



Quick Quotes

NBA Executive's Tweet Becomes an International Incident

"Fight for freedom. Stand with Hong Kong."

*On October 4, Houston Rockets General Manager **Daryl Morey's** very brief message sent via Twitter expressed his support for the demonstrators in Hong Kong. In a clear example of totalitarian control over what should be free speech, the Chinese Communist government protested vehemently. Morey removed the message but was not forced to repudiate what he said by NBA brass. Beijing's leaders then cancelled a televised airing in China of exhibition games involving two NBA teams in China.*

Sanders Back on the Campaign Trail After Suffering a Heart Attack

"To put it bluntly, I'm back."

*Two and a half weeks after having stents inserted in his heart, Senator **Bernie Sanders** appeared at a rally in New York City and claimed that he was as healthy as ever. During the event held on October 19, he accepted endorsement for his candidacy from Congresswoman Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, who appeared on stage alongside the Vermont senator.*

Hillary Clinton Claims Tulsi Gabbard Is Russia's Favorite in U.S. Election

"They're also going to do third party again. And I'm not making any predictions, but I think [the Russians have] their eye on somebody who is currently in the Democratic primary and are grooming her to be the third-party candidate. She's a favorite of the Russians. They have a bunch of sites and bots and other ways of supporting her so far."

*Without mentioning Hawaii Congresswoman Tulsi Gabbard by name, **Hillary Clinton** made obvious who she was talking about during an interview conducted by former Obama campaign manager David Plouffe. The loser to Donald Trump in the 2016 election, Clinton is clearly making herself available to run in 2020 should the Democratic Party find a need to coalesce behind a candidate.*

Columnist Believes Impeachment of the President Would Be a Serious Mistake

"Impeachment would be an uplifting exercise if we had sober leaders who could put party affiliation aside and impartially weigh the evidence. It would be workable if Congress enjoyed broad public affection and legitimacy. We don't live in that world. [Impeachment] would be a mistake."

*New York Times columnist **David Brooks** believes the Democrats' current impeachment campaign is an "inside-the Beltway political brawl" that will help Donald Trump get reelected.*

Washington Post Heavyweight Says Biden Can't Win in 2020

"There's a reason he hasn't won the nomination before, and won't this time, and it's not just because of



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his running gaffe track or that he's alienated so many core Democratic constituencies. It's that not enough voters get really enthusiastic about him personally."

*The managing editor of "The Monkey Cage" section of the Washington Post, **E. J. Graff** strongly urges Democrats to choose Senator Elizabeth Warren, the candidate he describes as a "passionate crusader," not a "safe candidate" such as Joe Biden.*

Wisdom Issued in the Past

"Political language ... is designed to make lies sound truthful and murder respectable, and to give an appearance of solidity to pure wind."

*Although he stated this comment many years ago, political commentator **George Orwell** beautifully summarized what many current politicians repeatedly provide the public today.*

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