



THREAT ALERT - Energy, National Debt and Socialism

With all the buzz around The New Green Deal, it is important to revisit energy, national debt, and socialism. Today's mission is a quick assessment from someone who has worked in Congress as both a staffer and then chief legal counsel for a committee.

The objective is to gain an inside perspective of DC politics on these important economic threats.



YOUR MISSION: To share the importance of economic freedom and continue to enhance your knowledge around America's debt crisis, intellectual property rights, and energy independence.

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Jacki Deason shares with Kevin Freeman her insights working in DC as well as key expertise as an energy-policy thought leader. Jacki was legal counsel on Capitol Hill for the Chairman of the Subcommittee on the Constitution, and the Former Ranking Member of the Commercial and Administrative Law Subcommittee. She brings an in-depth understanding of the Constitution and intellectual property. She is host of The Jacki Daily Show on The Blaze and recognizes the threats to America's energy independence and economic freedom.

A. The Importance of Intellectual Property Protection – This is key to free markets and innovation. If we do not protect the creativity of entrepreneurs there is limited innovation and economic growth. Communist/Socialist belief in the collective declares that property belongs to all.

Quick Exercise – Which sounds better?

(You can only choose one)



OR



1. **Socialism** – a word that sounds cool to some younger Americans. It is romanticized, and most believe they will always be on the receiving end of good things. The reality is different. Those that become in charge of socialist countries are people who like power. There is a small group of people deciding everything for everyone. They control the property and they control individuals. **YOU LOSE!**

2. **Free Markets and Our Constitution** – The First Amendment allows for free speech, press and religion. In our country your heart and mind are sovereign. Even ideas in your head are protected as America protects intellectual property. You are in charge of what you do, and have the right of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. No one is dictating what you can and can not have. You also have the ability to own what you produce and create versus giving it to the collective or government. You can be generous with your earnings so giving actually is higher among capitalists. **YOU WIN!**



B. Free markets, property rights and the First Amendment are not prevalent in other countries. Even worse, communist countries with fewer rights call themselves socialist because it sounds better. But if you are taking control of the property from the individual and centralizing it to the government, you are on the communist side of the spectrum.

There is a reason China has to steal our intellectual property and adopt some market freedoms. Their system does not drive innovation. A country with four times the population of the US, has less productivity and innovation than the US. They also have fewer freedoms, despite having people with personal intellectual and creative talent.

In the U.S. 60 to 80 percent of our wealth can be viewed as tangible intellectual property. This includes patents, trademarks, copyrights, and trade secrets. As you look at the freedom spectrum there is a strong tie between being rewarded and hard work.

“Where there is more freedom there is prosperity, when there is less freedom there is poverty.” –Bob McEwen

Property Rights and Freedom make the Difference in an Economy

Got a great idea in China? – **“Why should you create and share your intellectual property, if you believe your life’s work will be confiscated by the government? You can’t run to the Patent and Trademark Office and say protect my rights. In fact, it would be a very fearful thing to do because the Chinese government would likely punish you.”** –Jacki Deason

Exhibit A Venezuela- A country that seized assets from private companies and private individuals. A state-run oil company that cannot produce oil. They went from 3 to 5 million barrels a day production

to less than 1 million, with worker walking off the job and lack of operational excellence. Add hyperinflation, and starvation and it should be a clear-cut case. Venezuela is sitting on a gold mine. Nobody has oil reserves like Venezuela, not even Saudi Arabia, but they are a failed state now. It all started as “democratic socialist.” They eliminated competition and became communist.



Jacki makes it clear, “Everyone should study Venezuela and know exactly why you don’t want a centralized government usurping more power, wealth, and authority over people. It doesn’t work.”

C. National Debt, An insider view. No one in Congress has a plan. We are on an unsustainable path.

“What I can tell you for sure is there is when I left Congress as a staffer in 2013, I’d been there for seven years. I witnessed every discussion, sometimes up close sometimes from the office or committee room among both parties on how to solve this problem. No one has a plan. No one had a serious plan. No one really wanted to solve the problem because it’s too hard. I mean historically you can either raise taxes which is very unpopular, or you can cut spending especially entitlement spending which is very unpopular. That no one will touch it is the truth, whether Republican or Democrat. So, they’re all hoping for economic growth that’s going to save us.” —Jacki Deason

To drive our economy, we must grow our way out of debt. Now more than ever, we need the Government to get out of the way. Congress does not create jobs, they control regulation which stifles jobs.

President Trump seems to understand what is strangling the economy. He is working to eliminate job killing regulation (rejecting the so-called "Green Power Plants" that triple or quadruple energy bills, pulling back from the Paris climate accord, stifling excessive EPA regulations and the Endangered Species Act that were based on junk science).



Regulation Observations: The Sand Dune Lizard – Endangered Species and Junk Science

The Permian Basin of West Texas is where the Sand Dune lizard is located. As the largest Shale play in the world it is an economic target.

“The Permian basin alone out produces every country on earth in oil production except Russia and Saudi Arabia.” –Jacki Deason

Due to its large oil production, the Permian Basin is one of the biggest threats to petrostates like Russia and Saudi Arabia. Permian production can flood the market with oil and gas and impact lower global prices. These petrostates want to shut the Permian down and they fund groups to conveniently find any species there and claim that it is endangered.

We are told by West Texas authorities that the environmentalists went out to do a count of how many of these lizards existed did so in an unscientific way:

It's apparently an animal that comes out mostly at night and wants to be where there's water. The environmentalist went out in the daylight, during a drought, where there is not water and attempted to count the lizards they see.

Despite the methodology being wrong, it doesn't matter. The way that the government works, when the Sierra Club or green group goes to the feds and says, "here's what we found." Their report is too readily accepted. The government does not conduct its own independent analysis, as there is not a budget for that type of work.

The Result: With incomplete and inaccurate data, the EPA moves forward with a listing process which can shut down oil production, real estate development or business production in that now “protected” area that isn’t even endangered. Our adversaries can easily use our systems against us, and it is part of the economic war.

D. Environmental narratives, the Billionaires Club, how the environmentalist agenda is funded and executed.

A 2014 report from the US Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works documents a group called the Billionaires Club. It includes almost 600 footnotes tracing the money in the “green” movement.



The sixth-largest funder of the U.S. green movement is a Bermuda firm. Offshore money goes from Bermuda to the Sea Change Foundation of California. It is then distributed to around two hundred environmental non-profits in the United States.

One of the donor firms is Klein, Ltd. It allegedly has ties to board members of Rosneft, the Russian oil company. A simple web search will show both Congressional and independent investigations.

The foreign funds given are substantial amounts for the green movement. But it's a small amount of money relative to the oil revenues. As part of the economic war our adversaries can take a relatively small amount of money, give it to the green movement, and tell them we want to protect this lovable lizard. The goal? Wiping out the third largest oil producing region in the world.

E. Sue and Settle – Another Green Plan to Go Around Your Representatives and You.

How it Works: Environmental Groups shows up with an alleged problem and demands the government solve it.

For example, they might go to Fish and Wildlife with details of a supposed problem. They argue that the government has a duty to respond in order to keep fish and wildlife safe. Unless the government gives them what they want, they threaten to sue. The government then gives into their demands and enters agreements under "sue and settle." It gives the environmental group everything they asked for and everything they wanted. It makes policy outside the normal process and puts in place rules that the duly-elected Congress would not approve. The agencies cannot do it on their own authority, so they shop for favorable courts and collude with the environmental group to force new regulations. The new regulations give the government agency more power and authority, so they go along. But this creates an enormous foreign competitive advantage.

Regulation is taken from Congress and put in agencies filled with unelected bureaucrats. They cooperate with the green movements and unelected friendly courts. No matter what Congress has passed, if the agency agrees in court, we're stuck with it.

FLASHBACK- EPA "Sue and Settle" Results from US Chamber of Commerce:

"As an example, between 2009 and 2012, EPA chose not to defend itself in over 60 lawsuits from special interest advocacy groups. These cases resulted in settlement agreements and EPA publishing more than 100 new regulations - including the Clean Power Plan."

-US Chamber of Commerce

F. The petrostate's need for higher oil prices creates the economic incentives for lawfare and a desire to halt America's energy independence.

U.S. adversaries leverage ways to work around elected representative and through regulations to circumvent Congress and your voice.

Watch out for the potential "Deep State" within our federal agencies and EPA.

We all want clean air, water, and to protect our environment. At



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the same time, the federal agencies are not necessarily representing you or America.

E&E Legal did a study and found there has been a revolving door between the Obama administration EPA leadership and the most extreme environmental groups.

We have former EPA leaders now suing the EPA. It is the same people on both sides of the table. Senator Vitter and Congressman Darrell Issa did a study that showed the following:

1. **The Funding of the Green Movement has ties to Russia** - A Congressional report states that Russian money coming in is the sixth largest funder of the green movement.
2. **The green movement people are the ones who headed up the EPA.** There was not a single business person, union leader, or anyone who had to make a payroll.
3. With that truth, **how could we know whether or not it was Russia ultimately calling the shots** with the EPA against the Permian basin?
4. Their response? **We cannot know.** We shouldn't think of Russia as an evil empire, as much as it is Russia as a global economic competitor. They're a business competitor to American fracking and they want to win.

With fracking offline, other oil rich countries enjoy a boom in revenues. Saudi Arabia, Russia, and Iran would be in a great economic position. \$200 a barrel oil would change the entire geopolitics of the world.

It used to be that if one country had a civil war, prices would go up. It is not true anymore. What other countries take offline, the American frackers can put right back in production. This is great news for America.

There are adversaries that do not want America to be energy independent. Petroleum has been at the center of every geopolitical conflict for a century. In the future, oil will continue to have both cause and effect in the biggest economic matters we face!



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General Jim Jones (national security adviser to Barack Obama former head of NATO military forces.

“If you want to restrict energy production, get ready because it will lead to another war. There will be armed strife to ensure people get what they need. You cannot feed 7.5 billion people on this planet without fossil fuels. No one knows how to do that. No one at the U.N. Panel on Climate Change knows how to do that. No one at the EPA knows how to do that. That’s the truth.”

–Jacki Deason

Good News: Economic Patriots like You Can Make A Difference!

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Why You Should Care:

1. The Green New Deal is causing some in America to deny reality. There is a lack of understanding regarding the importance of energy, and even food in the world.
2. Energy is a key component to your lifestyle, way of life, and your money. America needs to be energy independent to protect our national security and economic freedom.
3. Our National Debt is not being addressed. If it is to be, it is up to you to help encourage economic growth in our economy.
4. Even if you have the best intentions for green initiatives, it is important to understand and educate others on the economic realities driving narratives.
5. America has forgotten the benefits of freedom and intellectual property. It is time to help others understand the gifts we have in the Constitution and Bill of Rights and why we need to protect them.



Economic Patriot Action Plan

Step 1: Review the Economic War Room Battle Plans™ [EP03](#) and [EP04](#) as they relates to energy threats and potential investments. Get caught up on all the EWR episodes. They are available on demand at BlazeTV.

Step 2: Freedom, our national debt, and energy independence are significant drivers in the economic war we are facing. It is important to build your understanding of these topics for conversations with friends, family and representatives.

Step 3: **ASK your Congressional representative** about where they stand on energy independence. Beware if they are talking too much about the environment. Vet your candidate and beware of Congressional Compromise through D.C. think tanks that drive legislation and influence votes.

Step 4: Beware of The Green New Deal. It is an aggressive effort to completely take down America and our Freedoms. Education is the first step toward correcting supporters and representatives that just think it sounds cool.

Step 5: Consider what can you do now to help strengthen America. Keep in touch with your congressional representatives. Choose from the list or set your own goals:

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- Share this Economic Battle Plan™ and our short video segments on Facebook or YouTube with friends. We set up the Economic War Room to be your resource for information, preparation, and mobilization.
- Think about ways you can mobilize or weaponize your money towards things that strengthen American. This can be through charitable giving, spending, or investments.
- **Do this now!** Have a financial action plan based on multiple geopolitical scenarios developing now. Advanced preparation is key. Trying to figure what to do when an economic event happens is usually too late.
- **Talk with your financial advisor as it relates to your savings/ investments. Ensure your advisor understands the potential impact economic/geo-political scenarios could have on your portfolio. LOOK FOR ECONOMIC WAR ROOM'S ADVISOR AND INVESTOR ONLINE TRAINING COURSE LAUNCHING THIS SUMMER.**

***Thank you for accepting this mission.
Together, we will make a difference!***

SHAREABLE THOUGHT:

(share this thought with your friends or at the office)

“America is not smarter than anyone else. We do not have more resources than everyone else. We simply have a better system than everyone else.”

—Jacki Deason



The EWR Collection Deck From Kevin Freeman

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