## **Repeating History**

by Earl P. Holt III

Readers may be familiar with George Santayana's famous aphorism stating that "Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it." Since the second half of the 20th Century, the "Democrat" Party's "leadership" has consisted of individuals who were often condemned to repeat past disasters because they failed to learn from the blunders of predecessors within their own party. The ultimate cause has been their dependence on Marxist ideology rather than evidence.

Today, the "*Democrat*" Party controls the White House, the Senate, and the House, intermittently. During the Carter Administration from 1977 to 1980, they controlled the White House and both Houses of Congress. Moreover, The "deep state" is its creation. The common denominators between these two "*Democrat*" Administrations is their **weakness**, incompetence, and vacillation, which precipitated the failed presidencies of both. The one big difference is that for all his faults, Jimmy Carter did not hate America, nor wish to exploit it for personal gain.



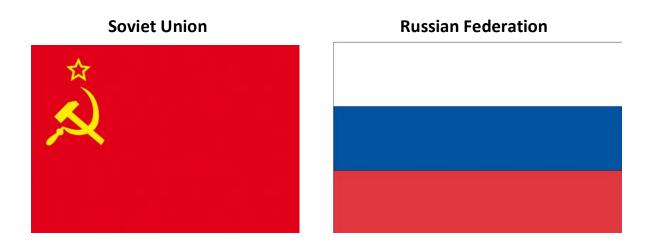
Jimmy Carter and Joe Biden

After being elected president in November of 1976, Jimmy Carter was an outsider when he arrived in Washington. Because he had honorably served as a U.S. Naval Officer and loved his country, he was considered a *rube* by most Washington insiders, so his administration was quickly "captured" by deep state operatives and the sleazy and treasonous Jews who fund and control the misnamed "Democrat" Party. He eventually grew furious over the disastrous policies he was pressured into adopting by his party, for which he alone was forced to bear the responsibility and received the ridicule. When he finally realized he had little or no influence over decisions being made by his own administration, he fired his entire Cabinet and senior Staff on a Friday afternoon in mid-July of 1979. (I was at **HUMAN EVENTS** at the time, and it was a bloodbath !)

For the 50 years he's been in Washington, Joe Biden has always been a pathological liar, a thuggish moron, and a crook. But in stark contrast to Jimmy Carter, Biden viewed public office as an opportunity to sell his influence, much as Hillary Clinton has done. Both Joe Biden and Hillary Clinton sold the influence of their office -- and probably classified documents, as well -- to foreign nationals in return for large sums of money or other forms of wealth. Even before the stolen election in 2020, it was clear that Biden was experiencing significant mental decline from his former doltish self, so his administration was quickly captured by the sleazy Jews and *deep state* operatives who control the "*Democrat*" Party. This was remarkably similar to the experience of Jimmy Carter in 1977.

This weakness and vacillation of the Carter Administration conveyed a clear and unmistakable signal to both friends and enemies that America had lost its resolve to lead the West's efforts to contain **Russian expansionism**. Accurately interpreting Carter's lack of will, the Soviet Army invaded Afghanistan in 1979, then immediately executed its central government and proceeded to install a puppet regime friendly to the Soviets. Today, Putin's Russian Federation is engaged in a similar invasion and subjugation of Ukraine owing to the nearly identical

weakness, incompetence and vacillation of the Biden Administration. For the exact same reasons, China is aggressively saber-rattling at Taiwan, and several terrorist organizations funded by Iran routinely attack Israel or commercial shipping in the Gulf Region.



**Different Flags, Similar Behavior** 

Likewise, both the Carter and Biden Administrations made the fatal error of assuming they could constructively **negotiate with Iran**, a 13th Century Islamic Theocracy controlled by lunatics. Carter lost the 1980 presidential election to Ronald Reagan in a 43-state landslide, largely because of his naive reliance on diplomacy to rescue the 53 Americans held hostage after Iran seized our U.S. Embassy in Tehran. The negotiations ran fruitlessly for 444 days while America was "*played*" by Iran's Mullahs. *Taqiyya* is the Shia interpretation of the Koran that permits Muslims to lie to infidels to gain their trust and make them more vulnerable to defeat, but Carter's "*expert*" negotiators must have overlooked that passage. With a clarity that can't be misinterpreted, Iran proved the effectiveness of American *threat-of-force* when it hastily released every hostage within minutes of Reagan's inauguration on January 21st, 1981. (Iran's *Mullahs* wanted no part of *The Gipper !)* 

Moreover, the Biden Administration has mindlessly attempted to renew the **Iran Treaty**, first entered into during the Obama regime and possibly the worst ever negotiated by America or any nation. With the same academic naivete that Carter's negotiators demonstrated, Biden's team has attempted to revive a treaty that gives Iran *carte blanche* to build a nuclear weapon. In fact, Biden's chief negotiator proved to be an Iranian sympathizer and mole! Biden also freed more than \$100 Billion in Iranian oil revenues from the international banking community's *Swift System*, which allowed Iran to continue funding Islamic terrorism around the globe. This helped fund and equip Hamas, the terrorist force that invaded Israel on October of 2023 and brutally murdered 1,200 innocent civilians of all ages and genders. Iran also funds the Houthi rebels, who routinely attack commercial shipping in the Red Sea.

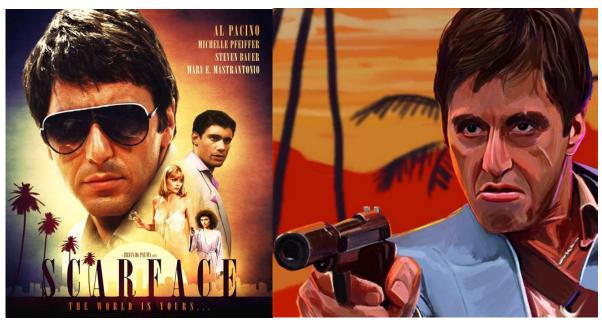


Houthi Rebels: Prime Candidates for a Nuke

Likewise, "*Democrats*" declared a "*war on oil*" in the 1970s, just as they've done today. Carter's "*Democrats*" waged war on oil companies by assessing a "*Windfall Profits Tax*" and imposing vast new regulations on the oil industry. (They also effectively ended the construction of nuclear power plants.) This caused petroleum products to spike in price, while bureaucratic incompetence precipitated long gas lines across the nation in 1979. Meanwhile, Biden and his "*Democrats*" have recently precipitated a similar disaster: they cancelled the *Keystone XL Pipeline* from Canada and prohibited further oil and gas exploration or "*fracking*" on federal lands. This more than doubled gasoline prices in the U.S. and ended American energy independence that was achieved for the first time in 50 years during the Trump Administration.

In addition, profligate federal spending during Carter's and Biden's Administrations resulted not only in an enormous waste of federal tax revenues, it generated nearly unprecedented levels of inflation, eroding the savings of working people and robbing them of the dollar's purchasing power. During the Carter Administration, inflation continued to climb until it reached a *Consumer Price Index* above 13% in 1979. Today, Biden's massive deficit spending has precipitated 30 to 40 percent increases in energy and food. (In response, Biden's "*economists*" claimed that reducing inflation will require even *greater* federal spending!)

Similarly, many of the 12 Million illegal aliens who have been welcomed into America through the Biden Administration's "*open borders*" **immigration policy** -- and illegally crossed our southern border after January of 2021 -- are criminals released from foreign prisons who were encouraged to emigrate to the U.S. America has become a **dumping ground** for the undesirable criminal elements of Latin Nations. This mirrors the late 1970s, when Castro took advantage of a confused and ineffectual Carter Administration to open his jails and send America 150,000 dangerous criminals in what was termed the "*Marielito Boatlift*." Many are now the major contributors to the violent crime rates found in their new homes, such as Miami and Minneapolis. The 1983 film *Scarface* -- starring Al Pacino -- depicted the kinds of criminals and sociopaths sent here by Castro.



Castro's Gift to America

Finally, in 1978, the Carter Administration made no effort to oppose the Soviet *Trans-Siberian Pipeline*, intended to deliver natural gas to Western European nations such as Germany. Serious people recognized that the Soviets would eventually manipulate it to divide NATO by blackmailing Germany and other NATO countries using their dependence on **Soviet gas** as leverage. This concern later came to full fruition with Russia's *Nord Stream Pipeline*, which Donald Trump **OPPOSED AND FINANCIALLY SANCTIONED** as president, but Joe Biden later **APPROVED**. Dependence on Russian natural gas clearly explains Germany's initial, squeamish refusal to assist Ukraine after it's brutal and unprovoked invasion by Putin's Army in late February of 2022. The *Nord Stream Pipeline* became such a powerful economic weapon against NATO, it was eventually sabotaged by unidentified forces. As President Trump would later do, the adults in the Reagan Administration opposed Soviet plans to build the "*Trans-Siberian*" natural gas pipeline from its beginning, AND THEN ACTUALLY DID SOMETHING ABOUT IT! Reagan's intelligence community set up "*dummy*" corporations to clandestinely sell gas-pumping turbines to the Soviet, each of which contained design flaws, causing them to explode and burn once they were placed on-line. Not only did this delay the construction of the pipeline, it also drained the Soviets of vast amounts of hard currency used to purchase those turbines. Simply put, Reagan bankrupted the bastards. (Peter Schweizer. *Victory: The Reagan Administration's Secret Strategy that Hastened the Collapse of the Soviet Union*. Atlantic Monthly Press, 1994.)

The weakness, incompetence and equivocation that defined both the Carter and Biden Administrations were the cause of most of the disasters that have befallen them. Today, Biden and his administration consist of the very same variety of arrogant, disloyal, leftist and Marxist academics that staffed the Carter Administration. Few if any were capable of learning from their predecessors under Carter, and so they blindly and foolishly precipitated very similar disasters that have both weakened and humiliated America.