

# The US Director of National Intelligence (DNI)' Report on "Russian Meddling" Denigrates "Dissident Americans"

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*The Director of National Intelligence's [latest report](#) about alleged Russian meddling in the US' 2020 elections consists of a 15-page document which assesses with "high confidence" that President Putin "was aware of and probably directed Russia's influence operations" aimed at shaping the outcome of America's democratic process, including by relying on a proxy network of supposedly foreign intelligence-linked US contacts who "denigrat[ed] President Biden and the Democratic Party" in parallel with supporting former President Trump's suspicions of mail-in ballots and social media censorship among other topics. This shockingly amounts to US spies unprecedentedly attempting to intimidate dissident Americans.*

## In The Words Of America's "Intelligence Community"

What follows are pertinent excerpts from the report:

"We have high confidence in our assessment; Russian state and proxy actors who all serve the Kremlin's interests worked to affect US public perceptions in a consistent manner...We assess that President Putin and other senior Russian officials were aware of and probably directed Russia's influence operations against the 2020 US Presidential election...The primary effort the IC uncovered revolved around a narrative-that Russian actors began spreading as early as 2014-alleging corrupt ties between President Biden, his family, and other US officials and Ukraine. Russian intelligence services relied on Ukraine-linked proxies and these proxies' networks-including their US contacts-to spread this narrative to give Moscow plausible deniability of their involvement.

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Throughout the election, Russia's online influence actors sought to amplify mistrust in the electoral process by denigrating mail-in ballots, highlighting alleged irregularities, and accusing the Democratic Party of voter fraud...Russian state media, trolls, and online proxies, including those directed by Russian intelligence, published disparaging content about President Biden, his family, and the Democratic Party, and heavily amplified related content circulating in US media, including stories centered on his son. These influence actors frequently sought out US contributors to increase their reach into US audiences. In addition to election-related content, these online influence actors

also promoted conspiratorial narratives about the COVID-19 pandemic, made allegations of social media censorship, and highlighted US divisions surrounding protests about racial justice.

Russian online influence actors generally promoted former President Trump and his commentary, including repeating his political messaging on the election results; the presidential campaign; debates; the impeachment inquiry; and, as the election neared, US domestic crises...Moscow's range of influence actors uniformly worked to denigrate President Biden after his entrance into the race. Throughout the primaries and general election campaign, Russian influence agents repeatedly spread unsubstantiated or misleading claims about President Biden and his family's alleged wrongdoing related to Ukraine...Even after the election, Russian online influence actors continued to promote narratives questioning the election results and disparaging President Biden and the Democratic Party."

## **21st-Century McCarthyism?**

As can be clearly concluded from the above excerpts, America's own spies openly accused dissident Americans of being Russian intelligence assets - if not outright agents - actively participating in a foreign influence operation aimed at meddling in their country's elections.

This determination was reached solely as a result of their public criticisms of Biden, the Democrat Party, mail-in ballots, the politicization of the COVID-19 pandemic (described by the author as [World War C](#)), objectively existing social media censorship policies (including the undeniable example of former President Trump's deplatforming), Antifa and "Black Lives Matter's" [Hybrid War of Terror on America](#), and the self-professed [regime change "conspiracy" by a "well-connected cabal of powerful people"](#) that Time Magazine proudly bragged about the Democrats successfully executing against Trump.

In other words, dissident Americans' peaceful and responsible exercise of their constitutionally enshrined freedom of speech - including by repeating what their own president at the time was saying - is being held against them as supposed proof that they were secretly meddling in their elections on behalf of Russia.

This can only be described as 21st-century McCarthyism since the spy faction of America's permanent military, intelligence, and diplomatic bureaucracies ("[deep state](#)") is once again actively denigrating the country's dissidents and therefore quite literally meddling in their own country's democratic process despite ironically accusing Moscow of doing the exact same thing.

Not only is this meant to intimidate all those who dare to publicly voice their opposition to the [ruling Democrat Party](#) and its proxies (including the [RINOs](#)), but it's also intended to revive the debunked conspiracy theory that Trump was actually a "Russian agent/asset".

## **Concluding Thoughts**

America is in for dark days ahead as Biden's "Dark Winter" statement becomes a reality even quicker than some of the most critical voices such as the author himself could have predicted. The US' spy agencies are sending the clearest signal yet that they'll politically repress all those who dare to publicly oppose the ruling Democrat Party and its proxies.

This could predictably take the form of first harassing them with their taxes and then

perhaps calling them into local FBI field offices to be interrogated, after which they might even have false espionage or other related charges filed against them in order to send a chilling message to all others. This unprecedented attack against American dissidents is arguably much worse than anything that the country ever experienced during the era of traditional McCarthyism, and it won't improve anytime soon since the Democrats are solidly in control of the "deep state" and eager to snuff out all dissent whenever and wherever it arises.

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