

Donald Trump: Unstoppable Republican Aspirant? "Hillary is a "War Goddess", Trump a "US Warlord"

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The latest <u>Monmouth University poll</u> has him way out in front with 41% support – besting his closest rival, Senator Ted Cruz, at 14%, by nearly three-to-one margin.

Most other Republican candidates scored in the low single digits, including party favorite Jeb Bush at 3%. According to Monmouth director Patrick Murray, "(i)t has become abundantly clear that Trump is giving his supporters exactly what they want, even if what he says causes the GOP leadership and many Republican voters to cringe" – including his Islamophobic rants, wanting Muslim immigrants banned from entering America.

Hillary Clinton remains virtually uncontested so far for the Democrat party nomination – besting Bernie Sanders by a 59% – 26% margin, better than two to one.

Demagogic self-promotion, bombast, bravado and arrogance apparently work to Trump's advantage. Why ordinary Americans would support a billionaire unconcerned about their welfare is hard to explain.

Hillary Clinton is a war goddess, Trump a US warlord. More on this below. He dismisses Ronald Reagan's so-called 11th Commandment about "not speak(ing) ill of any fellow Republican."

Last August on ABC's This Week, he blasted Jeb Bush, saying: "We need a person (in the White House) with a lot of smarts, a lot of cunning, and a lot of energy. And Jeb doesn't have that."

On the same program, he denigrated Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker (now out of the race), calling his state "really in trouble."

On December 13, he attacked Ted Cruz, saying he acts like "a little bit of a maniac" in the Senate. He doesn't have "the right temperament (or) right judgment" to be president.

During Tuesday's Republican debate, he bashed Bush again, saying "(w)ith (his) attitude, we will never be great again, that I can tell you."

He may hyperventilate his way to the White House, complete with an endless war agenda. He's unabashedly pro-war, pro-monied interests, anti-populist and against what matters most to ordinary Americans.

Dirty business as usual will continue on his watch. He favors expanding America's bloated military budget. He wants US boots on the ground in Middle East war theaters and all-out

support for Israel's killing machine.

On Fox News days earlier, he said Hillary Clinton's foreign policy as Secretary of State caused the deaths of hundreds of thousands of people.

"You look at what she did with Libya, what she did with Syria. Look at Egypt, what happened with Egypt, a total mess," Trump ranted.

"We don't back any of our allies...She was truly, if not the, one of the worst Secretaries of State in the history of the country. She talks about me being dangerous. She's killed hundreds of thousands of people with her stupidity."

"She was secretary of state. Obama was president...Look at what happened. The Middle East is a total disaster under her. She traveled back and forth, but look at all the problems."

"Look at, as an example, Iraq. Total disaster. They didn't get us in, but they got us out badly. We spend \$2 trillion, thousands of lives, wounded warriors all over..."

He ignored America's bipartisan responsibility for millions of lost lives post-9/11 alone – through endless wars, related violence, diseases, starvation and overall deprivation.

Trump supports more of the same – all-out Middle East war on the pretext of combating ISIS. Last month, he said he'd

"bomb those suckers. That's right. I'd blow up the pipes. I'd blow up the refineries, every single inch. There would be nothing left."

Trump is part of the problem, not the solution. All US administrations support endless imperial wars for unchallenged global dominance.

Each one in recent decades exceeded the worst of their predecessors, notably post-9/11.

No Jack Kennedy exists when most needed – a warrior turned peacemaker in office, assassinated for wanting US troops out of Vietnam, abolishing nuclear weapons and rapprochement with Soviet Russia, among other reasons.

Whoever succeeds Obama may exceed his dubious record as America's most reckless warrior president.

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