



Hillary Clinton Gets New Book Promo at CFR Confab

The rollout of the national tour for Hillary Clinton's new book, *Hard Choices*, has been as carefully scripted as any presidential campaign launch, which is no surprise, since the book tour is precisely that: Hillary's unofficial launch of her 2016 White House bid. It is also no surprise that one of her first stops on the tour was for a star appearance at the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR), the establishment brain trust that has served as the power behind the throne governing America for most of the past century, regardless of whether a Republican or Democrat has occupied the Oval Office.



This was not Mrs. Clinton's first visit to the seat of globalist power. As CFR President Richard Haass explained in his introduction for Hillary at the organization's History Makers Series on Thursday, June 12, in New York City: "This is Secretary Clinton's ninth visit to the Council on Foreign Relations, and we're honored to have her."

"And," Haass continued, "I expect I speak for everyone in this room in watching and thanking her for her decades of public service as First Lady, as senator here from the great state of New York, and as secretary of state."

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The New American has repeatedly pointed out a very telling 2009 admission by Hillary that has been studiously ignored by the CFR-friendly mainstream media thought cartel (see here and here and here.)

In a July 2009 speech at the CFR's new Washington, D.C. headquarters, then-Secretary of State Hillary Clinton referred to the CFR's New York Pratt House headquarters as her "mother ship" and confessed that the State Department looks to the CFR "to be told what we should be doing and how we should think." Now, with the CFR office just down the street, she said, she wouldn't have to go so far for direction.

At that 2009 event, Hillary was also introduced by CFR President Richard Haass, who has infamously editorialized in favor of world government and ending America's national sovereignty, <u>claiming</u> "states must be prepared to cede some sovereignty to world bodies." The anti-sovereignty theme of Haass is a favorite refrain and fetish of CFR maestros, who have been in the forefront of promoting world government and the destruction of national independence for most of the past century.

Following her introduction by Haass at that 2009 speech, Clinton said:

Thank you very much, Richard, and I am delighted to be here in these new headquarters. I have been often to, I guess, the mother ship in New York City, but it's good to have an outpost of the Council right here down the street from the State Department. We get a lot of advice from the Council, so this will mean I won't have as far to go to be told what we should be doing and how we should think about the future.



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A video of Hillary's 2009 CFR speech and admission follows.

Hillary's recent book tour appearance at the CFR power lunch was clearly aimed at solidifying her place with the Council's MSM reporters, editors, publishers, executives, and commentators who dominate the major broadcast and print media. Among the hundreds of CFR globalists in the MSM choir are:

- Michael P. Hirsh (Newsweek)
- Jim Hoagland (Washington Post)
- Fareed Zakaria (Time, CNN)
- Thomas Friedman (New York Times)
- Erin Burnett (CNBC)
- Ethan Bronner (New York Times)
- Paula Zahn (Discovery cable channel)
- Heather Nauert (Fox News)
- Norman Podhoretz (*Commentary* magazine)
- Tom Brokaw (NBC)
- Lesley Stahl (CBS)
- Andrea Michell (NBC)
- Elaine Sciolino (New York Times)
- Diane Sawyer (ABC)
- Deroy Murdock (Scripps Howard News Service and National Review Online)
- David Ignatius (Washington Post)
- Alan S. Murray (Wall Street Journal)
- Jim Lehrer (PBS)
- Margaret Warner (PBS)
- Judy Woodruff (PBS)
- Christopher Dickey (Newsweek)
- Mortimer Zuckerman (U.S. News & World Report)

(See: Elites Push Government-funded "Public" Media.)

To the above list of CFR media insiders could be added Rupert Murdoch, Michael Bloomberg, Charlie Rose, Maria Bartiromo, Charles Krauthammer, Andrew Rosenthal, Lee Bollinger, Barry Diller, Jeffrey Bewkes — and many, many more.

Hillary got a big sendoff for her book on June 9 with an interview on ABC by Diane Sawyer (CFR) that was somewhat testy with regard to Benghazi, but, overall, no doubt helped push book sales. Ditto for the June 4 cover story for *People* magazine (owned by TimeWarner, a CFR corporate member). *Vogue* magazine, which has featured a number of head-over-heels bouquets for Hillary over the years, published an exclusive excerpt from *Hard Choices*.



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Michiko Kakutani described the book in a *New York Times* review as: "A subtle, finely calibrated work....*Hard Choices* is a statesmanlike document."

"[A] clear and at times riveting account of Hillary Rodham Clinton's four years as secretary of state....," David Ignatius (CFR) of the *Washington Post* wrote.

"Hard Choices is a richly detailed and compelling chronicle of Clinton's role in the foreign initiatives and crises that defined the first term of the Obama administration...," the Los Angeles Times exuded.

According to publisher Simon & Schuster, Clinton's book has already sold out the first million copies. All of this friendly media treatment, undoubtedly, has been a key factor in pushing it to instant bestseller status — and adding materially to the Clinton family's already considerable fortune.

Poor Hillary?

Hillary's statement during Diane Sawyer's ABC interview about her and Bill being "dead broke" in 2000 has caused her some repercussions and minor grief. Many critics have pointed out that this was a dishonest attempt to appear to be personally sensitive to the financial pain of average Americans; she had already inked a near-record, multi-million dollar book contract (with a huge advance) — one of several she has enjoyed — before leaving the White House. Even the pro-Clinton *Washington Post* felt compelled to point out that "Bill Clinton has received nearly \$16 million in pensions and benefits from the federal government since leaving office," which is in addition to the tens of millions more he has made from book deals and speaking engagements.

Although Hillary has not yet become an official member of the CFR, husband Bill and daughter Chelsea are already members.

A video of Hillary Clinton's June 12 book tour appearance at the CFR is posted below.

(A transcript of Hillary's June 12 interview and comments at the CFR is available here.)

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