# Eye on the World December 21, 2024

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### **Compiled by Dave Havir**

**Luke 21:34-36**—"But take heed to yourselves, lest your souls be weighed down with self-indulgence, and drunkenness, or the anxieties of this life, and that day come on you suddenly, like a falling trap; for it will come on all dwellers on the face of the whole earth. But beware of slumbering; and every moment pray that you may be fully strengthened to escape from all these coming evils, and to take your stand in the presence of the Son of Man" (Weymouth New Testament).

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"Eye on the World" comment: Because of the pastor's travel schedule, this week's edition was completed on Wednesday, December 18 – and therefore it does not include news from the end of the week.

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An article by Post Editorial Staff titled "Trump Let ABC Off Easy in Settling for Just \$16 Million Over George Stephanopoulos' Blatant Defamation" was posted at nypost.com on Dec. 15, 2024. Following is the article.

Make no mistake. President-elect Donald Trump let ABC off easy – it only has to pay \$15 million toward his future presidential library, plus \$1 million for his lawyers' fees, to get out of a defamation lawsuit it was sure to lose, and so avoid legal discovery that surely would have finished off whatever reputation its news division still has.

The defamation came from George Stephanopoulos back on March 10, on the Sunday show "This Week," when he repeatedly insisted Trump had been "found liable for rape."

He was referring to one of the first "lawfare" cases against Trump – E. Jean Carroll's civil suit claiming he had defamed her by denying her claims that he'd sexually assaulted her three decades ago.

Backed by a biased judge, Carroll was able to get the Manhattan jury to declare that "a preponderance of evidence" suggested he had abused her – but the jurors stipulated that (even by

the thin "preponderance" standard) she had *not* proved rape.

And, for what it's worth, her whimsical reflections on how she'd spend her defamation-award money didn't strike many viewers as how a rape victim would respond, even decades after the "fact."

The judge, Lewis Kaplan, later nattered on about how Carroll *hadn't* actually failed to prove rape as *defined by dictionary.com*, but only as New York law defines it – a clear parting bid to make the decision as useful as possible for anti-Trump electioneering.

But that left Stephanopoulos (or whoever writes his scripts) *zero* factual basis for his multiple, overheated claims about Trump being "liable for rape."

The ABC host, incidentally, was a career Democratic operative before he became a "journalist."

The law gives even public figures some rights against such smears; if the case had proceeded, Trump's legal team would've been able to access ABC News' internal communications in order to prove the network's reckless attitude toward the truth.

Trump was actually quite magnanimous in not making ABC pay *him* the settlement, even if the deal makes the company by far the largest donor to the Trump library.

Inevitably, the usual suspects will twist their hands over this settlement being an ominous sign of the media rolling over for the "vindictive" pres-elect.

That's nonsense: Corporations like ABC and its parent company, Disney, don't make such payouts unless they think they're avoiding far worse if the case actually moves ahead.

The settlement came right as Stephanopoulos was about to be deposed, and so prove exactly what kind of "journalist" he is.

Far from vindictive, Trump has been rising above baiting by dim network "newspeople."

Notably, he kept his calm despite near-constant carping from NBC's Kristen Welker this month – getting his message out above her head.

It's an attitude that serves the pres-elect well, another sign that he's firmly focused on the tasks ahead – and on really getting even with his enemies by delivering for the American people.

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### The importance of the Bible

• An article by Tony Perkins titled "With the Bible, Life Need Not Be a Puzzle" was posted at newsmax.com on Dec. 13, 2024.

# Quantum computer

- An article by Staff titled "First Israeli-Built Quantum Computer Now in Operation" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 18, 2024.
- An article by Staff titled "IDF Develops Software to Help Commanders Learn From Past Military Operations" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 18, 2024.

#### **Jews and Arab Israelis**

• An article by Staff titled "Over Half of Arab Israelis Believe War Created a Shared Sense of Destiny With Jews – Poll" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 18, 2024.

# How involved is Turkey regarding the situation in Syria?

- An article by Henri J. Barkey titled "What Role Is Turkey Playing in Syria's Civil War?" was posted at cfr.org (Council on Foreign Relations) on Dec. 6, 2024.
- An article by Gonul Tol titled "How Turkey Won the Syrian Civil War" was posted at cfr.org (Council on Foreign Relations) on Dec. 11, 2024.
- An article by Galip Dalay titled "Turkey Has Emerged as a Winner in Syria, but Must Now Use It's Influence to Help Build Peace" was posted at chathamhouse.org on Dec. 13, 2024.
- An article by Lara Seligman and Alexander Ward titled "U.S. Fears Military Buildup by Turkey Signals Preparations for Incursion Into Syria" was posted at wsj.com on Dec. 16, 2024.
- An article by Stanley Smith titled "Trump Says Turkey Orchestrated Assad's Overthrow in Syria" was posted at politico.com on Dec. 16, 2024.
- An article by Caitlin McFall titled "Trump Says Turkey 'Did an Unfriendly Takeover' in Syria as U.S.-Brokered Cease-Fire Appears to Fail" was posted at foxnews.com on Dec. 16, 2024.
- An article by Staff titled "Turkish Invasion Into Syria 'Could Be Imminent' U.S. Officials Fear" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

### Netanyahu visited Syria

• An article by Joel B. Pollak titled "Netanyahu Enters Syria, Visits IDF Troops on Mount Hermon: 'I Was Here 53 Years Ago'" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

# Mass grave in Syria

• An article by Ronny Reyes titled "Syrian Mass Grave Is Largest Uncovered Since Stalin Era as 100,000 Bodies Were Discarded Outside Damascus: Advocacy Group" was posted at nypost.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

# Syria – fall of Assad and Syrian rebels

- An article by John Hayward titled "Spooked by Fall of Assad and Collapse of Hezbollah, Yemen's Houthis Reduce Public Appearances" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 13, 2024.
- An article by John Hayward titled "Victorious Jihadis Suspend Syrian Constitution for Three Months" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 13, 2024.
- An article by Yuval Barnea titled "Israel Has No More Excuses for Entering Syria, Rebel Leader Julani Says in First Major TV Interview" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 14, 2024.
- An article by Staff titled "Syria Shudders as Assad's Prison Atrocities Come Into the Light" was posted at dnyuz.com on Dec. 14, 2024.
- An article by Staff titled "Domino Theory: Israel Raises Concerns Islamist Takeover in Syria Will Cause Uprising in Jordan" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 14, 2024.
- An article by Jared Downing titled "Israeli Jets Obliterate Syrian Weapon Stockpiles in Devastating Weekend Blitz" was posted at nypost.com on Dec. 15, 2024.
- An article by Staff titled "'Large-Scale Withdrawal': Officials Say Russian Military Has Begun Withdrawing Soldiers From Syria" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 16, 2024.
- An article by Alon Ben-Meir titled "Syrian Rebels Call for Unity and Peace, Yet Many Challenges Remain in the Regime Change Opinion" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 16, 2024.
- An article by Staff titled "Residents of Syrian Golan Villages, Rebels Transfer Assad Weapons to IDF" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 16, 2024.
- An article by Staff titled "Khamenei: After Syria Developments, Israel 'Gravely Mistaken' Thinking Uprising Over" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 18, 2024.

### **Syrian Druze**

- An article by Ohad Merlin titled "Syrian Druze Call to Be Annexed to Israel: 'What's Our Fate, Brothers?'" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 15, 2024.
- An article by Staff titled "Syrian Druze Offered Israel Help in War, Former Minister Says" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

#### Israel – continues their retaliation

- An article by Yonah Jeremy Bob titled "Israel Is Likely to Finally Respond to Yemen's Houthis" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 16, 2024.
- An article by Staff titled "'Israel Will Maintain Security Control Over Gaza' Defense Minister Katz Clarifies" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

#### Hamas calls for "mobilization"

• An article by Staff titled "Hamas Calls for 'Mobilization' to Repel Palestinian Authority Security Forces Amid West Bank Operations" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

# Relationship – between Israel and U.S.

- An article by Joel B. Pollak titled "77 House Democrats Sign Letter That Could Trigger Arms Embargo on Israel" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 13, 2024.
- An article by Jeffrey Schweers titled "Florida Congressional Candidate [Republican Firebrand Randy Fine] Seeks Ban for Flags Promoting Palestine, BLM and Gay Pride" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

# Any progress in negotiations for hostages?

- An article by Maya Gur Arieh titled "'Seize the Opportunity': Families of Hostages Rally
  Across Israel to Call for Hostage Deal" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 14, 2024.
- An article titled "Israel Refusing Hamas' Demand to Release Terrorist Mastermind Marwan Barghouti in Exchange for Hostages" was posted at nypost.com on Dec. 14, 2024.
- An article by Hannah Sarisohn titled "Biden Celebrates Final White House Hanukkah Party With Promise to Bring Hostages Home" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 17, 2024.
- An article by Staff titled "Netanyahu Spokesperson Denies Reports of Trip to Cairo for Hostage Talks" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

# Magen David Adom – national emergency medical, disaster, ambulance & blood bank

Looking back to November 2024, an article by Staff titled "Medic: MDA's Life-Saving

Work Is Better Than Any Other Place in the World" was posted at jpost.com on Nov. 10, 2024.

• An article by Staff titled "Gilad Erdan Calls MDA 'Israel's Backbone of Resilience' at Jerusalem Post Summit [in Miami]" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 16, 2024.

# Haredi military service

• An article by Rivkah Lambert Adler titled "What Do Israelis Think About the Haredi Draft Bill – 'Far From Simple or Clear-Cut'" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

# Azerbaijan – strong support for Israel

• An article by Mordechai Kedar titled "Why Jews Need Azerbaijan, a Country of Peaceful Co-Existence – Opinion" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 16, 2024.

### **Ireland** = **relationship** with **Israel**

- An article by Herb Keinon titled "Closing Dublin Embassy: Israel Writes Off Luck With the Irish Analysis" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 16, 2024.
- An article by Joel B. Pollak titled "Israeli Foreign Minister Calls Ireland President 'Anti-Semitic Liar' Over Egypt Settlement Claim" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 17, 2024.
- An article by Corinne Baum titled "Irish President [Michael D. Higgins] President Accuses Israel of 'Deep Slander' Over Anti-Semitism Allegations" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 18, 2024.
- An article by Staff titled "A Constructive Role: Can Ireland Move From Division to Diplomacy With Israel? Editorial" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 18, 2024.

#### **Anti-Semitism – international**

- An article by Staff titled "Switzerland Eyes Nazi Symbols Ban Due to Surge in Anti-Semitism" was posted at barrons.com on Dec. 13, 2024.
- An article by Mathilda Heller titled "'Zero Tolerance': UK Health Secretary Calls to Strike Off Anti-Semitic, Extremist Doctors" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 16, 2024.
- An article by Shir Perets titled "Candace Owens Named Stop Anti-Semitism's 'Anti-Semite of the Year'" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 16, 2024.

# Netanyahu – ethics concerns

• An article by Staff titled "A Pardon for a Quiet Retreat: The Solution for Netanyahu – Editorial" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

• An article by Eve Young titled "Israel's Democracy Is Under Threat, a Majority of Israelis Say – Poll" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

#### More articles – Jerusalem Post

- An article by Staff titled "Gaza Death Toll Inflated to Promote Narrative That Israel Targets Civilians Study" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 14, 2024.
- An article by Staff titled "Distorted Data From Gaza Harms Global Understanding of Israel's Actions Editorial" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 15, 2024.
- An article by Eliav Breuer titled "Israel's Participation in Eurovision Under Threat Due to KAN's Privatization" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

#### Iran

- An article by Erfan Fard titled "Disgraced and Isolated: As His Axis Falls, Iran's Khamenei Finds Himself Alone Opinion" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 17, 2024.
- An article by Staff titled "Police, Shin Bet Arrest Jerusalem Resident Suspected to Be Working for Iran" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 17, 2024.
- An article by Hannah Sarisohn titled "[Israeli Ambassador to the UN] Danny Danon Calls for UN to Designate Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps as a Terrorist Organization" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 18, 2024.

#### Saudi Arabia

• An article by Staff titled "Israel and Saudi Arabia Deny Report Claiming 'Breakthrough' in Normalization Talks" was posted at timesofisrael.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

#### Russia-Ukraine war

- An article by Staff titled "[Former UK Prime Minister] Boris Johnson Admits the West Is Waging a 'Proxy War' Against Russia" was posted at lifesitenews.com on Dec. 9, 2024.
- A Reuters article by Guy Faulconbridge titled "Ukraine Kills Russian Chemical Weapons Chief [General] Igor Kirillov in Moscow" was posted at reuters.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

# **NATO**

• An article by Staff titled "Poland Becomes First EU Nation to Implement Firearms

Training in All Primary and Secondary Schools" was posted at humanevents.com on Dec. 16, 2024.

# Global intentions – WEF, WHO, UN and others

- An article by Tim Hinchliffle titled "World Economic Forum Pushes Digital ID for Global Metaverse Governance: Report" was posted at lifesitenews.com on Dec. 6, 2024.
- An article by Amanda Prestigiacomo titled "'Alliance Defending Freedom' [Legal Group Advocating Religious Freedom] Launches 'Center for Free Speech' to Fight Global Censorship" was posted at dailywire.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

#### **Covid – International comments**

• An article by Anthony Murdoch titled "Health Canada Received Over a Million Reports of Covid Vaccine Adverse Events: Records" was posted at lifesitenews.com on Dec. 11, 2024.

### Reminders – China talks climate change, but produces coal

- Looking back to November 2023, a Reuters article by Colleen Howe and Ella Cao titled "In China's Coal Country, Full Steam Ahead With New Power Plants Despite Climate Pledges" was posted at reuters.com on Nov. 30, 2023.
- Looking back to December 2023, an article by Seth Borenstein titled "World Carbon Dioxide Emissions Increase Again, Driven by China, India and Aviation" was posted at apnews.com on Dec. 4, 2023.
- Looking back to March 2024, an article by Ian Hanchett titled "[John] Kerry: China Says It Might Not Use Coal Plants It's Building" was posted at breitbart.com on March 7, 2024.

#### Canada

- An article by Clare Marie Merkowsky titled "40 Canadian Cities, Towns and Villages Proclaim December as Christian Heritage Month" was posted at lifesitenews.com on Dec. 13, 2024.
- An article by Staff titled "Jordan Peterson Moves to U.S., Says Trudeau's Canada May Soon Become 'Totalitarian Hell Hole'" was posted at lifesitenews.com on Dec. 13, 2024.
- An article by Shane Galvin titled "Canadian PM Justin Trudeau Faces Increasing Calls to Resign: 'Lost Control of Everything'" was posted at nypost.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

# **Argentina – Javier Milei**

- An article by Staff titled "Italy Grants Argentina's [President Javier] Milei Citizenship, Sparking Outrage" was posted at aljazeera.com on Dec. 14, 2024.
- An article by James Crisp titled "[Giorgia] Meloni Makes Javier Milei an Italian in Controversial Citizenship Award" was posted at telegraph.co.uk on Dec. 14, 2024.

#### International news – miscellaneous

- An article by Genevieve Donnellon-May titled "Central Asia's Water Crisis: A Global Problem Requiring Global Solutions" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 16, 2024.
- An article titled "Magnitude-7.3 Earthquake Causes Widespread Damage in Pacific Island Nation of Vanuatu" was posted at nypost.com on Dec. 17, 2024.
- An article by Andrea Margolis titled "Honda, Nissan Allegedly Planning to Start Merger Talks in Light of EV Competition: Report" was posted at foxbusiness.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

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# ABC pays Trump to avoid a greater defamation penalty

- An article by Matthew Sedacca titled "ABC News, George Stephanopoulos Agree to Apologize to Trump, Pay \$16 Million in Defamation Case Settlement" was posted at nypost.com on Dec. 14, 2024.
- An article by Kipp Jones titled "MSNBC [Symone Sanders-Townsend] Rips ABC-Trump Defamation Case Settlement, Says Comment for Which ABC Paid Trump \$15 Million 'Seems to Hold Up' [as Factually Accurate]" was posted at mediaite.com on Dec. 15, 2024.
- An article by Staff titled "George Stephanopoulos 'Apoplectic, Humiliated' Over ABC News' \$16 Million Defamation Suit Settlement With Trump: Source" was posted at nypost.com on Dec. 17, 2024.
- An article by Staff titled "[Breitbart Editor-in-Chief] Alex Marlow: Trump's Victory Over ABC News Has CNN's Jim Acosta in a Panic" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 17, 2024.
- An article by Michael Goodwin titled "The Left-Wing Media Created Their own Crisis and Now Have to Pay the Price for Repeatedly Attacking Donald Trump" was posted at

nypost.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

#### Remember – Joe Biden & Kamala Harris lied about the "Inflation Reduction Act"

- Looking back to August 2023, an article by Brianna Lyman titled "Inflation Reduction Act 'Has Nothing to Do With Inflation' Biden Says" was posted at dailycaller.com on Aug. 11, 2023.
- Looking back to August 2024, an article by Staff titled "Kamala Fumbles Over Words While Admitting 'Inflation Reduction Act' Not About Inflation" was posted at dailywire.com on Aug. 30, 2024.
- Looking back to September 2024, an article by Nick Gilbertson titled "Biden Admits 'Inflation Reduction Act' [Which Included \$369 Billion for Green Energy Initiatives] Was Wrongly Named: 'We Should Have Named It What It Was'" was posted at breitbart.com on Sept. 5, 2024.
- Looking back to September 2024, an article by Jack Hellner titled "Inflation Reduction Act's Costs Are Skyrocketing" was posted at americanthinker.com on Sept. 9, 2024.

# **DOGE – Department of Government Efficiency**

- An article by Jenny Beth Martin titled "DOGE Must Focus on Big Picture to Achieve Big Change" was posted at dailycaller.com on Dec. 14, 2024.
- An article by Hannah Knudsen titled "DOGE Claims Department of Education Spent \$1 Billion Promoting DEI in Schools" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 14, 2024.

#### Congress gives itself a raise

• An article by Bradley Jaye titled "Job Well Done: Congress Gives Itself a Raise With Last-Minute, 1,547-Page Spending Deal" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

# Are Republicans prepared to be fiscally responsible?

- An article by Kevin Breuninger titled "Trump Joins Elon Musk in Opposing House GOP's Government Funding Bill" was posted at cnbc.com on Dec. 18, 2024.
- An article by Anthony Adragna titled "Elon Musk Opposes [Republican Speaker Mike] Johnson-Backed Spending Package" was posted at politico.com on Dec. 18, 2024.
- An article by Julia Shapero titled "Elon Musk: Anyone Who Votes for Spending Deal Should Lose Reelection" was posted at thehill.com on Dec. 18, 2024.

### **Ivory-tower communism**

• An article by Daniel McCarthy titled "Post Cold War Fight Now Against 'Ivory Tower Communism'" was posted at newsmax.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

### CNBC reports that majority of Americans want to support Trump

• An article by Steve Liesman titled "Majority of Americans Are Ready to Support Trump and Large Parts of His Agenda, Says CNBC Survey" was posted at cnbc.com on Dec. 15, 2024.

# Some Democrats – helping to bankroll inauguration

• An article by Staff titled "Tech Billionaires Zuckerberg, Bezos and Altman Help Bankroll Trump's Inauguration" was posted at latimes.com on Dec. 13, 2024.

# Which political party is doing "banana republic stuff"?

• An article by Pam Key titled "[New York] Democrat Rep. Dan Goldman: If Trump Attempts to Jail 'Political Enemies,' That's 'Banana Republic Stuff'" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 12, 2024.

# Biden – pardons and commuted sentences

• An article by Rick Sobey titled "Massachusett's Woman on Biden's Clemency List Was Sentenced for 'Lethal' Fentnyl Trafficking Conspiracy" was posted at bostonherald.com on Dec. 13, 2024.

# Are "pre-emptive pardons" coming?

• An article by Jonathan Turley titled "Joe Biden May Set a Dangerous New Precedent With 'Pre-Emptive' Pardons" was posted at nypost.com on Dec. 16, 2024.

# Take notice – about which people are actually cheering the shooting of Health-Care CEO

- An article by David Harsanyi titled "Luigi Mangione Frenzy: It's Time for a National Conversation on Left-Wing Violence" was posted at nypost.com on Dec.12, 2024.
- An article by Ben Johansen titled "[Elizabeth] Warren on UnitedHealthcare CEO's Killing: 'People Can Only Be Pushed So Far'" was posted at politico.com on Dec. 11, 2024.
- An article by Nicholas Wu and Daniella Diaz titled "House Democrats Broadly Denounce UnitedHealthcare CEO Shooting After [Elizabeth] Warren Remarks" was posted at politico.com on Dec. 12, 2024.

- An article by Hannah Knudsen titled "AOC on Insurance CEO's Murder: People Interpret Denied Claims as 'Act of Violence Against Them'" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 12, 2024.
- An article by Michael Moore titled "A Manifesto Against For-Profit Health Insurance Companies" was posted at michaelmoore.com on Dec. 13, 2024.
- An article by Alana Mastrangelo titled "Michael Moore Wants to 'Pour Gasoline' on '1,000 Percent Justified Anger' After UnitedHealthcare CEO Murder" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 13, 2024.
- An article by Charles Gasparino titled "Team Trump Can Stop 'Socialist' Ivy League Professors From Cheering Luigi Mangione by Defunding Endowments" was posted at nypost.com on Dec. 14, 2024.
- An article by Khaleda Rahman titled "Luigi Mangione Pictures Met With Cheers at Boston Concert" was posted at newsweek.com on Dec. 15, 2024.
- An article by Jared Downing titled "Charlamagne tha God Gives Reality Check to People Celebrating UnitedHealthcare CEO's Killing: 'What Did That Accomplish?'" was posted at nypost.com on Dec. 15, 2024.

### Lawfare is not totally dead

- An article titled "Judge Merchan Won't Budge on Throwing Out Trump Conviction, Despite U.S. Supreme Court Ruling" was posted at dailycaller.com on Dec. 16, 2024.
- An article by Jason Cohen titled "[Democrat Sports Broadcaster] Stephen A. Smith Skewers Alvin Bragg for Wasting 'Taxpayer Dollars' to Maintain Trump Conviction" was posted at dailycaller.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

# Democrats are trying to sabotage Trump's administration

- An article by Sean Moran titled "Desperation: How the Senate Democrat Could Try to Sabotage Trump's 2025 America First Agenda" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 13, 2024.
- An article by Ian Hanchett titled "[Breitbart Editor-in-Chief Alex] Marlow: Trump Must Undo Biden's Last-Minute Moves" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 13, 2024.
- An article by Staff titled "Joe Biden & Company Are Doing as Much Damage to the U.S. as They Can Before They Leave [Office]" was posted at nypost.com on Dec. 14, 2024.
- An article by Hanna Trudo titled "Democrats Re-Calibrate Their Resistance to Trump" was posted at thehill.com on Dec. 15, 2024.

### Can Democrats and media stop Pete Hegseth?

- An article by Joe Concha titled "Failed Smears of Trump's Cabinet Picks Proves Biased Media's Irrelevance" was posted at nypost.com on Dec. 12, 2024.
- An article by Shawn Fleetwood titled "West Point Refuses to Say If Officials Who Spread False Information About Pete Hegseth's Academy Record Will Be Punished" was posted at thefederalist.com on Dec. 11, 2024.
- An article by Simon Kent titled "120 + Retired Generals, Admirals Sign Letter Supporting Pete Hegseth" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

# Can Democrats and media stop Tulsi Gabbard?

• An article by Kristina Wong titled "'The Economist' Admits No Evidence to Democrat Claim Tulsi Gabbard Is a 'Russian Asset'" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

### Did the FBI spy on Kash Patel?

- An article by Paul Sperry titled "Report Reveals That FBI Spied on Its Likely New Director, Kash Patel" was posted at nypost.com on Dec. 13, 2024.
- An article by James P. Pinkerton titled "The Kash Patel of 50 Years Ago Was a Democrat, but Today's Democrats Protect the Corrupt Establishment" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 14, 2024.

#### News about January 6

- An article by Katie Jerkovich titled "[Democrat Sports Broadcaster] Stephen A. Smith Is Done Defending Democrats Following January 6 Revelations" was posted at dailywire.com on Dec. 16, 2024.
- An article by Steven Nelson titled "House GOP Panel Calls for Liz Cheney to Be Investigated for 'Criminal Witness Tampering'" was posted at nypost.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

# **Daniel Penny trial**

- A video and an article by Staff titled "Watch: Daniel Penny Gets a Hero's Welcome at the Army-Navy Game With Trump, Vance and Musk" were posted at rvmnews.com on Dec. 14, 2024.
- An article by Nicole Gelinas titled "Alvin Bragg's Bizarre Antics Told Daniel Penny Jury the Trial Was Just a Sham" was posted at nypost.com on Dec. 15, 2024.

# Will Trump's team improve the financial picture?

• An article by Kristian Burt titled "Jim Cramer Explains the Importance of Trump's Appearance at the New York Stock Exchange" was posted at cnbc.com on Dec. 12, 2024.

#### Fossil fuel – Biden and Harris

- Looking back to March 2022, an article by Staff titled "[Journalist Dan] Bongino: Destruction of U.S. Fossil Fuel Has Been Biden Administration's 'Energy Suicide Plan' Since Day 1" was posted at foxnews.com on March 12, 2022.
- An article by Brady Knox titled "California Gas Car Ban [After 2035] Getting Approval From Biden Before He Leaves Office: Report" was posted at washingtonexaminer.com on Dec. 13, 2024.

# Illegal immigration – Venezuelan Gang (Tren De Aragua)

- An article by Jennie Taer titled "Tren D Aragua Is Terrorizing Utah as Venezuelan Dissident Warns That Local Authorities 'Are Not Ready'" was posted at nypost.com on Dec. 16, 2024
- An article by John Binder titled "Venezuelan Migrant Charged With Attempted Murder After Allegedly Setting [Fulshear] Texas House on Fire With Three Children Trapped Inside" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 16, 2024.
- An article by Warner Todd Huston titled "Trump Vindicated: 14 Alleged Gangbangers Arrested in Aurora [Colorado] Apartment Complex" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

# Illegal immigration – general comments

- An article by Ruth Simon and Michelle Hackman titled "A New Risk for Employers: Losing Millions of Migrants With Temporary Work Permits" was posted at wsj.com on Dec. 14, 2024.
- An article by John Binder titled "Illegal Alien Accused of Raping Florida Woman at Gunpoint in Her Home" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 16, 2024.
- An article by Wendell Husebo titled "'Almost a Criminal Act': Trump Rips Biden for Selling Border Wall Material" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 16, 2024.
- An article by John Binder titled "Analysis: Nearly 8 Million Illegals Living in Sanctuary Cities Across U.S." was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

#### Comments about government and corporate snooping

- Looking back to February 2024, an article by Steven Overly titled "The Government Really Is Spying on You and It's Legal" was posted at politico.com on Feb. 28, 2024.
- An article by Doug Mainwaring titled "Biden Administration Used Banks to Spy on Americans' Financial Data, Targeted Trump Supporters [Flagging Terms Like 'MAGA' and 'Trump']: House Judiciary Committee Report" was posted at lifesitenews.com on Dec. 9, 2024.

### **Censorship – general comments**

• An article by Alliance Defending Freedom titled "Rumble Joins Babylon Bee Lawsuit Against Newsom's Censorship Regime in California" was posted at lifesitenews.com on Dec. 12, 2024.

# **Examples of anti-Semitism**

- An article by Rich Calder titled "Actor Michael Rapaport Offers to Fly Ousted 'Free Palestine' 'Squad' Members Jamaal Bowman, Cori Bush to West Bank" was posted at nypost.com on Dec. 14, 2024.
- An article by Jonathan D. Salant titled "Will Pittsburgh Synagogue Shooter Be Spared the Death Penalty?" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 16, 2024.
- An article by Caitlin Doombos titled "NYC Comedy Club Cancels Show After Anti-Israel Backlash Over Event Meant to Heal Division in Wake of October 7 Terror Attacks" was posted at nypost.com on Dec. 16, 2024.
- An article by Mathilda Heller titled "'Jews Are Going to Die': Kippah Knocked Off Head of 11-Year-Old Son of Jewish Activist [in Maryland]" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 16, 2024
- An article by Michael Starr titled "Columbia Adjunct Professor [Lawrence Rosenblatt] Resigns After Academic [Joseph Massad Advocated for the Destruction of the State of Israel and] Who Praised October 7 to Teach Zionism Course" was posted at jpost.com on Dec. 16, 2024.

#### **Anti-Israel protesters – general chaos**

• An article by Deirdre Bardolf titled "Prestigious Private School [Milken Community School in Los Angeles] Conference Devolved Into 'Festival of Jew Hate': Outraged Attendees" was posted at nypost.com on Dec. 14, 2024.

#### **News about vaccines**

• An article by Nicolas Hulscher titled "CDC Now Recommends Children Be Exposed to 36 Vaccine Doses by Age 2" was posted at lifesitenews.com on Dec. 6, 2024.

- An article by Doug Mainwaring titled "Trump Says He Wants RFK Jr. to Investigate Potential Link Between Childhood Vaccines, Autism" was posted at lifesitenews.com on Dec. 10, 2024.
- An article by Sarah Arnold titled "RFK Jr. Advisor [Aaron Siri, the Lawyer Assisting Kennedy in Choosing Officials for HHS] Wants to Eliminate Top Two Vaccines [Polio and Hepatitis B], and Liberals Are Having a Meltdown" was posted at townhall.com on Dec. 13, 2024.

#### Pro-life

- Looking back to May 2023, an article by Mansur Shaheen titled "[Massachusetts] Doctors Perform World-First Brain Surgery on Baby With Deadly Genetic Disorder While It Is Still Inside Its Mom's Uterus" was posted at dailymail.co.uk on May 4, 2023.
- An article by Bridget Sielicki titled "Texas News Outlet [KVUE Austin] Falsely Labels Miscarriage Treatment as 'Abortion-Related Care'" was posted at lifesitenews.com on Dec. 6, 2024.
- An article by Jonathan Van Maren titled "Abortion Pill Murders by Men Force the Media to Acknowledge an Unborn Baby Dies" was posted at lifesitenews.com on Dec. 7, 2024.
- An article by Jonathon Van Maren titled "Abortion Facilities Could Face Mass Closures If Trump Defunds Planned Parenthood" was posted at lifesitenews.com on Dec. 12, 2024.
- An article by Matt Lamb titled "76 Abortion Facilities Have Closed Since Supreme Court Reversed Roe vs. Wade" was posted at lifesitenews.com on Dec. 13, 2024.

#### **Transgender – general comments**

- An article by Kaitlyn Schwanemann titled "UCLA Student Sues California Doctors, Says She Was 'Fast-Tracked' Into Transgender Surgery" was posted at nbcnews.com on Dec. 12, 2024
- An article by Alliance Defending Freedom titled "U.S. Plastic Surgeons' Group [The American Society of Plastic Surgeons] Challenges Leftist 'Consensus' on 'Gender Transitions' for Minors' was posted at lifesitenews.com on Dec. 14, 2024.

# **Comments – about defunding the police**

• Looking back to June 2020, an article by Paige Fernandez titled "Defunding the Police Will Actually Make Us Safer" was posted at aclu.org on June 11, 2020.

### **Trafficking minors**

• An article by Stephen Kokx titled "[Actor] Mel Gibson Rails Against Child Trafficking, Biden Administration in Mar-a-Lago Speech" was posted at lifesitenews.com on Dec. 13, 2024.

# Clergy sexual abuse

• An article by Caitlin McCormack titled "56 Clergy – Including 48 Priests – Accused of Sexual Abuse Dating Back to the 1950s in Michigan Catholic Diocese: Attorney General" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

# Repeating the crime

• An article by Richard Pollina titled "California Felon Markham David Bond (Who Was Granted 'Compassionate Release' After 26 Years Behind Bars) Sent Back to Prison for Same Crime" was posted at nypost.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

#### **Excessive crime**

- An article by Shane Galvin titled "Hooligans Terrorize Motorists, Target Car With Baby on Board in Chaotic Florida Street Takeover" was posted at nypost.com on Dec. 14, 2024.
- An article by Jared Downing and David Propper titled "Shooter at Abundant Life Christian School in [Madison] Wisconsin ID'd as 15-Year-Old Natalie 'Samantha' Rupnow' was posted at nypost.com on Dec. 16, 2024.

# **Nicotine pouches**

• An article by Allie Griffin titled "Over Two-Thirds of U.S. Teens Don't Drink, Smoke or Use Marijuana – but This One Vice [Nicotine Pouches] Is Gaining Ground: Survey" was posted at nypost.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

### Gun news

• An article by Austin Petersen titled "Banning Ghost Guns Won't Stop Criminals, but Might Create More" was posted at ampamerica.com on Dec. 15, 2024.

# Disney

- Looking back to April 2022, an article by David Ng titled "Groomer-Gate: 15 Times Disney Promoted LGBTQAI2s in Children's Programming" was posted at breitbart.com on April 6, 2022.
- An article by John Nolte titled "Disney's Woke 'Snow White' Trailer Nears 1.4 Million

Downvotes [Downvoted by More than 10-to-1]" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 16, 2024.

#### **Should James Bond be a woman?**

- Looking back to February 2017, a video titled "Is the World Ready for a Female James Bond?" was posted at foxnews.com on Feb. 4, 2017.
- Looking back to March 2019, an article by Tyler McCarthy titled "Former 'Bond' Girl Eva Green Thinks the New 007 'Should Remain a Man' Amid Calls for a Female Recasting" was posted at foxnews.com on March 15, 2019.
- Looking back to January 2020, a video titled "James Bond Producers Rule Out a Female 007 [Barbara Broccoli Said the Iconic British Super Spy Can Be of Any Color, but He Is Male]" was posted at foxnews.com on Jan. 16, 2020.
- Looking back to September 2021, an article by Tyler McCarthy titled "[Actor] Daniel Craig Says James Bond Shouldn't be a Woman Hopes for a Similar, Female-Led Action Franchise Instead" was posted at foxnews.com on Sept. 21, 2021.
- An article by Gabriel Hays titled "Former 'Bond Girl' [Gemma Arterton] Trashes Idea of Female James Bond: 'Like Mary Poppins Being Played by a Man'" was posted at foxnews.com on Dec. 14, 2024.

### Do Democrats want Kamala Harris to lead them?

- An article by Staff titled "Kamala Harris 2028? Not a Good Idea, Most Voters Say" was posted at rasmusseenreports.com on Dec. 10, 2024.
- An article by Edward-Isaac Dovere titled "Harris Debates Her Future: A Run for California Governor That Would Take 2028 Off the Table" was posted at cnn.com on Dec. 15, 2024.
- An article by Pam Key titled "[Breitbart Editor-in-Chief Alex] Marlow: Democrats Trying to Push Kamala Harris Out of the National Spotlight" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 16, 2024.

#### Do Democrats want Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez to lead them?

- An article by Nick Gilbertson titled "Reports: Nancy Pelosi Moves to Block AOC From Top Democrat Post on House Oversight Committee [Pushing Colleagues to Support Gerry Connolly of Virginia]" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 13, 2024.
- An article by Wendell Husebo titled "Democrats Reject Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez for Top Oversight Committee Post" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

#### Who will lead the Democrats?

- An article by Thomas D. Williams titled "Nancy Pelosi Brags of Defying Archbishop's Communion Ban" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 13, 2024.
- An article by Staff titled "Nancy Pelosi Has Hip Replacement After Fall in Luxembourg" was posted at wsj.com on Dec. 14, 2024.
- An article by Cindy Adams titled "'Big Mouth' Rahm Emanuel Exploring a Run for President" was posted at nypost.com on Dec. 17, 2024.
- An article by Joel B. Pollak titled "On Second Thought: Newsom to Repeal Call for Constitutional Convention After Trump Victory" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

### **Election losers = mainstream media & celebrity endorsements**

• An article by John Loftus titled "Top Kamala Harris Staffer [Rob Flaherty] Admits What We Knew All Along [the Left's Ecosystem Is the Mainstream Media and Hollywood]" was posted at dailycaller.com on Dec. 10, 2024.

### **Election loser = celebrity endorsements**

• An article by Robbie Collin titled "Hollywood's Great Unwokening Has Been Unleashed" was posted at telegraph.co.uk on Dec. 14, 2024.

### **Election loser = the corporate media**

- An article by Isabella Simonetti titled "MSNBC and CNN Fight to Dig Out of a Post-Election Ratings Hole" was posted at wsj.com on Dec. 15, 2024.
- An article by Sonya Gugliara titled "CNN Reaches Depressing New Milestone as Ratings Tank to an All-Time Low" was posted at dailymail.co.uk on Dec. 17, 2024.
- An article by Dominick Mastrangelo titled "Former Harris Campaign Official [Rob Flaherty]: 'No Value' in Speaking to Mainstream Newspapers" was posted at the hill.com on Dec. 17, 2024.

#### Comments about "The View"

- An article by Jason Walsh titled "Whoopi Goldberg: RFK Jr. Is 'Fat-Shaming' Obese People by Promoting Healthy Diets" was posted at dailyfetched.com on Dec. 13, 2024.
- An article by Pam Key titled "Ana Navarro Compares Trump's Time Person of the Year Cover to Hitler, Stalin: 'He's in That Kind of Company'" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec.

13, 2024.

#### **General** interest

- An article by Angelica Stabile titled "Incurable, 'Highly Contagious' STD Affects Nearly 900 Million People Under Age 50" was posted at foxnews.com on Dec. 13, 2024.
- An article by Awr Hawkins titled "14 State Attorneys General File Suit Against Glock Handguns" was posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 13, 2024.
- An article by Kendall Tietz titled "Harvard President [Alan M. Garber] Privately Tells Faculty University Needs to Rethink Messaging After GOP Victory" was posted at foxnews.com on Dec. 13, 2024.
- A video and an article by Warner Todd Huston titled "Watch: NFL Creates Sappy Video to Wish Taylor Swift a Happy Birthday" were posted at breitbart.com on Dec. 13, 2024.
- An article by Jessica Flint titled "Older Americans Are Moving to Myrtle Beach Faster Than Anywhere Else" was posted at wsj.com on Dec. 14, 2024.
- An article by James Gordon titled "Chris Rock Stuns 'Saturday Night Live' Audience With Brutal Bill Clinton Dig as He Savages Anti-Trump Liberals" was posted at dailymail.co.uk on Dec. 15, 2024.
- An article by Lauren Acton-Taylor titled "NASA Astronauts Stranded in Space [Butch Wilmore age 61 and Suni Williams age 58 Left the International Space Station in June and Expected to Return Home Just 8 Days Later] Get More Bad News as Rescue Mission Is Delayed" was posted at dailymail.co.uk on Dec. 17, 2024.

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An article by Sloan Oliver titled "Using the Wrap-Up Smear on Pete Hegseth" was posted at americanthinker.com on Dec. 17, 2024. Following are excerpts of the article.

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In 2017, Nancy Pelosi described the method by which Democrats smear and slander someone in a tactic she famously called "the wrap-up smear" – AP attempted to excuse Pelosi's admission by saying it's "out of context," but she sure used a lot of first person language.)

Understanding Nancy's words is simple: "The Democrats leak a lie [smear] to the media, the complicit media goes along and willingly writes an article so that later, the Democrats can point to the article and say, 'See, it must be true because it's in the news.'"

The Democrats have used the wrap-up smear numerous times.

### Smearing Trump

Perhaps the most egregious example was the Democrats' smear about the 2016 election and the entire Russian-collusion hoax.

Hillary's campaign purchased an "intelligence" lie (that Trump colluded with the Russians to steal the election), and the complicit media wrote endless articles about Russian collusion. Then, the Democrats used those articles as proof that the lie was true and used it to spy on and to investigate Trump.

# Smearing Kavanaugh

A second example was the Brett Kavanaugh Supreme Court hearings. The smear was the accusation that Kavanaugh sexually assaulted Christine Blasey Ford back in high school (36 years prior). Despite Ford producing zero evidence and remembering nothing about the "assault" except that Kavanaugh did it (Ford's own father did not believe her), the Democrats merchandised the lie to the media.

The media wrote numerous articles about Kavanaugh's "sexual assault" implying it was true, and used those articles in an attempt to torpedo his nomination.

### Smearing Hegseth

In a case of history repeating itself, the Democrats are attempting to same wrap-up smear tactic against Pete Hegseth – President Trump's nominee for Secretary of Defense.

Shortly after his nomination, countless anonymous smears began appearing about Hegseth's character. The media is using the anonymous accusations as "proof" that he is unfit to be the Secretary of Defense.

I don't know Hegseth, but as a Ranger and former paratrooper, I know plenty of soldiers exactly like him. He's a top-tier warfighter who has been in close-quarter combat (CQC). Hegseth volunteered to put himself in harm's way, certainly not for the money, rather because he felt a duty to serve. Thank God that we have brave, heroic men like Hegseth willing and able to do the dirty work required to protect this country and keep it safe.

He knows what it means to send our sons and daughters to their possible deaths.

He knows that the troops must be fully trained and lethal.

He knows that the military-industrial complex (MIC) is a cabal that profits by keeping the country at war. (President Eisenhower warned us about how much the MIC have on public policy.)

The smears against Hegseth are attempts to prevent him from being confirmed as Secretary of Defense, because he is a threat to halting this never-ending state of war.

Final thought: Make certain your senators know how you feel about President Trump's nominations – especially about Pete Hegseth's.

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An article by Ferozan Mast titled "Scientists Confirm These Simple Activities Could Help Prevent Dementia" was posted at bestlifeonline.com on Dec. 13, 2024. Following are excerpts of the article.

- 1. Exercise daily
- 2. Train your brain
- 3. Make time for friends
- 4. Go to bed
- 5. Get your eyes checked
- 6. Mediterranean diet

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Isaiah 55:6-11—"Seek you the Lord while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near. Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, and He will have mercy on him; and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon. 'For My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways,' says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain comes down, and the snow from heaven, and do not return there, but water the earth, and make it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall My word by that goes forth from My mouth; it shall not return to Me void, but it shall accomplish what I please, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it."