

Is the US Government Behind the Fake News Media Attacks on President-elect Trump?

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Eric Zuesse has brought to our attention that US intelligence officials have placed a story in Buzzfeed, "a Democratic party mouthpiece," that the Russian government used fake news to get Donald Trump elected president.

http://www.washingtonsblog.com/2016/12/63755.html

According to Buzzfeed:

US intelligence officials believe Russia helped disseminate fake and propagandized news as part of a broader effort to influence and undermine the presidential election, two US intelligence sources told BuzzFeed News.

'They're doing this continuously, that's a known fact,' one US intelligence official said, requesting anonymity to discuss the sensitive national security issue.

'This is beyond propaganda, that's my understanding,' the second US intelligence official said. The official said they believed those efforts likely included the dissemination of completely fake news stories. ...

One intelligence official said, 'In the context, did Russia attempt to influence the US elections; the aperture is as wide as it can possibly be.'" 'The real unanswered question is, why did they do it?' the second US intelligence official said. 'Is it because they love Donald Trump? Because they hated Hillary Clinton? Or just because they like undermining Western democracies?'

Who are these US intelligence officials who are portraying the president-elect of the United States to be a "Putin stooge, a tool of Russia"?

Once in office, Trump must investigate these hostile elements in US intelligence who are working to discredit the US president and the American people who voted him into office.

As one reader pointed out, those who debunk "conspiracy theories," that is, explanations that they do not like, now have a conspiracy theory of their own: Vladimir Putin used independent American websites to elect Trump with fake news. Only voters living in a few large coastal cities were immune to the fake news.

In other words, the presstitute media has lost control over Americans' minds to Putin.

With an opponent this powerful, neoconservatives better think a dozen times before

fomenting any more tension with the Kremlin.

Open the link above to Zeusse's column and look at the cover of Time magazine.

This cover delegitimizes the presidential election. Which US intelligence agency planted this cover on Time? President Trump must have the Secret Service investigate this attack from inside the US government on the US President. Congress, both House and Senate, should immediately summon Time magazine to hearings under oath. This interference by US intelligence in American political life is illegal. Those responsible must be discovered, indicted, convicted, and sentenced. Otherwise fake news will displace facts as Americans are wrapped in a Matrix inside a Matrix.

Three hundred and ninety opponents of the US Constitution, who sit in the US House of Representatives, just passed a bill that voids the First Amendment to the US Constitution.

http://www.zerohedge.com/news/2016-12-02/house-quietly-passes-bill-targeting-russian-pro paganda-websites

Title V of the bill establishes an interagency executive branch committee "to counter active measures by the Russian Federation to exert covert influence." Russian manipulation of US media (a routine practice of the US government) to spread disinformation (fake news) is one of the "active measures by Russia" to be countered. In other words, websites that do not participate in the demonization of Russia and President Putin will be subjected to McCarthyite suspicions and accusations. Countering is an open-ended activity that easily extends to enforcement actions against suspected parties.

https://www.govtrack.us/congress/bills/114/hr6393/text

If this bill becomes law, it can be used to discredit and destroy truthtellers as agents of foreign intelligence. In other words, the message is: if you dispute our lies you are a foreign agent and subject to arrest or elimination.

This is the state of democracy in America today. More than any other country, the United States needs to be liberated. Can Trump do it?

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