How to Deep Six the Deep State



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"The Revolution Will Not Be Televised" was a popular song by Gil Scott-Heron. By contrast, the Deep State Revolution against President Trump *is* being televised. Some of the plotters, such as Obama's CIA director John Brennan, are paid to go on television and promote the coup. With a former top CIA official openly saying, "Thank God for the Deep State," in regard to the process of impeaching President Trump, we have seen dramatic evidence of how subversion of our elected government is being conducted brazenly and openly.

When the CIA was caught in the 1970s engaging in domestic surveillance, the political left called it a scandal and demanded reforms. Today, the political left and their media allies at the New York Times would rather <u>scrutinize Trump's</u> <u>Tweets</u> for ideological bias than uncover the machinations of the <u>\$81.5 billion-per-year</u> intelligence establishment.

While pro-Trump authors are cashing in on books about the Deep State, they have failed to articulate or adopt any kind of strategy to reform the CIA's illegal and unconstitutional actions. Common sense dictates that you cannot fight impeachment while leaving its main driver, the CIA, in place and untouched. The CIA is just one of <u>17 intelligence agencies</u>, but it has been carrying the load against Trump.

The most recent declaration of war against Trump, "Thank God for the Deep State," came from former CIA official John. E. McLaughlin, who genuflected in front of the Deep State during an appearance broadcast by C-SPAN. He was Deputy Director and Acting Director of Central Intelligence. He was on a panel with Obama's CIA director John Brennan that was <u>sponsored</u> by George Mason University's Schar School of Policy and Government and the Michael V. Hayden Center for Intelligence, Policy, and International Security. Hayden is a former Director of the National Security Agency and Director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

McLaughlin's affiliations include being a member of the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR), the club which counted Alger Hiss and Jeffrey Epstein as members, and a Senior Fellow with the Brookings Institution. The latter was headed for years by world government advocate and former Clinton aide Strobe Talbott.



McLaughlin's outburst isn't the first time that the CIA and/or its defenders made it abundantly clear what they are up to.

Back in April 2017, just a few months after Trump took office, the Deep State's house organ, *Foreign Affairs*, published an <u>article</u> about how the CIA's coup would proceed. The authors, Christopher R. Moran and Richard J. Aldrich, acknowledged that "during the election campaign, many senior intelligence officials publicly threw their weight" behind Hillary Clinton. This was a reference to former CIA officials Michael Morell, Michael Hayden and Philip Mudd denouncing Trump. Plus, former CIA operations officer Evan McMullin ran against him as an independent presidential candidate.

The authors said that while some CIA officers would leave the agency in protest over Trump's election, others would "fight

back" and engage in "resistance" against the president. One example of this resistance cited in the article was the agency denying a security clearance to a top deputy to then-National Security Adviser Michael Flynn. Of course, Flynn was himself targeted and forced out, after the FBI set him up. Flynn was targeted because he had been critical of the intelligence community and the Obama Administration's Middle East policy that gave rise to ISIS.

But the authors went further, as the Trump Administration was still in its infancy, by saying, "Since winning the election on November 8, the president has been buffeted by a barrage of unauthorized disclosures of classified and confidential information, often targeting him personally, from details of his telephone calls with foreign heads of state, to drafts of his executive orders on immigration."

More than two years later, in the case of the CIA "whistleblower" on Ukraine who sparked the impeachment "inquiry," we see this strategy elevated to a new and higher level.

The authors quoted a political commentator as saying that Trump, who promised to drain the swamp, might be the victim himself, as "the swamp is more likely to drain him, as it did [President Richard] Nixon on August 8, 1974." The authors concluded, "He [Trump] cannot say he hasn't been warned." This was indeed a clear warning of what we are seeing transpire right in front of us.

The Deep State apparatus comes across in the Foreign Affairs article, "Trump and the CIA," as a form of secret government that no elected official dares to cross. If this is indeed the case, our elections have become meaningless, and our elected officials are functioning as mere puppets. Foreign Affairs is published by the CFR.

But Trump has decided, in more cases than not, to challenge

the power of the Deep State. He has gone against their advice in many ways, including his decision to withdraw U.S. forces from northern Syria. That irritated the Obama holdovers in the CIA because their Marxist Kurdish soldiers in Syria, deployed for a time against ISIS, were left alone to face the Turkish Armed Forces. Trump was not interested in getting American troops in the middle of a conflict involving communist Kurdish fighters. "Mr. Trump suggested that the Democrats liked the Kurds in part because they included some communists," the New York Times reported, without noting that the observation was factually accurate.

In fact, the Kurds practically worship a Marxist-Leninist, now in a Turkish prison, by the name of Abdulla Ocalan, who was identified as trained by the KGB. The Kurds have been waging war against Turkey for decades and have killed thousands of people. Trump figured, with good reason, that it was better to stick with Turkey than a few thousand homeless communists wedded to the imaginary state of "Kurdistan."

How the CIA came to adopt these Marxist fighters as American "allies" is a story that needs to be told and investigated. It was without approval by Congress. Reports indicate the CIA spent about \$1 billion on a war in Syria that produced 500,000 dead and millions of refugees. That disastrous and bloody policy was authorized by President Obama and carried out by John Brennan, who was CIA director from March 2013 to January 2017. Trump wisely decided to let the regional countries, led by NATO member and ally Turkey, take the lead from now on. The American people have cheered his course correction. They're tired of the non-win wars, dead soldiers, and endless stream of wounded warriors coming out of the Middle East.

Rep. Tulsi Gabbard, now a Democratic presidential candidate, was almost alone in wanting to stop Obama's war in Syria. Her <u>Stop Arming Terrorists Act</u> (H.R.608) had only 14 cosponsors. As the CIA war against Trump continues, there has been no accountability for what the CIA, as well as the Pentagon, did in Syria. Brennan called the outcome "regrettable," as he went on to become a paid commentator with MSNBC.

President Harry Truman, a Democrat, soured on the CIA, saying in a 1963 <u>column</u>, "Limit CIA role to Intelligence," that, "I never had any thought that when I set up the CIA that it would be injected into peacetime cloak and dagger operations…" With all of the Communist propaganda about the CIA, Truman added, "the last thing we needed was for the CIA to be seized upon as something akin to a subverting influence in the affairs of other people."

Tragically, the situation is much worse today, with the CIA becoming "a subverting influence" in the affairs of the American people. The party of Truman has become the vehicle for the Deep State subversion of the Trump presidency.

It's time for members of Congress, in the House and Senate, to introduce legislation to abolish the CIA. Otherwise, their complaints about the Deep State can't be taken seriously.

Rep. Steve Scalise is sending out emails on behalf of House conservatives asking for money and proclaiming, "Nancy Pelosi and House Democrats already know what their plans are. They're going to remove President Trump from office by ANY means necessary."

So why not at least try to abolish the element of the Deep State that is behind the plot – the CIA? Until we see our legislators move in this direction, we know they're not serious about saving Trump – or the American Republic.

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