

The Obama Selection (Plant)

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I believe Barack Obama was put into office to do what no Republican could ever have gotten away with. Obama has extended existing wars, created new Drone wars, extended the Bush tax cuts for the rich, given additional bailout money to the Banks, allowed the health insurance industry to write the healthcare bill, extended the Patriot Act and signed the NDAA [*indefinite detention*] into law.



Under his watch not one member of the Bush Administration has been held accountable for leading us into wars built on false evidence and lies; not one banker has been held accountable for the fraud and corruption that brought down the global economy. And the final nail in the coffin, Mr. Slim Shady signed the NDAA bill on New Year's Eve while most American's sipped champagne and sang Auld Lang Syne. The National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) makes America the battlefield and allows indefinite detention of U.S. citizens suspected of 'terrorist' leanings without due process.

But why be so negative you might ask? Here are a few things Obama did manage to do. He extended unemployment benefits because they're no jobs as his stimulus package was too small. He also managed to cut payroll taxes, which is a back door way to defund Social Security, He helped cover up the BP oil spill in the Gulf by allowing Corexit, a toxic disbursement not allowed in other countries, to break up the oil which then dropped to the bottom instead of just cleaning it up. In other words, allowing them to hide the body.

Obama hates truth tellers such as Julian Assange of WikiLeaks and whistleblowers like Bradley Manning who's been held in detention for almost two years for, according to Obama, exposing state secrets aka a horrendous war crime. That is if Manning is the alleged leaker who gave the "Collateral Murder" video to WikiLeaks showing 12 civilians murdered by American soldiers. What is the difference between the "Collateral Murder" war atrocity and the 1970 My Lai Massacre and the Court-Martial of Captain Ernest L. Medina? What is the difference between the Pentagon Papers and Daniel Ellsberg and Bradley Manning? I mean isn't this evidence we're now living in a corporate/fascist/ military/police state?

Now look, I know they're still plenty of Obama supporters among us but I find it very difficult to understand why so many people still love, honor and support this guy. I voted for this guy too. I fell for his smooth talk, cool demeanor and wide open smile. I've always been a sucker for tall dark and

handsome but if he wasn't lying then he's lying now and I for one am mad as hell and I'm not going to take it anymore.

I know it's hard to admit you made a mistake. I get it. You really believed this guy was "the one" and he is the one for the 1%: Wall Street, the too big to fail banks, the military industrial complex, the prison industrial complex, big oil, big pharma, i.e. the corporate fascist state he's so gingerly locking into place.

We looked the other way when he said he'd put on comfy shoes and march with the unions and then when the unions had their bargaining rights withdrawn, Obama like the good corporate shill he is, remained silent. We made excuses for him when he remained silent as the police brutalized, beat, pepper sprayed and shot projectiles at peaceful demonstrators. Obama, unlike Robert Kennedy who had the balls to stand up to the racists down south and brought in the National Guard to protect those fighting for their civil rights, is a coward.

It could be battered spouse syndrome. I know there are people hospitalized with a broken jaw or collarbone and they won't press charges against their attackers. I can't explain why victims protect their abusers but they do and not only do they protect them, they go back to them over and over only to be beaten again and again.

Or maybe it's the Stockholm syndrome whereby victims fall in love with their captors. It happens. No need to beat yourself up over it.

To me Obama's like the bad boyfriend. He lies to you, cheats on you, forgets to call, but you just keep taking him back and making excuses. "Well, he can't help it. He has to stand up to those mean Republicans." Right?

And, therefore, I feel it's my duty to do an intervention. For those of you still deluding yourselves, who still can't face reality I suggest therapy or better yet maybe pick up a copy of "He's Just Not That Into You."

I know it's hard. I told you I voted for him too. I sent him money. I believed him. But let's be honest this guy is a lying, cheating, warmongering, opportunist who serves the 1% so he might get reelected. He's in bed with Goldman Sachs, Exxon Mobile, GE and whoever else will pay him for his services.

He does throw us the occasional bone like the recent appointment of Richard Cordray to head the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau. And studies show even rats will keep going back to find the food pellet over and over again even if it only shows up very rarely. But there comes a time when one must admit they were wrong, cut their losses and move on.

Not to worry they're other fish in the sea. Jill Stein of the Green Party has a very sane 5-point program. I know she may seem boring as we all love our bad boys but really a psychopath who murders innocent civilians and destroys countries using drone attacks will eventually turn on you. Didn't you see "Sleeping With the Enemy?" Hello! And there's also Anderson of the Justice Party. So don't despair you'll find somebody new. Maybe not right away but you won't have to sleep alone forever.

Believe me the Obama brand is collapsing just as the Bush brand before him became so craven even the most deluded had to recognize the fraud that had been perpetrated upon the American people.

For those of you who still don't see it you're sort of like the Bushies who believed in the Iraq war and defended the honesty and integrity of their fearless leader no matter how many lies he told. I guess it may prove the old adage.

Love really is blind.

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