"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed, organized citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has." Margaret Mead

https://leandroherrero.com/the-missing-word-in-the-famous-margaret-mead-quote/

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- to learn about the Mayan Calendar, Go to https://www.spacestationplaza.com which will link you further to www.lawoftime.org website for further information.

Next Week's Mayan Record of Days / Calendar in the year of the Magnetic Wizard

- 29th Fri 7 CIMI White Resonant World Bridger warrior aspect. About forgiveness, moving into a state of grace. Work with transmutation to move between worlds. Let go of the ego, controlling behaviour, that life is a struggle
 - I am guided by the power of endlessness [Etznab the mirror]
- **30**th **Sat 8 MANIK Blue Galactic Hand 8 tone** the octave, the higher level. The tone represents the counter clockwise spin a healing aspect: about healing self and others, creating contentment and peace. Let go of procrastination
- **31**st **Sun 9 LAMAT Yellow Solar Stargate –** a visionary aspect. About the illumination of human kind; opening the stargate the pioneer spirit looking beyond the gate it's to do with greater cycles

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- 1st Feb Mon 10 MULUC Red Planetary Moon An artist aspect. 10 energy is manifestation of our intentions into reality. Accepting spirit's direction; embracing the gift of remembering spirit; the Universal mind is our mind. Let go of self-doubt, attention to omens
- 2nd Tues 11 OC White Spectral Dog Groundhog Day: first day of spring in the Celtic tradition. An artist aspect. About working with unconditional love, healing the past. Embrace the gift of connecting with our Spirit guides. Let go of any fears, unwise use of anger. Letting go of what no longer serves us freedom from restrictions
- **3rd Wed 12 CHUEN Blue Crystal Monkey -** an artist aspect. Balancing work and play. Gift of innocence and spontaneity; let go of mistrust, any lack of compassion progress, as well as exploration of Self.
- **4th Thur 13 EB Yellow Cosmic Human –** the end of wave of Ahau. Eb is the promise of change- working with the healer aspect and attuning to spirit embracing our abundance, staying in contact with other dimensions
- 5th Fri 1 BEN Red Magnetic Skywalker a warrior aspect. Working with our focus gift of strength and ability to bend dimensions. Let go of belief of aloneness.

<u>www.Spacestationplaza.co</u> Click on the tzolkein – it's on page 2 of the link. For even more information, SEE ALSO the Law of Time.org

This is not a 3rd dimensional calendar -

C. Housekeeping: Rainbird

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FOOD MONEY: VIA PAYPAL OR See the PAGE ON Rainbowroundtable a 2nd bobcat kitten has shown up – they all come to eat! Rama has a pride of Paschats (8) including the rabbit!!!

BASICS: food, gas - usual stuff + \$ for bills \$ 200 + \$400

• Please notify T & R if you're sending something: koran9999@comcast.net EVERY \$5 HELPS - ALL GRATEFULLY RECEIVED

ALSO \$200 FOR A NEW MICROPHONE!!!

RENT DUE ON SUNDAY, FEB 31, 2021

Rama's mailing address for cheques, money orders:

Ram D Berkowitz PO Box 280 Santa Cruz, NM 87567

- Remember you can book a session with Mother, as well!
- Donations to the Fresh Produce Fund for Tara & Rama now on the www.rainbowroundtable.net
 - ** www.rainbowroundtable.net /page/donate **
- Your donation supports an account set up for Tara & Rama with Beneficial Farms Community Supported Agriculture in Santa Fe, NM

PLEASE NOTE: DUE TO THE IMPACT OF THE Corona Virus, BENEFICIAL FARMS and all other producers operate out of the open air market in Santa Fe, with everyone following the rules and regs re: displaying their produce and enabling customers to pay for and pick up food. So Beneficial Farms is still the source of Rama & Tara's food.

- They continue to appreciate each & every donation received for food.
- Please continue to go to <u>www.rainbowroundtable.net</u> and link to their Paypal account: click on the word CHANGE; choose family and friends option so Paypal takes off no fees.

FREEMART: Rama and Tara are being helped by this account: they get their supplements there. **The returns also help <u>www.rainbowroundtable.net</u>**

https://www.shopfreemart.com/tarram a/c # 7000

- all the products have much to offer, so take a look!
- Freemart is a private shoppers club; it's FREE TO JOIN.

Also, check out the heading called **READ MORE** for the good information it has

D: INFORMATION SOURCES RELATIVE TO M.T. KESHE AND KESHE FOUNDATION

Contact Rainbird with questions: lightenergync@gmail.com

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aLaVutWXju0 (CHECK THIS OUT)

** Go to Knowledge Workers workshop #344 on You Tube: see Keshe's personal tour of his exhibition in Austria - The first expo in Europe since the pandemic -

One Cup One Life - Production and Application; Prevention and Reversal of the Corona Virus

https://en.kfwiki.org/wiki/One_Cup_One_Life_--Production_and_Application_--Prevention_and_Reversal_of_the_Corona_Virus

KF Wiki

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Keshe Corona site

www.plasmainnature.com/health/coronavirus-1-cup-1-life-series-protocols-and-other-info/

E. ACCESS TO PODCAST:

https://bbsradio.com/podcast/hard-news-friday-january-29-2021

HARD NEWS Rama, Tara – R,T

R: THE LIGHT RETURNS on Monday [St Bridgets Day] and Groundhog Day comes next

T: there was a ritual getting rid of a Pope on Groundhog Day a few years ago . . .

- There is a sense of someone taking control and Biden will try to take it back to where it was not going to happen
- Like Biden shut down the XL Pipeline and the next day everyone was on Democracy Now, saying you have to shut down ALL OF THEM – NO MORE TOKENS! Tokens no longer good enough

R: The stories going on – blaze the Violet Fire – lots of horror stories

T: the Light is working and not playing violence games

- R: got a call from **Tom the Cat and the Poppy Lady** who is in Afghanistan [the name is an indication of where she comes from; poppies have grown there for thousands and thousands of years] at 11 am today
 - all the stories are about the old time lines let us get those timelines a good rest!
 - There are new stories and they are good but they cannot tell us as they are in the midst of the change; if they tell us, it changes the timelines
 - each of us must focus on ascension: the light coming in is so tremendous and is overriding the as the light comes in, causes the Dark Side to freak out!
 - Focus on the high heart

Dalai Lama: Dalai Lama @Dalai Lama

Warm-heartedness and compassion are conducive to our physical and mental well-being — anger, hatred and fear are not. This is why some scientists today talk about warm-heartedness ensuring a 'healthy mind and a healthy body'.

T: brings up Mr Keshe and what he said on the program, A NIGHT AT THE ROUNDTABLE, a few weeks ago - about Kamala Harris maybe be the president for a while

- Jan 6 was the 12th day of Christmas and they did that episode to wreck the Christmas among everything else
 - the forces of Light and the White Knights telling Rama: **that was a rehearsal** and he keeps being told: Goddess is here it is about removing that which is about Life out of Balance Koyaanisquatsi

T: there is still hawkish energy around – we'll hear about it in Lee Camp *Redacted Tonight* **R:** when he watches StarGate SG1 and some of the incidents going on, sees the same thing as what is happening, has been happening in present time

the man who is going to be head of Defence - new Defence Scretary???

used to work for Rafeon - 35 mi NNE of Minneapolis - underground is the largest amount of chemical weapons on Earth!!!

R: this may be neutralized - has been talking to his wild cats!

Reading: from Mahala Gayle – for February

SEE BELOW FOR FULL TEXT

2021-01-28 Planet Alert February 2021

http://blog.mahalasastrology.com/2021/01/28/planet-alert-february-2021/

I am glad the year 2020 is over, what a year that turned out to be. This year will be an entirely different year because the number 2021 adds up to the number five. This number is one of change and many exciting things happening, and the year will be in fast-speed. It will be one drama after another and these dramas could be good. A drama does not always have to be bad. I am looking forward to this year. It is also the Year of the Ox. Check out "After a year of anxiety, what can we expect from the Year of the Ox in 2021?"

 Biden is not who we think he is – and killing for money has to end; all kinds of intentional staging going on – Q Anon may be right about a lot of things, but not about how things will be accomplished.

CONFERENCE CALL

Ca/Pa: asking about Q'anon's stuff being right some of the time

Ca/CA: throw in some true stuff to keep people confused

Ca/Pa:

T: Marjorie Taylor Green: said there was a laser used to start the fires in Ca – and that is true **R:** but the other parts tied in with the sovereign militia ideas and 2nd amendment ...

Ca/CA: dark side sends in people with ulterior motives and

Ca/RGM: the latest ISIS movie – someone told caller to watch it: the movie was shot in a movie studio! And they forgot to take off their fancy watches and gooci shoes!

- The spirit cooking lady Maria Abramavich is the sister of Ghislane Maxwell
- Thurs pm in Calgary, AB the COVID police rejected the PCR test results of the wife and took her off in a white van; the husband was fine no rights to call lawyer or time to do anything and the police would not tell him where she was!
- about Trudeau
- The PCR test is for Covid and WHO has said the PCR isn't reliable

Ca/Pa: isn't it also that restaurants are open somewhat in order to create a bit of money not just for the owners, but for the taxes that are created?

T: it's both/and

- Randy put up a picture last night and Rama blew it up: there was a wire going into Biden's physical body! What are we really looking at?
- Brings up the situation of Biden looking into the camera but there was no one home!
- Could see Dr Jill Biden leading him by the hand off the stage after the ceremony

Question: could Kamala be the acting pres sometime in the middle of March or so?

- T: They really did kill 4 B people in the last 15 months and they are still killing POC
 - they kill as the Vatican directs –
 - In response to a question about the people in the Vatican being taken out, rendered ineffective? THE FALLEN ANGELS ARE BEHIND THE VATICAN [and they are not yet gone!]
 - brings up Trump with the DNA of Hitler and Benito Mussolini inciting the violence
 - about the Proud boys
 - the one sitting at Pelosi's desk was armed could be seen by blowing up the photograph and looking at what he had on his belt!
 - Over the door to Pelosi's office was a taser set to Pelosi's code had she come in, she would have been dead
 - Trump was the tool to get to this stage of violence

Caller: Someone in TX – using confederate type language to tell people to get ready to fight using bayonets on their rifles

- T: This is a full fascist takeover they think they'll get away with it !~!! and they won't
 - ullet someone arrested on the 4th had all kinds of ammunition and guns [could not recall where this happened]

RGM: now have guns that can shoot around corners – yes, they are heat seeking devices **CA:** it's no longer art imitating life

- Discussion about Craig Campobosso he's got a direct line to the galactics and he's saying this now when the fascists think they're going to take over things
 - Craig is operating in the middle of a den of iniquity: Hollywood,
 - he's doing the same kind of work as Faction 3

RGM: he's a presence in Hollywood, but he's not Steven Spielburg

R: George Lucas came and got a channeling from Jamie Sands who created the medicine cards – Princess Leah came through Sands and told Lucas the story and said get that story going: it's the story of our galaxy

Ca/CA: about Covid – about the master plot: the idea that AIDS has been around for how long not gone – and now there are 3-4 vaccines for covid in one year? ? ? ? Whaaat?

T: there are artificial intelligences being shot into people via the vaccination fluids - can turn you into a droid and control your mind!

CA: now saying the vaccines might not work against these strains

T: the terror of this is that they've killed 4 BILLION people already!

CA: 99% are

- **T:** the Harmony of the Spheres will help greatly and that's a free will choice you can agree that your
 - there are places where there is no oxygen in the atmosphere 2 billion birds have died just flying through those spaces in the last 40 years

CA: the other big pattern is the bees – affects the food supply!

- **RGM:** when the bees go the bee pollen and propolis also feeds the birds etc when that goes, the whole ecosystem breaks down
 - speaks of a place in South America where the honey is harvested by going over the side of a cliff – it contains all the properties that are required for healing any condition
 - thanks to the advent of television in even the remotest of places, the kids say they'll go to the doctor and are not interested in going over the cliffs to pick up the honey
- **CA:** if you notice the tendency if there is a mixed couple, it's usually a white man and a POC not so much the other way over
 - **RGM**: in 1987 project to modify tobacco plants so that the black people who picked the leaves would be affected
- the largest DNA records are held by the Jehovah Witnesses / Mormon

Ca/Pa: what happens – how did Mitt make his money? Are the girls trafficked in those families?
 T: Yes and if they don't want any more girls, they kill them, eat them, drink the blood

 R: used to have 2 Staple stores in Santa Fe (created by Romney) and now there are 2 Office Depots

RGM: videos about people going into Planned Parenthood

- mums taking their pregnant girls to PP to get an abortion but they are not being aborted – taking the fetus and harvesting the parts -
- taking guys out of prison to turn them into killers for various projects . . .
- Romney's company is called Bain Capital: private equity firms which take over smaller companies – Romney went into business with Bush Sr -
- Look up the name Robin Hood from Thursday and follow the story

Ca/Pa: in her area, sees white girls, women mostly interested in black men

CA: it's all about the rainbow, we're galactic - and we know racism in this planetary context -

• TV has poisoned the younger generations yet India had to liberate itself from the British and the white supremacy idea is still there

RGM: in India, in Africa - whitening cream is in great demand - hand lotion with caustic soda

Google Sammy Sosa – a baseball player - the outgrowth of the white supremacy

- his records are tainted because of performance enhancing drugs
- Bill Clinton came to GA, Hank Arron endorsed him and Bill won Ga! And Hank never let him forget it!
- **T:** this is the end and the accountability time remain in divine neutrality the evil being discussed has been going on for 13,000 years . . .
- it's not just about getting rid of 500,000 either one side or the other is embedded in the society of the entire planet!
 - We have more toxicity on the planet that we have any idea about !!! [pockets of air with no oxygen and people just drop dead . . .]
- Everything is being discussed

CA: Deb Holland – the native American from Santa Fe – 3she can trace her background to 35 generations – nominated to be the head of Department of the Interior -

T: It's HRC behind Biden who doesn't want Deb in -

- Talk about the microphone that is required to improve the delivery of R & T's material:
 - It's called ShureSM59 top of the line [CA] + a focus rite scarlet version like a mixing board -
- Cicily Tyson passed over at 96 . . . [this is covered in the Democracy Now section]

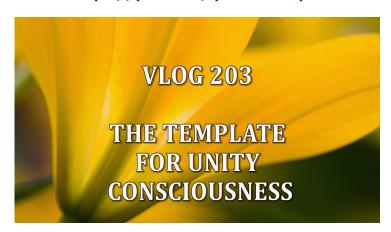
Don of BBS: has had 2 older hosts who took the shot - and died!~

BBSRADIO

AUDIO: THE BIGGER PICTURE by Patricia Cota-Robles <u>www.eraofpeace.org</u>

VLOG 203 THE TEMPLATE FOR UNITY CONSCIOUSNESS

https://youtu.be/q-8mDUzWq3o



AUDIO: The Ascended Masters Broadcasts

Beloved Master Germain - January 29th 2021: Listen/download

https://instantteleseminar.com/Events/124846437

MOTHER SEKHMET / ALCYONE [M /A]

Greetings in the Light of the Most Radiant One. In the Office of the Christ and only in the Office of the Christ, we invoke the loving energies of St Germain and the Violet Flame.

Greetings, Children of Ra!

We have heard it from the Lavender Lad [reference to the presentation above]: **200 Ascended Masters already here**, on the ground, meeting with the Wise Councils of Elders and the White Knights.

• It's time – She says it as it is: She [Mother] takes no prisoners: it is about the end of this cycle called Kali – Kali has done her dance, and Sat Yuga is here now – let us

rejoice even though we might be a little disconbobulated – we have this word on this planet!

T: a polite word for what's going on now, Mother!

- **M /A:** It is called Life out of Balance [Koyaanisqatsi] and with that, She comes, and the rest of the Company of Heaven, as Patti [Cota Robles] calls it:
 - She calls it: We are here with so many beings; every day we are in our skies, not going anywhere: Expect us! We give no times, no dates yet the time is Now.
 - It is what Gaia/Vywamus have said: the planetary distress signal was sent out so it has been responded to in the context of we have to meet our new neighbours:
 - Another way to describe it: the folks next door might not be from here maybe 40,000 light years from here, yet they are just as precious, just as important as all of us. How we do this? 'With love' is the answer.
 - We know this great moment we are in is about this transfiguration of this holy temple
 [body] it has not been easy, so to speak the energies are what they are. It's
 this great moment: like the song says 'You raise me up' that's what's happening.
 We are all getting raised up

T: as we choose to open our hearts that is really important – they are not doing it for us!~

- **M /A:** It's one's own choosing: free will choice within the Laws of the One. There are many who may choose not to raise it up that's OK it's part of the process here on this beloved blue green dot in space.
 - Carl Sagan was right there are so many of us here: the stories are too long yet it is about all of us in Divine radiance.
 - Right now, on this planet there is quite a challenge going on between the Light
 and the Dark. It is about false ideologies and some of our beloved family
 decided to play with the devil in the dark yard, and they shape shifted to try
 to look like the shining ones yet there is no shine coming from that group!
 - It is this ancient story where they decided they wanted to be masters of the universe, and it doesn't work that way.
 - We are all so interconnected that the balance is the birds, the bees, the
 flowers, the trees we are all connected and as we remember in the
 movie *Avatar* when you talked to the Tree of Souls, it has all the
 memories of the people that's what's in here [our bodies]
 - The voices of many are speaking at this time saying, there is no place on this planet for
 the type of evil that is in the context of having an issue with one's colour of skin, so
 to speak it doesn't matter because as we saw all the different stories out there

 we are all the colours of the rainbow on this planet and more, and this rainbow
 nation is here, fully engaged in bringing this planet back into balance
 - like these ones told Rama today: the old timeline has been put to bed
 - **T:** and fancy steps going on behind the scenes on all sides and a wire going into the nape of the neck of Joe Biden, going into the body . . .
- **M /A:** There are many things that need to be grokked, understood, under stood, over stood **T:** and it is a very limited narrow space left
- **M** /A: It is about understanding the nature of the matrix; how deep it goes.
 - Remember how Neo woke up after he got flushed down the drain and said to Morpheus 'Am I dead?, and Morpheus said 'Far from it! You are in the real world. THAT was the world of illusion."

- We are now getting a glimpse of the real world like what our brother shared last night about all the different folks who are here
- **T:** there are 82 civilizations represented in the almanac book [Craig Campobosso's book]
- **M /A:** And that is just a fingernail of how many species and civilization in the Alpha quadrant of this Milky Way Galaxy and there 26 other galaxies surrounding this galaxy and we are all united in the Office of the Christ. That is how things are done in this local universe of Nebadon!
 - It is no accident that the Planetary Prince of this Universe is the co-regent with AA Michael. To sit in the presence of these beings
 - it is already happening, the light that is pouring down into this world. We gotta just embrace it.
 - As there is resistance, it gets you choked up in the throat chakra because what is truth all of us are not from here. We made a choice to come here because this planet said 'I need your help. The time is now. Remember who you are'
 might sound like a cliché but it is what it is.
 - As we remember our divinity. there is no death. That's the key be in this Now moment;
 be love Now, as Ram Dass has taught he's still here. Maharishi is still around; all the folks are here.
 - It is about us waking up to this divine comedy because it is a bit comedic to look at such a magnificent group of folks, yet at the same time, getting lost in the maya with some loony toon who's not even real called Q.

T: he's not a singe individual

M /A: No

T: It's a planned Black Op

- M /A: if we knew how deep this story goes with the Black Budget and the Deep State.
 - it is about equal to what Tolkein wrote about the depths of Mordor.
 - These lifeforms who are descended from the fallen angels and all of it is being turned around now due to the time we are in
 - As we have passed this moment of we could say, because of the unique position
 we are in, in the local quadrant of the galaxy this opens up a unique
 moment that so many beings coming in here to raise it up and let us
 know we are not alone.
 - The xenophobic ideas come from these ancient ones who decided to play 'peekaboo! I see you; do you see me? And maybe I'll change my shape and look like a being of light and, at the same time, I'm gonna take your soul for a ride. Not a pretty one.'
 - Send more love to all the situations going on right now. We are in a most unique moment; as the uniqueness of self, each one of us is unique unto this story as we made a conscious choice to step in
 - **T:** Good, bad and ugly, right Mother?
- **M /A:** Yes, all the colours of the rainbow, all the colours of the wind. It is in this moment how we make a difference; diversity is . . .
 - **T:** That is one thing. Using in this world for evil is another!
- **M /A:** This is where we get to change the story She has said as she is showing up with Metatron, Michael, Maitraya and Herself; they have diplomatic immunity in this space time/continuum and at this moment, actions are being taken to turn on the rainbow vacuum cleaner, if you will, and suck up the goo.
 - **T:** they have already done the dirty deeds this is just window dressing as was said on the Conference Call

M /A: we are in such a most cosmic . . .

T: they are planning multiple adventures all over the country that make Jan 6 . .

M /A: just a rehearsal

T: hurry up!

M /A: This is why She has to say **what they're not talking about** are the fleets and fleets of craft that are in the skies and being seen by so many

T: . . . the end

M /A: the nukes don't work . . . how we work this out. . .

T: still more bombing in the Middle East

M /A: Of course

T: and the famine in Yemen is outrageous

M /A: Yes!~ Blaze the Violet Fire – all the situations are a result of life out of balance. How they come in with the angels and the masters to shift this at this particular time in our story – how they do this – is: take the ball and walk with us; we will show you about life, the universe, and everything - and the time is nigh

• Greetings . . .

- **T:** thanks to Mother. The energies will continue to go higher and it's really important to ground ourselves constantly
- **M /A:** Let's say, as we have had that cup of tea, we'll figure out how we get each other on the various craft to be stationed on for the next stage

T: what do you mean: figure it out? You know exactly what you're doing!!!

M /A: Of course - making light of a very intense story; otherwise we would be crying oceans of tears for so much: oceans and oceans of blood spilled over across the eons of time and space. Enough!

Both: Kadoish, Kadoish – adonai, sabeoth

M: see you on the bridge – Namaste! **T:** and in our dreams, Mother! Namaste!

Rama Returns: Has been observing proceedings at the Solar Tribunal on Saturn. Many folks discussing issues at hand about the current state of affairs

T: We were told the Solar Tribunal are meeting on the ground now, not on Saturn

R: he was taken there; he showed up there even though the proceedings are happening here as well; he met with various solar tribunal members who both there and here

T: stuff going on everywhere and nowhere at all!

R: He learned there are so many different masters and teachers from various galaxies who have an active role on this planet and our ascensions, and these master and teachers - we will get to know them as they've been here forever -

R: it's about the Harmony of the Spheres and the Science of Love – it is a Science! **T:** and God is a number! Rama laughs . . .

T: let your imaginations work, everyone – the suppression of love is RIDICULOUS! The power of Love is the most powerful thing of all

BOTH LAUGHING: seeing Steve Colbert and Joe Biden sitting on the couch having a little chat **R:** it's just part of the matrix – have to play with the holodeck

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AUDIO: DEMOCRACY NOW

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2021-01-29 My Name is Pauli Murray: New Film on Black Queer Legal Pioneer Who Inspired RBG & Thurgood Marshall

AUDIO: REDACTED TONIGHT

NOTE: Was unable to find the link to the program on either RT tv or Portable

HOWEVER: DID find the following article, and much of it was used as the text for that section of his show!!!

Two massive leaks about police departments and DHS and the PR companies trying to create regime change in Syria

The article is dated October 14, 2020

SEE IT BELOW

2021-01-30 (October 14, 2020)

Two Massive New Leaks Show Dirty Underbelly of Empire

https://www.counterpunch.org/2020/10/14/two-massive-new-leaks-show-dirty-underbelly-of-empire/

by Lee Camp

Be sure and listen to how he skewers the various things that have resulted in the poor opinion other countries have of the US at the present moment . . .

Musical Presentation

CLOSING: Rainbird

Rama's Closing Choices

Alan Watts - You are God https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Oc-BHVinURg

Josh Groben – You Raise Me Up

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2021-01-28 Planet Alert February 2021

http://blog.mahalasastrology.com/2021/01/28/planet-alert-february-2021/

I am glad the year 2020 is over, what a year that turned out to be. This year will be an entirely different year because the number 2021 adds up to the number five. This number is one of change and many exciting things happening, and the year will be in fast-speed. It will be one drama after another and these dramas could be good. A drama does not always have to be bad. I am looking forward to this year. It is also the Year of the Ox. Check out "After a year of anxiety, what can we expect from the Year of the Ox in 2021?"

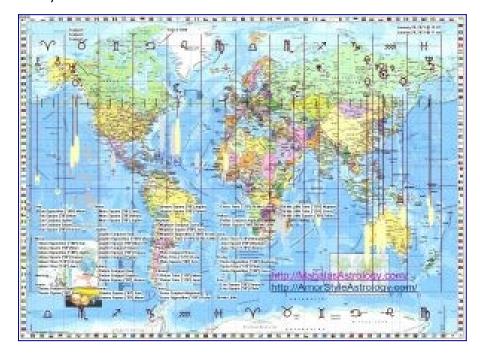


According to Astrology we moved into the light on January 20, 2021 when the sun moved into Aquarius and was almost conjunct Saturn, which was on 3 degrees Aquarius. This degree means "The disciplined use of spiritual energies in restoring the natural harmony disturbed by man's inharmonic attempts to transcend nature through mind." The planet that rules Aquarius is Uranus, the planet of light. It also rules high technology, revolutions, space ships and unexpected events. Saturn is in Aquarius for 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 3 years so we are now at the beginning of light on Earth. The war is over and the light has won. Now we need to focus on using our heart brain, not our head brain. We have three brains: one in our head, one in our heart, and one in our solar plexus. It is time for our hearts to rule.

Mars and Uranus were also exactly conjunct on 6 degrees Taurus on Inauguration day. Uranus rules groups of people such as new groups of light that will be forming on Earth. Mars energy rules soldiers. The Mars/Uranus energy brought many troops to the white house for the Inauguration of our new president to prevent any more violence from happening. The troops are still there.

On Inauguration day Jupiter was on the degree of "A child is seen being born out of an egg. This means the emergence of a new mutation according to the rhythm of the cosmos," in other words, a new Universe is being born which will be one of light. This will not happen right away because we still need to release more darkness for a while, although the energy of light started on January 20, 2021. There was also a very large energy wave that came in between January 16 and 20.

Here is a link to that wave of light from <u>Sovereign Spirit</u> on BitChute. I talked about waves of light coming to Earth in my last Newsletter.



Uranus and Mars are still in a close conjunction at this full moon on January 28 at 11:16 AM PST. Mars is on 10 degrees Taurus and this degree means "This symbol reveals the feeling of human cooperation at the stage of pure altruism and service to the social Whole. This is the foundation of Christ Love." It is time to totally let go of the past and go into the future of love and light. It is now time to shine our light in all its glory. We are manifesting a very high frequency right now and it is time for change so we can walk into the light and start enjoying life to its fullest. This full moon is on 9 degrees Leo. This degree means "The exalted feeling that rises within the soul of the individual who has successfully passed through the long dark night of the soul which has tested his strength and his faith." That sure happened in 2020, the year of double judgment.

Venus is now conjunct Pluto on 25 degrees Capricorn. Pluto rules Virus and maybe this is the beginning of the end of the Virus because of the help from Venus. The vaccinations have also come out and that may bring an end to the virus? My heart goes out to anyone who has suffered from this virus or lost love ones from this illness. This was one of the last prophecies to happen in the Bible. Two will be in the field, one will be taken and one will be left. This is happening right now. It is also causing separation between people.

We are experiencing a new regime where I live in this great country of America. This gives us the opportunity to experience another way of living. We have moved through the chaos and now it is almost time for peace and a new way of life. Pluto is moving away from Eris (chaos). We are now in the Age of Aquarius and that is an age of communities and people working together for the betterment of mankind. It has begun!

Russia is also in the process of a revolution. The people of Russia are tired of living under a dictator and want change. If they can change, then this will be the beginning of many countries changing. It will be like a domino effect with one country after another changing to freedom. Aquarius is the sign of freedom, rebellions and changes by revolutions. There will be much light

coming in now that Saturn is in Aquarius. Saturn brings rewards after the lesson has been learned and that planet will be in Aquarius until March of 2023.

Uranus is in Taurus right now and this means a large change in our money system, or the Stock Market. This came out today about the Stock Market – <u>Breaking! How Reddit Just DESTROYED</u> <u>Wall Street (GameStop, bbby, amc)</u>. Because Uranus rules high tech, we will probably also see changes in the crypto currency. Look at how Bitcoin has gone out of site. Right now, it is selling at \$31,800 dollars. I wish I had some. I don't know just how our money system will change, although with Uranus in Taurus for several years it will definitely change.

At this full moon the Sun is in an exact conjunction with Jupiter on 9 degrees Aquarius. This degree means "A flag is seen turning into an Eagle and is the dynamic incorporation of new social values". That sounds like the USA, although this conjunction is over Japan, Southeast Asia, and part of China. Maybe we will see a large change in China. The Venus Pluto conjunction is over the East Coast USA. This looks like a change in the Stock Market. Mars conjunct Uranus is over the West Coast USA and there could be some Earth Changes along the coast. The other side of the world that will be affected by this conjunction is the Middle East, and Russia. No wonder the people in Russia are demonstrating now.

Uranus also rules Space Ships. It looks like this is the time we will see many ships in our heavens and maybe we will have contact with them. I think this is the time where the Bible says we will see the coming of the Lord in heaven with power and great glory. I am excited because the ships are here to help us through the change. I know there are many ships out there now because I can see them with my night vision binoculars. It is time to celebrate.

Hold onto your hat as this year continues to move in fast-speed, even though Mercury is almost ready to go retrograde. In February we have the holiday of Valentine's Day which is in the sign of Aquarius. Maybe we should change this holiday to the Holiday of Unconditional Love and make it the best holiday of the year. Remember we are in the cycle of feminine energy, which is heart energy so please

Think With Your Heart!

So Be It. I love all of you!

HAPPY VALENTINES DAY

***** Mahala Gayle *****

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Jan 29, 2021 South African Coronavirus Variant Detected in U.S. for First Time



The United States reported another 4,000 deaths from COVID-19 Thursday, as a fast-spreading coronavirus variant first seen in South Africa was detected in the U.S. for the first time, with two cases in South Carolina. Daily U.S. infections have been on the decline after shattering world records earlier this month, but remain at extremely high levels of about 150,000 per day. Disease experts worry new variants — coupled with fatigue over masks and social distancing — could lead to another surge in cases.

Here in New York, Attorney General Letitia James said Thursday that Governor Andrew Cuomo's administration undercounted COVID-19 deaths at nursing homes by as much as 50%. Just hours after James's announcement, New York Health Department officials added nearly 4,000 nursing home deaths to the state's tally.

Novavax Vaccine Cut COVID-19 Cases by 90 Percent in Trial But Lagged Against South African Variant Jan 29, 2021



Drug maker Novavax said Thursday its COVID-19 vaccine showed nearly 90% efficacy at preventing disease in patients in a large clinical trial in the U.K. But worryingly, the Novavax vaccine showed only a 50% efficacy rate in a smaller trial in South Africa, where a new variant of coronavirus has been spreading rapidly. The Novavax immunization is a protein-based vaccine that trains people's immune systems to recognize the "spike proteins" that surround the coronavirus. Several mutations in the South African variant led to changes in the spike protein that can help it evade immune responses.

At the World Health Organization, Emergencies Director Dr. Mike Ryan said vaccine makers may have to tweak their formulas as the coronavirus continues to evolve.

Dr. Mike Ryan: "Look at influenza. We change the vaccine composition twice a year, for the northern and southern hemisphere, and we're able to issue vaccines very, very quickly to combat the predominant flu strains every year. So, there's no reason, even down the line, if this virus evolves to a point where our vaccines begin to lose effectiveness, we can adapt those vaccines, and I believe we can adapt those vaccines quickly."

President Biden Expands Affordable Care Act Enrollment Amid COVID-19 Pandemic Jan 29, 2021



President Biden signed an executive order Thursday restoring mandates of the Affordable Care Act and Medicaid that were undermined under President Trump. Biden's order also adds a new special enrollment period for people to purchase a healthcare plan through the federal insurance marketplace. That period runs from February 15th through May 15th.

President Joe Biden: "There is nothing new that we are doing here other than restoring the Affordable Care Act and restoring [the] Medicaid to the way it was before Trump became President."

U.S. Economy Shrank by 3.5% in 2020 as Pandemic Took Hold

Jan 29, 2021



The U.S. economy shrank by 3.5% last year — the worst drop since 1946. The Commerce Department reports the economy grew by 4% in the last quarter of 2020, but that was not nearly enough to offset declines earlier in the year. Another 847,000 U.S. workers filed new jobless claims last week, with unemployment remaining historically high. On Thursday Democratic leaders signaled they will attempt to push Biden's proposed \$1.9 trillion coronavirus relief package through Congress by mid-March.

House Speaker Blasts GOP for Assigning Racist Conspiracy Theorist to House Education Committee

Jan 29, 2021



House Speaker Nancy Pelosi slammed her Republican counterparts for giving Georgia freshman Congressmember Marjorie Taylor Greene a seat on the Education Committee after she claimed that many mass shootings were fake.

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi: "Assigning her to the education committee when she has mocked the killing of little children at Sandy Hook Elementary School, when she has mocked the killing of teenagers in high school at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School. What could they be thinking? Or is thinking too generous a word for what they might be doing? It is absolutely appalling."

This comes as more disturbing revelations about Marjorie Taylor Greene have emerged from her social media history. In 2018, she falsely claimed a laser beam from space started the deadly Camp Fire in California. Greene cited "Rothschild Inc" — a common anti-Semitic trope — as being responsible. In fact, Pacific Gas & Electric has pleaded guilty in the deaths of 84 people killed in the wildfire. The QAnon-supporting lawmaker has also backed calls for violence against Democrats, promoted other anti-Semitic and anti-Muslim conspiracy theories and made racist remarks.

"Brazen, Entitled, Dangerous": Capitol Rioter Who Looted House Speaker's Office Denied Bail



Image Credit: Left Image: Saul Loeb/AFP via Getty Images

Jan 29, 2021

An Arkansas man who boasted to reporters about looting the office of House Speaker Pelosi on January 6th will remain behind bars while he awaits trial. On Thursday Chief U.S. District Judge Beryl Howell denied bail to Richard Barnett, who infamously posed for photos with his feet on Pelosi's desk and later showed off mail he'd stolen from her office. Judge Howell blasted Barnett as "brazen", "entitled", "dangerous", and "a braggart" who showed a total disregard for the law and the U.S. constitution. She added, "We're still living here in D.C. with the consequences of the violence in which this defendant is alleged to have participated. I can still see heavily armed National Guard troops patrolling from my window."

House GOP Leader Signals Devotion to Trump as Lawmakers Target Rep. Liz Cheney Over Impeachment Vote Jan 29, 2021



House Republican Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy signaled continuing loyalty to Donald Trump on Thursday after a meeting with the former president at his Mar-a-Lago

estate in Florida. In a statement, McCarthy said Trump would help "a united conservative movement" to elect Republicans to the House and Senate in 2022.

McCarthy's visit came on the same day that Florida Republican Congressmember Matt Gaetz led a rally at the Wyoming state Capitol, calling on voters to reject Republican congresswoman Liz Cheney during primary elections. Cheney is the third-highest-ranking Republican leader in the House, and was one of 10 GOP lawmakers who voted to impeach the president for inciting the January 6th assault on the capitol.

Rep. Matt Gaetz: If you want to prove that you have the power, defeat Liz Cheney in this upcoming election, and Wyoming will bring Washington to its knees.

Congressmember Gaetz said he spoke with former president Trump ahead of the rally, and Donald Trump Jr. joined the rally by speakerphone.

Indian Farmworkers Call Off Upcoming March After Violent Clashes With Police

Jan 29, 2021



In India, farmworkers taking part in a historic uprising called off a march to parliament next week following deadly violence during a protest earlier this week that left one person dead and hundreds injured. The head of the farmers union condemned the violence, which saw some farmers break off from the main protest and breach the historic Red Fort Complex, some driving tractors. Police pushed the farmers back with tear gas and batons. Indian police are using facial recognition technology to identify suspects in the Red Fort breach.

Pakistan Court Rules to Free Men Convicted of Kidnapping and Murdering Journalist Daniel Pearl Jan 29, 2021



Pakistan's Supreme Court ruled to release four men convicted of kidnapping and murdering Wall Street Journal reporter Daniel Pearl in 2002. His attackers famously recorded his beheading and sent the video to U.S. officials. The court cited insufficient evidence and inconsistencies in the case which was re-examined last year. The White House described the decision to release the perpetrators as "an affront to terrorism victims everywhere" and administration officials said they would seek to put one of the men, British national Ahmed Omar Saeed Sheikh, on trial in the U.S.

Robert Malley, Who Helped Negotiate Iran Nuclear Deal, to be Named Special Envoy on Iran

Jan 29, 2021



President Biden is expected to name Robert Malley, a former adviser in the Obama and Clinton administrations, as the U.S. special envoy on Iran. Malley was a key figure in negotiating the landmark 2015 Iran nuclear deal, which Trump unilaterally withdrew the U.S. from.

Russian Authorities Crack Down on Social Media Ahead of More Protests as Navalny Speaks Out

Jan 29, 2021



Russian authorities are cracking down on TikTok and other social media sites ahead of planned anti-corruption and anti-dictatorship protests being planned for the weekend. Last weekend's rallies were met with extraordinary police violence and nearly 4,000 arrests, after tens of thousands of people took to the streets of cities across 11 time zones in some of the biggest protests ever to challenge Vladimir Putin's rule.

Police have stepped up arrests and home searches targeting supporters of opposition nationalist politician Alexei Navalny, who was arrested upon his return to Russia earlier this month after surviving an assassination attempt in 2020. Navalny says the attack, using the Soviet-era nerve agent Novichok, took place on Putin's orders. On Thursday, a court in Moscow ordered Navalny to be jailed for 30 days ahead of his trial. Navalny spoke by video link from jail.

Alexei Navalny: "I want to say one more time: you won't succeed in frightening us. In fact we are the majority. You won't manage to frighten dozens of millions of people who were robbed by those in power despite the fact that those people who are now under arrest face hardships."

German Neo-Nazi Who Killed Official Walter Lübcke in 2019 Sentenced to Life in Prison

Jan 29, 2021



In Germany, a neo-Nazi who murdered regional political official Walter Lübcke has been sentenced to life in prison. Stephan Ernst shot Lübcke on the terrace of his house in 2019. Lübcke had been targeted by far-right extremists over his support of Chancellor Angela

house in 2019. Lübcke had been targeted by far-right extremists over his support of Chancellor Angela Merkel's immigration policies, which opened Germany's doors to asylum seekers during the 2015-2016 refugee crisis.

Dutch Appeals Court Orders Shell To Pay Damages to Nigerian Farmers for Oil Spills

Jan 29, 2021



A Dutch appeals court has ruled Shell is responsible for oil spills in 2004 and 2005 in Nigeria's Niger Delta and must pay damages. The case was brought by Friends of the Earth and Nigerian farmers who were seeking compensation for the leaks that contaminated their land

and deprived them of income. The ruling could lead to more cases against Royal Dutch Shell.

GM to Phase Out Gas Cars, Aims to Go Carbon Neutral by 2040

Jan 29, 2021



General Motors said Thursday it will stop manufacturing cars that produce tailpipe emissions by 2035 as part of a pledge to become carbon neutral by 2040. GM's move to all-electric cars could cause other major automakers to follow suit. A recent report by the Union of Concerned Scientists found electric cars generate

half the emissions of the average comparable gasoline car, even when pollution from battery manufacturing is accounted for.

Lawmakers Demand Probe into Trading App Robinhood After it Blocked Stock Sales That Hurt Hedge Funds

Jan 29, 2021



Lawmakers are demanding a Congressional investigation

into the trading app Robinhood, after it stopped allowing users to purchase stock in the video game retailer GameStop and other companies. GameStop's share prices have swung dramatically in recent weeks – at one point surging by over 1800 percent – after amateur investors on Reddit boosted its price, costing billions of dollars in losses to major hedge funds that were betting on its share price to fall.

A class action suit brought Thursday accuses Robinhood of manipulating the open-market to benefit hedge funds at the expense of amateur traders. New York Democratic Congressmember Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez tweeted in response, "Gotta admit it's really something to see Wall Streeters with a long history of treating our economy as a casino complain about a message board of posters also treating the market as a casino." She added, "Anyways, Tax the Rich."

Veteran NYT Reporter Investigated for Racist and Sexist Language



In media news, the Daily Beast reports New York Times science and health reporter Donald McNeil Jr. was under investigation over offensive and racist comments he allegedly made while leading a trip to Peru with high school students in 2019. After the trip, several of the students told their parents McNeil had repeatedly made sexist comments and used the N-word. New York Times executive editor Dean Baquet said the investigation concluded McNeil's "remarks were offensive and that he showed extremely poor judgment, but it did not appear to me that his intentions were hateful." McNeil has been at the paper since 1976 and is now a top coronavirus correspondent.

CBS Suspends Two Execs Over Charges Of Sexist and Racist Behavior

Jan 29, 2021



In more media news, two top executives at CBS were suspended earlier this week over accusations of sexist and racist behavior, and following an investigation by the Los Angeles Times detailing how the two executives continuously bullied women journalists, blocked promotions for Black journalists and made racist comments. Peter Dunn, president of the CBS television stations, and David Friend, senior vice president of news — have been placed on administrative leave while a third-party investigation is ongoing.

Austin To Turn Hotel Into Permanent Shelter for Unhoused People Using Diverted Police Funds

Jan 29, 2021



In Texas, the Austin City Council voted earlier this week to buy a hotel that will serve as permanent housing for dozens of chronically unhoused people, and use money taken from the city's police budget to provide resources for the people who will live in the hotel. The council back in August voted to cut some \$100 million from the police department's budget. A recurring \$6.5 million payment from those cuts is being set aside to fund permanent supportive housing and other services for unhoused people.

At Least 2 Mexican Nationals Among Six Dead After Nitrogen Leak at Georgia Poultry Plant

Jan 29, 2021



In Georgia, at least six people were killed after a liquid nitrogen leak at a Gainesville poultry processing plant Thursday. Nearly a dozen others were sent to the hospital. The plant is owned by the Foundation Food Group. Mexican officials said at least two of the workers who died were from Mexico. Most of the workforce in Gainesville's meat processing plants are Latinx. In 2019, four in every 100 meat processing plant workers in the U.S. recorded a workplace injury and at least 12 people died at the workplace.

Pioneering African-American Actor Cicely Tyson, Winner of Two Emmys, Dies at 96

Jan 29, 2021



An award-winning African American actor Cicely Tyson, who was born and raised in Harlem, New York, has died at the age of 96. In 1974, Tyson won two Emmy Awards for perhaps her best known role as the lead character in the TV drama "The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman." Tyson also had a supporting role in the 1977 television mini-series "Roots." Cicely Tyson has played many acclaimed TV and movie roles, consistently portraying positive images of African American women. In 2005, Cicely Tyson spoke at a memorial service for the late Rosa Parks at the Metropolitan AME church in Washington, D,C..

Cicely Tyson: I do believe that the reason why Rosa Parks did not move when ordered to do so was because she knew that King Jesus was her driver, and she was not to move. She was like a tree planted by the water, and she was not to be moved. I tell you, she was climbing Jacob's ladder, and she was not to be moved. Climbing Jacob's ladder, and she was not to be moved. I have to tell you that last night, yesterday, when I viewed her body, I was stunned by the strength that came from her face. Even in death, it was there."

The late Cicely Tyson, speaking at the memorial service for Rosa Parks in 2005. Democracy Now! was there. Cicely Tyson has died at the age of 96.

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2021-01-29 My Name is Pauli Murray: New Film on Black Queer Legal Pioneer Who Inspired RBG & Thurgood Marshall

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Guests Julie Cohen

director of My Name is Pauli Murray.

- Betsy West
- Dolores Chandler
- director of My Name is Pauli Murray.

social worker and equity facilitator and trainer in Durham, North Carolina, who is featured in the documentary *My Name is Pauli Murray*.

Links Julie Cohen on Twitter

- Betsy West on Twitter
- "My Name Is Pauli Murray" at Sundance Film Festival
- Pauli Murray Center

Image Credit: Schlesinger Library/Radcliffe Institute/Harvard

We spend the hour looking at the life of one of the most pivotal figures in the history of struggle for gender equality and racial justice, Pauli Murray, whose story is told in the new documentary "My Name Is Pauli Murray," premiering at the Sundance Film Festival. Murray was a trailblazing Black, nonbinary, queer, feminist poet, lawyer, legal scholar and priest who influenced the likes of Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Thurgood Marshall, and is viewed as a hero to many in the trans rights movement. We feature excerpts from "My Name is Pauli Murray," which features new footage and audio recordings of Murray in their own words, and interviews about Murray with Ginsburg and Bishop Michael Curry, the Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church, and speak with the filmmaking team behind the documentary, directors Betsy West and Julie Cohen. We are also joined by Dolores Chandler, a social worker and equity facilitator and trainer in Durham, North Carolina, who is featured in the film and is the former coordinator of the Pauli Murray Center for History and Social Justice. "The fact is most of us were not taught about Pauli Murray," says Cohen. "This is a person who influenced so many different movements in the U.S."

Transcript

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AMY GOODMAN: This is *Democracy Now!*, <u>Democracynow.org</u>, the Quarantine Report. I'm Amy Goodman. One of President Biden's first steps in his first week in office was to end the Trump ban on transgender people serving in the U.S. military and issue an executive order to clarify protections for trans people in the workplace, schools, in health care and more. He also signed four executive orders to advance what the White House calls his racial equity agenda. The moves are steps on the long path toward equality, and today we spend the hour looking back on one of the most pivotal figures in the history of this struggle, Pauli Murray, a trailblazing Black, queer, feminist poet, lawyer and legal scholar, and priest, who was discriminated against

from childhood because of their race or gender, or both, and went on to question systems of oppression and conformity with a radical vision ahead of their time that influenced landmark civil rights decisions and gender equality legislation that transformed our world.

As a civil rights pioneer, Pauli Murray was arrested 15 years *before* Rosa Parks for refusing to give up a seat on a bus. Pauli later helped found the National Organization for Women. Pauli also became a priest and is now a saint in the Episcopal Church. Pauli Murray's story is told in a new documentary premiering at the Sundance Film Festival that opens this weekend that features never-before-seen footage and audio recordings of Pauli Murray in their own words.

PERSON: Can I take some close-ups of you without your glasses?

PAULI MURRAY: Mmhmm. [dog barks] Lie down. Sit down. Lie down. Lie down.

PERSON: [laughter] [inaudible] [laughter]

PAULI MURRAY: My name is Pauli Murray and my field of concentration has been human rights. My whole personal history has been a struggle to meet standards of excellence in a society which has been dominated by the ideas that Blacks were inherently inferior to whites and women were inherently inferior to men.

AMY GOODMAN: How influential was Pauli Murray in the fight for equality? They played a key role in developing Thurgood Marshall's arguments that led to the unanimous 1954 Supreme Court ruling in Brown versus Board of Education that racial segregation of children in public schools was unconstitutional. And they inspired Ruth Bader Ginsburg's first argument before the Supreme Court as a lawyer that the Equal Protection Clause that made it illegal to discriminate on the basis of race also made it illegal to discriminate on the basis of sex, a practice Pauli Murray called "Jane Crow."

Pauli Murray inspired so many people, yet their experience as a non-binary Black person has often been overlooked. Their role in all of these histories has been overlooked. In a letter to their Aunt Pauline in 1943, Pauli Murray wrote, "I don't know whether I'm right or whether society (or some medical authority) is right, I only know how I feel and what makes me happy. This conflict rises up to knock me down at every apex I reach in my career. And because the laws of society do not protect me, I'm exposed to any enemy or person who may or may not want to hurt me," they wrote.

In a new documentary *I Am Pauli Murray* [sic], trans activist and writer Raquel Willis and queer and trans writer Dolores Chandler share how Pauli Murray is also a hero to many in today's trans rights movement.

DOLORES CHANDLER: As a trans, gender nonconforming, queer person of mixed race myself, I thought, "Mm. This is a feeling I know well."

DOLORES CHANDLER: We've been taught to believe that people like us don't exist. So when I came to know and learn about Pauli Murray, I was so amazed and wanted to like hold it so tightly. And also I was angry. I was so angry that I felt in some ways that I had been robbed of a part of my history.

DOLORES CHANDLER: I identify with the turmoil of someone who was trying to live life as a complete being with an integrated body, mind and spirit.

DOLORES CHANDLER: If Pauli Murray were sitting here today and I said, "Pauli, what pronouns do you use?" I don't know what Pauli Murray would say.

RAQUEL WILLIS: Being Black and queer myself, I refer to Pauli as they or simply Pauli to acknowledge their expansive gender experience.

AMY GOODMAN: That's Raquel Willis and Dolores Chandler in the new film *My Name is Pauli Murray*. Dolores is the former coordinator of the Pauli Murray Center and joins us now from Durham, North Carolina. We're also joined by the film's directors and producers, Julie Cohen and Betsy West. The film grew out of their Academy Award-nominated documentary *RBG. I Am Pauli Murray* [sic] is premiering at the Sundance Film Festival, one of the premiere film festivals in the world, which has just started and is taking place mostly online due to the pandemic. We welcome you all to *Democracy Now!* It's great to have you with us. Betsy West, I wanted to begin with you. Talk about how you learned about Pauli Murray and the trajectory that this film has taken following your critically acclaimed film *RBG*.

BETSY WEST: Well, we learned about Pauli Murray *from* RBG. As you mentioned, RBG credited Pauli Murray with ideas about using the 14th Amendment to win equal rights for women. And in fact, RBG put Pauli Murray's name on the cover of the first brief that she wrote before the Supreme Court in Reed v. Reed. So Julie and I heard the name and learned a little bit, but after the documentary *RBG* was finished, we started to do a little more investigating, and it didn't take long to realize that this chapter in Pauli's life was just one of an extraordinary series of events. And we just thought—well, first of all, like, "Wow, why didn't we know about Pauli Murray?" And "What an amazing story." And "Would it be possible to make a documentary about Pauli?"

AMY GOODMAN: I actually wanted to go to Ruth Bader Ginsburg. Shortly after the Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg died last year, *Time Magazine* published a never-before-seen interview with RBG from 2017 talking about how Pauli Murray influenced her.

RUTH BADER GINSBURG: The 14th Amendment contains my favorite clause of the Constitution—"nor shall any state deny any person the equal protection of the laws." Pauli had the idea that we should interpret the text literally. It said any person, not any male person. She wrote this remarkable article called "Jane Crow and the Law" where she called attention to all the laws that restricted what women could do. Reed v Reed was the turning point gender discrimination case in the Supreme Court. I wrote the brief in Sally Reed's case. I put on the cover Pauli Murray's name. By the time of Reed, Pauli had already changed her interests. She was going to divinity school. She was into ministry, not lawyering. But we knew when we were writing that brief that we were standing on her shoulders.

AMY GOODMAN: Yes, that's none other than with Ruth Bader Ginsburg speaking to the filmmakers Margo Guernsey and Llewellyn Smith back in 2017. RBG is also featured in *My Name is Pauli Murray*. So, Julie Cohen, if you can take us back? What is astounding about this, and I'm sure for many around the world who are watching or listening to this or reading about it right now, is this is the first time they are hearing Pauli Murray's name. Yet named by RBG as one of her inspirations. And then go back in time to Thurgood Marshall and before that as well.

JULIE COHEN: Yeah, that's right. Certainly, there is a growing awareness among progressives in the U.S., Episcopals, people who live in Durham, North Carolina, pockets of extreme interest and academics who are interested in Pauli Murray. But the fact is, most of us were not taught about Pauli Murray in our elementary school history classes as perhaps we should have been or later in our schooling. And yet this is a person who influenced so many different movements in the U.S., not only, as you were talking about, the fight for gender equality, but also the fight for racial equality.

When Pauli Murray was at Howard Law School in the early 1940s, Pauli wrote a paper making the argument that Plessy versus Ferguson should be overturned, the notorious 1896 Supreme Court case laying down the rule of separate but equal. The feeling of the early civil rights movement at that point was, "What we should be fighting for in the separate but equal realm is to sort of, you know, improve the conditions in segregated institutions."

Pauli Murray's argument was, "No, no, no, this whole construct is faulty. Separate but equal by definition is unfair. And by keeping people separate, you are treating them unequally. You are creating a stamp or a badge of inferiority, telling people that people need to go into their own corners." Pauli's teachers and classmates at Howard Law School thought this idea too radical, in Pauli's description. There was laughter and

mocking. Pauli said, "I think that Plessy is going to be overturned." I think within 25 years was Pauli's guess. One of Pauli's professors made a \$10 wager saying, like, "No, absolutely no way." Of course, ten years later, 1954, the Brown versus Board of Education Supreme Court ruling came out saying exactly that—"Separate but equal is unconstitutional."

And Pauli's law professors were involved in that case. Spottswood Robinson, who was Pauli's professor at Howard, Thurgood Marshall, also teaching at Howard. Like all the great civil rights icons were very much circling around Howard University. And in fact, Pauli's paper was used in developing the arguments that went into the Brown versus Board of Education brief. There are certain specific points that Pauli makes that actually find their way into the formal brief and then into the Supreme Court ruling.

AMY GOODMAN: I want to turn to an audio clip of Pauli Murray speaking in 1966 at the Harvard Law Forum.

Pauli Murray: Nature does not ask us where she distributes brains, intellect, talent, drive. She simply scatters these with the recombination of the genes. In some ways, I might have been disadvantaged to have been born a negro in white America, a woman in a man's profession, left-handed in a right-handed world, and I might throw in even an orphan at an early age. But there were certain advantages in this status, which I didn't see then but I see in retrospect. I therefore came to sex discrimination much later than I came to race discrimination. And having fought the battle of race discrimination, I began to see how integrally these two discriminations were. Since I could not split myself, since I had to be a unified human being, I decided that it was not I that was wrong but the society that was wrong. And that any time a society penalizes an individual because of a biological attribute, whether it be race per se or whether it be sex per se, that society is going to be challenged.

AMY GOODMAN: That was Pauli Murray speaking at a Harvard Law Forum. Pauli Murray went to Howard Law School. In the 1940s, Pauli Murray wrote a letter to Harvard Law School after being rejected for a further degree. At the time, the school only accepted men. Pauli wrote, "I would gladly change my sex to meet your requirements, but since the way to such change has not been revealed to me, I have no recourse but to appeal to you to change your minds." Now, this is not a minor point. She is prevented from going to Harvard Law School because they said they would not accept women to Harvard Law School. She would go to the University of California Berkeley, then get another degree at Yale. Now a building is named for Pauli Murray, the first African American named on a building, a building is named for.

Betsy West, if you could talk about—a lot of what's embedded in what Pauli Murray is saying—now, Pauli Murray at the time referred to herself as "she," but this is at a time when she had asked for testosterone treatment, when—they had asked for testosterone treatment. When they were asking doctors, "Could it be that in fact I am male?" When there was an appendix problem, begging the doctor to do exploratory surgery to see if perhaps they had male genitalia inside.

BETSY WEST: Yeah. As you said, this was a struggle that Pauli went through privately. Pauli wrote about civil rights, women's rights, her fight for those things, but at the same time as a young woman, Paula was experiencing the feelings, "Hey, I'm a man," and in Pauli's thirties and forties, consulting a series of doctors. It was really extraordinary to read the letters that are in the Schlesinger Library at Harvard where Pauli's archive resides in a folder that Pauli saved for posterity to read. Her struggle to find an answer to the feelings that Pauli had at the time.

You have to remember in the 1930s and 1940s, there was no language, there were no words to describe the feelings that Pauli had had from the time that she was a little girl. And something that was a private struggle that now, thanks to her saving all of this, we know about, and I think many people in the trans community we'll hear about have identified with very strongly. You heard from Dolores earlier. I look forward to hearing from Dolores now.

AMY GOODMAN: And I want to bring Dolores into this conversation now. Dolores Chandler, you were the project coordinator at the Pauli Murray Project in Durham. I wanted to read a quote to you from another person featured in the film, the well-known attorney who we just had on this week from the ACLU, Chase

Strangio, who tweeted, "I hope everyone gets to learn about Pauli Murray, one of my heroes. I also think it's wrong to refer to Pauli with she/her pronouns. I hope we move away from that. We owe Pauli the respect to hold the capaciousness of Pauli's experiences in the world."

Dolores, talk about how you learned about Pauli Murray, your feelings at the time, not having grown up with her as—here I use the term "her" because she herself earlier—but in this day and age, as Chase Strangio says, "Do not use those pronouns"—your thoughts?

DOLORES CHANDLER: Well, so, to go back to how I learned about Pauli Murray, I was really introduced to who Pauli Murray is and was in 2013 when I learned about the Pauli Murray Project. And I think that for me, as I mentioned in the documentary, there was a real clear moment of recognition in the sense that here was this person who—and I think that Raquel Willis really uses the perfect word—"expansive"—here is this person who is so expansive in their being, not just in terms of gender, but in terms of every—a person who has become so integral in almost every aspect of our culture. And to recognize somebody who was holding a sense of turmoil around something that is very integral to their being.

And what Pauli talks about is the necessity to be a—to not fragment themselves and to be integral or integrated into body, mind and spirit. And so I think the ask to refer to Pauli with gender-neutral pronouns as opposed to with she/her pronouns is an ask to acknowledge the complexity and the fullness and expansiveness of who Pauli was as a person.

AMY GOODMAN: And talk about your thoughts, Dolores, and your feelings, when you first learned about Pauli Murray. How you came to be at the time the coordinator, project coordinator at the Pauli Murray Project in Durham, North Carolina.

DOLORES CHANDLER: I came to be in that position really through my field internship. I was in a social work program at UNC at the time, and I had been invited to participate in a weekend-long sort of discussion where there were people from disciplines relevant to Pauli Murray's life. So I spent the weekend with lawyers and priests and theologians. I also was showing up not just as a social worker, but as a community organizer and performer. And we were all talking about the impact that Pauli Murray had had on our lives and on our fields and our disciplines.

And I think that I, for the first time ever, was introduced to this person who not once ever really compromised who they were in order to achieve what they were trying to achieve in the world. In my social work program, I was at the time the only out gender nonconforming also queer person of color in the program. And so when you are the only one of your kind in a space, it is a very isolating and lonely experience. And to then encounter someone like Pauli Murray and to recognize that there were people like me and people like us who had come before us, but because of the way our society is constructed, our presence and our identities and the wholeness of who we are is often treated as either irrelevant or lacking in value, we trans and gender nonconforming folks are forced to sort of in a lot of ways navigate this world with the belief that we are an aberration or an anomaly or don't actually make significant contributions to culture, to society or to policies.

And then to turn around and find this person who experienced a similar turmoil, I thought to myself, "Oh, this is a lie." Like to be treated as though trans people don't exist or that trans people, gender nonconforming or non-binary people are a problem or that their contributions are of value only insofar as we brush aside or we don't talk about those parts of that person that make us really uncomfortable or that we don't understand, forces that fragmentation and ultimately is a violence.

So what I learned about Pauli Murray, if I could have—if that had been an in-person meeting, I would have just fully embraced Pauli and hugged Pauli so tightly to myself, because that was a life-giving moment for me.

AMY GOODMAN: Dolores Chandler, we're going to break and then come back to this discussion. Now Dolores is a social worker and equity facilitator and trainer, the former coordinator of the Pauli Murray Project, the Pauli Murray Center. That's talked about in *My Name is Pauli Murray* that is premiering at the

Sundance Film Festival this weekend. When we come back, not only a pioneering legal scholar, but also an Episcopal priest now saint. We will hear from Michael Curry. Stay with us.

[MUSIC BREAK]

AMY GOODMAN: This is *Democracy Now!* I'm Amy Goodman, as we spend the hour looking at a person written out of history books but who was so pivotal in the history of the struggle for equal rights in this country. Pauli Murray, the trailblazing, Black, queer feminist poet, lawyer and legal scholar, and priest, who influenced landmark civil rights decisions and gender equality legislation that transformed our world. Late in life after being a tenured professor at Brandeis University, Pauli Murray became a priest in the Episcopal Church, now considered a saint. This is Episcopal Bishop Michael Curry speaking about Murray's legacy in the fight for civil rights.

BISHOP MICHAEL CURRY: Long before, almost ten years before Rosa Parks sat down and refused to give up her seat on that bus in Montgomery, Alabama, Pauli Murray sat down on a bus and refused to give up her seat, refusing to sit in the segregated section. She anticipated movements that would come years later. She sowed the seeds for change that would eventually happen. It was Pauli Murray who produced the seminal study of segregation laws throughout the United States that formed much of the basis for the legal work of Thurgood Marshall and the NAACP Legal Defense Fund that went into the case of Brown versus Board of Education. Pauli Murray did most of that legal research on civil rights, on segregation laws that needed to be overturned. That was Pauli Murray! She anticipated change that would impact both civil rights but women's rights and eventually LGBTQ rights. She anticipated all of those things in her legal work, in her legal writings. Her friendship with the late Eleanor Roosevelt was a friendship that was built on a mutual commitment to values of a humane and a decent world. She worked assiduously for that kind of world even though she herself did not actually see it. She wrote and worked for the equality of women and for equity. In fact, there is a new commentary, a new article I saw the other day, that has Ruth Bader Ginsburg referring to Pauli Murray as one of her heroines, if you will, in the struggle and in the work. She is an unsung hero for the rights and the equity of women. An unsung hero for the rights and the equality and equity of all people in this country. An unsung hero for the rights of LGBTQ people in this country. She anticipated it. She saw it before it happened. And she worked for something that she would never see, but she did it so that some of us might actually see it.

AMY GOODMAN: That's Bishop Michael Curry, the presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church talking about Pauli Murray. Bishop Curry became global when he gave the sermon at the royal wedding of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle. This is *Democracy Now!*, as we continue with the directors of the new film *My Name is Pauli Murray*, Julie Cohen and Betsy West. Their new documentary premiering at Sundance Film Festival this weekend. And we're joined by one of the subjects in the film about Pauli Murray, Dolores Chandler, who is featured in that documentary, former coordinator of the Pauli Murray Center in Durham, North Carolina, now a social worker and equity facilitator and trainer.

Julie, the life trajectory of Pauli Murray, it is just absolutely incredible. And incredible that we, unless in different worlds closer in those legal worlds, women's rights worlds, so many have not known about Pauli Murray. When Pauli Murray was rejected by Harvard for being a woman, they were doing that even though FDR, the president of the United States, wrote a letter to Harvard to say that Pauli Murray should be accepted. Pauli Murray was a friend of Eleanor Roosevelt, who sent flowers to Pauli Murray when they graduated from Howard Law School. Not only was Pauli Murray a professor at Brandeis, but she also lived in Ghana. If you can just talk about that part of the trajectory and then deciding to become an Episcopal priest in the later years.

JULIE COHEN: There's so much to this trajectory that it's, as you're seeing, hard to fit into a segment of a show, hard to fit into a film, every single chapter more fascinating than the last. Pauli was motivated to move, to uproot and move to Ghana in late 1950s. At the time, Pauli was working as an associate at the prestigious New York law firm Paul, Weiss, a period of life where, for the first time, despite making so many contributions, often Pauli was struggling to have enough money to pay the rent, and finally, at Paul, Weiss was making a great living. Not feeling hugely fulfilled by the work but certainly was intellectually engaged.

And then in 1959, a man named Mack Parker was lynched in Mississippi. A big national news story at the time, that there would be this brutal lynching as late as 1959. And it just shook Pauli's world. And that led to the thought of, "You know what? Not only I want to change my career path, but like I actually want to get out of the country for a while." Pauli took up an offer to go to the forming new law school in Accra, Ghana, and was there for 18 months teaching constitutional law concepts to African law students. Ran into some trouble with the not so interested in constitutional democratic principles government of Ghana at the time and decided it would be safer to come back to America. That was the period when Pauli got a doctorate at Yale Law School, and as you say, moved into academics.

We're leaving out of this—like every time I say something, I think of a chapter that we're not mentioning of all the accomplishments we've talked about. Pauli was also an unbelievable published writer of both memoirs and poetry, and after becoming a tenured professor at Brandeis, as you say, made the decision that at the core of everything Pauli had fought for through life—the activist struggles and the legal struggles—maybe politics and law weren't the best way to achieve the huge monumental societal shifts that Pauli and others in the movement were seeking, and maybe spirituality and God were the answers

And that is what led Pauli to divinity school, at a time when women—and remember that Pauli was identifying in the world as a woman at the time—at the time Pauli started divinity school, the Episcopal Church was not ordaining women. Fortunately, by the time that Pauli got the degree, Pauli was in fact ordained as an Episcopal priest. And those who knew her, we interviewed—or knew Pauli—we interviewed Pauli's grandniece in the film, saying that becoming a priest really shifted Pauli's perspective and really turned Pauli from a talker to a listener and mellowed Pauli, but not in a way that quieted Pauli, but in the way of like a mellowed activist.

AMY GOODMAN: And through all of this period, the decades, what's so astounding at how much Pauli Murray accomplished, an amazing memoirist, journaler, as you said poet. Was institutionalized, would get depressed, had relationships, when they ended, with women, fell apart. Can you talk about overcoming all of this?

JULIE COHEN: It was really the spirituality that helped Pauli overcome loss and struggle. And I think that is where—after the death of a 15-year partner, Irene Barlow, that Pauli went to divinity school and found in the church solace from some of the lifelong struggle.

AMY GOODMAN: And Betsy, you wanted to add? And the issue of being institutionalized. And also understanding their—just talking to medical doctors all through this period.

BETSY WEST: You can only imagine how incredibly frustrating and difficult it was for Pauli to have this strong feeling of being a man and not getting any kind of validation for this. And yes, Pauli was in and out of institutions, suffering breakdowns, basically, in the 1930s and into the 1940s. Eventually, Pauli did find this love relationship with Irene Barlow, which as Julie said, lasted for 15 years. And I think that was a great solace for Pauli.

I also think that the move—Pauli had always been religious, had gone to the Episcopal Church, had always—had found, actually, the relationship with Irene, they shared a passion for religion, used to go to church together. I also think that it gave Pauli space to devote herself to Pauli's autobiography, which she spent the last few years of Pauli's life writing very seriously. In one interview, we heard Pauli was introduced as a lawyer turned poet. She said, "No, I am a poet turned lawyer."

For Pauli, writing was probably the most important form of expression. Pauli had written an amazing family memoir, *Proud Shoes* which is kind of like the precursor to *Roots* —an extraordinary story of her own family, mainly in the 19th century—and then went on to finish her autobiography, which was extremely important to Pauli.

AMY GOODMAN: We're going to have to leave it there, but people should begin to explore. Betsy West and Julie Cohen are the award-winning directors of the new documentary, *My Name is Pauli Murray*, premiering at the Sundance Film Festival virtually this weekend. Thanks also to Dolores Chandler, the former

coordinator of the Pauli Murray Center in Durham featured in the film. That does it for our broadcast. Democracy Now! produced with Renée Feltz, Mike Burke, Deena Guzder, Libby Rainey, Nermeen Shaikh, Maria Taracena, Carla Wills, Tami Woronoff, Charina Nadura, Sam Alcoff, Tey-Marie Astudillo, John Hamilton, Robby Karran, Hany Massoud and Adriano Contreras. Special thanks to Julie Crosby and Becca Staley. I'm Amy Goodman. Be safe, wear a mask.

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by Lee Camp

Most Americans don't know reality.

They know their personal reality, but unfortunately their reality is thoroughly detached from real pure, uncut reality. For example, do they know that police across the country work with corporations to criminalize journalism? Do they know that large PR companies created a false reality to justify U.S. intervention in Syria? Do they know the word "intervention" acts as a euphemism for "cold-blooded murder under false pretenses"?

Americans don't know these aspects of reality. You and I wouldn't know either if it weren't for leaks and whistleblowers.

Two recent massive leaks have received a near blackout in the mainstream media , and yet again only leaks allow us to glimpse the dirty underbelly of the empire. The Blue Leaks revealed the corruption and incompetence behind police departments across the country, and the Syria PR Leaks revealed that large U.S. & U.K.-funded PR companies helped sell regime change efforts in Syria.

The Blue Leaks

Let's start with the Blue Leaks — thousands of documents revealing corruption, wrongdoing and incompetence by American police departments and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). As the *Intercept* reported, some documents "show police agencies including DHS share thinly-sourced conspiracy theories as if they are truth. ...For example, Homeland Security's Office of Intelligence and Analysis circulated a tweet to law enforcement agencies across the country reporting that Antifa was stashing bricks to 'fuel protests.' As *Mainer* magazine reported, the original source of the information was a pro-Trump biker who called himself 'The Wolfman' and previously spread conspiracy theories online."

So, the Wolfman can just tweet that protesters are preparing to hit cops with bricks and that's all it takes? I've been tweeting *true shit* for years, yet it *never* results in a national police bulletin. What do I have to do to have an over-inflated impact on society? Dress up like a biker and start going by "Squirrel Boy?" I'll do it. I have no shame. (I haven't had any dignity since the middle school mooning incident of 1993.)

But the leaks don't just reveal our little boys in blue chase lies around the country; they've also been <u>illegally surveilling people</u>. "DHS officials in San Diego oversaw a sweeping, binational

intelligence gathering operation targeting lawyers, journalists, and asylum-advocates associated with the migrant caravans..."

In a normal universe, this type of behavior would be exceedingly illegal. In a rational dimension, the whole country would be up in arms as much as following the unveiling of New Coke. In a logical and free country, no one would stand for this level of government overreach and injustice. But alas, we don't live there. We live here — a nation where the media hardly even reports on the DHS spying on lawyers, activists and journalists.

Well, at least they weren't accusing peaceful protesters of being terrorists — riiiight?

<u>Back to the Intercept</u>, "...a substantial portion of the intelligence on Black Lives Matter protests flowed through the Northern California Regional Intelligence Center's Terrorism Liaison Officer program... The terror info program became a clearinghouse for information on upcoming demonstrations."

Yeah, we're not calling you terrorists — we're just putting all the information about your peaceful demonstrations in the *Terror Info Program*. But in their defense, to the overwhelmingly white police officers across this country, it is terrifying that black people could actually gain equality — like being able to stand in line at a fast food place without fearing they'll be tackled and arrested, sending Chalupa sauce all over their children. White cops probably do view equality as a form of terrorism.

One more from the myriad Blue Leaks —"Amid terror warnings, a Railroad Industry Group passed intel on environmental journalists to the cops" and made the cops think that the journalists were linked to terrorism. ... And there was extensive communication between private industry and public law enforcement —allowing the industry to influence law enforcement and national security policy."

Basically, corporations are not only guiding law enforcement, they're also tricking them into thinking a standard environmental journalist is a *terrorist*. Yes, the 24-year-old blogger with the acne problem — he's the *true* terrorist. Not the corporate CEO who mourns as much for the people he blew up in Wheeling, West Virginia, with a bomb train as a race car driver mourns the flies splattered across his windshield during a race.

The Blue Leaks consist of thousands more documents I can't go into here, but seeing as the mainstream media and big tech social media platforms are scared to death you'll read the leaked documents, you should totally *NOT* read them. *Do not* look up the Blue Leaks and find out what they say. *Definitely don't*.

PR Wars

Next up in this Showcase Showdown of "Leaks That Expose the Empire," you might recall that throughout the U.S. attacks on Syria, the mainstream media told Americans that a bunch of awesome rebels were fighting for a free Syria and the U.S. government was helping them. When those stories were in full force, I don't know about you, but I thought, "Everything the corporate media is telling us must be absolutely true. They would never lie to us about this. Sure, they'd lie about everything else. But *THIS* – they are totally telling the truth because they just want to help the poor people in Syria. All the other times the corporate media has lied us into war (Iraq, Libya, Vietnam, the Spanish American War, the Great Wet T-Shirt Contest of 1872) notwithstanding,

when it comes to Syria, our military media industrial complex are basically Oscar Schindler. No doubt."

Alas, much to my shock, I was wrong.

The Grayzone has reported on a <u>new leak of hundreds of documents</u> that show "Western government-funded intelligence cutouts trained and funded Syrian opposition leaders, planted stories in media outlets from BBC to Al Jazeera, and ran a cadre of journalists. ...UK government contractors developed an advanced infrastructure of propaganda to stimulate support in the West for Syria's political and armed opposition."

That's right — government contractors — meaning we taxpayers in the U.S. and U.K. funded the propaganda that manufactured consent for destroying Syria. (Quick note for the oligarchs: If you're going to lie to us and enlist our consent in nearly collapsing a country of 20 million people, the least you can do is not make us pay for it *ourselves*. That's just poor sportsmanship.)

But how much impact could these few planted news stories possibly have? I mean, I'm sure this false crap wasn't that prevalent.

Well, <u>according to the leaked documents</u> — "These UK-funded firms functioned as full-time PR flacks for the extremist dominated Syrian armed opposition. One contractor, called InCoStrat, said it was in constant contact with a network of more than 1,600 international journalists and influencers, and used them to push pro-opposition talking points."

Sixteen hundred media people, many calling themselves "journalists," were simply printing hack stories by pro-war government cut-outs?! Compare that number to those of us reporting the truth. ...I count, um, seven. ...Nine if you include the two who only do their "reporting" on the telephone to telemarketers who are unlucky enough to accidentally call them. A single PR company used 1,600 people and millions of dollars pouring in from the U.S. and U.K. With that kind of money, they should've won a goddamn Oscar — like Schindler's List.

...Wait. I now remember. They *DID* win an Oscar. A documentary about <u>the White Helmets in Syria won an Oscar!</u>

You recall the White Helmets — the amazing people in Syria who just rescue children from rubble. And America — who bombs children all over the world —happens to care about these particular children. Nothing to see here. Nothing unusual. We Americans just really care about Syrian children. Don't give a tip of a turd about any other children crushed by our wars (hot, cold or lukewarm) around the world. Only Syrians caught in rubble rescued by the White Helmets pull at heartstrings.

Perhaps this next part won't shock you. The new leaks confirm earlier reporting by *The Grayzone* and others showing the <u>White Helmets were funded by Western governments</u> and claimed to be saving innocent civilians while also trying to get America to *bomb more*. They literally called for more air strikes. It's not so dissimilar from all those emergency room doctors who spend their days trying desperately to save lives and then run around at night trying to start gang wars by making fun of Li'l Boom-Boom's swastika tattoo before yelling "WEST SIDE!" and running away. That's super common among doctors.

"The White Helmets were founded in collaboration with USAID's Office of Transitional Initiatives — the wing that has promoted regime change around the world — and have been provided with \$23 million in funding from the department."

So, the U.S. helped create the war, helped create the destruction, created the so-called heroes (who want more destruction), created the award-winning documentary about the "heroes," and created the news reports about the documentary about the "heroes." That isn't just wag the dog; that's wag the whole fuckin' kennel and the buildings next to the kennel and everything down the street and the whole city.

Putting further flesh on the (dog) bone — the leaked documents also show another Western contractor called "ARK admitted that it sought to whitewash Syria's armed opposition, which had been largely dominated by Salafi-jihadists, by 'Softening the FSA Image.'"

One should not be shocked that taking terrorists who sometimes behead innocent people and making them look like "moderate rebels" does indeed require a great deal of "softening." In my experience terrorists often need just a bit of smoothing over before you bring them home to meet your parents. (It's useful to remind them just before you walk in the door, "If my dad asks what you do, rather than say 'I yank the infidels out of their beds and execute them,' say 'I'm a door-to-door knife salesman.' It's sort of true.")

But these PR companies didn't stop at creating false stories. Ben Norton at *The Grayzone* reports, "U.S. and European contractors trained and advised Syrian opposition leaders at all levels, from young media activists to the heads of the parallel government-in-exile."

These Western-funded PR firms actually helped create the Syrian government-in-exile. It's clear that at every level the catastrophic events in Syria have been stage-managed by the U.S., U.K. and Western-backed PR firms trying to create regime change, trying to manifest a failed state thousands of miles away from your average Americans or Brits who don't know about the crimes perpetrated in their names. And sadly, even many in the somewhat-independent media — who are often adversarial to U.S. imperial aims — still fall hook-line-and-sinker for this garbage propaganda.

Here's an easy rule of thumb to follow in the future — any time the U.S. government says they care about human beings, you know some awful shit is going down.

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