

# Trump's First 100 Days: A Gold Standard for the History Books



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We have witnessed the greatest comeback in American political history. Who would have thought, after packing up for Mar-a-lago though he knew the 2020 election had been stolen from him, that Trump would run again? Or that he'd draw huge crowds to his signature rallies once more, even after the Dems did their damndest to tarnish him as "a convicted felon"?

And when all their malevolent lawfare shenanigans failed, their likely Plan D was nearly accomplished in Butler, Pennsylvania when Trump missed being assassinated by a hair's breadth. Ironically, it was his courageous defiance and his concern for We the People that emerged in his now iconic gesture to the crowd, "Fight! Fight! Fight!" that arguably sealed his victory, as well as his likely place on Mount Rushmore. And what are we to fight for? America! Our sovereignty! Our traditional Judeo-Christian values! Our birthright liberty!

And now, beyond Trump's astonishing comeback and his landslide win in 2024, we have witnessed his first 100 days in office. Rather than pointing out the several things we may disagree about, or the staff or Cabinet posts we might think were bad picks, let's admit that these 100 days were nothing short of breathtaking!

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Not long ago, I read a stunning article about Trump's tariffs that challenged the popular consensus of both the nay-sayers and the enthusiasts. Perhaps because I'm fresh from reading Trump's autobiographical bestseller, "The Art of the Deal"—as engaging and entertaining as it is enlightening about deal-making—that article's analysis makes perfect sense to me.

One of my favorite passages in Trump's book is the one in which he stands looking at the old Commodore Hotel, and opines that most people standing there see a dilapidated hotel in a sad-looking neighborhood, but he sees something else. He sees scores of well-dressed men and women hurrying out of Grand Central Station, right across the street from the Commodore. He imagines a renovated and beautiful hotel there that would draw from that well-heeled crowd and light up the neighborhood. In other words, the man's a visionary! He sees possibilities that others miss.

And that is the point of Jeff Childers' brilliant analysis of Trump's tariffs, in which he [opines](#):

*Historically, tariffs have always been used as protectionist tools (e.g., Smoot-Hawley) or revenue generators (in the pre-income-tax period). But Trump saw something every other president missed: he's wielding tariffs as a universal negotiation tool, forcing countries to come to the table, not just to talk about widgets and steel, but to extract much broader concessions on things like military cost-sharing, tech regulation, currency manipulation, and who knows what else.*

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*It's totally new and wildly unprecedented. It's like the Marshall Plan in reverse, except with the whole world, not just Western Europe. Trump is monetizing American hegemony. The globalists built a one-way grocery aisle of dependency – and Trump put a cash register at the end of the aisle. And now the whole world is waiting in line.*

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*The most underappreciated piece of the puzzle is that only President Trump spotted the possibilities.*

By the way, I attended a Townhall Zoom conference not long ago, and listened to a 20-minute presentation on tariffs by an expert economist. His basic conclusion: tariffs are bad. And he's not alone: Many economists hate tariffs, Democrats hate tariffs, Libertarians hate tariffs, Saturday Night Live comedians hate tariffs—all the more if they're imposed by the Orange Man.

But the expert economists and talking heads are mostly thinking within the box.



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rely think outside the box, he doesn't even notice the box! He looks with fresh eyes at the actual big picture—in this case at world economics—sees how other nations have ripped off America—and figures out how to remedy the situation. He's bringing other nations to the bargaining table in the realization that the U.S., in spite of four miserable years of Bidenomics, is still the richest and most powerful country in the world—and he's using that as leverage. He's hitting other nations where it hurts: in their balance sheets.

But the purpose isn't to "punish" them—it's to effect a realignment of world economics that puts America back where we were before decades of incremental Progressive siphoning off of our wealth and productivity—the "giant sucking sound" Ross Perot spoke of when he ran for President in 1992, warning us what would happen if our manufacturing plants moved to Mexico.

It's Trump's signature campaign promise: to Make America Great Again! And that means we have to stop being the world's piggy bank, which is all the more important as average Americans have been struggling after four years with a crooked and obviously senile man in the Oval Office, and with America-hating Obama likely the one calling the shots from behind the

curtain.

## **WINNING WITH DOGE & BEYOND**

President Trump's execution of this overhaul of world economies at the same time he's exposing and eliminating domestic rip-offs through DOGE, is sheer brilliance. In essence, he's balancing the books! He's uncovering the massive theft of American wealth by Leftists inside our own government, as well as the plundering of our nation by the international globalist elites and pals, as well as the "monkey see, monkey do" response of many other countries.

Even before President Trump had been in office for the proverbial 100 days, he'd begun winning so handily for the American people that it had to be seen to be believed.

Among his spectacular early achievements is the creation of DOGE which is uncovering the enormous waste—which looks mostly like fraud—hidden away in the catacombs of the Administrative State. And with his daring choice of Elon Musk to oversee the task, the cleansing of our nation's Augean Stables is well underway.

## **STRIKING AT THE ROOT OF CULTURAL & INTELLECTUAL MARXISM**

One of my favorite wins is Trump's pulling the plug on Ivy League anti-intellectual factories of Marxist indoctrination and rampant anti-Semitism, including Obama's alma mater: Columbia, along with Harvard and Yale.

Better yet, he's challenging their accreditation, which gets them where they live, in their wallets. Cato Institute Research fellow Andrew Gillen puts it [this way](#): "If you lose Pell grants and lose student loans, for most colleges that means you're done."

And President Trump is doing this to combat ["Ideological Overreach."](#)

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## RE THROUGH PHONY-BALONEY ENVIRONMENTALISM

Another of my faves is Trump's defanging of the Endangered Species Act. Apparently he hates the fact that California keeps wasting our water to "save" an inedible bait fish, the Delta smelt, as much as I do:

*He has blamed the water woes of California on misguided efforts to ["protect an essentially worthless fish."](#)*

Not to mention the fact that, thanks to the chemicals being sprayed in our skies, the fluoride in our drinking water, our GMO foods, and experimental mRNA vaccines, the only endangered species on Earth happens to be homo sapiens—We the People!

Besides, the environmentalist claims are almost uniformly bogus. Neither the Spotted owl, nor the Delta smelt were

actually “endangered” as claimed.

In an article for *Real Clear Politics*, Philip Wegmann notes:

*“Environmental is the biggest tool for stopping growth,” [Trump said](#) during an interview with Joe Rogan last October, harking back to his New York days as a real estate developer and [complaining that rare flora and fauna on a job site](#) could quickly grind even the biggest construction projects to a halt. The candidate called environmental regulations “a weapon,” and later as president-elect, he vowed to expedite the environmental permit and approval process for any company investing at least \$1 billion in the United States. Wrote Trump on Truth Social last December, [“GET READY TO ROCK!!!”](#)*

Wegmann’s own analysis follows:

*Sweeping change would follow from redefining a single word: [harm](#). Instead of allowing the ESA’s mission creep to continue, resulting in people losing the use of their land if authorities were to find, for example, a red-toed blind salamander on it, the Trump administration is redefining “harm” as [“to harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture, or collect” the animal itself.](#)*

Bravo, Donald!



## A BLAC K EYE FOR BIG PHAR MA

Not only did President Trump place Robert F. Kennedy Jr. in the most powerful health-related position in his Cabinet, but he's now going after Pharma's longtime habit of grossly overcharging its American customers. Why charge us triple or quadruple, or even eight times more for drugs than what they charge Canadians or Europeans? Because they could!

However, in the past few days, in addition to brokering peace talks between Russia and Ukraine, and a ceasefire between India and Pakistan, Trump signed an Executive Order pulling the rug out from under Big Pharma's unconscionable scheme of price-gouging our own people.

Anyone tired of winning yet?

As a friend of mine put it: almost every day we seem to get another gift. Christmas came early this year!

### THE EXQUISITE MELTDOWN OF THE LEFT

The Dems can't seem to stop outing themselves as lunatics, from their great show of concern and compassion for a wife-beating Salvadoran gang member, to the kidnapping and murder of beloved pet squirrel P'nut by the overzealous New York



gestapo, they're on the wrong side of...well...everything.

This reminds me of how Trump changed the political landscape during his first run in 2016 with just two words: "Fake news." Think of the courage it took to call out the mainstream media that way. And then rejoice in the fact that his pointing out that the Emperor wasn't wearing any clothes got millions of previously trusting Americans to wake up. Perhaps even some Dems.

I said "perhaps."

### **THE TRUTH HIDDEN IN PLAIN SIGHT: WE HAVE A LARGER THAN LIFE AMERICAN HERO IN THE WHITE HOUSE**

Even Leftist politico Van Jones blurted out some obvious truth in an interview on [TikTok](#):

*Donald Trump is not an idiot. Let me just be very clear: Donald Trump is smarter than me, you, and all critics. You know why we know? Because he has the White House, the Senate, the House, the popular vote, he has a massive media ecosystem, bigger than the mainstream, built around him and for him, and a religiously religious fervor in a political movement around him. And his best buddy is the richest person in the history of the world, and the most relevant Kennedy is with him. This dude is a phenomenon! He is the most powerful human on earth and in our lifetime and we're still saying well how is this guy...we look like idiots.*

But I'll give Steve Bannon the last word:

*...he [Trump] understood at the time that if he came back and ran for president again, not just the Republican Establishment but that the Apparatus would try to put him in prison, the Apparatus would try to bankrupt him, the Apparatus would eventually try to assassinate him. **He made the most courageous political move in the history of this country...***

*Most countries don't have someone like Trump in their entire history. We've been very fortunate to have General Washington at the founding of the nation, President Lincoln at the rebirth of the nation and now President Trump at the rejuvenation of this country... **a man like that comes along every hundred years.*** [Emphasis mine]

While we know the Radical Left and "One World Government" globalist elites will never give up and that vigilance must be our watchword, the MAGA Millions have surely earned a victory lap!

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