MEMO FROM THE MAYOR

SUBJECT: When 5th Generation Warriors Partner with America's Deep State Globalists, Part IV (Last)

- The republican is the only form of government which is not eternally at open or secret war with the rights of mankind." (Thomas Jefferson, Letter to William Hunter, 1790)
- "The experience of all former ages had shown that of all human governments, democracy was the most unstable, fluctuating and short-lived." (John Quincy Adams)
- "Remember, democracy never lasts long. It soon wastes, exhausts, and murders itself." (John Adams)
- "A democracy is a volcano which conceals the fiery materials of its own destruction. These will produce an eruption and carry desolation in their way." (Fisher Ames)

Save Our Democracy? Why Not Save Our Republic Instead?

Evidence points to civics teaching in most American public schools as dead. How so? The talking-head apparatchiks of the Hard Left constantly lecture the rest of us on "saving our democracy." Please! Someone, tell these dunces that democracy was precisely the form of government our Founders rejected. Instead, they fashioned a republic for us; one patterned after Rome's unique system before it became an empire. The Founders viewed the democracy that Athens created as incomplete and unsuitable for a people who had recently overthrown a tyrant.

What worried the Founders so much about a democratic governmental form? Jefferson, for one example, considered democracy as allowing 51% of the people to take away the rights of the other 49%. Equally repelled by democracy, John Adams opined, "There never was a democracy yet that did not commit suicide." Consider the actual text of our Constitution. It does not contain the word democracy once—not even in its amendments! Why? Because we are not a democracy! We are a republic. Anyone not knowing that has received an incomplete education—even when uttered by Supreme Court Justices.

Stop worrying about someone destroying our democracy—we don't have one. Given the July-concluded last term of the Supreme Court, those worrying about losing our democracy just got trumped by our constitutional republic and its brilliant concept of the separation of powers. We witness in real-time our Founders' prescient thinking on checks and balances.

However, if our republic is to survive, our population must possess intimate knowledge covering how it is designed. Indeed, that should start in grade school. Recently, the Institute for Citizens and Scholars reported that only 74 percent of Americans over 65 could correctly answer

6 of 10 questions on the federal government's Immigration Test (D-level work) and only 19 percent of those under 45 could do so. All the data points to our failing public education system as the culprit. Remember, the public education infrastructure enhanced after the Civil War was designed to equip American citizens with the proper tools to live in and maintain a free society.

After producing the June installment, this writer discovered a Sam Faddis article in *AND Magazine*, his online work. Recall that Faddis, a former CIA counter-intelligence operative, authored the recommended summer reading, *Beyond Repair: The Decline of the CIA*. A prolific online scribe, the title of Faddis' ezine piece says it all: "The Revolutionaries in the IC [Intelligence Community] May Destroy US before Al Qaida Does".

What concerned Faddis? He found an inane and insane issue causing angst among the Intelligence Community. After laying the foundation detailing Al Qaida's second resurrection, Faddis complains—with good cause—about the IC seemingly having little interest in the infiltration of Al Qaida's operatives into the US through our porous southern border. So, why is it allowed? Faddis answers: "The IC is busy pushing the new ideology of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI). The IC doesn't have time to waste on [operations]. It is laser-focused on making sure its employees have gotten their minds right and joined the revolution." (andmagazine@substack.com, 18 June 2024.)

How Did We Get into This Mess?

How we arrived at our present predicament cannot be pinned on any one thing. Rather, it results from many disparate things neatly placed into one box. Recall that Benjamin Franklin answered with a pithy retort to the well-known Philadelphia Grande Dame, Mrs. Powell, answering her inquiry about what the Constitutional Convention had produced: "A Republic if you can keep it." Today, our sick republic is in the ICU. Why? John Adams supplied the prognosis: "Our constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other."

To Adams, at least, our ability to remain free required moral and virtuous people to be in charge. Unquestionably, as a people, we are neither. Indeed, we are quite the opposite—as nightly newscasts daily attest. The cultural collapse we witness in the inner core of our major cities—an implosion spreading like a metastasizing cancer—has greater adverse consequences than bad election results.

The Psychology of Totalitarianism, Belgian Clinical Psychologist Mattias Desmet's book, outlines the conditions needed to create a collective psychosis that can take hold in a culture. Evaluating Europe during the recent pandemic, Desmet identified what he called "mass formation"—a type of collective hypnosis. Lutheran Pastor Deitrich Bonhoeffer, eighty years before, called the same phenomenon collective stupidity, or *Dummheit*, in trying to reconcile how the people of the Reformation fell for a homicidal megalomaniac as their leader. Similarly, Desmet illustrates how close the West came to surrendering to a new totalitarianism.

Some dynamics discovered by Dr. Desmet include loneliness and societal disconnection; a nihilistic outlook; exceeding anxiety and discontent that manifest in aggression. These are exacerbated by constant propaganda or, more correctly, psychological operations, conducted by mass media, and clearly in partnership with governments, channeling these frustrations for better control of the masses.

To recap: "Totalitarianism is never content to rule by external means, namely, through the state and a machinery of violence...totalitarianism has discovered a means of dominating and terrorizing human beings from within." (Hannah Arendt)

Thank you, Founders, for our Republic! Worrying about losing our democracy is akin to worrying over Idaho losing Ocean Beachfront. Moreover, recent events in Butler, Pennsylvania, comprise Exhibit A of this series.