

Football, Politicians, Hypocrisy and Lies

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Not one UK official nor anyone from the British Embassy was in the stadium to see England's decisive win against Sweden on Saturday afternoon. It exemplifies British politicians utter contempt for their public.

I predict if the British Government are going to keep to their silly and pointless boycott of Russia, it will prove to be electoral suicide for the Tories back in the UK one day, such is the importance of football.

Don't forget precisely how important the game of football is, described universally as 'the beautiful game' and best summed up by the legendary Liverpool manager, the late, great **Bill Shankly**

"Some people think football is a matter of life and death. I assure you, it's much more serious than that."

This passion for the game, not only for the British, is simply not understood by the Prime Minister and her fellow elitist millionaire class of Ministers. But make no mistake, the ordinary British voter has forever noted what amounts for them as the treachery of the lie that are these Salisbury events claims that have damaged their sacred and beloved World Cup. Even the simplest of Britons will tell you they know they are being lied to by this Prime Minister and her buffoon **Foreign Secretary Boris Johnson**.

Another twist: Russia on Saturday night lost their Quarter final match against Croatia in a cruel penalty shoot, however all will agree that their team leave the World Cup with dignity and all have admiration for their players' unwavering spirit. Russian and non Russian football supporters alike are proud of the Russian team, I assure you!

So why is a British ally, France and its **President Emmanuel Macron**, attending France's World Cup semi-final in Russia, a fact his office confirmed on Friday?

Does, I suspect, France not take seriously the British diplomatic boycott of the tournament over an alleged and very suspicious "military grade" nerve agent attack in Salisbury, near the scientific and biological Ministry of Defence facility at Porton Down?

Macron had promised before the French team won their last match to attend the if France reached the semi-finals which they did on Tuesday against Uruguay in Saint Petersburg,

"Well done to our boys in blue. See you on Tuesday!" Macron tweeted after Tuesday's game.

British officials however continue to boycott the tournament and Russia, blaming Moscow for the alleged attempted assassination of MI6 double agent **Sergei Skripal** in March.

The Kremlin has strongly denied that it was behind the said to be Novichok attack on Skripal and his daughter, which hospitalised them for weeks but strangely didn't kill them. They since have made a total miraculous recovery; so where are they now in UK one might ask? The Russians are asking, as is their right.

The row is back in the spotlight after another couple in Salisbury fell ill last week after being exposed allegedly to the same 'chemical', spreading fear among local residents and angering and reminding British politicians afresh. How timely!

A little background for readers is necessary. **Prime Minister Theresa May** announced an official boycott of the World Cup earlier this year and reiterated the stance this week after the new alleged poisoning.

Several of Britain's Western allies followed suit with the boycott at the time.

Ahead of the World Cup, the UK Foreign Affairs Committee - essentially Boris Johnson - further issued a statement unnecessarily insulting Russia warning Britons that "racist and/or homophobic intimidation, violence from hooligans and anti-British hostility" may put fans' safety at risk.

Find me one, only one, British fan that had anything but good to say about their experience in Russia at the World Cup and I will join a monastery!

That above British Government statement came after the UK-Russia relations reached an unprecedented low following the Skripal poisoning and resultant tit-for-tat expulsion of Russian diplomats worldwide.

More examples: Iceland snubbed the tournament altogether, after indefinitely postponing all meetings with Russia. Officials from Sweden and Denmark boycotted the June 14 opening ceremony, though since then all have attended games.

Ignoring the lies of The PM and the eccentric Boris Johnson, Belgium's **King Philippe** took his sons to Russia to watch his country play Tunisia, while Spain's **King Felipe VI** took a private jet to Russia to see his nation beaten by hosts Russia.

In the last hours, Theresa May has "hinted" that the boycott on Ministers and Royals attending the World Cup could be eased **if** England make it to the final.

What is her logic if she truly believes Russia committed such a heinous act in Salisbury? Where are her principles?

Asked whether the position could change, the Prime Minister, who offered her 'huge congratulations' to British Football Manager Gareth Southgate said: 'We take this every game at a time'. What hypocrisy.

One might ask why don't Russia boycott them? I'll answer. Because the Russian Government have proven to the world that they have more dignity and graciousness than the much ridiculed, once greatly respected, British.

It should be noted that the whole of Britain is suffering an unprecedented uncomfortable extreme heatwave but a record estimated at over 35 million British fans watch the games on TV.

This coming Wednesday's (11th July) England semi-final in Moscow will be the first time England has reached a semi-final of the World Cup in 28 years and over 35 million Britons will watch it.

But relentlessly stubborn Prime Minister dampened her congratulatory message to England Manager, Southgate by adding

“There was a reason why Ministers haven't been going to Russia saying “It was because of the attack that took place on the streets of a British city, an attack using a chemical weapon.”

That however didn't stop **Prince William** who is president of the English Football Association tweeting his joy for England's victory.

That a sitting British government should be so out of touch with its own public ensures that if there were political circumstances that caused a snap General Election, that the Tories – not forgetting their disastrous handling of Brexit, NHS, et al – would lose such an election by a landslide.

Regardless of reservations many British people may have of Corbyn's Labour Party, especially if both **Jeremy Corbyn** and Prince William were to attend the World Cup, separately of course, especially Wednesday's Semi Final and hopefully the Final too on the 15th July, should England beat Croatia.

Continuously ill advised, nevertheless, as stated previously, the Prime Minister Theresa May repeated her official boycott of the World Cup, reiterating her position this week after this other alleged poisoning incident.

Yet, as also stated earlier, President Emmanuel Macron will attend France's World Cup semi-final in Russia, his office confirmed Friday, despite British allegations of a “military grade nerve agent attack” on British soil by the Russians, Without evidence or proof to back that statement up. Is it possible that the French don't believe the British?

Macron had promised to attend the match if France reached the semi-finals Tuesday in Saint Petersburg, and that confirmation came shortly after the team went through with a 2-0 win against Uruguay.

The row is back in the spotlight as of last week after a couple, in Salisbury, one a heroin addict, whose immune system presumably must be fairly low, assuring his inevitable death (if it was, as we are told Novichok exposure) appeared to have been poisoned.

Odd that members of the Royal Family, politicians and other British VIPs and dignitaries had, since the Skripal event in March, visited Salisbury on other business and were neither warned, took precautions nor contracted Novichok poisoning.

And so the myth continues as do the obvious lies from Theresa May and Boris Johnson.

Needless to say, Russia has strongly refuted that it was behind the attack on Skripal and his daughter.

I predict that it will be football that will bring down this incompetent British government.

The Russia bashing has to stop is what the EU Head **Jean Claude Juncker** said recently. One thing I can agree with him on.

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