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US Presidential Elections. An Unconscious Wish for Oppression and Dominance by the Ideological Left.

Stock prices fell nine days in a row, because of rising expectations that Trump might win the presidential election:

usatoday.com – Nov 4, 2016

Stocks close lower as S&P posts longest losing streak since 1980

The Standard & Poor's 500 index closed *lower Friday for a ninth straight day*, marking its longest losing streak in 36 years, as uncertainty and angst related to Tuesday's tough-to-call presidential election overshadowed a government report showing continued steady job growth.

Wall Street had been pricing in a Clinton win, but as polls have narrowed following Clinton's latest email scandal, *investors have opted to hedge against the possibility of a Trump surprise win.*

The mass-psychological delusional wave in favor of Trump is getting larger, you can see a rising consensus even among the left that it is not worth to vote for the Democrats.

AP via msn.com - Nov 4, 2016

Washington state elector says he won't vote for Clinton

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Democratic elector in Washington state said Friday he won't vote for Hillary Clinton even if she wins the popular vote in his state on Election Day... Robert Satiacum, a member of Washington's Puyallup Tribe, *supported Bernie Sanders in the Democratic primary.* He said he believes *Clinton is a "criminal"* who doesn't care enough about American Indians and *"she's done nothing but flip back and forth."*

He said he has wrestled with what to do, but feels that **neither Clinton nor Republican Donald Trump can lead the country.**

"She will not get my vote, period," he said in a phone interview with The Associated Press.

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The following article by guardian.com dates from Oct 26, 2016. It was uploaded on the leftist Yahoo Group psychohistory-historicalmotivations on Nov 1 and transferred to the also left-leaning Google

Group Clio Psyche on Nov 3 and was positively welcomed. In my opinion it contains a hidden wish for "Oppression and Dominance" and shields our reasonable personality parts from the need to face up to reality and see the world as it is.

I will show some quotes from this article and comment them in blue.

theguardian.com – Oct 26, 2016

Trump is no outsider: he mirrors our political culture

George Monbiot

Did Trump invent the xenophobia and racism that infuse his campaign? Did he invent his conspiracy theories about stolen elections and the criminality of his opponents? No. They were there all along. What is new and different about him is that he has streamlined these narratives into a virulent demagoguery. But the opportunity has been building for years; all that was required was someone blunt and unscrupulous enough to take it.

- Is it really so important whether Trump has invented by himself the demagoguery technics he utilises so masterly?
- Should we not consider the amount of destruction we could expect from Trump as president? His preference for autocrats like Putin, his promise to extradite hundreds of thousands of immigrants, his downplaying the consequences of a possible atomic attack on Europe...

America's fourth president, James Madison, envisaged the United States constitution as representation tempered by competition between factions. In the 10th federalist paper, written in 1787, he argued that large republics were better insulated from corruption than small, or "pure" democracies, as the greater number of citizens would make it "more difficult for unworthy candidates to practise with success the vicious arts by which elections are too often carried". A large electorate would protect the system against oppressive interest groups. Politics practised on a grand scale would be more likely to select people of "enlightened views and virtuous sentiments".

Instead, the US - in common with many other nations - now suffers the worst of both worlds: a large electorate dominated by a tiny faction. Instead of republics being governed, as Madison feared, by "the secret wishes of an unjust and interested majority", they are beholden to the not-so-secret wishes of an unjust and interested minority. What Madison could not have foreseen was the extent to which unconstrained campaign finance and a sophisticated lobbying industry would come to dominate an entire nation, regardless of its size.

- Domination and Oppression is projected on the Clinton camp and the establishment as an interested minority, currently dominated by the democratic party. This is an incomplete picture, since it is exactly so, that Trump is part of a global authoritarian/autocratic trend which would find further support if Trump won the election. Furthermore he said in one presidential debate that Hillary Clinton would be locked up if he would win. So it is clear: oppression and domination looms from the Trump side and not from Clinton and the Democrats.

- **Therefore I regard «oppression and domination» as a group fantasy, an unconscious wish.** Blaming just the wrong camp for a real existent danger, thus giving cover for the real perpetrators, shows that the **unconscious wish goes for** that which it explicitly pretended to oppose, namely **oppression and dominance**

For every representative, Republican or Democrat, who retains a trace element of independence, there are three sitting in the breast pocket of corporate capital. Since the supreme court decided that there should be no effective limits on campaign finance, and, to a lesser extent, long before, candidates have been reduced to tongue-tied automata, incapable of responding to those in need of help, incapable of regulating those in need of restraint, for fear of upsetting their funders.

- In my view reasonable politicians are used here as poison containers for our traumatic feelings. This happens within an unconscious cleansing group process (see Lloyd deMause)
- We project our rage towards reasonable liberal politicians, doing so makes the reasonable government incapable of acting. This in turn leads to more projected hate on the government.

Democracy in the US is so corrupted by money that it is **no longer recognisable as democracy**. You can kick individual politicians out of office, but what do you do when the **entire structure of politics is corrupt**? ...

- Again, an incomplete and distorted picture. The truth is, that our democracies are the less corrupt states in the history of mankind. Just look at the ranking of Transparency International. The most traditional societies which do not obey the rule of law are the most corrupt societies.
- The formulation «Democracy in the US is so corrupted ...that it is no longer recognisable as democracy» sounds as if the US were not worth anything. It shields our reasonable personality parts from the insight, that it is just the opposite way. Democrats are protecting democracy whereas Trump would go in the authoritarian, autocratic direction, into real deep corruption. »