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# Climate Change Advocacy Groups Urge Joe Biden to Embrace his "FDR Moment"

Calling the mainstream media-declared victory of Democrat nominee Joe Biden a "mandate," far left-wing groups are calling for the potential new president to go all-in on their socialist dreams by ignoring a possibly Republican-led Senate and essentially governing by executive order. In a press release dated Tuesday, the Sunrise Movement and the Justice Democrats laid out their radical vision for a possible Biden presidency.

Referring to the contested election as Joe Biden's "FDR moment," the groups want Biden to "command the federal government with fierce urgency and bold creativity."



Joe Biden (AP Images)

Among the Utopian wishes set forth by the coalition is a new cabinet position and federal agency that they call The Office of Climate Mobilization.

"Joe Biden has a ten year window to stop the worst and most permanent effects of climate change. He can avoid Mitch McConnell's forced delays by creating a brand new executive office and senior position with wide-reaching power to combat the climate crisis — just as we mobilized to defeat the existential threat of Nazi Germany in World War II," says the coalition's <u>Climate Mandate</u>.

According to the coalition, the new cabinet post and accompanying agency would exist to "hold every every federal department accountable" to the ultimate goal of stopping so-called man-made climate change. Their job would be to act as a watchdog over all government spending to see that it ultimately fits that mission. And they don't want a potential GOP-led senate doing anything to stall that mission.

"The Office of Climate Mobilization will not require Mitch McConnell's approval."

Although the coalition did not pick a favorite person to head that potential new agency, they did weigh in on whom they'd like to see placed in several other cabinet positions. Their qualifications for cabinet positions are that they have "no ties to fossil fuel companies, or corporate lobbyists"; that they be "representative of America," meaning that ethnicity and race will factor into who's chosen; and that the selections "fight with the urgency that the climate crisis demands."

For the secretary of the interior, the group favors Rep. Deb Haaland (D-N.M.), a Native American; for the secretary of state, they give their nod to Representative Barbara Lee (D-Calif.), who had ties to the Black Panthers and favors a 10-percent decrease to the military's budget; for secretary of the treasury, they favor radical Massachusetts Senator Elizabeth Warren; for attorney general, they endorse Minnesota Attorney General Keith Ellison, who is cozy with Black Lives Matter, although publicly he has resisted the "Defund the Police" movement; and for secretary of labor, they prefer socialist Senator Bernie Sanders (Ind.-Vt.).

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Alexandra Rojas, the executive director of Justice Democrats, believes that Biden needs to use his possible election to unify Democrats under a new socialist banner.

"President-elect Biden must embrace this historic moment by keeping the party united and appointing progressive leaders who will help him usher in the most progressive Democratic administration in generations," Rojas said.

Forget "in generations." It would be the most left-wing administration *ever* – and by a wide margin.

Varshini Prakash of the Sunrise Movement also believes that a potential Biden presidency represents an historic moment for Democrats.

"Democrats have a once-in-a-generation moment to deliver policies at the scale of the crises our generation is facing," Prakash said.

To meet this historic moment and seize the <u>#ClimateMandate</u>, <u>@JoeBiden</u> must appoint experienced and diverse progressive leaders to his cabinet and create an Office of Climate Mobilization to usher in the most impactful administration in generations.<u>https://t.co/L6PKy7YCGd</u>

- Waleed Shahid (@\_waleedshahid) November 11, 2020

Prakash, who worked on the <u>Sanders-Biden task force on climate policy</u>, which was chaired by Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-N.Y.) of Green New Deal fame and former Secretary of State John Kerry, believes that Biden now owes the far left in that they might have delivered the election.

"Young people helped deliver this historic majority to Joe Biden," Prakash said. "The Senate can't be an excuse; whether or not Mitch McConnell remains the Majority Leader, we need an Office of Climate Mobilization and visionary personnel in the Biden administration who are ready to use every tool in their disposal to create millions of good-paying green jobs."

Should the Joe Biden ultimately succeed in his effort to wrest the White House from President Donald Trump, he will indeed be indebted to Prakash, Rojas, and their radical-left constituencies. He'll also be indebted to Big Tech companies such as Facebook and Twitter, to the mainstream media, and to groups such as the Sunrise Movement and the Justice Democrats that are truly concerning since they are single-issue zealots to whom their cause is more important than anything else.

For their chosen cause — climate change — they will sacrifice anything; even the U.S. Constitution and the United States itself.



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