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MR DONALD J. TRUMP FOR PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ?

Beware Of That Which You Wish !

If Mr Donald J. Trump should be elected as the next President of The United States of America, it is quite likely to be the worst political incident of this democratic country of the past 240 years.

Such a tragedy as having this vulgar, US-dollar, multi-billionaire take up residence in the White House, a cataclysm, promulgated entirely by an ignorant US electorate, in the main, could well be politically devastating for the country as well as for the entire human population and, in the fullness of time, totally debilitating with regard to the largest and most-important economy of today's world.

One could not even fathom, in these early days, that which is quite likely to follow should Mr Donald J. Trump be elected as the leader of the world's largest and most-important economy as well as being the Commander-In-Chief of the most technically advanced and most-powerful military *'machine'* to which the world has ever been witness.

Should Mr Donald J. Trump be sworn in as the 45th President of the US, history may well record, inter alia, one of the very apparent weaknesses of the established system in respect of the selection process of the new President and Vice President – despite the Presidential Elections, having been considered true and fair and in accordance with today's employed electoral system.

It would, indeed, indicate the abject weakness of the electoral system of the country.

In order to pass the baton of government from the outgoing chosen leader to his/her successor, the US employs that which is labelled as being The United States Electoral College.

This Electoral College, comprising 538 Presidential Electors, elects the President and Vice President of The United States of America for an initial term of four years.

Qualified citizens of the US do not, directly, elect the President or Vice President, but instead, they elect intermediaries, such persons, being selected in accordance with the laws of each of the 50 states in addition to the District of Columbia (Washington D.C.).

Thus, the national, popular vote is not the basis for electing the President or Vice President of the US.

The many declarations of **TARGET** () in respect of this medium's criticisms of Mr Donald J. Trump are, purely, opinions, but they are based on the facts, mostly having been taken from the public utterances of this businessman-turned-would-be politician, in addition to some of the asinine statements and acts that followed in the wake of his numerous fiery monologues.

Many of the utterances of Mr Donald J. Trump have been inflammatory in the extreme to the point that many an attendee, who came to sit agog and often mesmerised at his Presidential razzamatazz where he was the sole speaker, responded as though that which poured out of the mouth of this businessman was akin to the words of a prophet.

But many a person, who did not agree with this Presidential hopeful's future plans for the country and who attempted to make this clear in stentorian, exclamatory statements from within the multitude of devout Trumpians, were physically assaulted by certain party(ies) from within the faithful audience.

As a result of these altercations, grievous bodily harm has been perpetrated upon those who dared to voice an opinion, openly, contrary to those of the bombastic speaker, who stationed himself on the podium in order to preach his sermons to his loyal followers.

When challenged as to the reason that Mr Donald J. Trump did not intercede in the fracas that followed his utterances, his reply went along the lines that the trouble-maker (in the audience) probably deserved to be roughed up a touch for the disturbance that he or she had caused to '*his*' people.

It is very apparent that Mr Donald J. Trump wants only '*his*' people to attend his political rallies ... and to hell with the rest.

It was only on Saturday, January 9, 2016, at a rally in North Carolina when Ms Rose Hamid, a 56 year-old, flight attendant, stood up in order to display the five-word statement, emblazoned on her T-shirt, that she became the target of what has been described as being frightening intimidation.

On her T-shirt were the words: 'Salam! I come in peace'.

byiously, Ms Rose Hamid is a Muslim and, as such, a security officer determined to evict her from the rally, being held at the town of Rock Hill.

As she was escorted out of the hall, the crowd of Trumpians booed and hurled insults at her for her actions ... and, perhaps, her religious beliefs.

Mr Donald J. Trump made no attempt to dissuade the crowd of Trumpians from disallowing this timid lady to state that she – and American Muslims – come in peace.

One cannot help but recall the heydays of the Klu Klux Klan (KKK), a former, very active political element, mainly based in the southern (formerly Confederate) states of the US, but which has lost most of its political clout in today's world.

However, up until 1944, it was estimated that the KKK had as many as six million members, those covert and those overt.

The KKK, as with the National Socialists (The National Socialist German Workers' Party) that came to power in Germany in 1933 and maintained its political dominance until the end of World War II (1945) advocated extremism, championing the idea of white supremacy, white nationalism, and anti-Semitism as well as anti-immigration.

The KKK advocated, among other things, terroristic acts, aimed at groups and individuals whom they opposed – mostly Afro-Americans whom they disparagingly referred to as '*niggers*'.

The KKK demanded of the faithful that there be the 'purification' of the US society.

The KKK is, today, very much '*underground*' – but covens of the KKK still exist in the deep south of the US.

The Trials and Tribulations of Trumpians

In September 2015, during one of Mr Donald J. Trump's many meetings when he determined to encourage his existing, and prospective, Trumpians to vote for him as the Republic Party's Representative in order to try to better the Democratic Party's front-runner so that he might put his head on the pillows of the White House, a Birmingham, Alabama, civil rights activist, had the audacity to shout protests at the Presidential

hopeful from the middle of the throng of white Americans.

The protestor was a rather large Afro-American.

For many, the end result of this single protest was considered somewhat troubling – because Mr Mercutio Southall was forced to retreat for fear of his life, after being set upon by numerous Trumpians, some of whom knocked him to the floor with at least one woman, kicking him in the stomach.

Such was the obvious hatred for a black American citizen who dared to voice an opinion, contrary to that of the leader of the Trumpian, political rollercoaster.

When faced with the facts of this case, Mr Donald J. Trump responded by stating:

'Maybe he should have been roughed up.'

About two months later, in Miami, Florida, an immigration activist was dragged from the room where Mr Donald J. Trump was telling the faithful that which they wanted to hear.

The majority of the people in the audience were not open to opinions that were contrary to the teachings of Mr Donald J. Trump.

When the immigration activist made statements that were in opposition to those of Mr Donald J. Trump, and when the activist was spotted by the Presidential hopeful, he commanded his Trumpians:

'Get him out of here! Get him out of here! Get Out!'

Clearly, Mr Donald J. Trump does not cotton to others whose ideas smack of anything that is contrary to the gist of his own sermons from the mount (podium).

Other documented, public statements of Mr Donald J. Trump include:

'The only kind of people I want counting my money are little short guys that wear yarmulkes.'

(A yarmulke is a skullcap that is the mark of a person of the Jewish faith, the wearer of the yarmulke, indicating his reverence to God. Shades of '*The Godfather*' and Robert Duvall's supporting role as the Jewish consigliere.)

'When Mexico sends its people, they're not sending the best. They're not sending you, they're sending people that have lots of problems and they're bringing those problems with us. They're bringing drugs. They're bringing crime. They're rapists ... And some, I assume, are good people ...'

'The wall will go up and Mexico will start behaving. I will build a great wall and nobody builds a wall better than me, believe me. And I'll build them (the wall) very inexpensively. I will build a great, great wall on our southern border. And I will make Mexico pay for that wall. Mark my words!'

'One of the key problems today is that politics is such a disgrace. Good people don't go into (US) Government.' (Present company, excluded, of course?)

Listen you, mother fuckers (meaning the People's Republic of China), *we're going to tax you 25 percent* (on exporting goods to the PRC).'

'Laziness is a trait of the blacks ... Black guys, counting my money! I hate it!'

'The US will invite El Chapo, the Mexican drug lord, who just escaped from prison, to

become a US citizen, because our "leaders" can't say "No!" '

'You know, it really doesn't matter what the media writes as long as you've got a young and beautiful piece of ass.'

'I never attacked him. (Rand Paul, a US Senator from Kentucky who is, also, making a bid for the US Presidency) on his looks and believe me, there's a lot of subject matter there.'

Somewhere up There, Somebody loves Mr Donald J. Trump

While many US lawmakers and would-be politicians maintain that Mr Donald J. Trump is, at best, a reasonably good showman, always playing to his audience and making statements that he thinks the audience would like to hear, regardless of the veracity of the statements, there are those who maintain that he is an intelligent and forceful businessman who should be the next leader of the largest economy of the world.

Those people, for the most part, are men and women who, due to the US economy of days of yore, especially the financial circumstances, dating back about eight years, came a-cropper during the 2008 financial crisis.

As the US economic crisis worsened in those tragic years, the motor city of Detroit was unable to pay its bills as they fell due.

This is called bankruptcy.

General Motors Company and Ford Motor Company had to sack tens of thousands of workers, some of whom had been with these former behemoths and the international motor-vehicle industry, for decades.

Creditors lined up, making demands with regard to money, owed to them, but the city of Detroit could do little to ameliorate the ever-worsening financial situation.

The residential parts of the city, within a very short space of time, became a virtual desert as many of its former inhabitants lost their homes, being unable to service debts to banks that, only a few years prior, had been only too willing – and hot to trot – to lend them money, based on their employment in the motor-vehicle industry and the then market value of their homes.

These people still recall those frightening days, no doubt.

When these unfortunates listened to Mr Donald J. Trump's fiery speeches, speeches that centred on the theme of making '*America Great Again*', many of them must have felt – and still do feel, no doubt – that here is a man who is saying all that these people would have said had they the opportunity to voice their opinions to the masses.

They want, today, that which they had prior to 2008.

But one can never step into the same river twice for the waters are forever flowing.

Enter, Stage Left, President Vladimir Vladimirovich Putin

Then, there is Mr Vladimir Vladimirovich Putin, the President of The Russian Federation.

It was not that long ago that President Vladimir Putin went on record, stating, among other things:

'He (Donald J. Trump) is a bright and talented person, without any doubt ... an outstanding and talented personality ... the absolute leader of the (US) Presidential race...'.

In response to the statements of President Vladimir Putin, Mr Donald J. Trump, via his Campaign Spokesperson, Ms Hope Hicks, said:

'It is always a great honour to be so nicely complimented by a man so highly respected within his own country and beyond. I have always felt that Russia and the United States should be able to work well with each other towards defeating terrorism and restoring world peace, not to mention trade and all of the other benefits, derived from mutual respect.'

It was at the tail end of 2015 that Mr Donald J. Trump made it known, publicly, that he and President Vladimir Putin would '*get along very well*' (when he is living in the White House).

It is commonly believed that Mr Donald J. Trump and President Vladimir Putin see many things similarly: Both men, being very brash of speech and extravagant in deed and, more often than not, shooting from the hip.

('*Shooting from the hip*' is an American Western axiom with regard to professional gunslingers of the 18th Century and the 19th Century, gunslingers who were more inclined to consider shooting from the hip, as quickly as possible, rather than considering taking careful aim with their revolvers before squeezing the trigger.)

This expression, now, has taken on the meaning of a person who, only too often, talks quickly without first making a reasonably calculated determination with regard to a specific point of the topic of a conversation.

When other Republican Party Presidential hopefuls in the race for the White House, poo-pooed the statements of both President Vladimir Putin and Mr Donald J. Trump, the multi-billionaire, smirked and stated:

'They're jealous as hell because he's (President Vladimir Putin) not mentioning them ... If he (President Vladimir Putin) says something positive, that's a good thing. That's not a bad thing. They (other Republican Party Presidential hopefuls) try and turn it around and it's not to be turned around. This would be good. This would be a great start (for Russia and the US to sit down and break bread together).'

Mr Donald J. Trump has gone on record as saying that he would advocate the banning of all Muslims, wanting to enter the US ... '*until we know what the hell is going on*'.

As for illegal residents in the US, he has said words to the effect:

'They're goin to be sent back where they came from. They're gone when I'm President.'

Mr David Duke, a former Louisiana politician and a Grand Wizard of the KKK, has stated that Mr Donald J. Trump is today's '*best of the lot* (to become the next US President)'.

He, also, said: 'A lot of what he says resonates with me'.

For his part, Mr Donald J. Trump has said that he does not want Mr David Duke's endorsement for President.

In fact, Mr Donald J. Trump has made it very public that he was forced to sack two of his campaign staff for posting racially offensive material on social media.

Mr Donald J. Trump, officially, shuns any political alignments with white supremacy movements in the US, but his statements with regard to most Mexicans, wanting to enter the US, illegally, they, in his eyes, being drug-dealers and rapists, for the most part, and the strong suggestion that most Muslims, wanting to enter the US, legally, are quite likely to be terrorists and, initially, should be treated as such until *'we know what the*

hell is going on', smacks of playing into the hands of those who would welcome back the KKK, along with their burning crosses in front of churches, frequented mainly by Afro-American Christians.

By accident or design, it appears to this medium that Mr Donald J. Trump and his fire-and-brimstone rhetoric is bad for the US, is bad for the healthy democratic principles, enshrined in the country's Constitution, and, eventually, it will be very bad for the 322 million-plus people, living in this great nation which, inter alia, is the best hope of the free world, today.

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