

The Media and the "Deep State": The Military-industrial Complex Eisenhower Warned About.

Did it try to take down the US president like it did Bernie Sanders?

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While most of the US mainstream media was "shocked" by **Donald Trump**'s victory over **Hillary Clinton** in the 2016 US Presidential Elections, the same can't be said about all media outlets. Although, to be fair, it was a difficult call because of the reluctance of Americans to admit to pollsters they'd vote for Trump, given the demonization of Trump and anyone who'd support him over Clinton by the media, as racists, sexists and xenophobes.

One reason for Trump's victory was because many Americans who'd have voted for **Bernie Sanders**, voted for Trump, having seen leaked documents and e-mails published by WikiLeaks which showed that the Democratic nomination was stolen from Sanders and given to Clinton. Later, the former Interim Chair of the Democratic National Committee (DNC), **Donna Brazile**, had to admit in her book, *Hacks: The Inside Story of the Break-ins and Breakdowns that Put Donald Trump in the White House*, that WikiLeaks was right, and recalled in detail how the Democratic primary was rigged against Sanders; something that Democratic **Senator Elizabeth Warren** also said on CNN on November 2, 2017.

This, however, was one of the very few times that the mainstream media admitted or reported on this. Neither did it report on how Sanders was attacked from within his own party, with Clinton's campaign Chair **John Podesta** saying, "stick the knife in[to Sanders]", and one Democratic PR strategist replying,

"Bernie needs to be ground to a pulp...Crush him as hard as you can."

But, then again, reporting on it would have been an embarrassment for the media, given that the same batch of leaked e-mails also detailed how its own members were colluding with the Clinton campaign, including by "planting false stories" as Maggie Haberman of *The New York Times* is alleged to have done "many times" by Podesta himself.

This is an old tactic often used by western intelligence agencies that merged with, and had, in fact, taken over the military-industrial complex President Eisenhower warned about, as evidenced by the now exposed CIA's Operation Mockingbird programme and others, and by **Dr Udo Ulfkotte**, former assistant editor for German daily newspaper, *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung*, among other top western journalists. What these and the recent "Integrity Initiative leaks"—alleging that British intelligence used the British media to create damaging narratives against Russia—by the global hacktivist group Anonymous shows, according to legendary journalist and filmmaker **John Pilger**, is that the media, "never more so than now", is "an appendage of [the] established power" that is the military-industrial-intelligence complex—often referred to as the "Deep State".

Like WikiLeaks was proven correct about Sanders being taken down by this Deep State—or permanent state, comprising of members from influential segments of society who always stay in power—it seems that Trump too is now being proven right about its attempt to depose him. In an article for the late great **Robert Parry**'s (best known for breaking the CIA's involvement in the Contra cocaine trafficking scandal in the 1980s) Consortium News on February 16, **John Kiriakou**, who blew the whistle on the CIA's infamous torture programme wrote:

"I was a member of that 'Deep State' throughout my 15 years at the CIA. I can tell you from first-hand experience that the CIA doesn't care who the president is. Neither does the FBI."

Kiriakou, who is not a fan of Trump nor his CIA Director Gina Haspel (also known as "Bloody Gina" for her role in the torture programme that Kiriakou exposed)—highlighting an interview of former FBI Deputy Director Andrew McCabe with CBS's 60 Minutes, where he admitted that he and other FBI officials had discussed the possibility of recruiting a cabinet secretary to help push the president out of office using the 25th Amendment of the Constitution—had this to say:

"McCabe's almost offhanded comments on '60 Minutes,' that the FBI actively considered deposing a sitting president should be cause for alarm. Set partisan politics aside for a moment. We're talking about deposing a sitting president. We're talking about wearing a wire to catch a sitting president saying something because you're angry that he fired your boss. Even the idea of it is unprecedented in American history."

As shocking a revelation as this may be, for those paying attention, this is not the first evidence of attack on Trump by the Deep State that has come out. If we rewind back to how the Mueller investigation began—which has so far come up with zero evidence of collusion between Trump's campaign, WikiLeaks and Russia during the 2016 election, and charged individuals only for totally different crimes, or misdemeanours, as the Senate Intelligence Committee has found—one may recall that it was started using the false "Steel Dossier" produced by a former British intelligence agent, and paid for by the DNC and the Clinton campaign—in breach of US law. Moreover, at the centre of recommending the appointment of a Special Prosecutor (Robert Mueller) was (now fired) FBI Agent **Peter Strzok**, who had previously promised his fellow FBI Agent (and lover) **Lisa Page** through text messages, that they would "stop" Trump from winning the White House, among other things.

Finally, the most obvious fact which showed that the Mueller Investigation is nothing but a "Witch Hunt" against Trump, as he has continuously claimed, is the fact that **William Binney**, former Technical Director of the NSA and inventor of its ThinThread Programme, now at the core of all its surveillance systems, along with other forensic experts, have proven with forensic and technical evidence (none of which are ever discussed by the media) that the speed at which the DNC files were transferred was so fast, that it could not have been sent over the Internet (and wasn't hacked), and had to be transferred using other means (but was leaked instead)—most likely, a thumb-drive.

But why would the Deep State go after Trump? Well, one reason is Trump's foreign policy of wanting to withdraw troops from Syria, Afghanistan, etc., and of making peace with North

Korea—all extremely damaging for the war profiteers that are also a part of the Deep State. And why is it that the media has joined the Deep State in its attacks? Again, because large parts of the media no longer cover the news, but only exists to promote the Deep State's narrative, while the rest of it is just there to push their own ideology (both Left and Right) onto the masses; which is why they've almost never covered the different evidence (that have not once been credibly refuted, despite being publicly available) that I've mentioned so far.

To put it all into perspective using the words of **Julian Assange**:

"Hillary Clinton unified the establishments...Trump is the anti-establishment candidate. Despite himself being from the wealthy New York real estate establishment, he was not connected in a serious way to the Washington DC political intelligence or diplomatic establishment. So the media were part of that and...acted, in a disgraceful way by constantly making editorial endorsements to their candidate [Clinton]... they were forced to make editorial endorsements for Clinton...otherwise they couldn't publish anything."

What is most interesting about this ongoing battle happening underneath the surface is the massive exodus of personnel from within all the three letter US intelligence agencies (now standing at record numbers), which could imply that Trump is actually winning, at least to some extent for now, against the Deep State. But, as the Senate Minority Leader **Chuck Schumer** reminded everyone on MSNBC:

"You take on the intelligence community—and they have six ways from Sunday at getting back at you."

President John F Kennedy and Ronald Reagan had that reminded to them with bullets. Is that why Trump surrounds himself with members of the military? Only time will tell. But what has become obvious from Trump's presidency is that not everything is as it seems, when it comes to matters concerning the Deep State.

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