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*It Ain't Over Til It's Over*

Shortly after inauguration, I came out against Trump when, after running as the peace president, he attacked Yemen. My subsequent Trump critiques, though accurate, caused longterm-readers to unsubscribe, and I lost friends who hung-in as Trump supporters.

Now my critique of Trump is taking another step—instead of giving him benefit of the doubt, I'm convinced that I'm looking at an institutional tyrant.

Let me explain. I surmise that Trump has advisors who are the political descendants of the men who put together the list of 7 nations that would be toppled by the US—the last one on that list being Iran. To that end, in support of that mission, to break our focus, they sometimes throw us a bone. The latest arrived today announcing lawsuits by the Trump Administration against the Smithsonian for not only neglecting to have an exhibit celebrating our founders—but actively undermining legacy of the founder's struggle.

I have little doubt that is the case. How could Obama globalists have taken over the Ivy League and missed the Smithsonian? So, Trump gets the nod from his base for bringing forth his patriotism—just in time for the 250 year celebrations of the republic.

But, let's take a recollection there. Have there been Americans leaders who disregard the Constitution and Bill of Rights more than Trump? There

are some who could give him a run for it, but none who could match him in terms of mendacity and larceny. None who could match his unravelling of global civilization—for the sake of hubris.

By what process do I now see Trump as an institutional tyrant? There are dots to connect, and if that hasn't been done, one lacks overview of what's likely occurring. There was a battle pitting Israel/US against Iran, which Iran won. And now there's an MOU being adhered to by Israel/US—not at all. So, what was the purpose of the MOU—in the first place?

It came to be because the US adopted Israel's model of making promises and then proceeding to *kill everybody*. Trump might make a deal with Iran, but first—something has to happen: Iran controlling Hormuz has to end. How might that happen? Trump could attempt, by *boots on the ground*, to control the shores of Hormuz, on both the Oman/Iranian side of the Strait. For that, the necessary planes, ships, marines are in place.

Would that be a stupid plan? Only if it doesn't work—and it ain't over til it's over. Trump lost the battle, but he hasn't lost the war (WW3). It's my surmise he's getting ready to risk it.

Trump, in carrying out the mission of his advisors, assumes he has the capacity. But, does he? There are many players involved. Before Trump can play his hand (to change the MOU), he has to get control of Hormuz. This would take an amphibious assault by Marines with that specialty—who are at the ready. Would Trump have to occupy the Strait forever or just long enough enough to offer Iran a deal it can't refuse? It's the latter.

Sounds far-fetched? Take it a step further, Yemen/Red Sea (Houthi controlled), needs regime-changed. For that mission, there's the US/Israel, plus Saudi Arabia and some Gulf monarchies. Is there enough dissension within Yemen to make that happen? There wasn't enough dissension within Iran—

but that didn't stop Trump's regime change attempt.

What about Lebanon where Israel has lost more than half of its tanks. Is the talk about the US putting boots on the ground in Southern Lebanon a possibility? Any less possible than Trump's name on the \$100 bill or the Kennedy Center? Trump no longer sees the US electorate as the decider. He is the decider.

Americans have no say in US Foreign Policy, which is nothing less than controlling the world through the control of energy and energy supply lines. This risks WW3 armageddon, but isn't WW3 worth it if it stops Iran from acquiring nukes it doesn't want?

Think about it—it ain't over. Castro's son, representing a starving Cuban people, wants to meet with Trump. Maduro and his wife—their only hope is the benevolence of Trump. Maybe, after Trump takes over the world, Maduro can then go on his way.

The world hesitates. Putin, facing an existential crisis at the hands of the US/EU, continues to offer Trump the olive branch. China, needing energy, holds back from what needs done. Turkey—who knows about Turkey? The rest of the world, mesmerized—just watches.

If I'm correct in my surmise, you can bet that the forces of manipulation are hard at work putting the pieces in place to take over the world—with some hope to accomplish it without WW3—but not necessarily. While we sleep, Congress is admixing the US Armed Forces with the Armed Forces of Israel—the IDF. What might that be about?

When we consider why Trump said he could end the Ukraine War in 1 day, it is obvious that he had no intention of doing so. He had no intention of recognizing Russia's security concerns. That would have brought peace.

It was never in the cards—had it been, the war could have ended on

day 1. Instead, the truth is far from that. Europeans, except for the leadership, have a somewhat positive view of Russia. Some even understand that Putin did what he had to do.

That is not the case in the US. Here, there is an abiding hatred of Russia, not for anything the Russians have done, but going all the way back to post WW2 and the forming of the CIA. In the battle between Harry Truman and the Dulles Brothers, the US lost, missing its opportunity to do what the BRICS are now trying to do—advance civilization and the global economy by recognizing the national sovereignty and security of all nations.

Because the CIA won out, Russia has been our whipping boy since 1945—so matter how much goodwill the Kremlin beamed our way. Nothing has changed—putting civilization in the crosshairs of annihilation. Now Trump is the standard-bearer for a last-ditch hegemony.

Do you really think Trump is capable of recognizing that Iran is a democracy, ready to make any deal that is fair? You know, he may, but it doesn't matter. Any deal with Iran that disallows Trump taking control of Hormuz, hasn't any chance of becoming reality because the US economy is in the can. For the Global South—any victory has to be won on the battlefield.

Trump and the US want Russia to start the shooting war with NATO. Putin hopefully knows better. Zelensky can wreak his drone havoc on Russia but it won't be enough. In the end, China will come to recognize itself as the pre-eminent military power, followed by Russia, and then the US. It ain't over til is over—but for Trump to control the world is a long, long shot.

I'm thinking on 2 things: how long will gold/silver remain in the doldrums and, has technology made us incapable of being fully present? Next time.

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