

Dangerous Trump Republican Administration Actions

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1	Arts	3/16/17	New Trump budget completely eliminates the Nat'l Endowment for the Arts and the Nat'l Endowment for the Humanities, as well as the Corporation for Public Broadcasting.	Play to base to hurt those "liberal art lovers"	That art is meaningless to our society	Cripple the arts	Lobby Protest
2	Budget	3/14/17	Trump's budget proposal is expected to create historic contraction in the federal workforce if enacted	Trump vision: a smaller government, less involved in regulating life in America, with private companies and states playing a much bigger role. "Deconstruction of the administrative state," in the words of Mr. Trump's chief strategist, Stephen K. Bannon.	Government is ALWAYS inefficient and unneeded	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extensive loss of Federal jobs Gutting of gov't regulations Greater corporate profit at expense of taxpayers Attack on civil rights with less Federal regulation. 	Lobby Protest
3	Budget	3/20/17	As Trump continues to try and cut budget on social programs, he continues to fly to his Florida mansion each weekend.	Not let being president keep him from living the life of the rich and famous.	It doesn't cost taxpayers much	Millions of dollars being spent on security for Trump's trips to Mar-a-Lago. Trump's first three Mar-a-Lago weekends cost taxpayers an estimated \$10 million.	Lobby Protest
4	Conflicts of Interest	Continuous	Refusing to put his assets into a blind trust and sell them off; refusal to show his tax returns to identify potential conflicts of interest Eric Trump will share business updates with Donald "probably quarterly."	Continue making lots of money	That he will not be thinking about his business as he runs the country	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HUGE perception problem Likely misbehavior of foreign governments Making money off being President Acting in personal business interest instead of US interest Violation of the Emoluments Clause of our Constitution 	Lobby Protest
5	Conflicts of Interest	Continuous	Refusing to show his tax returns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keep his real wealth private Keep secret his ties to foreign countries and gov'ts Hide his failure to pay taxes 	That he will release them when the "audit" is over	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public cannot see his conflicts of interest Trump very well could be subject to blackmail by foreign gov'ts who threaten to release compromising data Public not aware of his pushing the limit of tax laws 	Lobby Protest
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conflicts of Interest Security 	Continuous	Refusing to challenge Russia or Vladimir Putin; denial of Administration contact with Russians	Unknown, but could include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hiding business ties Looking to enrich self thru Russia business ties Wanting to emulate Putin as Oligarch Wanting to breakdown existing world structure 	That being buddies with Russia/Putin will make America stronger	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Risk of Russia blackmail and manipulation of Trump Risk of wrecking NATO and other western alliances Risk of Trump allowing additional Russian aggression Quite simply: war 	Lobby Protest
7	Conflicts of Interest	2/10/17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attack Nordstrom's for not selling his daughter Ivanka's line of merchandise Sending out White House Counselor Kellyanne Conway to hawk Ivanka's merchandise 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hurt retailer Put fear into others that may go against his business interests Enrich his family with his power 	That Nordstrom's move was against America	Corruption	Lobby Protest Refuse to buy Trump products
8	Coup	1/26/17	Requesting "mass resignations" of nearly all senior staff at the State Department really a purge ordered by the White House	Weaken gov't agencies ability to resist him	That resignations were voluntary; they were NOT voluntary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weakened inability at State to respond to Trump actions Only one of many tactics being used; EG: being very extreme with Executive Orders, and hoping ensuing chaos distracts from some of them Just one of a multitude of plays already made to test of the country's willingness to 	Lobby Protest
9	Coup	Feb 2017	Support of efforts of multiple state Republican leaders to criminalize peaceful protests	Weaken any opposition	These actions are needed for public safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Squash free speech and opposition Put fear in hearts of those that would oppose him 	Lobby Protest

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10	Economy	Jan 2017	Nominate Steven Mnuchin for Secretary of Treasury	Bring in guy who will lead economic charge to favor billionaires and big business over the working class	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . That Trump economic policies aren't to the benefit of the rich at the expense of the working class and poor . That millions of good paying manufacturing jobs coming back to the US 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . HUGE tax cuts for the wealthy . Even greater widening of the income and wealth gap . Deregulation of the financial industry, quickly forgetting what drove the 2008/2009 recession 	Lobby Protest
11	Economy	2/10/17	Supporting House Republicans efforts to gut the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau	Allow businesses in this industry to fully prey on consumers	That consumer protection is actually back for America	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Weaken leadership of agency . Allow Trump to replace Director anytime . Limit enforcement authority . Reduce ability to make rules . Repeal consumer complaint system . Greatly shrink enforcement tools . Eliminate ability to go after businesses engaged in deceptive business practices 	Lobby Protest
12	Education	Jan 2017	Nominate Betsy DeVos as Secretary of Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Play to base . Cut support of public education in favor of religious and charter schools . Attack on teacher unions . Allow guns in schools 	That DeVos will be great for public schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Public schools defunded at expense of religious and charter schools . Guns allowed in schools . Attack on teacher unions . Hurt minority students 	Lobby Protest
13	Education	3/16/17	Budget cuts to public education: reduces or eliminates 20 programs within the Department of Education, including Striving Readers, Teacher Quality Partnership and Impact Aid support payments for federal property and international education programs	Take money from "unproven" programs and send it to military spending	All gov't is bad, including public education	In that 90% of American kids attend public schools, and with education arguably being the US's biggest solution to our many problems, this will be a disaster.	Lobby Protest
14	Election	1/25/17	Claim of voter fraud	Always deny losing; tighter voter restrictions	3M-5M fraud votes in election	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . More restrictions on disadvantaged (and likely Democrat) voters . Distraction 	Lobby Protest
15	Election	Jan 2017	Nominate Andy Puzder for Secretary of Labor	Bring in guy who will lead charge to weaken labor	That working class will be better off without the right to organize; that the rich will take care of us	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Even greater widening of the income and wealth gap . Lower wages for new jobs 	Lobby Protest
16	Election	3/4/17	Trump, citing no evidence, accuses Obama of "Nixon/Watergate" plot to wiretap Trump Tower in the run-up to the election. FBI Director Comey asked Justice officials to refute Trump's unproven claim.	Distract public from Trump Administration problems, including disturbing ties to Russia, nominees caught lying under oath, etc.	This entire accusation is a lie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Distraction efforts work to a degree . Base gets fired up about "corrupt media" and "whining liberals" . Fatigue sets in within public . Trump able to slide through outrageous actions 	Lobby Protest
17	Equal Rights	2/22/17	Trump administration withdraws federal protections for transgender students	Play to religious right	Trump administration said the Obama-era guidance did not provide "extensive legal analysis" of how its position was consistent with Title IX	Politically motivated attack that will endanger transgender children and sow confusion over the federal government's role in enforcing civil rights.	Lobby, protest, donate
18	Extremism	Continuous	Appointing rightwing extremists as his tight inner circle of advisors and policy creators. EG: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Steve Bannon - continuous supporter of fascism; claims Islam is not a true religion, etc . Steven Miller - as aid to Senator Jeff Sessions was a far-right "nut" to other Republican aids . Son-in-law Jared Kushner, a zealot Israel supporter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Play to far-right base . Move country (and world) to far-right positions . Enable "less-right" positions to seem fair and reasonable 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . That he has a mandate to be the most extreme president in history . That he really won a huge landslide in the election 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Putting the US and the world in a very dangerous place . A complete fascist power play if the US experiences any terrorist event 	Pray

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19	Foreign Policy	3/16/17	Trump budget proposes cutting State Department budget by 28%. Funding cuts focus on focus on diplomacy, as well as foreign aid that keeps regions stable, and thus America safe. Among the cuts: drastic reductions in the 60-year-old State Department Food for Peace Program, which sends food to poor countries hit by war or natural disasters. Also cut World Bank funding.	. Talking and working with foreigners to keep the peace and promote safety, democracy and stability are out. . Funding efforts for more efficiently and effectively killing people when things go a direction we don't like are in.	That these programs don't work; repeated studies and the military as well as the CIA say they do.	Diplomacy and stabilization efforts being eliminated will lead to, not surprisingly, destabilization, friction and conflict. As the problems facing the poor in the developing world continue to worsen, hope will recede for them, leading to extremism and violence. Global support of the US and our policies will further deteriorate, as will our status as a global leader, costing us dearly and making us less safe. Plus many people will needlessly die.	Lobby, protest, donate
20	Health	1/23/17	Global Gag Rule	Win favor of Religious Right (happens first day in office for every Republican president)	That this restriction on access to family planning has no impact on the health of women or families	. Restricting access to international family planning . Will result in more unintended pregnancies, deaths from pregnancy, more infant mortalities, more poverty, etc.	Lobby for US AID and UNFPA funding
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22	Health	3/6/17	Republican plan for repealing and "replacing" ACA launched, shifting much of the cost to the poor and middle class. People earning more than \$1 million annually People	Fire up base and kill a social program that goes against Republican ethos	That it will work better than Obamacare	Same as above. More details: The plan scraps mandate for most Americans to have health insurance in favor of a new system of tax credits to induce people to buy insurance on the open market. The bill would roll back the	Lobby, protest, donate
23	Health	3/6/17	Defund Planned Parenthood	Fire up base and kill a social program that goes against Republican ethos	That Planned Parenthood is all about abortions, forgetting how their services actually prevent abortions, lower infant mortalities and	. Move abortions underground as unsafe and illegal, as they used to be. . Drastically more unintended births, driving up population and healthcare / social costs to take care of them	Lobby, protest, donate
24	Health	2/13/17	Supporting overturning rule to make it simpler for those who are a danger to themselves or others to get their hands on a gun.	Win favor of the NRA and the gun lobby	. That the rule is an attack on the second amendment . That it won't make us less safe	Keep expanding the epidemic of gun violence in the US	Lobby, protest, donate
25	Health	3/8/17	Support of House Republicans efforts to let employers demand workers' genetic test results. The bill, HR 1313, was approved by a House committee on 3/8/17	More power to corporations over workers	That this info is legitimately required by businesses	Allow companies to require employees to undergo genetic testing or risk paying a penalty of thousands of dollars, and would let employers see that genetic and other health information, enabling this data to be used	Lobby, protest
26	Housing and Urban Development	3/9/17	Trump administration considers \$6 billion cut to HUD budget	Cut social programs in favor of defense spending	That dependency on HUD programs has become "a way of life" for recipients.	. The plan would squeeze public housing support and end most federally funded community development grants, which provide services such as meal assistance and cleaning up abandoned properties in low-income neighborhoods. . It's the latest evidence that the administration is following through on President Trump's goal to cut domestic spending by \$54 billion to bolster the defense budget. . HUD's budget would shrink by about 14 percent	Lobby, protest
27	Immigration	1/24/17	Building wall	Win favor of Base	Mexico will pay for it; will have positive impact on US jobs; will increase US safety	. Minimal impact on illegal immigration . Waste of money . Unnecessarily wreck relationship with Mexico and start trade war	Lobby; support local Sanctuary Cities; donate to groups that support immigrants

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28	Immigration	1/25/17	Denying federal funds to Sanctuary Cities	Disallow local regions from standing against his anti-immigrant policies	Immigrants are thieves and rapists; immigrants are taking our jobs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Breaking up families Wrecking lives of disadvantage people Forcing Americans that disagree with Trump policies to tow line of face huge financial penalties 	Lobby, protest, donate
29	Immigration	1/25/17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Freeze the U.S. refugee program for 120 days, cut the current refugee quota by more than 50%, and take steps to initiate a "Muslim Ban"—targeting and banning immigration from upward of seven Muslim-majority countries. Call for a brutal immigration crackdown, including a likely acceleration of mass deportations and an effort to cut funding for 	Win favor of Base	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refugees are all terrorists Immigrants are the reason for US job losses and the wealth and income gap Refugees are "pouring in" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Religious discrimination; breaking apart families Increase cost of food thru increased cost of agriculture labor Testing the extent to which the DHS (and other executive agencies) can act and ignore orders from the other branches of gov't A play to consolidate power to Trump's inner White House circle Setting up to make a play for total power if terror attack does occur 	Lobby, protest, donate
30	Immigration	3/5/17	New Muslim ban, only slightly different from the last one. People from six majority-Muslim countries are being blocked from getting visas to the United States, and the refugee program is still being suspended.	Win favor of Base	Same as with first Muslim Ban (see above)	Same as with first Muslim Ban (see above) More on details: people from Iran, Somalia, Sudan, Yemen, Syria and Libya will face a 90-day suspension of visa processing. Iraq was removed from the list of countries affected. The order will keep in place a 120-day suspension of the refugee program, but it will no longer identify Syrian refugees as subject to an indefinite ban. The revisions are meant to help it withstand a court challenge.	Lobby, protest, donate
31	Judicial	Jan 2017	Nominate Jeff Sessions as Attorney General	Bring in lieutenant that will do as he is told and not push back at Trump extremism	That America is living in a dark world and needs to crack down on all those that oppose Trump	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Free reign to push extremism Attack on immigrants and minorities Refusal to enforce regulations 	Lobby, protest, donate
32	Judicial	1/31/17	Nominated Neil Gorsuch for the Supreme Court.	Keep court's rightwing advantage	That Gorsuch will be fair and balanced	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ideologically aligned with ultra conservative, Koch-funded Federalist Society and Heritage Foundation His record and previous legal writings shows his desires to limit access to the courts He also has a record of denigrating the power of agencies like the EPA to make rules to carry out their functions 	Lobby, protest
33	Judicial	2/25/17	Attorney General Jeff Sessions reinstated the government's use of private prisons w/Trump blessing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Play to base Lock up minorities and those that might oppose him Generate fear 	That private prisons will be run more efficiently and that all these evil people, including non-violent drug addicts, need to be locked up	The U.S. incarcerates more people than any other country on earth with nearly 2M behind bars. A big reason for this is that we have created a financial incentive to incarcerate more and more people. The private prison industry is founded on a business model that allows corporations to profit from mass incarceration.	Lobby, protest
34	Judicial	3/11/17	Trump abruptly orders remaining 46 U.S. attorneys to tender their resignations immediately, sweeping away the remaining vestiges of the Obama administration's prosecutors at the Justice Department.	Appoint judges that will not challenge him.	That any challenge to Trump is judicial activism	It is not unusual for a new president to replace United States attorneys appointed by a predecessor, especially when there has been a change in which party controls the White House. Other presidents, however, have done it gradually in order to minimize disruption.	Lobby, protest
35	Science	3/17/17	Trump's budget proposal calls for major cuts to funding for medical and science research; he wants to slash funding to the National Institutes of Health by \$6 billion, which represents about one-fifth of its budget.	Attacking science makes it easier for Trump to pursue policies that will enrich his family and their businesses, as well as to repeal and block any of those pesky regulations based on scientific studies	Science is fake news, etc	Given that the NIH says it uses more than 80 percent of its budget on grant money to universities and other research centers, thousands of institutions and many more scientists would suffer from the proposed cuts. Scientists now brace for a Lost Generation in American research.	Lobby, protest, donate

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36	Security	1/30/17	Reorganization of the National Security Council: Bannon and Priebus have permanent seats on the Principals' Committee; the Dir of Nat'l Intelligence and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff demoted to only attending mtgs where told that their expertise is relevant; the Secretary of Energy and the US UN Rep kicked off	Very tight "inner circle," containing at least Trump, Bannon, Miller, Priebus, Kushner, which is making all of the decisions	Not a big deal; Obama had David Axelrod as member	Who knows what crazed and extreme decisions will be made but recent Bannon-driven Executive Orders indicates total extremism	Lobby, protest, donate
37	Security	Jan 2017	Nominating General Michael Flynn as national security adviser	Bring in counterpart that wants to go easy on Russia	. That Flynn never discussed removing sanctions on Russia before Trump was inaugurated . That Trump's campaign never coordinated with the Russian gov't	. Set US up to be blackmailed by Russia . Hurt US relationship with western allies	Protest even though Flynn resigned
38	Security	3/16/17	Trump budget cuts FEMA state and local grant funding by \$667 million, including the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program and Homeland Security Grant Program	Cut social programs in favor of defense spending, even if these programs are geared at protecting Americans	That these programs don't work; repeated studies say they do.	When disaster hits, which it always does, we will be crippled in our response	Scream!
39	Security	3/20/17	Secretary of State Tillerson calls the North Korea nuclear program an "imminent" threat while ruling out negotiations with the country	Thump on his tough-guy chest to threaten N. Korea	US policy towards N. Korea has been a total failure for past 20 years	Much heighten risk of military conflict. He left open the possibility of a pre-emptive military strike to eliminate its nuclear program while China's foreign minister urged the U.S. to remain "cool-headed."	Scream!
40	Social Services	3/16/17	Trump's team is expected to propose a wide array of cuts to transportation programs like Amtrak and to the Department of Housing and Urban Development, including the complete elimination of the \$3 billion Community Development Block Grant program, which funds popular programs like Meals on Wheels, housing assistance and other community assistance efforts	. Increase defense spending at the expense of social programs . Keep the poor down while keeping the rich's investments safe	That these programs don't work; repeated studies say they do.	DRAMATIC increase in poverty and suffering throughout America	Lobby, protest, donate