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BRICS—No Longer Fighting On The Back Foot

For you who yet accost me for my assessment of Trump, know that what happens in Qatar/Syria is murder. For Trump to issue a 100 word threat that Hamas had better negotiate (at a location next to Qatar hospital/elementary school), so Israel could murder the negotiation team, you function as accomplices for war criminals—and murderers.

Any who follow combat sports will understand fighting on the back foot. The back foot is a defensive maneuver for those who can't take on an opponent, close-in—in the pocket. Nor can they stand/strike, center ring, against bigger/more powerful opponents.

This has been the case for decades for those nations now banded together as the BRICS. Out of necessity they created Belt/Road trade routes, overland, to escape the US Navy. Out of necessity, created systems to avoid US SWIFT, for trade settlement.

Consider Shanghai (SCO), where 3 of 4 largest economies gathered, excluding the US. To understand what awaits the US and why Trump may deserve a Nobel Peace Prize, think on his inane sanctioning, driving India, Brazil (others), into the safety of BRICS. With a realization he hasn't power to pursue his insanity against China, he's pivoting to Latin America—with a

rationale to justify seizing/stealing Venezuela's oil.

And with that pivot, his string of canaries (including Vance), each sing the lies about Venezuela being an exporting drug kingpin—without the need for a shard of evidence. Meanwhile, 2 clown allies, Canada/Australia sail half-way around the world, so 2 warships can pass through Straits of Taiwan. To what end? Let China know who's boss?

Global South sees Trump as an egomaniacal doofus to be cajoled and complimented—while they bide for time to free themselves from US/EU tyranny, and prepare for idiot Macron's warning for France: to get ready for 50K casualties by early spring.

How about resort-brander Trump opting for a strip of Southern Lebanon for time shares? How about leasing out part of Camp Pendleton to develop a Golden Dome defense system that didn't work for Reagan, and won't for Trump. We've been taken over by realtors/hedge funders who got rich by non-producing branding/bankruptcy courts.

I'm no different than you readers who cling unto Trump—I have a better tilt-meter (pinball), than you. I was quicker to disavow Trump as he assigned our future to neocons, than you were. I was unwilling to see neocons as his plan to work around elites.

I received dozens of comments for my last article. Not long ago, 1/3 of comments would be detractors and unsubscribes. Today it's 3 detractors, each known to me. What separates me from these 3 is their singular notion that all governments function to fleece the sheep (citizens), and the rest of the world. Nothing different about BRICS.

Keeping in mind the principle that governments, to stay in power, need to recognize the need for citizens to be able to achieve a degree of lifestyle—governments are not the same. Were that the case, we wouldn't need

terminology such as benevolent dictator/philosopher king. We'd recognize governments (not US/EU), as doing a better job. We would recall Socrate's view: democracy is the 2nd worst form of government—with the consequnce to produce a tyrant. Why is that? Oligarchical monied interests in a democracy do not consider welfare of citizens. They're in it for profit—for themselves.

At the end of US Empire, our leaders are reactionaries rather than progressives. They talk the good talk while our citizens walk the streets of disdain. Along those sidewalks, so many blindly disparage regimes who are actually look-out for their citizens. The West no longer considers a duty to provide economic opportunity. Corporations exist only to make profit. Millions are spent to whitewash a banal candidate who gets elected because of lies/name recognition. And, on the world stage, US allies are only allies—as long as US needs them to gain domination. The PLO (Abbas), doing Israel's bidding against GAZA/Hamas, is no longer needed, allowing West Bank to be ripped away from history by illegal, murderous settlers—whose roots lie in Eastern Europe.

It's all a big monopoly game-board, with an orange-haired barker calling-out rules for a world he thinks he owns. But, with the damage done, it's over for him/us. He's left making peevish comments about a world turning away from his rules/betraying him.

Had a talk with my wife a few days back—could we move to Singapore? I'd been thinking about places to go, outside US control. Bill Holter called attention to a duty to our founders—stay put/defend the republic (we blue-collar dems need to be reminded).

It dawned on me, were I to relocate—likely be Russia/China. In the midst of imaginings, realizing I ain't going nowhere—more likely I end up having it

out with Mossad in a front yard dance of death, I need to protect myself from 3rd party tyrants, lawsuits, capital controls. Protect my assets—keeping nothing more my house—where I live.

I talked with my wife about what to do with the dollars from real estate sales. She was adamant that it didn't go into precious metals—but, as the treasurer (and she the Queen), I overruled her. Gold/silver (unless you need bitcoin to move your wealth), are the only safe assets. I did agree to greatly increase the amount of cash on hand—so we could use some appreciated wealth from sound money to provide a better lifestyle. I'm not totally against Trump. For reversing an Obama/Biden scourge on American liberty, I applaud him. But, like the Catholic Church where there are misdemeanor and felony sins, Trump gets credit for removing misdemeanor (domestic), sins, but whether or not trans guys can use girl's bathrooms will be irrelevant when Trump crashes the dollar, blows up the Middle East, and gets into it with Venezuela (bringing in China).

I've been perplexing hearing JD Vance, upbraiding EU leaders for shutting down free speech, while at the same time, lining up with Trump in the Middle East and perpetuating lies about Venezuela. Ecuador (Trump's buddies), are drug pushers who are somehow portrayed as paragons of virtue. Then again, Ecuador doesn't have oil fields.

Where do we go from here? I think its time to get as free from wealth stealers as possible. The US is going to go down hard and the powers that be will be merciless with their attempts to take what we have, and us with it—to sustain a murder schedule. Get my articles by email with a request, or comment: erik@neverhadaboss.com.