prosecution. In addition, pedophilia is in the process of becoming decriminalised.
- **Civil Asset Forfeiture**
 Police and other authorities have, since 2008, been legally allowed to stop people on foot or in a vehicle, or to conduct warrantless raids on homes. If evidence is found that suggests the *possibility* of a crime, the authorities may seize any and all assets that they find, regardless of whether or not the assets may be connected to the possible crime. The authorities are not obligated to ever bring charges against the individual, making it impossible for him to be granted a hearing. This allows the authorities to permanently hold the assets taken or to dispose of them, the proceeds to be absorbed by the authority in question.

The above is only a sampling. The reader will have others to add to the list.

- So, if we assume that the changes that are taking place are not madness, nor a collection of random but illogical changes in how the law is applied, what we begin to see here is, indeed, a method in what appears on the surface to be madness.
- **What we're seeing is that the original concept of law – that of protecting the individual from encroachment against himself or his property – is being eliminated.**
- On the other hand, **laws that are victimless and laws that provide punishment by the state and call for penalties to be awarded to the state are very much on the rise.**
- What we have here is a growing trend; if we follow it to its logical conclusion that will result in laws that benefit the state being the only laws.
- Let's put that another way: The individual has no rights. Only the state has rights. In the future, the only crimes will be crimes against the state.
- Let that last sentence sink in for a bit.
- Historically, **freedom is lost when a nation becomes complacent enough to give it up willingly.**
- Much of the First World is precisely at that tipping point now. The question is whether those people who once enjoyed liberty will now push their heads in the sand and pretend that the most basic freedoms are not now being lost.

"Dictatorship naturally arises out of democracy, and the most aggravated form of tyranny and slavery out of the most extreme liberty." – Socrates

THE NEW IRS

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SOCIAL ENGINEERING THROUGH MANAGED CHAOS

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[Apocalypse Now: The Government's Use Of Controlled-Chaos To Maintain Power](#) Authored by John and Nisha Whitehead via The Rutherford Institute

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All the signs seem to point in this direction. For years now, the government has been pushing us to the brink of a national nervous breakdown.

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- Media-Fed mass hysteria, m
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- It's not conspiratorial.
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- In the *Twilight Zone* episode, “The Monsters Are Due on Maple Street,” Serling imagined a world in which the powers-that-be carry out a social experiment to see how long it would take before the members of a small American neighborhood, frightened by a sudden loss of electric power and caught up in fears of the unknown, will transform into an irrational mob and turn on each other.
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 - Likewise, in [Netflix’s apocalyptic thriller *Leave the World Behind* \(produced by Barack and Michelle Obama’s studio\)](#), unexplained crises lead to a technological blackout that leaves the populace
 - Disconnected,
 - Disoriented, Isolated,
 - Suspicious, and
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 ... from mysterious ailments and each other.
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- This is the underlying cautionary tale of *Leave the World Behind* and “The Monsters Are Due on Maple Street”: we are being manipulated by forces beyond our control.
- A popular meme circulating a while back described it this way:

- o "If you catch 100 red fire ants as well as 100 large black ants, and put them in a jar, at first, nothing will happen. However, if you violently shake the jar and dump them back on the ground the ants will fight until they eventually kill each other. The thing is, the red ants think the black ants are the enemy and vice versa, when in reality, the real enemy is the person who shook the jar. This is exactly what's happening in society today. Liberal vs. Conservative. Black vs. White. Pro Mask vs. Anti Mask. The real question we need to be asking ourselves is who's shaking the jar ... and why?"

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THE ORCHESTRATED, NEVER-ENDING CRISIS

1-CRISIS

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 - The 28-year-old shooter (a clearly troubled transgender individual in possession of several military-style weapons) opened fire in a Christian elementary school, killing three children and three adults.
 - Already, fingers are being pointed and battle lines are being drawn.

- Those who want safety at all costs are clamoring for more gun control measures (if not at [an outright ban on assault weapons](#) for non-military, non-police personnel), widespread mental health screening of the general population, more threat assessments and behavioral sensing warnings, more CCTV cameras with facial recognition capabilities, more “See Something, Say Something” programs aimed at turning Americans into snitches and spies, more metal detectors and whole-body imaging devices at soft targets, more roaming squads of militarized police empowered to do random bag searches, more fusion centers to centralize and disseminate information to law enforcement agencies, and more surveillance of what Americans say and do, where they go, what they buy and how they spend their time.
- o This is all part of the Deep State’s master plan.
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- o As investigative journalist Mike Adams points out:
 - “This psychological bombardment is waged primarily via the mainstream media which assaults the viewer by the hour with images of violence, war, emotions and conflict. Because the human nervous system is hard wired to focus on immediate threats accompanied by depictions of violence, mainstream media viewers have their attention and mental resources funneled into the never-ending ‘[crisis of the NOW](#)’ from which they can never have the mental breathing room to apply logic, reason or historical context.”
- o Professor Jacques Ellul studied this phenomenon of overwhelming news, short memories and the use of propaganda to advance hidden agendas. “One thought drives away another; old facts are chased by new ones,” [wrote](#) Ellul.
- o **All the while, the government continues to amass more power and authority over the citizenry.**
- o When we’re being bombarded with wall-to-wall news coverage and news cycles that change every few days, it’s difficult to stay focused on one thing—namely, holding the government accountable to abiding by the rule of law—and the powers-that-be understand this.
- o Yet as John Lennon reminds us, “nothing is real,” especially not in the world of politics.
- o In other words, it’s all fake, i.e., manufactured, i.e., manipulated to distort reality.
- o Much like the fabricated universe in Peter Weir’s 1998 film [The Truman Show](#), in which a man’s life is the basis for an elaborately staged television show aimed at selling products and procuring ratings, the political scene in the United States has devolved over the years into a carefully calibrated exercise in how to manipulate, polarize, propagandize and control a population.
- o This is the magic of the reality TV programming that passes for politics today.
- o **As long as we are distracted, entertained, occasionally outraged, always polarized but largely uninvolved and content to remain in the viewer’s seat, we’ll never manage to present a unified front against tyranny (or government corruption and ineptitude) in any form.**
- o The more that is beamed at us, the more inclined we are to settle back in our comfy recliners and become passive viewers rather than active participants as unsettling, frightening events unfold.
- o Reality and fiction merge as everything around us becomes entertainment fodder.
- o We don’t even have to change the channel when the subject matter becomes too monotonous. That’s taken care of for us by the programmers (the corporate media).
- o “*Living is easy with eyes closed,*” says Lennon, and that’s exactly what reality TV that masquerades as American politics programs the citizenry to do: navigate the world with their eyes shut.
- o **As long as we’re viewers, we’ll never be doers.**
- o Studies suggest that the more reality TV people watch—and I would posit that it’s all reality TV, entertainment news included—the [more difficult it becomes to distinguish](#) between what is real and what is carefully crafted farce.
- o “We the people” are watching a lot of TV.
- o On average, [Americans spend five hours a day](#) watching television. By the time we reach age 65, we’re watching [more than 50 hours of television a week](#), and that number increases as we get older. And reality TV programming consistently captures the [largest percentage of TV watchers](#) every season by an almost 2-1 ratio.
- o This doesn’t bode well for a citizenry able to sift through masterfully-produced propaganda in order to think critically about the issues of the day, whether it’s fake news peddled by government agencies or foreign entities.

- Those who watch reality shows tend to view what they see as the “[norm](#).” Thus, those who watch shows characterized by lying, aggression and meanness not only come to [see such behavior as acceptable](#) and entertaining but also [mimic the medium](#).
- This holds true whether the reality programming is about the antics of celebrities in the White House, in the board room, or in the bedroom.
- **It’s a phenomenon called “[humilitainment](#).”**
- A term coined by media scholars Brad Waite and Sara Booker, “[humilitainment](#)” refers to the tendency for viewers to take pleasure in someone else’s humiliation, suffering and pain.
- “[Humilitainment](#)” largely explains not only [why American TV watchers are so fixated](#) on reality TV programming but how American citizens, largely insulated from what is really happening in the world around them by layers of technology, entertainment, and other distractions, are being [programmed to accept the brutality](#), surveillance and dehumanizing treatment of the American police state as things happening to *other* people.
- The ramifications for the future of civic engagement, political discourse and self-government are incredibly depressing and demoralizing.
- This is what happens when an entire nation—bomarded by reality TV programming, government propaganda and entertainment news—becomes systematically desensitized and acclimated to the trappings of a government that operates by fiat and speaks in a language of force.
- Ultimately, the reality shows, the entertainment news, the surveillance society, the militarized police, and the political spectacles have one common objective: to keep us divided, distracted, imprisoned, and incapable of taking an active role in the business of self-government.
- Look behind the political spectacles, the reality TV theatrics, the sleight-of-hand distractions and diversions, and the stomach-churning, nail-biting drama, and you will find there is a method to the madness.
- How do you change the way people think? You start by changing the words they use.
- **In totalitarian regimes—a.k.a. police states—where conformity and compliance are enforced at the end of a loaded gun, the government dictates what words can and cannot be used.**
- In countries where the police state hides behind a benevolent mask and disguises itself as tolerance, the citizens censor themselves, policing their words and thoughts to conform to the dictates of the mass mind.
- Even when the motives behind this rigidly calibrated reorientation of societal language appear well-intentioned—discouraging racism, condemning violence, denouncing discrimination and hatred—inevitably, the end result is the same: intolerance, indoctrination, infantilism, the chilling of free speech and the demonizing of viewpoints that run counter to the cultural elite.
- Labelling something as “fake news” is a masterful way of dismissing truth that may run counter to the ruling power’s own narrative.
- As George Orwell recognized, ***“In times of universal deceit, telling the truth is a revolutionary act.”***
- Orwell understood only too well the power of language to manipulate the masses. In [Orwell’s 1984](#), Big Brother does away with all undesirable and unnecessary words and meanings, even going so far as to routinely rewrite history and punish “thoughtcrimes.”
- In this dystopian vision of the future, the Thought Police serve as the eyes and ears of Big Brother, while the Ministry of Peace deals with war and defense, the Ministry of Plenty deals with economic affairs (rationing and starvation), the Ministry of Love deals with law and order (torture and brainwashing), and the Ministry of Truth deals with news, entertainment, education and art (propaganda). The mottos of Oceania: WAR IS PEACE, FREEDOM IS SLAVERY, and IGNORANCE IS STRENGTH.
- Orwell’s Big Brother relied on Newspeak to eliminate undesirable words, strip such words as remained of unorthodox meanings and make independent, non-government-approved thought altogether unnecessary.
- Where we stand now is at the juncture of Oldspeak (where words have meanings, and ideas can be dangerous) and Newspeak (where only that which is “safe” and “accepted” by the majority is permitted).
- Truth is often lost when we fail to distinguish between opinion and fact, and that is the danger we now face as a society. Anyone who relies exclusively on television/cable news hosts and political commentators for actual knowledge of the world is making a serious mistake.
- Unfortunately, since Americans have by and large become non-readers, television has become their prime source of so-called “news.” This reliance on TV news has given rise to such popular news personalities who draw in vast audiences that virtually hang on their every word.
- In our media age, these are the new powers-that-be.

- o Yet while these personalities often dispense the news like preachers used to dispense religion, with power and certainty, they are little more than conduits for propaganda and advertisements delivered in the guise of entertainment and news.
- o **Given the preponderance of news-as-entertainment programming, it's no wonder that viewers have largely lost the ability to think critically and analytically and differentiate between truth and propaganda, especially when delivered by way of fake news criers and politicians.**
- o The bottom line is simply this: Americans should beware of letting others—whether they be television news hosts, political commentators or media corporations—do their thinking for them.
- o A populace that cannot think for themselves is a populace with its backs to the walls: mute in the face of elected officials who refuse to represent us, helpless in the face of police brutality, powerless in the face of militarized tactics and technology that treat us like enemy combatants on a battlefield, and naked in the face of government surveillance that sees and hears all.
- o As I make clear in my book [Battlefield America: The War on the American People](#) and in its fictional counterpart [The Erik Blair Diaries](#), it's time to change the channel, tune out the reality TV show, and push back against the real menace of the police state.
- o If not, if we continue to sit back and lose ourselves in political programming, we will remain a captive audience to a farce that grows more absurd by the minute.

READ MORE

- [Digital Kill Switches: How Tyrannical Governments Stifle Political Dissent](#) Authored by John and Nisha Whitehead via The Rutherford Institute
"No president from either party should have the sole power to shut down or take control of the internet or any other of our communication channels during an emergency."

- Senator Rand Paul
- What's to stop the U.S. government from throwing the kill switch and shutting down phone and internet communications in a time of so-called crisis?
- **Communications kill switches have become tyrannical tools of domination and oppression to stifle political dissent, shut down resistance, forestall election losses, reinforce military coups, and keep the populace isolated, disconnected and in the dark, literally and figuratively.**
- Tyrants and would-be tyrants rely on this "cloak of darkness" to advance their agendas.
- These government-imposed communications shutdowns serve to not only isolate, terrorize and control the populace, but also underscore the citizenry's lack of freedom in the face of the government's limitless power.

2-PANDEMIC

- [The Wuhan Cover-Up: RFK Jr. Has The Receipts](#) Authored by Meryl Nass via The Brownstone Institute
 - *There is a cabal that took the concept of biological warfare 30 years ago and ran with it - in order to create new industries, massive profits, and to control the world using fear of death by contagion.*
 - **We desperately need a clear, accurate understanding about many things that have been taking place over the past few years, or should I say decades, and we all need to be saving hard copies or pdfs on hard drives of the important bits of history that we dig up.**
 - Bobby did the difficult part and collected those scraps, and he knitted them together into a narrative that very few people know about.
 - **In a nutshell: there is a cabal that took the concept of biological warfare 30 years ago and ran with it - in order to create new industries, massive profits, and to control the world using fear of death by contagion.**
 - He created a history that is also a page-turner, enabling us to understand in a much deeper way what we have just lived through.
 - **No kidding, he has the receipts.**

- **Tony Fauci** is only one pawn on the chessboard in this book. There are many others, and I will mention just a few. **Robert Kadlec** is one. Sir Dr. **Jeremy Farrar** is a real knight, despite or because of having played a pivotal role in the overdosing of over 2,500 patients with hydroxychloroquine in the UK/Oxford and WHO clinical trials that he oversaw and funded.
- There are the **funders**; the **scientists** who will do anything for another grant; the **massive network** controlled by a syndicate: the money men and women from **NIH's** many institutes, especially its best-funded NIAID; the NSF, whose former director was on the board of EcoHealth Alliance; the Wellcome Trust, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, the Rockefeller Foundation; and other charities deeply entangled with the ones I just mentioned. There are **think tanks** that help guide the direction the funding takes. A **US DoD** that contributes billions to whitewash and hide its biowarfare research. And a massive bureaucracy and media that protects all these people from exposure and punishment.
- **Nobody really wants to think about bioweapons.** They are unpleasant in the extreme to contemplate. They should not exist. They challenge our entire concept of medicine being sacrosanct, the knowledge of medicine never to be used for harm. This is in the Hippocratic Oath.
- Unfortunately, we cannot bury our heads in the sand over this issue. Our lack of knowledge about it, our revulsion toward it, and our deep-seated fears about it have enabled the spectre of biological warfare to lead us on a long and winding road to hell.
- The 2001 anthrax letters, sent at the right time to the right Senators, led to the Patriot Act, a massively profitable biodefense industry, and the rise of the Surveillance State.
- By 2005 we had the PREP Act, ostensibly to allow the DoD to continue using anthrax vaccines despite the revocation of the vaccine license in 2004. Did anyone know back then that the PREP Act would be used to greenlight contaminated gene therapy injections for billions around the world? Why didn't the scientists designing these injections predict some, if not all of their harms, having spent hundreds of millions to study beta coronaviruses over 2 decades? Or did they?
- Without the PREP Act removing liability from the Covid vaccine manufacturers, the injectors, and the government planners who both designed the program, and gave away billions of taxpayer dollars in bonuses for each shot administered, such untested, unlicensed, and deadly shots would never have been administered.
- **These Patriot and PREP Acts were passed because Congress and the American public were played like a fiddle, induced to be terrified.** Congress attempted to immunize itself from criticism by throwing money at the problem, much of it going to Fauci, while through ignorance Congress made the problem of biological warfare far worse.
- Many Americans took the Covid experimental shots willingly, out of terror and ignorance. The half that held back were mostly beaten, shamed, or cajoled into compliance through the most incredible, federally-funded fifth general mind control assault the world has ever experienced.
- **We have just lived through 3 bioweapon events, at least:** the original Wuhan coronavirus, the Omicron variant, and monkeypox, all of which assuredly came from labs.
- It is obvious that many more nasty viruses and other microorganisms are still sitting in labs, many sponsored by military and intelligence agencies using our tax dollars. It is absolutely critical that the public act a lot smarter than it did last time, if there is a next time. **It is critical to know what it is we are dealing with. And critical to understand that there ARE ways we can save ourselves that lie outside the government's prescribed Overton window.**



- [The Wuhan Cover-Up](#) gives you the facts, the history, and the understanding you need to grasp what is actually happening, right now. If enough of us read it, we will gain the knowledge and strength in numbers to stop and defund the biowarfare industry, revoke these terrible laws, and lay down our deep, unconscious fears regarding contagion.

READ MORE

- [A Nation Of Non-Compliers](#) Authored by Jeffrey A. Tucker via the Brownstone Institute
- We long ago gave up the hope that all of this is random and coincidental...

3-911

- [Bloodbaths Change The World - 9/11. A Forbidden Question](#) ...if the Hamas attack of October 7 is a 9/11 moment, then great caution is called for, otherwise humanity will once again be hoodwinked and pay with its blood and freedom yet again.

4-WAR ON TERROR

- [American Achilles In The War On Terror](#) Those who have seen war or studied it know how combat produces a cycle of loss and compensation, and fate deals out the portions of life in unfair and unexpected ways.

In the councils of government, we must guard against the acquisition of unwarranted influence, whether sought or unsought, by the military-industrial complex. The potential for the disastrous rise of misplaced power exists and will persist.

We must never let the weight of this combination endanger our liberties or democratic processes... Only an alert and knowledgeable citizenry can compel the proper meshing of the huge industrial and military machinery of defense with our peaceful methods and goals, so that security and liberty may prosper together.

This was the direst of warnings, but the address has tended in the popular press to be ignored. After sixty-plus years, most of America – including most of the American left, which traditionally focused the most on this issue – has lost its fear that our arms industry might conquer democracy from within.

Now, however, we've unfortunately found cause to reconsider Eisenhower's warning.

While the civilian population only in recent years began haggling over "de-platforming" incidents involving figures like Alex Jones and Milo Yiannopoulos, **government agencies had already long been advancing a new theory of international conflict, in which the informational landscape is more importantly understood as a battlefield than a forum for exchanging ideas. In this view, "spammy" ads, "junk" news, and the sharing of work from "disinformation agents" like Jones aren't inevitable features of a free Internet, but sorties in a new form of conflict called "HYBRID WARFARE."**

In 1996, just as the Internet was becoming part of daily life in America, the U.S. Army published "[Field Manual 100-6](#)," which spoke of "an expanding information domain termed the Global Information Environment" that contains "information processes and systems that are beyond the direct influence of the military." Military commanders needed to understand that "information dominance" in the "GIE" would henceforth be a crucial element for "operating effectively."

You'll often see it implied that "information operations" are only practiced by America's enemies, because only America's enemies are low enough, and deprived enough of real firepower, to require the use of such tactics, needing as they do to "[overcome military limitations](#)." We rarely hear about America's own lengthy history with "[active measures](#)" and "[information operations](#)," but popular media gives us space to read about the desperate tactics of the Asiatic enemy, perennially described as something like an incurable trans-continental golf cheat.

Indeed, part of the new mania surrounding "hybrid warfare" is the idea that while the American human being is accustomed to living in clear states of "war" or "peace," the Russian, Chinese, or Iranian citizen is born into a state of constant conflict, where war is always ongoing, whether declared or not. In the face of such adversaries, America's "open" information landscape is little more than military weakness.

In March of 2017, in a hearing of the House Armed Services Committee on hybrid war, chairman Mac Thornberry opened the session with ominous [remarks](#), suggesting that in the wider context of history, an America built on constitutional principles of decentralized power might have been badly designed:

*Americans are **used to thinking of a binary state of either war or peace**. That is the way our organizations, doctrine, and approaches are geared. Other countries, including Russia, China, and Iran, use a wider array of centrally controlled, or at least centrally directed, instruments of national power and influence to achieve their objectives...*

*Whether it is contributing to foreign political parties, targeted assassinations of opponents, infiltrating non-uniformed personnel such as the little green men, traditional media **and social media**, influence operations, or cyber-connected activity, all of these tactics and more are used to advance their national interests and most often to damage American national interests... The historical records suggest that hybrid warfare in one form or another may well be the norm for human conflict, rather than the exception.*

Around that same time, i.e. shortly after the election of Donald Trump, it was becoming gospel among the future leaders of the "Censorship-Industrial Complex" that interference by "malign foreign threat actors" and the vicissitudes of Western domestic politics must be linked. Everything, from John Podesta's emails to Trump's Rust Belt primary victories to Brexit, were to be understood first and foremost as hybrid war events.

This is why the Trump-Russia scandal in the United States will likely be remembered as a crucial moment in 21st-century history, even though the investigation superficially ended a non-story, fake news in itself. What the Mueller investigation didn't accomplish in ousting Trump from office, it did accomplish in birthing a vast new public-private bureaucracy devoted to stopping "[mis-, dis-, and malinformation](#)," while smoothing public acquiescence to the emergence of a spate of new government agencies with "information warfare" missions.

The "Censorship-Industrial Complex" is just the Military-Industrial Complex reborn for the "hybrid warfare" age.

Much like the war industry, pleased to call itself the "defense" sector, the "anti-disinformation" complex markets itself as merely defensive, designed to fend off the hostile attacks of foreign cyber-adversaries who unlike us have "military limitations." The CIC, however, is neither wholly about defense, nor even mostly focused on foreign "disinformation." It's become instead a relentless, unified messaging system aimed primarily at domestic populations, who are told that political discord at home aids the enemy's undeclared hybrid [assault on democracy](#).

They suggest we must rethink old conceptions about rights, and give ourselves over to new surveillance techniques like "[toxicity monitoring](#)," replace the musty old free press with editors claiming a "nose for news" with an updated model that uses automated assignment tools like "[newsworthy claim extraction](#)," and submit to frank thought-policing mechanisms like the "redirect method," which sends ads at online browsers of dangerous content, pushing them toward "[constructive alternative messages](#)."

Binding all this is a commitment to a new homogeneous politics, which the complex of public and private agencies listed below seeks to capture in something like a Unified Field Theory of neoliberal narrative, which can be perpetually tweaked and amplified online via algorithm and machine learning. This is what some of the organizations on this list mean when they talk about coming up with a "[shared vocabulary](#)" of information disorder, or "credibility," or "media literacy."

Anti-disinformation groups talk endlessly about building "[resilience](#)" to disinformation (which in practice means making sure the public hears approved narratives so often that anything else seems frightening or repellent), and audiences are trained to question not only the need for checks and balances, but competition. Competition is increasingly frowned upon not just in the "marketplace of ideas" (an idea itself more and more often [described as outdated](#)), but in the traditional capitalist sense. In the Twitter Files we repeatedly find documents like this unsigned "Sphere of Influence" review circulated by the Carnegie Endowment that wonders aloud if tech companies really need to be competing to "get it right":

2) Developments in policy to counter Influence Operations—platforms, governments, civil society

a) Platforms:

- i) Twitter began labeling individual posts as lacking credibility. Similarly, Facebook and YouTube have looked at labeling based on whether the post is government sponsored or who has editorial control of the publishing outlet. Additionally, we saw a more sweeping response by Twitter to a specific incident (Hunter Biden laptop stories). This latter response is rare but did spark conversation around responses.

- (1) Labeling has attracted controversy when both applied and not applied. The effectiveness of this measure is also difficult to quantify and some of these measures may take a significant amount of manpower.

- ii) [Is competition for best practices a good thing? Is it good or bad that Facebook and Twitter have different policies? Is the competition to 'get it right' actually a good driving incentive? Again, it is very hard to measure how competition impacts policy.](#)

In place of competition, the groups we've been tracking favor the concept of the "**shared endeavor**" (one British group has even started a "[Shared Endeavour program](#)"), in which key "stakeholders" hash out their disagreements in private, but present a unified front.

Who are the leaders of these messaging campaigns? If you care to ask, the groups below are a good place to start.

"The Top 50 List" is intended as a resource for reporters and researchers beginning their journey toward learning the scale and ambition of the "Censorship-Industrial Complex." Written like a magazine feature, it tries to answer a few basic questions about funding, organization type, history, and especially, methodology. Many anti-disinformation groups adhere to the same formulaic approach to research, often using the same "hate-mapping," guilt-by-association-type analysis to identify wrong-thinkers and suppressive persons. There is even a tendency to use what one Twitter Files source described as the same "hairball" graphs.

Where they compete, often, is in the area of gibberish verbiage describing their respective analytical methods. My favorite came from the Public Good Projects, which in a display of predictive skills reminiscent of the "unsinkable Titanic" described itself as the "[Buzzfeed of public health](#)."

Together, **these groups are fast achieving what Eisenhower feared: the elimination of "balance" between the democratic need for liberalizing laws and institutions, and the vigilance required for military preparation.**

Democratic society requires the nourishment of free debate, disagreement, and intellectual tension, but the groups below seek instead that "shared vocabulary" to deploy on the hybrid battlefield. They propose to serve as the guardians of that "vocabulary," which sounds very like the scenario Ike outlined in 1961, in which "**public policy could itself become the captive of a scientific and technological elite.**"

1. Information Futures Lab (IFL) at Brown University (formerly, First Draft):

Link: <https://sites.brown.edu/informationfutures/> / <https://firstdraftnews.org/>

Type: A university institute, housed within the School of Public Health, to combat "misinformation" and "outdated communications practices." The successor to [First Draft](#), one of the earliest and more prominent "anti-disinformation" outfits.

2. Meedan

Link: <https://meedan.com/>

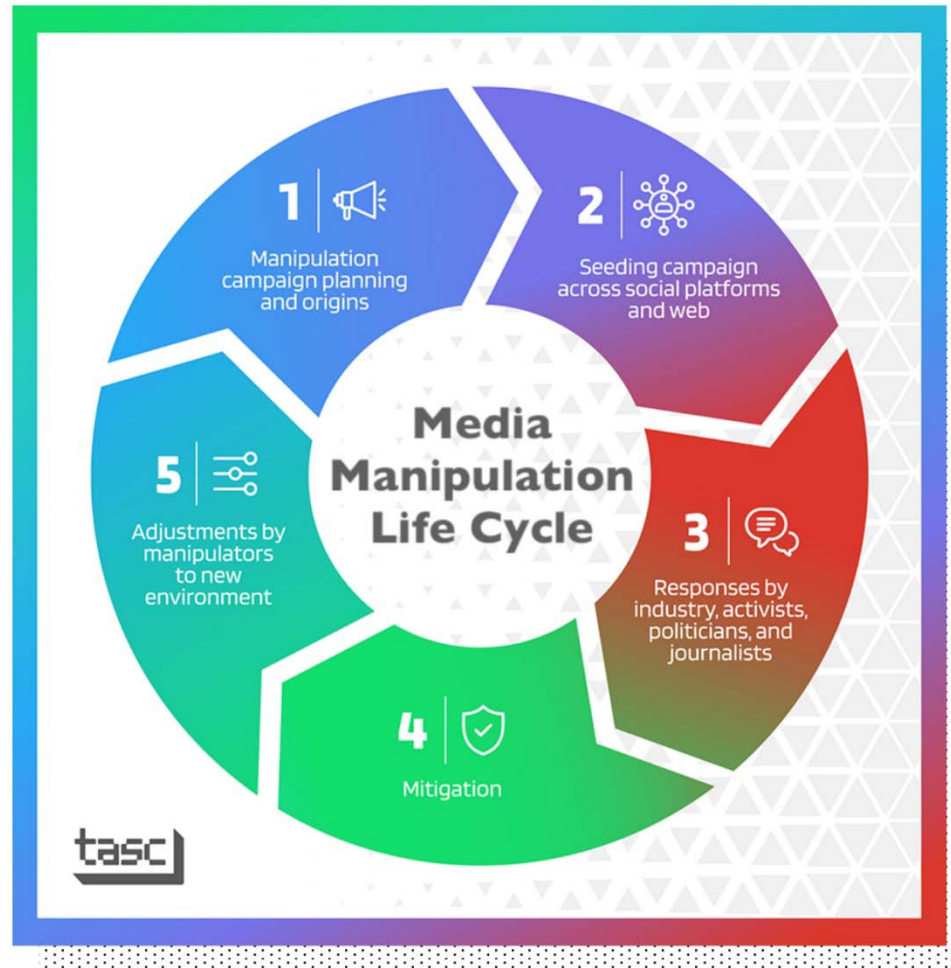
Type: Medium-sized non-profit specializing in technology and countering "disinformation."

3. Harvard Shorenstein Center on Media, Politics and Public Policy (Technology and Social Change Project)

Link: <https://shorensteincenter.org/programs/technology-social-change/>

Type: An elite academic project once regarded as one of the leading centers in the "anti-disinformation" field.

Fig. 1. The media manipulation life cycle



4. The Public Good Projects

Link: <https://www.publicgoodprojects.org/>

Type: Non-profit consultancy, specializing in health communications, marketing, technology and “disinformation.”

5. Graphika

Link: <https://www.graphika.com/>

Type: For-profit firm with defense connections specializing in “digital marketing and disinformation & analysis.”

6. Digital Forensic Research Lab (DFRLabs) of the Atlantic Council

Link: <https://www.atlanticcouncil.org/programs/digital-forensic-research-lab/>

Type: Public-facing disinformation research arm of highly influential, extravagantly funded, NATO-aligned think tank, the Atlantic Council.

7. Stanford Internet Observatory

Link: <https://cyber.fsi.stanford.edu/io>

Type: Academic research institution

8. Poynter Institute / International Fact-Checking Network

Link: <https://www.poynter.org/>; <https://www.poynter.org/ifcn/>

Type: Private think tank, once known as a media advocacy operation, now known more for the IFCN, which is essentially the in-house fact-checking arm of Facebook/Meta, as well as the fact-checking hub *PolitiFact*. Also produces the reporter-friendly widget [MediaWise](#).

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10. National Conference on Citizenship / Algorithmic Transparency Institute

Link: <https://ncoc.org/> <https://ati.io/>

Type: A post-WWII, congressionally chartered civic organization that bizarrely has turned its attention to the cause of “anti-disinformation” and censorship. The Algorithmic Transparency Institute (ATI) is a sub-initiative of the NCoC.

11. Park Advisors

Link: <https://www.state.gov/defeat-disinfo/>

Type: For-profit firm funded by the State Department’s Global Engagement Center (GEC) specializing in “solutions to pressing issues such as Disinformation, Terrorism, Violent Extremism, Hate Speech, Human Trafficking, and Money Laundering.”

12. New Knowledge AI, rebranded as Yonder AI, acquired by Primer

Link: <https://primer.ai/products/yonder/>

Type: For-profit internet company that worked for brands and national security entities searching platforms for narrative control, along with detecting narrative manipulation from malign actors.

13. Moonshot CVE

Link: <https://moonshotteam.com>

Type: for-profit Tech Company working with public and private industry partners to detect and prevent online hate.

14. Annenberg Public Policy Center (home of Factcheck.org)

Link: www.annenbergpublicpolicycenter.org

Type: Privately funded Public Policy Research Center affiliated with the Annenberg School of Communication at the University of Pennsylvania.

15. German Marshall Fund’s Alliance for Securing Democracy

Link: democracy.gmfus.org

Type: Public Policy Think Tank/ Grant-making institution.

16. Ad Council

Link: <https://www.adcouncil.org/>

Type: Nonprofit/Media

17. Clemson University Media Forensics Hub

Link: <https://www.clemson.edu/centers-institutes/watt/hub/>

Type: Public-Private Research Institute

18. Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA)

Link: www.cisa.gov

Type: Government agency; a division within the Department of Homeland Security that is the “operational lead for federal cybersecurity and the national coordinator for critical infrastructure security and resilience.” Founded in 2018, it quickly took on a role in election security, declaring the electoral process critical national infrastructure.

19. Bellingcat

Link: <https://www.bellingcat.com/>

Type: For-profit Netherlands based investigative journalism organization that seems mostly to investigate and/or denounce the practitioners of journalism.

20. Center for European Policy Analysis (CEPA)

Link: <https://cepa.org/>

Type: CEPA is a nonprofit public policy institution based in Washington, D.C. with the [mission](#) “to ensure a strong and enduring transatlantic alliance rooted in democratic values and principles.”

21. Center for an Informed Public at the University of Washington

Link: <https://www.cip.uw.edu>

Type: An academic “multidisciplinary research center” with the [mission](#) to “resist strategic misinformation, promote an informed society and strengthen democratic discourse.”

22. Aspen Institute

Link: www.aspeninstitute.org

Type: The Aspen Institute is a neoliberal global nonprofit ostensibly “committed to realizing a free, just, and equitable society” that has the rep (and the geographical profile) of an American Davos.

23. Trusted News Initiative

Link: www.bbc.com/beyondfakenews/trusted-news-initiative

Institution: Trusted News Initiative

24. Automated Controversy Detection

Link: <https://www.aucode.io>

Type: An tech startup focused on “misinformation and controversy” emerging out of the University of Massachusetts Amherst. AuCoDe was [awarded a \\$1 million National Science Foundation](#) grant in November 2020 to tackle “disinformation” using artificial intelligence. They are a core partner on Meedan’s NSF-funded [Fact Champ](#) initiative to “increase collaboration between fact-checkers, academics, and community leaders to counter misinformation online.”

25. Center for Countering Digital Hate

Link: <https://counterhate.com/>

Type: An NGO cut-out engaged in brazen smearing, attacking of dissenting views, deplatforming, censoring and pro-active shrinkage of the Overton window.

26. Craig Newmark Philanthropies

Link: <https://craignewmarkphilanthropies.org/>

Type: A large philanthropy founded by the inventor of Craigslist, with a special focus on journalism and disinformation.

27. Omidyar Group

Link: <https://omidyar.com>

Type: A series of foundations from the founder of eBay providing a huge amount of funding to the Censorship-Industrial complex.

28. The Knight Foundation

Link: <https://knightfoundation.org/>

Type: The third in the trifecta of private foundations leading the funding of the “anti-disinformation” industry.

29. Google Jigsaw

Link: <https://jigsaw.google.com/>

Type: A “think/do tank” developing technical solutions to disinformation, censorship, and violent extremism.

30. Full Fact

Link: <https://fullfact.org/>

Type: A leading UK “fact-checking” “NGO” with mountains of money from Big Tech.

HONORABLE MENTIONS:

31: [Media Matters For America](#) A creature of noted political hitman [David Brock](#), MM4A has made an effortless transition from mainstream media promulgator of political scandals like Russiagate to maker of Internet blacklists and counter of social media offenses, an example being the [927 million interactions](#) Donald Trump’s Facebook posts earned between January 1, 2020 and January 6, 2021.

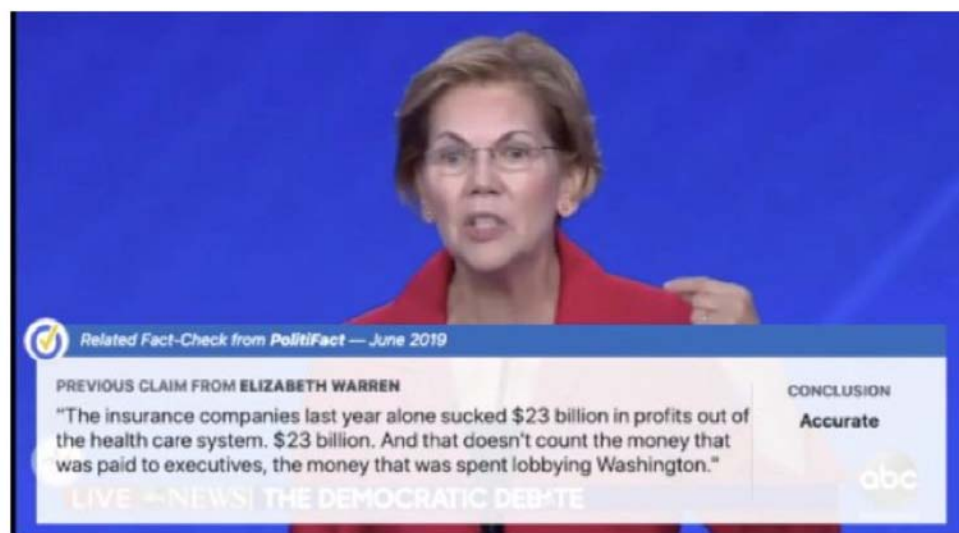
32: [Miburo/Digital Threat Analysis Center](#) Anti-disinformation lives, even on Substack! After a departure from the Hamilton 68 project, former FBI official Clint Watts landed at a series

of agencies, beginning with Miburo, a group whose goal, according to one TwitterFiles email, was to “detect bad actors in 1 hour and assess them in less than 6 hours through rapid reports, infographics, and case studies.” As far as *Racket* could tell, this made Miburo the only anti-disinfo group that offered a time-based, drive-thru-type service. Miburo eventually was reborn on Substack as the Digital Threat Analysis Center.

33. [Credibility Coalition](#) An oddly vague group of researchers that has poured resources into trying to develop what it calls a “shared vocabulary for credibility.” From 30,000 feet, the CC seems to replicate a lot of what outlets like the [Global Disinformation Index](#) (see below) do, analyzing media sources and downranking for various qualities ranging from lack of fact-checking to use of “straw man” or “slippery slope” arguments. Though the group stresses it’s looking to identify content “signals” that “require human judgment and training,” the CC has worked with the media literacy platform Public Editor out of Berkeley to tout a “collaborative software” called “TextThresher” that looks suspiciously like a tool for computerized credibility analysis. The CC has also produced something like an [inverse version of this list](#), creating a page where users can surf color-coded maps of groups that have aimed to “improve information quality.”

34. [Factcheck.me/Botcheck.me](#) Created by two ambitious whippersnappers from the Cal-Berkeley, [Rohan Phadte and Ash Bhat](#) — who once [self-described](#) as having gone from “a couple students hacking on an extended school project into an eight-person team with the mission of protecting the public” — Factcheck.me and Botcheck.me offer user-friendly tools for defending against disinformation and bots, respectively. The Democratic National Committee in 2020 hired the pair to write a report “on the spread of disinformation on social media,” as the [New York Times put it](#). Internally, the Twitter Files show the company saw their reporter-friendly tools detecting “bot-like” activities as cousins of the infamous Hamilton 68 project, with one executive writing to a comms official handling a press inquiry about the service: “Every one of the accounts they use as an example of a bot account on their [methodology page on Medium](#) is wrong. Doesn’t publish data, does sell consultancy. Definition of monetizing the problem.” Told about the emails, Ro Bhat said, “Wow... We reached out to those guys several times and never heard back.”

35. [Duke Reporters’ Lab](#) The DRL’s tools are perfect examples of what we at *Racket* have termed “RFWs,” or “reporter-friendly widgets.” Funded by the usual suspects at the Newmark Foundation, the Knight Foundation, and Facebook, the Lab experiments with tools like MediaReview and ClaimReview, essentially tagging projects that allow fact-checking organizations to submit their reports of false claims or imagery to search engines and tech platforms for swifter ranking. An “experimental platform” called Squash offers “live, automated fact-checking during political events like debates and speeches,” [using AI](#) to “spot” subjects for human review. The product has already been deployed for political debates:



As with nearly all the CIC-developed tools, the DRL products seek to identify “consistent terminology” or an application that “standardizes fact-checking content in a machine-readable way.” This quest for a single fact-checking language is supported by Jigsaw, Facebook, Google, and the *Washington Post*. A recent Duke study purporting to show which parts of the country are sadly bereft of advanced fact-checking efforts may remind you of another color-coded state map:



36. [Reveal](#) This EU-funded “social media verification” site is, like many European anti-disinformation projects, more overtly terrifying in its dystopian aims than some of its American counterparts. This government-funded program offers a tool it calls without embarrassment the Journalist Decision Support System, or “JDDS.” Reporting is described as a government-supported team effort: “Up to 19 journalists can use JDSS simultaneously, each interactively browsing 10,000’s of posts in real-time,” and “analytics are automatically run on all posts, including sentiment analysis, fake and eyewitness media labeling and newsworthy claim extraction.” Say that loud and proud, folks: *newsworthy claim extraction*. The [EU funding award](#) for Reveal essentially describes an effort to automate what old-school reporters might have called the assignment desk, as the “key problem” with news is that “it takes a lot of effort to distinguish useful information from the ‘noise.’” Reveal claims to help by developing tools to “automatically judge the quality and accuracy of content.” The display portal for the JDDS looks like an interactive war game, which is probably not an accident.



37. [Global Disinformation Index](#) The GDI should probably be higher on this list. It was the subject of one of the first true investigative features about the Censorship-Industrial Complex, a [series by the Washington Examiner](#) that focused on two key facts: the Britain-based GDI received at least \$315,000 from the State Department Entity, the GEC, and engaged in “risk” scoring of news media organizations that down-ranked conservative outlets like the *American Spectator*, Newsmax, the *Federalist*, the *American Conservative*, One America News, the *Blaze*, the *Daily Wire*, *RealClearPolitics*, *Reason*, and the *New York Post*.” As is the case with the Omidyar-funded Oxford Internet Institute and the aforementioned Credibility Coalition, the GDI’s credibility/risk/trust scoring is [built atop a series of subjective variables](#), among them the use of “targeting language” that “demeans or belittles people or organizations,” or includes “hyperbolic,” “emotional,” and “alarmist” language. The GDI announces openly that its strategy is to push major digital marketing clients to “redirect their online ad spending.” It should be noted that two of the organizations deemed least trustworthy by the GDI are the *New York Post*, whose story about the Hunter Biden laptop was wrongly censored (“GDI’s study did not review specific high-profile stories,” a report [quips](#)) and *Reason* magazine, one of the few prominent press critics of organized censorship. Now-defunct *Buzzfeed*, whose editorial shipwreck will forever bear signs of hull rippage from its decision to publish a Steele dossier it knew was riddled with errors, was on GDI’s top ten safest sites list, lauded for — get this — “journalistic best practices” and “neutral, unemotional language.”

BuzzFeedNews.com (Risk level: Low)

BuzzFeed News – a separate domain to the popular entertainment site known for its quizzes – demonstrated a strong Content pillar score based on neutrality and journalistic best practices. Statistics, quotations and external media were properly cited and its articles frequently employed objective, fact-based ledes. The site scored relatively well on indicators of neutral, unemotional language, but could stand to tone down its sensational visuals.

38. [U.S. Agency for Global Media/Polygraph/Factograph](#) In 1953 the United States Information Agency was founded, “to inform others about American life...and... [eliminate misperception](#).” Through 1999, when it was [folded into the State Department](#), the USIA was the open messaging arm of the United States government, and had credibility precisely because it was undisguised in its function. Today, the USIA’s functions are submerged in

the Global Engagement Center (with no public-facing messaging) and the programs of the expanding U.S. Agency for Global Media (USAGM) empire, whose overall budget has [grown](#) past \$1 billion. That includes [Voice of America](#), an early effort at “counter-disinformation” known for broadcasting in German during World War II, and [Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty](#), which gained renown in the Cold War by broadcasting Western news into Soviet territories. These well-known “counter-disinfo” titles in 2016 paired to add a seemingly redundant fact-checking wing in [Polygraph.info](#), which also has a Russian-language counterpart, [Factograph](#). Ostensibly dedicated to countering “misleading statements and stories from Russian officials and state-sponsored propaganda,” Polygraph in reality often “checks” domestic actors [like Robert F. Kennedy, Jr.](#), [Scott Ritter](#), and [Monica Crowley](#), while labeling insufficiently hawkish Americans like Glenn Greenwald supporters of Russia. Polygraph for example might “check” Julian Assange’s status as a free-speech icon, [quoting](#) a Center for European Policy Analysis analyst to call the Wikileaks founder “a criminal, traitor and propaganda outlet for the people he works with or for.” Polygraph in sum is a sadly perfect model for a modern “anti-disinformation” operation, posing as independent, non-partisan news aimed at “foreign” disinformation, while in reality serving as blunt state propaganda that too often targets domestic political opinion.*



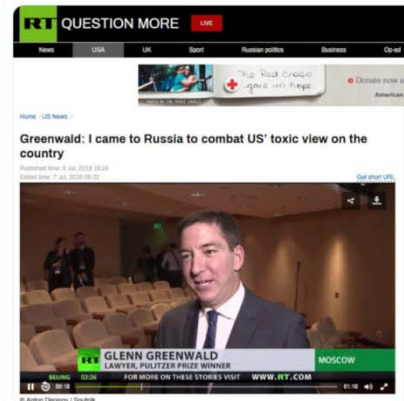
"The narrative that Assange is a hero is a convenient one for Russia" says [@danapriest](#) -- noting the hypocrisy "given their lack of support for free speech in Russia" [#WorldPressFreedom](#)



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 Assange is Russia's Unlikely Symbol of Free Speech
 [Editor's note: This story is updated with news on an extradition hearing in London]. While the Kremlin has for years systematically ...



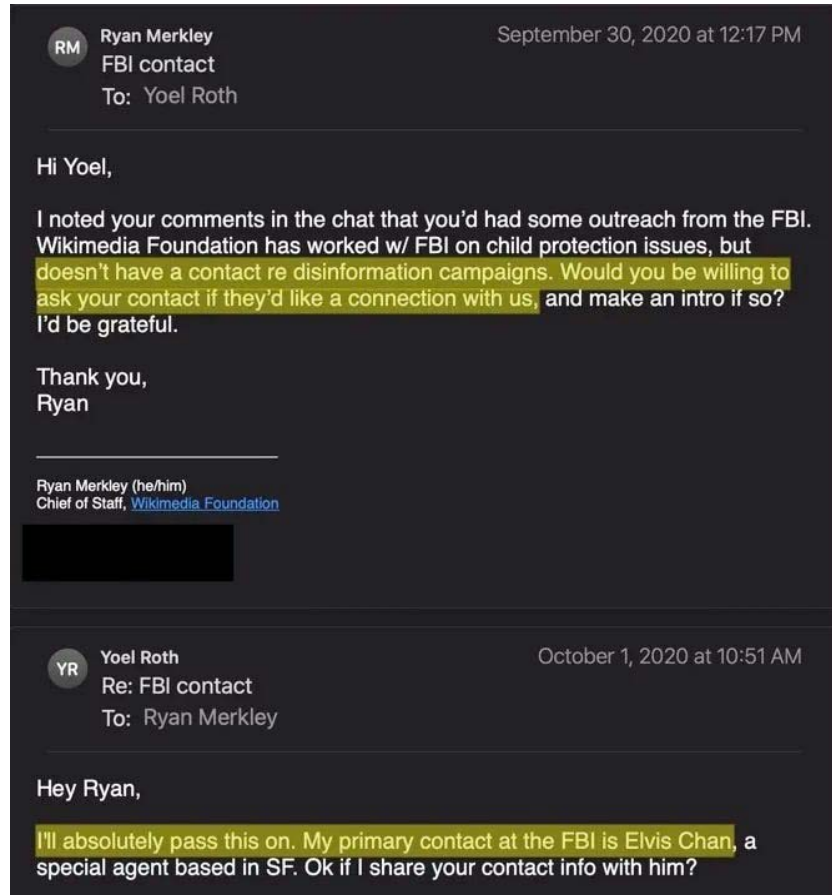
A reporter who never trusts "any government" & an LGBT activist voicing support for the government of Russia that criminalized "public expression of non-traditional sexual relations, manifested in a public demonstration of personal perverted sexual preferences in public places."



39. [Institute for Strategic Dialogue](#) Also [funded](#) by the U.S. State Department, the Britain-based ISD offers another smorgasbord of content-suffocation tools, [including a "hate-mapper"](#) service and a product called [Beam](#), which "is a multi-lingual, multi-platform capability developed to expose, track and confront information threats online." ISD identifies “bad actors” or “extremist actors” and its “shared endeavour” program seeks to build “psychosocial resilience to radicalization.” The ISD is responsible for the [report saying anti-Semitic remarks soared](#) on Twitter after Elon Musk’s purchase of the platform, a report listing “independent journalists” amplifying “Russian propaganda” that inspired [an NBC report](#) including the now-on-trial Gonzalo Lira. ISD was also a source for a [USA Today report](#) that was influential in getting not-yet-convicted people accused of participation in the January 6th protests removed from a variety of Internet services. The ISD is one of many groups that were roaring about the dangers of Discord before the “Pentagon Leaker” story, saying, “Evidence suggested that users of extreme right channels on Discord are very young,” raising questions about the role that “online games” play in “radicalization of minors.”

40. [Wikipedia](#) In June of 2021, Wikipedia’s then Executive Director Katherine Maher appeared at a conference hosted by the Atlantic Council, where she was [interviewed](#) by NBC reporter Brandy Zadrozny about “how big tech can be as trusted as Wikipedia.” The thrust of the report was that Wikipedia had refused a request by the Turkish government to take down “two pages that they did not appreciate references to President Erdogan and his family and their involvement in the Syrian civil war as a state sponsor of terrorism,” which

led to a ban of the site that was [overturned to great fanfare](#) in 2020. Wikipedia, like many tech behemoths, plays the role of a defender of free speech in certain circumstances, but lately it has become perhaps the most furious grindstone of digital conformity in Western media outside Twitter, Google, and Facebook, institutionalizing a system of blockages that increasingly only let through information reported on in an approving way by large corporate or academic institutions (it has been a great [struggle](#) to get Twitter Files material on the site, for instance). Wikipedia was once seen as one of the great experiments in open-source media, and identified with legal challenges to things like the NSA's illegal domestic surveillance program, but has become just another member of the cartel-like "industry call" that includes the FBI, Twitter, and Facebook (the Twitter Files show the exact moment in which Wikipedia asks for a "disinformation" contact at the FBI), and has taken rigid stands on ridiculous issues like [the definition of "recession."](#)



#TwitterFiles also show Wikipedia staff [invited to election tabletops with the Pentagon](#), and [joining weekly "industry meetings"](#) with their Big Tech brethren. Former Executive Director Katherine Maher is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, a World Economic Forum young global leader, a security fellow at the Truman National Security Project, and a fellow at DFRLabs at the Atlantic Council, the military-industrial complex's favorite Think Tank. It's amazing how far selling encyclopedias can take you.

41. [EU Disinfo Lab](#) Another anti-disinformation site that is full of features warning of the insufficiently vibrant stream of warnings about Russian aggression, climate change, and unregulated Internet spaces like Telegram. Despite being an independent non-profit, the Lab proxies for government, keenly assessing "the commitments of platform signatories of the EU Code of Practice on Disinformation." It also seeks to weed out an "anti-system mindset," such as the use of cryptocurrencies to fund "junk sites" seeking to cultivate a "fringe and non-conformist image." The Lab represents the uptight tattle-tale wing of the "anti-disinformation" scene.

The EU Disinfo Lab made perhaps its biggest splash in 2019 when it claimed to have unearthed "[265 Coordinated Fake Local Media Sites Serving Indian Interests](#)." The illustration features skull-and-crossbones icons for "zombie" sites and alien faces for "new" ones:



42. [The UK 77th Brigade](#) It should tell the reader something that the formation of an active military unit by a key NATO partner which is openly devoted to fighting online "disinformation" and has been credibly [accused of mass surveillance of its own citizenry](#) is just the 42nd entry on our list. The UK's 77th Brigade would be rejected by any good fiction editor as too over-the-top. [Big Brother Watch broke the story](#) revealing how the speech of MPs, academics, journalists, human rights campaigners and the public was monitored under the guise of combating "misinformation."



SOME OF THE WAYS WE HELP

- Establish partnerships, operating platforms and systems in order to conduct overseas operations.
- Understand the information environment and opportunities to gain an advantage within it.
- Identify, develop and conduct information operations, independently or with partners, to gain advantage against actual or potential adversaries.
- Conduct audience analysis to deliver the most effective operations in support of military objectives.
- Develop capabilities to operate and ensure advantage in the information domain.

WHAT WE DO

77th Brigade constrains our hostile state actors and adversaries through information operations and targeting, deployed and at stand off.

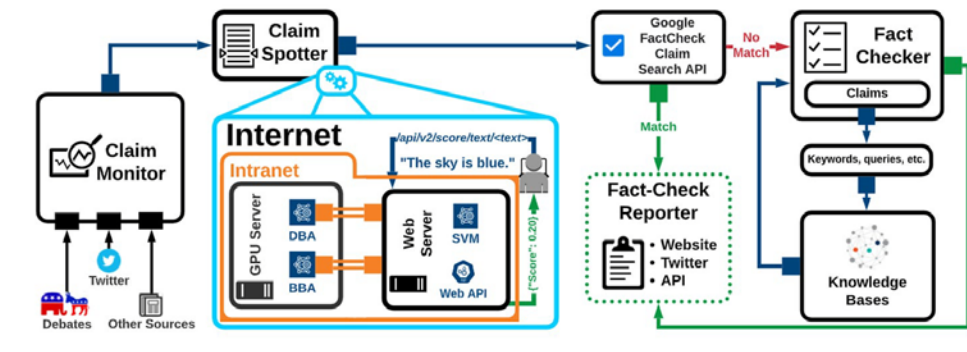
Using intelligence to understand audiences and systems, analyse networks and identify intelligence opportunities, the Brigade holds a range of capabilities to deliver effect.

77th Brigade activities are best employed in concert with other military effects to achieve integrated action.



43. [Claim Buster](#) Another machine learning tool backed by the Knight Foundation, the National Science Foundation, Newmark Philanthropies and the Facebook Journalism Project that's working on a key problem for any future AI-driven moderation program: how to use

machine learning to identify “claims” in real-time. “Automated live fact-checking for everyone” is easy, according to its graphics: just follow the instructions below.



44. [DisinfoCloud](#) This was a GEC-funded operation, through the beginning of 2023. It featured a “continuously updated news feed” of disinfo-related items, often with fairly far-out recommendations to the “nearly 300 organizations, including those that provide machine learning analysis of social media, media monitoring, fact-checking, media literacy, social network mapping, and more” in the organization’s “testbed.” This blogged material was available to “select government, civil society, and private sector users,” of which, fortunately for #TwitterFiles readers, Twitter was one. The company received wisdom-nuggets like the idea that the terms “color revolution” and “Russophobia” were “Pro-Kremlin” propaganda, the good news that Britain’s GHCQ might soon be using AI to combat disinformation, and much more. Not intended for your eyes, you had the honor of paying for it all, if you’re an American citizen.

- Pro-Kremlin media uses the moniker of “color revolution” to shape coverage around democratic movements around the world, seeking to cast them as manipulated by malicious external forces ([EUvsDisinfo](#)).

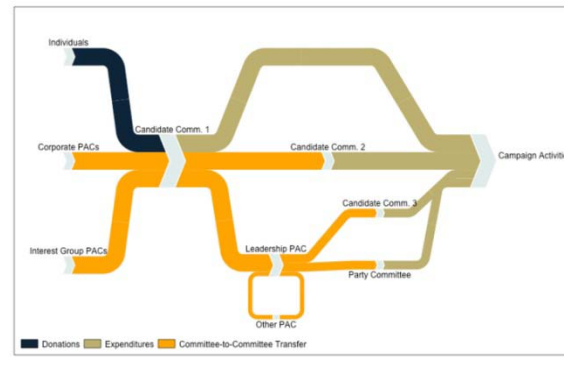
A DisinfoCloud update

45. [MythDetector](#) The fact-checking arm of the Media Development Foundation, funded by USAID and the German Marshall Fund, helps produce valuable public service messages, like a video in Georgian explaining that the so-called American doctor online who’ll cure Covid and obviate the need for masks [is actually a porn star](#). MythDetector is a Facebook third-party fact checker, “compliant” with Poynter’s International Fact Checking Network principles, and will “measure the truth!” for you.

46. [Verified](#) The inevitable creep-tastic United Nations fact-checking initiative promises to “deliver life-saving information on Covid-19 and stories from the best of humanity.” Key insights? “Behavioral science research told us we needed to increase people’s risk perception, the feeling that there is a threat to themselves or their loved ones.” The technocrats at Verified were sure COVID-19 vaccines would “end the pandemic” by “stopping the spread of COVID-19.” Verified partnered with the World Bank, Al Jazeera, Facebook, Omidiyar, First Draft, Ikea, Spotify, Tik Tok, Twitter, and #ThisIsOurShot (also a Virality Project partner). It was built in collaboration with [Purpose](#), a McKinsey-for-millennials whose co-founder chaired the WEF’s Global Agenda Council on Civic Participation.

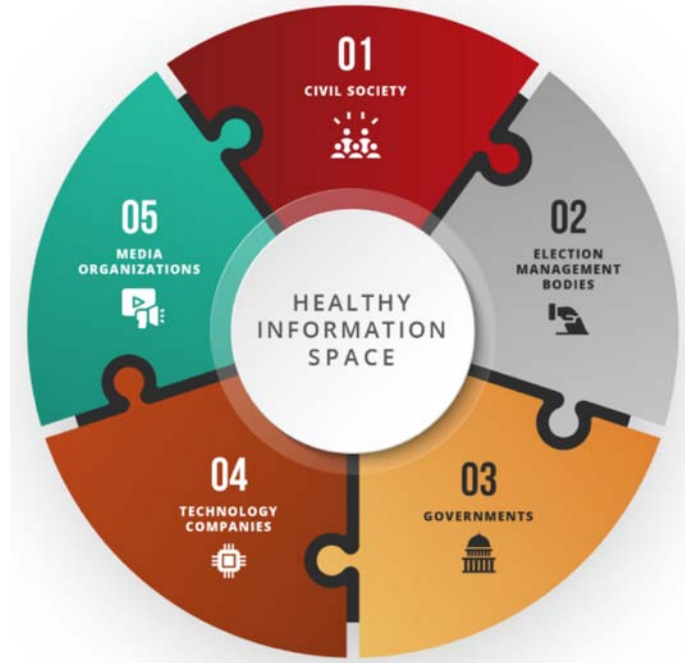
47. [Foreign Malign Influence Center](#) After the public relations fiasco of the Orwellian Disinformation Governance Board that was to be housed in the Department of Homeland Security, and the erasure of the “[Misinformation, Disinformation, and Malinformation Subcommittee](#)” that appeared slated to assume the DGB’s functions, it appears the federal government is putting chips on another Truth-Ministry facsimile, moving them perhaps to this existing agency under the Office of the Director of National Intelligence. The FMIC was “activated” on September 23, 2022. The DGB closed August 24, 2022. The FMIC is headed by Jeffrey K. Wichman, who spent 30 years at the CIA.

48. [Advance Democracy Inc.](#) Not much is known about this group except that it appears as a source for a lot of *USA Today* stories (about Tucker Carlson’s January 6th reports, climate denialism, and “Trump allies” still on Twitter) and appeared in a strange TwitterFiles exchange, in which a comms official describes them as mysterious and the author of some “shaky” reports. As is typical of many CIC cutouts, its website lists no information regarding leadership, staff or donors. It does that at the same time as “tracking political donations” of others.



49. [DisinfoWatch](#) Who says Canadians can’t be sketchy? This group, which [lists](#) as “research partners” GEC, NATO’s [STRATCOM Center of Excellence](#), and the Center for European Policy Analysis, is the usual mish-mash of evil Putin portraits and gibberish text about building “resilience” to threat narratives, but also offers skillful local knowledge in finding ways to blame RT for using coverage of the Canadian trucker protests to [“legitimize anti-government narratives.”](#)

50. [Countering Disinformation](#) Another USAID-funded group that promotes “information integrity” and argues for a “whole-of-society approach,” which they say will require creating a “sense of urgency” in the population about disinformation. (In anti-disinformation literature, the public is often depicted as insufficiently panicked). The group promotes a “mixed-methods approach,” which includes “fact-checking, monitoring, and other interventions.” It also offers a keen visual representation of what a “healthy information space” looks like: complete encirclement by protective institutions. Like freedom, in order words, only the opposite!



**An early version of this story was published without the VOA/Polygraph section.*

[NBC News Admits 'Deep State' Exists... To Save Us From Trump's Return](#) Authored by Tyler Durden of Zero Hedge

- When Donald Trump asked Ukraine about obvious corruption by the Biden family, one of the key 'deep state' players in his impeachment behind the scenes was none other than Mary McCord - who went from taking down Michael Flynn after the FBI set him up, to helping Rep. Adam Schiff (D-CA) to peddle a "whistleblower" complaint about Trump's Ukraine call.
- **McCord is back with a new hoax to peddle, telling NBC News that the Deep State is preparing for Trump's return - and is taking action to limit his ability to 'become a dictator' and use the military to those ends.**
- **"We're already starting to put together a team to think through the most damaging types of things that he [Trump] might do so that we're ready to bring lawsuits if we have to,"** McCord - executive director of the Institution for Constitutional Advocacy and Protection at Georgetown Law - told the outlet.
- **The quotes from this fine piece of yellow journalism from NBC are simply hilarious...**
 - "Donald Trump is sparking fears among those who understand the inner workings of the Pentagon that he would convert the nonpartisan U.S. military into the muscular arm of his political agenda as he makes comments about dictatorship and devalues the checks and balances that underpin the nation's two-century-old democracy."
 - "A circle of appointees independent of Trump's political operation steered him away from ideas that would have pushed the limits of presidential power in his last term."
 - "In a new term, many former officials worry that Trump would instead surround himself with loyalists unwilling to say no."
 - **"He's a clear and present danger to our democracy."**
 - "His support is solid. And I don't think people understand what living in a dictatorship would mean."
 - "There are an array of horrors that could result from Donald Trump's unrestricted use of the Insurrection Act."
 - **"The military is hundreds of thousands of people strong, and ultimately Trump will find people to follow his legal orders no matter what ...** The Insurrection Act is a legal order, and if he orders it there will be military officers, especially younger men and women, who will follow that legal order."

MORE READING

- [Just 3.4 Percent Of American Journalists Identify As Republican: Survey](#) Authored by Aaron Pan via The Epoch Times

- The survey found that the percentage of Republicans in the journalism industry has declined substantially over the decades,
- The survey showed that 60.1 percent of journalists said journalism in the United States was headed in the wrong direction. In comparison, only 22 percent said it was going in the right direction.
- "When asked about the 'most important problem facing journalism today,' the journalists mentioned these issues most often:
 - Declining public trust in the news media (20.8 percent);
 - Shrinking local and community news coverage (12.8 percent);
 - Perceived bias and opinion journalism (12.7 percent);
 - Fake news (9.9 percent);
 - Disrupted business model (9.3 percent)."
- According to an October [Gallup poll](#), 39 percent of Americans did not trust the mass media, while 29 percent held very little trust. Only 32 percent reported having trust in the mass media.
- In last year's [poll](#) on the honesty and ethical standards across various professions, 42 percent of Americans said journalists have "very low" or "low" ethical standards, while 35 percent rated them as average and 23 percent viewed them high.
- 55 percent of journalists in the survey insisted that every side does not always deserve equal coverage in the news, 76 percent of Americans wanted the news to cover all sides equally.
- [Whistleblower Docs Expose Key Tactics Of The Censorship Industrial Complex: Matt Taibbi](#) Authored by Ella Kietlinska and Jan Jekielek via The Epoch Times "Once it's true, we put it out there, and then it's up to you what to do with it..."
- [CISA Was Behind The Attempt To Control Your Thoughts, Speech, And Life](#)
- [The Criminalization Of Dissent \(Revisited\)](#)
- [Happy Insurrection Day!](#) Today, the prevailing opinion seems to be rooted in resignation. Americans spend more time asking government for permission than they do resisting...
- [Watch: Taibbi, Brand, & Shellenberger Expose The Censors As Malign Disinformation Superspreaders](#) "This continual process of seeding doubt and uncertainty in authoritative voices leads to a society that finds it too challenging to identify what's true or false."
- [The EU's Mass Censorship Regime Is Almost Fully Operational. Will It Go Global?](#) Government censorship of public online discourse in the West's ostensibly liberal democracies has been largely covert until now, as revealed by the Twitter Files. But thanks to the EU's Digital Services Act, it is about to become overt...
- [How NewsGuard Became The Establishment Guard Against Independent Media](#) Company makes a profit - including from US government funds - through a business model that leads to defunding and censoring of independent media...
- [How Much Do Americans Trust The Media?](#) How Much Do Americans Trust The Media?
- [AI Gore Warns: People Having Access To Non-Mainstream Information "Threatens Democracy"](#) "They ought to be banned!"
- [They Are Programming You](#) "We are governed, our minds are molded, our tastes formed, our ideas suggested, largely by men we have never heard of..."
- [Marc Crispin Miller Exposes The "Rolling Thunder Global Propaganda" Campaign](#) "...[the press] have been instrumental throughout this nightmare... if you just tell the other side of the story, you are public enemy #1."
- [Biden Shafts Kennedy Over Secret Service Protection For 3rd Time](#) Clearly the optics of legitimizing a political foe are more important than whether he's assassinated.
- [The "Control System" Is Collapsing - 'The Great Taking' Looms As Globalism's Last Gasp](#) "Their two great powers of deception, money and media, have been extremely energy-efficient means of control. But these powers are now in rampant collapse..."
- [White House Hysteria: New Domino Theory, Putin Won't Stop With Ukraine](#) In an effort to get Republicans to commit hundreds of billions of dollars for Ukraine and Israel, Biden trots out the Domino Theory. Anyone remember that?
- [Biden's Weaponized Gov't Attacks Against Elon Musk Is Tyranny](#) You just take Biden at his actions."

FREE SPEECH

[CJ Hopkins 'Horrified' To Find "The Same Totalitarian Program Is Being Rolled Out" Everywhere Around The World](#) Authored by CJ Hopkins via The Consent Factory

Strategizing about how to defeat (or marginally disrupt) the network of governments, Intelligence agencies, global corporations, NGOs, and so-called disinformation experts known as the [Censorship Industrial Complex](#). There were delegates from the United States, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Germany, Italy, Spain, Brazil, Australia, New Zealand, and other nominally sovereign countries.



“What Michael and I were looking at was something new, an Internet-age approach to political control that uses brute digital force to alter reality itself. We certainly saw plenty of examples of censorship and de-platforming and government collaboration in those efforts. However, it’s clear that the idea behind the sweeping system of digital surveillance combined with thousands or even millions of subtle rewards and punishments built into the online experience, is to condition people to censor themselves.”

More or less the same totalitarian program is being rolled out in countries throughout the world.

- The censorship.
- The official propaganda.
- The criminalization of dissent.
- The pathologization of dissent.
- The manipulation of our perception of reality.
- The coordinated transformation of the world into a smiley-faced neo-Orwellian police state in which politics no longer matters because society has been divided into two basic classes, i.e., “the normals,” who are prepared to mindlessly follow orders and parrot whatever official propaganda they are fed, and “the deviants,” or “extremists,” who are not.

Most of us are so laser-focused on the trees that we cannot see the forest. But our adversaries see the forest. They see the forest like fucking eagles. They own the fucking forest and everything in it. While we hop like squirrels from tree to tree, distracted from distraction by distraction, from limited hangout by limited hangout, they are building a big fucking fence around it and deploying the Forest-Ranger Sturmabteilung.

I’m reminded of that infamous Karl Rove quote. He was referring to the USA, of course, but it was GloboCap (i.e., the Corporatocracy) that he was really speaking for whether he knew it or not ...

"That's not the way the world really works anymore ... we're an empire now, and when we act, we create our own reality. And while you're studying that reality — judiciously, as you will — we'll act again, creating other new realities, which you can study too, and that's how things will sort out. We're history's actors, and you, all of you, will be left to just study what we do." [The New York Times Magazine]

If we do not want to end up "studying that reality," the global, pathologized-totalitarian reality that is being subtly and not so subtly implemented simultaneously in countries throughout the world, at some point we had better come up with some actual answers to those questions above.

The supranational, globally-hegemonic, post-ideological system of power that runs our world — whatever you need to call it — has answers to those questions. It has a story. It is a story about a beneficent global empire governed by authoritative scientific experts who are trying to save the world from Whatever and protect everyone from "disinformation" and "harmful" speech, ideas, and so on. Like every good story, it has an antagonist. Us. We are the official enemy. Right, Left, libertarian, anarchist, Islamic fundamentalist, Christian fundamentalist ... it does not make one iota of difference. There is only the Empire, and those who oppose it. The Empire does not give a shit why. It is conducting a global "Clear-and-Hold" operation, wiping out internal resistance and establishing ideological uniformity. It could not care less what you think you believe in. All it wants is mindless obedience and rote repetition of its propaganda. That's how totalitarianism works.

[A Free And Open Internet Is An Existential Threat To The Establishment](#) Authored by Connor O'Keefe via The Mises Institute

- Last week, a [video clip](#) of Francis Fukuyama went viral. In the clip, ***the political scientist called freedom of speech and a marketplace of ideas "18th century notions that really have been belied (or shown to be false) by a lot of what's happened in recent decades."***
- Fukuyama then reflects on how a censorship regime could be enacted in the United States.
 - *But the question then becomes, how do you actually regulate content that you think is noxious, harmful, and the like—and do it in a way that's consistent with the First Amendment? Now, I think you can push the boundaries a bit because the First Amendment does not allow you to say anything you want. But among liberal democracies, our First Amendment law is among the most expansive of any developed democracy.*
 - *And you could imagine a future world in which we kind of pull that back and we say no, we're going to have a law closer to that of Germany where we can designate - the government can designate something as hate speech and then prevent the dissemination of that. **But the question then is, politically, how are you going to get there?***
- **Putting aside the fact that the censorship regime Fukuyama is talking about is [already here](#), it's important to consider the admission behind his words.**
- Francis Fukuyama is often associated with the neoconservative movement. And that's for good reason. He was active in the neoconservative Project for a New American Century and helped lead the push for the 2003 invasion of Iraq. But he later turned against the war and renounced neoconservatism, so he can perhaps better be understood as an intellectual proxy for the Washington establishment.
- **Fukuyama is best known for his 1992 [book](#) *The End of History and the Last Man*.**
 - The book argues that liberal democracy represents the endpoint of humanity's ideological evolution and the final form of government because of its defeat of fascism and socialism and its supposed lack of inner contradictions.
 - If there was ever a time when this idea would resonate, it was 1992. The Soviet Union was gone, and the US government, fresh off its sound defeat of Saddam Hussein's Iraq, was the most powerful single entity in history.
- But at the same time, an entirely new medium for information was quickly emerging. In 1996, a software engineer named Dave Winer decided to host his newsletter on the World Wide Web. The result was the first web log, or blog. He called it *DaveNet*. As blogs began to catch on, writers could reach their readers directly without filters, editors, or space constraints.
- It is hard to understate the effect of this development. But it's best explained by Martin Gurri in his 2014 [book](#) *The Revolt of the Public and the Crisis of Authority in the New Millennium*. Gurri posits that throughout human history "information has not grown incrementally... but has expanded in great pulses or waves which sweep over the human landscape and leave little untouched."
 - According to Gurri, the first information wave came with the invention of writing.
 - The second was set off by the development of alphabets. These waves gave rise to governments and societies led by literate bureaucratic and priestly castes.

- The third wave came with the invention of the printing press. Suddenly, the ancien régime's monopoly on information was shattered. The result was sweeping political change—most notably the Protestant Reformation and the American and French Revolutions.
- Central to Gurri's thesis is the idea that these revolutions did not come about because of a sudden change in the public's sentiments but because abrupt changes in the information space allowed sentiments that were already there to spread and develop outside of the ruling classes' control.
- The fourth wave came with the adoption of broadcast media—radio and television—during the twentieth century. While this wave was [certainly disruptive](#), the government's early takeover of the airwaves made it easier for the political class to retain control over the information space.
- But the same could not be said of the fifth wave—the digital revolution. Only two years after the launch of *DaveNet*, another blog, the *Drudge Report*, would go around the establishment press and break the story that got Bill Clinton impeached.
- Ten years later, as yet another financial crisis gripped the country, the internet allowed true grassroots opposition movements to organize and spread—Occupy Wall Street on the left and the Tea Party on the right. It also allowed candidates like Ron Paul to run popular campaigns critical of the Washington establishment.
- **The internet didn't just allow people to see and hear dissenting views; it allowed them to see that those views were popular.**
- And because of that, from the Arab Spring to the passage of Brexit, the weakening of political control over the information space began leading to real change across the world. But in the United States, after Donald Trump won the White House, the political class woke up to what was happening. And they decided to do something about it.
- **At first it was Russian disinformation, then hateful domestic extremists, and later covid skeptics. The establishment has used whatever boogiemán or strawman they thought could scare the public into accepting more political control over the online space.**
- Which brings us back to Fukuyama.
- **In a sense, he's right. It was a lot easier for the Washington establishment to act as though they were supportive of freedom of speech and the free exchange of ideas when they controlled the information space.**
- But now that the internet has partially rolled back their control, these ideas have been "belied" in their eyes.
- **For those like Fukuyama, who want the Washington establishment to keep up its ever-escalating [interventionism](#) at home and abroad—funded by unsustainable debt and inflation—the digital revolution is cause for concern.**
- But for those of us who understand that our economic, geopolitical, and cultural issues require radical change, it's a reason to have hope.



[Are You In An Anti-Free-Speech State? We Now Have The Definitive List](#) Authored by Jonathan Turley

- *We are witnessing an alarming shift in the Democratic party on free speech with candidates running on pledges to censor opposing views and politicians supporting blacklisting and censorship on social media.*
- Many citizens oppose such efforts to restrict their rights under the First Amendment, but are unaware of the work of their representatives to limit free speech. Now, a filing in the Supreme Court

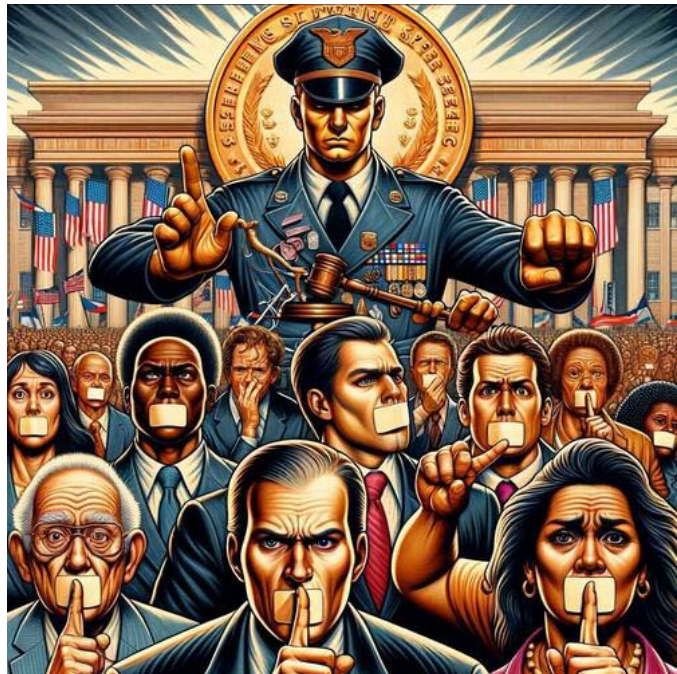
supporting censorship efforts by the Biden Administration has supplied a handy list of the anti-free speech states for citizens.

- **The 5th Circuit previously ruled in *Missouri v. Biden* that administration officials “likely violated” the First Amendment and issued a preliminary injunction banning the government from communicating with social media companies to limit speech.**
- Not surprisingly, the state of California is leading the effort to get the Supreme Court to reverse a decision enjoining the government from censorship efforts.
- California has long sought to impose speech limits on [doctors](#), [businesses](#), and [citizens](#) to silence opposing viewpoints.
- **However, 23 Democrat-led states joined this ignoble effort in signing on to the [brief](#) of California Attorney General Rob Bonta.**
- The brief lauds past efforts of these states to combat “harmful content” on the Internet and to protect the public from “misleading information” through partnerships with social media companies.

So here is the list to see if you are residing in an anti-free speech state:

- Arizona
- Colorado
- Connecticut
- Delaware
- Hawaii
- Illinois
- Maine
- Maryland
- Massachusetts
- Michigan
- Minnesota
- Nevada
- New Jersey
- New Mexico,
- New York
- Oregon
- Pennsylvania
- Rhode Island
- Vermont
- Washington
- Wisconsin
- District of Columbia

Here is the brief: [Missouri v. Biden–New York et al. Amicus Br.](#)



[The Year That Expertise Collapsed](#) Authored by Jeffrey Tucker via The Brownstone Institute

- *These experts who ruled our lives... never actually possessed knowledge that was superior to what existed within the cultural firmament of society. Instead, all they really had was power and a grand opportunity to play dictator.*
- We could know for certain that there had been a change in the matrix in March 2020 because, seemingly out of nowhere, all of this knowledge was deemed wrong. It felt like a coup d'état of sorts. It certainly was an intellectual coup.
- Mass compliance has been replaced by mass incredulity.

[The Perpetual War On Free Speech](#) Authored by Donald Jeffries via "I Protest" substack

- The Founding Fathers made the Constitution palatable by including a Bill of Rights.
- Without the First 10 Amendments, the Constitution is just what its early critics, including Patrick Henry and Thomas Jefferson, said it was; a dangerous consolidation of power far less representative of liberty than the Articles of Confederation.
- The First Amendment was always a huge concern with statist of every era.
- Those who thirst for power, and will compromise themselves in order to attain it, have never looked favorably upon those critical of them.
- John Adams, the second president of the United States, passed the Alien and Sedition Acts for just this reason.

- He bristled at criticism. Fortunately, Thomas Jefferson succeeded him in office and scrapped this tyrannical concept.
- But the notion reared itself again in 1860, with the election of Abraham Lincoln. Adams was a civil libertarian compared to Lincoln. “Honest” Abe didn’t pass any new Alien and Sedition Acts; he just shut down over two hundred newspapers that opposed any of his unconstitutional actions.
- Woodrow Wilson revived these odious acts during World War I. Eugene Debs and others were imprisoned for opposing the pointless shedding of blood, and America’s participation in it. The Supreme Court, in perhaps its worst ruling ever, upheld Wilson’s right to jail antiwar protesters.
- Great “liberal” justice Oliver Wendell Holmes coined the phrase “yelling fire in a crowded theater” to justify such heinous oppression, placing an ugly asterisk on free speech. Apparently no concerned American asked at the time, just how protesting a war could be construed as yelling fire in a crowded theater. This expression gained great renown across the land, and is forever on the lips of those who seek to censor dissent.
- Franklin Roosevelt built upon the actions of Wilson, who was inspired by the maniacal despot Lincoln. One of the countless unconstitutional agencies created under the New Deal, the Federal Communications Commission was in effect a national Alien and Sedition Act for the radio stations, and would go on to control content in Hollywood and on every television network. It banned selling advertising that discussed “controversial issues.” Vulgarity and “extremist” opinions were strictly forbidden. FDR pushed several inquisitions in Congress, most notably the one chaired by then Senator Hugo Black. You know, the former KKK member who went on to become a “liberal” Supreme Court justice and arbitrarily awarded the 1948 Senate election to “Landslide” Lyndon Johnson, who was the first to court the dead vote.
- The Black Committee and other inquiries attempted to severely curtail the ability of journalists to criticize the New Deal. FDR himself is documented to have personally tried to ruin the careers of his political opponents. And all of this was years before the Pearl Harbor false flag. Once America entered the war, FDR went after draft evaders, and memorably incarcerated American citizens in concentration camps. Not just Japanese Americans, but German and Italian Americans, too. The Roosevelt administration also stole billions in personal property from these poor souls. Much as Lincoln had locked up any northern antiwar voices without any due process, FDR imprisoned those opposed to his war. In 1945, his successor Harry Truman had antiwar poet Ezra Pound arrested, and he spent a decade in a mental institution.
- **We must consider today’s “Woke” authoritarianism in its historical context. The precedents are all there.**
 - Cancel culture was born when Lincoln “canceled” his critics in the press, and threw thousands of uncharged citizens into makeshift prisons.
 - Wilson followed this precedent, but FDR expanded it into a totalitarian art form. His administration “canceled” its critics in a variety of ways. FDR used J. Edgar Hoover to target some of them. His administration confiscated millions of telegrams to and from Roosevelt opponents.
 - Long before Richard Nixon’s laughable efforts to use the IRS to monitor his critics, FDR had the fledgling agency audit almost everyone who opposed him. Indeed, FDR led a veritable crusade against free speech.
 - The Social Justice Warriors might look different. Tattooed. Pink or purple hair. Transitioned into countless new “genders.” Utterly addicted to name-calling. But they are the logical descendants of those who supported the Alien and Sedition Acts. Who threw citizens into jail that objected to our involvement in faraway wars. Who wanted to use the IRS, and the FBI, to “cancel” critics of the political elite.
 - Not enough tried to stop this onerous censorship in 1860. Or 1918. Or 1939. And too few are trying to stop it now.
 - The January 6 political prisoners are a testament to that, subjected to the cruel and unjust punishment explicitly prohibited by the Constitution, which was inflicted on northern “Copperheads” during the Civil War, and anarchists and “Reds” during World War I, and “Nazi sympathizers” during World War II.

IDENTITY POLITICS

- The crazed adherents of Identity Politics are hardly the first to want to silence their critics. Get them fired from their job, and rendered unemployable. And increasingly, prosecuted for their Thought Crimes. Those opposing Lincoln’s mad war and suppression of civil liberties were the Thought Criminals of their time, long before Orwell gave a name to them. Everyone reading this little missive is a modern day Thought Criminal. There are millions of us. Is there room in their overcrowded prisons for all of us? As Lord Acton, the great lover of liberty who was friends with Robert E. Lee,

not Ulysses S. Grant, reminded us; power corrupts, absolute power corrupts absolutely. Those in power in America 2.0 are absolutely corrupt.

- How many of us truly believe in free speech? Almost everyone has a big “but,” to quote the late Pee Wee Herman. Sure, I’m for free speech but...not for “Holocaust denial.” Disbelievers in the Apollo moon landings. Or their even more extreme bedfellows, the flat earthers. Those who think mass shootings were a hoax, or “fake news.” White people outraged by the Great Replacement. Just referring to the Great Replacement can get you canceled, unless you’re supporting such a thing. Which all of our horrific leaders do. Try mentioning how the average American woman today weighs what the average American man did sixty years ago, and see what happens. There are a lot of caveats to the mainstream ideal of “free speech.”
- The symbolic prosecutions, these figurative “fire in a crowded theater” abridgements of free speech, are in full swing. Alex Jones supposedly owes nearly a billion dollars to selective Sandy Hook parents. And now any mention of Sandy Hook is even more anathema to public discourse than the Great Replacement is. Jones also apologized for “Pizzagate.” Which was ridiculous; look at those disturbing pictures on Instagram, and the Podesta emails published by Wikileaks. If Donald Trump had paintings of children with freshly spanked bottoms on the walls of Mar-a-Lago, do you think it might be reacted to differently than it was in the case of Podesta’s brother? Now Rudy Giuliani owes almost \$150 million to two particular “offended” election poll workers?
- The only acknowledged exceptions to free speech at one point were overtly slanderous or libelous comments. This is understandable; people do have a right to protect their reputation. But it’s a slippery slope, and obviously applied in a wildly unfair manner. There’s a fine line between libel and justified criticism. Donald Trump, think whatever you want to think of him, has been the object of slander from numerous national figures. This includes physical and even death threats. But if Trump ever brought a slander suit against the Fake Media he rages against, it would be laughed out of every courtroom. Because it’s Trump, not because it isn’t slander. Obama, Clinton, Biden- they’d all be treated much more respectfully by this hopelessly corrupt, Tik Tok “justice” system of ours. Some slander is more equal than others.

HATE SPEECH, DISINFORMATION & MISINFORMATION

- But slander and libel have been supplanted now by the Orwellian term “hate speech.” Which has been accepted by almost everyone, even though the very term immediately destroys any concept of free speech.
- And now “disinformation” and “misinformation,” entirely subjective terms (like “hate speech”), are being bandied about as potential “crimes.” This is essentially what Jones and Trump are being prosecuted for; the notion that they are misleading others with speech that the State finds “offensive,” or “racist,” or “disinformation/misinformation.” Trump is being tried in court for contesting the results of an election. And for exaggerating the value of his assets. That doesn’t seem to worry most Americans. They need to remember that whole, “First they came for the Communists” thing. Don’t think they won’t come after you.
- If we were really protected by the First Amendment, then there would be no possibility of being prosecuted for our views on an election. Or a virus. Or a vaccine. Or any historical event. Every opinion is protected under the First Amendment. Well, theoretically. If you say something “offensive” to any of the groups and individuals that are allowed to be perpetually “offended,” then you are now subject to a politicized prosecution. No one should want to go anywhere near one of our Orwellian courtrooms. They’re nearly as dangerous as hospitals. Thought Criminals, by definition, are not being pursued for their actions. They aren’t robbers. Or rapists. Or murderers. It’s a difficult task to prosecute the thoughts of others. But our authoritarian leaders are up to that task. And millions are complicit by their silence.
- Today, Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and YouTube ban, suspend and “cancel” those users who have unwelcome views. First Amendment be damned. As the “conservative” defenders of the cancel culture remind us, “They’re private companies! They have a right to ban people!” As I would respond, you mean like restaurants, for instance? So did business owners in the segregated south have a right to deny service to certain people? They don’t need a reason, right? After all, they’re private companies! What exactly is the difference between denying admission to a restaurant, or a store, or a neighborhood, on the basis of skin color, or on the basis of political philosophy? Or even simply wearing a MAGA hat? It’s a selective discrimination thing, you wouldn’t understand.

- It isn't easy being a true supporter of free speech, in a society that doesn't value it.
- Where more people than not are fine with stipulations on it.
- "The First Amendment doesn't protect hate speech," their nauseating mouthpieces in our state controlled media will bleat, as effortlessly as they will bleat "Oswald killed Kennedy" or "Diversity is our Strength."
- The word "hate" doesn't appear anywhere in the Bill of Rights, or the Constitution itself. But there is no one there to counter them when they make these statements, which are disinformation if anything is.
- I'll be waiting for someone, perhaps a member of the loyal "opposition," to point that out. But fewer people have probably read the Constitution than have read the Bible.
- I thought the internet was beyond their control. They let us have unfettered access to true diversity of thought for a few decades. But the social media conglomerates gave them their opening.
- FDR "canceled" the editors and radio commentators of his day. Now, the "Woke" leftists can get big tech to deny access to crucial internet platforms to those who write or say discouraging words.
- Many in the alt media cheered the de-platforming of Alex Jones. YouTube and Facebook are shells of their former selves.
- Many like me are "shadow banned." They restrict our access to a larger audience. That's one way to control the competition. FDR and Lincoln would have loved it. What they ideally want is an FCC to control internet content.
- Millions of Americans don't believe in God. So they don't value rights that the Founders said come from God.
- The Right, though victimized by politicized prosecutions in America 2.0, hardly believe in true free speech. Witness their reaction to the mostly nonwhite students on college campuses, protesting Israel's brutal retaliation against the Palestinians. At Harvard, these students were "doxxed," just like so many right-wingers have been. Their names were published, and powerful Jewish businessmen tried to blacklist them from employment. Most conservatives, being Zionist defenders of Israel, applauded this particular "canceling" on campus. It was educational to watch the Ben Shapiros and Meghan Kellys of the world display such obvious hypocrisy. Everyone seems fine with suppressing some speech. Who supports all speech?
- We are at war. I'm not referring to the continuous interventionism in other, smaller sovereign nations, which is the foundation of our disastrous "bipartisan" foreign policy.
- Our leaders are at odds with the concept of free speech. They hate it more than they supposedly hated any foreign bogeyman.
- I don't know why they just don't treat the Bill of Rights like a troublesome Confederate memorial, and remove it from the Constitution.
- All they'd have to do is declare it's "racist," and the majority of White people would start cucking and jiving. If sleep, and birds, and proper grammar, are "racist," why not free speech?
- If you don't have free speech, you don't have a free country. No one to "hate us for our freedom." Democracy isn't threatened by any speech.
- But we are threatened by those who don't believe in freedom of speech.

CIVIL LIBERTIES

- Maybe we can start up a new American Civil Liberties Union. One that is, you know, actually concerned about the protection of civil liberties.
- **Civil liberties begin with free speech. If you can't say what you want, it's obvious you can't do what you want.**
- **The mass arrests after the truly mostly peaceful January 6 protest demonstrated that we don't have the right to peacefully assemble, as is guaranteed by the Bill of Rights. Well, some do. BLM, for instance.** It's not about protest, or speech, itself. It's about what the speakers and protesters are speaking or protesting.
- **Abridged speech is not free speech. If you don't support speech you disagree with, you don't support free speech. Some speech is not more equal than others.**

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PUBLIC SURVEILLANCE

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- Artificial Intelligence Is Allowing Them To Construct A Global Surveillance Prison From Which No Escape Is Possible
- Every inch of our planet is being watched, and incredibly sophisticated “artificial intelligence solutions” make it possible for those that are watching our planet to find whatever they want in just minutes.
- You can try to run, and you can try to hide, but if they really want to find you it won’t be very difficult. All around us, a global surveillance prison is being constructed. Even if you completely stay off the Internet and you totally avoid all forms of modern technology, cameras and satellites will still be endlessly watching you. And once your face has been identified, artificial intelligence can be used to locate you wherever you pop up on the entire planet.
- According [to NPR](#), it “really can find anything you want anywhere in the world”..
- In the wrong hands, such technology could potentially be used to enforce tyranny on a scale never seen before in all of human history. Most people don’t even know that this sort of surveillance technology exists.
- Of course most of us willingly hand them vast troves of personal information about ourselves anyway. Needless to say, this isn’t just happening on the Internet.
- For So where is all of this ultimately going?example, just check out what anyone that buys a new Subaru [is agreeing to...](#)
- There is so much potential for AI surveillance tools to be abused, and tyranny is on the rise all over the globe.

SURVEILLANCE – War on Terror - Fear

- [The White House Goes Rogue: Secret Surveillance Program Breaks All The Laws](#) The White House Goes Rogue: Secret Surveillance Program Breaks All The Laws
- [Special Counsel Jack Smith Demanded Info On Americans Who "Favorited Or Retweeted" Trump Tweets; Newly Released Docs Show](#) ...the information Smith sought were lists of all Twitter users who “favorited or retweeted” Trump’s tweets, “as well as all tweets that include the username associated with the account” in “mentions” or “replies.”

THE POLICE STATE

[When All Crimes Are Those Against The State](#) Authored by Jeff Thomas via InternationalMan.com

On the surface, quite a few governments – most notably First World governments – have been passing a plethora of laws for which there is no victim but for which the government is the recipient of damages. As if coincidentally, these same governments have been going in precisely the *opposite* direction with regard to crimes in which there most definitely *is* a victim.

Let’s have a look at a few of those.

- **Looting of stores and other places of business**
Under the claim that the prisons are too full, governments have been determining that theft or looting that amounts to less than a given dollar amount is not prosecutable, essentially legalizing the crime of looting.
- **Destruction of property due to rioting**
Rioters are habitually arrested, only to be released without being charged. Owners of the property that the rioters have burned or otherwise destroyed are no longer entitled to restitution or compensation as they once would have been.
- **Decriminalisation of people taking up residence on public property**
Tents may be pitched on sidewalks and in front of stores, discouraging residents from frequenting stores and destroying businesses. Concurrently, the homeless are assisted by the State in drug dependency.
- **Loss of bodily rights**
Laws that call for forced vaccinations are blanket laws that allow a government the authority to control whatever goes into the body, whether medical or nutritional.

- **Systematic elimination of parental rights**
Parental rights are being removed from parents to allow school authorities and medical professionals to dictate what they wish to physically do to children, free from prosecution. In addition, pedophilia is in the process of becoming decriminalised.
- **Civil Asset Forfeiture**
Police and other authorities have, since 2008, been legally allowed to stop people on foot or in a vehicle, or to conduct warrantless raids on homes. If evidence is found that suggests the *possibility* of a crime, the authorities may seize any and all assets that they find, regardless of whether or not the assets may be connected to the possible crime. The authorities are not obligated to ever bring charges against the individual, making it impossible for him to be granted a hearing. This allows the authorities to permanently hold the assets taken or to dispose of them, the proceeds to be absorbed by the authority in question.

The above is only a sampling. The reader will have others to add to the list.

- So, if we assume that the changes that are taking place are not madness, nor a collection of random but illogical changes in how the law is applied, what we begin to see here is, indeed, a method in what appears on the surface to be madness.
- **What we're seeing is that the original concept of law – that of protecting the individual from encroachment against himself or his property – is being eliminated.**
- On the other hand, **laws that are victimless and laws that provide punishment by the state and call for penalties to be awarded to the state are very much on the rise.**
- What we have here is a growing trend; if we follow it to its logical conclusion that will result in laws that benefit the state being the only laws.
- Let's put that another way: The individual has no rights. Only the state has rights. In the future, the only crimes will be crimes against the state.
- Let that last sentence sink in for a bit.
- Historically, **freedom is lost when a nation becomes complacent enough to give it up willingly.**
- Much of the First World is precisely at that tipping point now. The question is whether those people who once enjoyed liberty will now push their heads in the sand and pretend that the most basic freedoms are not now being lost.

"Dictatorship naturally arises out of democracy, and the most aggravated form of tyranny and slavery out of the most extreme liberty." – Socrates

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 - Most Americans might understandably believe the Fourth Amendment's protection against warrantless searches covers all their property, a little-known 1924 Supreme Court decision -- *Hester v United States* -- says otherwise. The case struck a major blow against privacy rights, and government agents of all stripes have been exploiting the ruling ever since.
 - Those exploitations have grown increasingly brazen.
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 - "Federal Agent violations that we've seen have not just been epic in scale, but they've also been persistent, over and over again,
 - We're looking at things like pulling up batches of thousands of political donors in one go, without any suspicion of wrongdoing,"
 - "To prevent Section 702 from being used as an end run around [Fourth Amendment] protections, Congress did two things: It required the government to minimize the collection, sharing and retention of Americans' personal information ... and it required the

government to certify to the FISA court on an annual basis that it is not using Section 702 to try to access the communications of particular known Americans,” Elizabeth Goitein, a senior director at New York University’s Brennan Center for Justice, told conference attendees.

- “What has become abundantly clear over the last 15 years is that these protections are not working,”
 - “Many companies are selling face recognition algorithms to government and private industry buyers,” Wessler said. “That might be state driver’s license photos, arrest photos, federal passport photos.
 - “And then there’s another company, ClearView AI, which has been scouring the internet for billions of photos
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THE NEW IRS

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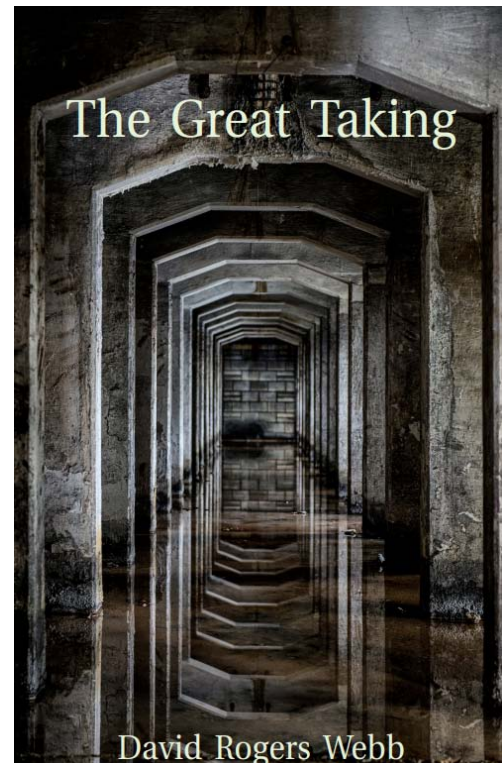
TOOLS OF CONTROL

KEY MESSAGES

- I have written many times since the Dotcom Bubble implosion (“Sultans of Swap”), that we are in the midst of the great “Debt for Equity Swap”! Ownership is being relinquished for Debt.
- Underneath the Debt however is yet another move. It is not a Swap but “A Take” – “The Great Taking.” Which is outlined below
- It is about the legal assignment of title and therefore ownership of Collateral.
- I have also written about the coming “Collateral Contagion” which the process of the “Great Taking” shows how this will be resolved.

COLLATERAL CONFISCATION

- ***The end game of the globally synchronous debt accumulation super cycle is about the taking of collateral, all of it***
- This is being executed by long-planned, intelligent design, the audacity and scope of which is difficult for the mind to encompass.
 - *Included are all financial assets, all money on deposit at banks, all stocks and bonds, and hence, all underlying property of all public corporations, including all inventories, plant and equipment, land, mineral deposits, inventions and intellectual property. Privately owned personal and real property financed with any amount of debt will be similarly taken, as will the assets of privately owned businesses, which have been financed with debt. If even partially successful, this will be the greatest conquest and subjugation in world history.*
- ***We are now living within a hybrid war conducted almost entirely by deception, and thus designed to achieve war aims with little energy input. It is a war of conquest directed not against other nation states but against all of humanity.***
- It is accurately titled [The Great Taking](#) (2023), and was written by David Webb, one of the most courageous and finance-savvy authors I have ever come across.
- *Presently, as we well know, families are divided. People are experiencing a kind of isolation, perhaps not physically, but in spirit and mind. This has been made to happen through the dark magic of false news and narrative. This alone has been a great crime against humanity. The tactical purposes are many:*
 - *to confuse and divide;*
 - *to cause disengagement;*
 - *to demoralize;*
 - *to instill fears and*
 - *to introduce false focal points for these fears;*
 - *to manipulate the historical narrative;*
 - *to create a false sense of the present reality; and ultimately,*
 - *to cause people to acquiesce to what has been planned.*
- In the aftermath of the Global Financial Crisis it eventually became known that tens of trillions in losses in derivative positions were housed in the biggest banks, which were then bailed out with newly created money. The prime brokers would have failed, but to prevent that they were made banks and also received direct injections of created money from the Fed. No one was prosecuted. On the contrary, the perpetrators were rewarded with enormous bonuses. It was almost as if it had all gone according to plan.
- ***This is the strategy that has been repeated several times, at least since the second half of the 19th century, resulting in the rich getting (much) richer and the poor getting (much) poorer.*** In brief, focusing on “Velocity of Money” (VOM) – “Velocity multiplied by Money Supply =



GDP. Lower Velocity results in lower GDP" (p. 3) – Webb shows that, given the cyclical collapse of economies and empires in the 20th century, following the Great War, and the demonstrable benefit, despite all this hardship, of certain banking interests regarding control (and creation) of money, as well as of key institutions, the contemporary 'heirs' of all this control knew that a similar collapse would recur. They have been preparing for it. And they are determined to remain in control. Hence the supposed 'Great Reset.'

- During the Dot-com bubble and bust period Webb studied the relationship between financial markets and the Federal Reserve bank, and realized that the latter was deliberately influencing the former by manipulating the money supply – that is, routinely printing more money than, correlatively, GDP growth. If money supply growth is more than GDP growth, a financial bubble develops, divorced from any real economic growth. By the end of 1999 the money supply had increased by more than 40% of GDP annually, signaling that VOM was imploding.
- **Does this sound familiar? Since the start of the pandemic trillions of US dollars have been printed, accelerating the widening of the gap between money supply and real economic productivity, and thus hastening the financial collapse.** This is what the cabal wants. After all, as Webb tersely remarks (p. 4), "Crises do not occur by accident; they are induced intentionally and used to consolidate power and to put in place measures, which will be used later." Rather apocalyptically, he continues (pp 5-6):
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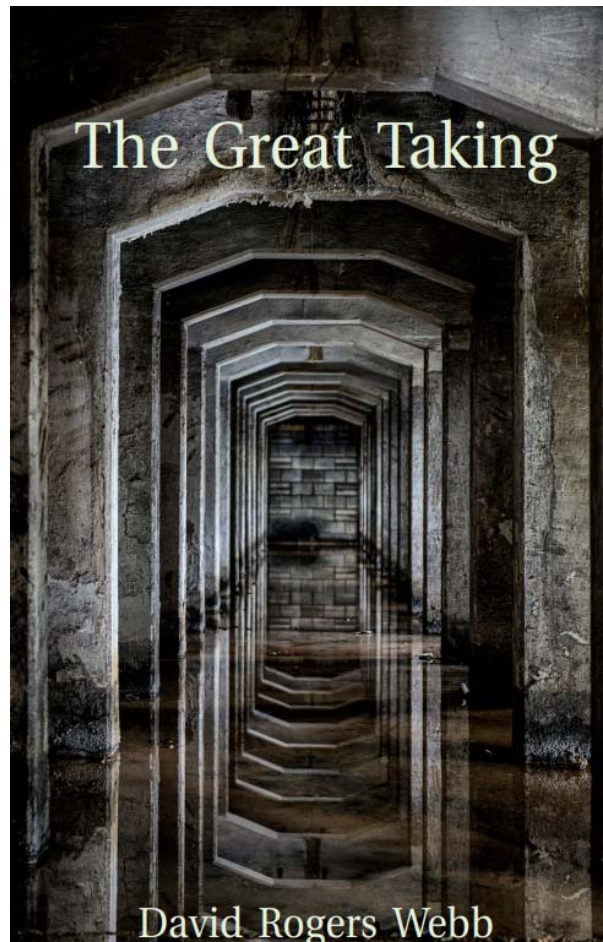
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CATHERINE AUSTIN FITTS on the GREAT TAKING

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[The Great Taking Exposes The Financial End Game](#) Authored by Bert Olivier via The Brownstone Institute



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- And is there persuasive evidence! In the ‘court of human justice’ – which *should* be established, if it does not exist – the primary documentary evidence adduced by Webb would be sufficient to incarcerate all of these culprits, if not condemn them to capital punishment (recalling that, etymologically, ‘capital,’ or ‘of the head’ in Latin, relates to one’s head, which was usually implicated in hanging and decapitation; it also echoes in ‘wearing a cap’). That Webb knows only too well how he has exposed himself (and his family) with this book – and earlier, in addresses where he shared his findings with audiences in Sweden and the US – is clear where he writes, against the backdrop of the two occasions where he presented his insights, together with evidence (p. xxx):
 - *Less than a month after speaking at that conference in the U.S., a man contacted me who asked to meet in Stockholm. He had been the Chairman of a U.S. political party, and had a long career related to the defense establishment. He stayed at a hotel within a short walking distance from my apartment. We had lunch. He suggested a pint of ale. He asked me to explain the subject of which I had spoken at the conference. I went through the evidence and implications. The odd thing is that he then asked no questions about the subject. Instead, he fixed me in the eye and said, ‘Does your family know you are doing this?’ He said nothing more; that was the end of the meeting. I paid the bill and left. Perhaps it had been a ‘courtesy call.’*
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- One could easily be fooled by Webb’s debonair shrugging-off of what could indeed have been a thinly veiled death threat from his dinner guest, but the fact remains that anyone who has the courage to oppose the psychopaths trying to hijack the world runs a tremendous risk, the more high-profile such opposition becomes. This is shown in the recent death ‘by suicide’ (yeah, right!) of [Janet Ossebaard](#), who made the series, [The Fall of the Cabal](#), and was involved in the unmasking of a network of pedophiles. The chances that she committed suicide, as reported, are pretty slim, I would say; she was evidently a thorn in the side of the murderous cabal.
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CBDC

[2024: The Year Global Government Takes Shape](#) Authored by Kit Knightly via Off-Guardian.org

- Global government is the endgame.



- Total control of every aspect of life for every single person on the planet, that's the goal.
- That's been apparent to anyone paying attention for years, if not decades, and any tiny portion of remaining doubt was removed when Covid was rolled-out and members of the establishment [started outright saying it](#).
- Covid marked an acceleration of the globalist agenda, a mad dash to the finish line that seems to have lost momentum short of victory, but the race is still going. The goal has not changed, even if the years since may have seen the agenda retreat slightly back into the shadows.
- We know what they want conceptually, but what does that mean practically?
- What does a potential "global government" actually *look* like?
- First off, let's talk about what we're NOT going to see.
 - 1 – They are not going to declare themselves. No, there will almost certainly *never* be an official "world government", at least not for a long time yet. That's a lesson they learned from Covid — putting a name and a face on globalism only foments collective resistance to it.
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camouflage a lack of real choice across the political landscape. A thin polysystemic skin stretched tight over a monosystemic skeleton.

- Capitalism, communism, socialism, democracy, tyranny, monarchy...these words will steadily dilute in meaning, even more than they have already, but they will never be abandoned.
- What globalism *will* bring us – I suggest – is a collection of nation-states largely in name only, operating superficially different systems of government all built on the same underpinning assumptions and all answering to an unelected and undeclared higher authority.
- ...and if that sounds familiar, *it's because it's essentially what we have already.*
- The only major aspects missing are the mechanisms by which this rough model can be transformed into a flowing network, where all corners are eroded and all genuine sovereign powers become entirely vestigial.
- That's where the three main pillars of global rule come in:
 - **Digital Money**
 - **Digital ID**
 - **"Climate Action"**
- Let's take a look at each one in turn.

DIGITAL MONEY

- Over [90% of the nations of the world](#) are currently in the process of introducing a new digital currency issued by their central bank. OffG – and others – have been covering the push for a Central Bank Digital Currencies (CBDCs) for years now, to the point where we don't need to rehash old talking points here.
- Simply put, entirely digital money enables total surveillance of every transaction. If the currency is [programmable](#), it would also allow *control* of every transaction.
- You can read our [extensive back-catalogue on CBDCs](#) for more detail.
- Clearly CBDCs are a potentially dystopian nightmare which will infringe the rights of anyone forced to use them....but how are they a building block of global government?
- The answer to that is "interoperability".
- While the world's national CBDCs will notionally be separate from one another, the majority are *being coded to recognize and interact with each other*. They are almost all being developed along guidelines produced by the Bank of International Settlements and other globalist financial institutions, and they are all being programed by the same handful of tech giants.
- A [June 2023 report](#) for the World Economic Forum noted the importance of "*Central Bank Digital Currency Global Interoperability Principles*" and concluded:
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- Commenting on the report, the World Economic Forum [website noted](#) [emphasis added]:
- To ensure successful implementation and promote interoperability, global coordination becomes paramount [...] adhering to interoperability principles, CBDCs can advance harmoniously, leading to efficient and interconnected digital payment systems.
- It doesn't take a genius to decode "global coordination", "cohesive ecosystem", "harmonious advancement" and "interconnected payment systems".
- There is no practical difference between 195 "interoperable" and interconnected digital currencies, and one single global currency.
- In fact "interoperability" is the watchword for all globalist power structures moving forward. Which leads us neatly onto...

DIGITAL IDENTITY

- The global push for mandatory digital identities is even older than the digital currency agenda, dating back to the turn of the century and Tony Blair's "[national identity cards](#)".
- For decades it has been a "solution" posited to every "problem".
 - Terrorism? Digital identity [will keep you safe](#).
 - Illegal immigration? Digital identity [will secure the border](#).

- Pandemic? Digital identity will [keep track of who is vaccinated and who is not](#).
- AI? Digital identity [will prove who's human](#).
- Poverty? Digital identity [will "promote financial inclusion"](#)
- Clearly, just as with CBDCs, a far-reaching digital identity service is a threat to human rights. And, just as with CBDCs, if you interconnect national digital identity platforms you can build a global system.
- Again, it's all about "interoperability". They use the exact same language.
- The World Bank's [Identity4Development](#) program claims:
 - Interoperability is crucial for developing efficient, sustainable, and useful identity ecosystems.
- The Nordic and Baltic Ministers for Digitalization publicly called for ["cross-border" operational](#) digital IDs.
- NGOs like Open Identity Exchange(OIX) are [publishing reports](#) on *"the need for data standards to enable interoperability of Digital IDs both in federations within an ID ecosystem, and across ID ecosystems."*
- The list of national governments introducing digital IDs, "partnering" with corporate giants to do so and/or promoting "cross border interoperability" is long, [and growing longer all the time](#).
- In October 2023 the United Nations Development Program published their ["guidelines"](#) for the design and use of digital identities.
- There is no practical difference between 195 networked digital identity platforms and one single global identity program.
- OK, so they have global currency and identity programs in place. Now they can control and monitor everyone's movements, financial transactions, health and more. That's surveillance and control mechanism, all handled in a distributed model **designed to obfuscate the very existence of a global government**.
- But what about policy?
- How does this global government hand down policy and legislation without giving away its existence?
- Climate change, that's how.

"CLIMATE ACTION"

- Climate Change has been at the forefront of the globalist agenda for years. It is the Trojan horse of the antihuman technocrat.
- As long ago as 2010, noted Climate Change "experts" were [suggesting that](#) *"humans are not evolved enough"* to combat climate change and that *"It may be necessary to put democracy on hold for a while."*
- More recently, in 2019, Bloomberg was [publishing articles](#) with headlines like *"Climate Change Will Kill National Sovereignty As We Know It"*, and [academics are telling us](#):
- States will remain unable to solve global crises like climate change until they let go of their sovereignty
- For years climate change has been sold as the reason we might be "forced" to abandon democracy or sovereignty.
- Alongside this, there is a prolonged propaganda narrative dedicated to changing "climate change" from an *environmental* issue into an *everything* issue.
- At this point all national governments agree "climate change" is an urgent problem requiring global cooperation to solve. They [host massive summits](#) at which they sign international agreements, binding nation states to certain policies, for the sake of the planet.
- Having established that model, they are now widening the "climate change" purview. Changing "climate change" into the answer to every question:
 - Obviously, "climate change" was always going to impact [energy and transport](#).
 - Following Covid, "climate change" has already been [re-branded a "health crisis"](#).
 - Now we're being told "climate change" is [generating a food crisis](#).
 - We're being told that [international trade](#) needs to be [climate conscious](#).
 - We're being told by the World Bank that [education reform will help the fight against climate change](#).
 - We're being told by the IMF that every country in the world [should tax carbon](#) and, in a recent cross-over episode, that [CBDCs can be good for the environment](#).

- See how it works?
 - Agriculture & food, public health, energy & transport, trade, fiscal & taxation policy, even education. Almost every area of government is now potentially covered by the “climate change” umbrella.
 - **They no longer need a one-world government, they just need a single panel of “impartial international climate change experts” working to save the planet.**
 - Through the lens of “climate change”, these experts would be empowered to dictate – sorry, *recommend* – government policy in almost every area of life to every nation on the planet.
- Do you see it yet?
 - This is global government in the modern world, not centralised but distributed. Cloud computing. A supranational corporate-technocrat hivemind. With no official existence or authority, and therefore no accountability, and funneling all their policy decisions through one filter – climate change.
 - There won't be a single global currency, there will be dozens and dozens of “interoperable” digital currencies creating an “harmonious payment ecosystem”.
 - There won't be a single global digital identity service, there will be a series of “interconnected identity networks” engaging in the “free flow of data to promote security”.
 - There won't be a global government, there will be international panels of “impartial experts”, appointed by the UN who make “policy recommendations”.
 - Most or all of the countries of the world will follow most or all of the recommendations, but anyone who calls these panels global governments will be forwarded fact-checks from Snopes or Politifact highlighting that “UN expert panels do NOT constitute a global government because they have no legislative power”.
- This, I suggest, is how global government will take shape in 2024 and beyond.
- Compartmentalized, **utterly deniable**...but very, very real.

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- [The War On Cash Centers On "Controlling The Individual"](#)
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DEI-ESG

[ESG, DEI, & The Rise Of Fake Reporting](#) Authored by Paul Frijters, Gigi Foster, and Michael Baker via The Brownstone Institute

We know that the modern West has developed a jaw-dropping degree of totalitarianism, wherein the bureaucracies of the state and the corporate sector coordinate together to cripple humans outside their power networks and media channels. But what are the mechanics of this coordination?



- To understand one of the games they play, consider the rise of measures and standards associated with DEI (Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion) and ESG (Environmental, Social, and Governance) – both occupants of a highly abstract thought dimension and the latter an especially incomprehensible word salad.

ESG

- ESG as a phrase was **coined in a 2006 United Nations report**, gradually gaining adoption by private companies like BlackRock via the production of annual ESG reports. Governments then started supporting these voluntary efforts, and eventually began making them mandatory. Since early 2023, corporations in the EU have been compelled to report on ESG. Many US companies with subsidiaries in the EU must observe both US and European rules, and those in the Asia-Pacific region too are starting to follow the ESG reporting pantomime.
- In brief, ESG originated at the level of the international and intellectual stratosphere and then grew, unchecked by tedious real-world constraints like scarcity and tradeoffs, as a kind of malignant joint venture between large government bureaucracies and large corporations.
- This JV is a serious industry, offering lucrative money-making opportunities for consulting companies, fund managers, and assorted professionals who 'help' companies comply. Bahar Gidwani, co-founder of a company called CSRHub, a compiler and provider of ESG company ratings, estimates that the collection of ESG data alone is already costing companies [\\$20 billion worldwide](#).
- It is an expanding industry too, since the reporting requirements keep increasing: [according to recent reports](#), the head of the US Securities and Exchange Commission estimates that the cost of ESG reporting by the companies it oversees could quadruple to \$8.4 billion this year, primarily due to the introduction of more ESG requirements. And that's just in the US.
- Large reporting costs are easier for large companies to bear, which offers a clue to why they're interested: **this sort of burden, particularly when made compulsory by the state, helps them dominate their smaller competitors.**

DEI

- DEI is the younger brother of ESG. At present, DEI reporting is not yet compulsory, but [about 16% of the biggest US firms have open DEI reports](#), and the DEI fad is growing, perhaps eventually to

eclipse ESG. Just as with ESG, DEI originates from the grandiose world of fluffy abstractions, big corporations, and governments. Despite efforts to make it appear otherwise, it is not grassroots at all.

The Benign-Sounding Aims of ESG

- ESG measures and reports are supposedly about gauging whether the activities of corporations are 'sustainable,' and especially whether companies are reducing their carbon footprints. DEI is about whether a company's employment practices promote gender and race 'equality,' provide 'safe spaces,' and rely on global supply chains that adhere to 'fair' practices. Most reasonable people would agree that many of these stated goals sound worthwhile in principle. What is being advocated sounds caring and does not, on the face of it, appear to be destructive in any way.
- Yet, talk is always cheap. How do these pretty ideas get operationalized when they confront the harsh reality of measurement?
- Let us delve into a leading example from a company report.

Grab Holdings from Singapore

- Many Asian companies are ensnared in the ESG compliance system because they are listed on Western financial exchanges. One such company is the Singapore-based 'superapp' Grab Holdings, listed on the Nasdaq. Its customers mainly interact with Grab Holdings via a mobile phone app, where they can buy many different services (food delivery, e-commerce, ride-hailing, financial services, etc.), hence the term 'superapp.'
- Grab is unprofitable but very visible. For the first half of 2023, it lost \$398 million, on top of the \$1.74 billion it lost in 2022. However, it operates in businesses — particularly food delivery and ride-hailing — with serious environmental and human impacts across a vast region encompassing 400 cities and towns in eight Southeast Asian countries. To anyone living where Grab operates, its fast-moving, green-helmeted motorcycle riders are as familiar as yellow taxis are to New Yorkers or red double-decker buses are to Londoners.
- Grab's business model is inherently not great for the safety of its drivers and the public. Grab uses routing and other technology to match riders with deliveries and to minimize both wait time for drivers and delivery times to customers. Scheduling is highly efficient because of the technology, which is to say that drivers are on tight schedules with razor-thin commissions.
- To make a buck, the drivers for Grab (and its competitors) have to be brave and aggressive on the road. Some are real daredevils – the Evel Knievels of Southeast Asia – as we have personally witnessed. Not only that, but there is stiff competition in each of the markets in which Grab operates. Grab itself says that 72% of its five million drivers do double duty, performing both food deliveries and ride-hailing services. This makes the company a more efficient service provider across both cut-throat businesses and gives drivers the opportunity to earn more money.
- Despite the fact that it doesn't make a profit — at least not yet — Grab splashed out to produce an ESG report that in its last iteration (2022) was 74 pages long and almost as heroic as its drivers.
- The introductory pages are taken up with the usual marketing talk, replete with large photos of company motorbike drivers grinning from ear to ear because, well, they are just so grateful to be part of such a great organization. The uniforms in the photos are smart and clean, in contrast to the reality which is that the drivers' green uniforms are almost always greasy and grubby and the drivers often look, understandably, stressed and morose.
- Deeper into the ESG report, Grab gives us 5 pages on how admirably it is performing regarding road safety, 8 pages on greenhouse gas emissions, 1 on air quality, 4 on food packaging waste and 8 on inclusiveness.

Pantomime One: Road Safety

- The part of the report on road safety is of special interest, since Southeast Asia's roads have a deservedly deadly reputation for motorcyclists, and much of the mayhem is provided by the delivery drivers themselves. For example, one study in [Malaysia](#) reported that 70% of food delivery motorcyclists drivers broke traffic rules during delivery, and the kinds of violations covered the waterfront: illegal stopping, running red lights, talking on the phone while riding, riding in the wrong direction, and making illegal U-turns. The [statistics](#) on crashes involving these drivers make for grim reading.
- Other studies based on rider surveys tell an even grimmer story. [A 2021 survey](#) of food delivery drivers in Thailand found that 66% of the more than 1,000 respondents had been in one to four accidents while working, with 28% reporting more than five. This squares with reputation: in countries like Thailand, where enforcement of traffic laws is the exception rather than rule, dangerous driving by two-wheelers is famously awful.

- So it is with some surprise that one reads in Grab's ESG report that there is only just under one accident for every million rides involving a Grab delivery driver. That is an incidence at least one hundred times lower than the incidence implied in self-reports. One may assume that many accidents involving delivery drivers are not reported to the company, particularly those involving no or minor injuries, or where the driver is concerned that he will lose his job.
- This latter concern is not trivial, since Grab claims that it has a zero-tolerance policy toward violators of the company's [Code of Conduct](#), which includes failure to follow road rules. This means the count of accidents per ride is a shaky number at best. The report doesn't really say where the company gets this number from, so it could well be made up out of thin air, though presumably whoever wrote it down had some rationale in mind. One might imagine something like "Sounds low, and dumb Westerners will believe it."

Pantomime Two: Grab's Strategy for Saving the Planet

- After dispensing with the road safety issue, Grab's ESG report moves on to how the company is saving the planet. The company's greenhouse gas emissions rose during the course of the year because of 'normalization' after Covid, but the report's author disingenuously sidesteps the problem by saying that most of the emissions were made from vehicles that were owned by the 'driver-partners' rather than the company itself. So, with direct blame for GHG emissions dodged, the company's priority is stated as to 'support our driver-partners in transitioning to low emission vehicles and encouraging zero-emission modes of transport.'
- It really isn't clear how that fluffy 'transition' might come about, since conventional motorcycles are a cheap and convenient form of transport in Southeast Asia, easily outcompeting other available options for the coal-face work required by Grab's business model. The report says it will encourage cycling, walking, and EVs. The first two are obviously out of the question in most instances for food delivery, and as for the third, for the overwhelming majority of two-wheeler drivers, upgrading to an EV is a pipe dream (or pipe nightmare, depending on how much they know about EV recharging, weight, and maintenance issues).
- One of the beauties of Grab being a platform that connects eateries with drivers without actually operating restaurants itself is that – as with GHG emissions – food packaging waste isn't really Grab's direct responsibility. It is the responsibility of the restaurants and food manufacturers, like the owners of the factories that make all those nasty little sachets of ketchup, soy sauce, and other condiments.
- Brilliant! With this sleight of hand squarely in frame, this part of the ESG report then writes itself as an exercise in hand-wringing, admitting with furrowed brow that food packaging waste is a serious problem, and stating that the company's goal is 'Zero packaging waste in Nature by 2040.' Exactly what this means and how it is to be accomplished is shrouded in mystery, but to anyone whose beach holidays have ever been marred by the ugly sight of plastic litter on the shoreline, it sounds awfully good.

Pantomime Three: Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion

- Most of this section of the report consists of descriptive marketing: saying all the right things and showcasing the occasional shining example, without getting into too much detail. The main statistics given are that 43% of Grab's employees are women and 34% of those in 'leadership positions' are women. Well, maybe that could be true if one counts the few thousand direct employees, including a lot of secretaries, but omits the five million 'driver-partners' who are overwhelmingly male. The report also says that female employees earn 98% of what men do, which presumably means that the odd male secretary is treated just as badly as his female colleagues.
- This section of the report showcases other inventive labeling. We are told the company has 'Inclusion Champions,' collectively a group of employees who 'contribute to inclusion through crowd-sourcing of ideas and on-ground feedback for better inclusion initiatives. They also help to identify and coach fellow Grab employees towards more inclusive behavior, and will co-drive projects that help drive inclusion.' Who knows what that really means? One might guess that 'crowd-sourcing ideas' is the new term for having a suggestion box, and that pretty much every email sent by HR can be contrived to be a form of 'inclusive' coaching.
- Grab's report thus seems like it addresses ESG- and DEI-related issues, but no real-world mechanism ties them to actual outcomes, and there is no realistic external verification. Even seemingly simple things, like counting how much fuel a company buys directly for its processes and thereby estimating the size of its 'carbon footprint,' are like child's play to game, as demonstrated by Grab's masterly reporting: simply forcing workers and subsidiaries to buy their own fuel (compensated via higher wages or other things) will make the footprint of the company itself seem dramatically lower, while requiring nothing substantial to change. It's all an elaborate show.

Who's Asking for This Crap?

- Though specious, unverifiable, and mostly made up, ESG reporting is a way to formally present a company's 'ESG performance.' This performance can theoretically be 'scored' by some third party, and thereby compared with that of other companies. If ESG is valued highly by consumers, then companies that get high scores should attract a disproportionate amount of investment, meaning that their cost of capital will be lower than companies who don't score so well – the magic through which a bullshit report is turned into a business opportunity.
- This also makes delicious fodder for fund managers, who can bundle firms' stock into 'ESG funds' or 'sustainable funds' or whatever, and charge investors fat fees for the privilege of investing in them. Fund managers also have another motivation to egg on more ESG reporting: their funds are designed not to green the world or make it a nicer place, but rather to highlight which companies will adapt best and thrive the most in a world where 'progress' toward ESG goals (for example, 'net zero') is actually being made.
- How big is this market? According to [Morningstar](#), by the end of the third quarter of 2023, global 'sustainable' funds numbered more than 7,600, of which nearly 75% were in Europe and 10% in the US. These funds had assets of \$2.7 trillion. However, global inflows into these funds have been falling sharply since the first quarter of 2022. While they have still been attracting more inflows than non-sustainability funds in Europe, this is not true in the US. Amid waning interest in the US, fewer and fewer new ESG funds are being launched, and in 3Q2023 there were more ESG fund exits than new arrivals.
- During the first two years of Covid, American ESG stocks outperformed conventional stocks by a wide margin. This is not surprising since technology companies did rather well out of lockdowns, and they also have high ESG scores because of their lower carbon footprints than miscreant 'old economy' companies. Still, since the start of 2022, ESG stocks have fallen back and now are only just edging the market. Indicatively, in the seven quarters ending September 30, 2023, the S&P ESG Index was down 7.3%, while the S&P 500 was down 9.4%.
- Importantly, many ESG fund investors themselves are government-type entities, like public pension funds, where the distance between investment decision and personal consequence is about as big as it gets. So often the ultimate payers for this circus are the general population whose pensions are, unbeknown to themselves, being used for virtue-signaling by public fund managers.

Who Wins and Who Loses?

- Learning how to write up and cheat with these performance reports requires a lot of resources, but once a company antes up, the game becomes easy to play. ESG reporting is just one example of the broader reality that compliance with external bureaucracies requires largely a one-off fixed cost, and in this case the cost is often large enough to bankrupt a small firm. This means that, just as bizarre covid-era rules were a gift of competitive advantage to big companies, ESG and DEI reporting is a mechanism through which big companies can pressurise and even get rid entirely of smaller ones.
- This, we think, is the reason why bullshit reporting is not getting pushback from the largest companies that don't already have natural monopolies: plainly, it suits their purposes. They are big enough to absorb the cost without a major effect on the bottom line, and they are getting in return a stronger position in their markets. They naturally support the big bureaucracies that make these reports compulsory. Big consulting companies, and the aforementioned fund managers, also love the idea of compulsory reporting because it creates business for them.
- On this very issue, Michael Shellenberger opined recently on [Tucker Carlson's channel](#) that big traditional energy companies were led by cowards who had been "bullied into submission:" that the ESG movement had "used political activism and the pension funds to put pressure on the oil and gas industries to basically sell out their main product." He called the ESG movement an "anti-human death cult" and asserted that "it's finally becoming obvious to people that it's a scam."
- On the lattermost point, we hope he's right.
- Yet, the scam is still spreading, as there are plenty more unproductive people eager to climb aboard. The push for companies to jump on the ESG reporting bandwagon is not confined to the West. Regulators in Asia are also pushing — harder in some countries, like Singapore, than in others — to make ESG reporting mandatory rather than optional. Sensing a huge opportunity to divert valuable resources their way, a posse of consulting firms is also coming after companies to advise them on how they can bridge the ESG gap with the more advanced West. Companies in Asia are starting to fall in line and dutifully churn out their ESG reports, breathing more life into the scam.

Will This Eventually Crash and Burn?

- Hard-nosed managers of big firms understand that bullshit reporting requirements can be a source of competitive advantage, causing financial distress for their smaller competitors. What is in the whole charade for the state bureaucracy and the corporate bureaucracy is that it makes them seem virtuous while creating a huge fog of mystery about what they are actually doing, thereby providing both jobs and cover.
- Like [the woke movement](#), ESG and DEI are at heart parasitical developments, originating from a decaying West, championed by the useless and the clueless, and benefiting the shrewd and the corrupt.
- Such malignancies weaken our society and should be discarded at the earliest opportunity. Much like Elon Musk showed the door to 80% of Twitter staff with no loss of functionality, and just as we have advocated previously that [80% of employment in 'health' professions is useless](#), so too do we think that firing all professionals whose primary business involves ESG and DEI can be done without any loss of functionality. We don't think this will happen anytime soon.
- If it were to happen, what would one do with all those unproductive workers who have been dining on the ESG/DEI word-salad gravy trains for months or years? Paying them to paint rocks for a while would at least get them out of the way. Better still, taking a cue from what the Ontario College of Psychologists has [suggested recently for Jordan Peterson](#), these people could be taken into the field to help communities struggling with actual problems, involving actual trade-offs, as part of a reeducation and retraining program aimed at making them useful to their societies once again.

[DEI: Degradation, Exclusion, And Intolerance](#) Authored by M.B.Mathews via AmericanThinker.com

By now, everyone, including its proponents, knows that DEI (Diversity, Equity, Inclusion) means nothing of the sort.

It isn't diverse, it isn't equitable, and it certainly isn't inclusive.

In fact, **DEI is nothing but exclusionary revenge against non-racists by racists**, and all to address nonexistent "systemic racism" and long-defunct slavery. There is no slavery in America except that slavery of Democrats to the party of their own destruction.



Today, DEI stands for Degradation, Exclusion, and Intolerance.

It has shown itself to be:

- **DEGRADING:** The pool of employees, officials, and hires across the employable fruited plain has been degraded. Talent and skill and competence have taken a back seat to skin color. Merit is no longer the criterion by which the best are chosen. Color is the only thing that matters to DEI proponents. As a result, incompetence soars when you select for elevation not the best but the mediocre or worse, the untalented.

- **EXCLUSION:** Meritorius Whites, Asians, Jews, and Christians are routinely excluded from the pool of hirees in many companies. Siphoning off those whose ethnic groups have historically scored higher than others guarantees that the only ones left are the less equipped the less talented, and the less competent. That is what we see today; a working pool of the mediocre.
- **INTOLERANCE:** DEI proponents do not even consider hiring non-minorities. They tolerate no exceptions. As a result, those hired comprise those chosen only for their ethnic background and not for their competence, talent, and exceptionalism. When you skim off the cream and discard it, you are left with an insipid pool of mediocrity. When you eliminate the best, you get the worst.

DEI, while in full vogue in much of corporate America and in the university system, is **a toxin in the bloodstream of American excellence, favoring color over competence.**

We are left with the kind of mushy mediocrity that contributes to decisions like open borders, a thoroughly corrupt judicial system and universities that graduate those who cannot read, think, or strategize.

DEI is poison in our cultural bloodstream. "Diversity is our strength" is a damnable lie. It is not our strength. It is our weakness.

Merit is our strength because merit allows talent to rise while the sludgy sediment of mediocrity sinks to the bottom.

We are in a world of trouble unless cooler and wiser heads dump DEI and make achievement great again.

America cannot survive an insipid, often hostile work force, especially in the fields of medicine, engineering, piloting, mathematics, computer science, and education.

Our entire system needs to be jettisoned in favor of merit-based hiring once again.

If we do not raise the bar, we will find ourselves strangled under it.

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THE UNIPARTY – Elite Capture

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They like power. They want to retain and exercise power. For that to happen, they need money. Capital is where the money is and, hence, that is where the left hangs out. Yes, that's a cynical take but that's where all the facts point.

- **The political left that I came to know in college** - that one that rallied around free speech, reason over faith, fairness to all, and peace - **seems to have evaporated completely.**
- I barely recognized what has replaced it.
- **Truth is, I cannot make heads or tails out of any of it.**
- It seems like this chaotic assembly of seemingly random biases, all shoved together in a package like a grab bag of the bizarre and dangerous.
- **Here are five of the oddest doctrines you find on the left that make zero sense to me.**

RUSSIA

- Coming of age during the Cold War meant that college was filled with debates about the character of what was called the Soviet Union, meaning Russia and many neighboring states. The conservative right saw the Soviets as imperialistic communists hellbent on global domination through industrial supremacy and arms exports. It was the core of the revolutionary conspiracy that threatened to overthrow tradition and freedom, and that's why it must be resisted and rolled back.
- The left in those days had a different view, and it always intrigued me. They said Russia was a normal country with normal problems and issues. The United States and Russia were strong allies in the Second World War and the country made great sacrifices to defeat Nazism. Since then, it has not really been imperialistic so much as nationalistic, defending its economic and political interests. Moreover, they would say, communism in Russia is no longer a prevailing practice but more of a slogan. They have reformed substantially and want to reform more, so it is time to make peace, which the nation desperately desires.
- This debate over how to think of Russia was pervasive, even affecting the way they thought about the Soviet role in Afghanistan. U.S. conservatives rallied against the Soviet occupation but the left would point out that actually the Soviets are a moderate force in the country, attempting to keep religious extremism at bay and foster a kind of moderate secular government. The main message of the left was, for many decades, stop demonizing this country and its foreign policy ambitions, and treat the Russians as just another country with its own distinct problems and issues.
- That whole paradigm is now ancient history. After the collapse of the Soviet Union, U.S. conservatives generally adopted a new attitude much more in keeping with what the left once believed about the country. Meanwhile, and gradually especially during the 21st century, the left holds a similar view to what the right once held: this country is a rogue state headed by a monster who supports reactionary politics the world over, interferes in elections, and wars against progress.
- The anti-Russia doctrine on the left is now ironclad and unshakeable. Even after the claim that Russia somehow got Trump elected in 2016 was shown to be completely rot the left won't let go. Anything that goes wrong anywhere is blamed on Russia. Any pundit who disagrees with the left is smeared as a Russian agent (yes, they have said this about me!).
- **I have no real explanation for this bizarre turn.**

OIL, GAS & COAL

- Another odd turn on the left is how within their circles of opinion, it is seen as incontrovertibly true that all energy to power the human experience should come from wind, water, and sun. Nothing else. Digging up coal is bad. Drilling into the oceans of oil beneath our feet is bad. I've gradually

come to realize that these people truly do desire the complete end to the use of what they call “fossil fuels” and are hellbent on achieving it.

- No evidence can shake their view. Raise doubts about this “climate change” story and you are dismissed as an anti-science crank, even though Nobel Laureates have debunked the narrative too. It’s an article of faith among this whole crowd, a serious ambition and belief that the whole world should be purged of petroleum products. But that itself is strange because the same gang has long promoted fake fur and fake leather as clothing even though the replacement is entirely a petroleum product. So it seems like they only oppose the use of oil in the production of energy, for whatever reason.
- As for electric cars, don’t be fooled: there is no way the grid can be supported by sunbeams and breezes. It requires vast use of coal, which the left opposes. So it’s only a matter of time. First, convert the world to EVs and then, second, announce that coal digging and processing is massively throttled, and, third, explain that bicycles and Flintstone cars are really the only way to get around. It’s hard to avoid the conclusion that these people have a strangely malicious hatred of the good life that oil, gas, and coal enable.
- Which is also weird because the mainstream left a century ago strongly believed in industrialization and material progress. That was the original vision of socialism: through collective effort and a strong state, we will industrialize the world through man’s strength and awesome machines. Look at old-time Soviet propaganda: it’s all about industrial strength, smokestacks, and immense production. How did that ambition come to be converted to a neo-Manichean longing for a state of nature where a tiny and immobile population forages for food and lives in caves?
- **I have no real explanation for this bizarre turn.**

GENDER TRANSITIONS

- The idea of emancipating women from subjugation and subservience is certainly part of the liberal idea from the 19th century. This migrated to the women’s suffrage movement and later to waves of feminism in the 1960s and 1970s. The message was always that women are normative human beings, distinct from men but deserving of full rights, dignity, and respect. If men have sports teams, women should too. If men are paid high salaries, women should be too. The idea here was that society needed to recognize the distinct contribution that women as women make to the good life.
- All fine. But then in a phantasmagoric twist, left-wing doctrine suddenly shifted. There is nothing biologically distinct about women at all. There is nothing about gender identity that is reflective of inner biological differences. Everything can be moved around through pure volition such that men can become women and vice versa. All that a man needs to do to compete in women’s sports is grow longer hair, put it in a bun, wear some fun colors, affect a high voice with rising intonation, and voila he is a woman! With assistance of drugs and surgery, anything is possible.
- For a while, this turn seemed to be about tolerating eccentricities. Most everyone can play along with that game, just as we indulge the family friend who suddenly picks up a high English accent for whatever reason. We are polite people and don’t normally want to shame people for their unique ways. But then it became more than that. The codification of this wacky stuff came only recently when federal government documents, even from the CDC, struck the existence of women from reality altogether. Now there are only “people who are pregnant.”
- The left, which had traditionally rallied around rights for women, has come full circle and is now literally deleting the existence of women as biological entities! It’s gotten so extreme that the left is even fine with hacking off the genitalia of adolescents in the name of gender therapeutics—a barbaric practice from the ancient world designed to create eunuchs to guard harems and sopranos to sing in choirs. The same people who only a few years ago were raging about “blackface” are now thrilled about “womanface.”
- **Again, I have no real explanation for this bizarre turn.**

FREE SPEECH

- The idea of free speech was once settled doctrine on the left, from John Stuart Mill and forward. One hundred years ago, it was a rallying cry. The idea was absolute: no one should be throttled, much less censored. To speak and be heard was the very essence of freedom itself. The most famous of all liberal organizations spent many decades litigating for the right. Nothing was as settled as this idea.
- In 1965, this thinker named Herbert Marcuse wrote an essay called “[Repressive Tolerance](#).” His idea was that freedom as we know it is really nothing more than a bourgeois slogan that was thrown around to cover up ruling-class domination. The only path to real free speech was through the

complete silencing of culturally dominant voices and the forced raising up of marginal voices. Only the vanguard of leftist elites know precisely how to achieve this so they should be in charge.

- Nothing much came from this barrage of bilge and it was largely forgotten. It seems like some people found the essay a few years ago and, seemingly out of nowhere, the left became massive champions of censorship and speech control. Now every major social media platform but one is routinely used as a censorship tool at the behest of the government. The left not only puts up with this but actively champions it too. Now this same gang says that anyone who pushes free speech is really just a sloganeer for bourgeois interests, probably paid by Russia or the fossil fuels industry.
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THE WORKING CLASS

- Let's end this litany of the absurd with an obvious observation: the left has turned against everything associated with the working class. We saw this during the pandemic controls. Everyone on the left seemed to agree that the professional class should luxuriate at home and watch movies while the working classes should drive around trucks with food and deliver it to the front doors of the progressive vanguard of pathogenic control. They simply cared nothing at all for those doing actual work. Later they came after them with experimental meds and tried to force them on all workers.
- What a contrast from the past! The left had for many decades been the champions of labor over capital. This has been true from about 1880; indeed the core of socialist theory was that labor was entitled to a much greater share of surplus value that was being unjustly hoarded by capital. This view was foundational on the left, all the way back from the mid-19th century until about 2016, when the working classes voted for a guy that the left didn't like. Now, they have flipped sides: favor capital over labor, provided that capital is funding their projects, nonprofits, and helping to rig elections in their favor.
- They are unapologetic about their status as the new Robber Barons who are entitled to rule the rest of us.
- **For this bizarre turn, there really is an explanation.**

CONCLUSION

- They like power. They want to retain and exercise power. For that to happen, they need money. Capital is where the money is and, hence, that is where the left hangs out. Yes, that's a cynical take but that's where all the facts point.
- Still there remains a fundamental theoretical problem with the 2020s version of progressive/leftist ideology. None of it makes any sense.
- It's a hodgepodge mix of crazy that stands in complete contradiction to what everyone within this camp believed only a few years ago, dating back a century and more. In this way, the new leftism is completely unsustainable from an intellectual point of view.
- There can only be defectors from the group in the future. People with integrity will continue to flee, leaving this to become a tiny junta of bromide-rich babblers focused on wielding power for its own sake.
- How can there be a future in this?

NEOCONS & WAR HAWKS

ELECTION PROCESS

GUARDIAN DEMOCRACY

[Jim Bovard: Biden Says Vote For Me Or Hitler Wins](#) Authored by Jim Bovard,

- Team Biden favors a version of "Guardian Democracy" where voters are only permitted to cast ballots for candidates that the ruling class approves
- President Joe Biden delivered an absurdly overheated speech last Friday near Valley Forge, Pennsylvania. Biden draped himself in Revolutionary War virtue as he demanded that Americans quiver in fear at the prospect of his reign ending.
- Biden invoked the third anniversary of the January 6 Capitol clash to effectively call for canceling the 2024 presidential election.
- At a minimum, Biden wants to turn the November election into a referendum on Adolf Hitler. Biden boasted, "We are still a nation that gives hate no safe harbor." A few minutes before that uplifting assertion, Biden accused Donald Trump of "echoing the same exact language used in Nazi Germany." CNN reported last week that Biden campaign aides plan to go "full Hitler" on Trump, making "a direct comparison to the Nazi leader rather than couching their attacks by saying Trump 'parroted' him." A few weeks ago, the Biden campaign posted a graphic on Twitter comparing Trump and Hitler's rhetoric.



- Biden continually equated democracy with freedom. And whatever is good for democracy is "close enough for government work" to freedom. Biden declared, "Democracy means having the freedom to speak your mind." Unless Team Biden disapproves of your thoughts, of course.
- Biden neglected to explain why his vision of democracy justifies the near-total suppression of freedom of speech for his opponents.
 - On July 4, Federal Judge Terry Doughty condemned the Biden administration for potentially "the most massive attack against free speech in United States history," and a federal appeals court condemned Team Biden for "suppressing millions of protected free-speech postings by American citizens"—mostly by conservatives and Republicans.
 - "If only Uncle Joe had known about that abuse," right?
 - Like hell. Biden's Justice Department is fighting tooth and nail at the Supreme Court to preserve his power to secretly censor anyone the feds claim is spouting disinformation, perhaps including denying that Biden is God's gift to America.
- Another key to Biden's vision of democracy is that the president is entitled to imprison peaceful protestors who opposed him. Biden proved the villainy of Trump supporters by touting case numbers from January 6:
 - "Since that day more than 1,200 people have been charged for the assault on the capitol, and nearly 900 of them have been convicted and they have been sentenced to more than 840 years in prison."

- Biden neglected to quote the bombshell *Washington Post* report today revealing that vast numbers of the January 6 charges have been crap cases. **Federal judges have rejected Biden Justice Department sentencing demands in almost 90% of the January 6 cases—an astounding record.**
- If those cases were not being tried by juries overstuffed with federal employees and NPR devotees, the prosecutions would have crashed and burned long ago.
- The Supreme Court may obliterate many of the cases. More than 320 of the convictions against J-6 protestors hinge on a bizarre contortion of the 2002 Sarbanes-Oxley law enacted after corporations destroyed documents sought by the Securities and Exchange Commission.
- “The average sentence for those convicted of obstructing an official proceeding has been 39 months,” the *Post* reported. Former federal prosecutor Gene Rossi warns that the Supreme Court taking that case is a “red flag and a loud gong” because that law was the “North Star” used by prosecutors. If the Supreme Court strikes down the Biden twist of the 2002 law, that will make the January 6 prosecutions look like one of the worst witch hunts in American history.
- **Yet, according to Team Biden, the real problem is that not enough lives have been ruined for sinful thoughts on January 6.**
- Last Thursday, Matthew Graves, Biden’s chief prosecutor for the District of Columbia, issued a warning of potentially thousands of more January 6 indictments: “If a person knowingly entered a restricted area [near the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021] without authorization, they already committed a federal crime. Make no mistake: Thousands of people occupied that area that they were not authorized to be present in in the first place.” Talking about hounding people who merely were in the general vicinity of the Capitol confirms that for Team Biden, “Trespassing plus thought crimes equals terrorism.”
- Actually, Biden’s FBI already classifies all the people arrested for January 6 Capitol clash offenses as domestic terrorists—even people busted for “parading without a permit.” The FBI presumes that any American suspected of supporting the January 6, 2021 protests forfeited his constitutional rights.
- **An FBI whistleblower revealed in congressional testimony in May 2023 that FBI headquarters pressured FBI agents to treat anyone who attended the January 6 protests as a criminal suspect.**
- Roughly 2,000 pro-Trump protestors (including an unknown number of undercover agents and informants) entered the Capitol that day. But an FBI analyst exploited the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act to unjustifiably conduct warrantless searches on 23,132 Americans citizens suspected of January 6 offenses “to find evidence of possible foreign influence, although the analyst conducting the queries had no indications of foreign influence,” according to FISA Chief Judge Rudolph Contreras.
- Biden assured the audience that “we still believe that no one, not even the president, is above the law.” Okay, but what if the president or the vice president uses the names Robert Peters, Robin Ware, and JRB Ware as email aliases to hustle business deals for a family member? Is it OK for them to slip the law then?
- **The only way to assume that Biden is not “above the law” is to assume that his decrees alone are *the law*.**
 - **The Supreme Court struck down his COVID vaccine mandate,**
 - **His moratorium for evicting deadbeat renters,**
 - **His \$500 billion federal student loan forgiveness scheme, and**
 - **Numerous other Biden policies.**
- Biden spent half an hour fearmongering and then closed by promising “freedom from fear.” This is the famous Biden two-step—demagoguing to his heart’s content and then closing with a few schmaltzy uplift lines, entitling the media to re-christen him as an idealist.
- **Biden castigated Trump as the “Election Denier in Chief,” a new offense not yet been codified in the statute book.**
 - Biden endlessly warned that Trump posed a deadly threat to both freedom and democracy.
 - Biden campaign masterminds were clever enough to permit an unknown local politician to deliver the “takeaway” from the day’s events. Biden was preceded at the podium by Dauphin County commissioner candidate Justin Douglass, who proclaimed that “Donald Trump represents a clear and present danger” to democracy. **Since Trump is the ultimate enemy of the Constitution, anything that Biden and his campaign does to banish Trump from the ballot will be pro-democracy.**
- Obviously, if Americans value democracy, then the presidential candidate favored by the most voters in recent polls must not be allowed on the ballot.

- Team Biden favors a version of “Guardian Democracy” where voters are only permitted to cast ballots for candidates that the ruling class approves.
- This is part and parcel with the Democratic Party’s plan to let all future elections be determined by ballot harvesting and tsunamis of unverified mail-in ballots.
- Why should we believe that democracy dies unless
 - Biden gets four more years to violate the Constitution,
 - Censor and jail his opponents, and
 - Domineer practically every aspect of Americans’ lives (“step away from that gas stove before we have to hurt you”)?
- As Thomas Jefferson declared long ago, “An elective despotism is not the government we fought for.”

LEADERSHIP SELECTION

["We're Headed To A System Where The Elites Pick Our Leadership": RFK Jr.](#) Authored by Jeff Louderbeck via The Epoch Times

Facing a monumental challenge to get on the ballot in all 50 states and the District of Columbia, Robert F. Kennedy Jr. continues to criticize legal efforts to prevent former President Donald Trump from appearing on the ballot in multiple states.



The Colorado Supreme Court on Dec. 19 declared President Trump ineligible in the state based on a provision in Section 3 of the 14th Amendment that prevents individuals who have engaged in "insurrection" against the United States from holding office.

Mr. Kennedy, who announced on Oct. 9 that he would run for president in 2024 as an independent instead of as a Democrat because **the Democrat National Committee was “rigging the primary,”** has expressed his disapproval of the decision several times since.

He wrote on X, formerly known as Twitter:

“Colorado Supreme Court ruling makes America look like a banana republic. Why doesn’t every American understand that if they can do this to a former US President, EVERYONE is vulnerable to punishment for crimes with which they have never been convicted? Democracy would be a total shambles.”

In another post on the platform, Mr. Kennedy wrote:

"If Trump is kept out of office through judicial fiat rather than being defeated in a fair election, his supporters will never accept the result. This country will become ungovernable."

He reiterated his stance in an interview with The Epoch Times.

*"I think we are seeing more and more this sinister and troubling trend of democracy being downgraded. **We're headed to a system where the elites pick our leadership,**" Mr. Kennedy said.*

"It's like the old Soviet Union, where party leaders pick the leadership. Federal agencies have been weaponized as political tools against the American public to suppress anyone from running except the chosen leaders."

"I'm not a fan of Trump, but I want the American people to decide who represents them, and I want to win on a level playing field and in a fair fight, not by a judicial intervention coming in and getting rid of people they don't like."

Filing Appeals

On Dec. 27, the Colorado GOP filed a petition to the U.S. Supreme Court, seeking a review of the Colorado Supreme Court decision.

The Colorado Supreme Court stayed its ruling until Jan. 4, 2024, the day before ballots are due to be printed or until an appeal is made to the U.S. Supreme Court.

With the Colorado GOP's petition and President Trump's lawyers indicating that they'll appeal, the stay could be extended until the U.S. Supreme Court's decision.

Amaryllis Fox Kennedy, Mr. Kennedy's campaign manager, believes that the Colorado Supreme Court's decision should be reversed.

"I think that the American people in general are for free and open public discourse and debates and want the very best candidate for the highest office in the land to be chosen based on the policies that they're proposing and past performance if they've held the office before," Ms. Kennedy told The Epoch Times.

"The establishment is trying to create a labyrinth of obstacles to getting on the ballot if you're an independent candidate or, in the case of the Colorado ruling, preventing voters from exercising their right based on a decision where there was not even a trial in Colorado in which Trump was a defendant."

Mr. Kennedy also objected to California Lt. Gov. Eleni Kounalakis ordering Secretary of State Shirley Weber last week to explore "every legal option" to remove President Trump from the ballot.

"Someone needs to explain to Lt. Governor Kounalakis that in democracy, we choose candidates by VOTING. Not by legal maneuvers to get them off the ballot," Mr. Kennedy wrote.

"Kounalakis has close ties to Gavin Newsom (of course), Kamala Harris, and Nancy Pelosi. She isn't just an individual with an agenda. She is deep in the Democratic party establishment."



Former President Donald Trump leaves the courtroom during a break in the civil fraud trial against The Trump Organization at the New York State Supreme Court in New York City on Dec. 7, 2023. (Timothy A. Clary/AFP via Getty Images)

Kennedy Campaign Update

Mr. Kennedy is traveling the country to private fundraising events and voter rallies designed to collect signatures to get him on the ballot in all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

On Jan. 3 in Salt Lake City, he'll announce his ballot status in Utah, the first state where his campaign submitted signatures.

Mr. Kennedy filed a lawsuit against Utah officials on Dec. 4 citing an "unconstitutional early filing deadline" that prevents ballot access for independent presidential candidates.

Days later, Utah Lt. Gov. Deidre Henderson announced that she would extend the deadline for independent presidential candidates to gain ballot access to March 5, 2024.

The legal action challenged Utah's Jan. 8 deadline requiring independent presidential candidates to collect and verify 1,000 signatures from qualified voters.

"The current deadline is the earliest deadline ever sought to be imposed on independent presidential candidates in the modern era. No federal court has ever upheld a January deadline," Mr. Kennedy's lawsuit argued.

"In a democracy, the people are supposed to decide with their votes who gets into office. Not state officials who prevent popular candidates from getting on the ballot."

'Whatever It Takes' Won't Be Enough Authored by James Howard Kunstler via Kunstler.com

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"Like many people, I assumed every impeachment, every indictment, every criminal count would be the end of him."

- Robert B. Reich, celebrated Trump hunter, career summation.

- **And just like that — snap ! — the news about the Colorado Supreme Court's droll action against candidate DJ Trump vanished from the front page (or top screens) of *The New York Times*.**
- Do you know why? I'll tell you:

- **Because the political Left has finally managed to embarrass itself with a “lawfare” gambit so nakedly fatuous that it exposes the faction’s drive to destroy the election process, and with it our country.**
- This is what you get from a regime that faked its way to power and now must strain to cover up its long train of crimes, abuses, and effronteries to common sense, while running out of tricks to keep fooling even its own deranged followers. Somehow, the act of kicking a leading candidate off the ballot has finally registered as inconsistent with “defending our democracy.”
- **Of course, the reckless abuse of law — “lawfare” — proceeds from the Left’s disrespect for boundaries and limits, which is exactly what law in principle concerns itself with.**
- And from there it’s a quick leap into totalizing bad faith, the operating system for government under an imposter president, “Joe Biden.” Suddenly, mere days before Christmas, when the people want to be preoccupied with things other than politics, events merge explosively to shape the fate of the nation.
- **In a sane world, the US Supreme Court would not just summarily strike down the Colorado ruling, but would issue a career-ending rebuke to the brain-damaged state justices who managed to not learn a basic principle of due process: *innocent until proven guilty* - that to brand someone a criminal, there must be a record of indictment and conviction for a particular crime, and that, in the case of Mr. Trump, a politically-motivated fairy tale about an “insurrection” doesn’t cut it.**
- **Also, in a sane world interested in truth and justice, the Republican-majority Congress would have months ago convened new hearings about the Jan 6/21 Capitol riot to undo the manifold perfidious frauds instigated by the previous Democrat-majority committee** under Chairman Bennie Thompson. By now, testimony should have been compelled from Nancy Pelosi, the then Capitol Police Chief Steven Sund, and former Defense Secretary Chris Miller about Ms. Pelosi’s refusal to call in national guard troops to reinforce security around the building, and to answer for the odd behavior of the Capitol Police, such as opening doors for the mob and then serving as ushers to show off the place. It seems obvious that many elected Republicans also have an interest in supporting the Jan 6/21 “insurrection” fairy tale. Do you still wonder why the evil entity infesting Washington is called “the blob”?
- The Substack blogger who styles himself as [El Gato Malo](#) offers the alluring theory that a SCOTUS ruling on whether the 14th Amendment clauses that were applied to the presidency in the Colorado case, could enable Special Counsel Jack Smith to slip-in a superseding indictment (replacing the original indictment) in his DC Jan 6 case against Mr. Trump with new insurrection / rebellion charges, thus setting-up a fortified argument for states to chuck Mr. Trump off any ballot.

More “lawfare,” you see. Whatever it takes. . .!

- More curiously even, we learn today, that [an amicus brief](#) has been filed in the SCOTUS by former Attorney General Ed Meese (under Ronald Reagan), and two constitutional law professors, Steven Calabresi and Gary S. Lawson, challenging the legality altogether of Jack Smith’s appointment as special counsel for prosecuting Mr. Trump. The amicus is filed in the matter of Jack Smith’s certiorari petition to the court to schedule Mr. Trump’s DC trial the same day as the Super Tuesday primary —against the defendant’s objections. **The amicus presents compelling arguments that Attorney General Merrick Garland acted illegally in appointing Mr. Smith, and if SCOTUS chucks him out of the special counsel job, the whole mendaciously constructed scaffold of the Jan 6 prosecution goes out the window, along with the Mar-a-Lago documents case.**
- Those of you with a deep interest in blob lawfare treachery may also be interested in the courtroom win, this week, by Brandon Straka, who launched the 2018 “Walk Away” movement to persuade gays to leave the Democratic Party. **He was present on the US Capitol grounds the day of the Jan 6/21 riot, and was later sued by eight “black and brown” Capitol Police officers, with the**



help of a Soros-funded nonprofit law firm, Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights Under Law. Straka was accused of causing the officers' injuries (pepper spray and "exhaustion") and of conspiring to deprive them of their civil rights (under the KKK Act of 1871). It came out in the course of testimony that seven of the officers were on the other side of the enormous Capitol building from Mr. Straka's position the entire time alleged, and that one of the officers was not even present at the Capitol or even in the District of Columbia at the time. Such are the sordid dreams of lawfare warriors and their useful idiots. . . .

- Next up, as we turn the corner into a fateful 2024 — and lately eclipsed by all these lawfare election interference shenanigans — will be the perhaps **even more consequential hearings on the Biden family's extensive international bribery operations, which may shed some light on how come we suffer a president and a party bent on destroying our country.**

MORE READING

[Secretary Of State That Kicked Trump From Maine Ballot Wants 'Better Leaders' In Power To Prevent 'Election Sabotage'](#) Tyler Durden Zero Hedge

- *The hypocrisy is mind blowing...*

["Easy Decision": Trump Believes Supreme Court Will "Intervene" Soon](#) Authored by Jack Phillips via The Epoch Times

SOCIAL

Remaking The Social Fabric of a Nation State

- ["It's All One Big Status-Acquisition Hustle"... And Half The Country Likes It That Way](#) Authored by James Howard Kunstler via Kunstler.com,
 - *"The old politics of right versus left, and Republican opposed to Democrat have now given way to a new existential struggle: Americans must choose between civilization—or its destroyers."* Victor Davis Hanson
 - Our country, formerly a republic of sovereign individuals, has become one great big racketeering operation run by a mafia-like cabal with Marxist characteristics.
- [Essential Reading For The Dissident, The Disenfranchised, & The Disillusioned](#) Authored by Richard Kelly via The Brownstone Institute,
 - John Stapleton's incredible new book [Australia Breaks Apart](#) has a surreal quality to it. He taps into the dissonance, the discord, and the disillusionment of those among us who were able, or who dared, to step outside the wall-to-wall propaganda and look at it in real time, or back at it later, in horror.
 - We're not alone, our eyes were not deceiving us, it was not all just a nightmare from which we will one day wake up. It actually happened.
 - [CHS: The Collapse Of Keynesian Economics](#)

WOKE INSANITY



- Wokeness only creates Distraction and Divisiveness. We stop being Americans and become a particular, focused and obsessed Politically Correct Social Warrior
- Everyone seen to not be on "OUR TEAM" is someone that must be "removed" and "BEATEN"

ELEMENTS OF WOKENESS

We have built files on Cultural Change in America to separate Woke Attitudes from a general shift in values & beliefs. Space does not allow for but are available upon subscriber request

1. Woke
2. Cancel Culture
3. Critical Race Theory
4. DEI
5. ESG
6. LGBTQ
7. Transgender
8. Mass Migration
9. Psy-Ops
10. Abortion
11. Anti-Gun
12. Anti-Patriotic
13. Black Lives Matter
14. Climate Activists
15. Core Values
16. Crime
17. Despair
18. Drugs
19. Economic Illiteracy
20. Education & Education Attitudes
21. Free Speech
22. Hate
23. Homelessness
24. Justice System

25. Two Tier Justice System
26. Karens
27. Mass Killings
28. Mental Health
29. Sex Trafficking
30. Rage & Anger
31. Racism
32. Religion
33. Reparations
34. Self Defensive

SHIFTING VALUES

Belief In Traditional American Values

Plummeting: WSJ Poll Authored by Eric Utter via American Thinker

- According to a depressing [new poll](#) from The Wall Street Journal, **belief in the importance of traditional American values has plummeted in the United States in recent decades.**
- The poll queried U.S. respondents about the importance of patriotism, religious faith, having children and other traditionally American values in their lives.
- **Only 39% of Americans surveyed said their religious faith is very important to them, and just 38% said patriotism is very important.**
- **The Journal compared those numbers to the results from the first time it ran the poll in 1998... when 62% of Americans said religion was very important to them, and 70% said patriotism was.** And that was during the Clinton administration!
- **So, apparently, a majority of Americans no longer believe either religion or patriotism is important. If that is the case, Democrats will never be out of power again.** They never tire of dissing the country, its founders...and the concept of objective truth, morality...and God. ("Male and female He made them? *Screw that*, I decide if I am male or female...or any other gender, including ones I make up out of whole cloth!")
- Remarkably, the survey also purported to find that **a plurality of Americans believe the U.S. has not gone far enough in promoting equality between men and women**, accepting people who are gay, lesbian or bisexual, or in promoting racial and ethnic diversity in business and universities. If we go any further down that road, no one but members of the BIPOC LGBTQ Community will ever again be allowed to head a company or attend college.
- **The results of this poll, if they are reasonably accurate depictions of Americans' values, or lack thereof, are disheartening to say the least. If, essentially, 23% of Americans lost their belief in a higher power, and 32% lost their belief in the goodness of their country in just the past 25 years...it is time to turn out the lights, as the party is unquestionably over.**
- The founders knew this was a distinct possibility at some point. John Adams famously observed, **"Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious People. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other."** This is one reason "progressives" disdain them so. They disdain the very concepts of morality and religion, as they tend to put boundaries on people's behavior. A God would be competition for them, and that they cannot countenance.
- **Conservatives, on the other hand, wish to conserve the best of the past, and pass on the accrued wisdom and best practices of millennia past.** (We are *not* reflexively against change, such as voting Democrats out of office, potentially eliminating the National Endowment for the Arts, defunding National Public Radio, proposing school choice and voucher initiatives, or *re-funding* the police.)
- It is no coincidence that testosterone and sperm levels have fallen during this same period. *Or that IQs have declined, too.* It all ties together. As Andrew Breitbart averred, it is true that politics is downstream from culture. And the current cultural cesspool feeds the stream that flows through—and poisons—our political class.



- Objectively, this leads to one inescapable conclusion: sickeningly, the incessant lies that “progressive” Democrats—and their sycophantic lapdogs in the mainstream media—have told the American people...have been effective. Bullshit is viable.
- **Indoctrination works.**

America's Biggest Problem Authored by Michael Snyder via TheMostImportantNews.com

- America's biggest problem is the fact that our country has become completely saturated with evil.
- Survey after survey has shown that Americans overwhelmingly agree that this country is moving in the wrong direction.
- Our culture is rotting and decaying all around us, and [as Victor Davis Hanson has explained](#), this process has accelerated significantly over the past six months.
- *In the last six months, we have borne witness to many iconic moments evidencing the collapse of American culture.*
- *The signs are everywhere and cover the gamut of politics, the economy, education, social life, popular culture, foreign policy, and the military. These symptoms of decay share common themes.*
- *Our descent is self-induced; it is not a symptom of a foreign attack or subterfuge. Our erosion is not the result of poverty and want, but of leisure and excess. We are not suffering from existential crises of famine, plague, or the collapse of our grid and fuel sources. Prior, far poorer, and war-torn generations now seem far better off than what we are becoming.*

Victor Davis Hanson: A Culture In Collapse Authored by Victor Davis Hanson via American Greatness

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- What is happening to us is not due to an adherence to a too strict conservative tradition but is **almost exclusively the wage of the progressive project.**
- In short, we are seeing fissures that America has not experienced in our cultural history since the Civil War.
- **The radical Left apparently feels such chaos, anarchy, and nihilism are necessary to topple past norms and customs and thereby adhere to a socialist, equity agenda that no one in normal times would stomach.**
- Some of the decay is existential and fundamental; some anecdotal and illustrative. But either way, while decline came about gradually over decades, its sudden and abrupt chaos during the three years of Biden's presidency has shocked Americans.

Financial Implosion

- As long as interest rates were de facto zero, both parties ran up gargantuan debt. Now the national debt has hit \$34 trillion. But two odd things have also happened under the Biden administration that are beginning to undermine the very existence of the U.S. financial system:
 - Interest rates have soared from de facto zero and are on a trajectory to 5.5%—meaning that the interest on the debt, in theory, in the not too distant future will require 20 percent of the annual budget, squeezing out both entitlements and defense.
 - Yet the upcoming rendezvous with economic Armageddon has not slowed a Biden administration intent on borrowing nearly \$2 trillion in the current fiscal year.
- The public is baffled: is the Left playing chicken with us? Is the strategy to “gorge the beast,” thereby demanding even higher federal taxes, which, combined with many state taxes, now exceed 50 percent of one's income?
- Is the goal massive “redistribution” by ensuring “equity” by gouging the middle class and rich? Or is the left's goal more nihilistic: to force a remedy for insolvency by ensuring high inflation, renouncing government debt, or government appropriation of private capital?

Military Crises

- Americans have lost deterrence abroad.
- Confusion reigns among the public over why the Biden administration fled from Afghanistan, leaving behind billions of dollars of munitions and equipment in the hands of Taliban terrorists. Why did it allow a Chinese spy balloon to traverse the continental U.S. with impunity?

- And why did Biden signal to Russia when preparing an invasion of Ukraine that our reaction would depend on the magnitude of Putin’s offensive? Why has military recruitment cratered, shorting the Pentagon of thousands of soldiers?
- Why do Iranian proxies attack almost daily U.S. installations abroad and ships in the Red Sea, apparently without fear of reprisal? Why did Hamas slaughter Israelis on October 7? What explains our indifference or ennui?
- **Is the answer a deliberate effort to curb supposed American “arrogance” by once more leading from behind?**
- Are we rebooting the Obama Administration’s bankrupt idea of empowering an Iranian crescent from Teheran to Damascus to Beirut to Gaza to ensure “creative tension” between Israel and the moderate Arabs and Persian-led theocratic Shiites?
- Why do our officer classes rotate in and out of lucrative military consultantships, lobbying billets, and board membership on corporate defense contractors—as if their innate talents rather than their lifelong contacts with current serving procurement officers earned their exorbitant fees?
- Why did our retired four stars with disdain violate the uniform code of military justice by serially and publicly trashing the commander in chief?
- Why has the Pentagon revolutionized the entire system of recruitment, promotions, and tenure in the armed forces by predicating them in large part on race, gender, and sexual orientation rather than merit or battlefield efficacy? Did we learn anything from the old Soviet commissariat system? Would we prefer to lose a war by promoting equity than win one by ensuring liberty?
- Why did the top brass go after supposedly “insurrectionist” white males (who died at twice their demographics during combat in Iraq and Afghanistan) in the military, only to discover from their own internal investigations that no such cabal of “domestic terrorists” existed, and only to drive out thousands more of the maligned by stupidly requiring COVID vaccinations from those with naturally acquired immunity?
- In sum, the U.S. will either undergo a post-Vietnam-like revolution in the military or, in late Roman imperial fashion, our armed forces will be unable to defend the interests or indeed, the very safety, of the U.S.

Race

- Why, when so-called non-white ethnicities and races were achieving parity with or exceeding the majority population in per capita income and when racial intermarriage was commonplace, did we blow up the values of the civil rights movement and revert to precivilizational tribalism? Who were the sophists who convinced us that racially segregated dorms, safe spaces, and graduations, or using race as an arbiter of admissions and hiring, were not racist?
- When did we lump together an entire cadre of diverse ancestries, ethnicities, religions, politics, classes, and values and dub them all “white,” and then smear them collectively in stereotypical fashion? When did we calibrate race as the chief determinative factor in our identities? Have we become premodern tribal people—feuding clans right out of the Norse sagas, ghosts of the Balkans nursing ancient grievances and hatreds? Since when in history has a nation’s “diversity” ever been preferable to its “unity”?

The Sexes

- Did anyone in, say, 2004 believe that in just twenty years, the Left would try to mainstream the previously rare medical malady of gender dysphoria into a transgendered civil rights issue by insisting on three rather than two sexes?
- Would anyone have believed that leftists, gays, and feminists would have done their best to destroy a half-century of female athletic achievement by allowing biological males to compete in women’s sports and thereby erase the record performances of three generations of women?
- Would anyone have believed that a feminist and accomplished swimmer like Riley Gaines would be cornered, swarmed, threatened, and barricaded in at a university for the crime of daring to state the obvious: that transgendered women are still, in terms of their musculoskeletal physiques and frames, males and thereby have no business competing in women’s sports?
- Would anyone have believed that a gay senate aide would have engaged in passive, unprotected sex in a public and hallowed Senate chamber, filmed in graphic detail his act of sodomy, had it circulated among friends and social media, and then, when outrage followed, claimed victimhood by accusing those offended of being homophobic toward him and his active homosexual partner?

Lawlessness

- We are witnessing the steady erasure of jurisprudence, both civil and criminal. Does the law as we knew it a mere decade ago still exist? Massive looting with impunity is now largely exempt from justice in our major blue-state cities. In Compton, a van slams into a Mexican bakery as waiting

crowds swarm, loot, and destroy the business. And for what? Some free pies and cakes? Or the nihilist delight in ruining the livelihood of a hardworking family business?

- Such smash-and-grabs rob stores of billions of dollars in revenue each year. Can we even comprehend that employees and security guards are now ordered to stand down, as if the apprehension of such thieves might in some way seem illiberal or racist?
- Does anyone even care that pro-Hamas protestors—many in America as guests on green cards and student visas—shouted support for the October 7 massacre of Jews, screamed for the destruction of Israel and the Jews in it, shut down the Manhattan and Golden Gate Bridges, defiled the Lincoln Memorial and White House gates, and disrupted Christmas celebrations in our major cities with complete exemption? Is storming the California legislature, and disrupting it in session, now a felony in the manner of those convicted after January 6, or do we have two sets of laws, dependent on ideology, race, and party affiliation?
- In one of the most chilling videos in memory, Las Vegas Clark County District Court Judge Mary Kay Holthus was recently violently attacked by an unshackled career felon defendant (with three prior violent felony convictions and facing additional new felony counts). The assailant, Deobra Redden, leaped over the justice's bench with ease and began beating her and pulling her hair before two bailiffs, with great difficulty, managed to restrain him. Why was Redden out on parole given his violent record, and why was he not shackled given his toxic past? His self-admitted effort to kill the judge, his ability nearly to pull it off, and the record of past leniency accorded him are a commentary on a sick society.
- But then again, in our major cities, George-Soros-subsidized prosecutors have all but destroyed civil society. They have been systematically releasing felons with violent criminal records on the same day they are arrested, freeing convicted felons early from prisons and jails, and sabotaging the law by arbitrary enforcement on the grounds that it is inherently either unfair or racist.
- The post civilization civil bookend to that precivilizational subterfuge was a systematic legal effort, for the first time in American history, to remove in an election year the leading primary and general election candidate Donald Trump from various state ballots. The Soviet-like charge was that he was guilty of "insurrection," a crime he has never been charged with, much less convicted of. Meanwhile, three state prosecutors and one special federal counsel—all leftists and some previously bragging in their own election campaigns of their intention to destroy Trump—have charged candidate Trump with an array of felonies. The vast majority of Americans agree Trump would never have been so charged had he just not sought to seek reelection—or had been a liberal Democrat.

Education

- In ancient times, the President of the Harvard Corporation was a signature scholar and intellectual, befitting Harvard's own self-regard as the world's most preeminent university. No longer.
- Now-resigned president Claudine Gay's meteoric career was based on a flimsy record of a mere 11 articles—the majority of them plagiarized. Her entire career was fueled by the tired pretext that the privileged Gay was somehow deserving of special deference given her race and gender.
- Confronted with such corruption, the Harvard Corporation, its legal team, and 700 faculty sought to downplay Gay's intellectual theft. Indeed, they smeared her critics as racist—only then to deal with her new billet as a professor of Political Science with a long record of plagiarism that was exempt from the sort of punishments dealt out to students and faculty for less egregious defenses.
- How did Ivy League degrees so quickly become mostly certifications of ideological and woke orthodoxy? Or is it worse than that? Does a Stanford history major or Yale literature graduate know anything, respectively, about the Civil War or Shakespeare's plays? Do they even know that we, the public, know that they don't know?
- Was Elizabeth Warren really Harvard's first law professor of color? Was Claudine Gay truly an impressive and respected scholar of political science? Are the governing members of the Harvard Corporation the nation's best and brightest?
- How in less than five years did our elite universities destroy meritocracy, abolish SAT requirements, require DEI oaths and pledges, and mirror the worst commissariat institutions of the old Warsaw Pact nations and Soviet Union? How and why these elite universities blew themselves up in a mere decade will baffle historians for decades to come.

The End of Sovereignty

- The Biden administration has shattered federal immigration law, as some 10 million illegal entries will have crossed unlawfully and with impunity in the first Biden term—all by intent. The southern border is not merely porous; it no longer even exists.
- Did the Left want new constituents? New entitlement recipients to grow government and raise taxes on the clingers and deplorables?

- Did it want a larger DEI base to replace the steady exodus of non-whites from left-wing agendas? Does it shun sovereignty, preferring a global village without arbitrary borders? Do these utopians in Malibu and Martha's Vineyard similarly feel their own yards and grounds need no walls, no barriers, and no boundaries to deny the underprivileged their rights to enjoy what the predatory classes possess?
- In this new America of ours, Joe Biden is hale and savvy, while Hunter did nothing wrong.
- Our heroes are Dylan Mulvaney, Gen. Rachel Levine, and the two Sams, Bankman-Fried and Brinton.
- In today's America, Karin Jean-Pierre is truthful, while Alejandro Mayorkas is honest. An innocent and saintly George Floyd was randomly murdered; his death proof of systemic police racism. And defunding the police brought calm and quiet, in the way our border is secure and the homeless are mere victims.
- Dr. Jill is an impressive academic. Oprah and LeBron are the downtrodden and victimized. Gen. Mark Milley is a brave maverick, and so is Adam Schiff. The flight from Afghanistan marked a brilliantly organized retreat.
- The Chinese balloon really did not take too many pictures of sensitive areas. January 6 was an armed insurrection, preplanned by fiery conspirators and revolutionaries. Ashli Babbitt deserved to be blasted in the neck for entering a broken window.
- Kamala Harris is a wordsmith. Russian collusion really happened. So did Russian laptop disinformation. Christopher Steele's dossier was mostly true, in the fashion of Claudine Gay's dissertation and Barack Obama's memoir. And 51 former intelligence authorities bravely came forward to offer their expertise in certifying that Hunter's laptop was cooked up in Moscow.
- With all this, what do we think the Iranians, Putin's Russians, the communist Chinese, the Houthis, Hezbollah, and Hamas now think of the United States?
- That we are the nation that won World War II or fled from Afghanistan? Did the eight million who broke our laws and simply walked across our border respect us, fear us, admire us, or come here to manipulate and use us? Did Hamas appreciate the hundreds of millions of dollars we gave them, in the same way Iran was friendlier after we lifted the sanctions?
- In sum, **American civilization has been turned upside down, and we have a rendezvous soon with the once unthinkable and unimaginable.**

[Doug Casey On What Really Happened In 2023 And What Comes Next](#) Authored by Doug Casey via InternationalMan.com

International Man: As we approach the end of the year, let's take a step back, look at the Big Picture, and put 2023 into perspective so we can better understand what may come next.

Significant financial, economic, political, cultural, and geopolitical developments occurred in 2023.

On the cultural front, **2023 may be the year that the tide started to shift against the woke insanity.** BlackRock's Fink dropped ESG. Woke movies continue to bomb at theaters. Bud Light, Target, and Disney continue to feel the pain of deliberately alienating their customer base.

What's your take on the cultural developments in 2023?

Doug Casey: There are always reactions to major trends. These things are worth noting, **but considering the virulence of the woke movement, the reaction has been tepid.** There's always a rearguard fighting for things as they are. And that's wonderful because the **Wokesters want to overturn the entire culture much the same way as the Jacobins overturned it in revolutionary France, the Bolsheviks overturned the culture in Russia, the Red Guards in China, or Pol Pot did in Cambodia.**



The Wokesters are potentially just as dangerous because their way of thinking is everywhere in the West.

They're similar to the movements I've just mentioned in that they're stridently against free speech, free thought, free markets, tradition, and limited government—nothing new there. But they've weaponized gender and race as well. They're virulent, humorless, and puritanical. They see themselves as the wave of the future, but they've only repackaged the notions of Marx, Lenin, Stalin, and Hitler.

My view is that the Wokesters hate humanity and hate themselves. They're dishonest, arrogant, and entitled. Look at the current scandal involving the diversity-hire presidents at Harvard, Penn, and MIT. They're shameful embarrassments. The fact their boards of trustees installed these fools shows how deep the rot goes.

The Woke have ingrained psychological/spiritual aberrations.

They don't just control academia, finance, entertainment, and the media. They also dominate the State's apparatus. Which means they basically have the law on their side.

Perhaps ESG is being de-emphasized by Blackrock, the new vampire squid, but that's only because they fear losing money more than they value their beliefs. The more pernicious DEI remains a major cultural trend.

Where will it end?

Wokism is more than a passing fad. There's a good chance it will end with a violent confrontation between people who have culturally conservative views and those who want to destroy Western Civilization and upset the nature of society as we know it.

International Man: 2023 was a year of major geopolitical developments.

It became evident to even the mainstream media that the war in the Ukraine was not going well for NATO.

There was also the Hamas attack and the Israeli invasion of Gaza.

Azerbaijan defeated Armenia to reclaim a long-disputed territory.

Saudi Arabia welcomed Syria back into the Arab League, ended the war in Yemen, restored diplomatic relations with Iran, joined the BRICS countries, and expanded its economic ties with China.

These are just a few of the most prominent geopolitical events of 2023.

What do you make of the geopolitical situation and where things are heading?

Doug Casey: **The end of US hegemony over the world in all areas is becoming obvious.** The world resents being bullied and controlled by Washington, DC.

They realize that the US government is bankrupt and is living entirely on printed money. Its military is bloated and more expensive than the US can afford.

While it's bloated, it's also being gutted, unable to recruit new soldiers and sailors. It's easy to see why that's the case. They see pointless wars fomented everywhere. The type of people who traditionally join the military are disgusted by the woke memes circulating through the services. White males, who have always been the backbone of the military, are appalled at being actively discriminated against.

US hegemony is ending financially, economically, and militarily.

It's obvious when you see that Biden and Harris, two utterly incompetent, ineffectual fools, are the nominal heads of the government. Not to mention all the degraded and psychologically damaged people in the cabinet. Of course, nobody has any respect for the US anymore.

The US hegemony of the last hundred years is on its way out. And as the old order changes, there are going to be upsets. The US will leave a vacuum that will be filled by other forces.

In fact, the US Government is the biggest danger to the world today. It's not providing order. By sticking its nose into everyone else's business everywhere, it's promoting chaos. Its 800+ bases around the world are provocations. The carrier groups that it has wandering around are sitting ducks with today's technology. The US is the main source of risk in the world, not safety.

US military spending is really just corporate welfare for the five big "defense" corporations, which build weapons suited for fighting the last war or maybe the war before the last war. For instance, a missile frigate or destroyer guarding a carrier might carry 100 vertically-launched anti-aircraft missiles at \$2 million each. Each missile might succeed in shooting down a \$10,000 drone. But what happens when the enemy launches 200 drones at once? The chances are the US loses a \$2 billion destroyer, if not a carrier.

The US government is finding that they're not only disliked but disrespected by countries and people all over the world. They're increasingly viewed as a paper tiger. Or the Wizard of Oz. When they lose the fear factor, it's game over.

International Man: In 2023, the US continued the trend of more political polarization.

What were the most consequential events on the US political front, and what do you think comes next?

Doug Casey: Let me reemphasize that **the Jacobins who control Washington, DC, have the same psychological makeup as past revolutionaries** I've mentioned.

These people are incapable of changing their minds or reforming. I think they'll do absolutely anything they can to retain power.

Meanwhile, traditional Americans in red states see that Trump is being railroaded with lawfare to derail his campaign. They're angrier than ever, justifiably. The red people and the blue people really hate each other at this point—and can't talk to each other.

The country has been completely demoralized as traditional values have been washed away. It's now very unstable.

The coming election, should we actually have one, will be not just a political but a cultural contest. Culture wars are especially dangerous in the midst of a [financial collapse and economic collapse](#).

International Man: The projected annual interest expense on the federal debt hit \$1 trillion for the first time in 2023.

Americans are still paying for the rampant currency debasement during the Covid hysteria as the price of groceries, insurance, rent, and most other things continued to rise in 2023.

It looks like a recession is on the horizon.

What are your thoughts on economic developments in 2023 and your outlook for the months ahead?

Doug Casey: As an amateur student of history, **it seems to me that the US has been moving away from the founding principles that made it unique for over a hundred years.** I'm 77. I've watched it happen firsthand for much of that time.

The trend has been accelerating.

The country is heading towards a massive crisis because it's lost its philosophical footing. The result is going to be a really serious depression. I call it the Greater Depression.

The spread between the haves who live in multi-million dollar houses and the have-nots who live in tents isn't new. After all, Jesus said, "The poor you will always have with you." What's new is that the middle class is being impoverished. What's left of the middle

class is deeply in debt—student debt, credit card debt, car loan debt, mortgage debt. And if they're not lucky enough to have a house with mortgage debt, they're renting. And rents have gone up so rapidly that if the average guy has an unforeseen \$500 expense, he can't pay it.

That augurs poorly for consumption.

It's said, idiotically, that the American economy rests on consumption. It's idiotic because it should be said that it rests on production. But I'm not sure the US produces that much anymore.

Most of the people who "work" basically sit at desks and shuffle papers. Few actively create real wealth.

On top of that, the country is vastly over-financialized.

The bond market has already largely collapsed, but it can get a lot worse as interest rates head back up to the levels that they were in the early 1980s and beyond.

Much lower stock prices are in the cards, both because of high interest rates and because people won't be consuming such massive quantities of corporate produce.

The real estate market rests on a foundation of debt. It can easily go bust as interest rates go up. We're already seeing this with office buildings across the country. And, of course, these office buildings are financed by banks. Banks are going to see a lot of defaults on loans they've made.

Meanwhile, bank capital invested in bonds has eroded because bond prices fall in proportion to the degree rise in interest rates, which have gone from close to zero to 5% or 6%. If banks had to mark their loans and capital investments to the market, most would already be bankrupt.

Can the government paper all these things over by printing yet more money? I suppose.

But at some point very soon, the dollar will lose value very rapidly; it will be treated like a hot potato. They're caught between a rock and a hard place.

International Man: This year, we saw the price of gold hit a record high, uranium reached \$81.25 per pound, and Bitcoin more than doubled as it entered a new bull market. Meanwhile, the S&P 500 is up around 21% year to date as of writing.

What are your thoughts on what happened in the financial markets in 2023 and what could come next?

Doug Casey: Unfortunately, the US central bank, the Fed, has a gigantic amount of influence over the markets.

They can employ "quantitative easing," which means printing money—and "quantitative tightening," which means decreasing the money and artificially raising interest rates.

They have many hundreds of Ph.D. economists on staff, but all these people operate on phony Keynesian theories of the way the world works. The consequences of building an economic system on a foundation of paper money and gigantic amounts of debt are potentially catastrophic.

At this point, the economy's on the razor edge. If they push the print button and hold it down too long, we could go into a runaway inflation. Or, to tamp down inflation, they might raise interest rates and contract the money supply, which might set off a 1929-style credit collapse.

We're caught between Scylla and Charybdis at this point. And I don't believe it's a question of a soft landing or a hard landing. It's a question of how devastating the crash landing will be.

I hope they can wring one more cycle out of all this because I personally prefer good times to bad times, even if they're artificial good times, because the bad times are going to be very real.

Doug Casey's forecasts helped investors prepare and profit from: 1) the S&L blowup in the '80s and '90s, 2) the 2001 tech stock collapse, 3) the 2008 financial crisis, 4) and now... Doug's sounding the alarms about a catastrophic event. One he believes could soon strike.



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["The Cultural Marxists Are Now In Power": Hawley Warns Of 'Great Awakening,' Says GOP Not Prepared To Respond](#) Authored by Jackson Richman via The Epoch Times

- "The most pressing [and] the most dangerous" challenge America faces is the one from "the new radical left and the new brand of Marxism that they have embraced."
They want to "fundamentally transform American life that seeks to change and overthrow practically every institution that we value: marriage, the family, the very idea of gender. They want to purge Christianity and any kind of Bible influence from our culture."
- Hawley went on to call this leftist challenge "the Great Awakening," combining the words "woke" and "awakening." Woke is usually described as something far-left.
- Hawley cited what he called "a new Marxist ideology ... that trashed American society as fundamentally oppressive, [and] systemically racist." He explained that this "began in American academia" but has since spread "everywhere" including businesses, the "self-proclaimed elite class," and the media. He called this a "cultural revolution," or "fundamentally transforming American culture."
- **"The cultural Marxists are now in power," he stated. "They run the Democrat Party; they run the Biden administration."**

[Increasing Psychopathic Behavior Is A Sign That Society Is On The Verge Of Breaking Down](#)

Authored by Tyler Durden, Zero Hedge

- As cultural systems begin to dissolve due to political clashes and economic decline the real evil tends to slither out of the woodwork. It happens slowly at first, then all at once. A sure sign of accelerating collapse is the growing prevalence of psychopaths and psychopathic behavior in the open.
- The US appears to have entered the middle stages of such a collapse with many sociopaths and psychopaths beginning to feel that they might be able to act out their worst impulses without consequences. They are beginning to test the waters to see what they can get away with.

MASS MIGRATION



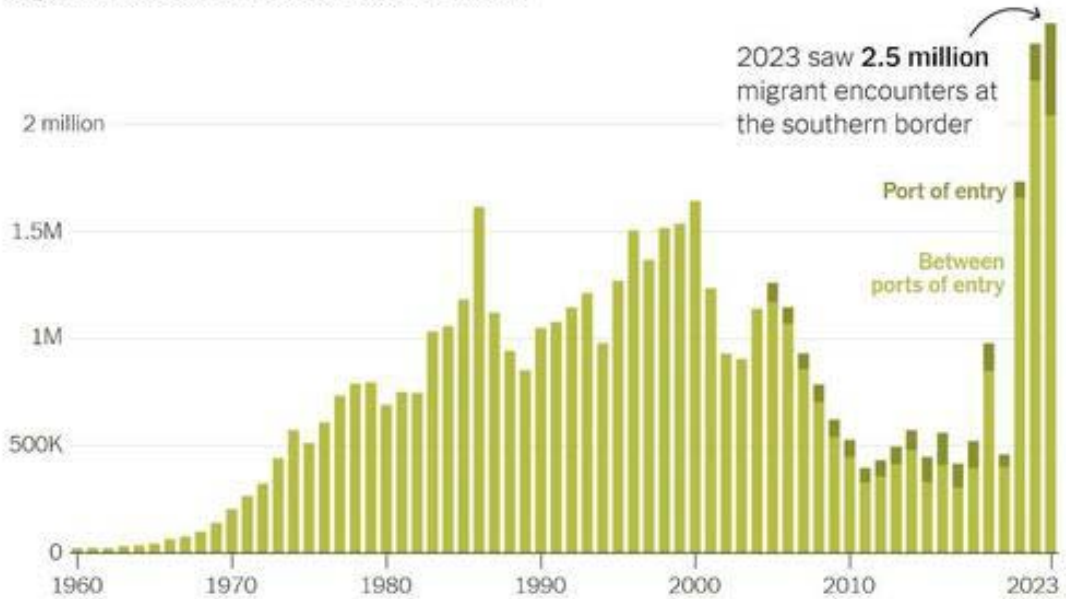
IS THE CURRENT US MIGRANT INVASION AT THE SOUTHERN BORDER SIMPLY THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CLOWARD-PIVEN?

The overloading of the United States public welfare system in order to precipitate a crisis, which would ultimately lead to replacing the welfare system with a national system of "a guaranteed annual income and thus an end to poverty.

- ["Biden Destroying America" As Invasion Of Southern Border Hits Record; DoJ Plans To Sue Texas](#) Authored by Tyler Durden, Zero Hedge
 - "The **Biden Admin. not only refuses to enforce** current US immigration laws, they now **want to stop Texas from enforcing laws against illegal immigration.**"
 - Data from a US Customs and Border Protection source of "over 276,00 migrant encounters at the southern border in December, the highest single month ever recorded, breaking the prior record set in September at 269,735, and there are still 3 days of December left. Record is being shattered."
 - "This new record number includes over 230,000 Border Patrol apprehensions of illegal immigrants in December, also the highest single month of apprehensions ever recorded for Border Patrol."
 - "We are now at over 760,000 migrant encounters since October 1st, making the first quarter of fiscal year 2024 also the highest ever recorded. Thats a population size bigger than Seattle in just three months,"

- o "All records being blown out of the water under the Biden admin as the crisis gets worse - not better."

Migrant encounters at the southern border



Source: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Congressional Research Service - Note: Data for "inadmissibles" encountered at ports of entry have limited availability. Exact encounters are shown since 2010, and FY 2005-09 are projected from national encounters data.

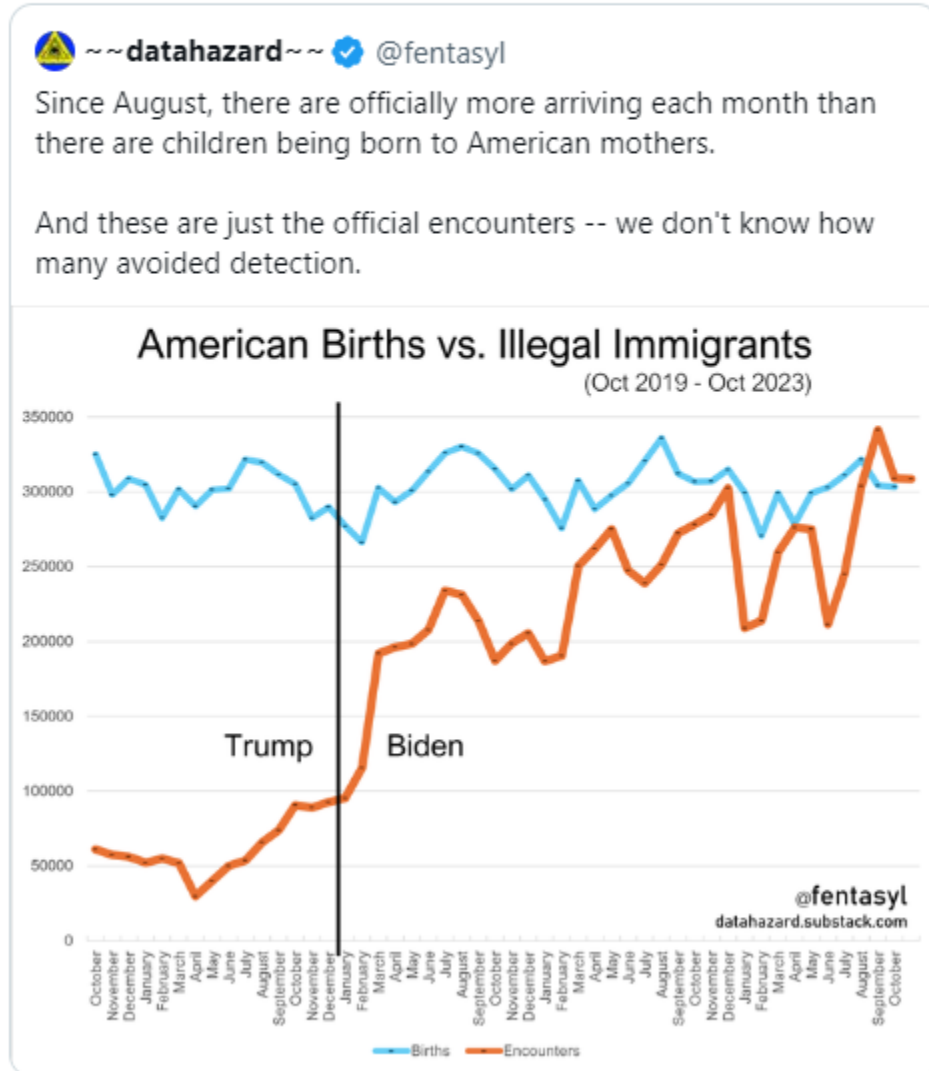
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If you don't have a border, you don't have a country...

"This country was built on immigration. I'm fine with that," Silvas said. "But not like this. This is ridiculous."

- Our once proud Border Patrol officers have been transformed into customer service agents for those seeking asylum.
- Instead of enforcing our laws, they have been relegated to facilitating a systematic invasion of our country.

- **This is exactly what our leftist politicians and globalist NGOs want, and right now they are winning.**
- Globalist NGOs that are funded with your tax money are helping to resettle illegal immigrants in communities all over America. In many instances, they are actually put on domestic flights [without any proper documentation at all](#)
- A lot of those that arrive illegally get involved in the drug trade, the sex trade and other forms of organized crime.

[The Utter Insanity Of Joe Biden's Open Border](#) Authored by Victor Davis Hanson via American Greatness

- *If the amorality of illegal immigration were not so deleterious to Americans, its absurdity would be laughable...*



- There have been **more than 8 million illegal entries into the United States since Joe Biden was elected president**. He appointed Alejandro Mayorkas as Secretary of Homeland Security, whose apparent prime directive was to destroy the southern border.
- That task is precisely what Mayorkas has now accomplished. The result is that the border is neither "porous" nor "problematic," but nonexistent, kaput, vanished—and by design.
- In one of the most surreal experiences in the history of the United States, each night Americans see video clips of thousands of foreign nationals crossing the border en masse with complete impunity—as if the entire corpus of federal immigration law has been dynamited.
- But by whom? And why?
- **As millions of citizens watch this travesty, they hear only from Mayorkas, Biden, and his Pravda megaphone, Karin Jean-Pierre, that the border is "secure"—a Baghdad Bob narrative that they know that we know is an utter lie.**
- Surely, this deliberate effort to destroy an entire border, to invite in millions of unchecked illegal aliens, and to violate oaths to execute faithfully the laws of the land *are* impeachable offenses for both Biden and Mayorkas. If not, what are?
- **Stranger still, Americans have no real idea why these revolutionaries are destroying our border.**
 - Are they nineteenth-century anarchists who want to undermine the United States itself?
 - Are they cynical "Demography is Destiny" and "The New Democratic Majority" leftists who need new dependent Democrat constituents to find votes for agendas that most Americans reject?
 - Do they want to create billions of dollars in new entitlements and subsidies to grow government, hike taxes, and make the upper middle class pay, as Biden puts it, "their fair share?"
- Whatever the cause of this nihilism, there are at least 10 ways their open border is insidiously destroying the United States.

- **1- Legal Immigration**
 - Does legal immigration still exist?
 - Are we still requiring those who would enter the U.S. legally to provide required documents, undergo audits, and complete background checks?
 - **Is not the current policy de facto punishing those who follow the law by tying them up in bureaucratic red tape for years as we reward unlawful behavior by greenlighting amnesties for lawbreakers?**
 - Is the Biden administration's policy designed to deflect those from South Korea with MDs, or from Mumbai with PhDs, or from Taiwan with MBAs, by putting their applications on a slow, second-track pathway?
 - Is DEI at work in the sense that America does not want here the accomplished who earned degrees and possess vital skills, as if they are thereby condemned as "privileged?"
 - Does Biden realize that his legacy of inviting in "surging" millions, in contradiction of the law, will soon erode all support for immigration, legal or otherwise?
- **2- Lawless US**
 - Does the utter lawlessness at the border contribute to the general coarseness and current mockery of the rule of law in general—an epidemic that plagues our cities with homelessness, smash-and-grabs, car-jackings, and random assaults?
 - **Is the rationale that if you can walk freely past border security guards, who cares whether you ignore a summons, throw away a traffic ticket, or skip reporting some income?**
- **3- Dependency**
 - If the first thing a foreign national does is to violate the law by crossing the border without permission, and the second is to reside illegally in the US, and the third is to apply for some sort of food, housing, medical, legal, or educational subsidy, then is that really the type of new resident we desire?
 - **Apparently, what the United States does not want is the immigration model of old, one in which immigrants applied legally, came here lawfully through authorized ports of entry, and were self-supporting upon arrival.**
 - In other words, it may be hard to shake from Biden's likely 10 million illegal aliens their initial assumption that,
 - 1) In America, the laws do not apply to them and,
 - 2) Their new naive or guilt-ridden hosts, not themselves, are responsible for their welfare.
- **4- Cui Bono?**
 - We suspect the Left and employers welcome illegal immigrants; the more en masse and without audit, the better.
 - **But how do millions simply leave their homes, cross international borders, and get waved on to *El Norte*? What is the mentality of Mexico that facilitates this mass exodus northward from its neighbors and from itself?**
 - Is Mexico a frenemy?
 - Do we even care that some \$60 billion leaves the U.S. as remittances into Mexico, mostly by illegal residents here who are on state and local subsidies to free up their billions of dollars to support people inside Mexico that Mexico City has no intention of helping?
 - Is such a gargantuan cash outflow, then, Mexican socialist President Obrador's cynical idea of payback for supposed historical *Yanqui* sins? Does he think a new, huge expatriate community will continue to lobby for Mexico to do what it pleases on our side of the border? Does illegal immigration warp U.S. foreign policy itself?
- **5- Cartels**
 - Does anyone worry that among the millions moving northward are hundreds of Mexican cartel functionaries loaded with tens of thousands of pounds of dangerous drugs, fentanyl most prominently?
 - **Do we even care that the U.S. is enriching the cartels through its tolerance of drug importation and alien smuggling?** With open borders, are we not abetting the annual 100,000 or so deaths of Americans through overdoses, often by the counterfeiting of fentanyl to resemble less toxic illicit drugs and prescription tranquilizers, sedatives, and painkillers?
 - Is there any other enemy in the world—Russia, China, or Iran—that has helped kill more Americans than the cartels, along with the culpable Mexican government that deflects cartel criminality and violence northward?
- **6- Trashing Citizens**
 - Illegal immigration is insidiously diminishing citizenship by equating illegal aliens with, if not making them preferable to, American citizens. Is there anything an illegal alien cannot do in

- Biden's America—work in a campaign, vote in some elections, serve in the military, receive government subsidies? Crisscross international borders without a passport?
- To put it another way, why did we expel 8,400 US military personnel for the “crime” of passing on the required but experimental mRNA vaccinations (most of the discharged had natural immunity from prior COVID infections), while we let in millions of foreigners without worrying whether any have been vaccinated for anything, much less have had COVID tests?
 - **Why are we forcing every American to recalibrate, at great expense, their identification to a “Real ID” to ensure security within our airline industry while putting tens of thousands of illegal aliens, without any documents, on flights throughout the country?**
 - Does the Biden administration policy translate into something like, ‘We know and therefore don't trust Americans, so we must apply airline boarding standards to them that we certainly do not need with more reliable and trustworthy illegal and unaudited aliens?’
 - **Why, in bankrupt cities like New York, Chicago, or Los Angeles, where social services are overwhelmed with thousands of needy citizens, are we imploding such facilities with influxes of illegal aliens?**
 - Do we prefer the latter to the former? Does the Biden administration's message again read something like, ‘We care more about the health status of those south of the border than our own citizen poor in our own inner cities, so please surge on up?’
- **7- Who Pays?**
 - At \$34 trillion in debt, and with budget deficits normalizing at near \$2 trillion a year, where does America find the hundreds of billions, if not eventually trillions of dollars, to welcome in millions of the unaudited—all in need of immediate no-questions-asked entitlements, and for some years on end?
 - **Is California the model, where currently an estimated half of all illegal aliens reside and 27 percent of the resident population was not born in the U.S.?**
 - California, while experiencing hundreds of thousands of new illegal entries and a \$70 billion annual budget deficit:
 - Just extended free health care services to non-citizens who entered unlawfully.
 - More than half of the state's births are already paid for through Med-Cal.
 - One-third of Americans living on assistance live in California.
 - A fifth of the population struggles below the poverty line while the state runs up a \$70 billion annual deficit with the nation's highest income taxes and gas taxes and among the highest sales taxes.
 - No wonder over a quarter-million upper-middle-class taxpayers flee the state each year, unable to endure a 13.3% non-deductible, top state income tax rate on top of the 37% of their income that goes to the IRS.
 - No wonder there is a catastrophic current 25% drop in California income tax revenues when a single 1% of households pays 50% of all state income taxes—and is stampeding out of state.
 - Is Governor Newsom federalizing California, or spreading the idea that far too privileged Americans owe the poor of the world massive subsidies as a reward for breaking their laws in coming here?
 - **8- Ending Deterrence?**
 - **There are many reasons why foreign thugs are testing the United States**—Putin in Ukraine, the Chinese with a spy balloon over our native soil, Hamas by murdering Israelis, Iran's satellites by rocketing our military installations and ships abroad.
 - No doubt our woke, manpower-short military that fled from Kabul, leaving a multibillion-dollar trove of weapons, has lost the ability to deter opportunistic belligerents.
 - The Biden administration's obsequious courting of Iran, contextualizing Chinese aggression, and announcing our reaction to a Russian invasion of Ukraine would hinge on whether it was “minor” have all eroded deterrence. Now, in circular fashion, President Obrador no longer fears any reaction to millions from his country swarming into the United States, as he had in the past when Trump pressured him to control his side of the border. That he helped to blow up the border with impunity also, in turn, reminds aggressors abroad that a nation too afraid to protect its own sovereignty can hardly defend that of its allies.
 - **9- The DEI Narrative**
 - We, the hosts, no longer believe in the melting pot. Instead, cultural Marxists divide America into the automatically victimized, by nature of their nonwhite status, versus the victimizers defined by whatever “white” is conveniently classified at the moment.
 - **Class, history, and individual merit matter not so much in this 24/7 effort to reduce everyone to either oppressed or oppressor.**

- Under this racist binary, 99 percent of illegal aliens—who will be instantly categorized as the so-called nonwhite—will enter the U.S. with innate claims against the majority. Thus, they will become instantly eligible for everything from affirmative action preferences in hiring and admissions (the Supreme Court ruling will be a minor inconvenience for the Left, in the manner of the easily ignored California Prop 209) to race-based targeted equity programs and subsidies.
- And the message we send to the illegal immigrant? Certainly not unity, integration, and assimilation. Instead, we emphasize ethnic, racial, religious, and linguistic differences and fuel such divides. Such separatism pays cultural, social, and economic dividends in such a way that assimilation and integration earn rebuke, if not ridicule.
- **10- Cruel Irony?**
 - The woke Left defines America as incurably racist. So how could the nonwhite in the millions possibly flee their home countries, where they compose a majority of the population, only to seek out the one country in the world where they are told toxic “white privilege” is unsurpassed?
 - Did the millions swarming the Rio Grande not listen to the horror stories of Ilhan Omar or Rashida Tlaib? Do they not read the warnings of systemic this and that from Professor Kendi? Have they been briefed on endemic something by Ta-Nehisi Coates? Are they unaware of the messaging from BLM and Antifa? Were they not warned by President Obrador of the Inferno waiting ahead to the north?
 - **None of the millions apparently wished to be diverted to a quite diverse India, or China, a land of mandated equity, or the inclusionary lands of the homogenously Islamic Middle East.**
 - If the amorality of illegal immigration were not so deleterious to Americans, its absurdity would be laughable.

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[Leprosy, Polio, Malaria, TB, Measles... And Massive Unscreened Illegal Immigration](#) Authored by James Varney via RealClear Wire,

- **Successful public health campaigns and medical advances have enabled the United States to conquer a range of disfiguring and damaging diseases.** Polio, which paralyzed thousands of Americans annually, was wiped out by widespread vaccinations. In 1999 the nation's last hospital for lepers closed its doors in Louisiana. A global campaign eradicated smallpox, while lethal tuberculosis, the "consumption" that stalked characters in decades of literature, seemed beaten by antibiotics. Measles outbreaks still occur from time to time, but they are small, local, and easily contained.



- Recently, however, some of these forgotten but still formidable infectious diseases have begun to reappear in the U.S. For two years running, polio has been detected in some New York water samples, and this fall, leprosy re-emerged in Florida, where cases of malaria have also been recorded.
- Health officials say they are not sure why these and other infectious diseases are resurfacing. **One distinct possibility, which officials are loath to discuss, is that the millions of migrants who have crossed into the country in recent years could be bringing the scourges with them,** since many are from countries where such rare diseases persist and vaccination programs are not robust.
- **"The recent polio and leprosy cases are almost certainly imports to the U.S.,"** said Dr. Jay Bhattacharya, a physician and scientist at Stanford University, one of the most outspoken critics of official COVID-19 narratives in the last pandemic that later proved flawed.
- And the Biden administration, an aggressive promoter of often mandatory vaccination last time, now is offering little public comment on the connection between disease and the porous borders with which its immigration policy has become widely identified.
- Neither the [Centers for Disease Control](#) nor the [Department of Homeland Security](#) would discuss the issue with RealClearInvestigations. Legal immigrants are required to receive vaccinations for a host of diseases, but **the Department of Homeland Security acknowledged it does not have vaccination records for the millions who have entered the U.S. since the Biden administration relaxed border controls** upon taking office in January 2021.
- "It's not like there is some Typhoid Mary out there, but this is something people are seeing and thinking about, even if they don't want to discuss it publicly," said Art Arthur of the Center for Immigration Studies, which opposes the Biden administration's border policies.
- The reticence of federal agencies has not stopped some local officials, however, from raising public health alarms over massive immigration. New York City Health Commissioner Ashwin Vasan [warned in April](#) that at least half of the migrants who have poured into the city had not been vaccinated

against polio. The potentially paralyzing and life-threatening virus remains endemic in two countries in the world, Afghanistan and Pakistan, according to the World Health Organization. Since President Biden ordered what proved to be a chaotic withdrawal from Afghanistan in 2021, **an estimated 90,000 Afghans have come to the U.S. under the terms of Operation Allies Welcome.**

- It is not clear if those migrants met the polio vaccination requirement. DHS did not respond to a question about whether medical histories were reviewed in the fast-tracked entry of Afghans who got out of their country before the Taliban reimposed its control.
- Vasan’s warning pointed directly to the southern border, which has seen record-shattering arrivals on the Biden administration’s watch.
- **“More than 50,000 people have come to New York City in the past year shortly after crossing the U.S.-Mexico border,”** he wrote in an 11-page letter. “I am writing now to underscore how critical it is that health care providers take a wide range of considerations into account when working with people who are seeking asylum.”
- Citing outbreaks of chickenpox in shelters for illegal immigrants, Vasan also noted the arrival of newcomers who either began their journey in a country where tuberculosis is present or passed through such countries en route to the U.S.
- The New York City Health Department did not respond to questions from RealClearInvestigations or to a request to speak with Dr. Vasan, but the numbers have only grown since he sent his letter. Since spring 2022, more than 100,000 migrants had arrived in the city, and more than 67,200 were living in taxpayer-funded housing at the end of November, according to the New York Times.
- Last year, the first recorded polio case in the U.S. since 2013 was diagnosed in New York State, with the victim [described only as an “unvaccinated man.”](#) Also in 2022, poliovirus was found in the water supply of four New York counties, including Long Island, and New York City. Another positive test result was recorded in Rockland County this year, according to the state.
- In the U.S., polio vaccinations remain part of “the routine childhood immunization process” under which the CDC recommends four doses. Adults who grew up in the U.S. are vaccinated, [the agency said](#).
- The last occurrence prior to the New York diagnosis had been in 1979. **Since November 2022, the CDC has begun wastewater testing for the poliovirus,** so long extinct in the U.S., in selected areas, but the agency did not respond to questions about those investigations. It does provide information on [COVID and monkeypox](#), the latter a disease that primarily afflicts the gay population.
- A thorough investigation, exploring all avenues of transmission and trying to source a virus to its root, is common among virus hunters, and the idea that millions of people coming to the U.S. could inadvertently carry with them some infectious disease is but one possibility. For example, thus far researchers have been unable to pinpoint where the infamous Ebola virus originates in equatorial Africa.

'Historically Atypical Countries'

- The situation in the United States is further complicated by the fact that DHS officials don’t know where all of the more than 7.5 million migrants who’ve arrived since Biden took office are living. Those whom Border Patrol agents have encountered and processed have immigration court dates, but those dates are [years in advance](#). **Many people with uncertain immigration status lack health insurance and stay off the grid as much as possible,** meaning even if the U.S. launched some kind of vaccination program it would not know where to concentrate its efforts.
- In addition, the historic flood of illegal immigration during the Biden administration has also featured a much more global population. DHS uses the term [“historically atypical countries”](#) to describe the panoply of countries outside of Mexico and Central America from which illegal immigration has soared. Between 2011 and 2022, the number of annual encounters involving immigrants from historically atypical countries soared from fewer than 8,000 to almost 1 million. The first six months of 2023 saw more than half of official encounters – these numbers do not include what Border Patrol calls “gotaways” for whom little information is available – from historically atypical countries. But infectious diseases largely forgotten in the U.S. remain public health issues in both hemispheres, and many of those nations have much less robust vaccination programs than most modern Western nations.
- In 1988, when the World Health Organization launched the [Global Polio Eradication Initiative](#), wild poliovirus was evident in 125 countries, but the zone where it remains endemic has [shrunk to Afghanistan and Pakistan](#), with most recent cases occurring along the countries’ nearly 1,600-mile border, according to the CDC. **Vaccination campaigns have proved problematic under the militant Islamic fundamentalist Taliban, according to the CDC.** Oral vaccines in “parts of the south and northeast regions” are “allowed only at health facilities, mosques, and polio vaccination sites.”

- In March, Al Jazeera reported that the Taliban would allow a polio vaccination program for children, but precise figures on [the country's overall vaccination rate](#) remain unclear. The World Health Organization estimates that 76% of Afghanistan's children have received a polio vaccine.
- But some countries have even lower vaccination rates. On Nov. 30, for instance, some 700 people, including many from Senegal and Nigeria, walked into the U.S. at the Texas border. Only 63% of Senegal's children have been vaccinated for polio, and various fevers, hepatitis, and malaria are endemic there. [Measles](#), which the U.S. declared eliminated here in 2000, are an issue, too. The WHO estimates 22 million children [missed their first measles vaccine](#) last year and more than half of them live in just 10 countries, all of which fall in the "historically atypical" immigration list.
- Measles cases have risen in the U.S., from 13 individual cases in 2020 to 121 in 2022, according to the CDC. Recent outbreaks in Ohio and Illinois have all occurred among unvaccinated children, according to state health officials. **The age and nationality of victims is not made public, but the measles vaccination rate is below 70% in many countries that have sent immigrants to the U.S. recently.**
- While few are publicly pushing the panic button, some public health officials worry that a creeping mistrust of vaccines in the wake of the pandemic may make more Americans vulnerable to dangerous and even deadly scourges. Syphilis, for example, has been on the rise for many years but [rose sharply during the pandemic](#).
- COVID-19 has drawn the lion's share of attention from the public health bureaucracy since 2020, leading to shortfalls in other areas, some experts said.
- "All of these diseases are more prevalent in part because of lockdown policies which diverted public health resources and attention worldwide away from its traditional priorities of controlling the spread of these deadly infectious conditions," Dr. Bhattacharya said, referring to measles and other maladies.
- And just as there is no cure for polio, there is no vaccine for some infectious diseases. Malaria, for example, the mosquito-borne fever that killed more workers than yellow fever did when the Panama Canal was built, remains endemic in tropical zones, and its path to rare outbreaks in the U.S. usually follows either a trip made abroad or someone moving here, according to health officials in Florida.
- Department spokesman Jae Williams told RCI the exact sources of many infectious disease outbreaks in the Sunshine State remain unknown, but the huge increase in illegal immigrants could be a clue.
- **"It's always a possibility, and our most recent malaria cases appeared to be a strain from Central America,"** he said. In other words, the malaria could have been brought by a newcomer or picked up by someone who traveled there and returned.
- Central Florida this summer saw leprosy return, although the exact source remains a mystery, Williams said. Information about the age, sex, and nationality of victims is not public, and most of those who contracted the infectious, skin-disfiguring disease were [described only as "landscapers."](#) Various accounts have speculated armadillos are to blame, but armadillos are not newcomers to the region. The theory holds that somehow the leprosy bacteria, which generally requires prolonged contact and against which most humans have developed immunity over millennia, is in the dirt armadillos wallow in, and the cases that broke out among landscapers then would be linked to the animals they encounter.
- But leprosy is not endemic in Florida. It is most common in parts of southeast Asia, equatorial Africa, and Brazil.
- **"The influx of people, sure it's a problem and it's always a possibility,"** Williams said. "But we don't really know."
- Nevertheless, the questions are being asked with more frequency. On Dec. 19, Ashley St. Clair, a conservative commentator, set off a firestorm on X, formerly Twitter, that her Delta flight from Phoenix to New York was filled with people who had recently been processed, released, and brought to the airport by Border Patrol.
- "All the pilots, airline staff, and passengers want to know is: what medical screenings are being done?" [she wrote](#).
- Delta did not respond to questions from RCI about what knowledge it had been provided about its passengers.

FEAR – CLIMATE CHANGE

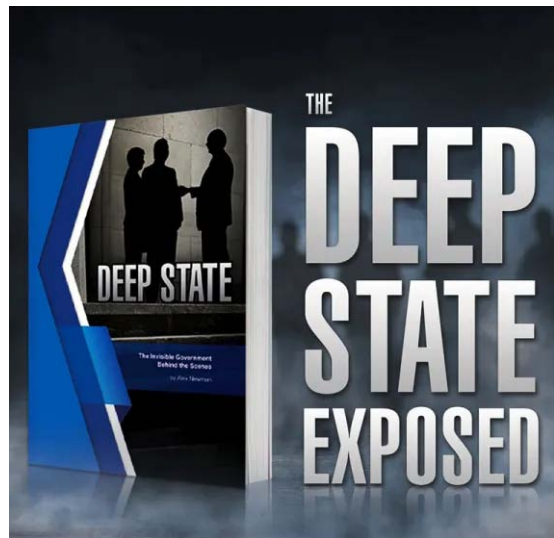
["They're Openly Telling Us They're Going To Brainwash The Next Generation Of Americans..."](#) Alex Newman Via Greg Hunter's USAWatchdog.com

Award-winning journalist Alex Newman, author of the popular book "Deep State," is back from the recent so-called COP28 conference in Dubai, UAE. Newman continues to report on the **not-so-secret plan to destroy everything in America by pushing scams on the West in energy and education.**

There is much more in the 38-minute interview. Join Greg Hunter of USAWatchdog.com as he goes One-on-One with hard-hitting journalist Alex Newman, founder of LibertySentinel.org and author of the new book called ["Indoctrinating Our Children to Death."](#) Newman is back to report on what he saw at the demonic anti-America UN COP28 conference in Dubai, UAE, for 12.23.23.

COP 28 & CO2

- Let's start with what Newman calls the "scam" of CO2 reduction. Newman explains,
 - *"The thing that really jumped out at me with this whole UN COP28 summit, my big take away... is **they were talking about phasing out carbon emissions and phasing out fossil fuels, but that's just for the suckers in the Western world.***
 - *That's just the United States under Joe Biden. That's just for European Union under their treacherous leaders.*
- **The communist Chinese, the Arab dictatorships, the Russians and all the different socialist kleptocracies, they were literally making oil deals at this summit.**
- *That's not my opinion, speculation or even exaggeration. We have the leaked documents showing the COP28 President, which was held by the United Arab Emirates (UAE)... that show they were plotting to make oil deals with Beijing. They were plotting to make oil deals with the Columbians. They were plotting to do oil and gas deals off the coast of Africa.*
- *So, on the one hand, the Western media and the United Nations are telling Westerners that you need to dismantle your energy systems. You need to stop all your coal fired power plants. Biden said he wanted to get rid of methane emissions...*
- *That would take out all the natural gas plants and take out 60% of our power generation in the United States. **The Arabs, communist Chinese and the globalists are laughing all the way to the bank. They are not really working on phasing out oil or phasing out fossil fuels. They are working on phasing out the Western world, which is also known as Christendom or the 'Free World.'**"*



While Newman was there, he saw several U.S. Senators at the conference. Newman said,

- **"I confronted multiple U.S. Senators about this.** I said, hey, the communist Chinese are bringing two new coal fired power plants on line every single week.
- **The Chinese CO2 emissions are massively larger than the entire Western world combined.** Are you saying we need to jump off a cliff and beg the Chinese to jump after us?
- *And the response was basically, yeah, we are going to ask them real nice. Give me a break.*
 - **They all understand this is a scam. They want to de-industrialize the Western world.**
 - **They want to shift economic and, ultimately, military power away from the United States and what used to be known as the 'Free World' towards the other pole in this multipolar world order that they are building, especially Beijing.**
- *The third world kleptocracies are going to play ball with the New World Order...*

- **John Kerry (who was at the COP28 conference) says, 'Nothing can stop this transformation. This is the biggest transformation in human history. Nothing and nobody can stop it.'** The United Nations had all these billboards and placards in Dubai that said the transformation was unstoppable...
- *All I can think of when they are saying this stuff, and I am seeing all the billboards, is that is very similar to what they said when they launched the Titanic. . . . The Bible says, 'Pride goes before the fall.' We will see about that, but **they certainly want the people in the world to believe this is unstoppable.**"*

Newman is especially worried about what the UN has planned for education and brainwashing the children of the world. Newman says,

- *"We actually got there on the COP28 'Education Day.' The first ad I saw said 'Education Transformation COP28.' This was a huge part of the festivities. **They are openly telling us that they are going to brainwash the next generation of Americans, Germans, Japanese, South Koreans and the West to believe this hoax with all their heart.** . . ."*
- **The brainwashing of our children and the dumbing down of our children is the most significant weapon in their arsenal.**
- *They will never be able to get this to pass unless they can brainwash enough of our children...*
- **We've got to protect our kids. If we don't stop the brain washing of our kids, it's all over."**

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CULTURE: Woke Peer Pressure

- ['High On Likes': Driving Under The Influence Of Social Media At The Crossroad Of Freedom & Serfdom](#) Authored by Thaddeus McCotter via American Greatness
 - It is not difficult to understand Big Tech's venal motives for catering to customers' psychology to increase their use of social media: the corporations' already humongous profits.
 - But the societal dimension of hardwiring youth to become hypersensitive to "social feedback"—i.e., "peer pressure"—within their network will have an immense and deleterious impact upon a free society.
 - *"Previous research shows that 78 percent of 13- to 17-year-olds report checking their devices at least hourly each day and 35 percent look at the top five networks 'almost constantly.'"*
 - *"There is a lot of panic surrounding this topic. We're trying to offer some good news and show that it is our desire for human interaction that is addictive – and there are fairly simple solutions to deal with this."*
 - *Adjusting the rearview mirror to 2020, the COVID pandemic provided the paradigm by which we can view the damaging effects of the administrative state's coordinating with Big Tech, Big Pharma, the legacy/regime media, academia, and their shock troops of left-wing trolls (paid and otherwise) to enforce its arbitrary and capricious effects upon the populace.*
 - *So, too, 2020 also showed how the administrative state and Big Tech could collude on election interference by denying and censoring stories about the Hunter Biden laptop.*
 - *Now, in 2024, through the deliberate, debilitating din of the Communications Revolution, **we can glean the insidious aim of the administrative state, Big Tech, and a host of***

leftist institutions and minions: the erosion of individual liberty and the perverse inversion of subordinating sovereign citizens into subjects of the government.

- For those whose decisions are driven in whole or in part by social media, they may well refuse to admit the problem as they wheel and whistle past the graveyard of individuality and liberty.
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DIVERSITY, EQUALITY & INCLUSION (DEI)

- [The Deception Of Today's Push For Diversity](#) Authored by Todd Hayen via Off-Guardian.org

"We must all be alike. Not everyone born free and equal, as the constitution says, but everyone made equal..."

Ray Bradbury, Fahrenheit 451

- A recurring theme in movies, television, and literature, is the "big lie."
- We've always heard the adage, "if you tell a lie big enough, and keep repeating it, more people will believe it." I think the original version of that quote is attributed to the Nazi propagandist [Joseph Goebbels](#). Although like with most historical references, Goebbels may never have said this.
- "Diversity" and the efforts toward achieving it, as described by the agenda, is a lie. A Big Lie. So is "inclusion" and "equity"—nice ideas, and in a sane world, nice ideals to work toward. But in our current "Bizarro World," all lies. In fact, as you well know, most of everything out there instigated and implemented by the "government" are lies. Big ones.
- Why these things are labeled "Big Lies" and not just plain 'ol little lies?
- The "woke culture" calls anyone who points out diversity as a bigot or racist. For example, if a person comments on the unique apparel of an ethnic group he runs the risk of being called a racist. A person who comments on an attribute of a particular race (good or bad), he is called a profiling bigot. If someone recognizes diversity and points it out, he is a racist. You don't honor diversity by cancelling anything that is culturally diverse. That doesn't make sense. Since these things have worked their way into the culture so deeply, identifying them and labeling them the way the culture does, qualifies as a big lie.
- I wrote a previous article about this titled: ["Pseudo-diversity"](#). The points I made then are slightly different than the points I am making now, but all similar. Here is a quote from that article that falls more in alignment with today's thoughts:

It seems I am stumbling with the term "diversity." Isn't that what all the fuss is about these days? Everyone seems to want to be identified and seen as unique, but at the same time they wish to have no uniqueness at all. The culture seems to be wanting to cancel out any thought, thing, idea, concept, skill, culture, biology, gender/sex, that claims uniqueness, a strength or weakness, a difference good or bad, but at the same time wants a unique title for all this as well as a recognized exclusivity. Inclusivity and exclusivity: there seems to be no tolerance for sameness, but also no tolerance for difference. Now THAT'S the formula for a mess.

- At the time that I wrote this, I was a bit perplexed as to why such a thing was happening. As with most stuff happening these days, it just didn't make sense. Why would they say one thing and then do another?
- **Why would the “woke culture” be so ready to decimate someone for a “non-inclusionary” remark, yet at the same time advocate the blind acceptance of such unique and eclectic views, not understanding that such unique and eclectic people are by their very nature are “not included.”**
- Am I the only one who sees this paradox?
- For a culture to truly be accepting of diversity, that culture must first allow diversity and not be so focused on making everyone the same—and thus unnoticeable. There is a fine line between bigoted prejudice and tolerance.
- **Tolerance is the operative word in a stabilized society.**
 - **Tolerance, flexibility, and resilience are on the side of the “unique, diverse, individual or group.”**
 - **As well as with the “majority” group which may be accused of cultural bigotry?**
- **Yes, hateful prejudice is a trait to attempt to eliminate, but not a realization that people are different.** We must encourage awareness of differences, and along with awareness of differences, people should be allowed, within reason, to express their awareness of those differences. *“Oh look, that man is black, that person has a penis but is dressed like a woman, these people are different than I am, I notice that, and I accept it, but some of it may make me uncomfortable.”*
- Maybe some of it I don't like, and if I feel it encroaches on my own quality of life, I may express that fact without violence or hate.
- *(A clear example of this is the plethora of trans “storytelling” events in elementary schools. Cannot we reject such activities without being labelled hateful toward trans persons?)*
- **To force people (through shaming) to love every lifestyle choice people make, and if they don't, to then be accused of being bigots, or worse, are arrested for a human rights violation, is not a good thing.** People should be allowed to be different. This axiom does not only apply to people who are attempting to be contrary to the “middle of the bell curve majority,” but also to people who are in the “middle of the bell curve majority.” They have just as much right to be accepted for who they are, including their own beliefs about self and worldview, and not be bullied or legally threatened into agreeing with choices they simply do not agree with (such as a requirement to address people by their chosen pronoun.)
- Yes, there is a grey area with all of this, and I do not mean to be bulldozing through this grey area with my sweeping comments. Although in my own personal worldview, I believe people even have the right to be racist, as long as they do not hurt anyone through their bigotry. I also believe a “better society” is created if these bigotries are eliminated. I believe the core of bigotry is a natural suspicion of differences. More integrated humans are less threatened by other people's differences. Although we may have a “right” to be threatened, it generally makes for a better society if we are not.
- **“Live and let live” is the fundamental model for peaceful co-existence here.** And we have, throughout our human history, tried to make a go of it. It is only recently that we seem to be making some serious inroads in this regard—until the agenda came along and mucked it all up. In other words, I do not believe that what we are experiencing regarding this insane “woke” crap is a natural organic phenomenon. The devil is making us do it, maybe quite literally.
- **Once again, the carrot-to-stick tactic is being used.** The carrot is the noble ideal of diversity, equity, and inclusion to all people of all cultures and ethnicities. Yeah, that's nice, we can go along with that! But then tell us all that we are despicable human beings for thinking men with penises and testicles should not be competing in women's sports, or that a person of color should not get the top brain surgeon position when they are not the most competent.
- **Tell us we are bigots and transphobic if we don't believe we should be required to guess someone's fantasy pronouns and wind up in jail or with a hefty fine if we fail.** Tell us we are wrong to think of certain cultures as having certain identifiable traits, particularly from different periods in history (such as a person born and raised in the Chinese tradition having particular dress attributes) without being accused of extreme insensitivity and a disgusting violator of diversity, equity, and inclusion.
- **Then we are punished for actually recognizing that people are different.**
- And we are punished for believing that not everyone is entitled to every prize out there, but indeed some people who have worked hard, or shown a particular skill are “included” in a special group exploiting those gifts, and others are indeed excluded.

- **That is equity.**
- Where is the equity in making everyone the same, everyone, regardless of their specialness or uniqueness or skill or talent or hard work, being herded into a singular "sameness" with everyone else?
- **Don't fall for this DEI carrot. It is a big lie and a nasty one at that. It creates resentment, anger, frustration, confusion, and sadness. And above all, it creates the opposite of what it claims to create.**
- Just what the doctor ordered and we all know where orders from the doctor lead us.

When DEI Becomes DIE: FAA Now Hiring People With "Severe Intellectual And Psychiatric Disability" Authored by Tyler Durden, Zero Hedge

- "I'm a fully paralyzed blind dwarf with schizophrenia and 80 iq."

INDOCRINATION: The Educational System

- **USA Is Not #1! These Are The Top-Performing Countries For Education** USA trailed behind in rank 18 with an overall score of 489...
- **The Battle For Higher Education** If you want to understand why we in the reform movement get so much hatred from the incumbents, look no further...

STANDARD OF LIVINGS; Removing the American Dream

- **Has A "Silent Depression" Already Started In The United States?** Many Americans are working as hard as they can, but they just keep falling farther and farther behind.
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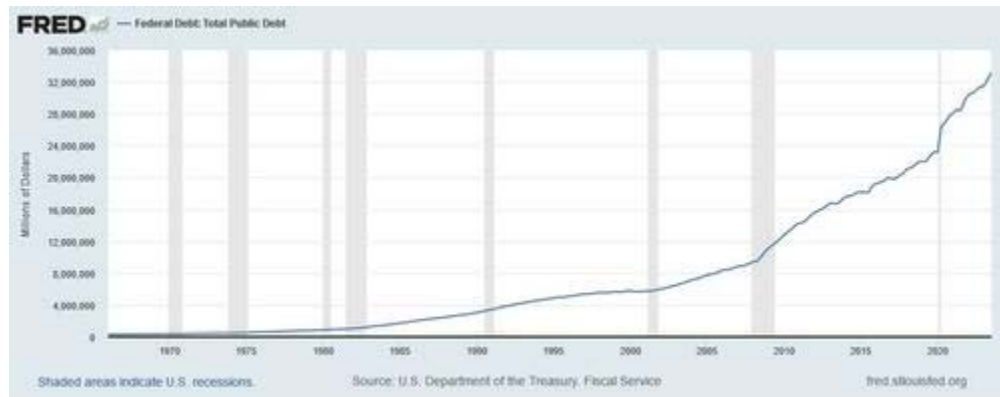
THE FOURTH TURNING – It is here - Neil Howe (Co-Author, Original Research)

Corruption, Chaos, & Conflict - The Fourth Turning Erupts In 2024 Authored by Jim Quinn via The Burning Platform blog

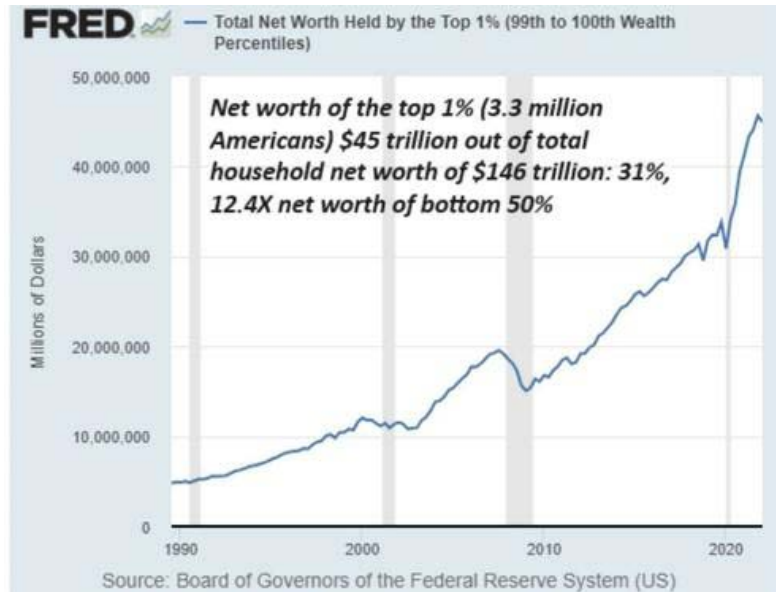
- *"Americans today are increasingly polarized, as if they constitute two separate nations."* – **Strauss & Howe – The Fourth Turning**
- *"THESE are the times that try men's souls. The summer soldier and the sunshine patriot will, in this crisis, shrink from the service of their country; but he that stands by it now, deserves the love and thanks of man and woman. Tyranny, like hell, is not easily conquered; yet we have this consolation with us, that the harder the conflict, the more glorious the triumph."* – **Thomas Paine – The American Crisis**
- Thomas Paine wrote these words 247 years ago, in the most historic year in our history – 1776. That was during the first American Fourth Turning. It's not a coincidence we are now in the midst of our fourth Crisis period in U.S. history, as they arrive like clockwork every 80 years or so, the length of a long human life. Paine's American Crisis began in 1773, ignited by the Boston Tea Party and the British reaction to this revolutionary act of defiance. Our current Millennial Crisis was triggered by the Federal Reserve/Wall Street/Government created financial disaster in 2008 and subsequent outrageously desperate, totalitarian, un-Constitutional, extreme acts designed to keep the ruling class in power, while impoverishing and enslaving the masses in a surveillance state techno-gulag.
- The polarization and fractures have become too deep to repair. The country, and the western world in general, are hurtling towards a darkening abyss of civil conflict, financial collapse, global war, societal chaos, and loss of life on a scale grander than WW2, the Civil War, and the American Revolution combined. Our technological advancements have outstripped our ability to intelligently, thoughtfully, and humanly, use this power for the benefit of future generations. The destructive deficiencies of human nature, such as: greed, desire for power, hatred, arrogance, resentment, and an unlimited supply of self-delusion, continue to plague our world, as only the most power-hungry psychopaths rise to the highest levels of government, business, religion, and finance.

- The immense technological power in the hands of egocentric, megalomaniacal, sadistic, billionaires and their highly paid toadies, lackeys, and apparatchiks, inserted throughout the media, government, academia, banking, and corporations, has pushed the world to the brink of Armageddon. We are entering the sixteenth year of this [Fourth Turning](#). Based on history, we can expect a climax of this Crisis in the 2030-to-2032-timeframe. The path to that climax is guaranteed to be violent and unforgiving.
- Neil Howe, in his new book – [The Fourth Turning Is Here](#) – tries to decipher the likely path of the remainder of this Fourth Turning. Having read the original Fourth Turning, his joint project with William Strauss (who died in 2007), in 2004, I was curious to read Howe's update on their generational theory of history. I met Howe for lunch in 2012 during the Occupy Wall Street protests and he correctly assessed that movement as a meaningless left-wing attempt to push their communist like agenda.
- The first book, written in 1997, showed no favor towards the right or left. It was a no-nonsense assessment of economic facts and historical precedents. There were no political agendas, which I now attribute to Strauss' influence, because Howe certainly lets his political views creep into his writings. This isn't surprising, as his consulting business is dependent upon Wall Street banks and mega-corporations. He owes his living to the establishment; therefore he won't shit where he eats.
- Howe's current left leaning political views seep into his current tome. He quotes Zelensky as some sort of patriotic leader, while portraying Putin as a thug, without giving any context regarding the 2014 CIA initiated overthrow of a democratically elected Ukraine president. He bought the covid scamdemic hook, line, and sinker, with no skepticism about the coordinated lockdowns and false narratives about masks, social distancing, and vaccines that never worked, but continue to kill. He believes the climate change bullshit narrative.
- His tone regarding Trump is clearly negative and he believes the 2020 election was perfectly legitimate. He expounds about the January 6 "armed" insurrection, without one word about the FBI, Pelosi, and the Washington establishment planning, coordinating, and exacerbating the fake "insurrection". His brain-dead accusations of violence by Trump supporters, while completely ignoring the murder and mayhem created by the BLM and ANTIFA terrorists, clearly reveals his allegiances.
- Be that as it may, there is no need to throw the baby out with the bathwater. His acumen regarding possible scenarios and outcomes are well thought out. Howe makes some very interesting predictions regarding the remainder of this [Fourth Turning](#), providing some very dark possibilities, along with some more unlikely optimistic outcomes. His research reveals Americans think the American dream is no longer attainable, civil discord will destroy our democratic institutions, and our global standing is in decline. All three fears are legitimate and coming to fruition as we speak. Howe captures the current situation in this passage:
- *"In the middle of a Crisis era, the social mood has reached an unstable balance of hope, fear, and dizzying uncertainty. Americans are like a compressed spring at the point of maximum potential energy. Internally secure yet externally threatened, they are ready for propulsive public action."* – [Neil Howe – The Fourth Turning Is Here](#)
- Events beyond their control are leading them towards their rendezvous with destiny and the speed has begun to accelerate, with 2024 slated to be a historic date in history, on par with 1776, 1861, and 1941. The exact events which will make 2024 historic are obscured by a dense fog of uncertainty, but we can make some educated guesses based upon our current economic circumstances, Biden's open border purposeful invasion, upcoming elections wrought with fraud, ongoing treasonous governmental and judicial operations, and deepening global conflicts already underway.
- Of the three possible paths laid out by Howe, the most likely appears to be the animosity between factions eventually leads to armed conflict within the country. Political dominance by one party is highly unlikely, with the country rallying around the flag against an external enemy. It is more likely our many external foes will take advantage of our internal conflict to further weaken our global hegemony. All paths lead to war at this point.
- I sense the delusional masses, still entranced by their electronic gadgets, unending access to debt, NFL fantasy leagues, and oblivious to the lessons of history, are frantically trying to fend off reality by shopping, eating out, partying at bars, and pretending all is well. Critically assessing their true situation is too painful for these snowflakes and gender bending enthusiasts. Their virtue signaling wokeness is about to meet the brutal reality of a violent Fourth Turning climax.
- *"And however much these paths may seem to differ from one another, they all move toward the same destination. They all push the nation toward a violent struggle requiring maximum mobilization. They all culminate in the Ekpyrosis, which will bring the era into a decisive consolidation, climax, and resolution."* – [Neil Howe – The Fourth Turning Is Here](#)

- The drivers of this Fourth Turning, as documented in 1997, continue to be debt, civic decay, and global disorder. They have propelled this Crisis since the outset in 2008 and are accelerating towards an explosive collision in 2024. The national debt at the outset of this Fourth Turning was \$10 trillion. It had taken 219 years to accumulate \$10 trillion of debt, with the majority amassed during this century. It has taken just fifteen years to pile an additional \$24 trillion of debt on the backs of Americans and future generations, if there are future generations.
- This doesn't even take into account the \$200 trillion of unfunded welfare and pension obligations tallied up by your government leaders. At the same time, the Federal Reserve increased their balance sheet from \$900 billion to \$9 trillion. With the rapid rise of interest rates in the last year, if banks were required to mark their assets to market, as they did prior to 2009, the entire banking industry, including the Too Big To Fail Wall Street behemoths, would be insolvent, along with the Federal Reserve. Does this seem sustainable to you?

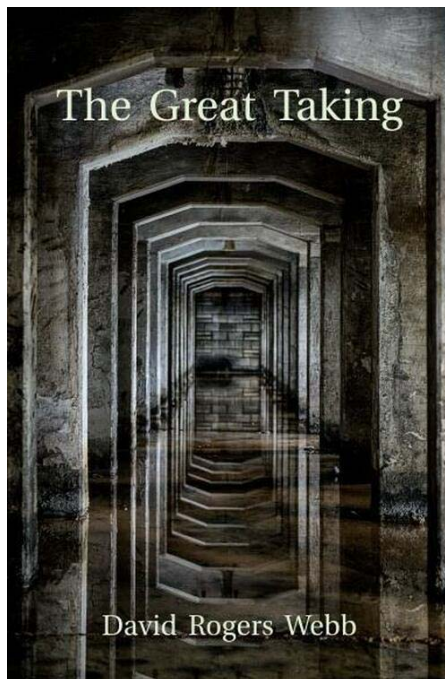


- Luckily for our teetering empire of debt, delusions, and deceptions, they can change the rules whenever it suits their purposes to extend and pretend until it all “suddenly” collapses, like a vaxed soccer player on the pitch. Of course, the U.S. is not alone in being burdened with unpayable debt and an unsustainable financial system. China and the EU countries are also insolvent and issuing debt to service their existing debt.
- The only major global power without a large debt problem is Russia, with a debt to GDP ratio below 30%, while the U.S.- 120%, EU – 90%, Japan – 220%, and China – 80% have accumulated perilous levels of debt and still growing. These debt levels and the domestic implications of unsustainable economies will lead shamelessly corrupt politicians and even dictators like Xi to provoke foreign conflict in order to distract their populations from their dire economic circumstances. A wag the dog type false flag is just around the corner.
- An man-made banker created economic disaster ignited this powder keg of debt in 2008, and the “solutions” rolled out by the ruling elites since have been designed to extend, pretend, and bend the minds of the masses, while fostering the perpetual pillaging campaign by the billionaire oligarchs who really run this world. The plebs have been destroyed by the relentless inflation purposefully created by Powell and his fellow central banker puppets of the [Deep State](#), while the lords of finance have reaped billions in ill-gotten riches.
- The “Haves”, who control the financial markets, media, and politicians, are ecstatic with the current paradigm, as the stock market hits new highs every day, while average Americans go deeper into debt to keep up with the Joneses, pay the rent, and put some food on the table. The U.S. is nothing more than a sophisticated technological looting operation at this point, as we await the Great Taking to be initiated by the oligarchs as their final solution.



- **The Great Taking** is David Rogers Webb's warning to those not on the inside about the coming seizure of all your assets (stocks, bonds, savings) by your own government in the name of some new contrived national emergency. You will sacrifice your life savings for the good of the country (aka **Deep State**). At this point it's just a matter of which comes first, The Taking, Global war, or Civil chaos caused by the ongoing election fraud. They are all coming and will merge into a category 5 hurricane of hell for the nation and the world.
- The Deep State continues its complete control over who gets "elected"/selected in this country, as they use the captured judicial system as a cudgel to crush the rule of law and our Constitutional rights. The Soros selected District Attorneys, Mayors, Governors, Judges, Secretaries of States, and various other low-level captured bureaucrats, are doing what they were selected to do – destroy the country's social fabric and create a chaotic disintegration of our community norms.
- A populace propagandized into a woke communist ideology and prodded into a buy now, pay later mentality, is unwilling or unable to accept that LATER has arrived. They will pay, one way or another. Multiple bubbles in stocks, bonds and real estate are all poised to pop, with the slightest provocation from a global and/or domestic blunder. We have now positioned our naval forces in the highly dangerous waters in the Middle East. Militarily supporting Israel and Ukraine has done wonders for our GDP, but it seems we are running out of ammo to defend our own country, as the invasion of our southern border accelerates. We are currently provoking armed conflict in Yemen, Syria, Gaza, Iraq, Ukraine, and Russia.
- All it will take is one lucky missile or unexpected hyper-sonic missile and our vaunted navy will see a vessel or two go to the bottom of the Red Sea. Then all hell will break loose. The rhetoric, threats and accusations of atrocities are ramping up, along with armed conflict across the Middle East. With the raging religious hatreds and centuries old struggles for land and power coming to a head, it will just take one of these psychopaths to ignite a global conflict. Meanwhile, China is biding its time for when they make their ultimate move on Taiwan. That would really roll a grenade into the party.
- Financial markets have ignored the worsening global conflict thus far, but what happens when Americans start dying in large numbers? If the markets are at all time highs based upon expectations of a strong thriving economy in 2024, why is the Fed signaling multiple interest rate cuts in 2024, regional banks are desperately clinging to the Fed's emergency bailout fund, commercial real estate is collapsing, housing has peaked, gold is hitting all-time highs, credit card debt is at all-time highs, layoffs are increasing, and the number of working age citizens is in free fall due to vaxx deaths and disabilities?
- But buy stocks because the Wall Street shysters and their media mouthpieces tell you it's the best time to buy. The only question at this point is what additional grain of sand will cause the sand pile to collapse. Will it be a foreign war, or will it be a civil war within our borders or something no one has even considered? I know most people dismiss the possibility of civil war, believing there aren't enough people willing to risk their lives for a just cause. Neil Howe seems to think it is probable.

- *“Roughly half of all Americans think a civil war is likely. And a growing number of social scientists agree that the United States now fits the checklist profile of a country at risk. Trust in the national government is in steep decline. Check. Respect for democratic institutions is weakening. Check. A heavily armed population has polarized into two evenly divided partisan factions. Check. Each faction embodies a distinctive ethnic, cultural, and urban-versus-rural identity. Each wants its country to become something the other detests. And each fears the prospect of the other taking power. Check, check, and check.” – [Neil Howe – The Fourth Turning Is Here](#)*
- Virtually no one believes civil war is possible, just as no one expected a civil war in 1860, as the presidential election approached. Truthfully, the civil war has already begun, but only those on the left, in conjunction with the FBI, CIA, Big Media, and other governmental agencies, are aggressively fighting. They are vigorously at war against the American people by rigging elections, arresting opposition leaders, and discarding the U.S. Constitution.
- The good guys have thus far been too civil. But the simmering anger of heavily armed rural, red state Americans is close to boiling over. All the signs are there, awaiting a triggering event for this undeclared war to engulf the nation. At this point a number of possible triggering events are possible.
- If David Webb is correct and those in power initiate the [Great Taking](#), the level of violence in reaction would be unprecedented in U.S. history. Maybe that is their plan. Biden and his handlers could use this event to declare a national emergency, suspending the presidential election because they were going to lose, and instituting martial law. Their attempt to lockdown the country and use the military against civilians would surely result in massive bloodshed, as local animosities would result in assassinations, wholesale slaughter of those considered disloyal to whichever side controls the high ground in that community. Previously petty disputes would suddenly become lethal disputes.



- Even if the presidential election is held in November, I don't believe either side will accept the outcome. We know the Democrats and their Deep State co-conspirators will cheat, rig and once again try to steal the election. If they fail, they will unleash their BLM, ANTIFA terrorist arm into the streets to create chaos as an excuse to not hand over power to Trump.
- With multiple states now attempting to unlawfully keep Trump off the ballot in their states, the animosity between the right and left grows ever deeper. The imprisonment of Trump or more radical attempts to steal the 2024 election will be met with violence from the here-to-for persevering right. Mixing this toxic domestic atmosphere with a deepening global chasm is a recipe for global disaster.

- As we have seen throughout history, the egos of psychopaths at the helm of nations often lead them to act irrationally and/or emotionally when it comes to committing their people to war. While the U.S. has further weakened its global hegemony with its disastrous forays into Iraq, Afghanistan, Syria and Ukraine; Russia and China have gotten stronger and more mutually committed to creating their own new world order. The USD as the dominant global currency is reaching its endpoint, marking the end of empire. Now Israel will further deplete U.S. resources and global stature with their war to wipe out Palestine. Once the dominoes begin to fall in a game of global warfare, all bets are off regarding possible outcomes. Neil Howe's worst-case scenario is certainly not out of the question.
- *"At worst, should at least one desperate country resort to WMDs, the outcome of a great-power war could prove to be even more devastating than that of a civil war. The toll could be almost unimaginable – with multiple cities destroyed, many millions killed, and many tens of millions displaced – all perhaps triggered by some ill-fated combination of the wrong leader making the wrong choice at the wrong time."* – [Neil Howe – The Fourth Turning Is Here](#)
- All scenarios for 2024 seem depressing and dark, but the odds still favor just continuing to muddle through as we have done through the first fifteen years of this Fourth Turning. I gave up trying to make specific predictions within a specific time frame years ago. It's a fool's errand as there are too many variables in the world to correctly predict which ones will drive the course of events within a one year time frame.
- What I do know is that **pessimism about the future continues to deepen, paranoia strengthens, trust declines, anger grows, and the arrogance of those running the show has reached epic levels.** We've been subjected to three years of propaganda about how the [Great Reset](#) will fundamentally transform our world, where we will own nothing and be happy. It seems this fits perfectly with David Webb's Great Taking theory of how we will ultimately own nothing.
- **There does seem to be a common thread running through everything happening in the last three years and appears to be on deck for 2024 and beyond.** It all revolves around this broad [Great Reset](#) concept pushed by Schwab, Gates, Soros, and the rest of the Davos elite. The entire Covid plandemic was engineered to introduce authoritarian measures and instruct the masses to obey their masters.
- The vaccine is now clearly revealed to be a depopulation weapon, killing off some suddenly; others through myocarditis, turbo cancers, and strokes; babies through miscarriages; and future generations through reduced fertility. And most still believe our overlords rolled these jabs out to save them. Trump is still crowing about his big, beautiful vaccines. He's either a fool or a charlatan.
- The climate change scam is hastening, as the war on farmers, meat, and fossil fuels is waged relentlessly by unelected bureaucrats and captured media mouthpieces. The EV scam is collapsing rapidly, as people with common sense see through it all. The Great Replacement of white people with third world savages is unabated, with the Biden Administration ushering them across the southern border, giving them phones and money, flying them to cities across the country, and paying for them to stay at upscale hotels.
- This is not incompetence, but treason. They have already used their predictive programming/brainwashing to prepare the masses for civil war and a massive cyber-attack. Your government will protect you, as long as you sacrifice your remaining liberties and rights. All that is left is the initiation of the [Great Taking](#). The "emergency" will occur on a weekend and by Monday morning your assets will be gone.
- This is their master plan, but we will have a say on whether it is ever successfully implemented. I wonder if these Davos psychopaths absconded with [The Great Reset](#) moniker from Strauss & Howe, as they used it to describe [Fourth Turnings](#) back in 1997.
- *"A Fourth Turning is a great reset."* – [Strauss & Howe – The Fourth Turning](#)
- A Fourth Turning great reset may be a surprise to Schwab and his totalitarian acolytes inserted in governments across the world. They are in control. They are running this shitshow. They are the establishment. They are reaping the benefits. They are suppressing dissent and the truth. They are the existing social order that traditionally gets swept away during a [Fourth Turning](#). 2024 may mark the beginning of the end for the Davos crowd and their iron grip on our spiraling society of chaos.
- The future course of history could be radically altered by actions taken by supposedly influential characters in this movie, but also by courageous deeds performed by average Americans who will sacrifice themselves to ensure future generations have a chance to live in a nation devoid of a psychopathic elitist ruling class.

- It seems like a long shot at this point, but giving up is not an option for those of us who still love this country. The four possible outcomes for this Crisis, laid out by Strauss & Howe in 1997, are as valid today as ever, and disturbingly close at hand. We will all have to do our part if we are to have any chance of producing a positive outcome to this Crisis. Happy New Year.
 1. *This Fourth Turning could mark the end of man. It could be an omniscidal Armageddon, destroying everything, leaving nothing. If mankind ever extinguishes itself, this will probably happen when its dominant civilization triggers a Fourth Turning that ends horribly. For this Fourth Turning to put an end to all this would require an extremely unlikely blend of social disaster, human malevolence, technological perfection and bad luck.*
 2. *The Fourth Turning could mark the end of modernity. The Western saecular rhythm – which began in the mid-fifteenth century with the Renaissance – could come to an abrupt terminus. The seventh modern saeculum would be the last. This too could come from total war, terrible but not final. There could be a complete collapse of science, culture, politics, and society. Such a dire result would probably happen only when a dominant nation (like today's America) lets a Fourth Turning ekpyrosis engulf the planet. But this outcome is well within the reach of foreseeable technology and malevolence.*
 3. *The Fourth Turning could spare modernity but mark the end of our nation. It could close the book on the political constitution, popular culture, and moral standing that the word **America** has come to signify. The nation has endured for three saecula; Rome lasted twelve, the Soviet Union only one. Fourth Turnings are critical thresholds for national survival. Each of the last three American Crises produced moments of extreme danger: In the Revolution, the very birth of the republic hung by a thread in more than one battle. In the Civil War, the union barely survived a four-year slaughter that in its own time was regarded as the most lethal war in history. In World War II, the nation destroyed an enemy of democracy that for a time was winning; had the enemy won, America might have itself been destroyed. In all likelihood, the next Crisis will present the nation with a threat and a consequence on a similar scale.*
 4. *Or the Fourth Turning could simply mark the end of the Millennial Saeculum. Mankind, modernity, and America would all persevere. Afterward, there would be a new mood, a new High, and a new saeculum. America would be reborn. But, reborn, it would not be the same.*

CONCLUSIONS

CONSENSUS LEADERSHIP versus VISIONARY LEADERSHIP

The quite literally, thousands of well researched articles make it pretty clear there is a major plan for a New World Order underway. It is highly organized, well funded and so well entrenched it is almost impossible to now stop.

It is so massive that it is impossible for a document like this to begin to adequately cover the subject in a short Thesis without leave so much conjecture on the table that few will believe it. I have therefore tried to let the research speak for itself. Hopefully it will lead you to embellishing the work here in a way you can draw your own conclusions.

Even conclusions are difficult because they seem unsubstantiated without a "smoking gun". Everything is rife to simply shrug off the research as "conspiratorial". President JFK was assassinated in 1964 by a lone gunman. Today all the long held conspiracy theories are proving well founded as that generation's death bed testimony comes to light.

The approach we have taken here is to compile the research (over 1000 articles), select the most credible and present them for you to draw your conclusions without simply laying out our conclusions.

However, you would no doubt be disappointed if we did not distill our conclusions! Therefore here are ours:

NOT A CONSPIRACY BUT A WELL, ORGANIZED, EVER CHANGING "CONSENSUS" PLAN OF GLOBAL LEADERS & INFLUENCERS

There are literally thousands directly involved in the plan. However, when you get large numbers of people, always changing on a global basis not only does the plan change but the plan itself can become distorted.

Such an effort is exposed to the merging of Group Think and the outcome that comes out of a committee. That is best described as "a camel is a horse designed by a committee".

GROUP THINK + DESIGN BY COMMITTEE

It may be terribly distorted but it is nevertheless being worked on and ever evolving.

The other reality is the funding of sovereign states by taxation no longer meets the realities and expectations of the public that a government can deliver. The social safety net, infrastructure, control and management have become near impossible. This is reflected by politicians having the lowest trust metric of anything it can be compared to.

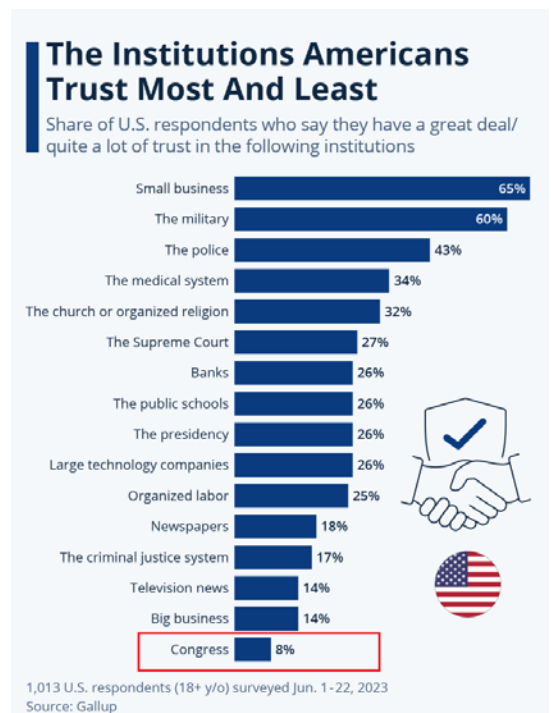
The natural evolution suggests that a better approach must be found to fund the central agency now called the government, often referred to as the Deep State but soon to be nothing more than the Regulatory State or Administrative State

There is an old adage about discovering the truth. It is normally at the core of the explanation.

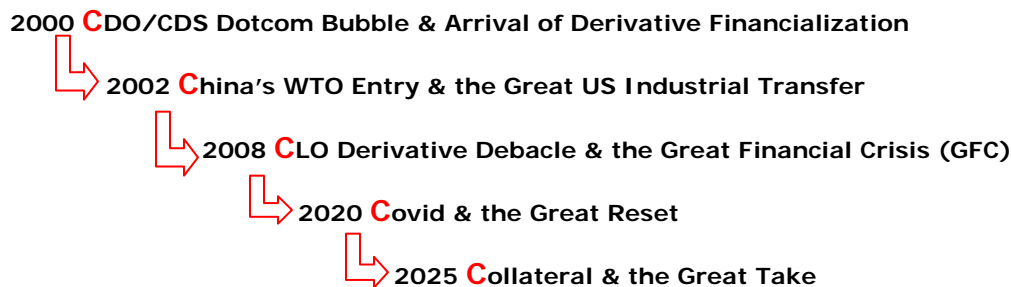
"Always follow the money".

Whether it is about who gets it, who gives it up, where it comes from or where it goes often explains a lot of questions. The reasons for and the Raison D'être for the Regulatory State is about money – large amounts of money. It is about financing and controlling a global economy.

FUNDING A SOVEREIGN STATE (TAXATION) = THE CONTROL OF WEALTH CREATION & DISTRIBUTIONKEY



MILLENNIAL MILESTONES - THE TIME LINE



- 1- **2000 CDO/CDS Dotcom Bubble & Arrival of Derivative Financialization**
 - The first Derivative Crisis resulted in the 2000 Dotcom Bubble implosion,
 - Root Cause: Collateralized Debt Obligations (CDO) using Credit Default Swaps CDS
 - Objective: Explosion in use of Derivatives and Financial Markets to achieve global "Financialization" of trading assets at historic valuation & leverage levels.
 - Disconnected markets from the real economy of sovereign states.

- 2- **2002 China's WTO Entry & THE GREAT US INDUSTRIAL TRANSFER**
 - China's entry in the World Trade Organization allowed global labor arbitrage to occur and with it the acceleration of Globalization.
 - The stripping of the US manufacturing base and effective de-Industrialization of US and its source of trade balance.
 - US now doomed to trade deficits and with it the acceleration in the assumption of un-payable and indistinguishable debt.
 - US debt allowed explosion of leveraged debt based on the growth of the Euro Dollar.

- 3- **2008 CLO Derivative Debacle & THE GREAT FINANCIAL CRISIS (GFC)**
 - The second Derivative Crisis resulted in the collapse of the US Mortgage financiers, Major Bank Failure (Lehman, Bear Stearns), Insurance (AIG),
 - Root Cause: Collateralized Loan Obligations (CLO) and MBS/ABS Structures
 - Driven by US financing being driven by short term lending vehicles
 - Forced the removal of "Market to Market" bank accounting for Derivatives which removed any limits to the growth of derivative and swap vehicles
 - Employment of "Novation" & "Rehypothecation" through Collateral Swaps and other structures that obscured the legal entity of where the actual collateral title was held

- 4- **2020 Covid & the GREAT RESET**
 - Broad use of narrative control, compliance, censorship, surveillance, woke-ism as part of the role of the emerging Regulatory State,
 - The first major exercise in the use of unconstitutional mandates, lockdowns and government demands that bordered on "Marshall Law",
 - Weaponization of security organizations (FBI, CIA, Homeland Defense), Justice Department (DOJ) and others (IRA, ATF) against political rivals.

- 5- **202X Collateral & the GREAT TAKE**
 - The use of a Global Debt Crisis to deliver social compliance to a new central governing structure.
 - Seizure of all collateral assets to create the new playing field.

HOW WILL THIS UNFOLD GOING FORWARD?

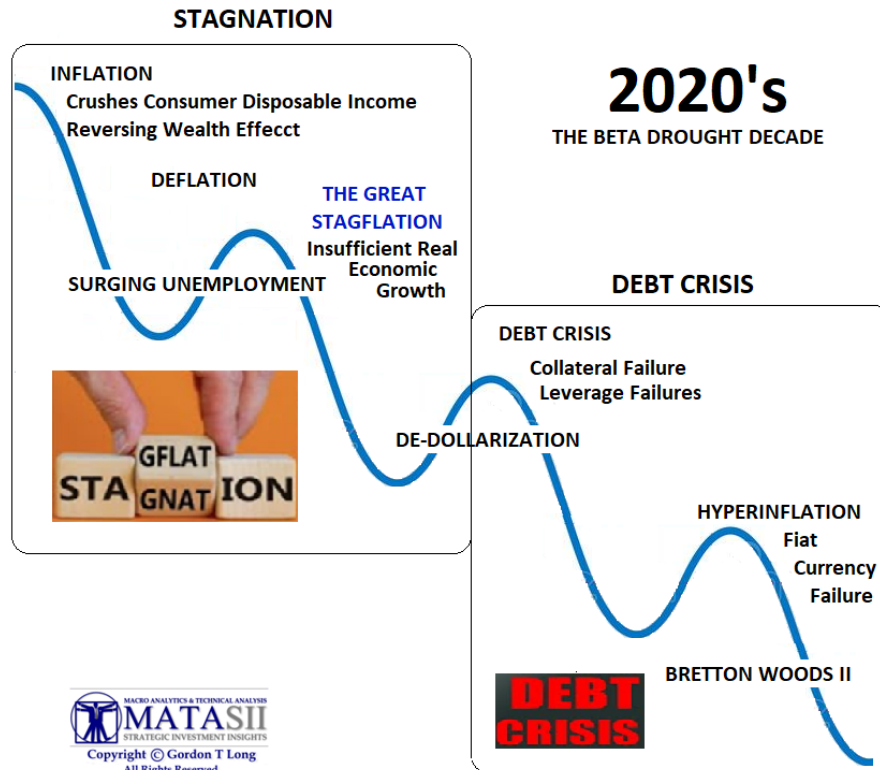
EXPECTED STAGES

- 1- Economic Stagnation
- 2- Economic Stagflation
- 3- Debt Crisis

- 4- Fiat Currency Collapse
- 5- Collateral Control

MILESTONE STAGES

We laid out the details of this schematic in last year's thesis paper: **The Great Stagflationary Debt Crisis**



COLLATERAL REIGNS

What is the Great Taking?

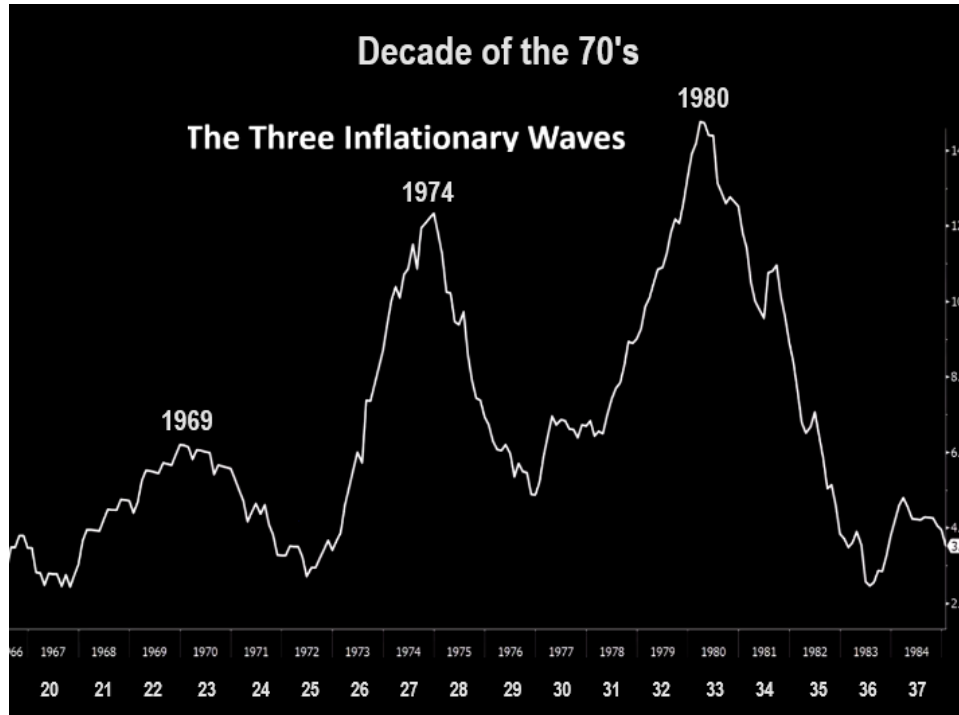
THE GREAT TAKING: It is about the taking of collateral, all of it, the end game of this globally synchronous debt accumulation super cycle.

- This is being executed by long-planned, intelligent design, the audacity and scope of which is difficult for the mind to encompass.
- The controlling brokers of power & influence have spent years to prepare for a 'super-cycle' collapse that will necessitate the transition to a New World Order, with them still in control.
- Included are all financial assets, all money on deposit at banks, all stocks and bonds, and hence, all underlying property of all public corporations, including all inventories, plant and equipment, land, mineral deposits, inventions and intellectual property.
- Privately owned personal and real property financed with any amount of debt will be similarly taken, as will the assets of privately owned businesses, which have been financed with debt. If even partially successful, this will be the greatest conquest and subjugation in world history.
- We are now living within a hybrid war conducted almost entirely by deception, and thus designed to achieve war aims with little energy input. It is a war of conquest directed not against other nation states but against all of humanity.
- There are now no property rights to securities held in book-entry form in any jurisdiction, globally. In the grand scheme to confiscate all collateral, dematerialization of securities was the essential first step. The planning and efforts began over half a century ago.

THE STEALTH WEAPON OF CHOICE IS INFLATION

Inflation delivers two drivers towards the coming Global Debt Crisis. It is both a stealth tax as the government gets the use of the newly created money that is at the root of inflation and the increasing side of a non payable and non dischargeable national debt. Both together when increasing at a faster rate than GDP ensures a sovereign debt crisis.

Inflation once released is nearly impossible to stop as it becomes part of expectations. We have noticed that like pandemics it often comes in waves before ending. In Pandemics the waves becomes sequentially smaller. Inflation often become larger. The 1970 decade of inflation is an excellent example.



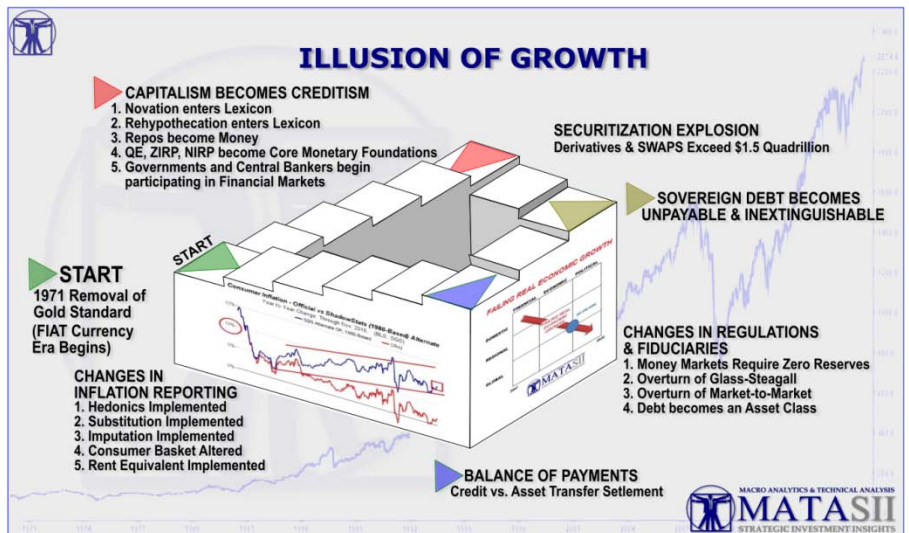
The coming Inflations waves will be built on three sequential stages:

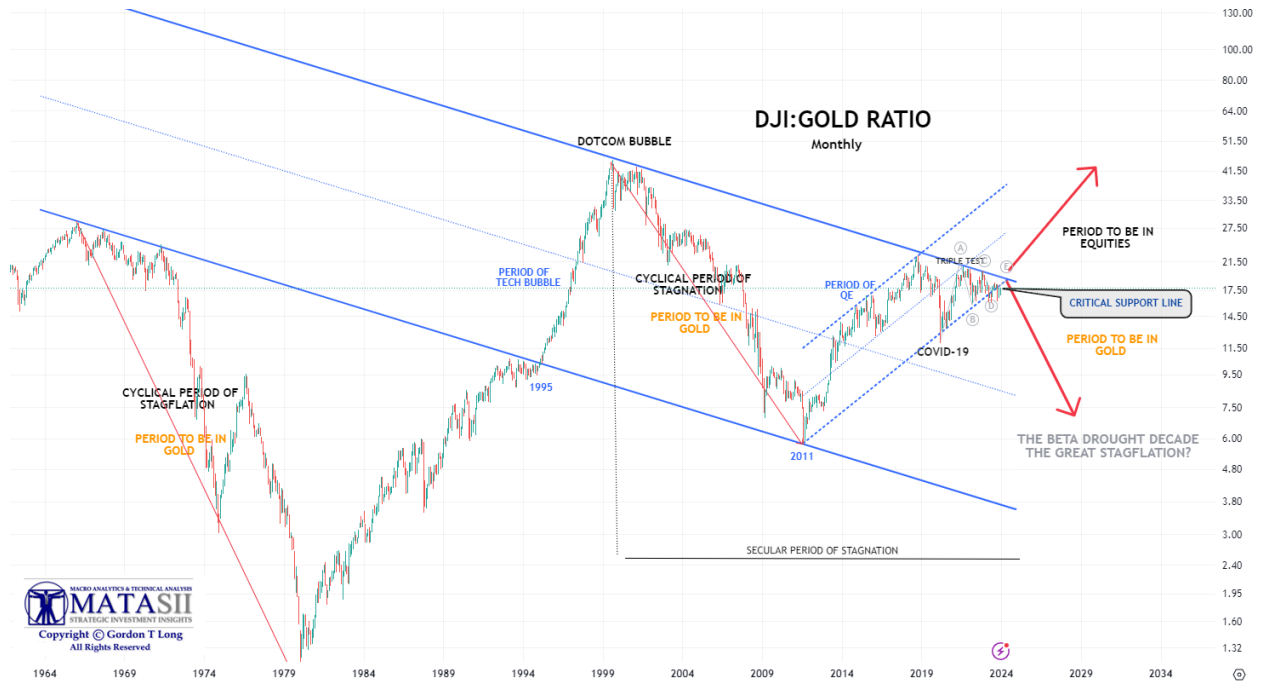
- 1- Stagnation
- 2- Stagflation
- 3- Hyperinflation

The US has been in a state of stagnation for the last two decades since the Dotcom Bubble implosion which has been hidden by flawed use of statistics.

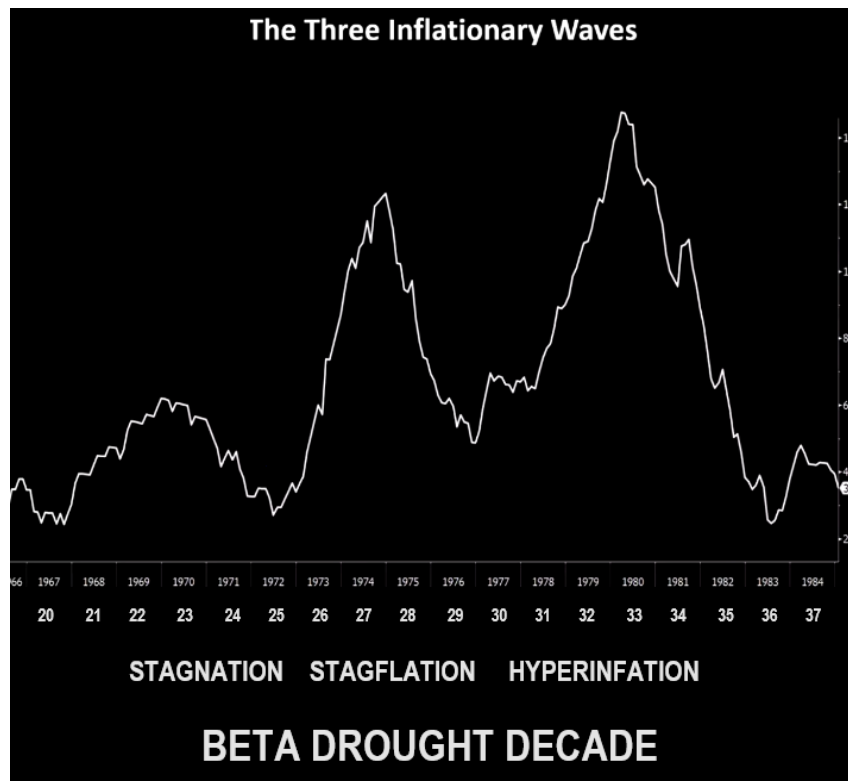
We laid this out in our [2017 Thesis paper entitled "Illusion of Growth"](#).

When we remove the "Fiat Currency" element from the measure we can see this more clearly when we look at the long term DJI:Gold ratio (graphic below)



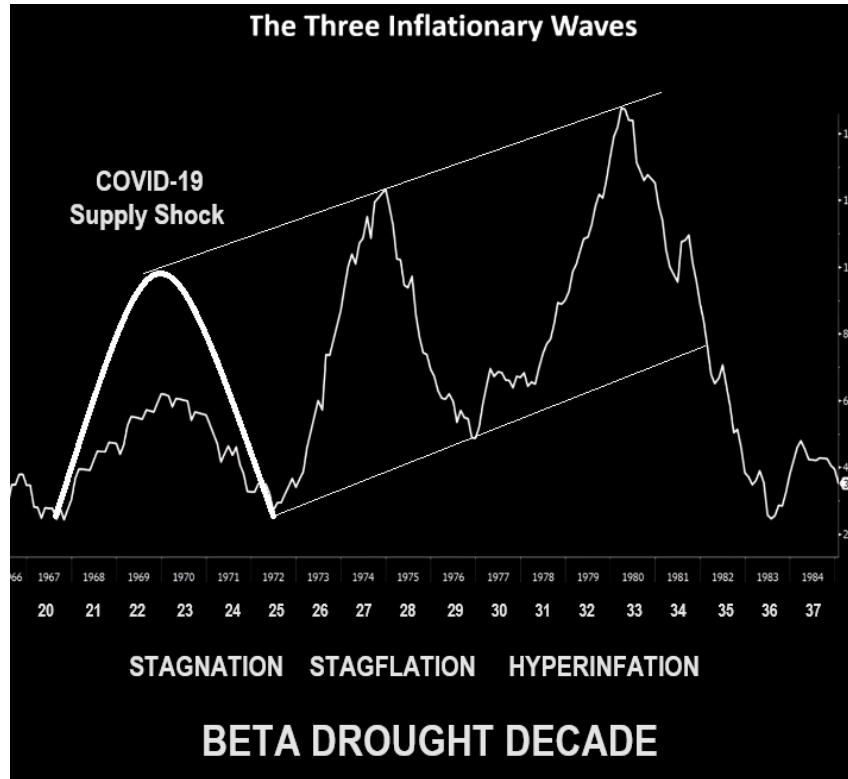


Are research also suggests the US is now in what can be best termed as the “BETA DROUGHT DECADE” which will see real, after tax investment returns and wages plummet with the US standard of Living.



The Covid-19 Pandemic was a shock, yet not fully appreciated, to the global financial system. The debt incurred by it based on poor policy decisions has resulted in Debt-to-GDP levels of sovereign countries dramatically increasing across the globe.

The disruptions to the global supply chains and the assumption of large scale debt increases resulted in the first wave of Inflation. An inflation larger than the first wave of US inflation in the 70's and global in scope.



Our research suggests that as economic stagflation increases (high inflation and low economic growth) the second Inflation wave will hit.

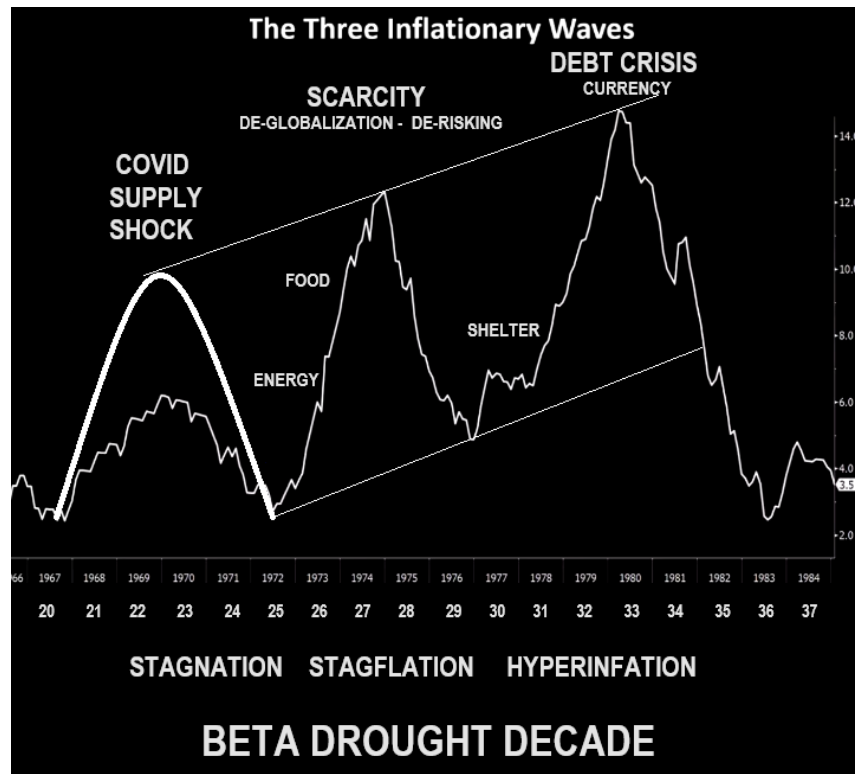
THE SECOND WAVE - SCARCITY will be again global in scope but be built primarily on government policy decisions that result in scarcity.

SCARCITY

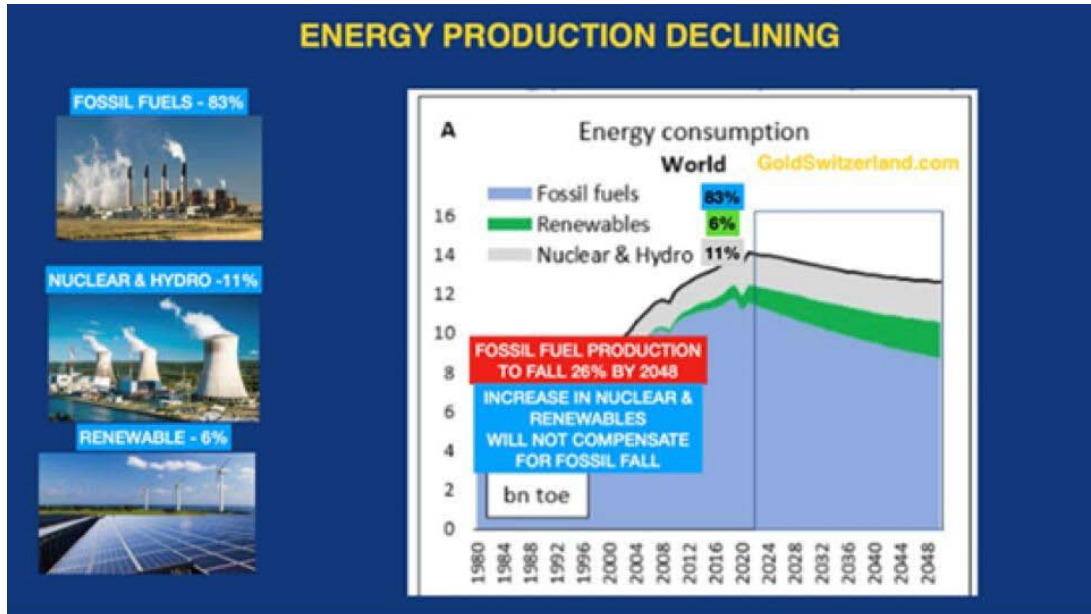
- **Energy Policy** – Fossil Fuels, Natural Gas restrictions

["2025 Is When the World Will Be Short Of Oil": Occidental CEO Warns Oil Supply Crunch Begins Next Year](#)

- The ratio of discovered resources versus demand has dropped in recent decades and is now at around 25%.
- Oxy CEO Hollub: "2025 and beyond is when the world is going to be short of oil."
- Oil industry executives have been warning that new resources, new investments, and new supply will be needed just to maintain the current supply levels as older fields mature.



- The focus of the energy sector and the debates on the energy transition should be on [how to cut emissions](#), not on reducing oil and gas production.



What very few people realize is that the world's prosperity does not improve with more debt but with more and cheaper energy.

- Food Policy** – Methane Gas, Fertilizer and Transportation costs

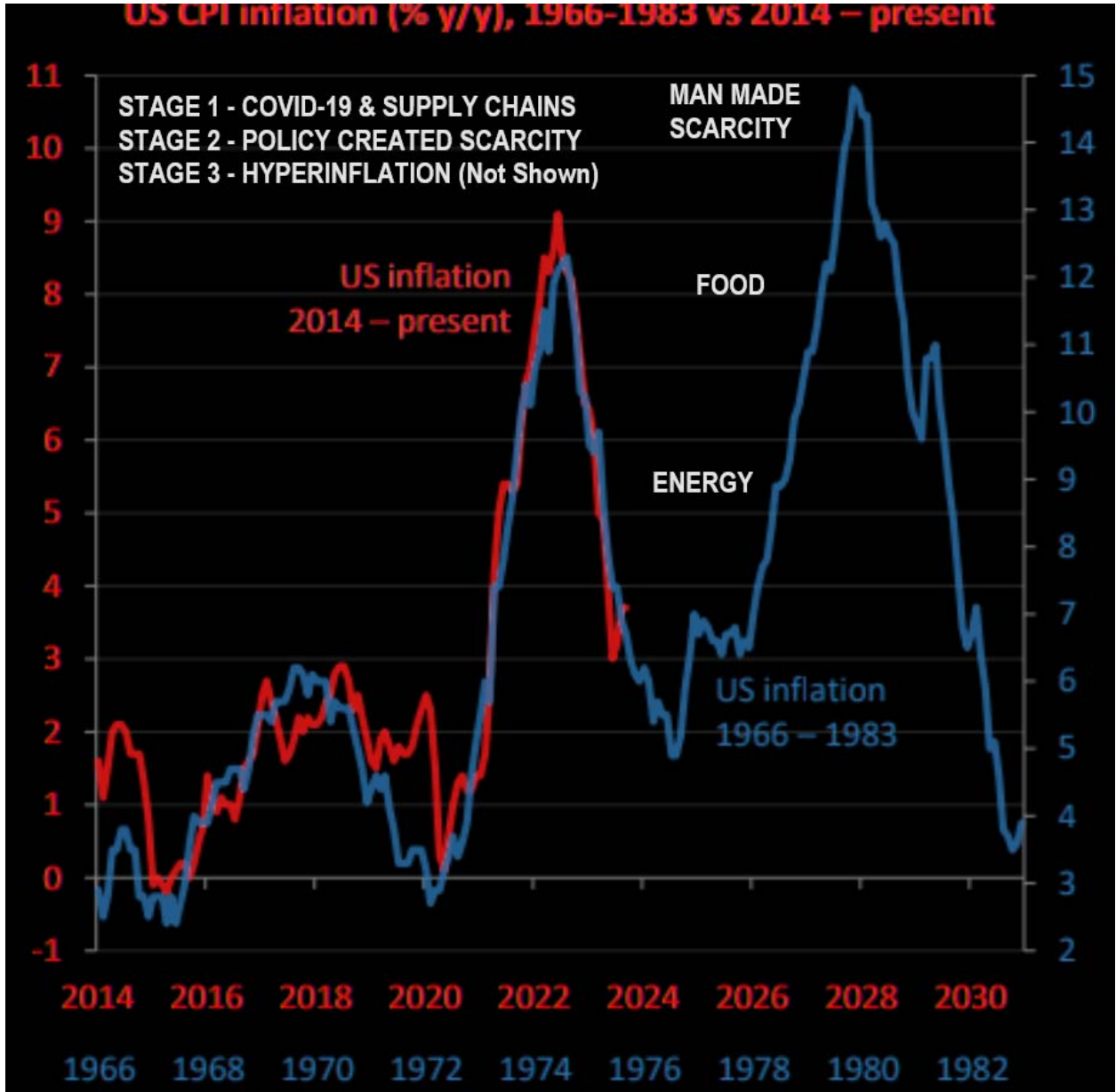


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Scarcity will also arise from increasing global conflicts due to countries fighting for a slowing growth of the same economic "pie".

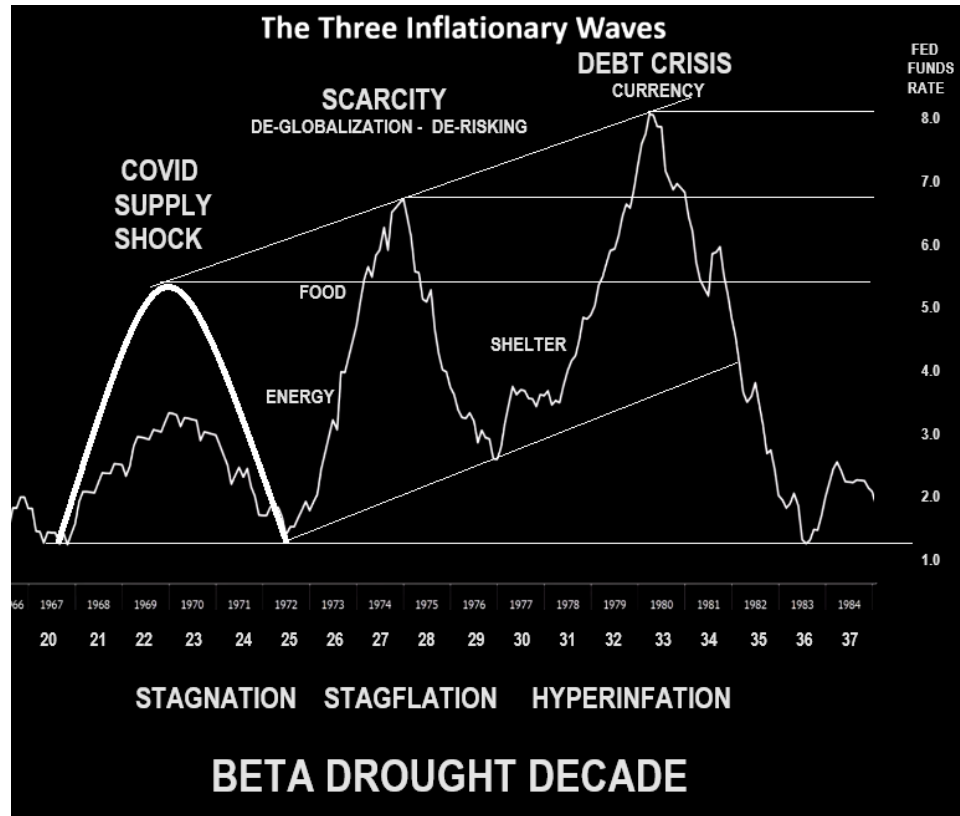
- De-Globalization (De-Risking, Reshoring)
- De-Financialization (Higher Levels of Interest Financing due to Duration Risk Premiia)
- Reduced Mercantilism (Higher levels of Foreign Buying of US Debt due to shrinking FX Growth Rate)

"Will the forces of Decarbonization lead to a mimic of the 1970s inflation double top this decade?"



THE THIRD WAVE – Currency Debasement

This will be the result of the forced debasement of Fiat Currencies.



THE "PINS" ARE NOW IN PLACE

[THE CEO OF IIF \(INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF FINANCE SOUNDS ALARM AT DAVOS 2024](#)

- IIF CEO Tim Adams sounded the alarm on rising levels of debt at the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland. **The global banking industry's premier trade group** said that worldwide debt climbed to a record of \$307.4 trillion in the third quarter of 2023, with a substantial increase in both high-income countries and emerging markets. The IIF said it expected **global debt to reach \$310 trillion by the end of 2023, warning that elections in more than 50 countries and regions this year could usher in a shift toward populism that brings with it still-higher debt levels.**
- "We have a huge fiscal problem everywhere, including the U.S. We're running deficit at 7% of GDP. We need sobriety, and we need to focus on how we are going to get our fiscal house in order," he added.

"We have a debt problem globally. We have the highest levels of debt in a non-war period in modern history and it's at the corporate, household, sovereign, sub-sovereign [levels],"

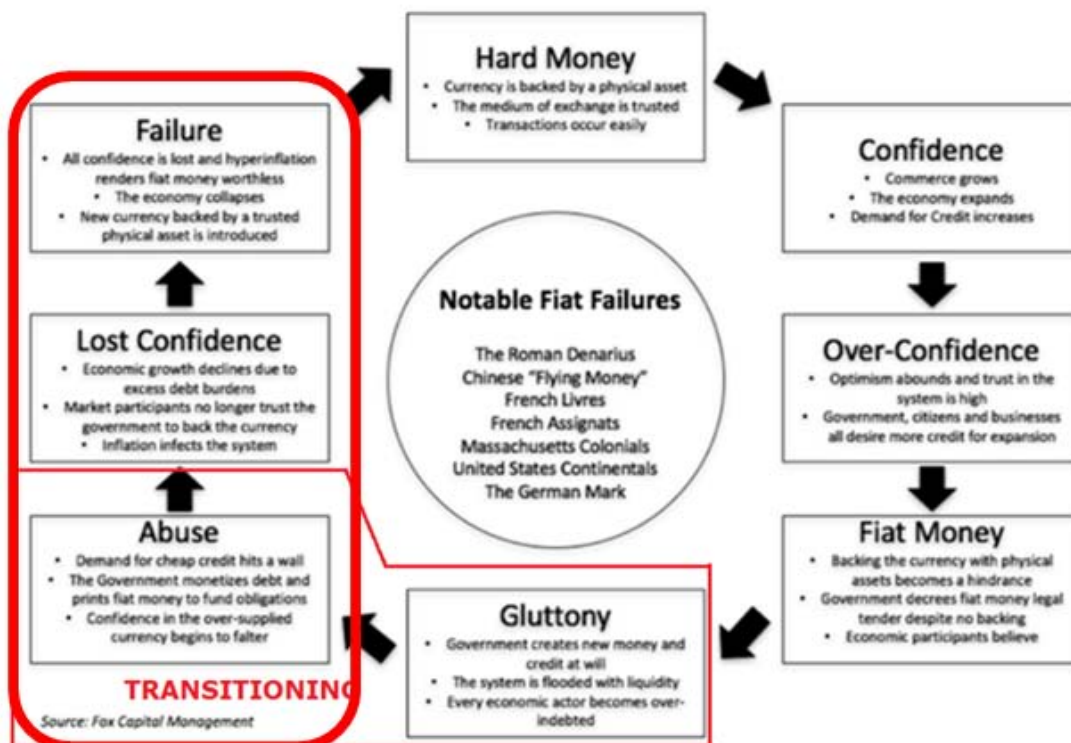
"It matters because of demographics. We have aging populations in so many parts of the world, from China to across Europe to the U.S. and Japan. We need to build that capacity and deal with that huge debt overhang going forward. And this is in peacetime, so the question is how to do we do this quickly and in an intelligent fashion. But we all need to focus on the fiscal imbalances."

[Corporate debt defaults soared 80% in 2023 - S&P](#)

- "The number of companies that failed to make required payments on their debt totaled 153 for 2023, up from 85 the year before, an increase of 80%", according to S&P Global Ratings.

- "In 2024, we expect further credit deterioration globally, predominantly at the lower end of the rating scale (i.e. +20% of listed corporations are now 'zombie' corporations)" the firm said.
- Corporate America, which, according to the Federal Reserve, is carrying a \$13.7 trillion debt load. Company debt has jumped 18.3% since 2020 as companies took advantage of the Fed slashing interest rates in the early days of the Covid-19 pandemic.
- "In 2024, we expect further credit deterioration globally, predominantly at the lower end of the rating scale (rated 'B-' or below), where close to 40% of issuers are at risk of downgrades," the firm wrote. "We expect financing costs to remain elevated despite the prospect of rate cuts. And while borrowers have reduced their 2024 maturities, a large share of speculative-grade debt is expected to mature in 2025 and 2026."
- Some economists worry that a "corporate debt cliff" could become a more serious problem as a large share of maturing debt that initially was financed at very low rates comes due in the next few years.
- The burden, both in the U.S. and globally, could be exacerbated by "slower economic growth and higher financing costs" that could contribute to defaults, S&P said. Along with media and entertainment, the firm sees potential trouble spots in consumer products and retail because of a weaker economy "and the already elevated number of weakest links in those sectors."
- But the damage won't be isolated in those areas, as S&P sees higher rates causing more widespread pain to sectors such as health care, which is suffering from elevated debt and staffing problems that are constraining revenue.

The Fiat Currency Cycle



THE LAST PHASE OF THE DOLLAR DEBASEMENT NEXT

This very final phase of the dollar debasement to zero really started on June 29, 2022 when the US decided to seize all Russian financial assets.

That action was the nail in the coffin (as well as the shot in the foot) of the Petrodollar system. This has been in place since 1973 to support the dollar with a payment system for black gold since yellow gold was no longer supporting the dollar.

To seize a major sovereign state's (Russia's) assets can never end well. And then to give those assets to an enemy of that state (Ukraine) is guaranteed to seal the fate of the dollar dominant currency system and its backers.

This is what Yellen said to House Financial Services Committee in August 2023:

- *"The dollar plays the role it does in the world financial system for very good reasons that no other country is able to replicate, including China. We have deep liquid open financial markets, strong rule of law and an absence of capital controls that no country is able to replicate..... But the dollar is far and away the dominant reserve asset."*
- "Deep liquid financial markets" means "we" have until now been able to create unlimited amounts of worthless fiat money.
- "Strong rule of law" means that whoever totally obeys the US increasingly totalitarian system, like for example the Patriot Act, is protected by the law.
- And as regards capital controls, FATCA (Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act) that the US forced upon the world's financial system in 2014 has led to a total US control of the global financial system.

... and as regards "the dollar is far and away the dominant reserve asset", not for long Mrs Yellen.

- Has Janet heard of De-Dollarisation, has she heard go the BRICS and has she understood that the runaway debts and deficits are destroying the fabric of the US economy and financial system?
- Yes of course she knows all of this and she also knows that she can't do anything about it except to print more money. So her principal role is to keep the pretences up and hope that the system will not collapse on her watch. And then hopefully she can unscathed pass the baton to the next treasury secretary so that he/she can get the blame.

In the US this is unfolding in the manner we have previously laid out in our writings through the following schematics.

POLICY	CENTRAL BANKS	ECONOMY
SOUND MONEY - Non-FIAT Currencies, - Policies	INDEPENDENT "SUPERVISOR" <i>"Take the Punch Bowl Away!"</i>	MONEY A "STORE OF VALUE" SOUGHT AS A RESERVE CURRENCY
VELOCITY OF MONEY		
CONSUMPTION & CREDIT versus INVESTMENT & SAVINGS CREDITISM versus CAPITALISM	"PUSHERS" OF LIQUIDITY, FLOWS & CREDIT	FINANCIAL REPRESSION <i>"MacroPrudential Policies"</i>
ECONOMIC STAGNATION		
"DEMOCRATIC SOCIALISM" - Finance Entitlements - Fiscal Irresponsibility	GOVERNMENT POLICIES - Finance Government, - Financial Stabilization	MONETIZATION OF DEBT - Currency Debasement

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POWERFUL SOCIAL, POLITICAL & ECONOMIC FORCS

We can all sense and tell that there is something sinister going on! It is all around us but somehow hard to articulate.



The real onslaught began coincident with the Covid-19 pandemic restrictions.

- o It initially came with mask mandates, then
- o Shutdowns and mandates that cost people their jobs and careers,
- o The triumph of woke ideology,
- o The intense push for EVs and elimination of any gas powered home utility equipment,
- o The wild ramp-up in weather paranoia with to augment the raging "Climate Crisis",
- o A rampant gender dysphoria and denial of chromosomal reality – 2SLGBTQI+

2SLGBTQI+

2S at the front, recognizes Two-Spirit people as the first 2SLGBTQI+ communities

L Lesbian
G Gay
B Bisexual
T Transgender
Q Queer
I Intersex, considers sex characteristics beyond sexual orientation, gender identity and gender expression
+ is inclusive of people who identify as part of sexual and gender diverse communities, who use additional terminologies

- o An unprecedented refugee flood that no one in power is willing to mitigate,
- o A continued attack on gas including even stoves, and a host of other inane things that are driving rational people to the brink of despair.

We long ago gave up the hope that all of this is random and coincidental, any more than it so happened that nearly every government in the world decided to plaster social distancing signs everywhere at the same time.

Something is seen to be going on which is something malevolent.

The battle of the future really is between them and us but who or what “them” is remains opaque and too many of “us” are still confused about what the alternative is to what is happening all around us.

At the core of creating the acceptance of the New World Order is acceptance. That acceptance is achieved by **breaking your SPIRIT and your MIND.**

It's not just about deception or fakery or propaganda.

It's about the use of crazy narratives to erode the idea of objective truth,

If you don't even know such a thing exists (the truth) you are a lot easier to control.

- o **In a world of no reason or rule, everything I tell you becomes inherently believable. In a world where nothing is true, anything *could* be.**
- o I can tell you that me taking your money makes us both richer, and you'll never realize I'm robbing you.
- o I can tell you that bars and chains are an expression of freedom, and you'll never realise you're my slave.

OBSERVATION

Historians of the future, flash-frying peccary testicles and mesquite pods over their campfires, will wonder at how the archetypal *Shining City on a Hill* of America's storied yesteryear got transformed into the roach motel that our country has become on the threshold of 2024 CE. Will they be as stupidly bewildered as, in our time, the faculty at Harvard, the editors of *The New York Times*, or the directorate of the CDC? Or will they figure out the score by then?

Which is: the nauseating state-of-the-nation is being driven by a cohort of our own fellow citizens lost in an evil crypto-religious salvation rapture that veils their own self-disgust, moral failure, peevish discontents, petty hatreds, willful profanations, compulsive lying, sexual depravity, fraudulence, venality, cupidity, and all-around want of boundaries. They are wrecking the country on-purpose, led by their chosen figurehead avatar, “Joe Biden,” and the horses of many different colors he rode in on.

The people running things, yanking the levers of power, managing the malign weapon they have made of government (and the law, and schooling, and medicine, etc.), have got to be turned out, and hard. Not a few should find themselves in the courts and, with proper and fair adjudication, be conducted to prison, perhaps even to the special room there where the lives of the wicked are ceremonially concluded.

You may legitimately ask: *Does America deserve what it's getting?*

Well, you know the old maxim about *hard times make strong men. . . strong men bring good times. . . good times make weak men. . .* Our national quandary is certainly a case of *that*, plus the manifestation of well-known terrestrial cycles (e.g., Fourth Turnings), plus the workings of *emergence* as the dynamics involved in all this sort themselves out. . . topped off by the “secret sauce” of Globalist wickedness, with the aim of severe population reduction and the asset stripping of Western Civ for the benefit of the that money-grubbing Globalist transhuman technocrat rat-pack.

My natural inclination, you know, is a kind of allergy to paranoid schemes, but one does survey the scene with wonder at how **superbly coordinated the f..kery has been** — much of the world locking down simultaneously for the Covid-19 op. . . the global mass vaxx campaign. . . the fiscal lunacy and accompanying central bank shenanigans. . . the broad-based censorship operations. . . the capture of the news media. . . and the war-mongering.

So, the country is in the toilet and it is our job in 2024 to make sure it doesn't get flushed all the way down the pipe.

EXECUTIVE ORDERS

Since the 1980s, Republican and Democratic administrations have asserted broad discretion to use their executive authority to shape how the federal government manages and implements regulations, with little pushback from the other side of Pennsylvania Avenue.

In recent years, the Trump and Biden administrations have implemented significant changes to the federal regulatory process through executive action (read: the rules on rules). The Trump administration used executive orders to constrain federal regulatory costs. For example, a 2017 Trump [executive order](#) required federal agencies to cap federal regulatory costs, and to establish a “one in, two out” “budget” for new regulations. One of [President Biden's](#) first acts after becoming president in 2021 was to revoke the Trump administration's policy. Now, new cost-benefit analysis guidance reflects the Biden administration's preference for aggressively using regulations to achieve their policy goals. Given the pendulum-swinging nature of federal regulatory policy, a new Republican president in 2025 could quickly [reverse](#) the Biden administration's changes.

In other words, the federal government's approach to regulations, [which cost the American economy as much as \\$2 trillion annually](#), changes dramatically based on who is president. Now, even how the federal government analyzes the costs and benefits of proposed federal regulations will likely change depending on which party holds the White House.

NO CONGRESSIONAL OVERSIGHT OF THE REGULATORY STATE

Members of Congress have frustratingly attempted to assert greater legislative authority over federal regulations.

Lawmakers have used the Congressional Review Act to use legislative action to overturn federal rules during periods of presidential transition. But these opportunities are rare.

Conservative lawmakers also attempted legislative reforms to the federal regulatory process to give Congress greater power to review federal regulations. In June, the House of Representatives [passed the REINS Act](#), which would require Congress to legislatively affirm major rules or those that would have an economic impact larger than \$100 million or more. But the bill is unlikely to move in the Democrat-controlled Senate. Even a less aggressive regulatory reform bill, like the [Regulatory Transparency Act](#) sponsored by Sens. James Lankford (R-Okla.) and John Thune (R-S.D.), which would require more regulatory impact analysis and expand judicial review, has little chance to move in the upper chamber under its current leadership.

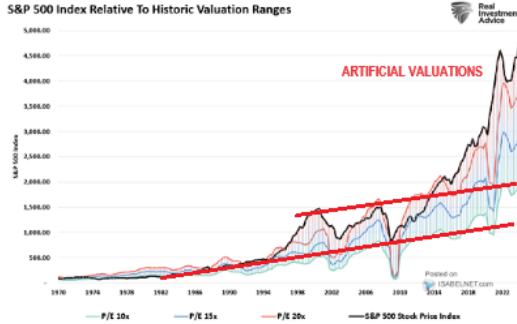
But one area of potential bipartisan, common ground would be to strengthen Congress's ability to analyze federal regulations, which would allow lawmakers to better use their legislative, appropriations, and oversight powers to influence the federal regulatory process. During the 117th Congress, the House Select Committee on Modernizing the Congress passed a bipartisan [recommendation](#) for Congress to examine “how increased regulatory and legal resources could help strengthen the role of the legislative branch.” This recommendation in turn led to a nonpartisan review by the Government Accountability Office (GAO), which is expected to be published in the coming months.

In the past, regulatory experts have recommended that Congress create a Congressional Regulation Office, similar to the Congressional Budget Office, to give the legislative branch an independent source of regulatory reviews and cost-benefit analyses. Another strategy would be to expand the nonpartisan GAO's staffing and authorities to conduct regulatory oversight and analyses.

Congressional Republicans are right to push for reforms like the REINS Act to give Congress greater power over the regulatory state, but they're unlikely to pass in the current political environment. So they should also pursue incremental and institutional reforms to improve the legislative branch's ability to oversee regulations. In light of the Biden administration's new cost-benefit analysis guidance, establishing a new Congressional Regulation Office or regulatory review mission team within GAO would be a reasonable place to start.

THE 'END GAME SET-UP' BEING PLAYED IS CLEAR TO ANYONE PAYING ATTENTION

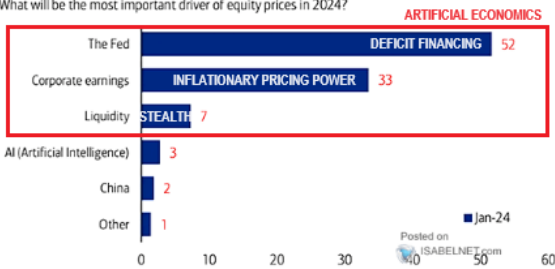
IF YOU JUST ARRIVED ON EARTH, THE DELUSION WOULD BE OBVIOUS!



S&P 500 Index Relative to Historic Valuation Ranges

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Chart 10: Biggest driver of equity prices in 2024...the Fed
 What will be the most important driver of equity prices in 2024?



What Will Be the Most Important Driver of Equity Prices?

What Will Be the Most Important Driver of Equity Prices? According to FMS investors, the Fed's decisions will be the main catalyst for the direction and performance of equities in 2024. Image: BofA Global Fund...

Exhibit 2: Equities tend to rally after the Fed starts to cut...



S&P 500 Pre and Post Fed Rate Cuts

S&P 500 Pre and Post Fed Rate Cuts Unless the U.S. economy enters a recession, the S&P 500 generally posts positive performance in the 12 months following the Fed's first rate cut. Image: Goldman Sachs...

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