



Hillary-Putin Uranium Deal: How Long Will Media Ignore It?

Most American voters looking toward November would probably be interested in learning about Hillary Clinton's prime role in delivering one-fifth of America's uranium production to Vladimir Putin's Russia. As this matter is critically relevant to our national security, as well as America's energy security, voters would probably appreciate learning about it before they cast their ballot for the next Oval Office occupant. However, most Americans probably have never even heard about Bill and Hillary Clinton's ties to the Uranium One-Rosatom-Frank Giustra scandal, through the couple's corruption-troubled Clinton Foundation, and Hillary's official dealings while serving as President Obama's secretary of state.





That is hardly surprising, considering the overwhelming pro-Clinton, anti-Trump bias of the "progressive" establishment media. But new Clinton e-mails and State Department memos released by WikiLeaks may cause some members of the pro-Clinton press brigade to break ranks and confront the Democratic Party candidate on this vitally important issue. Among the many documents to surface recently is a State Department cable from October 2009 warning of the intentions of Rosatom, Russia's nuclear energy agency, as it "flexes muscles" with regard to the global uranium market.

State Department officials in Europe cabled Secretary Clinton, warning that a Russian strategy paper they had obtained showed Kremlin plans to gain "long-term supply of nuclear fuel" so they could, among other objectives, "shut" the U.S. company Westinghouse out of the nuclear market and expand Russia's influence over Europe. The cable also warned Clinton that the plan detailed in the Russian paper "is consistent with Russia's efforts to dominate the gas supply market in Europe."

Secretary Clinton was also getting warnings from members of the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives as well. Senator John Barrasso (R-Wyo.) was particularly alarmed, since the proposed deal involved a large uranium mine in his state. He wrote to President Obama, noting the deal "would give the Russian government control over a sizable portion of America's uranium production capacity" through Rusatom and its subsidiary, ARMZ. "Equally alarming," Barrasso said, "this sale gives ARMZ a significant stake in uranium mines in Kazakhstan."

Besides the obvious concern over supplying Russia with raw materials for potential use in nuclear weapons, there is also the more immediate concern over loss of vital fuel for America's own energy needs. The United States is dependent upon nuclear power for 20 percent of our electrical power base. But energy expert Marin Katusa, author of *The Colder War: How the Global Energy Trade Slipped From*



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America's Grasp, points out that we produce only about one-fifth of the uranium we need and most of our nuclear plants have only 18 to 36 months of fuel reserves. According to Katusa, under the new Kremlin strategy, not only will Russia be able to starve other countries of power, but the BRIC countries (Brazil, Russia, India, and China) will replace the G7 in wealth and clout.

Nevertheless, President Obama and Secretary Clinton have ignored those concerns, with the result that Russia now controls one-fifth (or more) of America's uranium production. And the Obama administration, via the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), apparently lied to Senator Barrasso when it assured him that ore from the Uranium One mine in Wyoming wouldn't be exported. "In order to export uranium from the United States, Uranium One Inc. or ARMZ would need to apply for and obtain a specific NRC license authorizing the export of uranium for use as reactor fuel," the NRC told Barrasso in a letter, indicating that the possibility would be virtually nil. However, the NRC now confirms that Uranium One is indeed exporting uranium And that's not the only concern. Senator Barrasso was also assured that Uranium One would remain a public company, guaranteeing some measure of transparency. But it has since been taken private, with Putin's company ARMZ now owning 100 percent of the stock.

Hillary Clinton's role in the Uranium One affair concerns not only gross negligence (at best) in a serious matter of national security, but also gives every appearance of blatant bribery. As we have reported previously — and as authors Peter Schweizer and Jerome Corsi have detailed, respectively, in their books, *Clinton Cash* and *Partners in Crime* — Hillary Clinton's State Department was signing off on the Russian takeover of Uranium One while the Clinton Foundation was taking in tens of millions of dollars from Uranium One exec Frank Giustra, and while Bill Clinton and Frank Giustra were zooming about the globe on Guistra's private jet consummating mega-mining deals.

There is much more to this story that deserves to be made public — before the November elections. The big question is: Can the controlled establishment media be shamed into giving it even a fraction of the airing it should receive?

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