Bulgaria and Moldova Elect New Presidents who Promise Closer Relations with Russia

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 13, BULGARIA AND MOLDOVIA elected new presidents overtly friendly toward Russia. Rumen Radev, the new Bulgarian president decisively defeated the pro-Western candidate. Radev not only called for the EU to cease sanctions against Russia, he also announced his willingness to accept the Crimean referendum that made Crimea part of the Russian Federation. Nonetheless, he has also committed to maintaining Bulgaria's commitments with the West

The new Moldovan presidential Igor Dodon, is also pro Moscow. He defeated World Bank employee Maia Sandu who campaigned under an EU banner. Russia and the EU have hotly contested Moldova, which seems to prefer the former. Unlike Bulgaria, Moldova is not an EU member, nor is it a member of NATO. Dodon has indicated interest in joining the Russian sponsored Eurasia Economic Community and "eliminating the possibility of cooperation with NATO", but he_has also_"promised to balance between Russian and the West, a feat that neighboring Ukraine has found impossible."

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Estonia Pivots Slightly Toward Moscow

THE EU AND NATO have been vigorously courting Estonia, the North Baltic State of that borders Russia, into their liberal sphere of influence. Given the fact that ethnic Russians comprise roughly a quarter of Estonia's population, the move toward Western liberalism has been strenuously opposed and the highly courted Estonian government has prematurely failed.

Prime Minister Taavi Roivas Reform Party received a vote of no-confidence from the Estonian parliament. Following the vote, the Center Party, a party that has a collaborative agreement with Putin's United Russia Party, has surfaced as the new coalition leader. The Center Party has the support of the Russian minority and has indicated its commitment to continuing ties with Russia.

The Center Party's agreement with United Russia states that the two share common goals and interests and should cooperate in the areas of information exchange relative to professional party building, legislative processes, financial professionalism, international relations, cultural exchange and work among youth. The agreement exists to deepen the "good-neighborly cooperation between Estonia and Russia."

The document of collaboration was signed by Mailis Reps, current Deputy Chairman of the Center Party.

Russia Withdraws From International Criminal Court followed by Three African

Nations

ON NOVEMBER 16, VLADIMIR PUTIN signed an executive order withdrawing Russia from the 124 member International Criminal Court (ICC), the international war times court situated in the Hague, Netherlands. The Russian Foreign Ministry issued a statement explaining that the ICC "did not live up to the hopes associated with it and did not become truly independent." At the same time three African nations, Gambi, Burundi and South Africa, have also announced their intent to withdraw from the ICC.

The African nations are withdrawing because they perceive the ICC as a tool of Western imperialism. All three countries consider the ICC to be an "outside institution imposing its will on African nations without their input, perpetuating a history of Western intervention and African oppression."

Rise of Macron and En Marche Strengthens National Front of Le Pen

EMMANUEL MACRON, former French Minister of Economy has announced his candidacy for president. Because Macron plans to compete as an In dependent supported by En Marche, a movement he founded in 2016, he will likely receive votes from

both opposition parties, the Republicans (center right) and the Socialist (center left). If this occurs, the National Front of Marie le Pen, which is competing with both these parties will be the beneficiary as the centrist voter will be split between center right and center left parties thereby reducing the votes going to each and increasing the chance of a victory for the Le Pen in next years presidential election.

Team Clinton Telling Half Truths and Urging Revolution to Steal Election. Is it Possible?

THE AMERICAN PEOPLE VOTED in such a way as to garner Donald Trump 270 plus electoral votes needed to be president; nonetheless, their vote is not the final determinant as to whom will actually be president. In fact, all that these numbers represent is the people's desire for the 538 electors scattered throughout their respective states and the District of Columbia to vote the way they did. The people cast their vote on November 8, but it serves only as an indicator for the electors who do not vote until December 19. Each state has both a Democratic and Republican roster of electors. The roster representing the party of the candidate that won the popular vote in each state is the roster that will vote on December 19. It is they, not the people, that decide who the next president will be — the Hilary Camp is banking on this unique electoral verity as their alternate path to the White

House.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

The names on the winning candidate's party roster (from the Nov. 8 election) are the electors who will choose the president on December 19. Once chosen, the electors are expected to vote for the candidate that won the popular vote in their state. There are 30 states, including the District of Columbia, where electors pledge to vote for the people's choice. Alphabetically, these are: Alabama, Alaska, California, Delaware, Colorado, Connecticut, D.C., Florida, Hawaii, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Mississippi, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, Nevada, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.

With so many electors pledged, the result might seem like a sure guarantee for Trump. Unfortunately, although "throughout our history as a nation, more than 99 percent of Electors have voted as pledged; they do not have to do so. According to the National Archives

"Political parties may extract pledges from electors to vote for the parties' nominees. Some state laws provide that so-called "Faithless Electors" may be subject to fines or may be disqualified for casting an invalid vote and be replaced by a substitute elector. The Supreme Court has not specifically ruled on the question of whether pledges and penalties for failure to vote as pledged may be enforced under the Constitution. No Elector has ever been prosecuted for failing to vote as pledged" (nearly 200 have voted against the pledge).

Fifteen states do *not* require a pledge. Electors in these states are free to follow their conscience (Arizona, Arkansas, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Missouri, North Dakota, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, and Virginia). This fact, coupled with knowledge that no elector has ever been prosecuted for failing to vote as pledged, makes it appear that the Clinton camp does, in fact, have one last chance to flip the election. Trump appears to have won won by 51 electoral votes. Consequently a minimum of 26 electors would have to swap. If Clinton supporters can persuade approximately 26 electors representing the Republican Party to swap candidates on December 19, Clinton will win.

Because it is their last chance, Clinton supporters are stopping at nothing to make electoral history; they have already launched an electronic petition found at <u>change.org</u> to persuade the Electoral College to name Clinton as the next president. They are asking electors "to ignore their states' votes and cast their ballots for Secretary Clinton." Already 3.5 million people have signed the petition.

According to the petition:

"On December 19, the Electors of the Electoral College will cast their ballots. If they all vote the way their states voted, Donald Trump will win. However, they can vote for Hillary Clinton if they choose. Even in states where that is not allowed, their vote would still be counted, they would simply pay a small fine — which we can be sure Clinton supporters will be glad to pay!"

Their argument continues:

"Secretary Clinton WON THE POPULAR VOTE and should be President. Hillary won the popular vote. The only reason Trump "won" is because of the Electoral College. But the Electoral College can actually give the White House to either candidate. So why not use this most undemocratic of our institutions to ensure a democratic result?"

"If electors vote against their party, they usually pay a fine. And people get mad (that's all). But they can vote however they want and there is no legal means to stop them in most states."

Far fetched as it might seem, liberal advocates for the Hilary cause (<u>such as those at MoveOn.org</u>) actually think they can pull off an electoral debacle and get away with it; they have been caught using Craigslist to advertise for paid protesters as if they were staging a *color revolution* right here in the United States. The *Washington Post*, in an attempt to dismiss the Craig-list phenomenon, admitted its existence:

"There are clearly progressive organizations that are hoping to use Trump's election as a tool for organizing. Advocacy groups often hire staff to help organize activities around elections, which appears to be what those Craigslist ads are for. The phone number on several that were passed around link back to the Community Outreach Group, which was mostly hiring for campaign work. MoveOn is certainly hoping to leverage the current moment to its advantage, which includes trying to raise funds from Trump's win, as its main webpage suggests. Yes, it supports the protests and encourages its members to participate; that's organizing."

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KS-7w0d_LL4

If there are any doubts that the current protests are part of a call to "revolution", they can be mitigated by considering the fact that pro-Clinton Bernie Sanders had his book entitled "Revolution" promoted on national television last night (November 14) by Stephen Cobert during a seven minute harangue of President-Elect Trump.

When asked if in light of the election results he would change the title of his book, "Revolution", Mr. Sanders responded:

"NOW MORE THAN EVER OUR REVOLUTION!" (14 second mark of video).

A little further on when asked by Cobert what people should do. Sanders responded:

"What you do NOW is get involved heavily into the political process. When millions of people stand up and fight back, we will not be denied" followed by cheers and applause (2:29).

Bernie manifests his animus towards Trump when he blames the Supreme Court for allowing "billionaires to buy elections" (video @ 4:11) totally ignoring the fact (and his hypocrisy) that Hilary is not so poor herself and that her campaign spent nearly double that spent by the Trump campaign.

Bernie Sanders is feeding the movement on the streets; he wants revolution "now more than ever". Thus, the folks at MoveOn congratulated both Clinton and Sanders — someone, they wrote, must stop the "toxic" "hate" that is impeding "progress" toward an LGBT, abortion, pornography, and usury safe world represented by Clinton and Sanders.:

"We congratulate Hillary Clinton, Bernie Sanders, and their tens of millions of supporters. Together, we will defeat Donald Trump's toxic campaign of hate and lay the groundwork for progress."

Anyone watching the protests in American cities can judge for themselves where the "toxic hate" is coming from. The socalled tolerance crowd does not seem so tolerant after all. It is difficult to feel the "love" coming from their profuse and vociferous hate rallies.

It all spells potential trouble for Trump who might have have a unique problem in the Electoral College because many Republicans did not vote for him in the general election, esp. "Neocon" Republicans and leading party representatives such as Colin Powell, the Bush Presidents George W and George H.W. (who did not vote at all), Jeb Bush, Mitt Romney, Larry Pressler, Norm Coleman, Sally Bradshaw, Gordon Humphrey, former RNC Chairman Michael Steele, and a host of others"

The electoral outcome is not as clear as it usually is, due to Trump's loss of many Republicans. The Clinton camp is hoping that the same thing happens in the Electoral College. On **January 6**, Congress will officially meet in joint session to count the electoral votes cast on **December 19**. President Obama and Vice President Biden will preside over the joint session and the vote count and they will also announce the winner.

Sometime between mid-November and December 19, the governor of each state will prepare a "Certificate of Ascertainment", and forward it to the electors.

Then on December 19, electors will meet in their respective states and vote for Vice President and President on separate ballots. Their votes are recorded on documents referred to as "Certificate of Vote". The full set of electoral votes consists of a Certificate of Vote and a Certificate of Ascertainment.

These certificates are forwarded to Congress for their January 6 review. If a state submits conflicting votes to Congress, the two house acting together may accept or reject the vote. That is, they may do with it whatever they think best: accept the Governor's list or accept the Elector's list or reject them both. Given that the electors might not

vote according to the *Ascertainment* sent them by the governor, there might very well be a difference, in which case the vote would be decided by the the House and Senate.

Thus, for Hilary to win, electors must vote differently than directed by the people of their respective states presumably contained in the Governor's Certificate of Ascertainment. If this happens, the Elector's List would differ from the Governor's thereby leaving it to the Congress (the House and Senate together) to decide to accept or reject the elector's choice. If they do not concur on the outcome; that is, if they do not both agree to accept either the elector's or the governor's list, the votes of the state's electors certified by the Governor (Certificate of Ascertainment), must be counted.

Thus for Hilary to be elected. two things must work in her favor:

- (1) The electors must vote differently than indicated on the governor's list
- (2) Both houses must accept the elector's changes If both houses fail to agree on the elector's list, than the governor's list must be used.

Although any number of extraordinary things could happen according to this scenario, none of them are likely. This scenario represents wishful thinking on part of the liberals. Because, as usual, the liberal push for their cherished agenda is being based on false or partial information. This time the blinders are on the eyes that prepared the <u>Hilary petition</u>. They presented false information to their readers and would be liberal supporters. According to the information they provided, the penalty for an elector altering his or her vote is minimal:

"If electors vote against their party, they usually pay a

fine. And people get mad (that's all). But they can vote however they want and there is no legal means to stop them in most states.... Even in states where that is not allowed, their vote would still be counted, they would simply pay a small fine — which we can be sure Clinton supporters will be glad to pay!"

In fact, the punishment for electoral violations are not always minor; several states carry felony punishments for trying to influence or tamper with electors. For example in the State of Florida, bribing or attempting to influence the vote cast by an elector is not a simple misdemeanor but a felony. Florida Statue 104.061: "Corruptly Influencing Voting", stipulates:

"Whoever by bribery, menace, threat, or other corruption whatsoever, either directly or indirectly, attempts to influence, deceive, or deter any elector in voting or interferes with him or her in the free exercise of the elector's right to vote at any election commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084 for the first conviction, and a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084, for any subsequent conviction.

A third degree felony carries a prison term of up to five years and a five thousand dollar fine. A second offense caries a prison term of up to fifteen years and a fine of \$10,000 - however at the petition website they simply said, "people get mad." In reality, people can go to jail.

In <u>Wisconsin the State Election Code</u> makes simple inducement or attempt to prevail upon an elector a Class I Felony:

"No person may personally or through an agent, by any act compel, induce, or prevail upon an elector either to vote or refrain from voting at any election for or against a particular candidate or referendum.

<u>In Wisconsin the penalty for a Class I felony is a fine</u> "not to exceed \$10,000 or imprisonment not to exceed 3 years and 6 months, or both."

Moreover, in such cases the elector is disqualified, his/her vote rejected and a new elector appointed. Other states, besides Florida and Wisconsin, carry similar penalties.

Therefore, since it is Republican electors that must change their votes for Hilary to win, organizers against Trump are targeting the 160 Republican electors from states that do not have laws binding the electors: Arizona, Arkansas, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Missouri, North Dakota, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Utah and West Virginia. If they are to pull off their plan, it will most likely involve electors from these states, states having no penalty for elector non-compliance — Texas would be a prize esp. since Clinton ran closer to Trump in Texas than expected. In the highly unlikely case that the liberals flip Texas (or a combination of several other states), Clinton wins and no one suffers any recrimination.

Since the door is open for an electoral challenge, since people like Hilary Clinton and Bernie Sanders are calling for revolution NOW, and since petitions are being signed, albeit with false information, it seems to be a simple deduction that attempts will be made to influence electors, that protests will continue, that legal charges will be brought against President-Elect Trump prior to the critical dates cited above accompanied by ongoing smear campaigns and continual sobbing, which has worked so well for so long. For example, Trump is expected to appear in federal court for rape charges later this month. According to the <u>Huffington Post</u>, November 2:

"If you've been anywhere near Facebook or Twitter in the past several months, you're probably aware that there is a case working its way through the courts that accuses <u>Donald Trump</u> of raping a 13-year-old girl in 1994.

"On Wednesday, the woman, who remains anonymous, was slated to appear at a press conference with her new attorney, Lisa Bloom, the daughter of Gloria Allred Bloom, wrote a column about the case in The Huffington Post last summer.

Although this case has been subsequently dropped, others

are pending such as the <u>law suit over Trump University</u>, which trial is scheduled begin later this month, and anything else that the legions can cook up or partially support in anyway to vilify Trump.

In spite of these eventualities, New Era does not foresee a Clinton victory in the Electoral College. Since the House of Representatives is controlled by Republicans, even if several key Republicans voted against Trump, he still represents the Republican ticket; moreover, a vote against Trump would mean an endorsement of Hillary, which is highly unlikely unless the elector happens to be a neocon.

Given the history of the Electoral College, the legal parameters built around it, and the unlikely scenario of electors in only 15 states engaging in an unprecedented electoral initiative, we do not foresee a Clinton victory. Such an occurrence is highly remote. Given the fact that Clinton supporters are increasingly active and being encouraged to carry on their protests, given the fact that a petition, no mater how specious and misleading, is operative, and that neocon electors might turn to Hilary make the possibility of a Clinton victory in the Electoral College less remote; nonetheless it is still remote.

Since these are highly volatile times, times filled with bursting emotion and bitterness, as well as with hope and expectation, the solution for Trump supporters is prayer. If God's hand is active in human history at this key moment, as we believe it is as evidenced by Christian renewal all around the globe, God will continue to take care of the issues. Trump opponents are confused and baffled; they have been hit with a flaming loss just when everything seemed to be going their way; they are unsure how Trump could win, unsure about what just happened.

Unsure or not, it did happen just as it is happening elsewhere around the globe. God's people in the United States

must therefore do their part, just as they are elsewhere around the world. The appropriate response is opposite of that adopted by the liberal camp. Not to the streets with violence and hatred but to the streets, if necessary, with positive support of their candidate and most of all, to the knees in prayer and reparation; not violence but prayer for forgiveness, mercy and compassion and for God's will to be This is the appropriate response for Christian men and women, the appropriate and most powerful means by which they will finish what has been begun: Getting Donald Trump into the White House with God's blessing and the proper support of Christian men and women who take the high road, while their opponents continue to wallow in their feculence. To assure God's blessing, their liberal opponents no matter how annoying must not be ridiculed, belittled, accosted, or abused but loved, understood, pitied, and mercifully prayed for:

"Yet the archangel Michael, when he argued with the devil in a dispute over the body of Moses, did not venture to pronounce a reviling judgment upon him but (simply) said, "May the Lord rebuke you!" But these people revile what they do not understand and are destroyed by what they know by nature like irrational animals.

Woe to them! They followed the way of Cain, abandoned themselves to Balaam's error for the sake of gain, and perished in the rebellion of Korah.... They are waterless clouds blown about by winds, fruitless trees in late autumn, twice dead and uprooted. They are like wild waves of the sea, foaming up their shameless deeds, wandering stars for whom the gloom of darkness has been reserved forever.

So, "Lord have mercy."

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What to Expect from Trump's Military Foreign Policy

SINCE THE ELECTION OF DONALD TRUMP to be President of the United States, many think tank and intelligence agency executives have stepped forward to offer insight and make forecasts toward what a Trump presidency might bring. Among these stellar agencies, <u>Stratfor</u> is perhaps the foremost recognized global leader in the intelligence forecasting business. Stratfor, operating out of Austin, Texas is referred to by foreign policy experts world wide and is known for its insight and excellence in global forecasting. Unfortunately, Stratfor is increasingly off with its forecasts, as are most intelligence agencies and US State Department analysts. Although their geopolitical analysis remains strong, they are increasingly off because they are using outdated models and assumptions that interprets things through the lens of a UK-US neoliberal hegemony, which is rapidly coming to a close. The fact is, the world is in transition to something new, thereby reducing the effectiveness of old forecast models. Stratfor has simply not caught on. New ideas, movements, and energies are underway around the globe that require an entire new set of assumptions and new models of forecasting that take into account the impact of morality and religion in the economic, political and cultural affairs of nations. New Era Global Intelligence refers to this model as "Theopolitics" in contradistinction to the "Geopolitical" model used by Stratfor et al.

Geopolitics remains essential, but it is limited due to its lack of moral, religious, and cultural variables that are increasingly at play in world politics. Thus, we prefer to look at the future Trump presidency and to make forecasts based on a theopolitical model, one which includes geopolitics, but a whole lot more. This article is therefore intended to demonstrate the weakness of old geopolitical models and the strength of new theopolitical models by using forecasts of a Trump presidency as an example. Because geopolitical Stratfor forecasts are, we believe, increasingly far off and different from the theopolitical ones made by New Era, time will soon tell which forecasting model has more strength and validity for the future.

So What Can be Expected of a Trump Foreign Policy?

This topic is approached by first considering what Stratfor analysts have to say followed by a completely contrary forecast made by New Era.

First, Stratfor adopts a neoliberal position on Russia as evidenced by its reporting on supposed Russian interference in US election without any evidence that such interference ever occurred:

"Given the friendly rhetoric during the campaign season (and the indirect assistance to the Trump campaign from alleged Russian cyber attacks), Russian President Vladimir Putin is expecting to sit down for a serious negotiation with Trump."

A close reader cannot get by the first paragraph, without questioning the objectivity at Stratfor. If there is no evidence for a cyber attack and it is admitted that the allegation is only "alleged" why is it even in the report — this shows a bias against Russia that is not backed by any evidence. Besides, I for one, would like to know just what kind of support Mr. Trump would have received by a cyber

attack? Did it increase votes for him some how? If so, then it should be demonstrated just how it accomplished such an objective. The whole issue is an amorphous allegation meant to confuse and somehow befuddle readers into thinking the election was effected by Russia and therefore Trump owes Putin. Just what exactly was this alleged "indirect assistance" received by Trump?

Stratfor analysts correctly point out that although President Trump will have "… the executive authority to ease sanctions", and although Russia "can de-escalate its military campaign in Syria" there are limits imposed on a Trump-Putin dialogue from the American side:

"The U.S. military establishment, the U.S. Intelligence Community, Republican congressmen and even potential members of Trump's Cabinet are hawkish on Russia and realize the high strategic cost of encouraging an expansion and entrenchment of its sphere of influence in the former Soviet sphere."

"Putin is also not going to significantly compromise Russia's position in critical buffer states such as Ukraine. Moreover, the <u>increasingly Putinized Russian state</u> has coped with domestic challenges by demonizing the West and claiming a U.S. plot to dismantle Russia as a whole. If the Kremlin cannot secure big strategic concessions for its domestic audience, then it will need to keep vilifying the West to sustain nationalist support."

Although it begins with a basic logical presumption, this prognosis is highly biased, deceptive, and highly unlikely. Although it is true that Trump will face an intelligence community and Republican statesmen that are hawkish on Russia, Sen. McCain-Arizona for example, the article does not say which "potential Trump Cabinet" members are hawkish — there is a presumption of continued hawkishness. Moreover, why would any world leader, Putin included, compromise his or her

position on securing borders and national security interests along lands shared with "critical buffer states"? This is a normal political reaction to perceived threats coming form the United States and NATO, which have given President Putin more than enough reason to want to secure his buffer zone. Stratfor makes it look as though Russia under Putin is some type of military aggressor while ignoring the aggression of the United Sates and NATO on Russia's critical borders and around the world.

What would happen if Russia fomented a coup against a democratically elected government in Mexico City and then threatened to move its troops to the Texas border? Would the United States have a compelling interest to secure its borders and complain of Russian aggression? But this is exactly what the United States did in the Ukraine, at a time that Sen. McCain boasted that the US was involved in the overthrow of legitimate governments. McCain even showed his face in Kiev at a critical moment of social unrest against a democratically elected government. Why was he even there? He certainly did not represent the interests of the reigning government but wanted it to be overthrown as another victim in a series of "spring times" he bragged about facilitating. If Russia is defending its interests on its Ukrainian border, so what? Any nation would do the same if provoked as Russia has been. Simply stated, the United States has over 2,000 military bases stationed worldwide; Russia has a handful in its own region — so who is the aggressor.

US military spending is higher than that of all the countries of the world *combined*. NATO alone spends ten times more on military than the entire Russian Federation — so who is the aggressor?

Putin recently challenged the West to publish a map of all of its bases around the world and compare them to Russian bases — such a map would more clearly show who the aggressor is:

"I invite you to publish the world map in your newspaper and to mark all the US military bases on it. You will see the difference" (Vladimir Putin)

Putin continued:

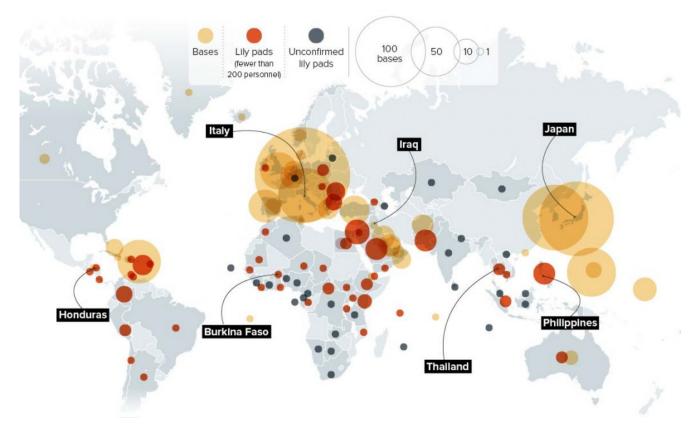
"American submarines are on permanent alert off the Norwegian coast; they are equipped with missiles that can reach Moscow in 17 minutes. But we dismantled all of our bases in Cuba a long time ago, even the non-strategic ones. And you would call us aggressive?"

"You yourself have mentioned NATO's expansion to the east. As for us, we are not expanding anywhere; it is NATO infrastructure, including military infrastructure, that is moving towards our borders. Is this a manifestation of our aggression?"

"Everything we do is just a response to the threats emerging against us. Besides, what we do is limited in scope and scale, which are, however, sufficient to ensure Russia's security. Or did someone expect Russia to disarm unilaterally?"

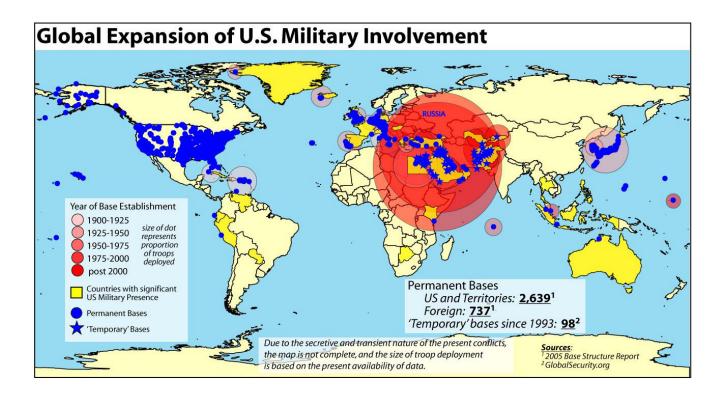
MAPS OF US BASES AROUND THE WORLD

Looking at the maps below, it seems that Mr. Putin has a valid point, a point that neoliberals at Stratfor want to ignore:



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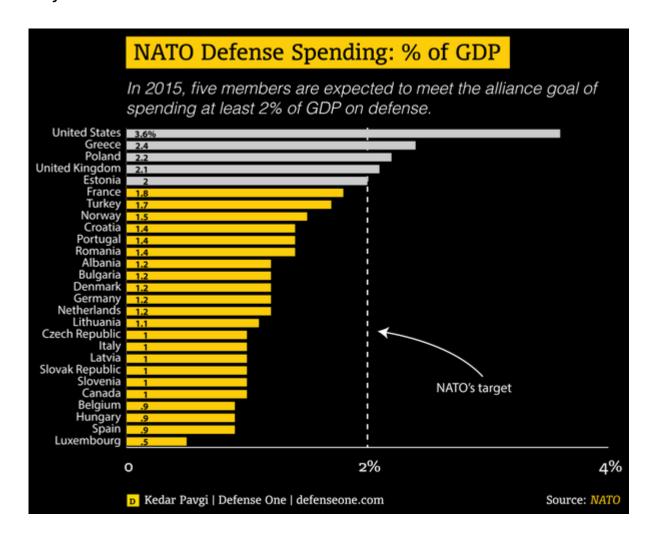
Please excuse the following jocularity (sarcasm), but this is how ridiculous it has become: If we need further proof of Russia's aggression we need only consider how bold the Russians are: How dare they move their country so close to our military bases. It is not the Russians who are demonizing the West, we do a good job of that all by ourselves; it is the West that is demonizing Russia. It seems that Russia and the West have switched roles. Hopefully, under President Elect Trump, the United States and Russia will be reconciled and cooperate to protect Christians and advance world peace — things the neoliberals and neocons fear more than anything else, consequently, Putin must be a demon.



Anyone with eyes can see who is threatening whom. Russia is virtually surrounded except for the frigid North Pole and even there the US has nuclear submarines than can target and hit Moscow in 17 minutes.



Donald Trump has indicated that NATO nations should start paying their fair share for military protection rather than letting the United States bear the burden as it has for decades. The US is just one of 28 members, but is responsible for approximately 70% of NATO spending. NATO accepted a policy (2104) that requires all members to contribute a minimum of least 2% of their gross domestic product to NATO. Only five nations out of 28 do so.



In response to Trump's comments about NATO, European Commission President Jean-Claude Juncker, called for the creation of a European Union Army in lieu of NATO. After Donald Trump's election as US president, Junker said the EU could no longer rely on America to assure its security and needed a "new start" by building a "European army." The idea is being hotly opposed. It seems that many in Europe want peace with Russia, not war, a cooling, not a heating of relations and are not afraid to blame the European

liberals (and their American neoliberal and neocon partners) in the West for provoking Russia and telling the truth about our military failures in "spring" revolutions fomented in Iraq, Syria, Libya and Afghanistan:

It is clear, there are going to be consequences If the EU does not do its agreed part,

"We don't know what that consequence will be, but I think most Americans are in favor of that. They think everybody should pay their fair share. "There's no reason why the United States of America has to put up with the nonsense of caring for the defense and the security of a country that doesn't pick up its fair share" (Carl Paladino, Trump's NY Campaign Chief).

It will be more cost effective for Europe to increase its support of NATO than to build an entire military system for itself, but it seems that they are getting the Trump message. In this regrard, Jens Stoltenberg, NATO Chief, delivered a strong warning following Trump's victory.

"Going it alone is not an option....This is no time to question the partnership between Europe and the United States."

"In these uncertain times we need strong American leadership, and we need Europeans to shoulder their fair share of the burden....But above all we need to recognize the value of the partnership between Europe and America. It remains indispensable."

Clearly, there is going to be an emphasis on NATO; however, it is not clear what direction Europe will take. It has behooved Eastern European nations like Poland to pay their fair share because being a beneficiary of NATO far outweighs the cost of military protection it would have to provider for itself otherwise. Nonetheless, as Europe continues to unravel, as

other nations threaten to follow Britain's exit and the crisis with imposed liberalism continues, NATO will have to take these concerns into account if it intends to remain a viable entity. If the United States and Russia join hands to fight international terrorism, as Trump has indicated, it would not be surprising to see Russia become a member of a renewed NATO and a guarantor of world peace. Regarding the current international system, Trump reminds us that:

"I was establishment. Now I'm probably as anti-establishment as God ever created... The economy is rigged, the banks are rigged the whole deal is rigged, folks... It's a bad system and it's a dangerous system because people are angry as hell about what's going on."

Because Trump sees the current system as "rigged" and "dangerous" there are sure to be changes. As far as the military is concerned, a more likely forecast envisions Trump progressively removing gender confused senior officers placed by President Obama and restoring manliness to the military. This in itself will reduce concerns about homophobic Christian Russia coming from the neoliberal military brass and their civilian employers. In the past, they wanted to contain Russia because of Communism; today they want to contain Russia because of the "contagion" of Christianity.

Analysts at Stratfor are aware of American military presence around the globe; the problem is that they seem to be either neocon or neoliberal ideologues who prefer fiction to truth, *esp*. when the fiction appears to be true as it has for decades. The tide is turning. Stratfor reports that the Russian government claims that the US is engaged in a "plot to dismantle Russia as a whole." Given American and NATO aggression and the demonization of Russian culture by Western media, the Russian claim does *not* seem unfounded.

Stratfor goes on to claim that countries such as Poland are

vulnerable to Russian influences and must therefore "band together" to resist them. This is an old and faded dream by Stratfor founder George Friedman, known as the "Intermarium" The Intermarium, George's cherished vision for a future Europe, is a short-cited perspective that forecasts a soon to be unity of Slavic nations from the Baltic to Black Seas who align with the West against Russia. An Intermarium will most likely occur, but not along the lines predicted by Friedman — there will be no Intermarium as George Friedman envisions it.

New Era nonetheless, does forecast an Intermarium of sorts; it will consist of Slavic nations from the Baltic to the Black Sea united with each other by their common European and Christian patrimony and united with Russia, which has officially declared itself to be Christian, against the liberalism foisted on them all be the West.

Next years elections in Germany and France will significantly impact EU relations with Russia. If pro-Russia leaders are elected in France or Germany, the European Union will reconsider it relations with Russia. Christian political parties have already gained power in Hungary, Poland, and Slovakia, and Marie Le Pen is the Catholic front runner in France. She has already indicated her desire for positive-constructive relations with Russia. If she should win, Western Europe will move, along with Eastern Europe into a military, economic, and quasi-cultural alignment with Russia rooted in the common Christian patrimony of East and West.

New Era forecasts that the United States, under Donald Trump, will move in a similar direction: Peace with Russia and a reduction of US military involvement abroad *after* the threat of ISIS, Daesh and Al Qaeda is eradicated by a combined and cooperating force of US-European-Russian military units.

Please watch this forecast — it is already in motion.

Trump Presidency to be Met by Resistance from Liberal Leaders and their Minions

ALL OVER THE WORLD CHRISTIAN affiliated political parties committed to traditional moral values, to economic fairness, the securing of indigenous cultural patrimonies (being challenged by rampant global liberalism), are making their voices heard and their political clout felt. parties are to be found in France, Greece, Poland, Hungary, the Philippines, Nigeria, Uganda, Malaysia, Russia and Slovakia to name the most prevalent (Scroll Down to "Fast Track to Truth" at newera.news). A similar occurrence is taking place in the United States. Although the Republican Party is by no means a new party, it has activated a previously uninvolved group of white rural married (presumably Christian men or men rooted in traditional moral values) who, like people worldwide, have had enough of the global liberal agenda and are therefore rising in, what the New York Times refers to as a "stunning repudiation of the establishment". These previously latent men have made their voice heard; that voice was the unexpected and decisive factor in the election of Donald Trump to the presidency with the expectation that the president-elect will take the country back from those few among the rich and powerful who are misusing their blessings to advance a rebellious clash with Western culture.

"The <u>Reuters/Ipsos early exit poll</u> found that 75 percent of respondents agreed "America needs a strong leader to take the

Mr. Trump has not yet taken the Oval office and he is already being warned by the aberrant rich and powerful that liberals worldwide are going to raise their guns in opposition. First, he was warned by Hilary Clinton in her concession speech in which she promised a peaceful transition in the best American Apparently, her showing up to make a concession speech, rather than resisting a Trump victory and refusing to show at all, is all that can be expected from the Clinton camp - her showing up and being cordial represents her idea of a peaceful transition. Although she did not complain and acted civilly, she wasted no time rallying the troops against Trump. Hilary gracefully accepted defeat, as is expected in America. However, those who are expecting peace are in for guite a surprise. Clinton's idea of a peaceful transition has already been witnessed; it took place on stage this morning — that is, the transition is over. After accepting Trump as president in the morning, it was all out war a few hours later, as she had indicated in her speech.

Her first words were a veiled threat:

"Last night, I congratulated Donald Trump and offered to work with him on behalf of our country. I hope that he will be a successful president for all Americans."

Yes, Hilary offered to work with Donald, but on the condition that he will be successful for "all" Americans. She gracefully conceded and offered him an open mind and a "chance" to lead.

"Donald Trump is going to be our president. We owe him an open mind and a chance to lead,"

He will be given a chance, a slim chance. If President Elect Trump does not bring "success" to "all" (LGBT language) or should he trespass on any liberal agenda item that Clinton believes is necessary for "progress" she will *not* work with Mr. Trump but against him. She used her speech to rally the troops urging them *not* to join forces with the new president but to fight on.

"I know we have still not shattered that highest and hardest glass ceiling, but someday, someone will, and hopefully sooner than we might think, <u>right now</u> (double intendreperhaps)."

Ms. Clinton put Trump on warning: Although she honors the peaceful American transfer of power, she will not remain peaceful should her agenda be challenged. In other words, she is not behind the president at all, nor will she give him any chance to advance new ideas or initiatives if she thinks they oppose her agenda.

"Our constitutional democracy enshrines the peaceful transfer of power and we don't just respect that, we cherish it. <u>It</u> also enshrines other things: the rule of law, the principle that we are equal in rights and dignity, freedom of worship and expression. We respect and cherish these values too and we must defend them."

Hilary is banking on the law and the "rule of law" protecting her and the liberal legion against Mr. Trump; that is why she refers to the "enshrined" rule of law. In other words, Mr. Trump we (the liberal camp) have spent over a hundred years perverting the laws of this country and too bad, you must follow them — so fat chance of success; the LGBT community now has the protection of law. Unfortunately, for Ms. Clinton, with both Houses of Congress and the Presidency in the hands of Republicans backed by a new cohort of Christian men, laws are about to change.

Clinton might be right on the topic of equality of human rights and dignity and on freedom of worship, but she is wrong

about "expression", which she erroneously tries to sneak in on the coattails of the former correct three. Error does not have any rights. Thus, Pope Pius XI wrote in his encyclical <u>Mit</u> <u>Brennender Sorge</u>:

"Charity, intelligent and sympathetic towards those even who offend you, does by no means imply a renunciation of the right of proclaiming, vindicating and defending the truth and its implications. The priest's first loving gift to his neighbors is to serve truth and refute error in any of its (expressed) forms. Failure on this score would be not only a betrayal of God and your vocation, but also an offense against the real welfare of your people and country.

Hilary seems to lack cognizance of the fact that God too is a person and as a Divine Person, he too has rights, Divine Rights:

"It is part of their (the clergy) sacred obligations to do whatever is in their power to enforce respect for, and obedience to, the commandments of God, as these are the necessary foundation of all private life and public morality; to see that the rights of His Divine Majesty, His name and His word be not profaned; to put a stop to the blasphemies, which, in words and pictures, are multiplying like the sands of the desert; to encounter the obstinacy and provocations of those who deny, despise and hate God, by the never-failing reparatory prayers of the Faithful, hourly rising like incense to the All-Highest and staying His vengeance."

Although error does not have rights, those in error do.

However, one of those rights is *not* the arrogant *expression* of their error. Arrogant expression of ones ideas and aberrant thoughts cannot be a right because human ideas can obviously be erroneous or sinful, in which case, they conflict with Divine Ideas. When that happens, there is a violation of God's rights. Natural Law and Divine Law are superior to any

human law; unless of course, the United States Constitution is accepted as the supreme law of the land, even higher than the Law of God. Hilary, is banking on this long-standing American verity; supreme court justices acting under the penumbra of the US Constitution have given error rights. Nonetheless, although error may be tolerated, it does not have an absolute right to exist especially no right to arrogantly exist:

"In the social life of nations, error may be tolerated as a reality, but never allowed as a right. Error "has no right to exist objectively nor to propaganda, nor action" (Pius XII Speech Ci Riesce 1953)

All rights are contingent upon human necessities, on those basic things necessary for life and the pursuit of happiness (food, clothing, shelter, education etc.), on those things that are necessary for human advancement, that is the actualization of human potential for wisdom, understanding, and knowledge as well as growth in love and the moral and theological virtues that help men and women to bear fruit and to live the beatitudes. Unlike items in the liberal; agenda, none of these items conflicts with the mind and will of God as He has made them known in the life and teachings of His Divine Son, Jesus Christ.

Hilary pushes the bar to the extreme. She stated in her concession speech that "our constitutional democracy...demands our participation...so let's do all we can to keep advancing the values and causes we all hold dear."

In other words, it is the sworn obligation of democratic government, as understood by Hilary Clinton, to demand the participation of aberrant thoughts, words and ideas in the public forum, in the courts, schools, and halls of congress while those professing Christian ideas must be demanded to remain silent and keep their thoughts, words, and ideas out of the courts, schools, and halls of Congress, (and to

themselves) because the constitution, she sites, has erected a wall of separation between church and state — so "three cheers for the Constitution".

With this type of logic, it is clear — the fight will go on as the liberal cohort continues to defy the laws of God because they believe they have not only a right to voice their errors but also a sacred constitutional right to demand abortion, homosexuality, legalization of drugs, disrespect for authority etc., while any idea rooted in Christianity must be removed from the public forum. Why, because the constitution demands it.

As she tried to sneak in a false right of *expression* upon the coattails of actual rights, she also tried to sneak in protection of the "American Dream" for aberrant LGBT activists on the legitimate coattails of equal protection for of all races and religions, men and women, immigrants and those with disabilities. Following this deviant move, she urged her followers to do everything in their power to advance the LGBT and broader liberal vision.

"We need you to keep up these fights NOW and for the rest of your lives."

This was the second time Hilary called for a fight "Now". except, this time, it is not an entendere The result: hours later in liberal bastions across the country, liberal minions took to the streets shouting slogans such as "Racist, sexist, anti-gay Donald Trump Go Away" and "Not our President":

<u>SEE NY TIMES VIDEO: Clinton Minions Take to Streets Fighting</u>

<u>"Right Now" - Moments after Hillary Called for it in Her Veiled Concession Speech.</u>

But it is not Hilary alone who will challenge the new president, Hilary was joined in the refrain by fellow champion of the liberal cause, German Chancellor Angela Merkle who has already set liberal conditions on her relationship to the new president and by extension to America itself. In her congratulatory communication Merkel stated:

"Germany and America are connected by values of democracy, freedom and respect for the law and the dignity of man, independent of origin, skin color, religion, gender, sexual orientation or political views.... I offer the next President of the United States close cooperation on the basis of these values."

Because Trump received no similar cold shoulder from the Prime Minister of England, the Liberal *New York Times* is looking for a new champion and thinks they have found one in Germany:

"He (Trump) received no pushback on Wednesday from Theresa May, the British prime minister, who simply congratulated Mr. Trump on his win. The two leaders' (May and Merkel) reactions were further proof that, after Britain's decision to leave the European Union, we will have to look to Mrs. Merkel not just to lead Europe but to replace America in leading NATO as well."

The liberal ideologues are too filled with hate to reconcile with Christian men and women of good will.

Look anywhere on the social media and you can find liberal hatred being fomented. Quite unlike the Obama win eight years ago when Republicans reluctantly put aside their differences and closed rank around President Obama as expected in the best American tradition, no such thing is happening in 2016. Instead off a hand shake, Trump is receiving a loud FU (see video below).

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To bad for the liberals, but they are going to be outplayed by the emerging global forces arrayed against them (see the "Fast <u>Track to Truth" at newera.news</u>). Trump will find support among the international community to battle the Leviathan of liberalism. All over the world people are rising against the sea of liberal pollution — it is coming to an end and very soon.

The Mother of God promised at Fatima that Russia would be converted and corollary to that conversion she added "in the end my Immaculate Heart" will triumph." The Triumph of the Immaculate Heart is underway world wide and misguided souls being led by blind guides, such as Ms. Hilary Clinton, Barack O'bama, and Nancy Pelosi et al who are clueless, are, like their guides, totally unaware of what is going on. They are no longer fighting against a mere set of disorganized and muzzled beings; they are fighting against Divine Providence, which has decreed that the Immaculate Woman and her Divine Son shall triumph over the feculent Prince of Darkness and his enslaved followers (Gensis 3:15 and Revelation 12:1-6).

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Trump Vow to Take on Global

Establishment Followed by Promise of Support to Catholics

AS A RESULT OF DONALD TRUMP'S ACCUSATION of a conspiracy against the American people, he has come under fire from the Zionist Defense Team. Because Trump displayed some prominent Jewish faces in his final add before Tuesday's election, the Anti-Semitic Pro-Zionist "Times of Israel" (whose agents zealously scrutinized Trump's recent speech to discover veiled threats to expose and defeat a New Order conspiracy led by Zionists) has accused him of anti-Semitism. According to the Times:

"Philanthropist investor George Soros, Federal Reserve head Janet Yellen and Goldman Sachs CEO Lloyd Blankfein, all of whom are Jewish, appear onscreen as Trump inveighs against "levers of power in Washington" and "global special interests" — both considered anti-Semitic dog-whistles."

"The video (shown below) also intersperses images of the Clintons, President Barack Obama, Congress, foreign leaders and the United Nations. All these are juxtaposed with pictures of regular Americans, whom Trump urges to rise up."

Trump highlighted the primary aim of his running for president in a speech delivered on November 6, in which he articulated his commitment to

"...replace a failed and corrupt political establishment with a new government controlled by the American people" According to to the network of associations manifest in the Trump add, a nefarious network controls the Federal Reserve and is trying to stop him from becoming president. Mr. Trump will draw intense ire from the Zionist establishment if he keeps up this diatribe, but he is likely to draw even more ire from the liberal Zionist camp for his support of the United State Bishops and the Catholic Church.

https://youtu.be/ihhDviRyMk8

Catholics, Trump says, have made

"...countless contributions to the American success story."

Nonetheless Catholics in America, according to Trump, are victims of a triple hostility directed at them by neoliberal politicians:

"Washington politicians have been hostile to the church, they have been hostile to Catholics; they have been hostile to the members of Catholicism."

Trump promises therefore to

"...stand side by side with American Catholics to promote the values we all share as Christians and Americans.

On the other side of the fence, in the Clinton camp, we have a "CATHOLIC" VICE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE WHO CANNOT QUITE SEEM TO FIGURE OUT THE INTERSECTION BETWEEN CONSCIENCE AND POLITICAL ACTION.

Consequently, Archbishop Joseph Naumann of Kansas City is perplexed by the old and worn our arguments made by the supposedly Catholic Kaine and the liberal cabal:

"It was painful to listen to Senator Kaine repeat the same tired and contorted reasoning to profess his personal opposition to abortion while justifying his commitment to keep it legal. He said all the usual made-for-modern-media sound bites: It is not proper to impose his religious beliefs upon all Americans. He trusts women to make good reproductive choices. And when all else fails, there is always: Do we really want to criminalize and fill our jails with post-abortive women?"

Kaine must be suffering from an acute case of character dysfunction — holding one set of beliefs in private but advancing another opposite set in public. Nearly everyone knows this game by now; basically Kaine is hiding behind a public-private problem that does not exist. No American ever denied a politician a right to fight for his or her core beliefs — every politician worth his or her salt does so. The truth is Kaine is pro-abortion. The test available to Christians struggling with this issue is simple: Jesus, the Head of the Church, clearly told his flock how to discern the truth in such matters. Such men as Kaine, Jesus tells us are suffering from a psychological malady of self-deception:

"But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. For if a man be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he shall be compared to a man beholding his own countenance in a glass. For he beheld himself, and went his way, and presently forgot what manner of man he was. But he that hath looked into the perfect law of liberty, and hath continued therein, not becoming a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work; this man shall be blessed in his deed" (James 1:22-25).

Jesus drove the point home be telling His disciples not to judge a man by his words but by his deeds; a tree is known by its fruits and Kaine's fruits are rotten ergo, Kaine is rotten.

"For there is no good tree that bringeth forth evil fruit;

nor an evil tree that bringeth forth good fruit. For every tree is known by its fruit. For men do not gather figs from thorns; nor from a bramble bush do they gather the grape. A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good: and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth that which is evil" (Luke 6:43).

Thus, according to Archbishop Naumann:

"It is interesting that Senator Kaine expressed his personal anguish when as governor he enforced capital punishment sentences. He gave the impression that he attempted unsuccessfully to convince Virginians to abolish the death penalty. Yet, with regard to legalized abortion, I am not aware of Senator Kaine making a similar effort to convince his constituents to work for public policies that protect the lives of the unborn. Instead, he appears eager to champion not only maintaining the status quo, but actually expanding abortion rights."

It is ironic, the Archbishop continues that

"Senator Kaine expressed such profound concern about imposing his religious beliefs on others, while supporting efforts:

- "To coerce the Little Sisters of the Poor and other faith-based ministries to violate their conscience by including abortifacients, contraceptives and sterilizations in their employee health plans;"
- 2. "To put small business owners (e.g., florists, bakers, photographers, etc.) out of business with crippling fines if they decline to participate in same-sex marriage ceremonies; and"
- 3. "To force every American taxpayer to help fund abortion."

Kaine has no problem fighting against the Church but has real

problem fighting for Her. The fact is, Kaine is not telling the truth; he is more concerned with gaining the world while putting his soul in peril. It is his game to play, but no one should be fooled any longer by this "worn out" banter. In fact, it is is painful to hear such a man eternally ruin himself for a moment of temporal glory.

Kaine is playing with fire, and the only one being fooled is Kaine himself (James 1: 22-25-as mentioned above). He is more than a wayward sheep, he is an impostor who is known by his fruits. He cannot be a good tree according to the judgement of God, because good trees do not bring forth evil fruit.

"Beware of false prophets, who come to you in the clothing of sheep, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. By their fruits you shall know them. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit, and the evil tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can an evil tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit, shall be cut down, and shall be cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits you shall know them."

Kaine can cry Christian and Catholic all he wants, God is not fooled nor are His true disciples:

"Not every one that saith to me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven: but he that doth the will of my Father who is in heaven, he shall enter into the kingdom of heaven. Many will say to me in that day: Lord, Lord, have not we prophesied in thy name, and cast out devils in thy name, and done many miracles in thy name? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, you that work iniquity."

Perhaps if Kaine placed the law of God before the law of the state and the interpretation of the Church before the

interpretation of the Supreme Court, he might not be in such a heinous quandary. He can fool himself, but he does not fool the Church or the followers of Christ.

Trump, on the other hand, concludes his exposition of the liberal world order by acknowledging that:

"It is the corrupt American political establishment that is the greatest power behind the effort at radical globalization" (at 4:18 in the video below).

In speaking of Clinton and the New Order cabal behind her, Trump makes perhaps his most insightful statement:

"Most importantly, the depths of their immorality is absolutely unlimited." (5:06).

Ms. Clinton has a much different attitude about Catholics and Christians and morality than Mr. Trump. According to Ms. Clinton:

"Deep seated cultural codes, religious beliefs and structural biases have to be changed (presumably through a Catholic or Christian Spring)."

"I want a supreme court that will stick with Roe v Wade and that will stick with marriage equality (same sex marriages)."

"Donald", she says, "has put forth some names of people he has considered (for supreme court) and among the names he has suggested are people who would reverse Roe v Wade and reverse marriage equality."

Given the current state of foreign, domestic, and moral affairs, if Clinton becomes president it can be expected that any church that violates these sacred liberal values will be punished as were those private businesses that opposed same sex marriage. George Sorros, a major contributor to the

Clinton campaign and to the neoliberal world agenda, will flourish under a Clinton regime. Clinton has promised to abolish the Hyde Amendment, which blocks government funding from killing children in their mother's wombs. On top of all this, she wants to exacerbate relations with Russia by imposing a no-fly zone in Syria ,which according to leading analysts in the Armed Service Committee would "require us to go to war with Syria and Russia." Too bad, the Russians have already beat Hilary to the game and are helping to avert war and to help Christians in Syria and elsewhere:

"The tables are now turned. Now the supposed protectors of innocent Syrians—the US and her coalition partners—will need to ask permission to fly their planes over Syria because they would be flying in the new, Russian, multi-layered, missile shield known as the "Integrated Air Defense System."

"Russia has beaten the United States to a key strategy in Syria with its new ability to create a no-fly zone, delivered by a new S-300 surface-to-air missile system, according to military analysts."

Under Hilary the State Department engaged in a global affront that has failed almost everywhere it has been implemented from the Philippines to Poland, from Hungary to Malaysia and into the continent of Africa. Liberalism is failing as a global foreign agenda. Trump, being aware of this, has decided to work with sovereign nations as respected equals, to uphold the rights of Christians, to lessen hostility against them, and to counter the liberal World Order machine. For these things, he has come under fire from the Zionist Defense Team who do nothing to hide their disdain for Christians who hold to the truths of the faith and will not accept the new order the cabal is trying to impose by using people like Secretary Clinton. They are all speaking well of Ms. Hilary and vilifying Trump. Again, Christ has left His disciples wisdom by which they can discern what is going on here:

"Woe to you when men shall bless you: for according to these things did their fathers to the false prophets" (Luke 6:26).

But

"If also you suffer any thing for justice' sake, blessed are ye" (1 Peter 3:14).

If Hilary is elected, Assistant Secretary Nuland's" FU" to the European Union will become FU to Russia and the world will creep toward war rather than peace. This is why New Era Intelligence is forecasting a Trump victory and reconciliation with Russia to help usher in an *Era of Peace* or a Clinton victory and humiliation for the United States if it continues to advance a liberal agenda in defiance of God's laws.

Word of the development comes in a report from <u>Reuters</u>, which cited its own analysis of "publicly available tracking data."

Read more at http://www.wnd.com/2016/10/russia-beats-u-s-to-punch-on-syria-no-fly-zone/#8qxolv8kp0zIFYaI.99

Time for Church in America to Pay Taxes and Give to God What Belongs to God?

FOR DECADES US BISHOPS AND PASTORS have celebrated American democracy, tolerance, and religious freedom, and have rightly shown their good will by refraining from political critique in

a spirit of reconciliation and peace — it is American tolerance after all that permitted the church to grow in a non-Catholic nation often hostile to its being here. Thanks to America's respect for rights and liberties extended to all people, races, creeds and faiths, the church has experienced significant growth including the expansion of Catholic schools colleges and universities unmatched anywhere else in the world.

American Catholic integration and acceptance has led to a broad scale acceptance of Catholics as a warf in the American fabric; we now have a Catholic Vice-President and minority leader of the House of Representatives as well as a Vice Presidential candidate and former Speaker of the House and several justices serving on the supreme court etc. etc. The church, however, has paid quite a price for its acceptance: Out of thankfulness, respect and reciprocity for the gift religious freedom, the church has often acquiesced and remained silent to political machinations that run contrary to the sacred deposit of faith.

It is one thing to embrace error out of love and thankfulness for all the good showered upon the church by this nation and another to embrace error with false-love motivated by a spirit of fear or unwillingness to offend the feelings of our host when its political leaders smear the Catholic Church from the mountains to the oceans because they have been good to us in the past — what have you done for us lately?

American Catholics would be poor citizens and poor human beings if they failed in their affection for the homeland, if they failed in thankfulness and gratitude. However, no matter how much respect, reverence and gratitude is owed to this country, much more is owed to God who died for all of us. It is clear America did not die for Catholics, but Catholics have died for America (in every war in which the nation has been entangled). Jesus Christ, however, the second Person of the Holy Trinity, did give His life out of

love for His church —His love is simply greater than any love America might have showered on its faithful Catholics.

Thus, when a conflict arises between God's Law and America's Law, it is clear where our first loyalties belong — not only Catholics but all Christians and men and women of good will. No American should be perplexed by this idea; it is enshrined in Article Six of the US Constitution, the "Supremacy Clause" clearly states that some laws are superior to others; in this case, the federal laws are superior to state laws. Similarly, God's laws are superior to federal laws and when they conflict, God's laws must be upheld as superior. If we fail in this regard, we fail in our love of God and take the first step on the long road to divinizing the state as many Americans have often done.

To be very clear, the American Catholic response to its American host has been cordial, proper, and polite — the correct response. However, when the host seeks "legally" to silence the Church, to refuse it a political voice, to bound and gag her, it steps beyond its role of gracious host and begins to act the part of a tyrant contrary to its own professed love of democracy, human dignity and religious freedom. The issue being introduced here is *not* one of friendliness, cordiality and thankfulness, which we owe to America; it is one of fidelity to God that America has sought to bound and gag through use of its taxing power

Every bishop, pastor and clergyman , is the beneficiary of an IRS promise not to tax the collection basket if and only if, all church personnel, *esp*. bishops and pastors, refrain form making political comments, critiques, advocacy or statements contrary to prevailing law. The Catholic church has accepted this imposed limit because of the amount of wealth that is protected from tax confiscation. To be hypothetical, if the church is gifted with \$100 million a year in offerings from the faithful at least \$ 20 million is saved from the tax roles and put to work on Catholic projects: social care, health

care, missionary work, education, catechesis, and ministries of all sorts. This is a practical consideration but not always a wise one.

Short History on Tax Exempt Status as a 501 c3 Organization

Registering a church as a 501 c3 tax exempt organization did not begin until 1954 when Senator Lyndon B. Johnson (a proponent of the anti-Christian liberal agenda) pushed for the addition of churches to section 501c3 of the 1954 Tax Code. In this way, Johnson hoped to stealthily reduce the impact of the US Bishops and Protestant church leaders on public policy. Although church leaders have tended to view this political move by Johnson as some type of favor; like all political favors, it has come with significant strings attached. but

"For a 501 c3 church to openly speak out, or organize in opposition to, anything that the government declares 'legal,' even if it is immoral (e.g. abortion, homosexuality, same sex marriages, etc.), that church will jeopardize its tax exempt status. The 501 c3 has had a 'chilling effect' upon the free speech rights of the church. LBJ was a shrewd and cunning politician who seemed to well-appreciate how easily many of the clergy would sell out." Peter Kershaw, In Ceasar's Grip

Tax exempt status has become a sacred shibboleth, but does the church have to seek permission from the government to be tax exempt? Prior to the 1954 addition of churches to the tax code, churches were already exempt; churches were never taxed in America.

To be eligible for tax exemption a corporation must submit IRS Form 1023, but some corporations are excused from this requirement. According to IRS Publication 557, churches are "exempt automatically."

"Churches, interchurch organizations of local units of a

church, conventions or associations of churches, or integrated auxiliaries of a church, such as a men's or women's organization, religious school, mission society, or youth group.... These organizations are **exempt automatically** if they meet the requirements of section 501(c)(3)" (IRS Publication 557).

The churches did not need the 1954 exemption to excuse them — they were already exempt. The 1954 code has worked to bind them under the guise of a favor.

The church, moreover, does not need a "501c3 tax-exempt recognition letter" from the IRS for a contribution from a donor to be tax deductible. According to IRS Publication 526:

"You can deduct your contributions only if you make them to a qualified organization. Most organizations, other than churches and governments, must apply to the IRS to become a qualified organization."

"A church does not have to be a "nonprofit charitable organization" to be tax deductible, nor does it need IRS authorization to be tax deductible. According to the IRS, churches have that status "automatically."

This idea extends far back into human history. As early as 460 BC Artaxerxes, King of Persia, decreed that the priests of the Lord should not be taxed:

"Also we certify you, that touching any of the priests and Levites, singers, porters, Nethinims, or ministers of this house of God, it shall not be lawful to impose toll, tribute, or custom, upon them" (Ezra 7:24).

Many bishops, pastors and clergy have accepted government bestowal of tax exemption upon them as if the government somehow possesses a divine mandate to tax the church; and as such have interpreted the 501 c3 exemption as a gift, which somehow justifies their failure to speak out about

political issues because to question the liberal agenda would entail a loss of their tax exempt status. This ruse has gone far enough. It is clear that the inducement to save collection money from the bite of taxes is not a valid argument, but often used (though not always) as an excuse for lack of proper zeal under the guise of episcopal prudence.

"What will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul" (Mark 8:36)?

Mark is advocating courage to live the faith, the kind of courage necessary to forego saved tax dollars and to advance the cause of the soul — the leadership we expect and now need from our bishops.

Money is not a valid reason to bind the moral and spiritual tongue of the Church. "No one can love both God and money"

First, Jesus did tell us to "Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's" (Mark 12:17). The verse continues; Jesus also told us to render to God "the things that are God's." Clearly, there is a distinction between God and Caesar, between the Church and the state. At no time did Jesus subordinate the church to the state. What is owed to each is different. We are not to render to the state things that belong to God!

Since the state does not possess authority over the church, the church does not have to apply for exemption from income taxes, something it did not do until 1954 in a cunning move by the state to gain control over the church.

Jesus instructs us to give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God. Money, clearly belongs to the state — it has the name of the state printed on it —it is issued by the state and legal tender of the state; therefore it belongs to the state and the church should gladly give it to the state. The truth in love however belongs to God, and the Church owes this debt to its Lord. When we fail, to speak the truth in love in the Lord's name, we fail in our

responsibility toward God and neighbor.

Only a "sovereign" power, such as the state, possesses authority to impose a tax. This power however extends only to the citizens or subjects of the sovereign. The state is sovereign over the polity but it is not sovereign over the church of which Christ is the Head. Therefore, the state does not possess authority to tax the Church (as Jesus indicated to Peter). If the state did possess the authority to tax the church, the church would be subordinate to the state rather than to Christ. Nonetheless, Christ instructs Peter to pay taxes imposed by the state not out of legal necessity but voluntarily for conscience sake to avoid scandal:

Let no man seek his own, but that which is another's. Whatsoever is sold in the shambles, eat; asking no question for conscience' sake. The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof. If any of them that believe not, invite you, and you will be willing to go; eat of any thing that is set before you, asking no question for conscience' sake" (1 Corinthians 10:24-28).

Thus when Peter was asked to pay the temple tax, Jesus told him that he was exempt but to pay it nonetheless for the sake of his neighbor's conscience and to avoid scandal.

And when they were come to Capharnaum, they that received the didrachmas, came to Peter and said to him: Doth not your master pay the didrachmas? He said: Yes.

When he came into the house, before he had time to speak, Jesus asked him, "What is your opinion, Simon? From whom do the kings of the earth take tolls or census tax? From their subjects or from foreigners?" When he said, "From foreigners," Jesus said to him, "Then the subjects are exempt. But that we may not offend them, go to the sea, drop

in a hook, and take the first fish that comes up. Open its mouth and you will find a coin worth twice the temple tax. Give that to them for me and for you" (Matthew 17:24-27).

Clearly, there is a distinction being made among sons, subjects and foreigners. The tax was for the Temple of Yahweh, the Father of Jesus. Jesus being the Son of the Father is exempt as are the subjects of His Kingdom. Nonetheless, Jesus instructs Peter to pay double the tax (see note a below), not just for himself but also for Christ, the King of kings. This example is to serve as a standard for the conduct of the church in paying taxes imposed by the state.

Simply stated, the church should pay its taxes even though exempt because that is what Jesus did and what he instructed Peter to do.

This reasoning is all the more binding because not paying taxes has bridled the church and its ability to teach, condemn when necessary, correct erring politicians, and to take a clear stand providing direction in presidential and other elections. The result is scandal among the faithful the scandal that Jesus warned Peter to avoid by paying the temple tax. The US Income tax is imposed by law; it has nothing to do with works of God. 501 cs corporations are not excused form the tax because they do works of God but because they engage in charitable works recognized by the government. The government does not engage in building the kingdom of God; all of its taxes are for secular purposes. Thus there is nothing that the government does which the church should be excused from. The 501 c3 exemption is offered by the state to those who qualify. The price, however, for accepting the exemption is silence about political matters. The church does not owe the state silence in the face of moral aberrations or spiritual dangers, but it does as the "pillar and support of (1 Timothy 3:15) owe fidelity to the truth and the laws of God, the author of truth. In a sense, the federal income tax exemption is a type of bribe to bind the mouth of

the church. It is not mandatory; the church does *not* have to accept it. By rejecting the inducement, the church would loose money but would also be free to speak the truth as it should and not be chained by its desire or need for money. Beside the story about Peter and the fish show us Jesus miraculously supplying His Church with the money it needs to pay the tax.

A colonial, preacher by the name of <u>Isaac Backus</u> (<u>September of 1775</u>) <u>understood the issue</u> and subsequently preached a sermon to the Massachusetts Assembly wherein he indicated that tax exemption is not a favor granted by the government.

"Yet, as we are persuaded that an entire freedom from being taxed by civil rulers to religious worship is not a mere favor from any man or men in the world but a right and property granted us by God, who commands us to stand fast in it, we have not only the same reason to refuse an acknowledgment of such a taxing power here, as America has the abovesaid power, but also, according to our present light, we should wrong our consciences in allowing that power to men, which we believe belongs only to God."

Admonishing the sinner is a spiritual works of mercy, as is the mandate to counsel the doubtful, such as counseling the many Catholics who are unsure which way to turn. These are works for which failure we will be judged. The episcopal argument about loosing tax exemption is not one made by Jesus, the "Good Shepherd". Since it has become increasingly clear that the debt Catholics owe to America for its offering the church freedom and room to grow does not extend to abdication of the faith when it is so overtly challenged, ridiculed, belittled and smeared in the public arena by a state which has chosen an LGBT liberal agenda that flies in the face of God, it is now time for the bishop and clergy to stand in faith and voice the Gospel in truth and love so that the flock will follow them into green pastures.

NOTE

a) The "stater" is a Greek coin worth two double drachmas. Two double drachmas were the equivalent of a Jewish shekel (the tax was a half-shekel).

Clinton Warhawk for Global Liberal Agenda Trump Agent of Reconciliation and Peace

REPUBLICAN SUPPORT FOR interventionist foreign policy is so common place it is assumed that any Neocon Republican candidate for president must be a war hawk and for good reason: Following the demise of the Soviet Union, Republican think tanks, such as the American Enterprise Institute, crafted the "Project for the New American Century" to spread America's economic-political-social agenda around the globe as if a victory over the Soviet Union signaled the moment for American hegemony even if it was unwanted by many third world countries in Africa and Asia and newly developing nations in Eastern Europe.

Since that time things have changed considerably. Surprise, it is not Trump, but the Democratic candidate and former Secretary of State Hilary Clinton who has the support of Republican Neocons from the Enterprise Institute (et al) who relish her hawkish foreign policy, her ideas of American exceptionalism, and her desire to spread liberalism (esp. political and moral liberalism and American economic interests) abroad while opposing any nation that stands in the way.

The real problem facing the world today is the "Neoconservative desire to make sure the United States is the lone guarantor of the geopolitical order. This is about Pax Americana. This is about resurrecting the faded dream of a new American century" and it is being spearheaded not by the Republican candidate but by Hilary Clinton who is using it to "advance" her liberal agenda around the globe. Quite simply, Hilary is on the Neocon team. According to CNN, National Security Adviser Brent Scowcroft has already endorsed Clinton and it is strongly rumored that even George H.W. Bush is voting for her. The Neocon war hawks want Hilary.

Barbara Nuland, the Assistant Secretary of State suffering from a severe case of "Hawk Fever", recently told the European Union to "F**k off" because it was seeking a peaceful resolution to the Ukrainian crisis.

According to BBC diplomatic correspondent Jonathan Marcus:

"The EU is divided and to some extent hesitant about picking a fight with Moscow. It certainly cannot win a short-term battle for Ukraine's affections with Moscow — it just does not have the cash inducements available. The EU has sought to play a longer game; banking on its attraction over time. But the US clearly is determined to take a much more activist role." So "F**k the EU"

Nuland's husband, the leading Neocon Robert Kagan, along with a host of other Republican Neocons, is backing Hilary. Speaking at a "foreign policy professionals fundraiser for Hillary" Kagan (co-founder of the neoconservative think tank Project for the New American Century) stated:

"I would say all Republican foreign policy professionals are anti-Trump.... I would say that a majority of people in my circle will vote for Hillary." Nothing shouts Secretary Clinton's status as an extreme war hawk more than the neoconservative propaganda periodical, Weekly Standard, which celebrated Clinton's appointment as secretary of state as a victory, not for the left, but for the right, lauding her metamorphosis from "First Feminist" to "Warrior Queen who has become the "Great Right Hope."

"As for the conservatives, many of those who began 2008 willing to do anything to defeat her tended to end it feeling sorry she lost (to Obama in the Democratic Primary). They began to tell themselves and each other they would sleep better at night if she were the nominee of her party" (CBS News).

According to <u>conservative correspondent Noemie Emery</u>, Clinton, had "begun the campaign as the former First Feminist" and "ended it as the Warrior Queen, more Margaret Thatcher than Gloria Steinem."

In short, Ms. Hilary is speaking Neocon babble while Donald Trump appears to be the candidate that will promote global peace and "bring the boys home".

Speaking ahead of a major foreign policy address in front of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee earlier this year, Trump stated,

"I do think it's a different world today, and I don't think we should be nation-building anymore," Trump said. "I think it's proven not to work, and we have a different country than we did then. We have \$19 trillion in debt. We're sitting,

probably, on a bubble. And it's a bubble that if it breaks, it's going to be very nasty. I just think we have to rebuild our country."

Donald Trump has also spoken of the Iraqi War as a mistake and accused George W. Bush of prevarication necessary for him to drag the US into the Iraqi conflict.

Trump is also "harshly critical" of John F. Kerry the current Secretary of State and has "questioned the United States' continued involvement in NATO." Along these lines, Mr. Trump has indicated that he seeks to remain neutral in relations with Israel. He also told the Washington Post editorial board that he would reduce expenditures on NATO, consider closing American bases aboard and adopt an "unabashedly non-interventionist approach to world affairs."

According to the Post:

In spite of unrest abroad, Trump advocates a light footprint in the world, especially in the Middle East. Trump said the United States must look inward and steer its resources toward rebuilding domestic infrastructure."

Trump opposes the current American Foreign Policy of global intervention, while Clinton supports it with a fury:

Thus, according to the CBS News:

"For the moment, Hillary Clinton will be the conservatives' Woman in Washington, more attuned to their concerns on these issues than to those of the get-the-troops-home-now wing of her party, a strange turn of events."

Branko Marcetic writing for "These Times" summed the situation up well:

It's not just Neocons specifically. War hawks of all stripes

have been happy to shower praise on Clinton's foreign policy. In 2011, Lindsey Graham told the Council on Foreign Relations: "This is an outstanding national security team put together by President Obama. I hope he will listen to them. Secretary Clinton is a great choice to be our secretary of state."

"Any time Lindsey Graham, who eagerly supported the Iraq War and has repeatedly called for a war with Iran, endorses your national security team, it should stop and give you pause. Then again, given that Clinton threatened to "totally obliterate" Iran in 2008, perhaps it shouldn't be surprising."

Earlier this year, Clinton demonstrated why such a broad array of Neocons and Republican war hawks have been quick to support her. In a carefully planed speech before the American Israel Public Affairs Committee's (AIPAC), Clinton affirmed her adamant loyalty to the Zionist state of Israel and promised military intervention in Iran if necessary.

"Palestinian and human rights advocates were appalled by her remarks to AIPAC (March, 2016) saying that her speech represented <u>'everything that is bad" with U.S. imperialism and policy in the Middle East.'"</u>

Clinton loves to rattle her saber and enhance that of Israel.

"As president, I will make a firm commitment to ensure Israel maintains its qualitative military edge.... "The United States should provide Israel with the most sophisticated defense technology so it can deter and stop any threats. That includes bolstering Israeli missile defenses with new systems like the Arrow Three and David's Sling. And we should work together to develop better tunnel detection, technology to prevent armed smuggling, kidnapping and terrorist attacks."

Rebecca Vilkomerson, Executive Director of Jewish Voice for Peace, said the AIPAC convention "is a reminder of the current limits of the mainstream discourse on Israel, which rely on racist and Islamophobic tropes to justify unquestioning support for Israel."

"From Democrats to Republicans, the message is the same: "More arms for Israel, a stronger relationship between Israel and the U.S., no mention of Palestinian rights, and no recognition of the impossible contradiction of being both democratic and Jewish when the state is predicated on maintaining systems of unequal rights and rule by military occupation."

https://youtu.be/mkt0MLKYojI

View full Clinton Speech before AIPAC

Donald Trump Going in a Different Direction than the Neocons

Donald Trump does not appear to be a member of the Neocon-Neoliberal establishment that created the Taliban, Al Qaeda and ISIS in the first place. Strangely, neither Bush Clinton, nor Obama have been willing to team up with Russia to destroy the terrorists. The Neocons have flouted international law by waging unauthorized wars for decade after decade and have achieved very little in the way of positive results. Russia, on the other hand, was invited by Syria to assist it against the terrorists. Russia has achieved in a few months what NATO and the US have been unable to achieve in years. Their presence in Syria has sent the terrorists fleeing; they are now trapped inside of Aleppo. Unless NATO assists them, overtly or covertly, they will soon fall in Syria.

It seems to make sense that the United States and Russia would ally to defeat terrorism around the globe, but Obama, Clinton and the Neocon crowd seem bent against it to the chagrin of candidate Trump who cannot understand their reluctance to team

up with Russia to defeat terrorism.

Forced to think about it, Trump, it appears is getting closer to figuring it out. In August (2016) he unleashed charges that <u>President Obama and Secretary of State Hillary Clinton permitted the rise of the Islamic State</u>. Trump then rationally proposed alliances with Russia, in a campaign to destroy the terror group.

"In many respects, you know, they (Muslims) honor President Obama," Trump said. "He is the founder of ISIS."

Trump often speaks off of the cuff and is later forced to clarify his statements. Given an opportunity to clarify the above statement Trump instead amplified it:

"He (Obama) was the founder, absolutely the founder," Trump said on CNBC. "In fact he gets the — in sports, they have awards. He gets the most valuable player award." (See also the Washington Post — CBS News — and The Huffington Post).

Trump drew a loud round of applause at Youngstown State University when he bellowed that U.S. "nation building" in the Mideast and elsewhere would come to an end in a Trump administration.

"It is now time for a new approach. Our current strategy of nation-building and regime change have been a total disaster — Instead, all we got from Iraq and our ventures in the Middle East, was death, destruction and tremendous financial loss. But it's time to put the mistakes of the past behind us and chart a new course....If I become president, the era of nation-building will be brought to a swift close" (CNN Transcripts)

"Our new approach must be to halt the spread of radical Islam....All actions should be oriented around this goal and

any country which shares this goal will be our ally. We cannot always choose our friends but we can never fail to recognize our enemies."

The neoliberal global agenda has not made the world a safer place but a much more dangerous one. Prior to Obama's taking office in 2009, Trump pointed out,

"Libya was stable, Syria was under control, Egypt was ruled by a secular president and ally to the U.S., Iraq was experiencing a decrease in violence and Iran was being choked off by economic sanctions."

American foreign policy is in disarray — nothing seems to be working. As Trump says," It's time to put the mistakes of the past behind us and chart a new course." If the United States and Russia form a genuine alliance against terrorism, the terrorists will be defeated and the world can know peace. New Era forecasts that this will happen: A Trump victory and reconciliation with Russia to help usher in an Era of Peace or a Clinton victory and humiliation for the United States if it continues to advance a liberal agenda in defiance of God's laws.