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## Joe Biden Unmasked

Free college. Government-run healthcare. Mass gun confiscations. A Green New Deal.

Democrats' 2020 platform is a glorified wish list for the party's most radical socialist elements. At first glance, one would think Bernie Sanders is the nominee.

Instead, the unprecedented, ambitiously progressive agenda comes from none other than Joseph R. Biden, Jr., the man who clawed his way to the top of the Democratic ticket under the guise of being the moderate centrist who could bring middle America back to the party of Jimmy Carter and Bill Clinton.



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But just as those two Democratic presidents moved American policy far more leftward than their campaign promises or public personas suggested, Biden would also serve as the perfect vehicle for the far Left to achieve a number of key milestones — because he can appeal to the sensibilities of moderates.

Lyndon B. Johnson, the stern Texan, was no ideologue. Much in the way young Democrats today look at Biden with dismay in contrast to progressive champions such as Sanders and Elizabeth Warren, Democrats of the sixties never saw in Johnson the Camelot mystique of John F. Kennedy or anti-war presidential candidate Eugene McCarthy. Yet it was Johnson who ushered in the Great Society, with massive unconstitutional expansions of government such as Medicare and Medicaid.

Likewise, Biden, who can play to the center, to the working class, and to older voters, would be ideally positioned to sell socialist programs that would scare off the mainstream if espoused by someone such as Sanders.

That's what makes Biden such a dangerous candidate. To moderate or NeverTrump Republicans, he extends an enticing offer: "Go ahead. Vote Democrat. I'm no socialist. I'm the middle-of-the road choice, not the extremist." Democrats are banking on that offer winning over on-the-fence voters in this highly polarized political climate.

Vice President Mike Pence gave the most apt description of Biden when he called him a "Trojan Horse for a radical agenda."

What exactly is hiding within that socialist Trojan Horse? Let's have a look inside.

## The Green New Deal Rebranded

One of the most striking aspects of Joe Biden's agenda is how extreme his environmental policies are. While his climate-change proposal omits the phrase "Green New Deal" (likely in an effort to avoid some of the automatic opposition baked into that controversial plan), it's as far-reaching as anything rolled



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out by New Consensus, the think tank that authored the Green New Deal plan associated with Representative Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-N.Y.).

If enacted, the Biden climate program would spend more than \$2 trillion to radically transform America's energy infrastructure, directly impacting the life of every person in the country and giving vast new authority to government over the private affairs of businesses and individuals.

Among the goals of the Biden plan are making the United States "carbon-free" by 2035, instituting a federal green-energy jobs program, and establishing an Environmental and Climate Justice Division to crack down on polluters.

Getting the country to a 100-percent clean-energy standard within 15 years would undoubtedly have an effect on the coal and natural gas industries, which currently produce 63 percent of all electricity in the country. And abandoning those carbon-based fuels would skyrocket energy costs, much to the detriment of homeowners and businesses.

The presumptive Democratic nominee also wants all Americans driving "energy-efficient vehicles," which he hopes to achieve by backing legislation introduced by Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-N.Y.) to incentivize car owners to trade in their gas-powered vehicles for electric ones.

The Biden plan would also set aside funding to upgrade millions of homes so that they meet energy efficiency standards.

But how would a President Biden enforce his vision? In a striking example of green totalitarianism, the Democratic candidate's platform states that he wants to create an Environmental and Climate Justice Division within the Department of Justice for cracking down on those who pollute the environment — ignoring the fact that carbon dioxide is not a pollutant, but a cornerstone of life on Earth. The plan reads: "Biden will direct his EPA and DOJ to pursue these cases to the fullest extent permitted by law and, when needed, seek additional legislation to hold corporate executives personally accountable — including jail time where merited."

For socialists and globalists, the "climate change" agenda has always been one of the fundamental steppingstones toward establishing a New World Order of all-powerful world government. Because the religion of environmentalism asserts that every human activity contributes to pollution in some way, the government is therefore justified in regulating all aspects of life — from farming and transportation to housing and food.

Under this argument, of course, education must be tightly controlled by the state to ensure students are properly indoctrinated with climate hysteria. And since the very presence of humanity on the planet is fundamentally the problem, population control becomes an essential plank of the environmental program.

Getting the average citizen on board with the climate agenda has proven challenging for the establishment, however. The proposed governmental controls are too burdensome, while the supposed consequences of climate change are too far off in the distant future and too unlikely to occur for voters to care about in the here and now. That's why the globalists' plan is continually frustrated (the United Nations' Agenda 21 becomes Agenda 2030, etc.).

But the Left has devised a new combination that they hope will make the climate issue more palatable to the minority voters that make up their base, and Joe Biden is all in.



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In what it terms a crusade for “Environmental Justice,” Biden’s proposal states that “rooting out systemic racism” is an important part of climate-change policy, as “environmental policy decisions of the past have failed communities of color — allowing systemic shocks, persistent stressors, and pandemics to disproportionately impact communities of color and low-income communities.”

The proposal calls on the government to “stand up to the abuse of power by polluters who disproportionately harm communities of color and low-income communities” and vows that a Biden administration will “take action against fossil fuel companies and other polluters who put profit over people and knowingly harm our environment.”

## **COVID Tyranny**

Alarmism over the coronavirus outbreak has been one of the biggest gifts that keep on giving for the leftist-globalists. The establishment has taken note of just how willing a large segment of the population has been to surrender basic constitutional liberties because of a virus with a 99.74-percent survival rate — and Joe Biden isn’t about to let a good crisis go to waste.

Besides his oft-repeated insistence that he would issue an executive order forcing all Americans to wear masks in public, the former vice president has a lengthy proposal exclusively dedicated to the coronavirus.

As with climate change, COVID-19 for Biden and Democrats serves as a catch-all under which they can cram any and every policy dream.

Biden’s plan, for instance, declares that he “will invest in infrastructure, like broadband, essential for mitigating the impact of future pandemics. And, he will encourage union organizing and defend collective bargaining.”

Ostensibly, this is because unions “can help negotiate for better safety and health protections, provide better training for personal protective equipment” and “can provide a critical voice in handling crises, especially those that represent the many workers that are exposing themselves to hazards in order to keep Americans safe.”

Biden and his team also see the virus as a useful way of driving home globalism. The Democrats’ plan calls for “lay[ing] the groundwork for sustained global health security,” “build[ing] a global health security workforce, and “re-embrac[ing] international engagement ... to strengthen joint standing capacity for biosurveillance and health emergency response.”

In pursuance of the latter, Biden seeks the creation of a “Permanent Facilitator” within the Office of the United Nations Secretary-General for Response to High Consequence Biological Events to coordinate pandemic response among the world’s various health and humanitarian organizations — handing the UN greater power.

Not unexpectedly, Biden “calls for fully resourcing the WHO [the UN’s World Health Organization],” which President Trump has formally moved to withdraw the United States from (though the change does not go into effect until July 2021).

This is the same WHO that all the way back in December ignored concerns from Taiwan about the potential of person-to-person spread of COVID-19, a decision that seems to have been taken to protect China, where the virus originated.



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WHO is dominated by Communist China. The organization's director-general, Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, rose to his position with backing from the East Asian superpower.

Tedros is a communist member of Ethiopia's violent, human rights-violating Tigray People's Liberation Front (TPFL), which the U.S. government and the Global Terror Database have designated a terrorist organization. He helped cover up epidemics in his native Ethiopia and is not even a medical doctor.

Yet Biden has no qualms about funding and working with Tedros and WHO. In fact, he wants to increase the role it plays, calling for "the immediate creation of a Global Health Emergency Board to harmonize crisis response for vulnerable communities."

Per Biden's program, the "Board will convene leadership of the United States, our G7 partners, and other countries in support of the World Health Organization (WHO) to ensure a coordinated health and economic response globally, especially with respect to vulnerable countries."

Adding that the board will bring together "experts" from WHO and CDC, the plan reveals that "in the future, the convening of the Board would be triggered by a public health emergency of international concern declaration by the WHO."

## **The Welfare State**

Matthew Yglesias, co-founder of the progressive outlet Vox, noted Biden's "surprisingly progressive agenda," pointing to the Democrat's avowed aim of massively expanding federal spending on entitlements. That includes quadrupling federal spending on low-income housing, tripling federal spending on low-income K-12 schools, pouring \$100 billion into an "affordable housing" trust fund, and doubling Pell Grants — while making community college free. Biden also wants to increase the federal minimum wage to \$15 an hour.

Estimates put the expected increase in spending under a President Biden at \$6-\$8 trillion over the next decade. And who would ultimately foot the bill? As always, the American taxpayer — one way or another, whether through overt taxation or indirectly through the ravages of deficit spending and its corresponding inflation.

While Biden stops short of pushing Medicare for All like Sanders and Warren, he advocates the creation of a government-run health insurance option.

"The public option, like Medicare, will negotiate prices with providers, providing a more affordable option for many Americans who today find their health insurance too expensive," Biden's website reads.

Additionally, Biden's plan to build on ObamaCare includes "expanding access to contraception and protect[ing] the constitutional right to an abortion," assuring Americans that "the public option will cover contraception and a woman's constitutional right to choose."

Should he make it to the White House, Biden wouldn't tolerate pro-life policy from state governments. "As president, Biden will work to codify *Roe v. Wade*, and his Justice Department will do everything in its power to stop the rash of state laws that so blatantly violate the constitutional right to an abortion, such as so-called TRAP laws, parental notification requirements, mandatory waiting periods, and ultrasound requirements," his health plan affirms.

Furthermore, Biden intends to "restore funding for Planned Parenthood" that the Trump administration cut and wants to rescind the Mexico City Policy, reinstated and expanded by President Trump, which



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stops the U.S. government from funding abortion abroad.

This is a significant shift from Biden's abortion position in the past. When he was first running on the Obama ticket in the 2008 race, Biden stated that while he was opposed to abortion personally, he did not believe the government should get involved in a woman's "right to choose" — he also did not want federal funds to be used for abortion.

The radical turn further highlights what makes Biden a Trojan Horse for radical leftism. Democrats have a consistent tendency to downplay the extremist nature of their beliefs when they first enter the public sphere, and then gradually bring their supporters and policies ideologically leftward over the course of time.

## Gun Control

For Joe Biden, gun violence is a "public health epidemic." After having been involved with a 1993 bill that established background checks and 1994 legislation that placed a 10-year ban on "assault weapons" and "high-capacity magazines," Biden appears determined to become *the* gun-control president.

Biden wants to repeal the 2005 Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act. Doing so would make it easier for gun manufacturers to be held civilly liable for people who commit crimes with their products. Using that logic, should car manufacturers also be held responsible for all bodily and property damage made by irresponsible drivers?

Even more concerning is Biden's plan to disarm Americans of many semi-automatic firearms. First, he wants to add such weapons to the National Firearms Act, which currently requires owners of machine guns, silencers, and short-barreled rifles to register them with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF).

Then, Biden wants to sign an executive order banning the importation of "assault weapons" (while simultaneously banning their sale). Finally, he will force Americans to either sell their weapons to the government under a buyback program or register them with ATF. The Democratic nominee also supports legislation restricting the number of firearms an individual may purchase to one per month.

And here's the clincher that should have constitutionalists, conservatives, and patriots everywhere ready to say "No" to Joe on election day: Biden plans to "close the Hate Crime loophole" by enacting legislation prohibiting anyone "who has been convicted of a misdemeanor hate crime, or received an enhanced sentence for a misdemeanor because of hate or bias in its commission," from purchasing or possessing a firearm.

The beauty of "hate crimes" for the Left is that the definition of "hate" means whatever leftists want it to mean at any given time. Nowadays, merely voicing opposition to liberal sacred cows such as gay marriage, open borders, and Black Lives Matter will get you accused of "hate speech." How long before it's deemed a "hate crime?"

Once that happens, the government under Joe Biden will be authorized to confiscate guns from law-abiding citizens merely for the "crime" of holding right-of-center political views.

And it doesn't end there. Not only does Biden want to give funding to states to implement "red flag" laws, which allow "the right of the people to keep and bear arms," guaranteed by the Second



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Amendment, to be trampled upon by politically motivated judges and law-enforcement personnel, he would also “direct the FBI and ATF to outline a model relinquishment process, enact any necessary legislation to ensure relinquishment when individuals newly fall under one of the federal prohibitions, and then provide technical and financial assistance to state and local governments to establish effective relinquishment processes on their own.”

In other words, Biden would create a gun confiscation task force that would go door to door taking Americans’ firearms away — presumably at the barrel of a gun.

Biden would also use Big Brother technology to further hinder the use of the few firearms that *are* legally left in circulation. His gun-control proposal calls for putting “America on the path to ensuring that 100% of firearms sold in America are smart guns,” which would include fingerprint technology that only allows authorized users to fire a gun.

When Big Tech is largely subservient to the globalist-socialist Deep State that is hell-bent on disarming average citizens, can we really trust that “smart guns” won’t conveniently self-sabotage right in the moment a gun owner has to defend his life and that of his family? Will such guns be fed information about social-media history in order to block use by those guilty of “hateful” wrongthink?

If “smart” firearms and gun registries Biden wants become the norm, Second Amendment defenders may only have self-made weapons to turn to. But the presidential aspirant wants to go after those, too. His plan makes special mention of ending ownership of “ghost guns.”

“One way people who cannot legally obtain a gun may gain access to a weapon is by assembling one on their own, either by buying a kit of disassembled gun parts or 3D printing a working firearm,” his website reads. “Biden will stop the proliferation of these so-called ‘ghost guns’ by passing legislation requiring that purchasers of gun kits or 3D printing code pass a federal background check.”

Biden doesn’t even want armed teachers protecting their students during school shootings. He would “prohibit the use of federal funds to arm or train educators to discharge firearms.”

The 77-year-old’s position on gun control alone reveals that an unabashed extremist lies beneath the facade of the moderate.

## **Immigration**

Open borders are an essential component of the globalist agenda for eroding national sovereignty to create a monolithic, one-world international system of governance, but Americans have widely awakened to an understanding of economic and national security threats posed by mass migration. President Trump rode that wave into the White House and made gains in restoring sense to American immigration policy (despite continual roadblocks from activist judges), but a Biden presidency would largely reverse that progress.

For one thing, Biden seeks to undo the Trump administration’s public charge rule, which gives immigration officials discretionary ability to bar issuance of visas or permanent residence to individuals who are likely to become dependent on taxpayers once admitted into the country.

He would directly take on President Trump’s signature immigration project — construction of a wall along the southern border — by ending the national emergency declared by the president in response to a wave of thousands of migrants and asylum requests last year. With the national emergency ended,



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Biden would discard the use of military funds for wall construction.

A President Biden would then eliminate President Trump's travel bans, reinstate DACA (while ensuring "Dreamers" get taxpayer-funded student aid), and promote "alternatives to detention" for illegal aliens at the border, meaning they will be released into the interior of the country to "wait" for their hearings — code for "they will run off and never be heard from again" (at least until they run over an American citizen while driving without a license).

## **The Lingering Shadow of Bernie**

Whether or not Biden is a true believer in full-fledged socialism makes no difference. He faces the same situation Hillary Clinton did in 2016: Now that he has emerged from the primary following a tense race against Bernie Sanders, he must satisfy Bernie supporters' far-left demands lest they sit the election out.

A month after Sanders suspended his campaign and endorsed Biden, the two sides joined forces in several unity task forces that published policy recommendations on various issues. The committee on climate change was chaired by Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, who seems to sincerely believe that the United States can simply print money to fund every climate-change extravagance without any negative consequences for the country.

The head of Biden's transition team is Ted Kaufman, a well-known progressive who briefly served as U.S. senator for Delaware after Biden became vice president. Bruce Reed, a political operative and champion of the progressive wing of the Democratic Party, is also found among Biden's inner circle.

A well-known saying within the Reagan administration was "personnel is policy." Considering the company Joe Biden keeps and the types of voters he courts, there's no doubt that his presidency would be one of the most progressive in American history, even if the Bernie supporters will never truly consider him one of their own.

## **The Kamala Factor**

Senator Kamala Harris (D-Calif.), Joe Biden's running mate, would not lend a moderate voice to the administration. Instead, she would push the envelope further. She fits the profile of "woman of color" that Democrats were looking for in order to balance running an elderly white man in the age of George Floyd, but the party's progressives are less than thrilled with the choice, pointing to her record as California's attorney general, where she proved willing to be as malicious as she had to be to get ahead.

While serving as the Golden State's top cop, Harris repeatedly refused to investigate police-related shootings. Left-wing activists also criticize her for not supporting reforms that would have supposedly increased police accountability, for supporting anti-truancy laws that critics say disproportionately targeted people of color, and for aggressively prosecuting misdemeanors and violations such as panhandling, graffiti, and marijuana use. Her worst strike, however, is that she would not let DNA testing be done to exonerate possibly wrongfully convicted men.

Harris' record in the Senate is one of the most liberal in the chamber. From co-sponsoring Ocasio-Cortez's Green New Deal legislation and Sanders' Medicare for All, to endorsing free healthcare for illegal aliens and voting to raise taxes, Harris has taken many steps to ingratiate herself with the far left.



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In fact, the non-partisan website [GovTrack.us](#) ranked Harris as the “least conservative” (read: most liberal) senator of 2019. As the only senator with a score of 0.00, she was even more liberal than Bernie Sanders.

Then there is Harris’ plethora of radical ties.

In an *Epoch Times* piece, anti-communist author Trevor Loudon noted that Harris is supported by Steve Phillips, a political operative who married into the wealthy Sandler left-wing donor family and who described his political formation in the following words: “I’ve studied Marx, Mao, and Lenin. In college, I organized solidarity efforts for freedom struggles in South Africa and Nicaragua, and I palled around with folks who considered themselves communists and revolutionaries ..., and I did my research paper on the Black Panther Party.... My political baptism was the Jesse Jackson 1984 Presidential campaign.”

Jackson managed to get seven million votes in the 1988 Democratic primary thanks to the Rainbow Coalition, which brought together minorities with progressive whites. This was the formula that propelled Barack Obama into the White House, and it’s what the Left hopes to use again to achieve (Vice) President Harris.

Phillips helped turn once reliably-red Virginia blue with minority voter registration. In 2017, he and the Sandler family put several million dollars into voter registration in Alabama to help Democrat Doug Jones win the Senate race against Republican Roy Moore.

In Florida in 2018, Phillips, George Soros, and Tom Steyer of the Democracy Alliance put millions behind Democrat Andrew Gillum, bringing him extremely close to victory against Republican Ron DeSantis.

“In Georgia, another Phillips protégé, Stacey Abrams, came within a whisker of winning the Georgia governorship with at least \$10 million of Sandler and Democracy Alliance money and mass minority-voter registration drives,” Loudon recounts, going on to note that Beto O’Rourke came within three percentage points of beating Ted Cruz in the 2018 U.S. Senate race thanks to two Phillips-aligned and Democracy Alliance-funded groups, Battleground Texas and Texas Organizing Project.

Of course, Harris’ radical ties started at home. The senator is the daughter of two 1960s Berkeley radicals: Shyamala Gopalan, a cancer researcher from the state of Tamil Nadu in southern India, and Donald J. Harris, an economist from Jamaica. The couple often took baby Kamala to protests in a stroller.

Donald Harris was a Marxist who wrote papers such as “The Black Ghetto as Colony: A Theoretical Critique” (1972) and “Capitalist Exploitation and Black Labor: Some Conceptual Issues” (1978). Though some try to downplay the full nature of Harris’ political views, several *Stanford Daily* articles at the time described Donald Harris as “Marxist,” and colleague Tracy Mott and his friends made it very clear that Harris was hired specifically for his radical views.

The apple doesn’t fall far from the tree. And if the Biden-Harris ticket wins in November, Americans won’t just have to worry about Harris’ far-left views and handlers having influence in the West Wing. Far-left views/handlers will have a direct seat in the Oval Office should Harris assume the presidency. If Biden wins, a Harris presidency is not just a possibility but *likely*, considering Biden’s deteriorating condition. Many question if Biden is even now still mentally and actively fit to be president — or if his handlers are calling the shots while he is largely hidden from public view in his basement. Regardless of





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his present condition, it will likely continue to decline to the point where he will be replaced before the end of his first term.

## **The Competition**

The 2020 presidential election presents a stark contrast between the two major-party candidates. While President Trump may not rate near 100 percent on the constitutionalist scale, he has continually been a thorn in the side of the globalist-minded Deep State, which loathes the “America First” stance that propelled him into the presidency and the fact that the Deep State has been unable to totally subvert Trump’s goals. He has fought for greatly loosening the regulatory constraints on the free market, a secure border, the Second Amendment, freedom of speech, less bureaucracy, and national sovereignty.

Joe Biden, on the other hand, represents the complete antithesis of Americanism. If realized, his agenda would rob us of our most fundamental rights and put the entire nation on the road to serfdom under the rule of an unaccountable socialist world government.

The Biden campaign is one of radicalism and extremism packaged in the palatable disguise of centrism. Americans must open their eyes and look beyond the veneer — or future generations will be forced to pay the price.

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