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How Democrats Lost This Election!

No it wasn't the Russians, it wasn't Director Comey's announcement about the emails, nor was it the lack of African American and Hispanic votes. These excuses are all camouflage for a disastrous move away from the bulk of the Democratic base by a centrist leadership eager to raise money from Wall Street and to reward some billionaires who supported liberal social and environmental issues. The people that led the Democratic Party off a cliff want to maintain power and the enormous financial benefits they received.

I want to make this clear: we are not part of that group and have never been. We are true progressive Democrats like you who realized several years ago that this move to the right by the Democratic Party was going to end up just like It did. It is up to you and me to reform It. The majority of the elected Democratic officials that are left are far more liberal than the group that led the party off a cliff. The exit polls thoroughly tested that the Comey letter was not important. For example, 13% of the voters decided in the last two days before the election almost none of these voters heard of the first negative Comey letter. They made their decision after the second Comey letter vindicating Hillary Clinton.

Second, the Russian hacking could not have been important because what we lost was middle-income voters, 76% of total voters. How could the Russians have deleted these voters. We did not know that Democrats lost middle-income voters before the election. The voting data did not list voters by income. We found this out in the election exit polls after the election was over. The

Russians could not have deleted just middle-income voters because the data did not exist until after the election. Last, getting a higher percentage of African American and Hispanic voters doesn't compute. We received almost every low-income African-American and Hispanic voter in the low-income group that existed. Middle-income Hispanic and African-American voters split almost 50-50. Turning out two voters in this group just means one vote for Hillary and one for Trump. It would be a wash.

No, it is a disgrace that the Democratic Party has turned away from serving middle-income voters. You and I need to take back leadership. These voters supported Democrats through 36 years of stagnant or declining wages. The country has the worst economic inequality since 1910. The recovery was designed to help the top 7 percent and the bottom 17% in income. **However, the jobs lost in the middle-income group averaged \$35 per hour and the replacement jobs average \$14 per hour. This is about a 60% loss in wages per hour.**

An economy is designed by men not by God or nature and it can be changed by people like you and I. One example is that right wing corporations brag about investing in operations in cheap labor areas overseas in order to avoid paying taxes and their stock price goes up. They are then lauded on Wall Street as being smart. We can change that by carrot and stick methods. We should provide incentives for investing here and raising wages here, and penalties for investing elsewhere and pursuing low wages.

Wall Street lauded the Chinese for keeping jobs in China and for doing it as long as Wall Street made money off of it. We can raise wages for the middle-class along with everyone else. Wages for

everyone in every field, including doctors and lawyers, are down. We need to stop blaming the victim. We need to stop telling our hard working, low-earning intelligent Americans it is their fault. That they need a graduate education and that manufacturing is never coming back. Telling them to become a doctor or lawyer.

If we had a hundred million doctors and lawyers they would all be making minimum wage. We have the best educated middle-class in the world. There should be and must be middle-income people who do other jobs, work hard, and provide goods and services who are well educated with college degrees and/or advanced training. Wages are down because Wall Street is running the economy and they favor lower wages. Some of the best economies and highest paid middle-class are in countries that depend on manufacturing. In Germany auto workers average 125% of what Our workers make, or about \$125,000 with five weeks paid vacation. No, our workers did not share in large increases in productivity leading to massive profit increases in the last 36 years. If we invest in fully automating our manufacturing with machines and robots, we can then produce a higher quality product far more cheaply than any country in the world. If we produce a high quality car for \$3000, how many cars do you think we would sell? **It would far cheaper than shipping our resources to Germany then shipping finished product back.**

The number of jobs would be lower per unit but the volume of units sold would increase astronomically. We are not going to bring back the same manufacturing jobs. The new manufacturing jobs are in programing, supplying, repairing and maintaining the manufacturing equipment and robots. Most high middle-income countries like Germany, Japan, Canada and Sweden manufacture more than twice what we do here. Our vision needs to be higher wages, lower interest rates, and keep corporations from shipping jobs and have them invest here. You and I must follow through and organize around this mission everyone, especially middle-class people, and we win big in the next election two years from

now and marginalize Trump and the Republicans.

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Here is How We Soundly Defeat Donald Trump and the Republicans in the Next Election in Two Years!

First of all, Trump will help us by bungling the economy for normal people. Any economic gains that develop from his proposals will flow to the top. **If we organize middle-income people we will win big. Trump is by far the most unpopular President of all time. We can make the election a referendum on Trump and the Republicans.**

The Republicans in Congress have already repealed the Affordable Care Act known as Obama Care. It just waits for Trump's signature. This move will leave tens of millions of people without health insurance or subject to skyrocketing, costly health insurance. My son Chris who runs this organization is a prime example. His middle-income family will be financially crippled without it. Right now he pays \$180 a month in health insurance. The Affordable Care Act provides a \$582 month subsidy. However he had a preexisting condition a pulmonary embolism several years ago. It also removes the provision for the elimination of denial for preexisting conditions. He is likely uninsurable.

In addition, normal middle-income people would be left behind even more. Trump has proposed crazy tax cuts for the billionaire class. He has also proposed huge spending on infrastructure, which includes the famous wall along the border with Mexico, building up the military, and corporate tax cuts. This will explode the deficit. We will get high interest rates for normal people which will greatly increase their cost of housing, credit card payments, car loans, installment payments and any other credit. Also, the banks are going to be deregulated with capital requirements decreased so they will have more money to loan.

If we stick to our mission of higher wages and add lower interest rates for normal people we can organize those voters and take back the House and Senate by a big margin. This will take dedicated efforts to continually educating people of the true effects of proposed Republican legislation and repudiating the propaganda that will spew from their talking heads.

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YOUR COMPREHENSIVE POLITICAL APP

The app we are preparing will allow people to find all political information and act on it. A voter or activist will be able to get as much or little information he wants and will serve as a strong promoter of voter education. You will be able to act on that information by interacting with like-minded people, volunteering, organizing and donating to campaigns, organizations, candidates that one likes. Our comprehensive app is a first. You will be able to conduct all political activities without going to a number of sources.

You can first find out who your elected officials are and who the candidates are in both parties. You can also request information by issue and find out which candidates are strongest or weakest on your issue. You can find out the political activities, history, and preferences of any candidate and group. You can also find out how we rate elected officials and candidates on our progressive scales overall and on thirty different issues. They will be rated from 10, outstanding progressive, to 0, notable regressive conservative. You can connect with like-minded people on similar candidates and issues to interact, volunteer, donate and organize.

You can donate or volunteer to support any candidate or organization. This app is offered to save time and money for people in our busy world. It will be the quickest, most efficient method to find out political information and get involved in determining the future of the country.

You will be able to enter it for a free trial month. Subscribe for \$2 per month and use it as much

as you want. Or you can enter it four times a month for free. We will create two streams of revenue: one from subscriptions and one from ads. Finally, 25% of profits will go to DAPAC to support progressive candidates and issues.

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The Trump Cabinet (or the Ship of Fools)

First, I want to tell you about **Mad Dog Mattis for Defense Secretary**. His troops and his peers affectionately called him that for his approach to battle. He was not given a job in the Defense Department after retiring from the military because of his "mad dog" reputation after he retired from the military.

Wilbur L Ross will be head of the Commerce Department. He is famous for taking failing companies over and making them profitable by shipping jobs and operations offshore. His company is now part of Invesco which rescued his own firm from bankruptcy around 2006. He is known by Donald Trump for rescuing him from his second bankruptcy in the eighties.

Congressman Tom Price is proposed for the head of HHS (Health and Human Services). He has been the point man in Congress for eliminating choice from government women's health care programs including Obamacare. He has pushed his own Healthcare program. His program would basically go back to the prior system in which people were excluded from purchasing high cost insurance for preexisting conditions. He is CEO of the biggest Orthopedic practice in the country.

He has engaged in purchasing stock on insider prices in medical device companies and then pushing legislation which would benefit these companies. In the hearings, he mentioned that his job was to get rid of Obamacare and replace it by March 1 with a new program. He said he would not touch Medicare, but this is not a true statement, since Obamacare covers 75% of the "donut hole" that now exists as a point in drug expenses that seniors must pay on their own. So the "donut hole" will quadruple and seniors' drug expenses will increase. This would cost the average senior about \$4000 a year.

Scott Pruitt for head of EPA. Scott Pruitt is current Attorney General of Oklahoma and in that role has sued the EPA over clean air and water acts. His suits claim that the EPA has no right to regulate air and water standards for the state of Oklahoma. He believes those

rights should be left to the states. He is also a climate change denier like Trump.

Elaine L. Chao for Secretary of Transportation.

Married to Mitch McConnell, the Republican Senate leader, who up until November 8 was the most powerful Republican in the country, She has been a Republican hit woman for the Republican party for over thirty years, changing every agency she participated in into a right wing extremist organization.

Jeff Sessions for Attorney General. He is an old, white, long-time senator from Alabama. As a federal prosecutor, he used all the resources at his disposal to attack black civil rights activists for helping blacks vote. His case was eventually thrown out of court. He said in his confirmation hearings he saw no problem with the voter ID laws that were designed by white Republicans to suppress the African-Americans vote. He is known in the Senate for producing and supporting anti-immigrant laws.

Rex W Tillerson, recent CEO of Exxon Mobil, the world's largest private oil company for Secretary of State. He said his primary objective is the free-flow of oil among countries. He said that oil will remain the primary source of energy forever. He states that global warming might exist but we are not sure it is man-made. He is in favor of a carbon tax paid by people who use it. He has negotiated oil rights with Russia and Putin. This is in violation of the sanctions he wants to remove. Right now, Exxon Mobil's biggest oil rights holdings are in Russia. They own about one half of the oil rights of Russia.

John Kelly for Secretary of Homeland Security sees narco-terrorism as the biggest threat to America. He believes those Hispanics entering the United States through our southern border with Mexico have joined with terrorist groups to kill 500,000 Americans. Of course, there is little evidence to back up his assertions but it backs up Trump's statements about criminal Hispanics invading our country. Now this individual is going to have 240,000 workers and a budget of \$40 billion dollars to in enforce his allegations and deport millions of Hispanics.

Ben Carson, an African-American to head HUD, the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Ben Carson believes that welfare and government programs keep black people back because he was brought up in such programs. He believes that not until he found God and learned to take care of himself did he become successful. He implies that black people are lazy and stupid because of misguided government programs.

Ryan Zinke for the Secretary of the Department of the Interior. He is a current congressman who owned a consulting company with his family to develop coal, oil and gas sources on government lands. He is still on the board of a company which develops oil pipelines. He is a former Navy seal who was kept from command for embezzling government travel money. He does not believe climate change is settled science and wants to develop oil and coal resources on federal lands.

Betsy DeVos for Secretary of Education

She has no experience or understanding on how to evaluate schools but believes charter schools and vouchers are the way to go. She has used her family's money along with her position as Michigan State Republican Party Chair to get public money for profit-making charter *schools* in Michigan. The charter schools have produced lower science and math scores than in Michigan public schools, in spite of public school funding being cut.

Steve Mnuchin for Secretary of the Treasury is a former hedge fund manager who will be in charge of borrowing money to run the government and designing taxation plans. He wants to cut corporate taxes to 15%. He was known as the "foreclosure king" for his ownership of One West Bank where he foreclosed on 39% of the reverse mortgage foreclosures in the country.

Rick Perry for Secretary of Energy. When he was running for president in 2012 he said he wanted to close three federal cabinets. He couldn't remember the third. It was the Department of Energy. Apparently he didn't know what it did; now he does. It is responsible for supplying our nuclear arsenal, building nuclear reactors and running physical science research through the national laboratories, the best in the world for scientific research. In addition, the department contains research on energy policy and investigations into new energy sources. He replaces a Nobel Prize winning physicist.

Linda McMahon for head of the Small Business Administration. She is the former CEO of World Wrestling Entertainment. It had a total of 800 employees although she made over a billion dollars. Her biggest qualification is that she donated six million dollars to get Trump elected.

Andrew F. Pudzer for Secretary of Labor is former CEO of CKE Foods which he sold for 1.3 billion. He is against the minimum wage because he states it is a job killer. He is against overtime pay. He is against healthcare benefits. He is against paid sick leave. He also wants to dissolve all labor rules and unions.