

Exclusive: Rigged Election? Who's afraid of a Red Herring?

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The election was rigged. And the side claiming the rigging would happen, rigged it.

No matter which candidate you voted for or wanted to win, it is important to examine the vote counts, exit polling and technical issues of the election. Perhaps the fear lies in perceptions of what to do about it, if true that the election was rigged?

How would Donald Trump supporters react, if the Neocons were called on the rigging? Even if you voted for Trump, you should care. The rigging is clear and done with potential, purposeful intent. Interestingly enough, Hillary Clinton and the Democrats are not crying foul, probably out of fear and carefully managed perceptions, or is it also with intention?

As Clinton potentially stole the Primary Election, is the rigging of the National Election permissible by the Neocons and seen as "fair?"

So what to do about it? Over the course of last week, I spent hours putting together the attached sheets showing the vote count in 2016 vs. 2012 in Wisconsin, Pennsylvania and North Carolina.

There were large discrepancies. In Wisconsin, there was one county, Rock County, with 10,000 missing voters? Did people not show up in such large numbers in this one particular county, where they purged, or were their votes just removed using hacking? You can look at the sheets themselves Wisconsin, North Carolina and Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania 2016 vs 2012 Wisconsin 2016 vs. 2012 North Carolina 2016 vs. 2012

With little analysis done about the actual numbers of the election, about the votes themselves, we are all left to wonder. In foreign countries, the very basis for election results is exit polling data, which determines if an election is rigged. Looking at the exit poll data in the states of Wisconsin, Pennsylvania, North Carolina and Florida, what we see is something that would be considered a rigged election in any country that we monitor elections for.

<http://www.tdmsresearch.com/> put together a table showing the exit polling vs. vote count

So why is it not questioned here in the US? Why are we so eager to believe the red herring himself and his cronies who so brazenly were accusing their opposition of rigging, while having plans such as Cross Check in place to purge voters by name only in different states and having security technology turned off in voting machines in states such as Ohio?

We live in an instant gratification society, where as soon as someone votes, he or she tends to want to know who is going to win the election. With so much pressure on knowing the result instantly, we leave ourselves open to fraud as this instantaneous computerized tabulation is very vulnerable to tampering as was seen in this [PBS news article here](#).

Maybe for once American citizens need to learn elections require the ballots to be counted and results verified, and that it is sometimes a long process. One that is never completed on

election night. I have worked the elections for many years in the field. The most disappointing thing is to come home on election night in California and have the election be already called and a winner selected, while just fifteen minutes before I saw tens of thousands of ballots waiting for a truck to pick up the ballots at a collection center and take them for counting at the Registrar of Voters office. Granted, I live in California where our votes are less significant than other states in national contests.

People want to accept what is given to them as truth of the "winner" without questioning the results so as to be a "good citizen, believing in the system" and not to be shunned or looked down upon. This leaves the "good citizen" consistently working from a position of blindness in instances such as this, never able to address the core issues.

Core blindness also maintains the argument on surface issues, a virtual he said she said, accepting what could be a lie to argue one perspective or another. Both are emotional perspectives, ignoring the core issue of potential vote theft and rigging while focusing on what Donald Trump will do, will it help or hurt America. With this election, few are questioning the results in the mainstream, despite the exit polls reflecting a different winner than the one publicly named.

Protests are erupting, not over the true issue of vote rigging by the Neocons, but over Trump policies and fear for the future. When such a red herring is sitting in the background, it is unclear why the leadership within the Democratic party is afraid to call this out and to give the protesters something real to protest about, a rigged election. Not that their gripes are not real, but the very issue of vote theft is illegal, and the leadership is afraid to discuss it.

Numerous experts have showed that the election was rigged. Months if not years before the election, Greg Palast showed how Cross Check was being employed. Through Cross Check, a voter purge scheme designed to purge duplicate voters in multiple states, voters were purged with one name, for example James Henry Brown living in Ohio with James Robert Brown living in Virginia, claiming these two people were the same, a duplicate voter voting in two different states, while in reality they were two different voters.

The program purged the voters off the rolls. This program targeted Blacks, Hispanics and other names sounding foreign such as Nguyen or Mohammad. Palast even made a movie about the system called the [Best Democracy Money Can Buy](#). Now one architect of this program, Kris Kobach, Kansas Secretary of State, is potentially being brought into the Trump administration.

Veterans Today ran multiple stories about the vote hacking. Gordon Duff said in an article entitled "[Time to take down the flag as most Americans surrender to a foreign backed coup](#)"

"We know that 135.74 million Americans voted during the election, as predicted. This figure is extrapolated from the 92 percent reporting figure from Wednesday morning showing a 4.7 percent increase over 2012. Trump got fewer votes than lackluster Mitt Romney, as predicted and as matched the highly accurate exit polling. He lost by a massive margin and in reality got fewer than 150 electoral votes as predicted as well.

"This information has been checked and is very real. There will be an army out there, as with 9/11, spreading different theories to water down the easily ascertainable truth. Yes, 135.74 million Americans voted, well over 70 million of them for Hillary Clinton.

"When Trump began speaking of not accepting the election results, he was engaged in a carefully scripted psychological operation. This is a bit like a criminal trial when a defense attorney finds all the bad stuff that will come out and has his client admit to it during cross examination by his own attorney, putting the friendly spin on it. In this case, Trump knew the election was in the bag, Netanyahu and Putin had set it up."

And with what Maria Zakharova, Russian Foreign Ministry spokeswoman, [said](#) that the Russian Jews of Brighton Beach, New York contributed twice as much to Trump's victory as to Clinton's campaign, as being a key factor in determining the election, one would have to wonder why the Russian government is not so quick to point out election rigging here in the US, when it is as obvious as the exit polls? Perhaps they too favored the candidate who "won."

Hopefully you will examine the possibility that the election was rigged, and raise the issue to the awareness of others. Greg Palast is taking his case to Washington DC. "Congressmen Keith Ellison and Alcee Hastings of the Congressional Black Caucus, personally presented Attorney General Loretta Lynch with my investigative reports and demanded investigation — "and indictments." That investigation must kick off immediately," [said Palast](#).

It is easier not to worry about the election results and the election being rigged. It is more comfortable to sit and watch the pundits argue about everything else, ignoring the reality we

are currently living in, a system where our elections are stolen by the most powerful people to craft what they want to do in the world, over what we want.

Even if we acknowledge the election was rigged, we can still have Donald Trump as our President elect, if people are too afraid to confront the far Right. The fact of knowing the election was rigged does not need to cause us to make a change, if there is so much fear about what that change will look like.

We can simply examine how the operatives, some soon to be cabinet members, did it, before he is inaugurated and take steps to insure this never happens again. This may safe guard our vote next election, if we take steps to stop vote purges, hacking, etc. We also must then hope that there will be another election, if we allow another President to "win" under questionable circumstances. What else will he allow?

Since the media, the Clinton campaign, foreign governments and others seem to be OK with the US election being rigged in order for Trump to be President, why don't we as citizens agree cheating in US elections is OK for now too, and acknowledge it? There is a tremendous amount of fear in acknowledging wrong doing in our country, even though evidence is there that needs to be outed and addressed for the public to be aware of the truth to make change, if that is even possible.

So what if we live in a corrupt system? If we know and don't care, I guess we continue to move towards complicity. Pretty soon, there will soon be no turning back and no "democracy" left. With what we are seeing now, you already know what comes next.

I promised myself that if it happened again, a virtual coup of the US through a stolen election, I would write about it, no matter how painful it is, and no matter how much backlash. Maybe, even no one would read about it or care. After the 2000 election, when George W. Bush was selected by the Supreme Court and vote counting was stopped in Florida, I was publishing a magazine for the military in the Puget Sound Region of Washington State.

At the time, I saw an article that Bush was set to increase military pay, and I thought, well, who knows, things may be just fine under Bush. I did not complain about the election, and thought perhaps things will be OK, if not good under Bush, though I voted for Al Gore. I later used the article and his selection to sell more advertising.

At the time, there was a malaise over the country into accepting the results of the election, as there is today.

It "felt" better for people to accept the results and just move on with their lives. There was also lot of fear in opposing Bush and the constitutionality of the election. In reality, what ensued during the Bush Administration, that was not elected by the people, nearly cost the US everything.

It started with 9/11/01, the Administration being warned on numerous occasions and later using the incident to take away our Constitutional rights and launch questionable wars including the Iraq and Afghanistan wars; "War on Terror" including the torture and rendition program; the 7 countries in 5 years strategy and then later the 2008 market crash.

The majority of these problems that were created then are still being felt today, both economically, and with Ukraine, Syria and Libya -regime change being the order of the day, as well as with the surveillance programs being continued by hold-overs from the Bush Administration and those in the Obama Administration.

Now in comes Trump, Neocons who were involved in the torture and surveillance programs, add in a few white supremacists and what we have ahead may be pure fascism as I said [here](#). The sad part is that they rigged the election to win, and no one says anything in the mainstream.

I guess, what's not to love about fascism? Who cares about the American dream of liberty and justice for all anyway?

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<http://www.youtube.com/user/gpduf>

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