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Trump Debunks Globalism at UN

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President Trump's third speech to the United Nations in as many years was a stirring rebuke of globalism. He made the compelling case for an end to the push for a borderless world.

At the 74th United Nations General Assembly in New York on Tuesday, Trump explained how nationalism is good for everyone. By focusing on the people within their own countries, leaders around the globe can bring prosperity worldwide while preserving what is cherished about each nation.

"The future does not belong to globalists – the future belongs to patriots," Trump explained. "The future belongs to sovereign and independent nations who protect their citizens, respect their neighbors, and honor the differences that make each country special and unique."

He is the first American President to call out the pernicious influence of globalism: "Globalism exerted a religious pull over past leaders, causing them to ignore their own national interests." That harmful pull by the "religion" of globalism has misguided past Democratic and Republican presidents alike, he could have added.

One of the harms of globalism, Trump explained, has been the support for perpetual or endless wars. Instead, he observed, "The United States has never believed in permanent enemies."

"Many of America's closest friends today were once our gravest foes." Included in the list of the "gravest foes" would be England, Germany and Japan, all of which are now among our closest friends.

Trump lambasted mass migration, by which illegal immigrants flood a peaceful nation and overrun it with crime, demands for entitlements, and hardships. "Mass illegal migration is unfair, unsafe, and unsustainable for everyone involved," Trump pointed out.

"The sending countries and the depleted countries – and they've become depleted very fast – their youth is not taken care of and human capital goes to waste," he added. In the United States, "we have taken very unprecedented action to stop the flow of illegal immigration."

Trump sent a strong message against migration as prior presidents of both parties should have stood for, but none did. "To anyone considering crossing our border illegally, please hear these words: Do not pay the smugglers."

Trump's political foes already mischaracterize his speech as somehow being "aggressive" or "red meat" for Trump's base, as Politico.com put it. But there was nothing aggressive or politicized about Trump's remarks, which reflect his long-held views and what he was elected to do.

The Prime Minister of India, Narendra Modi, profusely praised Trump at a massive rally of 50,000 people in a football stadium in Houston on Sunday. Modi is one of many world leaders who support Trump.

Trump's rejection of globalism included a warning to China about how it handles unrest in Hong Kong. "How China chooses to handle the situation will say a great deal about its role in the world in the future."

Likewise, Trump mentioned the despair in Venezuela as an illustration "that socialism and communism are not about justice, they are not about equality, they are not about lifting up the poor, and they are certainly not about the good of the nation. Socialism and Communism are about one thing only: power for the ruling class."

The largest neighbor of Venezuela is Brazil, which is led by another outspoken supporter of Trump. Jair Bolsonaro, who addressed the UN before Trump, has previously praised Trump's opposition to illegal immigration and wants "to have a great Brazil just like Trump wants to have a great America."

Trump found time during his speech to call out the media and liberal universities. "Media and academic institutions push flat-out assaults on our histories, traditions and values," Trump rightly observed.

The Deep State, too, received recognition by Trump, and not in a complimentary way. "A faceless bureaucracy operates in secret and weakens democratic rule," he declared.

Trump again exceeded expectations by being the finest advocate for the unborn to ever reside in the White House. He told the UN that "Americans will also never tire of defending innocent life," and criticized how "many United Nations projects have attempted to assert a global right to taxpayer-funded abortion on demand – right up until the moment of delivery."

While Trump says and does what he promised as a candidate, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi has meanwhile caved into the far left of the Democratic Party. The same day

Trump was speaking to world leaders at the UN, Pelosi opened an impeachment investigation to improperly try to weaken his authority.

The timing of Pelosi's unpatriotic act could not have been more inappropriate. She chose the same day as Trump's speech to the UN to try to undermine him with the politically motivated impeachment inquiry.

Globalism is a stepchild of communism, and neither should be the future. All nations should take Trump's words to heart about making their own countries great again, and some already are.

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