

# President-Elect Donald Trump and "The Deep State": Vote Rigging by Both Sides... Key Appointments

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The elections may have been rigged, probably by both sides, as the elusive elite, or what's also called the 'Deep State', may be divided. It looks like the better 'rigger' emerged as the winner. The final popular vote count indicates a slight advantage of Hillary over Trump.

Never mind, the system was purposefully designed un-democratically in the 18<sup>th</sup> Century by the Founding Fathers, who never really had the intention to create a truly democratic United States of America of equal rights for all.

The current electoral system favors vote manipulation especially in Swing States, where popular votes can relatively easily be suppressed or switched by an electronic 'glitch'.

Such voter frauds, we now know, have happened in 2000, when George Bush 'won' in Florida over Al Gore – eventually through a Supreme Court decision – and the same in 2004 (Ohio), when again George Bush won over John Kerry, through electronic fraud and predominantly black voter suppression. After 8 years of Bush – enough was enough.

The deep state needed a new candidate – one that will have the trust of the American people, one who was smart and colored and had charisma – but no backbone. Never mind the latter point.

People didn't know until it was too late. Obama's mandate was enhanced by the award of the Nobel Peace Prize, before he even knew how many additional wars were already planned for him to carry out, aside from Afghanistan and Iraq. Today he literally boasts to be involved in seven wars around the globe and sold more weapons than any previous president to so-called allies and proxy fighters like Saudi Arabia and the Gulf States. More wars and conflicts are in the cooker, for sure. But will Trump abide by those plans?

The mainstream media are doing a terrific job in manipulating peoples' minds with lies after lies after lies. The wars Washington is involved in are all 'good' for 'national security'; they are diverting a threat to the US of A and defending American interests, whatever these are. Nobody asks. But if Washington, the NYT and the WashPost says so, it must be true.

The 2016 elections were rigged in favor of Donald Trump, as illustrated by Greg Palast, investigative reporter for Rolling Stone and BBC.().

On the other hand, election fraud took place by the Clinton clique against Sanders in the Democratic Primaries, to the point where the DNC chair, Debbie Wasserman Schultz, had to resign. Without that vote-swindle, Mr. Sanders would have been the Democratic candidate confronting Donald Trump. Among many assertions that the elections were rigged in favor

# of Hillary is a Stanford University study.

But never mind election fraud, it has become a common game in our shamelessly corrupt western 'system', and it will stay that way, until 'somebody' will change it.

Since the system works in favor of the establishment, and more importantly in favor of the Deep State – there is little chance something significant will change, to make the USA a true democracy in the foreseeable future.

It is not only election fraud that has made Trump the winner. It is the people, who again are sick and tired of being lied to, of broken promises, of declining purchasing power of their paychecks, of unemployment which in reality is hovering around 22% – 25%, when official government's statistics talk about 5%, of outsourcing American jobs, of spending their tax money on foreign wars instead of fixing the decaying US infrastructure, of bailing out big banks that have speculated themselves into bankruptcy thanks to Bill Clinton's (Hillary's husband) banking deregulation of the 1990s, of a fake health insurance, named Obama-Care after its creator that is unaffordable for about 40 million people and serves only the pharma and medical industry, and of ever-mounting unpaid student debt.

In addition they, the 99.99%, of which an ever growing majority of disenfranchised workers – are being told by the MSM that:

- China and India are stealing their jobs, when in fact, US corporations are shamelessly increasing their profit margins by outsourcing American jobs to China and India – and many more places around the globe;
- Russia and Venezuela are national security threats, therefore US involvement aiming at 'regime change' is necessary;
- a costly build-up of NATO forces in Europe is necessary to confront the Russian menace – and-so-on.

Yes, security has a cost and you, the American people have to know this. NATO bases have doubled since the collapse of the Soviet Union in 1991, despite US contrary promises to Russia in 1991, from 14 to 28 – and counting. Nobody talks about the unnecessity of NATO in Europe since the Cold War ended, also in 1991 – only your new President, Mr. Trump. Mr. Trump not only questioned US funding for NATO, but questioned the sense of NATO all together. Mr. Trump wants partners not enemies which Washington 'has to' fight for security reasons. Peace is the best security – and peace is also the best approach for international trade.

The President-elect talked about renegotiating or even ripping apart NAFTA, the nefarious US-Mexico-Canada trade agreement that was imposed by Bill Clinton in 1994 and made hundreds of thousands of Mexican farmers jobless, closing tens of thousands of small farms in Mexico, since they could no longer compete with highly subsidized corn, wheat and other agricultural crops from the US. But that's not the reason why Trump wants to scrap the agreement. He has seen that Mexico adapted its economy around NAFTA with cheap manufacturing labor, presumably taking American jobs away.

The new President also vouched to step back from the trans-Atlantic (TTIP, TiSA), trans-Pacific (TPP) trade agreements. What a relief that would be for the hundreds of millions if not billions of people in the world, freeing themselves (for now) from the fangs of the globalized corporate and banking NWO octopus. Of course, not for the unelected elite-vassal-dictators in Brussels. But who cares about them. This system will have to fall anyway, sooner or later. BREXIT maybe the trigger – and others may follow in the coming year, with elections in 2017 in France and Germany expected to bring radical changes; if they are not stolen by the new method of choice, a parliamentary coup, like the recent one in Spain. and earlier this year in Brazil.

Sovereignty of equal partners is prosperous for everybody, not just an elite. The new President wants to bring jobs back to America, putting the brakes on globalization. He wants to rebuild American infrastructure and create 25 million jobs in 10 years, and levy taxes on manufactured goods imported from abroad, when they could be produced internally.

Mr. Trump is also highly controversial when he talks about building a border wall between Mexico and the US to keep out 'criminal illegal Hispanic immigrants', when he projects transferring the US Embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem, or when he says he wants to keep Moslems out of the country. Many of his racist declarations put a spanner in his otherwise progressive wheels.

Nevertheless, Trump's bold and fearless accusations of the deep state attract the average disillusioned citizen to vote for the changes he proclaims.

Is it perhaps possible that this strong language against a well-enshrined establishment was part of a ruse of the establishment, to trick people into believing 'change is coming'?

(see <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EYozWHBIf8g">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EYozWHBIf8g</a>)

"I pledge that I will be President for all Americans", was Trump's opening statement at his acceptance speech.

How hollow does it sound, when you remember that Obama said exactly the same thing in 2008. That's not all of the campaign emptiness. Do you still remember the tens of millions of people crying for joy and hope for a better life and a better world (after the Bush disaster), when Obama was inaugurated on January 20, 2009 and proclaimed time and again, his campaign slogan, "Yes, We Can"? Today, it's the same game. Yes, We Can, has become Trump's "We will Make America Great Again".

Both slogans are suggesting great but unspecified 'changes'; the illusion that things may turn for the better. Is it imaginable that the same Masters of the Universe came up with a new slogan, also meaning unspecified change – and new illusions that things may change for the better, for all those people who are at the verge of giving up every tiny bit of hope? Is it conceivable that the same Deep State invented both slogans, so to renew the forgetful people's faith in a better world, in a more responsive government, at least for the first two years or so, until reality kicks in again? Yes, it is entirely in the realm of the possible, actually, it is very probable.

And thus, the oligarchs have gained some more time towards reaching Full Spectrum Dominance of the world, as is so clearly pointed out in the highly active and current PNAC (Plan for a New American Century), which used to be called *Pax Americana*, named after Pax Romana, of which we know in retrospect that it spanned the 300 to 400 most bloody war years of the Roman Empire, before it collapsed from within.

The universal string-pullers, the Deep State, are just spreading new hope, new illusions for continuous fooling the people into believing what is not, while in parallel the fear-mongering

by false flags and by the paid presstitute MSM continues. In reality, they, the ever-poorer common people, the growing number of victims of a neo-fascist economy, have to be kept dancing on their toes, between hope and despair. Was Hillary used as a public pulse-taker, as a mere make-believe puppet; make-believe that we are living in the greatest democracy money cannot buy?

Wait and see would normally be a safe omen. Give him, Mr. Trump, the benefit of the doubt, but stay alert. For now, let's just have a look at what happened since the elections – concessions from Trump (keep part of Obamacare), as well as a long list of potential high level cabinet appointees and staff that may accompany his Presidency.

It doesn't look promising.

His top choices for Treasurer are **Jamie Dimon**, CEO of JPMorgan, or **Steve Mnuchin**, his finance chairman and former Goldman Sachs exec. They don't bode well for moving away from the banking oligarchy, as Mr. Trump promised during his campaign.

Others of his top cabinet choices include ultra-neocon reactionaries, such as, for Secretary of State, **Newt Gingrich**, the neocon ex-House speaker who was even in Trump's top choice as running mate; and **John Bolto**n, Zionist and former United States ambassador to the United Nations under George W. Bush.

The former New York City mayor, **Rudy Giuliani**, may be slanted for attorney general.

Here is the full list of Trump's top position candidates, as published today by the New York
Times -

### White House Chief of Staff

The chief of staff manages the work and personnel of the West Wing, steering the president's agenda and tending to important relationships. The role will take on outsize importance in a White House run by Mr. Trump, who has no experience in policy making and little in the way of connections to critical players in Washington.

**Reince Priebus** Mr. Trump announced on Sunday that he had chosen Mr. Priebus, the chairman of the Republican National Committee.

### Chief Strategist

Stephen K. Bannon (right) was also considered for chief of staff, but Mr. Trump instead named him chief strategist and senior counselor in the White House, saying that he and Mr. Priebus would be "working as equal partners" in the administration.

Also on Sunday, Mr. Trump announced the appointment of Mr. Bannon, a right-wing

media executive and the chairman of the president-elect's campaign. <u>Many have</u> <u>denounced the move</u>, warning that Mr. Bannon represents racist views.

# **Secretary of State**

Whether Mr. Trump picks an ideologue or a seasoned foreign policy hand from past Republican administrations, his challenge will be that the State Department is the centerpiece of the post-1945 experiment of alliance-building and globalism, which Mr. Trump said he would dismantle.



John R. Bolton Former United States

ambassador to the United Nations under George W. Bush

**Bob Corker** Senator from Tennessee and chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee

**Newt Gingrich** Former House speaker

Rudolph W. Giuliani Former New York mayor

Zalmay Khalilzad Former United States ambassador to Afghanistan

**Stanley A. McChrystal** Former senior military commander in Afghanistan

# **Treasury Secretary**

The secretary will be responsible for government borrowing in financial markets, assisting in any rewrite of the tax code and overseeing the Internal Revenue Service. The Treasury Department also carries out or lifts financial sanctions against foreign enemies — which are key to President Obama's Iran deal and rapprochement with Cuba.

**Thomas Barrack Jr.** Founder, chairman and executive chairman of Colony Capital; private equity and real estate investor

**Jeb Hensarling** Representative from Texas and chairman of the House Financial Services Committee

**Steven Mnuchin** Former Goldman Sachs executive and Mr. Trump's campaign finance chairman

**Tim Pawlenty** Former Minnesota governor

## **Defense Secretary**

The incoming secretary will shape the fight against the Islamic State while overseeing a military that is struggling to put in place two Obama-era initiatives: integrating women into combat roles and allowing transgender people to serve openly. Both could be rolled back.

**Kelly Ayotte** Departing senator from New Hampshire and member of the Senate Armed Services Committee

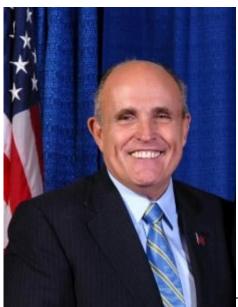
**Lt. Gen. Michael T. Flynn** Former director of the Defense Intelligence Agency (he would need a waiver from Congress because of a seven-year rule for retired officers)

Stephen J. Hadley National security adviser under George W. Bush

Jon Kyl Former senator from Arizona

Jeff Sessions Senator from Alabama

# **Attorney General**



The nation's top law enforcement official will have the authority for carrying out Mr. Trump's "law and order" platform, including his threat to "jail" Hillary Clinton. The nominee can change how civil rights laws are enforced.

Chris Christie New Jersey governor

Rudolph W. Giuliani Former New York mayor (right)

Jeff Sessions Senator from Alabama

# **Interior Secretary**

The Interior Department manages the nation's public lands and waters. The next secretary will decide the fate of Obama-era rules that stop public land development;

curb the exploration of oil, coal and gas; and promote wind and solar power on public lands.

Jan Brewer Former Arizona governor

Robert E. Grady Gryphon Investors partner

Harold G. Hamm Chief executive of Continental Resources, an oil and gas company

**Forrest Lucas** President of Lucas Oil Products, which manufactures automotive lubricants, additives and greases



Sarah Palin Former Alaska governor

## **Agriculture Secretary**

The agriculture secretary oversees America's farming industry, inspects food quality and provides income-based food assistance. The department also helps develop international markets for American products, giving the next secretary partial responsibility to carry out Mr. Trump's positions on trade.

Sam Brownback Kansas governor

Chuck Conner Chief executive officer of the National Council of Farmer Cooperatives

Sid Miller Texas agricultural commissioner

**Sonny Perdue** Former Georgia governor

### **Commerce Secretary**

The Commerce Department has been a perennial target for budget cuts, but the secretary oversees a diverse portfolio, including the Census, the Bureau of Economic Analysis and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Chris Christie New Jersey governor

**Dan DiMicco** Former chief executive of Nucor Corporation, a steel production company

Lewis M. Eisenberg Private equity chief for Granite Capital International Group

## **Labor Secretary**

The Labor Department enforces rules that protect the nation's workers, distributes benefits to the unemployed and publishes economic data like the monthly jobs report. The new secretary will be in charge of keeping Mr. Trump's promise to dismantle many Obama-era rules covering the vast work force of federal contractors.

**Victoria A. Lipnic** Equal Employment Opportunity commissioner and work force policy counsel to the House Committee on Education and the Workforce

# **Health and Human Services Secretary**

The secretary will help Mr. Trump achieve one of his central campaign promises: to repeal and replace the Affordable Care Act. The department approves new drugs, regulates the food supply, operates biomedical research, and runs Medicare and Medicaid, which insure more than 100 million people.

Dr. Ben Carson Former neurosurgeon and 2016 presidential candidate

Mike Huckabee Former Arkansas governor and 2016 presidential candidate

**Bobby Jindal** Former Louisiana governor who served as secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals

Rick Scott Florida governor and former chief executive of a large hospital chain

# **Energy Secretary**

Despite its name, the primary purview of the Energy Department is to protect and manage the nation's arsenal of nuclear weapons.

**James L. Connaughton** Chief executive of Nautilus Data Technologies and former environmental adviser to President George W. Bush

Robert E. Grady Gryphon Investors partner

Harold G. Hamm Chief executive of Continental Resources, an oil and gas company

# **Education Secretary**

Mr. Trump has said he wants to drastically shrink the Education Department and shift responsibilities for curriculum research, development and education aid to state and local governments.

Dr. Ben Carson Former neurosurgeon and 2016 presidential candidate

Williamson M. Evers Education expert at the Hoover Institution, a think tank

## **Secretary of Veterans Affairs**

The secretary will face the task of improving the image of a department Mr. Trump has widely criticized. Mr. Trump repeatedly argued that the Obama administration neglected the country's veterans, and he said that improving their care was one of his top priorities.

Jeff Miller Retired chairman of the House Veterans Affairs Committee

# **Homeland Security Secretary**

The hodgepodge agency, formed after the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, has one key role in the Trump administration: guarding the United States' borders. If Mr. Trump makes good on his promises of widespread deportations and building walls, this secretary will have to carry them out.

**Joe Arpaio** Departing sheriff of Maricopa County, Ariz.

David A. Clarke Jr. Milwaukee County sheriff

Rudolph W. Giuliani Former New York mayor

**Michael McCaul** Representative from Texas and chairman of the House Homeland Security Committee

Jeff Sessions Senator from Alabama who is a prominent immigration opponent

### E.P.A. Administrator

The Environmental Protection Agency, which issues and oversees environmental regulations, is under threat from the president-elect, who has vowed to dismantle the agency "in almost every form."

**Myron Ebell** A director at the Competitive Enterprise Institute and a prominent climate change skeptic

**Robert E. Grady** Gryphon Investors partner who was involved in drafting the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990

**Jeffrey R. Holmstead** Lawyer with Bracewell L.L.P. and former deputy E.P.A. administrator in the George W. Bush administration

# **U.S. Trade Representative**

The president's chief trade negotiator will have the odd role of opposing new trade deals, trying to rewrite old ones and bolstering the enforcement of what Mr. Trump sees as unfair trade, especially with China.

**Dan DiMicco** Former chief executive of Nucor Corporation, a steel production company, and a critic of Chinese trade practices

### U.N. Ambassador

Second to the secretary of state, the United States ambassador to the United Nations will be the primary face of America to the world, representing the country's interests at the Security Council on a host of issues, from Middle East peace to nuclear proliferation.

**Kelly Ayotte** Departing senator from New Hampshire and member of the Senate Armed Services Committee

**Richard Grenell** Former spokesman for the United States ambassador to the United Nations during the George W. Bush administration

## C.I.A. Director / Director of National Intelligence

Mr. Trump takes over at a time of diverse and complex threats to American security. The new C.I.A. director will have to decide whether to undo a C.I.A. "modernization" plan put in place this year by Director John O. Brennan, and how to proceed if the president-elect orders a resumption of harsh interrogation tactics — which critics have described as torture — for terrorism suspects.

Michael T. Flynn Former director of the Defense Intelligence Agency

Peter Hoekstra Former chairman of the House Intelligence Committee

Mike Rogers Former chairman of the House Intelligence Committee

Frances Townsend Former homeland security adviser under George W. Bush

## **National Security Adviser**

The national security adviser, although not a member of the cabinet, is a critical gatekeeper for policy proposals from the State Department, the Pentagon and other agencies, a function that takes on more importance given Mr. Trump's lack of experience in elective office.

Michael T. Flynn Former director of the Defense Intelligence Agency

Sourcee New York Times

What can we conclude regarding **Trump's List?** 

Trump doesn't seem to want to move away from neoliberals and Zionists, as he made people believe during his campaign.

Then comes the perceived bombshell, the earthquake, some even call it the Tsunami of Trumps election, against all expectations. The western intellectuals, or rather wannabe intellectuals – can't get around to it, that 'democracy' may have won, against their deepest expectations, of course, bought MSM instilled expectations.

It played them a trick. How naughty. Did the left and the right 'well-educated', those living in their sanctuaries and soft cocoons, those that make it to the statistics and polls, really have no clue, how average Mr. and Mrs. Smith feel? How they make ends meet every day, every month? – There is no left or right anymore; the same as there is no real difference between republicans and democrats. They are all embedded under the umbrella of a globalized fascist economy.

Are the 'surprised people' so detached or naïve that they can't see an increasingly non-silent majority, suffering year-in, year-out from the oligarchic supremacy, getting angry at the 'system' that keeps abusing them, for the best part of four decades now? – It's the same people and media pundits, who appeared to having been surprised at BREXIT. For those who are still surprised about BREXIT, I highly recommend Ken Loach's outstanding movie, I Daniel Blake, awarded with Canne's 'Palme d'Or' 2016.

(trailer: <a href="https://www.theguardian.com/film/video/2016/jun/15/i-daniel-blake-trailer-ken-loach-palme-dor-winner-video">https://www.theguardian.com/film/video/2016/jun/15/i-daniel-blake-trailer-ken-loach-palme-dor-winner-video</a>)

It's never too late to wake up and get involved.

Actually, that's all that counts for people to step out of their comfort zone and fight alongside the 99.99%. We just might grow into a critical mass that can actually bring about a sea change for society and Mother Earth, with or without Mr. Trump.

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