

Freedom in America Disappearing in Plain Sight. The Coup Attempt against Trump

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The republic was founded "in strict secrecy," Benjamin Franklin explained. When asked "what have we got, a republic or a monarchy," he responded "(a) republic, if you can keep it."

Today he'd say a coup to destroy it is underway in plain sight, the last vestiges of freedom fading with it - a fascist dictatorship emerging, far more ruthless and dangerous than others in world history.

A terrifying state of affairs exists, a grassroots nonviolent revolution vitally needed to change things directed against both the Hillary and Trump factions. Otherwise all is lost.

Nothing but committed mass activism in the streets like never before can work. Voting is a waste of time. If it could change things, it would be banned. It's permitted because powerful deep state interests get their way no matter how elections turn out.

Monday, Electoral College members vote. Trump needs at least a 270 vote majority to be elected president. The popular vote is meaningless window dressing.

Power brokers choose presidents, not the popular will. On the eve of December 19's Electors vote, it's up for grabs whether Trump will get the office he won.

If so, will he keep it? Will he serve out his term, run for reelection or be impeached and removed from office.

Wrongfully accusing Russia of hacking America's election reflects an old-fashioned coup attempt to delegitimize Trump, deprive him of the majority EC votes he needs to take office, or eliminate him another way if he gets them. Never before in US history have things sunk to today's deplorable state.

Pro-Hillary neocons infesting Washington are behind the coup attempt, including the CIA, NSA, DNI, FBI, DHS, congressional extremists, perhaps some Pentagon generals and admirals, maybe Obama, and the corporate media by hyping anti-Trump fake news and vilifying him mercilessly.

Paul Craig Roberts is right explaining "only a counter-coup," a popular uprising against pro-Hillary dark forces can stop what's going on in America.

President-elect Trump is powerless to halt it. He's being set up to be denied the office he won or perhaps eliminated if able to win an EC majority needed to succeed Obama.

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