



Pope Francis Urged Vaccines and Masks for Everyone to Combat the “Virus” of Individualism

Pope Francis in his Christmas message said political and business leaders must not allow market forces and patent laws to take priority over making Covid-19 vaccines available to all, especially poor countries, and he condemned nationalism and “the virus of radical individualism”. -GEG

Pope Francis in his Christmas message on Friday said political and business leaders must not allow market forces and patent laws to take priority over making Covid 19 vaccines available to all, condemning nationalism and “the virus of radical individualism”.

In a sign of the times, Francis delivered his traditional “Urbi et Orbi” (to the city and the world) message virtually from a lectern inside the Vatican instead of from the central balcony of St. Peter’s Basilica before tens of thousands.

The pandemic and its social and economic effects dominated the message, in which Francis called for global unity and help for nations suffering from conflicts and humanitarian crises.

“At this moment in history, marked by the ecological crisis and grave economic and social imbalances only worsened by the

coronavirus pandemic, it is all the more important for us to acknowledge one another as brothers and sisters,” he said.

Stressing that health is an international issue, he appeared to criticise so-called ‘vaccine nationalism’, which U.N. officials fear will worsen the pandemic if poor nations receive the vaccine last.

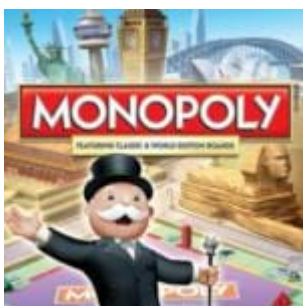
“I beg everyone, heads of state, companies and international organisations to promote cooperation and not competition, to find a solution for everyone – vaccines for all – especially for the most vulnerable and needy in all areas of the planet,” he said.

“The most vulnerable and needy must be first,” he said, in the Vatican’s Hall of the Benedictions, with only about 50 Vatican staff wearing masks sitting along the long walls.

“RADICAL INDIVIDUALISM”

“We can’t put ourselves before others, putting market forces and patent laws before the laws of love and the health of humanity,” he said. “We cannot let closed nationalisms block us from living like the true human family that we are.”

Read full article here...



Over 160 Business Giants, Including Some Who Backed Trump, Pressured Him to Transfer Power to Biden

As we reported earlier this month, the captains of industry reportedly have united against Trump in support of a Biden, and now more than 160 of the nation's top executives have urged Trump to begin the transition process. A report by the *New York Times* says a number of Democrat attorneys general hatched a plan to have New York state Attorney General Letitia James organize a conference call with top business leaders in which the idea was discussed of withholding donations to the two Republican US Senate candidates in the Georgia runoff elections until Trump concedes.

Some of the biggest names in business and industry, including Blackstone, Mastercard, Visa, Goldman Sachs, MetLife, ViacomCBS Inc, and Condé Nast signed a letter asking General Services Administration Emily Murphy of the Trump administration to transfer power to Biden. The top executives in all of these companies are committed to globalism, which means the end to American as a sovereign, independent nation.

-GEG

More than 160 of the nation's top business executives, including several who have been major donors to the Republican Party, urged the Trump administration to accept the results of the 2020 presidential election and begin the transition process.

A letter published Monday afternoon by a New York group representing more than 300 businesses said that President Trump's refusal to acknowledge his loss to Democrat Joe Biden on Nov. 3 – citing baseless claims of voter fraud in several key states – and his administration's delay in allowing the

official changeover to begin are putting the country at risk.

Monday evening, Trump tweeted that the transition would be allowed to begin, "in the best interest of our Country." He did not concede, however, saying the fight would continue.

The letter was one of several signs showing corporate America is preparing for a Biden White House. General Motors announced Monday it was withdrawing from a lawsuit backing the Trump administration's effort to block California from imposing stricter tailpipe emissions on cars and SUVs. In a letter penned by CEO Mary Barra, the automaker pledged to work with nearly a dozen environmental leaders and the incoming Biden administration. She said the company's "ambitious electrification goals" are aligned with those of California and the president-elect.

Read the Partnership for New York City's open letter [here](#).

The letter from the Partnership for New York City represents some of the biggest names in business and industry. Among the 164 signatories are Mastercard chief executive Ajay Banga, Goldman Sachs chairman and CEO David M. Solomon and Condé Nast CEO Roger Lynch.

"Every day that an orderly presidential transition process is delayed, our democracy grows weaker in the eyes of our own citizens and the nation's stature on the global stage is diminished," the letter reads. "Our national interest and respect for the integrity of our democratic process requires that the administrator of the federal General Services Administration immediately ascertain that Joseph R. Biden and Kamala D. Harris are the president-elect and vice president-elect so that a proper transition can begin.

"Withholding resources and vital information from an incoming administration puts the public and economic health and security of America at risk."

Kathryn Wylde, the partnership's president and CEO, told The Post that New York Attorney General Letitia James had asked her to join a call Friday with New York business leaders to weigh in on the presidential transition. The group decided the "business community has a responsibility" to make the case for the transition to proceed.

The signatories included many who count themselves as Republican or independent, Wylde said. The Partnership for New York City is a nonprofit made up of business leaders from more than 300 companies that seek to bridge gaps between global industries and government.

"This isn't about partisan politics, but about protecting our democracy," James said in an emailed statement. "Without the rule of law and an orderly transfer of power, everything from commerce to health care delivery to national security is in peril, and our business leaders can see that as clearly as the rest of us."

During Friday's conference call, some executives discussed the possibility of withholding campaign contributions from Georgia's two Republican Senate candidates to motivate the party to push for the transition, according to a person familiar with the deliberations who spoke on the condition of anonymity to speak candidly. Incumbents Kelly Loeffler and David Perdue face runoff elections in early January that will determine which party holds the majority in the chamber.

Read full article here...

Additional sources:

Report: New York's Democrat Attorney General Puts Pressure on Business Leaders to Coerce Trump to Concede; Talk of Withholding Donations to GOP Georgia Senate Races <https://www.thegatewaypundit.com/2020/11/report-new-yorks-democrat-attorney-general-puts-pressure-business-leaders-coerce-trump-concede-talk-withholding-donations-gop-georgia-senate->

races/

<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/11/23/us/trump-economy-ny.html>

Two Dozen Heads of Major US Corporations Held Secret Meeting on How to Oust Trump:

<https://needtoknow.news/2020/11/two-dozen-heads-of-major-us-corporations-held-secret-meeting-on-how-to-oust-trump/>

<https://www.marketwatch.com/story/monday-letter-from-160-business-leaders-pressed-gsa-administrator-murphy-to-ascertain-biden-win-over-trump-01606225318>



American Farmer Warns of Food Shortages as US Imports Beef from Namibia

American rancher Shad Sullivan warns of upcoming meat shortages, plowing under crops, dumping milk, and euthanizing livestock. He says ranchers are being forced to euthanize harvest-ready cattle because of employee absenteeism at processing plants. The absenteeism is the result of the government's stay-at-home campaigns. Meanwhile, lower quality meat is being shipped in from Namibia and other overseas locations. -GEG



UK: Teen Workman's Hand Chopped off with an Axe in a Gang Attack

Rochdale, England: Habibur Rahman says he felt disrespected after a tree surgeon came to the defense of an elderly female motorist who was the object of verbal abuse by Rahman. Rahman quickly assembled 20 friends carrying knives, machetes, a claw hammer, and a knuckleduster to help him as he instigated an attack against four young tree trimmers. Mohammed Awais Sajid swung an axe at arborist Cameron Brooksbank's head and called him a "white bastard". When Brooksbank tried to block the blow with his hand, it was chopped off. The attack ended when one of the tree trimmers threatened the gang with a chainsaw. Rahman defended the attack by saying he was subjected to racist threats. Judge John Potter reviewed the case and concluded this was 'a pack of lies'. He said that a mob could be mobilized so quickly and so heavily-armed was clear evidence that the men were associated with gang activity. -GEG

An axeman chopped off a tree surgeon's hand as he pleaded with a gang of up 20 men to leave him and his friends alone.

The victim, a tree surgeon then aged 18, and three of his workmates were set upon by the group after a road rage row in Rochdale.

Mohammed Awais Sajid, 23, known as 'Skinny', was aiming for

the victim's head but cut off his hand when he moved his arms up to stop the blow.

Minshull Street Crown Court heard how Sajid wielded the axe twice in quick succession, Manchester Evening News reports.

He initially slashed the victim, who was acting as a 'peacemaker', in the chest, shattering his ribs and causing a collapsed lung.

Tim Storrie, prosecuting, said he followed this up with a 360 degree 'spin of his arm' to increase the speed and devastation of the attack.

The prosecutor said: "The blow itself was aimed at the victim's head.

"He was dimly aware at this stage of the weeping of blood down into his waistband.

"He was turning his body, attempting to leave the scene.

"Through good fortune, he said he realised the axe was above him aiming for his head.

"He put his arm up to defend himself and the blade essentially severed his arm at the wrist."

The victim staggered away and was airlifted to hospital where he underwent life-saving emergency surgery.

His hand was partially reattached although the victim has required a further five surgeries in the two years since the attack in 2017.

He will only ever recover 60 per cent use of his arm and remains physically and mentally scarred by the events, the court heard.

Sajid, of Kings Road, Rochdale, was jailed for 18 years after

being found guilty of section 18 wounding.

He was acquitted of attempted murder in an earlier trial.

Read full article here...

Additional source:

<https://www.rochdaleonline.co.uk/news-features/2/news-headlines/130835/four-men-jailed-for-brutal-gang-axe-attack-which-left-a-man-with-lifechanging-injuries>



The UN Is Going Broke (Again) as the US Has Stopped Paying Its Assessments (Again)

The UN says it is going broke because the US, which funds about 30% of the UN's budget (about \$10-billion per year) once again has stopped paying. The UN says that one-third of all member states are delinquent in payments this year. President Trump told world leaders last month that the UN needed to ensure that "no member state shoulders a disproportionate share of the burden." State Department officials said the US government would pay up soon. [It always has done so in the

past and undoubtedly will continue.]

Facing a massive hole in its budget, the United Nations is implementing “emergency measures” to avoid missing payroll and other obligations before the end of the year. Unsurprisingly, UN bosses are demanding that taxpayers in America and other nations hand over more money now or face global catastrophe. Even UN officials and apologists, though, have blasted the “bloated” organization for squandering massive amounts of money on everything from luxurious air travel and fancy hotels to globalist propaganda promoting its own agenda. Trump reacted to the whining by calling on the UN to go look for money elsewhere.

According to the UN, one third of all “member states” are delinquent in paying their “dues” to the UN this year. That includes the United States, which funds between a fourth and a third of the UN’s overall budget, compared to Communist China’s meager 8 percent. In exchange, the regime in Beijing runs almost one third of all UN specialized agencies, while an American runs just one out of 15. State Department officials said the U.S. government would pay up at some point in the fall.

While the exact numbers are hard to pin down because so many federal agencies provide so many funding streams to the UN and its maze of bureaucracies – not to mention the “peacekeeping” – official estimates suggest the U.S. government sends well over \$10 billion per year. American taxpayers pay more than 185 other UN member states, combined. And in return for all that money, the UN constantly attacks Americans’ liberties while praising and aiding mass-murdering regimes.

The official UN deficit is about a quarter of a billion dollars. In a letter addressed to the almost 40,000 bureaucrats based at the UN Secretariat, UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres, a radical socialist, sounded the alarm about the numbers. “Member states have paid only 70 percent of the

total amount needed for our regular budget operations in 2019," he complained. "This translates into a cash shortage of \$230 million at the end of September. We run the risk of depleting our backup liquidity reserves by the end of the month." If the situation does not improve, the UN could default on salaries to employees and payments to vendors very soon.

But Trump was unmoved by the whining. "So make all Member Countries pay, not just the United States!" he fumed on Twitter in his typical style. Prior to that, speaking at the UN in New York City, Trump told "world leaders" last month that the UN needed to ensure that "no member state shoulders a disproportionate share of the burden." As of right now, the General Assembly, which UN bosses such as then-Secretary-General Ban Ki Moon have dangerously characterized as the "Parliament of Humanity," decides how much each government is expected to hand over from their citizens.

But Americans and their elected president are getting tired of shouldering an outlandish portion of the burden. On the campaign trail, for instance, Trump noted that the UN was not a friend to freedom or the United States. He has also repeatedly blasted globalism, most recently telling the UN General Assembly that the future did not belong to globalists, but to patriots. And the UN's *raison d'être* at the moment – the man-made global-warming hypothesis – was described by Trump as a "hoax" to benefit the dictatorship enslaving mainland China. And he won the election in an electoral college landslide.

Since his victory, Trump has dealt several major blows to the UN, even before this budget impasse. For instance, in 2017, the administration managed to get the UN budget slashed by a quarter of a billion dollars. That same year, Trump announced that the U.S. government was withdrawing from the UN Paris Agreement on "climate change." He also withdrew from several key UN organs including UNESCO, the UN's totalitarian-

controlled "education" bureaucracy; and from the dictator-controlled UN "Human Rights Council," which specializes in praising mass-murdering regimes while constantly attacking America and other nations that still enjoy some freedoms. Trump defunded a number of UN programs, agencies, and schemes, too.

As might be expected, the U.S. State Department used a more diplomatic tone to emphasize American reluctance to continue paying so much for the UN. "Overall the United States, as the largest contributor to the UN, contributes roughly \$10 billion annually in assessed and voluntary contributions across the United Nations system," a spokesman for the department was quoted as saying in media report. The Trump administration "has been very clear on its position that no one member state should pay more than one-quarter of the Organization's budget," the spokesman added.

Even before Trump was president, though, it was clear that there was growing bi-partisan outrage about the UN. In 2016, following a UN Security Council vote attacking Israel, leaders of both parties in Congress blasted the UN and threatened to withhold funding. Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-N.Y.), for instance, blasted the global outfit for being "fervently anti-Israel." And in previous Congresses, lawmakers have come very close to nixing funding for the globalist body.

Just the UN Secretariat alone has over 44,000 overpaid bureaucrats working for it, not including the tens of thousands of additional bureaucrats working at the 15 UN specialized agencies or the dizzying array of auxiliary UN outfits. Adding insult to injury, UN bureaucrats make enormous amounts of money, too, including \$400 per day per diem while in New York. According to a 2012 report, there were 637 employees of the UN Development Program (UNDP) with over \$1 million in their accounts. There were over 1,000 who had homes worth more than \$1 million, too. Leaders at the UN pull down salaries and benefits that would boggle the mind.

Read full article here...



US Congresswoman Ilhan Omar Calls on UN to Take Control of US Borders in Mirror of European Migrant Invasion

US: Democrat Representative Ilhan Omar advocates that the UN take control of the US border with Mexico, although the action would be the end to nationhood. If her plan were adopted, the US, like Europe, would be deluged with millions of migrants. - GEG

Rep. Ilhan Omar is demanding that the United Nations take control of the U.S. border with Mexico in a mirror of how Europe was inundated with migrants following lobbying from international bodies.

“We should do what any other country does by dealing with this situation in a serious way,” Omar said during an immigration forum in south Minneapolis.

“So, we have to bring in the United Nations high commissioner on refugees, an agency that has the expertise and the training

to handle massive flows of refugees humanely.”

The demand bears hallmarks of how Europe was deluged with migrants after governments were forced to accept millions of “refugees” after lobbying from international groups and NGOs.

Read full article here...



US Treasury Official at the Center of US Sanctions and Policies Against Iran May Be an Israeli Citizen

Sigal Mandelkeris, an Israeli-born US Treasury official, is reported to be in control of the current economic sanctions meant to bring about Iran’s demise. The Treasury has refused to divulge whether Mandelker is still an Israeli citizen, which suggests that she is. Otherwise, a simple no would suffice. Israel considers Iran to be her primary enemy, so an Israeli citizen in such a position opens the possibility that US policy may be motivated by loyalty to Israel, not to the US. -GEG

At the Center of U.S. Iran policies is an Israel-born Treasury official named Sigal Mandelker. The Atlantic writes that her 'hand is on the lever' of crippling economic sanctions meant to force Iran's 'capitulation or demise'... meanwhile the Treasury Department refuses to divulge whether Mandelker is still an Israeli citizen... (Iran has long been in Israeli crosshairs)

By Alison Weir

According to a just published report in the *Atlantic* and a previous article by a former CIA officer, an Israeli-born individual is at the center of U.S. policies targeting Iran.

The *Atlantic* reports that financial sanctions are the “key tool” the United States has been using against Iran during “the past three presidential administrations.” And Treasury official Sigal Mandelker” is the one with her hand on the lever.”

According to the article, “Because Trump is anxious to avoid war with Iran but also eager to push the Iranians, she is one of the most powerful officials designing the strategy Trump’s administration hopes will force Iranian capitulation—or, failing that, perhaps even the government’s collapse.”

Mandelker has been working on governmental policies since 2006 – the year in which U.S. officials “focused on finding ways to cut off Iran from the global financial system.”

According to Mandelker’s Treasury Department bio, from 2006-2009, Mandelker served as Deputy Assistant Attorney General in the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice. Prior to that, she was Counselor to the Secretary of Homeland Security, “where she advised the Secretary and worked extensively on intelligence, national security, counterterrorism, and border security matters.”

In 2017 Mandelker was named Under Secretary of the Treasury for Terrorism and Financial Intelligence. As we will see, this office was created at the behest of Israel partisans. It provides a powerful position from which to direct policies.

In this position she is in charge of “developing and implementing U.S. government strategies to combat terrorist [sic] financing and money laundering... She oversees the operation and coordinates actions of the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC), Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN), the Office of Intelligence and Analysis (OIA), and the Office of Terrorist Financing and Financial Crimes (TFFC).”

In the years just before her 2017 Under Secretary appointment, Mandelker was a partner at Proskauer Rose LLP, a powerful, politically connected international law firm with ties to Israel. The pro-Israel website *Algemeiner*,* reports: “Historically, Proskauer Rose was known as a ‘Jewish’ law firm.” Partner Joseph M. Proskauer was “a Democratic Party stalwart, friend of politicians, state judge, civic and philanthropic personality, and major fund raiser for the state of Israel.”

Born in Israel

It appears that Mandelker is or was an Israeli citizen who was born in Israel. While this is periodically referred to in Israeli and Jewish media, the Treasury Department has refused to answer whether Mandelker is still an Israeli citizen, despite numerous email and phone inquiries requesting this information about a high U.S. official.

The information is particularly relevant since U.S. attacks on Israel’s neighbors are often pushed by Israel partisans concerned with maintaining Israeli hegemony in the region.

Dual citizenship became permissible in the U.S. in 1967 under a decision by the Abe Fortas Supreme Court in a case on behalf

of Israel that broke a 200 year American tradition. Today, many Americans feel that such a potential conflict of interest by governmental officials should, at minimum, be divulged to the U.S. public, and perhaps disallowed.

Israel has long targeted Iran for attack.

From Israel's earliest days, Ben Gurion wrote about the need to neutralize Israeli neighbors who might potentially support Palestinian rights. This strategy has also been enunciated in various strategy documents, including the Yinon Oded Plan and A Clean Break: A New Strategy for Securing the Realm (the realm was Israel).

Israel and pro-Israel groups in the U.S. have frequently promoted anti-Iran policies, despite the fact that U.S. intelligence agencies have found that Iran is not developing nuclear weapons and that accusations claiming this have proven unfounded. (Israel has in the range of 100-300 nuclear weapons and has refused to sign the Non-Proliferation Treaty, the only Middle East state that has not signed the NPT.)

Read full article here...



Mexican Drug Cartel Shoots at US Border Patrol Marine Unit in Rio Grande

Mexican cartels fired at the US border patrol marine unit policing the Rio Grande River. Agents saw four subjects with automatic weapons on the Mexican riverbank who shot over 50 rounds at them. The boat was hit, but no one on board was injured. Last April, a group of armed Mexican soldiers disarmed and detained two US soldiers on the US side of the border near Clint, Texas. -GEG

A US border patrol marine unit on Friday morning was fired upon by Mexican cartels from the Mexican riverbank.

“Early this morning, agents assigned to the Rio Grande City Station Marine Unit patrolling near Fronton, Texas, reported they were fired upon from the Mexican riverbank. Agents saw four subjects with automatic weapons who shot over 50 rounds at them. The boat was hit several times but no one on board was injured,” Border Patrol announced on Friday.

This incident is currently under investigation.

Tensions between the US and Mexico have been escalating as President Trump fights to stop the invasion of illegal aliens.

Last month Border Patrol council Brandon Judd appeared on Fox Business to discuss the crisis at the border and Trump’s new asylum law aimed at stopping the flow of Central American migrants.

Judd revealed that Mexican soldiers crossed into the US through the Rio Grande river and got into a scuffle with US border patrol agents.

“We just had another ‘Mexican military incursion’ into the United States,” Judd said. “We had several military personnel from Mexico cross the Rio Grande river and come up to our fence, which is about 200 yards north into the United States – they were looking around and when an agent responded, the vast majority of them went back.”

[Read full article here...](#)



UK: Boris Johnson Named New Prime Minister, Grapples with Leaving the EU, But Says He Won't Cooperate with Popular Brexit Party

Three years after the passage of the Brexit referendum to leave the EU, the will of the people has yet to be realized. Boris Johnson is the new Prime Minister, and people are skeptical. Nigel Farage, the leader of the newly-formed Brexit Party, says that Britain's new prime minister, Boris Johnson, must either leave the EU or face massive unpopularity in a

future election.

Brexit Party leader Nigel Farage has said he is open to an electoral pact with Boris Johnson, so long as the incoming PM upholds his leadership election commitment to leaving the European Union by October 31.

Writing in the Daily Telegraph, Farage declared that a general election is required to deliver Brexit and get any deal through the Commons, predicting that a Brexit-Tory alliance would “smash” the Labour party.

He is going to have to risk his longed-for position as PM to ensure Brexit is enacted properly.

There is no prospect of a meaningful Brexit thanks to the views of most sitting MPs. And any attempt to prorogue Parliament will lead to the PM being brought down by his own side.

The inescapable truth, therefore, is that he must hold an autumn general election. That is his only way out .. [and] for this strategy to work, he will need the support of the Brexit Party.

If he is able to convince us, then together we would

electorally

smash the Labour Party, he would assume a big working majority, and he would go down as one of the great leaders in British history.

However, Johnson has ruled out a deal with the Brexit party and has said he does not want an early election.

Read full article here...



How to Harm the Globalist Agenda by Getting Rid of Your Smart Phone

Charles Koch is teaming up with the Anti-Defamation League (ADL), tech companies including Eventbrite, Mozilla, Pinterest, Patreon and Airbnb, universities, George Soros, and other billionaires to combat online extremism that challenges elitist monopolies and authority. Polly, a Youtube personality, suggested that technocratic tyranny can be thwarted by refusing smart phones. She says that smart phones are the key to the technological control grid when the entire

population is dependent on smart phones and need it to exist within the system. The plan is to consolidate banking, education, healthcare, voting, government, payroll, and benefits will be distributed through smart phones. Global revenue from telecom services is projected to be \$1.35 trillion, and giving up smart phones for basic cell phones will cut the globalists' funding and power.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D3r430bQQss>

Charles Koch is teaming up with tech companies, universities and other fellow billionaires to combat online extremism.

On

July 17, the After Charlottesville Project will host its second summit

in San Francisco, California. Founded in the aftermath of the deadly

2017 white supremacist attacks in Virginia, the conference brings

together political and business leaders to discuss solutions for curbing

political terrorism. While last year's gathering in Missouri involved

grassroots and city response initiatives, the focus of this year's

summit will involve the "private tech sector" and "best practices on the

fight against hate and extremism online," according to the event's

press release.

Representatives

for the Charles Koch Institute and the Anti-Defamation League will join

executives from tech companies which currently include Eventbrite, Mozilla, Pinterest, Patreon and Airbnb.

“Now more than ever is the time to create communities that value diversity, inclusivity and positive change,” Michael Signer, the former mayor of Charlottesville, Virginia and the founder and chair of the Communities Overcoming Extremism Project, said in a statement. “We’re excited to assemble with these forward-thinking tech leaders to explore what positive outcomes we can gain from an event full of powerful conversations.”

[Read full article here...](#)



Leaked Documents Show NSA

Gave Israel Full Access to US Citizens' Data in 2009

Leaked documents from Edward Snowden show that the NSA, frustrated by a legal ban on sharing intelligence with Israeli operatives who were conducting assassinations against Hezbollah, crafted a loophole to provide intel to Israel during its war with Lebanon in 2006. A memorandum from 2009 shows that Israelis received full access to the NSA's massive surveillance data troves, including the phone and internet records of American citizens and citizens of third-party countries. American official made sure to exempt themselves from this massive invasion of privacy. -GEG

Frustrated by a legal ban on sharing intelligence with Israeli operatives conducting targeted assassinations against Hezbollah, the NSA crafted a loophole giving them total access even to US citizens' data, leaked documents show.

The Israeli SIGINT National Unit (ISNU), the NSA's counterpart in Tel Aviv, convinced the Americans to circumvent the legal prohibition on providing surveillance data for targeted assassinations during Israel's 2006 war with Lebanon, according to the newest revelation from the archives obtained by whistleblower Edward Snowden.

Using the familiar rationale of "*terrorism*" to excuse cooperation they knew was illegal, the NSA and ISNU found a workaround using the Office of the Director of National Intelligence that

provided

the Israelis with all the intel they needed, according to an October

2006 article in the NSA's internal publication.

"To ISNU, this

prohibition [on sharing data for targeted killings] was contrary not

only to supporting Israel in its fight against Hizballah but overall, to

support the US Global War on Terrorism," said an article in SIDToday.

Its author, whose name is redacted, details the *"late-night, sometimes tense discussions"* he had with ISNU officials who believed they deserved an exemption from the US prohibition on abetting targeted killings.

The documents don't include details of what *"arrangement"* was eventually worked out with the ODNI, but the Israeli military used American data to lay waste to Lebanon's civilian population, much like the tech-enhanced US troops in Afghanistan and Iraq, whose kill-counts swelled with civilian victims after they received access to NSA targeting data.

"Israel repeatedly, and in some cases egregiously, violated the laws of war," Human Rights Watch reporter Nadim Houry told the Intercept, adding that the Israelis *"engaged in indiscriminate aerial attacks"* and cluster bombing against *"civilian infrastructure that was not tied in any way to the armed conflict."*

This ‘strategy’ had a name – the “*Dahiyeh doctrine*” – and Israeli officials admitted it was deliberate, but despite this brutality, they were unable to win the war. A leaked presentation about the NSA-ISNU relationship notes that “*public confidence in IDF erodes*” and “*IDF image damaged*” after the seemingly-outmatched Hezbollah fighters were able to keep the Israelis at bay. Nevertheless, the IDF was, according to the presentation, “*Gearing up for Round II.*”

Apparently unsatisfied with the legal loophole the Americans had created for them, the Israelis sought and received full access to the NSA’s massive surveillance data troves after the war. A 2009 memorandum of understanding officially gave ISNU unrestricted access to the NSA’s raw intelligence data – including the phone and internet records of American citizens and citizens of third-party countries.

Read full article here...



Secretive Bilderberg Meeting to Address Russia, Cyber Threats and Brexit

Montreux, Switzerland: Elites including bankers, Prime Ministers, CEOs and defense experts will meet to discuss a wide range of topics. Notable attendees include former US Secretary of State Kissinger, Governor of the Bank of England Carney, former CIA director David Petraeus and White House Adviser Jared Kushner, Donald Trump's son-in-law. [Kushner a Bilderberger! The more it changes, the more it's the same.] - GEG

- More than a hundred dignitaries from 23 countries will attend at Montreux
- Bankers, Prime Ministers and CEOs will discuss topics under strict secrecy
- Talking points include Russia, Brexit and the weaponisation of social media
- The meeting of the rich and powerful attracts protest and conspiracy theories

More than a hundred of the world's elite including Henry Kissinger, Mark Carney and the Dutch King will meet at the secretive Bilderberg summit this week.

Bankers, Prime Ministers, CEOs and defence experts will meet in Montreux,

Switzerland, to discuss a wide range of topics including Russia, cyber threats and Brexit.

From

Thursday to Sunday 130 influential men and women from 23 countries will meet under strict secrecy rules and the precise location of their venue has not been revealed.

Notable attendees include former US Secretary of State Kissinger, Governor of the Bank of England Carney, former CIA director David Petraeus and White House Adviser Jared Kushner, Donald Trump's son-in-law.

Google chief Jared Cohen, who heads the Jigsaw subsidiary of Alphabet Inc., will also be in attendance, as well as Ryanair boss Michael O'Leary and anti-Brexit Labour peer Lord Andrew Adonis.

According to the Bilderberg Group, their discussions will be 'informal' and without specific agenda, besides their publicised list of broad talking points.

They do not vote, they do not set policy and they do not release statements, the group claim.

[Read full article here...](#)