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**Corporate Fascism: Billions to Wall Street and Lies to the People  
Keeping it Real  
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It must never be forgotten that *both* Barack Obama and John McCain supported the over 700 billion dollar *sell out* of the people to the elite finance capitalists of Wall Street, despite the expressed overwhelming opposition to it from every day persons throughout the United States. This is an example of the de facto *dictatorship of and by corporations* in the U.S.A. It is seriously authoritarian and without conscience. It is in fact a 21st Century kind of fascism in this nation that continues to make an utter mockery of supposed U.S. democracy.

Corporate finance capitalists, the corporate media (including its so-called *progressive/leftist* collaborators), and the corporate-backed Obama/Biden and McCain/Palin U.S. Presidential tickets are enemies of the people - one and all. All of them support the continued economic and political exploitation of every day men, women, and children inside the United States and around the world. All of them support U.S. Empire and hegemony. To deny this is to deny the obvious.

It should be noted that even the recent - over 700 billion dollar sell out - to the greedy, irresponsible corporate elite of Wall Street can only, at most, forestall the economic, social, and political upheaval that is nearer than many care to imagine. Nevertheless, those billions of dollars were tantamount to applying a mere band aid as a supposed cure to a cancer patient. Burying our heads in the sand like ostriches will not *stop* the devastating economic unraveling process which has already begun in earnest. What is needed is an end to corporate fascism, corporate government. What is needed by and for the masses is total and complete systemic change in the United States, and neither Barack Obama nor John McCain will bring this about.

Unfortunately, many are desirous of simply seeing "black faces in high places" and thus support the likes of Barack Obama for U.S. President, as if that will bring about much needed *systemic* change. Never mind that Obama is more to the right on a number of important issues and policies, such as supporting apartheid Zionism and U.S. military adventurism, than even George W. Bush. Never mind that U.S. Supreme Court Justice

Clarence Thomas and U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice are "black faces in a high places" who have brought, and continue to bring, nothing but grief to the vast majority of people, be they Black, Brown, Red, Yellow or White. When will we ever learn?

Sooner or later, the people of the United States are going to have to take responsibility for the kind of government this nation has. While it is certainly accurate that the majority of Black, White, Brown, Red, and Yellow peoples in this nation are continually exploited by what is, in essence, a corporate fascist dictatorship, there nonetheless comes a point when the people of this nation must reject, once and for all, the fake democracy promoted by the U.S. corporate government with the ongoing complicity of the U.S. corporate media.

The corporate / military elite of this nation is intent upon neutralizing Black, other oppressed peoples, and people of good will generally in this nation - by promoting the candidacy of Barack Obama. While this tactic may be effective in the short term, it will fail miserably in the not too distant future, once people awaken to who Barack Obama really is, and experience and see first hand that a Barack Obama presidency will have *substantively* and *systemically* changed *nothing*. Indeed, economic, social, and political matters will have become far worse. As civil rights attorney P. Jerome correctly concludes in the article titled, [No Dog in this Fight](#), which states in relevant part: "If McCain wins, more war and more austerity. If Obama wins, even more war and even more austerity, *but with no political opposition*. By November 5, the *same* people will be controlling our lives, regardless of the election outcome. Real power never gets voted out of office. It must be confronted and overturned." Indeed! Collaborating with U.S. Empire and corporate fascism only enhances it; and this collaboration, especially by some of the so-called left in this nation, is inexcusable and must never be forgotten.

The Democratic and Republican Party *Republicrats* have, for countless years, wreaked enormous pain, suffering, and havoc upon the masses of women, men, and children around the globe. We can ill afford to continue being hostages to the Republicrats. This Democratic and Republican Party democracy is *no democracy at all*. It is a farce.

Even the Constitution of the United States of America, with all its flaws, has been for its part deliberately subverted and shredded by *both* the Democratic and Republican Parties [i.e. the Republicrats]. Moreover, notwithstanding their meaningless, misleading, and often insulting 2008 campaign rhetoric, Barack Obama and John McCain serve the corporate / military elite and certainly *not* the people. They are the enemies of the people plain and simple. Have no illusions, the time is rapidly approaching when massive and/or regular military "police" actions may very well be employed inside the United States by the corporate government against its own citizens. People generally know that John McCain is capable of this, but are dangerously *deluded* into thinking that Barack Obama isn't. Power concedes nothing, and it truly "must be confronted and overturned."

Be not deceived, for literally *everything* is at stake for now and for many, many years to come.

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