

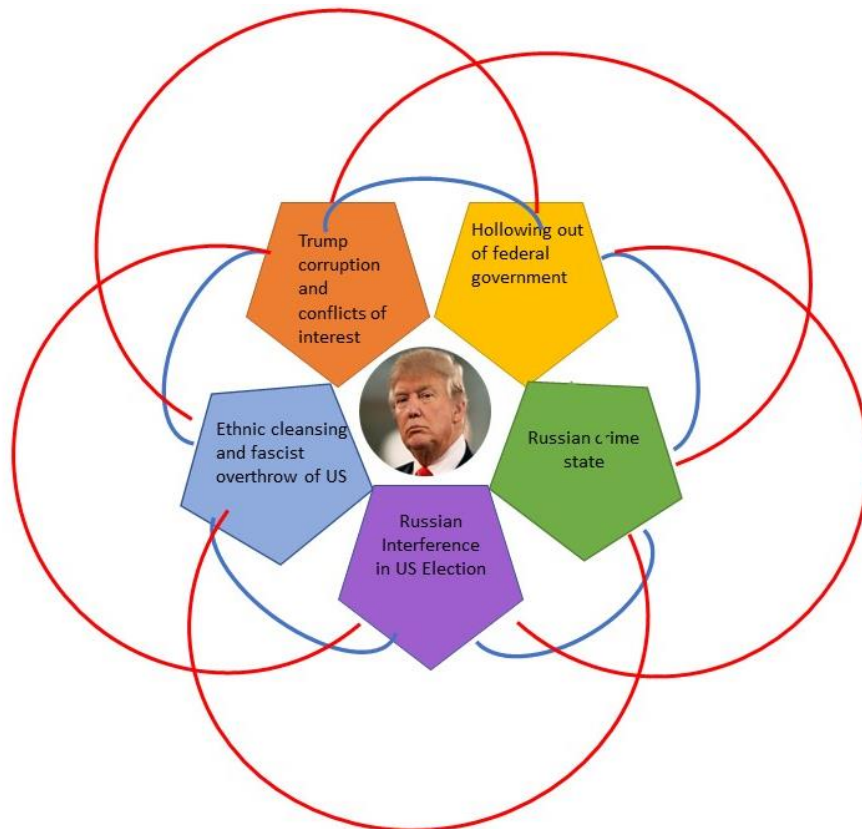


The Deconstruction of the Nation Donald Trump's Hornet Nest of Corruption

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The election of Donald Trump as President of the U.S. has been characterized as illegitimate because of Russia's interference in the election. In fact, Trump's election has uncovered a morass of treasonous, criminal, and corrupt activities. These activities are based on five distinct legs – Russian interference in an U.S. election; the hollowing out of the federal government; the Russian crime state; Trump corruption and conflicts of interest; and the planned ethnic cleansing and fascist overthrow of the American democracy. And, of course, some of Trump's behavior is driven by an unstable personality.

Delineating these five areas is important for fully understanding the extent and depth of Trump's evil morass. In some instances, the connections between areas may add to others' venality. In some instances, the players in one area may help the players in another area. For example, Russian mobsters seemed to help bail Trump out of financial difficulties. In other instances, Trumps corruption and conflicts of interest may be undermining his efforts to hollow out government. Also, as more evidence is uncovered, it is important that we properly categorize it. Evidence of criminal wrong doing may not be evidence of treason.



The FBI and intelligence community are uncovering evidence daily about each of these five legs; and observers of Trump's behavior become more convinced each day of his personality disorders. Much of the evidence and observations that are becoming known, however, is being conflated with Russian interference in the Presidential election rather than being assigned to one of the other legs. By mixing the evidence together it becomes very difficult to weigh the seriousness of the crimes and to see who the guilty parties are.

TRUMP CORRUPTION AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

The first leg is Trump's corrupt practices dating back at least 25 years and probably longer. This includes associations with organized crime figures and shady and illegal business and real estate practices. Key players in this area have connections to other areas; Roger Stone and Felix Sater have connections to the Russian Crime State.



Some of the key players in this area include the following:

- (1) Donald Trump Jr,
- (2) Ivanka Trump,
- (3) Jared Kushner,

- (4) Roger Stone,
- (5) Felix Sater,
- (6) Michael Cohen,
- (7) Joey “No Socks” Cinque,

The **Trump family members** (1,2,3) have been and continue to be closely involved in Trump’s businesses. Because of Trump’s shady business and real estate practices, their involvement in his business draws suspicion about their activities. In light of the many conflict of interests inherent in the Trump Presidency, they are positioned to play a crucial role in providing the conduits for potential payoffs to Trump. For example, their development of luxury real estate properties around the world depends on the cooperation of foreign governments who may seek favors from the U.S. in exchange for their cooperation.

Roger Stone [4] had contacts with Guccifer, the fictitious persona used by Russian intelligence at first to distribute hacked DNC material to the media. And, when Russian intelligence decided that Julian Assange’s WikiLeaks would be a more effective distribution channel, Stone developed back channel contacts with Assange. Stone’s accurate predictions of what WikiLeaks would post raised questions about how closely he was tied to Russian intelligence.

Felix Sater, [5] convicted of a non-fatal stabbing and stock manipulation fraud with Mafia and Russian criminals, has been a long-time Trump associate and former advisor of the Trump Organization, was a managing director of the Bayrock Group. The Bayrock Group has been charged by its former Chief Financial Officer with having links to Russian criminal groups. The founder of the Bayrock Group, Tefvik Arif, a business associate of Trump, was detained in Turkey on suspicion of running a prostitution ring with underage women.

Michael Cohen, [6] Trump’s personal attorney, hand delivered a plan for the U.S. ending sanctions against Russia in return for Russia withdrawing support from pro-Russiaseparatists in the Ukraine while maintaining control over Crimea.

Joey “No Socks” Cinque, [7] a longtime friend and associate of Trump’s, was convicted of receiving stolen art, was a friend of mob boss John Gotti and a reputed drug dealer. Currently, Joey is the owner and President of the American Academy of Hospitality Sciences, an organization that has awarded more than a dozen awards to Trump and on which Trump serves as a board member.

RUSSIAN INTERFERENCE WITH THE US ELECTION

The second leg of Trump's morass that is being investigated is Russian interference in the 2016 Presidential election. This leg involves the use of Russian intelligence services to hack the DNC computers and hire trolls to use social media to spread fake news.



Players involved in Russian interference with the 2016 election

- (1) Lt. Gen. Michael Flynn (Ret.)
- (2) Carter Page,
- (3) Guccifer 2.0,
- (4) Julian Assange,
- (5) J.D. Gordon,
- (6) Mikhail Kalugin

[Michael Flynn](#) [1] resigned from his national security post within the White House after supposedly failing to notify Vice-President Pence of his contacts with Russian Ambassador Sergey Kislyak. After having been fired from the Defense Intelligence Agency, Flynn became a frequent commentator on the Russia Today television network and attended an

RT network dinner in Moscow sharing the head table with Vladimir Putin and Jill Stein. Flynn was found to have acted, probably illegally, as an unregistered foreign agent for Turkey and plotted to kidnap, with agents of the Turkish government, a permanent resident of the U.S. Flynn has offered to be interviewed for immunity.

[Carter Page](#), [2] a former adviser to the Trump campaign, met with the Russian Ambassador, Sergey Kislyak, while with the campaign, but denied it until recently. The denial is significant because a former MI6 agent claimed the purpose of the meeting was to exchange lifting U.S. sanctions against Russia for a 19.5 percent stake in the Russian energy company Gazprom. While working as a consultant Page was successfully recruited by FSB agents in 2013 and expressed a willingness to do anything to make money.

[Guccifer 2.0](#), [3] is the persona of a Romanian hacker was used to hide Russian involvement in the hack of the Democratic Central Committee. This persona was dropped in favor of using WikiLeaks, however, because of difficulties western media was having accessing Guccifer's web site.

[Julian Assange](#), [4] founder of the publishing organization WikiLeaks, claims to publish news leaks and secret information. However, in recent years Assange and WikiLeaks have only published U.S. information that is embarrassing or damaging to the U.S. In part, because of this tilt against the U.S. and Assange's prior stint as a host on the Russian propaganda outlet, RT television, most observers believe that Assange is an agent of Russian intelligence.

[J.D. Gordon](#), [5] former Trump campaign adviser, now disavowed as someone Trump "does not know," met with Kislyak during the Republican convention in Cleveland and was a part of the Trump foreign policy group responsible for preventing an anti-Russian/pro-Ukraine language from being added to the Republican platform.

[Mikhail Kalugin](#), [6] former head of the Economics section at the Russian Embassy, quickly left Washington, D.C. it was rumored because the FBI was closing in on him as a suspected paymaster in Russia's interference in the 2016 election. The BBC later confirmed, as cited in the dossier written by former MI6 agent, Christopher Steele, Kalugin was really an FSB agent operating in the U.S. under diplomatic cover.

HOLLOWING OUT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The third leg is the continuing influence of Russia in the conduct of U.S. foreign policy. For example, Secretary of State Rex Tillerson, at least a close business associate of Vladimir Putin, has not hired many top policy makers in the State Department who would be needed to formulate the policies needed to contest successfully with Russia.

Hollowing out of the federal government



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Players working to hollow out the federal government

- (1) Rex Tillerson
- (2) Scott Pruitt
- (3) Mick Mulvaney
- (4) Alexander Bortnikov

[Rex Tillerson](#),^[1] former head of Exxon Mobile, had no government or diplomatic experience before being appointed Secretary of State by Trump. Although Trump had glowing comments to make about his managerial experience, Trump's^{10526r} did not meet Tillerson until after he had won the Presidency. What was widely known about Tillerson was that he had a close personal relationship with Putin that was awarded Russia's highest civilian honor. Tillerson may gain more than \$184 million from Exxon Mobil over next ten years as a part of his severance. Exxon will certainly benefit if the Trump Administration lifts the sanctions imposed on Russia. What is not clear is how the failure to lift sanctions will affect Tillerson's payout.

Former Oklahoma attorney general, [Scott Pruitt's](#) ^[2]primary qualification to be Secretary of the Environmental Protection Agency was his 14 challenges of environmental protection rulings. During his tenure as Oklahoma's attorney general, Pruitt dismantled the office's environmental protection unit and permitted companies contesting environmental regulations to use the Attorney General's letterhead to voice their opposition.

[Mick Mulvaney](#), [3] former Congressman and Tea Partier, was instrumental in leading the Tea Party to oppose raising the debt limit and thus was partly responsible for the U.S. credit to be down graded.

[Alexander Bortnikov](#), [4] head of the FSB, formerly known as the KGB, is Putin's top spy. He was in charge of Russia's intervention in the U.S. elections.

RUSSIAN CRIME STATE

The fourth leg is the emergence of the Russian crime state after the collapse of the Soviet Union. Encouraged by U.S. conservatives who believed that the privatization of the means of production was the basis of democracy, corrupt politicians like Boris Yeltsin and Vladimir Putin systematically looted the Soviet Union's infrastructure and sold it to their cronies who became billionaire oligarchs. These oligarchs, many of them former KGB officers and criminals, continue to loot Russia, often with the complicity of corrupt western businessmen. [Paul Manafort and Dimitry Rybolovlev are key players in the looting of Russia.]



Players in the Russian Crime State

- (1) Vladimir Putin
- (2) Dimitry Rybolovlev

- (3) Sergey Kislyak
- (4) Tefvik Arif
- (5) Paul Manafort
- (6) Wilbur Ross

Vladimir Putin, [1] former KGB colonel, is the President of Russia, and the head of the cabals of oligarchs and criminal bosses who run Russia. Putin is reported to reap some part of any business deal that occurs in Russia. Putin has reputedly murdered journalists and political opponents and accumulated billions of dollars, much of it in foreign banks and assets.

Dimitry Ryoblovlev, [2] multi-billionaire Russian businessman and one of Putin's inner circle, is also been reported to be Putin's courier to Trump. This allegation rests on first, a real estate deal in which Trump sold a house to Ryoblovlev for about \$50 million more than it was worth. Over paying for real estate is one way in which money can be laundered. Ryoblovlev owns about 10 percent of the Bank of Cyprus, a bank reported to be a major money laundering conduit. Second, Ryoblovlev, a resident of Monaco, has been seen in Las Vegas, Concord, North Carolina; and West Palm Beach. Neither Ryoblovlev nor anyone else could provide a reason, other than coincidence for the meetings.

Sergey Kislyak, [3] the Russian ambassador to the U.S. is a career diplomat, but like all Russian diplomats works closely to Russian state security services.

Tefvik Arif, [4] a Kazakh real estate developer and founder of the Bay Rock real estate group, was a former Soviet Union official. Arif worked with Trump on some real estate deals before moving to Turkey where he was arrested, but later acquitted for involvement with teen-age prostitutes.

Paul Manafort, [5] is a political consultant and lobbyist and former Trump campaign manager. A former business partner of Roger Stone, Manafort also has links with oligarchs linked to Putin and was an advisor to former Ukrainian President Viktor Yanukovich, a Putin ally.

Wilbur Ross [6]. Commerce Secretary recently served as Vice President of the Bank of Cypress, recognized as a money-laundering center. In his role, Ross participated with Russian oligarchs. Under direction from the White House, he has refused to answer Senate questions about these ties to Russia.

ETHNIC CLEANSING AND FASCIST OVERTHROWING OF THE US

The fifth leg reflects the effort to promote ethnic cleansing by the U.S. The so called Muslim Ban and the removal of 3 to 11 million undocumented immigrants without

possibility of amnesty are the first steps in the whitening of U.S. society. Here, as of this time, ethnic cleansing does not imply genocide as it often does in other countries.



Players involved in ethnic cleansing and a fascist attempt to overflow the US

- (1) Jeff Sessions
- (2) Paul Ryan
- (3) Steve Bannon
- (4) Rudy Giuliani
- (5) Robert Mercer

[Jeff Sessions](#)-[1] current Attorney General, served as Trump campaign spokesman throughout the 2016 Presidential campaign. After initially misleading the Senate Intelligence Committee by indicating he had no ties with Russians, he later recused himself of future actions about the Trump campaign involvement in Russian activities as he admitted having in fact had 2 meeting with Ambassador Kislyak.

Sessions, long-time opponent of desegregation, as a US Senator reliably voted for intolerance for racial minorities, Muslims, immigrants, and homosexuals. He celebrated

the gutting of the Voter's Rights Act, and has regularly voted supported efforts to make it harder for people to vote.

Paul Ryan [2]- the Speaker of the House of Representatives fervently believes in an Ayn Randian world where advantages should flow to the advantaged and wealth to the wealthy. He is dedicated to crashing Medicare, Medicaid, Social Security and other programs to help the "general welfare" of Americans. He has pledged to fund the wall – a preposterous extravagance aimed at demonstrating US contempt for Mexican immigration (more than actually addressing Mexican immigration).

Steve Bannon [3] the White House Chief Strategist left his most recent role as the executive chair of Breitbart News, a far-right commentary website. He is a bombastic white nationalist, dedicated to the "deconstruction of the administrative state". He co-authored Trump's "Muslim Ban" and served on the National Security Council for the first 11 weeks of the Trump administration.

Rudy Giuliani-[4] former Mayor of New York, who served as a surrogate for Donald Trump during the 2016 Presidential campaign, and who advised Trump on how to design a Muslim ban that would be Constitutional. Federal courts struck down the ban, using Giuliani's explanation of the ban's purpose as part of the demonstration that it was unconstitutional. While he served as Mayor of New York, Giuliani instituted aggressive racial profiling as part of his attack on crime

Robert Mercer [5]- a reclusive billionaire, computer programmer, and hedge fund manager who supports ultra-conservative candidates. He is critical of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and claims that the only real racial prejudice in the US is Black against White prejudice. He and his daughter, Rebekah, are considered strong influences on Donald Trump, Ivanka Trump, Jared Kushner, and Kelly-Anne Conway.

CONCLUSION

These areas interconnected by association key figures in each area by Trump or his associates with key figures in other areas. These interconnections are important because the absence of Trump or some of the other players from one area should not absolve them from being players in other areas.

And, the main point about the five areas of Trump's mess is how it affects the nature of investigative process. Like all investigations this one has the tendency to expand into related areas, especially in high profile cases. Because of the national security connections this is being investigated by the intelligence agencies and they may be less prone to political control than agencies or parts of agencies focusing on law enforcement. Unfortunately, Attorney General Sessions has only recused himself the investigation of the

Russian election interference. He remains in charge of the investigations being conducted of the other areas.

Still, as national security expert Malcolm Nance points out, because of the role of Russian intelligence in these two of these areas, and their connections to the other areas, these investigations are being carried out as an intelligence investigation or more precisely, spy hunt. Thus, many of the prohibitions and Constitutional protections that would normally apply have been removed by the Patriotic Act and practice.

If Democrats and Progressives are a forceful in connecting Trump's mess to the Republican Party and in playing it up as the Republican Party was in connecting Benghazi to the Hillary Clinton and the Democratic Party, then the American people will be able to recover their democracy. If they hesitate in pushing this investigation or rely on the media to explain it to the voters, then we almost certainly will wind up as a fascist state like Putin's Russia or one of the other increasing number of fascist states.