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### **Intel's Real Target: America**

This latest political prosecution of President Trump by radical-left Manhattan District Attorney Alvin Bragg, a George Sorosfunded candidate who bragged when running for his current office that he had "sued Trump more than a hundred times," points to an alarming escalation of the de facto civil war that is being waged by the insiders of Permanent Washington - the Deep State — against the citizens of Real America. This transparently politicized/weaponized prosecution of a former president — unprecedented in American history — is but another vicious attack in the unceasing *persecution* of Donald Trump, which began before he was even inaugurated as 45th president of the United States, and has continued with a vengeance since he left the White House.

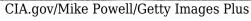
Please note that Donald Trump is not the ultimate target. As Trump himself has said, the *real* target is us, the American people. The anti-American, anti-family, anti-Christian Deep State operatives who are running the mumbling, bumbling, dementia-challenged Biden are sending an unmistakable message: If we can take down Donald Trump with all his wealth, power, fame, and popular support, the rest of you peasants don't stand a chance. "Resistance is futile," they are telling us, "so don't resist!"

Every sentient being *knows* that there is some shadowy force operating in the corridors of power that is pushing for the "transformation" of our country into something alien, something incompatible with our Republic of constitutionally limited government, incompatible with our Declaration of Independence and Bill of Rights, and incompatible with, and overtly hostile to, Christian morality. How is it possible that virtually all of the Democratic Party leadership, virtually all of the "mainstream" media, virtually all of academia, virtually all of the leaders of Big Tech and social media, virtually all of Hollywood and the entertainment/music industry, virtually all of the big think tanks and tax-exempt foundations, and, most surprising (to many observers), virtually all of the CEOs of the big Wall Street firms and Fortune 500 corporations are going along with or actually leading this revolution?

#### **Get Trump, Protect Biden**

The primary focus of this article and its companion articles, "In-Q-Tel: Big Tech & the Surveillance State" and "Deep State's Embedded Reds," is what has come to be called the "intelligence community" (IC). This collection of 18 federal agencies has been an indispensable arm of the Deep State coterie that is dismantling our Republic and the moral-social fabric of our society to shape us into a New World Order that would resemble the dystopia of Communist China.







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The key chiefs of the intelligence community were tasked with targeting and undermining Donald Trump even before he ascended to the Oval Office. They were assigned with much of the heavy lifting of what became a series of coup attempts against Donald J. Trump, the duly elected president of the United States. There have, in fact, been so many IC/Big Media operations orchestrated against Trump that we can, in the space here available, barely skim a few of them.

On October 14, 2020, Team Biden was gobsmacked by bombshell revelations that could have ended Joe Biden's bid for the White House. On that day, the *New York Post* began a series of articles on the now-infamous Hunter Biden "laptop from hell." The opening salvo from the *Post*, under the headline, "Smoking-gun email reveals how Hunter Biden introduced Ukrainian businessman to VP dad," showed email communications between Joe Biden's son Hunter and a top executive of Burisma — a Ukrainian energy company that was paying Hunter \$50,000 a month to sit on its board even though he had no knowledge or experience with regard to energy and was widely known to be a debauched drug abuser. What Hunter *did* have was a dad who was vice president of the United States. One of the emails asked Hunter for "advice on how you could use your influence" on Burisma's behalf.

Among the thousands of emails were many additional damning communications, along with a trove of pornographic photos and videos (apparently selfies taken by Hunter) showing the younger Biden naked, smoking crack, and engaged in sex acts with various women. There were (and remain) huge national-security issues involved here. You wouldn't know that, however, from the immediate reaction of the Deep State cognoscenti in the media, social media, the IC, and the Democratic Party. The UniParty globalists reflexively denounced the *Post* and made various arguments challenging the provenance and authenticity of the laptop and suggesting that the emails, photos, and videos had been doctored. Facebook and Twitter blocked the *Post's* article and blocked their social-media users from reposting the article — and all subsequent articles on the Biden laptop.

The intel community was quick to jump in, using "retired" IC operatives to "debunk" the *Post's* stories as a Russian disinformation plot. An October 20 letter signed by 51 former high-level national-security officials came to Biden's rescue, claiming the laptop story had "all the classic earmarks of a Russian information operation." The big-name signatories to the letter were James Clapper, former director of national intelligence; Michael Hayden, former director of both the CIA and NSA; and John Brennan, former director of the CIA — implacable Trump haters all. The letter by these "experts" claimed that Russia would "pull out the stops to do anything possible to help Trump win and/or to weaken Biden should he win." Moreover, they declared, "A 'laptop op' fits the bill, as the publication of the emails are [sic] clearly designed to discredit Biden.... It is high time that Russia stops interfering in our democracy."

It was a monstrous lie, of course. It was *they* — Clapper, Hayden, Brennan, and company — who were "interfering in our democracy" and pulling out the stops to *help Biden and stop Trump*. But they provided *The New York Times*, CNN, MSNBC, NPR, and the entire Fake News media conglomerate with an excuse to blast the laptop — on "expert" authority — as a Putin disinformation ploy. Joe Biden and his spokesmen used the letter repeatedly to swat down any questions about the explosive laptop. The signers of the letter, naturally, were instantly in huge demand on all the liberal-left talking-head shows on television, radio, and podcasts. This was, essentially, a CIA operation, with 43 of the 51 signers being "former" CIA (but, obviously, still working for "the Company"). One signer of the letter, former CIA senior officer John Sipher, who blogs and appears regularly in major media outlets, later admitted —

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nay, *boasted* — that he had engaged in election interference. "I take special pride in personally swinging the election away from Trump," Sipher tweeted, more than a year after he and his IC coconspirators had subverted the election process. On April 4, 2023, former CIA official Michael Morell testified to the House Judiciary Committee that Antony Blinken (CFR), then advisor to candidate Biden and now secretary of state, "triggered" the letter with a call to Morell.

Liars and leakers: FBI Director James Comey (left) and Director of National Intelligence James Clapper are emblematic of the mendacious and ruthlessly ambitious men whom our Deep State politicians have sought out and appointed to head our intelligence agencies. (AP Images)

Two and a half years later, NPR, The New York Times, and many other media outfits now admit the laptop is real, that it belonged to Hunter Biden, and that the data on it — emails, photos, videos, etc. are authentic. But now it's "old news," we are told, so it is still being censored as unnewsworthy: "Nothing to see here — move along," the media herd says in unison.

Another IC Deep State operation from the same period comes courtesy of the FBI, DOJ, and the same media cabal. Just six days before the New York Post broke the Hunter Biden laptop story, the DOJ/FBI hit Trump with an October surprise out of the Wolverine State. On October 8, 2020 the FBI announced the arrest of 13 men in an alleged plot to kidnap Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer, a far-left Democrat. Predictably, Whitmer and the media choir blamed Trump's rhetoric for inspiring the plot. As it turned out, the FBI had more than a dozen agents provocateurs, paid operatives, and informants inside the plot, and had, in fact, scripted, organized, and paid for the entire scheme. In other words, as the court records show, there wouldn't have been a "kidnapping plot" if the FBI hadn't organized it. The agent in charge of that false-flag operation, Steven DiAntuono, was rewarded for conducting this deceptive operation by being promoted to head the FBI's Washington, D.C., office - just in time for the highly suspicious January 6 melee.

These two events in the same month, October 2020 — one to smear President Trump with the domestic terrorist label, the other to save Joe Biden from facing the consequences of the revelation of multiple alleged criminal acts of his son, his brother, and himself — were undoubtedly promulgated to aid Joe Biden and hurt Donald Trump. The total effects of these two operations on the election are incalculable, but undeniably huge. It is altogether possible that, apart from all of the other election-fraud issues, these two operations alone may have been sufficient to cost Donald Trump the election.





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#### Spying, Lying, Betraying

The Whitmer kidnap plot/Biden laptop capers, which came at the end of President Trump's term in the White House, were preceded by a series of coup attempts that is as astonishing as it is unprecedented. As we have reported previously, on November 17, 2016, Trump received an emergency visit from a top U.S. intelligence official. That official was Admiral Mike Rogers, who then served as director of the National Security Agency (NSA), as well as chief of the Central Security Service (CSS) and commander of the United States Cyber Command (USCYBERCOM). Admiral Rogers had come to Trump Tower in New York City to warn the president-elect of a treasonous coup plot involving key leaders in the other intelligence agencies and top members of the Obama administration. Rogers was no right-winger, and had presided over the NSA's continual expansion of unconstitutional gathering of data (emails, texts, phone calls) of millions of Americans. Nevertheless, he apparently drew a line at traitorous efforts to overthrow the constitutionally elected president of our country.

Following his meeting with NSA Director Rogers, Trump immediately moved all transition activity to Trump National Golf Club in Bedminster, New Jersey, and had a Sensitive Compartmented Information Facility (SCIF) built at Trump Tower to prevent hostile surveillance — from enemies both foreign and domestic. When Trump announced that the Obama administration's intel community was spying on him, he was met with scoffs and howls of derision in the legacy media. However, more than three years later, in January 2020, Inspector General Michael Horowitz's report on the Obama administration's violations under the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) found that the FBI *did indeed spy* on Trump's campaign during the election.

But it went far beyond "merely" illegally spying on Team Trump. It involved, among other things, attempting to cripple the incoming Trump administration by entrapping Trump's National Security Advisor General Michael Flynn and trying to imprison him with false claims that he had lied to the FBI about conversations with Russian Ambassador Sergei Kislyak. Independent-minded, pro-American IC officials are a nightmare for the Deep State, as the efforts to deep-six Admiral Mike Rogers and General Michael Flynn indicate. Flynn, as former director of the Defense Intelligence Agency, knew too much to be allowed to help President Trump, so he had to be taken out, no matter how foul the methods. He was falsely charged with lying to the FBI (among other things) and reputationally assassinated by the Fake News media cartel. A pardon by President Trump saved the general from an unjust and spiteful prison sentence.

However, there was no prosecution or prison prospect for FBI Deputy Assistant Director for Counterintelligence Peter Strzok and FBI lawyer Lisa Page, the infamous Trump-hating duo (and adulterous lovers) who were revealed to have engaged in multiple felony crimes, including rewriting the FBI 302 report on General Flynn and fabricating "quotes" from him that they could cite as lies. They financially ruined an innocent man and tried to railroad him into jail — which is where *they* should be. But DOJ declined to prosecute them. Instead, after being fired from the FBI, they were richly rewarded: Strzok was named an adjunct professor at Georgetown University and regularly appears as an "expert analyst" on CNN, MSNBC, and other media; Page was hired as a contributor to NBC News.

The effort to deep-six Flynn went above Strzok and Page to include FBI Director James Comey, FBI Deputy Director Andrew McCabe, FBI General Counsel James A. Baker, and acting Attorney General Sally Yates (an Obama holdover) — none of whom was prosecuted. Comey was rewarded for his lying

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and leaking with a multimillion-dollar book deal, an adulatory media tour, six-figure speaking fees, and a *Washington Post* contract to write opinion columns. McCabe was hired by CNN and scored a book deal. Baker was hired by the far-left Brookings Institution and Harvard Law, and, most importantly, became Twitter's top guy coordinating censorship for Biden and the intel community, including banning mention of the Hunter Biden laptop and suspending Twitter users who mentioned it. Ultimately, Baker was fired by new Twitter owner Elon Musk for "suppression" of information.

**Laptop liability:** Hunter Biden's laptop, with all its sketchy business deals, drugs, porn, and nationalsecurity concerns, threatened to upend Papa Joe's presidential run, so it had to be "debunked" by "intelligence experts" as a Russian disinformation plot. (AP Images)



The "Get Flynn" scheme, of course, was only one small part of the larger "Get Trump" effort that unfolded during the multiple years-long "investigations" into allegations of Trump-Russia collusion, baseless claims that have been shot down repeatedly — but continue to come back, thanks to the incessant repetition of "Russia collusion" by Deep State media shills. A central piece of that operation was the now-totally discredited and salacious "Steele Dossier," which proved to be a completely fabricated smear job paid for by the Hillary Clinton campaign and the Democratic National Committee. In other words, it was a political hit piece camouflaged and circulated through the IC and the controlled media to give it the appearance of a legit exposé of corruption and treason.

The chief fabricator of the Steele dossier, the eponymous Christopher Steele, is a "former" spy for Britain's MI6 (also known as the Secret Intelligence Service, SIS). Steele utilized Russian "sources," which means he was funneling *disinformation* from Putin's intel community, which means it was Team Clinton doing Putin's work, not Trump.

The investigation by Special Counsel John Durham into possible intelligence abuses during the "Trump-Russia collusion" witch hunt led to some important revelations concerning the Steele Dossier's ties to the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR) — the elite, private club that functions as the brain trust, command center, and public face of the Deep State — and its sister organization, the Brookings Institution. It turns out that Steele's "Primary Subsource" for alleged Russian dirt on Trump was Russian citizen Igor Danchenko, a longtime employee of Brookings. Danchenko had been hired by Brookings President Strobe Talbott, a protégé of KGB agent Victor Louis and pal of Bill Clinton going back to their Oxford University days (Talbott later became President Clinton's Deputy Secretary of

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State). A committed "global citizen," Talbott is also a longtime CFR member.

#### **Deep State IC: All-out War on Trump**

Less than two weeks before President-elect Donald Trump's inauguration, Senate Minority Leader Charles Schumer (D-N.Y.) told MSNBC's Rachel Maddow that Trump is "really dumb" for defending himself against the bogus charges of Russia collusion being pushed by the Brennan-Clapper-Comey IC cabal. "Let me tell you: You take on the intelligence community — they have six ways from Sunday at getting back at you," Schumer gleefully remarked to the rabidly anti-Trump MSNBC host.

A few days after Senator Schumer made those comments, Daniel Benjamin, a former assistant to President Bill Clinton and advisor to Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, put a finer point on the to-beexpected IC retaliation in an article for *Politico*. "Leakers and whistleblowers won't hesitate," Benjamin noted. What former Deputy CIA Director Michael Morell "and other intelligence veterans are too decorous to mention," he wrote, "is that Trump's treatment of his spies will also come back to bite him in the form of leaking and whistleblowing. The intelligence community doesn't leak as much as the Pentagon or Congress, but when its reputation is at stake, it can do so to devastating effect."

The Schumer and Benjamin statements were but two of the many early chilling warnings that key leaders of the intelligence community were (and are) engaged in treason to sabotage, subvert, and overthrow the constitutional order they have sworn to protect and defend. And they did so against President Trump, with "devastating effect," as Benjamin suggested they would. The nonstop torrent of strategically timed illegal leaks aimed at hamstringing the new administration's every effort was unprecedented in scope and viciousness.

However, leaking was not the half of it. Key administration insiders — disloyal Trump appointees as well as Obama holdovers — worked overtime to sabotage the Trump agenda, and *boasted* about it. The handprints of the Council on Foreign Relations are all over this treason. Max Boot, CFR senior fellow and Washington Post columnist, provided a prime example of this in a December 18, 2017 article for the CFR's website in which he gloats that his fellow "Deep State" CFR members are sabotaging the Trump administration's nationalist "America First" agenda. Even though other media elites scorn the term "Deep State" as a right-wing conspiracy theory, Boot, a Never-Trump "Republican," not only acknowledges that it exists, but celebrates it. Boot's article concerned President Trump's first National Security Strategy (NSS) report, with which Boot found fault on multiple points. However, in the main, "the NSS, as written, is mostly fine," he said, an evaluation that undoubtedly surprised many readers. In fact, he said, "In many places it is better than fine." How so? According to Boot, the NSS is surprisingly internationalist in perspective, and, as such, is "at odds with what the president himself believes." Said the CFR doyen: "It might best be understood as a cri du coeur [cry of the heart] from inside the Deep State signaling to the outside world that Trumpian thinking has not entirely taken over the U.S. government, and that some influential public servants remain dedicated to the vision of U.S. global leadership enunciated after World War II."

Boot singled out for praise National Security Advisor H.R. McMaster and his assistant Nadia Schadlow, the reputed authors of the NSS. Both are CFR members. Boot continued, "They have tried to smuggle as much of their own foreign policy thinking into the NSS as possible while still paying ritual obeisance to Trump's America First rhetoric." Of course, it is the CFR's thinking, not merely their own, that they smuggled into the Trump NSS. Fortunately, President Trump got rid of both McMaster and Schadlow,

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but plenty of globalist swamp creatures remained.

On September 5, 2018, *The New York Times* published an anonymously authored article entitled "I Am Part of the Resistance Inside the Trump Administration." The article's subtitle boasted of the author's subversive efforts: "I work for the president but like-minded colleagues and I have vowed to thwart parts of his agenda and his worst inclinations." More than two years later, the anonymous author resigned his position in the federal government and revealed himself to be Miles Taylor, chief of staff at DHS. Taylor's treachery was rewarded with a lucrative book deal, CFR membership, writing gigs for *The Washington Post* and Medium, and being named to head national security for Google. The damage to our national security, national unity, and constitutional stability caused by thousands of sanctimonious subversives such as Miles Taylor is incalculable.



**Treachery rewarded:** While Donald Trump, Michael Flynn, and other Trump loyalists are framed and relentlessly prosecuted, real criminals such as former FBI agent Peter Strzok have been given a free pass and rewarded with media gigs. (AP Images)

One of the most breathtaking admissions of the depth and breadth of the Deep State takeover of our country is Molly Ball's article, "The Secret History of the Shadow Campaign That Saved the 2020 Election," for *Time* magazine on February 4, 2021. Ball admitted that "Trump was right" about a high-level cabal plotting to oust him in the just-concluded Trump-vs-Biden 2020 election. "There was a conspiracy unfolding behind the scenes, one that both curtailed the protests and coordinated the resistance from CEOs," Ball wrote. "Both surprises were the result of an informal alliance between leftwing activists and business titans." She gloated about the effectiveness of "a well-funded cabal of powerful people, ranging across industries and ideologies, working together behind the scenes to influence perceptions, change rules and laws, steer media coverage and control the flow of information." The globalists of Big Business, Big Labor, Big Pharma Big Tech, and Big Media poured hundreds of millions of dollars into Astro-Turf campaign activist groups and campaign disinformation ads.

Yes, this "conspiracy," this "cabal" — *Time* magazine's words — "saved" the election. But it didn't save it for us, the American people; it saved it for the globalist elites who are committed to destroying what remains of our constitutional republic and our Christian-style civilization, to be replaced — they hope — with their godless New World Order.



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#### CFR

The importance of the intelligence community to the schemes of the Deep State is plainly obvious from the remarkable extent to which its agencies have been staffed with chiefs who are members of the Council on Foreign Relations. This is especially true regarding the CIA, where, with the exception of the Trump administration, we have seen a virtual lock-hold by the CFR. It began in World War II with the CIA's precursor, the Office of Strategic Services (OSS), which was run by CFR member William "Wild Bill" Donovan, a Wall Street lawyer, J.P. Morgan agent, and Rockefeller Foundation apparatchik. As with the State Department, Treasury Department, Federal Reserve Board, and Defense Department, we have seen an almost unbroken line of CFR globalists appointed to head these key institutions. From OSS's Donovan to current CIA chief William J. Burns, the CIA has been under virtually continuous control of directors and their minions who are CFR operatives. Listed below are the CFR members who have served as OSS-CIA director.

- General William "Wild Bill" Donovan
- General Walter Bedell Smith
- Allen W. Dulles
- John A. McCone
- Richard M. Helms
- James R. Schlesinger
- William E. Colby
- George H.W. Bush
- Admiral Stansfield Turner
- William J. Casey
- William H. Webster
- Robert M. Gates
- R. James Woolsey
- John M. Deutch
- George J. Tenet
- General Michael V. Hayden
- General David Petraeus
- William J. Burns

#### The "Intel Community" Joins the MSM Trump Derangement Choir

Dr. John A. Gentry, a former CIA analyst and currently a professor of security studies at Georgetown University, says the partisan attacks and anti-Trump vitriol coming from the intelligence community (IC) over the past several years is unprecedented and in complete violation of the norms of conduct expected of intelligence professionals. Like members of the military services, members of the intelligence community are expected to maintain an apolitical stance publicly. However, from top IC leaders — Brennan, Clapper, Comey, and Hayden — on down to mid-level officials and rank-and-file agents and analysts, the intelligence community has been politicized and weaponized, with IC members (both retired and active) turning into militant activists.

"The attacks on Trump were unprecedented in their substance, tone and volume," Gentry wrote in the

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International Journal of Intelligence and Counterintelligence. "Critics went far beyond trying to correct Trump's misstatements about U.S. intelligence; they attacked him as a human being." Professor Gentry views this development as "an astonishing reversal of the longstanding norm at the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) and elsewhere in the U.S. intelligence community that professional intelligence officers served all presidents as well as possible in apolitical ways, no matter the personal politics of intelligence officers or presidents' views of intelligence."

Also unprecedented is the massive flood of personnel from the various intelligence agencies into establishment media organizations, as contract employees and/or frequent guests, where they can be depended on not only to spew a steady stream of anti-Trump invective, but also to promote the globalist "woke" agenda on climate change, LGBTQ issues, Covid mandates, critical race theory, etc. In short, they are at war with the America they claim to serve.

Among those in this subversive media/intelligence industrial complex are:

- General Michael V. Hayden (CFR): former director of the CIA and NSA; on advisory board of NewsGuard
- John Brennan: former CIA director; NBC-MSNBC commentator
- James Clapper: former director of national intelligence; CNN analyst
- Juliette M. Kayyem (CFR): former DHS assistant secretary; CNN analyst and weekly guest on Boston Public Radio
- Miles Taylor (CFR): former DHS chief of staff; CNN contributor, head of national security for Google
- John Schindler: former NSA analyst; writer for the New York Observer, CNN guest analyst
- Michael Morell: former CIA deputy director; CBS analyst, *Washington Post* columnist, guest on many media platforms
- Philip Mudd: former CIA/FBI agent; CNN analyst
- Cindy Otis: former CIA analyst; CNN commentator
- Frank Figliuzzi: former FBI assistant director for counterintelligence; NBC-MSNBC analyst
- Lisa Page: former FBI lawyer; NBC-MSNBC analyst
- Peter Strzok: former FBI deputy assistant director; CNN analyst
- Andrew Weissmann: former DOJ prosecutor and Robert Mueller team member; NBC-MSNBC analyst
- Susan Hennessey: former NSA lawyer; CNN contributor
- Asha Rangappa: former FBI special agent; CNN analyst
- John Sipher: former CIA senior officer; media gadfly on PBS, NBC, CNN, and others
- Clint Watts: former FBI special agent; consultant and contributor to MSNBC
- Jeremy Bash: former CIA chief of staff; analyst for NBC and MSNBC
- Josh Campbell: former FBI special agent; CNN analyst
- Nada Bakos: former CIA analyst; guest commentator at ABC, BBC, CNN, MSNBC, and *The New York Times*
- Jeff Asher: former CIA analyst; guest commentator on CNN

In addition to those listed above, there is a host of woke former intel and military insiders whom the Fake News media love to quote, cite, interview, or ask to write op-eds, such as Gregory Treverton (CFR), former chair of the U.S. National Intelligence Council; Jami Miscik (CFR), former CIA deputy director; Admiral William McRaven (CFR), former commander of the U.S. Special Operations Command



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(SOCOM); General John R. Allen (CFR), former commander of the NATO and U.S. Forces-Afghanistan; Joan Dempsey, former CIA deputy director; Nick Shapiro, former CIA deputy chief of staff; General Merrill McPeak (CFR), former Air Force chief of staff; and many more.



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