

America under Trump: no longer polite or orderly



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Dear Patriot,

We were not expecting to see the harsh comparison between the weak, ill-educated shallow, silly American Democrats and our amazing Secretary of State, Marco Rubic

But we saw videos of both from the Munich Security Conference that make it clear; Democrats have a weak bench. All they can do is trash our country and our current President.

If you missed the videos of [Hillary Clinton](#), [Governor Whitmire of Michigan](#), an former bartender [AOC](#), treat yourself to the best the Democrats have. In fact the Dems are so sure of these people they sent them to Munich to shine on the world stage. There was no shining. The Democrats are an embarrassment to the country. They can not sell their failed ideas to Americans in fair elections so they went to Europe which is crumbling under the same bad policies.

What President Trump and his team are trying to accomplish is breathtaking. It will receive massive pushback from the worldwide globalist communists.

Pray that God gives them strength and resolve to see this master plan through.

Today, spend some time with...

- Secretary Rubio's excellent speech.
- how liberal policies ruin everything.
- the ramifications of an immediate census.
- mounting fraud by blue states.
- inflations slow turn.



1- Sadly, it is rare in these days to hear a speech that reminds the world of the reason there is a United States of America.

It is also unusual to hear praise of the history, culture and accomplishments of Europe. It is being erased so, of course, it does not matter anymore.

Secretary Rubio's direct and hopeful message is the outline of what we are naming the Trump World Plan for Peace and Prosperity.

Secretary Rubio quote: "***We in America have no interest in being polite and orderly caretakers of the West's managed decline.***"

YES! We voted for that!

Rubio quote: "I am here today to leave it clear that America is charting the path for a new century of prosperity, and that once again we want to do it together with you, our cherished allies and our oldest friends."

Europe, turn your back on communism, again, and help us make peace and prosperity.

At this link, you can view the entire speech (just 22 minutes) and read along with the transcript provided.

Listen once. Listen again.

Then SHARE it with all in your orbit.

[**Dr. Robert W. Malone on Substack**](#)

Secretary Marco Rubio remarks - Munich Security Conference

QUOTE: Standing ovations, emotional moments, and powerful words. Marco Rubio delivered a historic speech in Munich that sparked strong reactions among world leaders and attendees. In his February 2026 address to the Munich Security Conference, Secretary of State Marco Rubio delivered a sweeping call for Western renewal, framing the transatlantic alliance as rooted in shared civilization rather than mere strategic convenience. Speaking against the backdrop of the conference's Cold War origins, Rubio argued that the post-Cold War era's assumptions, the "end of history," borderless globalism, and unfettered free trade have proven dangerously misguided, leading to deindustrialization, mass migration, and the erosion of Western sovereignty.

Rubio outlined a vision for revitalizing the U.S.-European partnership under the Trump administration, one focused on re-industrialization, supply chain independence, border security, and competing aggressively in emerging technologies like AI and commercial space. He placed particular emphasis on immigration, asserting that mass migration resulting from the pursuit of "a world without borders" threatens "the cohesion of our societies, the continuity of our culture, and the future of our people." Rubio defended border control as a fundamental expression of national sovereignty rather than xenophobia, calling the failure to control who and how many people enter Western nations "an urgent

threat to the fabric of our societies and the survival of our civilization itself."

He criticized international institutions for ineffectiveness while calling for their reform rather than abandonment, citing recent American actions in Gaza, Ukraine, Iran, and Venezuela as examples of necessary hard power. The speech's emotional core emphasized cultural and spiritual bonds between America and Europe, tracing the United States' heritage directly to European roots through vivid personal and historical examples.

Rubio rejected the notion of managed Western decline, instead challenging European allies to be "proud of their culture and heritage" and capable of self-defense. His message was both an affirmation of transatlantic solidarity and a pointed demand that European nations shoulder greater responsibility for their own security and prosperity, in what he framed as a civilizational struggle for the Western future.



2- There are many examples of leftist running systems that constantly fail. There will be more so be prepared.

Read more examples at the link.

[**The American Spectator**](#)

Left-Wing Activists Ran Off the Normal People Who Knew How to Do Their Job

QUOTE: When institutions get captured by the left and repurposed for the advancement of a woke agenda, they often start having operational breakdowns. People with the knowledge and skills to keep it operating either get forced out or leave in disgust.

A story flying below the radar of most national media has been the drawn-out loss of electric power by tens of thousands of Nashville-area residents. About 200,000 Nashville Electric Services ("NES") customers lost power in an ice storm on Sunday, Jan. 25. A week later, there were still over 30,000 customers without service, with temperatures continuing to dip well below freezing. The mounting death toll has included a 92-year-old man and a 79-year-old woman, both found dead in their frigid residences.

NES is a public utility that has been captured by woke leadership focused on DEI (Diversity, Equity, Inclusion) and ESG (Environmental Social Governance) rather than focusing on being a provider of reliable, affordable energy.

As documented by the Tennessee Star, NES produced a "Community Investment Report" with a heavy focus on green energy, sustainability, and DEI. The CEO, Terri Broyles-Aplin, boasted that employees were put through over 100 "Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Accessibility, & Belonging" training sessions. The report also identified "renewable energy, electrification, energy efficiency and demand response, resiliency, diversity, equity and inclusion, employee engagement and development, and greenhouse gas emission as the topics most important to NES and stakeholders simultaneously." Maintaining a functioning electric grid is noticeably absent from that itemization.

One reason the storm was so destructive is that NES deliberately refrained from trimming trees along power lines. Just this past August, Ms. Broyles-Aplin boasted on a local TV station about the utility's decision not to do preventative trimming,

stating that "We care about the canopy. We have to live here too. I don't want us out destroying the canopy." Unfortunately, that canopy got covered in ice, and much of it fell on power lines, causing extensive damage. With NES apparently incapable of handling the core functions of a utility, nor capable of getting service restored, there is a growing clamor by state politicians for changes in how the utility is run.



3- Conducting a new census is vital to fair elections and appropriations. After we remove a couple of million more illegals, we need a NEW count of Americans!

[Joe Concha at Washington Examiner](#)

After 2020 data debacle, the next census cannot wait four years

QUOTE: "Errors" appear in scare quotes here for good reason. That census was so botched that it can rightly be questioned as intentional. Why? Because every "error" goes in the direction of favoring the Democratic Party and serving as a detriment to Republicans.

Overall, according to the Census Bureau's own audit, almost every state that was "miscounted" — again, scare quotes for emphasis — had a positive impact for Democrats. Blue states, including New York, Minnesota, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Delaware, and Hawaii, were overcounted, while red states, including Texas, Arkansas, Tennessee, and Texas, were undercounted.

According to a 2030 appropriation forecast study conducted by Carnegie Mellon University, Florida and Texas, both solid red states, are gaining four House seats each, while deep-blue states, including California, New York, and Illinois, are losing combined eight.

And it only gets worse for Democrats: Georgia, North Carolina, Utah, Arizona, and Idaho, all states won by Trump in 2020, would gain one seat, while swing states such as Wisconsin and Pennsylvania would lose one seat, along with the most liberal states in the country, Minnesota, Oregon, and Wisconsin, all losing one seat as well.

As for the Electoral College, Florida, Texas, Utah, Idaho, North Carolina, and Georgia, all Trump 2024 states, would gain a combined 11 electoral votes, while California, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, and Minnesota would lose 10 seats. Toss-ups such as Pennsylvania and Wisconsin, states won by Trump in 2016 and 2024 but lost in 2020, would also lose one electoral vote each.

Shake it all out, and Democrats would be forced to sweep the Rust Belt of Pennsylvania, Michigan, and Wisconsin and win some states in the Sun Belt — North Carolina, Georgia, Arizona, Nevada — to win a presidential election. Good luck with that, especially if the party embraces another California nominee, such as Gov. Gavin Newsom (D-CA) or former Vice President Kamala Harris, or a far-left socialist such as Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-NY), all of whom are currently running as the most likely nominees in the betting markets and most polls. And if the states were counted properly in 2020, Trump would have gained nine electoral votes in 2024, making the final tally Trump 341, Harris 215.

And then there's the profoundly backward, and arguably corrupt, rule of including those in the country illegally as part of the census. It's a common-sense question: if they're not legal citizens, why are they being legally counted? If an undocumented

immigrant theoretically can't vote, why should it be legally counted?

These are questions for the Supreme Court to tackle. But in the meantime, here's how it's playing out in the court of public opinion: According to a recent poll by Rasmussen Reports, 56% strongly or somewhat approve of a new census being conducted, while just 32% strongly or somewhat disapprove. Regarding counting illegal immigrants in the census, 52% said no, while just 36% said yes, and 11% a not sure.

So here's the question: Why should the country have to wait until the 2032 election for this census to be completed? Why can't it be done in time for 2028? And more importantly, should voter ID be required for all voters, as is the case for almost every other industrialized country in the world?



4- It is hard to imagine the wealth of this nation when all the billions in fraud are factored in.

Do not take your eye off any of the fraud currently being uncovered, mostly in BLUI states. The FAKE/ENEMY Media let's Democrats, like Newsom, run around unquestioned about his fraud. But, it is too big to be ignored.

[**PJ Media**](#)

Excuse Me, but California Dems Stole How Much Again?

QUOTE: "A million here, a million there, and pretty soon you're talking real money." Sen. Everett Dirksen is supposed to have said more than 50 years ago, and if you say that 370 times, according to California Republican gubernatorial candidate Steve Hilton, you might have enough to cover the Golden State taxpayer dollars diverted into Democrat "voter machines."

The details get a little technical — money laundering isn't supposed to be easy to follow, after all — so I'll break down Hilton's allegations as quickly and cleanly as possible before we get to the big picture.

According to Hilton's unofficial CAL DOGE, after California voters approved the Prop. 64 Cannabis Tax, here's what happened:

1. Californians voted to fund youth drug prevention through the Cannabis Tax. Instead, \$370M in revenue is bankrolling leftwing activism.
2. The money flows through a single unelected nonprofit - The Center at Sierra Health Foundation's Elevate Youth program.
3. The Center has gotten rich off this arrangement - growing from \$11.8M in 2011 to \$197M in 2024. The CEO makes over \$600K.
4. The Center runs Prop 64 dollars through to a web of NGOs, including the Jaka Movement, Young Invincibles, and Asian Refugees United - for activism, organizing, and voter registration.
5. This is not drug prevention - it's a taxpayer funded pipeline from the governor's office to leftwing political organizing.

Those are the "voter machines" referenced earlier. There's nothing wrong with voter registration and GOTV efforts, but using state funds to favor one party — well, that's what happens in one-party blue strongholds like California.

Here's the kicker, so to speak: The money was supposed to go toward solving yo

substance abuse problems.

Imagine if the Republican Congress outsourced federal gasoline tax collection to private non-profit and let them skim a generous portion off the top, then send the rest to organizations friendly to the GOP. Because if CAL DOGE has it right, that's exactly what's happened to more than a third of a billion dollars in Cannabis Tax revenues.

"The state does not pick who gets the grants," CAL DOGE said. "The intermediary does, bypassing the rigorous procurement processes mandated for direct government contracts under the Department of General Services and State Controller oversight."

That's a multimillion-dollar slush fund, in other words, in which tax dollars pass through to the well-connected for the purpose of maintaining Democrat control the state. And, one presumes, lining pockets along the way —allegedly including Newsom's.



5- We know that not everyone is feeling lower inflation yet. It takes time to stop the train.

On one hand, our favorite coffee is still sitting at Biden level inflated prices but, we can see significant lower prices when we fill the car.

It has only been a year and one month, but gradually Trump is taking Democrat talk points and stuffing them.

Another reason they all ran to failing Europe over the weekend to bad mouth him.

The Hill

Annual inflation rate fell to 2.4 percent in January, below expectations

QUOTE: Consumer prices rose 2.4 percent over the past year and 0.2 percent in January alone, according to data released Friday by the Labor Department.

The latest consumer price index report, which was delayed by the brief government shutdown earlier this month, showed inflation coming in below expectations.

Economists expected the annual inflation rate to fall to 2.5 percent in January from 2.7 percent in December, and monthly inflation to hold steady at 0.3 percent, according to consensus estimates.

The new inflation figures are a boost to President Trump and Republicans as they face pressure to show progress against rising prices.

The January inflation decline, however, showed some easing pressure on household budgets last month.



PRAY for President Trump and Secretary Rubio who are moving mountains.

PRAY for all children.

PRAY for peace throughout the world.

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UPDATED: Read the five part series truthfully explaining the unprecedented lawfare used by the left to remove Sidney Powell's right to free speech.

This will be permanently available for all at Defending The Republic.

Regardless of who wins any election, to have confidence in the outcome, we must continue to demand **(1)** real paper ballots, **(2)** hand counted in a bipartisan transparent process, and **(3)** citizen voter ID.

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