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TRUMP & FOX NEWS CREATE MORE "FAKE NEWS"! WITHIN TRUMP'S RESPONSE TO THE INTELLIGENCE REPORT HE RELEASED A STATEMENT CONTAINING TWO MAJOR LIES... WHICH FOX NOW CASTS AS THE TRUTH!

As I have been writing for a year and a half now... Mr. Trump is seriously insane.

How can he continue to defend Russia and criticize our intelligence departments while the "patriotic" Republic Party hides in the corner and pretends that the past seventy-five years of history with *them* being the "bad guys" never fucking existed?

President Reagan must be spinning in his grave. And rightfully so.

I realize that I have usually made it a point for my Gazette to be about the truth... with links to reputable sources... rather than simply being a screaming opinion rag.

But I'm going to step out on a limb here and present two quite reasonable theories as to why the man whose first wife claimed that he slept with copies of <u>Hitler's speeches by his bedside</u>... might so vehemently defend a man who has had journalists killed... political opponents assassinated in the shadow of the Kremlin... and bombed women and children in Syria... as a one who is a "great leader".

THEORY #1 - Without his tax returns we don't know how much money he owes and who he owes it to... but the last major construction project that he actually built himself was the Soho Grand in Manhattan... which was <u>financed with Russian</u> <u>money</u>. So it could be that he is greatly in debt to Russian mobsters and out of fear for the safety of himself and his family... he is doing everything he can to protect the Russian dictator. There is no greater evil than the Russian mob.

THEORY #2 - The recent intelligence report determined that Russia had not only hacked the DNC... but also The White House... Republicans... and many American businesses. So one can only assume that they also hacked Trump's

businesses and could have something *horrible* hidden away that could completely destroy his entire world if he doesn't do as they say. And *so much* to choose from.

But I *don't* believe that Mr. Trump is actually connected to the "Ruskies"... as he is more of what Lenin once described to his fellow Communists as a "useful idiot".

Speaking of which... his wife Melania will also be the first... "First Lady"... whose father was a Communist. And why won't Melania's silly name come up in spellcheck yet? I realize that she will only be an "arm-candy-side-bar" in the history books... but trust me... she *will* be there. Presenting our new "First Lady"!



And trust me... there are a lot worse shots out there... or better... depending...

But the thing that really "got my goat" in the past couple of days involved the release of the intelligence report on the Russian hacking and what happened after it was presented to Trump as he corrupted the results to his own advantage.

After a couple of weeks of disparaging remarks about our intelligence departments and doubts undoubtably coming from Michael Flynn (who was previously <u>fired from</u> <u>his intelligence position</u> working with some of these same guys) the word was that all of our intelligence divisions were understandably pissed off and offended.

Flynn also insists that Islam is a political movement and not a religion.

Was it any wonder that the report was leaked to the Washington Post (who reported it first... although Trump blamed NBC). Keep in mind that Trump has praised Wikileaks... in his Nuremberg style rallies.... fully knowing that they had previously leaked intelligence information so damaging that on Fox News at the time he stated that <u>Assange should be "put to death"</u>. My how times change.

After Trump received his briefing and the <u>fifty page report</u> was released to the public... the bloated pompous man-baby released the following statement...

"While Russia, China, other countries, outside groups and people are consistently trying to break through the cyber infrastructure of our governmental institutions, businesses and organizations including the Democrat National Committee, **there was absolutely no effect on the outcome of the election** including the fact that there was no tampering whatsoever with voting machines. **There were attempts to hack the Republican National Committee, but the RNC had strong hacking defenses and the hackers were unsuccessful.**"

The TWO Trump lies are in **BOLD PRINT** and quickly became "Fake News" on Fox.

<u>The report</u> actually stated that their goal was not to determine whether the hacking had an effect on the election... but to only prove that the Russians had hacked the election. The report also states that Republicans were also hacked but that the information was not released to Wikileaks. One of the reasons they concluded that Putin supported Trump. It said *nothing* about the RNC being better protected.

So this morning on Fox & Friends... one of the hosts stated... "One thing that we all agree on is that the hacking had no effect on the election itself". So they took the original Trump lie and turned it into "fake news"... for all of their idiotic viewers.

But *that* is very unfortunately becoming the standard "belief" of everyone on all sides of the news media. Because no one can face the truth of it being untrue.

We will of course never know the full impact of Wikileaks dripping out their DNC emails for weeks leading up to the election.

Clinton was flying high after the very positive convention... and a terrific personality and speaking makeover. And then came Assange with his Wikileaks and emails.

And also our FBI director's idiocy.

About 99% of the emails were boring embarrassing gossip. But it did get the head of the DNC to step down on the eve of their convention... and most importantly... it showed that the DNC was giving preferential treatment to Clinton over Bernie Sanders. Which was hardly a surprise to me... I supported Sanders and gave him money... but he wasn't even a member of the party.... DUH! And his followers were not really Democrats just as Trump's were not Republicans.

But the big question is... how many Sanders supporters stayed home in their parent's basements and dorm rooms rather than vote for the "horrid" Hillary? Or worse yet... voted directly for Trump, as their dreams of unicorns jumping through rainbows evaporated into the mist. At that point they hated the Democratic Party just as much as the Trump supporters hated the Republican Party. And with an election this close... it had to make a difference. If only Joe Biden had run.

I will believe until my ashes are sprinkled off of the hilltop behind my house... that Russia and Putin won this election for Donald Trump. The intelligence reports also include information about top Russian officials celebrating Trump's victory and the part that they themselves believed to have contributed by hacking the Emails and contributing to many "fake news" news stories planted for your Uncle to see online, as well as all of the anti-Clinton lying horrible headlines from The National Enquirer.

But the Trump people *believe* this shit... and they *all* see it at the supermarket.

Trump's top National Security Advisor Michael Flynn actually believes that Hillary Clinton had a part in a pedophilia ring. And Fox News' Sean Hannity... who always condemned Assange in the past for placing our troops and operatives in danger... flew to London to treat him as if he was *the* hero of this election. Is this treason?

Our entire election was built around conspiracy theories. It has been truly insane.

As is Donald Trump. And here is a little more proof...

In the middle of perhaps the greatest threat to democracy in my lifetime... Trump starts going off on Twitter about the bad ratings for the new "Celebrity Apprentice".

And after an earlier security briefing where he learned that Putin had told his military officials that they needed to modernize their nuclear arsenal (as I'm sure none of it works anymore)... he suddenly jumps on Twitter to state how we need another nuclear arms race when each side has *thousands* of warheads already.

Do we really need more? I'm sure Trump thinks of atomic bombs as what he has seen in the World War II documentaries about Hiroshima and Nagasaki... but one bomb today can be thousands of times greater than those bombs. New York City would not be in ruins... it would simply vanish and be a giant inlet of the ocean. It would only take a couple of dozen bombs to end all life on earth.

The man has no mature sense of priorities. Nuclear weapons? Apprentice ratings?

But now *everyone* on *both* sides are stating that the hacking didn't have an effect on the actual election results... which is totally absurd. It had to have some effect.

The Trump campaign admitted toward the end that they could only win by <u>"suppressing the vote"</u>. Not by doing things like voter ID laws (which helped... but that work was achieved much earlier in the campaign)... but by turning people against Hillary Clinton to such a degree that they wouldn't show up at the polls.

And with WikiLeaks... it worked... particularly with the Bernie Sanders voters.

Everyone wants to believe that the hacking had no effect because to admit that would be to admit that it wasn't a legitimate election and the entire fabric of our democracy could unravel. Which is exactly what Putin wanted to happen.

And then... when you would think that the President-Elect would push for an investigation into how our democratic election process was corrupted... instead he announced that he would instruct "congressional committees" to investigate how NBC got a copy of the report before he did... as he's the *BIG man* now!

Trump learned fast... that when you mess with the world of "spies"... you better be ready for retribution. And no one should know that better than Donald Trump (whose whole life has been about "pay-back" and revenge. <u>READ THIS BOOK!</u>).

And investigations of this type aren't performed by the Legislative branch but rather the Justice Department... which is in the Executive branch. But as Trump doesn't seem to know the first thing about basic high-school civics... who really cares?

We progressives know that our entire political world has been turned upside down when John McCain and Lindsey Graham are our two new best friends. The two of them are pushing for much harsher sanctions on Russia. We should cut all direct air-flights... all business dealings... no American tourists... sanction everything.

Russia just took over the United States of America... and they are heading for France and Germany next if the world doesn't do something fast. Putin has an economy the size of Italy's... one single aircraft carrier that has to travel with a tug boat as it breaks down so often... and a military that can barely function. But cyber-war costs little and it is effectively allowing him to quietly take over the world.

As the new "Alt-Right" shakes hands with the highest possible corporate greed to form a Presidential Cabinet that will be the definitive nightmare for all of the poor saps who voted for Trump... What a damn con. But it sure as hell worked.

This is a time to be heard... This is a time to stand... This is a time to fight back!

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