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A Night at the Roundtable

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E Archives also exist on the 2013 website:

<http://2013rainbowroundtable.ning.com/>

look under the "Archives" tab for **written notes**, as well as the **audio recordings** of the conference calls

II ACCESS TO OTHER CALLS SUPPORTED BY 2013 Rainbow Roundtable

A Sunday, Mondays: *Cheryl Croci's Activation Calls*
6 pm Pacific/ 9 pm Eastern
By telephone only: 1-605-475-4160 PIN 9467441#

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2nd & 4th Tuesday each month: **6 pm Pacific/9 pm Eastern**
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<http://www.ashtarontheroad.com/ashtarteleconferences.html>

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By telephone only: 1-712-432-0900 PIN 666238#
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5:45 PM Pacific / 8:45 PM Eastern – a 1 hour call
with the Collective, a group of Angelic and Galactic beings,
channeled by Caroline Oceana Ryan

To be notified: email AscensionTimes@gmail.com with the message "YES to Abundance!"

III GENERAL INFORMATION; PODCAST ADDRESS; OPENING MEDITATION

A: Host: Randy Miller [RM]

TONIGHT'S CALL: Roundtable discussion of current events

CALL-IN NUMBERS

US & CA: 888-429-5471 INT'L: 323-744-4841

Tonight's Co-Hosts: Omena – OM Rama, Tara – R, T
Randy M – RM Vinayak – VV

B: Opening Meditation: Vinayak

C: Podcast: B B S RADIO

<https://bbsradio.com/podcast/night-roundtable-april-29-2021>

D: INFORMATION ON Dr Keshe:

Introduction to the Keshe website

- There is a wikipedia on the foundation website: lots of definitions and answers to questions there too; also a first aid information page -
- The Kerry Ellis workshops are also good

GOOD NEWS REGARDING KESHE FOUNDATION TELEVISION STATION -

On Friday, March 19, 2021, Keshe Foundation TV – KFTV - was launched.

<https://vimeo.com/526497248> - KFTV goes live at the 40 minute mark

Opening Comments from the Co-hosts:

Numbers to use to call in, speak to anyone on the team

888 429 5471 323 744 4841

Omena: her thoughts today: to remind people that healing is not curing

To be an effective healer:

- we have to be able to receive ourselves
- we have to have the healing work done on ourselves -
- and be open to receiving from everyone who comes into our vibrations
- the main ingredient is LOVE – go into the heart and come out of the head – you know you are in your head when you keep analyzing yourself to death; ask all kind of questions and don't like the answers!
Change comes when we reach consciousness

Most important is sending out the love

R: everyone is the planet was created by love to come into existence with

- we can see now in our daily lives who is in their head and who is in their heart – heart energy is what carries us through love
- the scientists have discovered that the heart has more influence over the body than the mind!

Vinayak: has had a magical week

- had made a decision to experiment with Love: that no matter what showed up in his energy fields or experiences, would just send more love to it
- when he did this, things just transformed – we do have the power to change things by seeing the issue at hand in a different perspective: the eyes of Love that see whatever comes his way, is about helping him grow
 - knowing that gave him access to solutions that he had been unaware of
- knows we are all going through trying times – if the experiment resonates with you, try it if it doesn't – OK and he will just share the love he feels
 - Know that everyone listening can call in as the co-hosts are here to be of service
 - Feel this love and the support: allow yourselves to receive . . .

R: Has had many calls, e-mail re: PCR tests; called some scientist friends; eventually got the following:

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R: CLOSING COMMENTS

what is happening is against Universal Law: they will stand trial in a UNIVERSAL COURT

Rama, Tara:

- Reminds everyone that all of us here at this moment came into together to assist with creating peace and the enactment of NESARA LAW
- Asks Micah to come on line and talk about what he heard from Dr Greer's very recent presentation at a private home
 - T&R attended the disclosure hearings in 2013 – April 29 to May 3 - to a presentation on full disclosure

Micah: still waiting for the replay to be sent

- Look up peaceinspace.com – What he heard was a powerful exposé by Ufologists and scientists, other influential people around the world to ban weapons in space
- Name of Dr Greer's film - **the cosmic hoax**
 - to be released by early June – to coincide with the last card the deep state has to play: a fake alien invasion across the planet
- when M gets the replay – can take notes; will also find out if it can be played on the show

T: Jeremy Scahill – guest on Amy Goodman's Democracy Now

- journalist, whistleblower, co-founder with Glenn Greenwald of The Intercept, with other adept, spiritually awake journalists – there is a global orchestration of these kinds of journalists who comprehend how we are walking this divine walk into a new world
- There will be a universal teaching as part of Disclosure
 - Ashtar has held to the Law of One for his whole existence – has never been an elohim, **only an elohigh – has never fallen from Grace!**
 - **So the total alignment of All That Is is available to all of us now.**
 - **This last Wesak is about disengaging with the old way of thinking:**
 - 10 years ago there was a lockout that kept war-minded galactics out: Mother Earth cooperated with the technology of the Violet Flame and St Germain who is in charge of getting NESARA announced –
 - This is talking about living in peace
 - Biden was inaugurated into the Corporation [within the old energies], not the new energy of NESARA

- Scahill's writing is about holding Biden/others to account
 - Daniel Ellsberg is also involved; he did the research, writing on Nixon and Watergate – there is a relationship between these 2 journalists
Ellsberg remembers all that occurred . . .
 - Rama: some background on people like Mike Gravel, Barbara Lee, others - talking about disclosure and the work of all kinds of folks related to this
 - There has been a 10,000 year relationship between Earth and Mars - . . . there are 60,000 technologies that are not being shared . . . time to get over polarity
- Talk about what's happening in the Wesak Valley – the refugees are there – 30,000 or so – they won't be leaving soon – the idea is to build up the energies there . . .

T was told by a listener that the Queen of England is talking of stepping down

- there is a transfer of power happening, and it's happening now!
- This is going to Divine Government in every sector – China, Russia, South Africa, Brazil – the new energy is coming in , economics will improve.

T: reads some of the Scahill material – behind the scenes, Biden had been a serious war hawk!
Has been in the Senate for 50 years, come 2022!

SEE BELOW FOR THE TRANSCRIPTS OF THE FOLLOWING 3 ARTICLES FROM DEMOCRACY NOW, April 28, 2021

2021-04-28 "Empire Politician": Joe Biden's Half-Century Record on Foreign Policy, War, Militarism & the CIA

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2021-04-28 Jeremy Scahill: Joe Biden's Foreign Policy Record Shows Evolution of U.S. Empire Since Vietnam War

2021-04-28 Jeremy Scahill on Biden's "War Against Whistleblowers," from Daniel Ellsberg to Edward Snowden

RM: the document he was reading is very long

- Talking **1925 – 1934 - Encyclopedias** were full of good history – after that, the Encyclopedias were re-written
- there has been control for a long time on what people are allowed to read brings up a wide variety of things
- talks about clearing up the atmosphere: has to be slow so the human body can adapt
 - when the galactics come, they lower their energies, we raise ours in order to meet in the middle

T: talks about the ancestry and the ancestry searches

R: Montezuma came from Pacos, NM

- adds info on the Mayan Calendar and the story
- other kinds of info
- Background to Cities of Light

T: brings up Rick Scott of FL and elections – discounting the Native American people already in the land – between 100 – 160 millions of Native Americans were killed in 400-500 years

- waiting to hear what Daniel Ellsberg, Ed Snowden will discuss with Amy Goodman/Democracy Now – and the wars of Biden

R: short text from KOS: about an article: Michael Salla in Exopolitics – re Dr Courtney Brown **talks of the remote viewing of the different precedents**

- KOS is saying, right now along with Dr Greer and others, the Dark Side cannot pull off the fake alien invasion: there are other folks coming in from the realms of pure love and ecstasy – there is no war in those realms – this Light is more powerful!
- as things progress, we may get to see some stuff: it's about staying in the high heart and they want to scare the heaven out of us: and there are legions upon legions from all around the solar system who are now present to provide assistance

T: talks of people calling to get into the show, and cannot – calls in **Don of BBS to discuss**

Don: there are so many listeners, they are in the process of changing servers to handle the demand – in the meantime, there is a bit of confusion

- the switch over – difficult – will take coders and time
- Go to - BBS Radio.com – click on Radio 2 Icon **AND CLICK ON THE AUDIO ICON!**
 - Apps not working; iheart radio not working; lots of things not working
 - **the audio icon is all that works**
- **the two numbers being given work fine**
- **apologizes – it's a necessary evil**

PHONE NUMBERS THAT WORK: 888 429 5471 323 744 4841

Ca: yes the phone lines are working!

- A time for sharing love and light like never before
- and invoke the galactics as often as we need to
- please address the **idea of a vaccine passport which is inching to [3D] reality**

RM: thinks there is no one at the top in control – so everyone is running scared!

- When you lock people up who have phones, internet, they start researching
 - do your own research and act on what resonates with you
- **this show is about sharing information** – the amt of info coming in is over-whelming
 - people calling all the time, asking what to do etc etc
 - have to be careful what you say to people: many are just starting to wake up and now they are finding their heroes are not what they thought – hard to deal with

Omena: yes people beginning to wake up – and this induces anxiety

- things are in Divine Chaos; earth is a place to play & some will try things & can scare us
- do the research if something is bothering with – but don't listen to it all
 - find the info; does the info resonate with you – this will tell you where your fear or lack of fear is

- trust your reaction: there is a being inside of us that won't lead us astray
- we don't have to know anything – use the protection of whatever you use; take a deep breath – and don't hold it in! ! ! !

Vin: asking Rama for the good news from the Faction 3 White Knights

R: Tuesday up to the ski valley with Natasha – went to a wooden bridge where they both sat down – aspens all around them and coming into bloom

- Natasha showed him pics of the triangular shaped craft and spherical ones coming in –
 - the triangular ones are being played with by the Dark side
 - the spherical ones come through the portal of the sun; some are humungous –
 - the beings in them come only in loving presence of the fact that we are ascending as is the rest of the galaxy; they respond to love and the vibrations of the Violet Flame
- more people on the planet are resonating with the Vibrations of the Violet Flame than the vibrations of war

KOS: text today – we are at the point in the timeline where people are saying enough – if they push, the people will push back! If they try to scare the heaven out of us, the technologies won't work – and Mr Keshe has also said this

- Hate is not a family value & racism started when we lost our way in the matrix

on Wed, a call from 5 Paschats, Tom; Larry, Curly and Mo; Angelique

Ca: asks them to go over the Lady Di and Dodi event; about the father of Dodi

- question to Omena: doing well now – last week, met a woman called Marion – an instant connection – they cried and hugged – she, her husband, 2 adult children – how do they know each other?

O: only one lifetime – she was your mother in your last lifetime!

Ca: calling from Maui -

asking about disclosure – hearing about discussions in the Galactic Federation – and that all the groups [from around the galaxy] will be talking to the people, not just one group

R: we are extremely close to having these folks sit with us and discuss changing this reality; being told by various wise elders that we are returning to the goddess circles where the ascended masters will be sitting down with us after disclosure, and through consensus - not with ideas of lack, scarcity, power or control - the galactics will share the pieces of the missing parts of ourselves

- 13,000 years ago something happened which could have been avoided but it did happen: Nibiru came and passed by the earth, and at the same time Maldeck got annihilated
- he's being told that all of this will be brought back into the circles and as we share the memories, will get the full picture

T: says the dark is taking a positive move: Rudy G got raided by the FBI at his Madison Ave home and his park Ave office – simultaneous;

- Rama talked to the 5 Paschats – and they said the Drumpf - Bush-Clinton Crime Family is next
 - **T** brings up Rudy's role in the 9/11 story – all 3 of the buildings were taken down on purpose so they could get insurance money – 90,000 died that day
 - Rudy's litany of activities – also the story of Ukraine is being linked in as well as being the personal lawyer of Drumpf
 - Discussion of a couple getting their vaccine so they could travel – can't grasp any of the above

RM: asks Rama if he saw the video about the Andromedans in the parking garage

R: thinks he might have seen a similar thing

RM: it is a Russian security video – had a Russian friend verify: cranked up the audio and listened

- the video became 300 frames – no evidence of any computer generated changes

T: those people are a move of the Light

- His Russian friends said that the Andromedans have direct Access to the Kremlin
- And Rama got a call for all 5 Paschats – that means there's going to be a big move very soon – they don't ever talk to Rama all at once!
- A scientist RM knows asked RM to guard some documents for him – and a year ago, Edward Snowden read those documents ! ! ! So the scientist friend got the documents out of his facility & gave them to someone who could speak [Snowden]

Ca: asking about the earth and its ascension – COVID is the opportunity for us to look inside

- and there will be some kind of trigger that will bring us together as humans
- Thinks it might be via the 3rd wave – understanding the ecosystem / environment and how we relate and how we did so much destruction – we will find out we are part of a larger consciousness
- What are their thoughts on these phases/waves [of covid]?

T: This is playing out on all levels simultaneously and picking up speed

- taking Guiliani – under house arrest and has only 2 hours a day to be out of the building there is something that will take the whole web
The US has done 9/11 in other countries – eg taking down Pinochet
- so every time someone gets caught, [more publicity, waking up of folks]

R: spoke to Mr X – as more and more disclosure happens and everyday folks have interactions with the galactic family, positive stories will overtake the dark ones and peace will evolve with the disclosure too

Vin: back to caller's question – would like a response! What is their perception of how ascension will proceed?

R: sees more and more things happening with consciousness, climate change and chaos - not involved in

- The sun is going through transfiguration and this is the biggest story: he can see the plasma coming in with the sunshine: it's changing our physical body –
- people having ascension symptoms because they are affected as the electromagnetic energies are coming in – he sees this happening, and sees the beings who are in our realm from other realms
- There are stories going back 100s of 1000s of years that the stone people on Easter Island – all we see is the heads – think of what's underneath
 - these beings are part of when the planet was being seeded with light forms – the beings who were there then were anywhere from 10 – 100 feet tall – it's all real!

Ca: thanks

RM: on the Canadian pastor – Canadian court gives out a warrant to arrest Pastor

He reads the following:

[SEE BELOW FOR FULL ARTICLE](#)

2021-04-29 Calgary Court Issues Warrant Permitting Police 'To Do Anything Necessary' To Enter Pastor's Church, Arrest Him

"Law Enforcement is authorized to do anything necessary to carry out the arrest..."

Discussion of what this all means and that some police chiefs refused to enforce the 'law'

Micah: about a court case being filed and served in Supreme Court of Ont and of Canada
– reads off the list of defendants
• Lawyers round the world are involved – possibly the greatest violation of human rights
• 2 police turned in their badges and stepped down after delivering the info

SEE BELOW FOR THE DETAILS

- **From Mr Keshe last night:** the KF will be teaching Russia and the space station about plasma energy etc

RM: NASA wants to go out into space; however, the astronauts come home with all kind of illnesses – describes some of them

- with the Keshe technology, don't need space suits, or food, or lots of other things
- the first radio program was by Nicholas Tesla

Vin: Is NASA willing to sign peace agreements?

RM: don't know – but nothing about this will come out from behind the scenes
the Keshe material has turned things on its head

CLOSING MUSIC:

always look on the bright side of life

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=49XCLA0qW6Q>

This is not from the scene in the Monty Python movie, but from Royal Albert Hall in London, complete with orchestra and soloists and the entire classical approach

THE ENTIRE HALL IS FULL OF PYTHON FANS who know all the words, and are waving lights of some sort - it's quite a spectacle - and very amusing when you watch the faces of the 4 soloists who, of course, have been enlightened as to behaviour!

THE COOL BIT IS THE **PIPERS AT THE END** and Eric Idle is always fun

INFORMATION RELATED TO THE NOTES

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Criminal instrument for genocide

The analysis was carried out in the months of November 2020 to March 2021 (<https://www.golokaproject.org/documentfiles/Analysis-of-test-sticks-from-surface-testing-in-the-Slovak-Republic.pdf>) on test swabs in sets: SD Biosensor, Abbott and Nadal, in an - for safety reasons - unnamed hospital laboratory in Bratislava, Slovakia.

Here is the link to the full, comprehensive study in PDF format. Even a layman like me can understand this.

And anyone who has at least a standard school microscope and a test microscope can verify the information, regarding the test swabs published here. All information about Test Sticks, DARPA Hydrogel, and Lithium is publicly available in scientific and business work. See the links at the bottom of the PDF document and at the bottom of this article.

It is clear from this information that test sticks are a criminal tool for genocide of the people of Slovakia. However, this is a global, thoughtful and carefully prepared event!

Hollow nylon fibers at the end of PCR tests

These broken-formed fiber ends have the task of disrupting the epithelium, the surface layer of your mucous membranes. Due to their breakage at the tip and subsequent leaching and loss of their fiber content - that's DARPA Hydrogel and Lithium - these substances end up in your body... close to the brain! These hollow fibers or threads are patented by, you guessed it, DARPA.

This image shows a longitudinally opened fiber with broken end, and shows DARPA Hydrogel balls. See also the other images in the PDF for clarification.

This 'material' now remains after emptying in the back of your nasal cavity!

After contact of the DARPA Hydrogel with your organic liquids, such as saliva, they start to form rectangular crystal structures within minutes. These grow and multiply. See the result after 24 hours in the PDF!

Main target: your pineal gland

These DARPA Hydrogel 'crystals' create a spatial 3D structure and grow right through your body tissue.

DARPA Hydrogel crystals grew under the microscope in the direction of the magnetic field... This means that it grows in the nasal cavity towards the pineal gland. The pineal gland creates a locally stronger magnetic field than the external magnetic field of the earth.

You must realize that natural crystallization of saliva, without DARPA Hydrogel, creates crystals that do not form 3D spatial models or rectangular structures; neither do they grow fractally, so they multiply.

Ivermectin used as a test ...

As a kind of test, Ivermectin was added to the unnatural crystallization. This caused an immediate, complete and permanent disappearance of the DARPA Hydrogel crystal structures.

Ivermectin thus has an incredibly strong effect against what DARPA Hydrogel produces in our organisms! Ivermectin is an anti-parasitic drug that is effective against most intestinal worms, parasitic mites and lice.

The effect of DARPA Hydrogel on human blood cells

Addition of DARPA Hydrogel from the PCR test stick resulted in: don't be alarmed, a total slaughter of red blood cells! In addition, DARPA Hydrogel forms blood clots within seconds. These clots damage and then clog the blood vessels!

Resume

After deliberately expanding a mixture of nylon fiber fragments in your nose, DARPA Hydrogel, along with Lithium, remains on the nasal mucosa, under the pituitary and pineal glands. This mixture immediately reacts with living structures to form crystals that target the pineal gland, which has its own electromagnetic field. After all, man is a bio-electric being. The shape of the crystals says something about the type of hydrogel that was used.

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Transcript

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AMY GOODMAN: President Biden is addressing a joint session of Congress tonight for the first time. It comes on the eve of his 100th day in the White House. Biden is expected to unveil his \$1.8 trillion American Families Plan to expand educational opportunities, child care and paid family leave. He's proposing to fund the plan in part by raising the capital gains tax for the nation's wealthiest households and cracking down on wealthy dodgers.

While much of tonight's speech is expected to focus on domestic issues, we spend the hour today looking at Biden's foreign policy record, both as president and over the past half-century. *The Intercept* has just launched a sweeping [project](#) examining a half-century of Biden's stances on war, militarism and the CIA, going back to the early '70s, when Biden was first elected senator of Delaware. The project is called "Empire Politician." It was created by the award-winning journalist Jeremy Scahill, senior correspondent and editor-at-large at *The Intercept*, which he helped found. Later in the show, Jeremy will join us, but first we turn to a new video featuring Jeremy Scahill, produced by *The Intercept*.

<https://democracynow.cachefly.net/democracynow/360/dn2021-0428.mp4?start=881.0&end=1634.0>

JEREMY SCAHILL: We have never had a president with a longer paper trail than Joe Biden. He's taken so many different positions on the same issues so many times throughout his career that I sometimes wonder if Biden even knows anymore what he actually thinks about a particular issue. Joe Biden might tell you one thing one day and

really believe it, and then the next day he's doing the exact opposite because he's cut some side deal that maybe we'll hear about in some years.

Above all, Biden is an empire politician. He is someone who believes that questions of war don't really matter on a moral level, but how does it impact America's credibility, security and prestige.

BOB CLARK: The youngest new face in the U.S. Senate next year will be that of Democrat Joseph Biden of Delaware.

JEREMY SCAHILL: When Joe Biden began his run for the U.S. Senate, Richard Nixon was running a lawless administration.

PRESIDENT RICHARD NIXON: We must never allow America to become the second-strongest nation in the world.

JEREMY SCAHILL: The CIA is conducting operations inside of the United States. There's secret components to the War in Vietnam. And early on in his Senate career, Biden ends up on a subcommittee that is examining the issue of American war power: Who has the right to send the American people into a war? And he becomes an original co-sponsor of one of the most important laws passed by the United States Congress on questions of war.

NEWS ANCHOR: The War Powers Act grew out of the agony of the Vietnam War. Based on its constitutional authority, Congress passed a joint resolution which obliged the president to get congressional approval.

JEREMY SCAHILL: Also, Biden becomes a very early and ardent critic of the CIA for the perception that the White House and the CIA are regularly circumventing the U.S. Congress. And then, on the other side of it, Biden becomes a totally radical warrior against leaking and against whistleblowers.

Jimmy Carter nominates an outsider to be director of the CIA, Ted Sorensen, a friend of the Kennedy family and adviser to JFK. Carter had said he was going to rein in the CIA, shrink it, reduce its budget. But then Biden discovers, oh, Ted Sorensen actually wrote an affidavit in support of Daniel Ellsberg when the Pentagon Papers prosecution was happening and Ellsberg was facing a century in prison under the Espionage Act. And in that affidavit, Ted Sorensen says everybody in Washington takes classified documents home, and they regularly leak far more sensitive documents to the press than the Pentagon Papers. Ted Sorensen's nomination was dead in the water after Biden joined the Republicans. Biden was more obsessed with some random admission from a Washington insider that they had taken classified documents home than he was about actually reining in the CIA.

REPORTER: Republican audiences love what he has to say.

JEREMY SCAHILL: Reagan and Bush take power in Washington. Biden understands exactly what they want to do. They want to undo all of the oversight mechanisms that were put in place post-Nixon. So Biden becomes the leading opponent of Reagan's nominee to be CIA director, William Casey. But then, as Biden sort of gets to know people — and, you know, he's big on personal relationships — he starts to back away

from his own supposedly bedrock positions. So he opposes William Casey's nomination but ultimately then votes for William Casey.

So, throughout Casey's tenure, which spanned both of Reagan's terms, you see Biden, on the one hand, blasting Casey in public, and then, privately, literally collaborating to sell covert options as in American national interest — in some cases, to sell wars that were being done without the very laws being followed that Joe Biden co-sponsored. He had supported the invasion of Grenada in 1983. He supported airstrikes that were intended to kill Muammar Gaddafi in 1986. In Nicaragua, the Reagan administration begins financing and arming the Contra death squads, and this would ultimately lead to the Iran-Contra scandal. Biden publicly is railing against the funding of the Contras, but then does what I think can just be called a Biden.

SEN. JOE BIDEN: Joe Biden. How are you?

JEREMY SCAHILL: So, Biden starts to try to broker deals. "Well, we can support the Contras, Mr. Reagan, if we put this restriction on it and that restriction on it."

SEN. JOE BIDEN: I think I'm looking forward to helping you on this one, too.

PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN: Well, bless your heart.

JEREMY SCAHILL: He would say, "Oh, well, that's because I'm a great compromiser." You don't compromise with death squads. And, you know, Joe Biden, very, very early on in the Iran-Contra scandal, came out and said, basically, that Reagan probably should resign. Reagan gives this now-infamous speech in which he says that "At the time, I made these statements saying that we didn't transfer any arms for hostages."

PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN: My heart and my best intentions still tell me that's true. But the facts and the evidence tell me it is not.

JEREMY SCAHILL: Reagan gives this sort of logical gymnastics speech. Who does it resonate with? It resonates with Joe Biden.

SEN. JOE BIDEN: I take the president at his word that he did not know. I accept him at his word.

JEREMY SCAHILL: So, in 1990, 1991, it becomes clear that the United States is going to go to war against Iraq. Joe Biden starts raising holy hell in the U.S. Senate about the War Powers Resolution. Biden gets so furious during this battle with the White House and Bush's utter disdain for congressional war powers that he takes a principled stand and actually votes against the authorization. And Biden actually lives to regret that he didn't vote in favor of that war, because it ended up being very popular and was helping to sort of boost the American morale in the post-Vietnam era.

PRESIDENT GEORGE H.W. BUSH: Aggression is defeated. The war is over.

JEREMY SCAHILL: Biden then, almost overnight, transforms into one of the most hawkish figures on Iraq policy in United States Congress. He becomes a leading voice calling for the overthrow of the Iraqi regime.

SEN. JOE BIDEN: And it's going to require guys like you in uniform to be back on foot in the desert taking the son of a — the — taking Saddam down.

JEREMY SCAHILL: And so, what you see is Biden emerging from the 1990s as an empire guy. Now, in the case of the war in the former Yugoslavia, Biden was a very early advocate of the U.S. intervening militarily. Biden was among the first to call it a genocide in Bosnia. But at the same time, Biden also sort of rejected notions that this is just a humanitarian cause. Biden would talk about it throughout the '90s as defending American prestige.

SEN. JOE BIDEN: We should go to Belgrade, and we should have a Japanese-, German-style occupation of that country.

JEREMY SCAHILL: As Biden is agitating for the United States to be militarily involved in the former Yugoslavia, Haitians in the United States are watching as a brutal junta, death squads, overthrow the democratically elected government of the leftist President Jean-Bertrand Aristide. And Biden gives an interview on *Charlie Rose* in which he basically says nobody cares about Haiti.

SEN. JOE BIDEN: If Haiti just quietly sunk into the Caribbean or rose up 300 feet, it wouldn't matter a whole lot in terms of our interest.

JEREMY SCAHILL: He viewed the stakes in Europe as something that the U.S. could gain by getting involved. In the case of Haiti, it would have been purely humanitarian in nature.

And then the Clinton administration, immersed in the Monica Lewinsky scandal, suddenly starts a series of wars and military actions. So Biden supports all of them. He supports the bombing of a pharmaceutical factory in Sudan. He supports bombing some farm in Afghanistan where maybe Osama bin Laden had been recently.

And when the FBI director comes to testify in front of Congress, Joe Biden is one of the senators who starts saying, "Can you clarify for me: What's the legality of assassination?" Biden seems to get this — the problem with the idea that America can kill whomever it wants, wherever it wants, however it wants.

Then the 9/11 attacks happen. And the simplest way to put it is that Joe Biden just supports almost everything that the Bush administration wants in the immediate aftermath. Biden not only votes in favor of the 2003 invasion and occupation of Iraq, he plays a key role in facilitating a war based on lies.

PRESIDENT GEORGE W. BUSH: No matter how long it takes.

JEREMY SCAHILL: Now as president, Joe Biden is saying he's going to withdraw all U.S. troops from Afghanistan.

PRESIDENT JOE BIDEN: I've concluded that it's time to end America's longest war.

JEREMY SCAHILL: This doesn't mean that the war is going to completely end. When Biden was vice president, Biden wanted to use the very forces that actually are at the tip of the spear of assassination operations, instead of the large-scale troop deployment. What he's doing is finally getting the war waged the way he wanted it,

which is the CIA, Special Operations Forces, that are going to hunt down and kill the people that he determines are the enemy.

If Biden had become president, you know, 20 years ago, I think that it would have been easier to predict some of his future actions or policy behavior. But because of his age, because of the political moment that we're in, I think there are some real wildcards in how Biden is going to approach the world, including on questions of war.

AMY GOODMAN: That was a new video produced by *Intercept*, featuring Jeremy Scahill talking about his sweeping new investigative [project](#), "Empire Politician," about Joe Biden's foreign policy record over the past half-century. Jeremy joins us after break.

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2021-04-28 Jeremy Scahill: Joe Biden's Foreign Policy Record Shows Evolution of U.S. Empire Since Vietnam War

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An investigation into President Joe Biden's foreign policy record reveals "the history of the evolution of the American empire, from the Vietnam War to the present," says Jeremy Scahill, award-winning journalist and co-founder of *The Intercept*, which recently published a project titled "Empire Politician" that examines Biden's stances on war and militarism. Scahill says Joe Biden is the first president in decades to come to the White House after spending significant time in Congress, but it's not clear whether that will push him toward greater restraint in matters of war and peace. "Biden has spent his entire life railing against executive overreach, demanding that Congress be in charge of declaring war, and he may well be presented with a conflict around the world where it's going to really call the question on which Joe Biden shows up: Joe Biden, commander in chief, or Joe Biden who spent most of the past 50 years as a senator demanding that Congress be given its proper authority," says Scahill.

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As President Biden prepares to address a joint session of Congress, we're looking today at Biden's foreign policy record, both in his first 99 days in office and over the past five decades. We're joined by Jeremy Scahill, co-founder of *The Intercept*, where he's senior correspondent, editor-at-large, co-founder. Jeremy is also the host of the [podcast](#) *Intercepted*. He has just launched this new remarkable [project](#) titled "Empire Politician: A Half-Century of Joe Biden's Stances on War, Militarism, and the CIA." Jeremy is author of several books, including *Blackwater: The Rise of the World's Most Powerful Mercenary Army* and *Dirty Wars: The World Is a Battlefield*, also the name of his Oscar-nominated film.

Jeremy, welcome back to *Democracy Now!* It's great to have you with us. Why don't you just lay out the big picture for us, as you were doing in that video, what this project is doing, and then where — how you see it fitting in to what President Biden represents today?

JEREMY SCAHILL: Well, you know, Amy, first of all, thank you for having me on. And greetings to you, Juan.

In the big picture, if you study Joe Biden's history, what you realize is that the history of Joe Biden, particularly on matters of war, the CIA, espionage, the balance of powers between the executive branch and the congressional branch, questions of civil liberties — the history of Joe Biden is really the history of the evolution of the American Empire, from the Vietnam War to the present.

And what I think is significant is that Joe Biden, when he first ran for Senate in 1972, remarkably telegraphed what the sort of thrust of his argument about empire and war would be for the next 50 years. And that was that Joe Biden was not a militant opponent of the Vietnam War. In fact, he had great disdain for antiwar protesters. And he tells a story about walking on his campus when he's in law school at the height of the Vietnam War with some of his colleagues, and they see fellow students protesting against the Vietnam War, and they call them "a—holes." Biden says he wasn't big on flak jackets or tie-dye and that he didn't really have any moral qualms about the Vietnam War, that his issue was that he thought it was based on lousy policy and was not executed in the correct manner.

And, you know, Biden also really inflated his involvement, which was almost nonexistent, in the civil rights movement of the 1960s. He only later was forced to kind of clarify that he personally supported it, but that he wasn't doing sit-ins himself, after he had made kind of more sweeping claims.

So, what you see as he starts his political career is that Biden is not really part of the civil rights movement, he has great disdain for the antiwar movement, but he thinks that the empire has made some mistakes in how it has extended itself in Vietnam, in particular.

He gets elected to the Senate. He's one of the youngest people in U.S. history, and the youngest in modern history at that time, to have been elected. He begins serving at age 30 years old. And Biden ends up on a couple of crucial committees at a very crucial time in U.S. history.

The Richard Nixon administration was, of course, a lawless enterprise. You had not only the overt War in Vietnam, but you had secret components to the War in Vietnam. You had the CIA carrying out a spate of assassinations around the world, conducting coups, running guns, cultivating assets who were dictators, thugs, gangsters, criminals. And for the first time since the creation of the CIA in the aftermath of World War II, Congress was finally getting around to trying to confront the CIA and trying to impose restrictions and oversight of Congress.

And Biden ends up in two crucial roles. On the one hand, he ends up being one of the senators studying war powers. And that leads to an extremely important law getting past called the War Powers Resolution of 1973. Biden is a co-sponsor of that. The Nixon White House decides this is a grave threat to executive power, and they veto it. And then the House ends up overriding the veto, so the War Powers Resolution, which says that the Congress has the right to declare war, not the president, and puts restrictions on the president's ability to conduct military actions and, certainly, to deploy American troops without consulting with Congress. On the other side, Biden was one of the people who helped to create the Senate Intelligence Committee, which would be the first congressional body that was going to have jurisdiction over CIA activities.

And so, Amy, there is a sort of two-prong part of this history. On the one hand, Biden seems to understand very well what Richard Nixon did during his time in office and very well how out of control the CIA was. On the other hand, Biden, as a new senator, starts to get a taste for what it means to have access to power, powerful people, classified information, and he develops this very complicated relationship with the CIA of sort of, in public, being an aggressive interrogator of the CIA, denouncing its secrecy and withholding of information from Congress, and, on the other hand, Joe Biden aids and abets the CIA not only in pushing covert operations and selling wars to Biden's Senate colleagues, but also aiding the CIA in an emerging, and continuing to this day, war against whistleblowers and leakers.

JUAN GONZÁLEZ: Jeremy, I wanted to ask you — Joe Biden is unique among presidents, I guess, since the post-World War II era, in terms of his understanding of how Congress works, because if you look at the previous presidents, from Nixon, Bill Clinton, George Bush, the second George Bush, Jimmy Carter, they all came into the White House as governors. And Herbert Walker Bush obviously had a long history in the CIA before becoming vice president. You'd have to go back to Lyndon Johnson to find a president who actually knows how Congress works, knows how laws are passed, knows how you reach agreements to get legislation passed. But Biden seems to suffer the same problem that Johnson had. Johnson could pass great domestic policy, but when it came to foreign policy, whether it was Vietnam or his invasion of the Dominican Republic in 1965, was extremely hawkish in foreign policy. I'm wondering your sense of how you see Biden moving forward in terms of the U.S. expanding the U.S. Empire, if it can be still talked about as an empire with possibilities of expansion.

JEREMY SCAHILL: It's a great question, Juan. And I'll just answer it by saying that the White House is pushing, as the sort of premier issue on war regarding Biden, this notion that Biden is going to end the war in Afghanistan. I think it's really important, just for accuracy's sake, to recognize that the plan that Biden is implementing now was the plan that was developed by the Trump administration. And it's basically the plan that was on Biden's desk when he left office

— when Trump left office. And so, Biden said, you know, “I would have done this differently, but agreements are agreements. The Trump administration signed this agreement with the Taliban, so we’re going to abide by it.” Now, there are other policies where Biden says we’re not going to continue on with the path of Trump. So he’s playing a little bit with the notion that the U.S. always keeps its agreement.

But what I think is interesting, Juan, and it cuts to the heart of your question, is that when Joe Biden was vice president under Barack Obama, there were a handful of policy issues where Biden sort of decided that he was in the opposition, and he took a dissenting view. The first one was the first year of the Obama-Biden administration. Obama’s advisers, many of them, wanted to surge U.S. troops in Afghanistan, and they ultimately did that. They wanted to engage in the COIN doctrine, counterinsurgency, which is another way of saying sort of nation-building, that you have this large-scale military deployment, you set up your own infrastructure, and you’re basically running an occupation regime in a country, similar to what the United States did, and other European allies, in Europe in the aftermath of World War II.

Biden says, “Whoa, wait a minute. I don’t like what I’m seeing here. I don’t think we should be having large-scale troop deployments. I think we should use our assassins, essentially — the CIA, the Joint Special Operations Command — in a small footprint, to conduct antiterrorism operations to hunt down people that we determine represent an ongoing threat to our national security.”

Ultimately, Biden loses, in part, that argument, because what happens is that Obama decides to do both. He goes with a large-scale surge, and he starts escalating the use of drones — and not just in Afghanistan, as you know, Juan, but in many countries around the world. And they basically empower the CIA and the Joint Special Operations Command as really streamlined implementers of an emerging U.S. assassination policy.

Now that Biden is president, essentially, he is getting the war waged the way he proposed back in 2009. He’s going to pull out the large-scale U.S. military presence. There are a few thousand troops and 16,000 contractors that are on the ground there. But what he’s saying is that he’s going to keep these hit teams in the region to do surgical strikes. And the risk for Biden is that he ends up in a scenario akin to what happened with President Barack Obama in 2014, where he actually has to redeploy U.S. troops to Iraq in the battle against ISIS, after having declared the war over and initiated this made-for-television withdrawal from Iraq in 2011.

So, you know, to wrap this part of it up, Juan, I think it’s fascinating that Biden has spent his entire life railing against executive overreach, demanding that Congress be in charge of declaring war, and he may well be presented with a conflict around the world where it’s going to really call the question on which Joe Biden shows up: Joe Biden, commander-in-chief, or Joe Biden who spent most of the past 50 years as a senator demanding that Congress be given its proper authority?

JUAN GONZÁLEZ: Now, I wanted to ask you about another major foreign policy issue that Biden will deal with, and that’s relations with China. There’s a very interesting [column](#) in today’s *New York Times* by Thomas Friedman, who is arguably —

JEREMY SCAHILL: Is that possible?

JUAN GONZÁLEZ: — one of the most influential — one of the most influential —

JEREMY SCAHILL: That —

JUAN GONZÁLEZ: Can you hear me?

JEREMY SCAHILL: Yeah. Sorry.

JUAN GONZÁLEZ: Yeah, Thomas Friedman's column in today's *New York Times*. He's arguably one of the most influential voices of the U.S. neoliberal elite. And his column is titled "Is There a War Coming Between the U.S. and China?" And he goes on to say, "What has made this return of Chinese, Iranian and Russian aggressive nationalism even more dangerous is that, in each country, it is married to state-led industries — particularly military industries — and it's emerging at a time when America's democracy is weakening." Of course, he doesn't mention the United States's major defense industry and how our state is married to our defense industry.

But he goes on to talk about Taiwan as a major producer of the most advanced chips in the world for — in terms of artificial intelligence. And he goes on to say, "And as much as U.S. strategists are committed to preserving Taiwan's democracy, they are even more committed to ensuring that TSMC" — the big chip maker in Taiwan — "doesn't fall into China's hands." And, "Because," he goes on to say, "in a digitizing world, he who controls the best chip maker will control ... a lot." It almost sounds like Friedman is urging Biden to draw a line on the issue of Taiwan, when the entire world has already recognized that Taiwan is historically and legitimately a part of China. Your sense of how Biden will act when it comes to relations with China?

JEREMY SCAHILL: Well, you know, Juan, we just came off of an era, under the Trump administration, where overt xenophobia and racism became official U.S. policy. And the Biden team is still implementing many of the sort of underlying principles of the Trump policy, if you will, but doing it in a more diplomatic manner.

And what's always absent, and this is certainly — what's always absent from Thomas Friedman's columns, for sure, but what is almost always absent from discussions about U.S. relationship with China, U.S. relationship with Russia, is the U.S. role in the world. There is no more hostile, threatening, powerful force in the world right now than the United States government. And you always need to look through the lens of how other nations are responding to the United States. You can't just say, "Oh, China is aggressively pursuing this technology," or "China is in countries throughout Africa right now," and pretend that it's some ominous development that a major world power with one-seventh of the world's population would be interested in expanding its influence or securing its future. All discussions about China, all discussions about Russia, regarding U.S. policy, leave out the role that the United States plays in destabilizing the world, but also provoking responses from other nations.

Now, having said that, Juan, I think one of the areas to watch, that does not get a great amount of attention, is the way that the United States, China and other world powers are battling for control of natural resources throughout Africa. The United States has quietly, over the past 10 or 15 years, built up a kind of covert and semi-overt military presence in Africa, while also flooding the zone with a lot of private business and contractors. China is doing the exact same thing. And in fact, China, because it is not bound by any laws requiring that it certify human rights practices, is really taking control of large parts of several African nations' natural resource supply. And this cuts to the heart of technology, precious metals and an incredibly geostrategical important location in the world.

So, I think that you're going to see a lot of pressure on Biden to become much more belligerent, much more hostile to China. And the people that are pushing him to do that are going to

completely ignore and minimize the role that the United States plays in provoking responses from other powerful nations.

AMY GOODMAN: We're going to break and then come back to this discussion. We're talking to Jeremy Scahill, *The Intercept's* senior correspondent, editor-at-large, co-founder. The new [project](#), with more than 50 articles across *The Intercept* website, "Empire Politician: A Half-Century of Joe Biden's Stances on War, Militarism, and the CIA." Stay with us.

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I wanted to go to the 1980s, Jeremy, and also talk about how that links to Joe Biden today. Now, in his address tonight, his first address to the joint session of Congress, it's expected he'll be mainly focusing on domestic policy. There, Congresswoman Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez says that

President Biden is more progressive than many progressives expected. But we're talking about his foreign policy.

So, today, in headlines, we talked about a trial that's going on in El Salvador on the 1981 El Mozote massacre, that horrifying massacre of around 1,000 Salvadorans killed by the Atlacatl Battalion, which was a U.S.-trained Salvadoran military battalion. One of the expert witnesses, Terry Karl, professor at Stanford, detailed the on-site presence of U.S. military adviser Allen Bruce Hazelwood in some of the pretrial testimony. This is extremely significant, what's happened back then and what's happening today.

Also, this goes to media criticism. You had Ray Bonner of *The New York Times* writing, eventually, about this massacre. And within months, because of enormous pressure from the Reagan administration, A.M. Rosenthal, then one of the chiefs at *The New York Times*, pulls him from covering Central America because he's exposing what happened in El Salvador.

So, you've got the U.S. policy in El Salvador. You've got the support for the Contras; in Guatemala, what the U.S. did in its support of the both murderous military and the paramilitary death squads.

And then you look at what's happening today with, from that very area, the number of immigrants who are fleeing north, and the connection between immigration today and U.S. policy and intervention of the 1980s — not to mention what's going on with Venezuela with the Biden administration saying they recognize as president not the democratically elected leader, but, in fact, the person that both President Trump and, before that, Democrats also supported. Talk about the policy of yesteryear determining today, and how, in some ways, that isn't changing, and where you see openings.

JEREMY SCAHILL: Well, I think it's important to say, because this portion of history often doesn't get mentioned, that in terms of El Salvador and U.S. administrations, Jimmy Carter emerged, even though he had campaigned on a pledge to sort of confront dictatorships and to respect human rights, as the original supporter of the coup regime that took power in 1979 in El Salvador, and the subsequent killing of protesters started this civil war. Carter, and particularly his national security adviser, Zbigniew Brzezinski, believed that this is a communist menace, or at least they said that it was. And they said, "Oh, if we don't support this military regime in El Salvador, we're going to end up with a Sandinista-style government. Cuba is going to run the deck on Central and Latin America."

And you have powerful voices in the Catholic Church, such as Archbishop Óscar Romero of San Salvador, who himself was a conservative Catholic until the 1979 coup takes place — he writes to Jimmy Carter, pleading with him not to support the military junta. And Jimmy Carter's administration ignores Archbishop Romero. And, in fact, Zbigniew Brzezinski writes to the pope, Pope John Paul II, and says, essentially, "You need to shut Óscar Romero up. You know, he's starting to sound like a communist, and we've warned him about this." Well, a month after Archbishop Romero writes to Carter a personal letter pleading with him not to send weapons and Huey attack helicopters to the junta, Óscar Romero is assassinated, shot through the heart, while he was saying Mass — a month after he writes to Jimmy Carter.

Joe Biden, at the time, was a critic of the military junta in El Salvador, but he also accepted the framework of the war against communism. And Biden could have become a really militant voice, especially as a Catholic. An overtly Catholic politician could have really gone to town on the fact

that nuns, Catholic nuns, including U.S. citizens, were being raped and murdered by what was effectively a client state of the United States.

And eventually, Carter temporarily stops the aid to El Salvador, and he is defeated then in the election by Reagan. Biden writes to Reagan, in a very polite manner, saying, "I think we should maybe link our funding and arming of the Salvadoran dictatorship to investigating the murders of American citizens." Carter, on his way out the door, gives emergency resumption of military gear and weaponry and financing to the Salvadoran junta. And Reagan takes power, and then it's the gloves come off, and it's just a massive bloodshed in El Salvador, sponsored in part by the United States.

And what you see is Joe Biden, on the one hand, denouncing the extrajudicial killings and murder, and, on the other hand, trying to tinker on the edges of American policy, proposing, "Mr. Reagan, I'll support financing this dictatorship, or in the case of Nicaragua, I can agree to support the Contras, if we put this restriction on it or we make sure that they only spend it in this way."

And I think that this was a crucial point of development for Joe Biden on questions of war. He almost never meets a war he doesn't support. And the one time he did oppose a war, in 1991, Gulf War, he regretted it and then immediately became any ultra-hawk after it. But in the '80s, Biden was making deals on these really dirty questions of dictatorships and death squads. And he played a significant role, in terms of his position in the Senate, in not having a very clear line in the sand drawn: "We don't support dictators. We don't support death squads." Biden helped negotiate compromises with Reagan rather than just militantly opposing it.

JUAN GONZÁLEZ: And, Jeremy, going back to those Carter years, could you talk about when Carter named Ted Sorensen, the former Kennedy adviser, as his CIA director, what happened and how Biden functioned there?

JEREMY SCAHILL: This is a wild story, Juan. So, Ted Sorensen is nominated by Jimmy Carter to be CIA director. And the reason was that Carter has said he basically wanted to cut the budget of the CIA, rein it in. His campaign actually put out a position paper implying that Jimmy Carter intended to prosecute CIA officers who engaged in lawless activity. So, when Carter becomes president, the CIA is not excited, to say the least. And then Carter nominates an outsider, who happens to be a close friend of the Kennedy family. And Kennedy, of course, famously had his conflicts with the CIA.

So, Ted Sorensen is introduced to Joe Biden as the person who's going to kind of shepherd him through the confirmation process in front of the Intelligence Committee. And Biden says, you know, to Ted Sorensen, "I'm more enthusiastic about you than any other nominee in the Carter — emerging Carter White House."

Joe Biden, though, starts talking with Senate Republicans, who wanted to kill the Ted Sorensen nomination for a number of reasons. One, because the CIA didn't want him there. He was a CIA outsider. None of the spooks at the agency wanted Ted Sorensen to be implementing Jimmy Carter's agenda. Two, there was this sort of whisper campaign that Ted Sorensen was a pacifist who had resisted the Korean War. And three, Ted Sorensen was one of the people involved with the aftermath of the Chappaquiddick incident, where Teddy Kennedy was drunk and drove off a bridge, resulting in the death of a young woman.

But Biden is sort of like playing defense for the Carter White House at the time and trying to resolve those issues. And Biden is tipped off by a Republican colleague that Ted Sorensen had given an — had written an affidavit in support of Daniel Ellsberg during the Pentagon Papers

prosecution, where Ellsberg was facing more than a century in prison under the Espionage Act. And Biden gets wind of this. He gets one of his staffers to go and dig up this affidavit, which wasn't even officially filed. So they had to, like, you know, really dig deep to find Ted Sorensen's affidavit.

And what that affidavit said, Juan, was, basically, "Everybody in Washington leaks. This is the culture of the elite here." Ted Sorensen had also said, "I took government documents home when I was writing my biography, *Kennedy*. You know, this is a common practice. And by the way, many of the things that elite Washington insiders are leaking to *The New York Times* and *The Washington Post* for their own reasons are far more sensitive than what Daniel Ellsberg leaked in the Pentagon Papers."

Well, Biden hits the roof on this, and he starts saying to Jimmy Carter, "This nomination is dead." And at the end of the day, Joe Biden publicly says of Ted Sorensen, when he kills his nomination with the Republicans, you know, "I don't know what we should do with you. Maybe you should even be prosecuted under the Espionage Act yourself," he says about Ted Sorensen, for Ted Sorensen's crime of stating an open secret, that government officials take home government documents and, at the time, were leaking them for their own political purposes.

That, Juan, then kicks off this relationship between Biden and the CIA, where Biden becomes one of the most aggressive senators in trying to go after leakers and whistleblowers, particularly when Philip Agee comes out, the former CIA operative, and blows the whistle on covert operations around the world. Joe Biden secretly aids the CIA in pressuring the Justice Department to not only go after leakers and whistleblowers, but to go after defense lawyers representing whistleblowers or leakers, who are putting in requests for documents as part of their defense. Joe Biden sponsors legislation to stop this practice of what they called graymailing. Basically, what Biden was saying is, when we arrest leakers or whistleblowers, their lawyers are then requesting in discovery all these documents from the U.S. government about the operations that they were a part of, and this could expose further secrets. So, Biden played a really crucial role in trying to create rules for federal whistleblower cases where defense lawyers were not allowed to subpoena documents that would assist them in the defense of their whistleblower or leaker clients.

Biden also goes on, even though he tries to kill Reagan's nominee for CIA director — he tries to kill the nomination of William Casey, William Casey, of course, you know, one of the most infamous, notorious spies in American history. And Biden had his number. Biden basically said, "These Reagan people want to undo everything we did in the aftermath of Richard Nixon. They want to get rid of the War Powers Act. They want to circumvent the intelligence committees. And William Casey —

AMY GOODMAN: Jeremy, we have 20 seconds.

JEREMY SCAHILL: "And William Casey is a key player in this." So, Biden tries to kill it, unsuccessful, votes for Casey, and then aids and abets Reagan's CIA in pushing covert action, including defending the 1983 invasion of Grenada. So, Biden had a very complicated relationship with the CIA. And his war against whistleblowers endures to this day.

AMY GOODMAN: Well, Jeremy, congratulations on this massive [project](#), that has just been posted, at *The Intercept*. And thanks for the exclusive use of running that video at the beginning, which people can watch. *The Intercept* senior correspondent, editor-at-large, co-founder, and host of the [podcast Intercepted](#) — the new project, "Empire Politician: A Half-Century of Joe Biden's Stances on War, Militarism, and the CIA" — Jeremy Scahill, our guest for the hour.

I'll be [speaking](#) with Dan Ellsberg and Ed Snowden Saturday. I'm Amy Goodman, with Juan González.

2021-04-29 Calgary Court Issues Warrant Permitting Police 'To Do Anything Necessary' To Enter Pastor's Church, Arrest Him

"Law Enforcement is authorized to do anything necessary to carry out the arrest..."

By **Jon Brown**

<https://www.dailywire.com/news/calgary-court-issues-warrant-permitting-police-to-do-anything-necessary-to-enter-pastors-church-arrest-him?>



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The Polish pastor who made international headlines for kicking provincial officials from his church in Alberta, Canada, is facing potential arrest after a Calgary court issued a warrant against him.

Court of Queen's Bench Justice David Gates authorized police and health officials "to use such reasonable force as they deem appropriate to gain access" to the building of Pastor Artur Pawlowski's The Fortress (Cave) of Adullam church in Calgary, according to a [copy](#) of the court order obtained by [Rebel News](#).

The warrant, which was issued April 23 but not seen by Pawlowski's lawyer until this week, also forbids Pawlowski or anyone else from interfering with officials attempting to enter his church and, if he resists, permits law enforcement "to do anything necessary" to arrest him, imprison him, and drag him before a judge.

"The Respondent, Artur Pawlowski, together with any other person at the property ... shall grant access to any Executive Officer (as defined in the [Alberta Public Health Act]) in order for him or her to attend at the Property without notice, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., to allow the Executive Officer to exercise his or her powers under [section] 59 of the Act," the warrant reads in part.

"In the event the Respondent, Artur Pawlowski or any other person refuse to grant any Executive Officer access to the Premises or hinders or interferes with the Executive Officer in the exercise of his or her powers, then any member of Police Service ... shall be permitted to accompany and assist the Executive Officer and use such reasonable force as they consider appropriate to gain access to the Premises and allow the Executive Officer (or anyone assisting the Executive Officer) to exercise his or her powers pursuant to section 59 of the Act," the warrant also says.

The warrant goes on to specify that if there are any "reasonable grounds" for law enforcement to believe Pawlowski or anyone else has violated the court order, they are permitted "to forthwith arrest that person, restrain him or her and bring him or her at the earliest possible time before a Justice of the Court of the Queen's Bench to show cause why he or she should not be held in contempt of Court[.]"

2021-05-06 Court Case Filed and Served in the Supreme Court of Ontario, and of Canada

Received from Micah Green via Telegram

The information came from a video Micah saw of a man who was the owner of a giant food company in Ontario, and who was one of the plaintiffs of that case. The video has since vanished from the internet; what has been sent is Micah's notes. The man was displaying the court documents on the screen and summarizing it; what Micah saw on the screen is the basis of the notes.

Court case has been filed a served in the Supreme Court of Ontario and the Supreme Court of Canada - the defendants are Pope Francis; The Holy See; the State of the Vatican; Society of Jesus;; Queen Elizabeth II; Order of the Garter; House of Windsor; Global Vaccine Alliance; Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation; UN; WHO; Public Health Organization of Ontario; Dr Theresa Tam; Prime Minister Justin Trudeau; Premier Doug Ford; Mayor Jim Watson; Christine Elliott AG of Canada ; AG of Ontario

Lawyers from around the world are on the prosecution of this 35 Billion Dollar lawsuit including Constitutional Rights lawyer Rocco Gelati ; it's got to do with possibly the greatest violation of human rights and crimes against humanity in history.

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2 Toronto police handed in their badges and stepped down after serving this notice with Rocco Gelati

Update:

The video has since been removed from the internet.