



## The Puppet Masters: George Soros and the Obama Administration

The movie industry has had a lucrative field day with the idea of a powerful overseer manipulating weaker humans to spread terror over an entire population. In 1986 Hollywood embarked on what became a series of horror movies entitled *The Puppet Master*. The first film featured an elderly puppeteer named Andre Toulon, who like the archetypal *mad scientist*, created a series of deadly puppets that scourged the earth in a cascade of blood and terror.

### Presidential Strings

The theme of the overseeing force has been a literary staple since Mary Shelley's 1818 Gothic novel, *Frankenstein* and the 1962 thriller, Richard Condon's *The Manchurian Candidate*, which was about an army sergeant, who was brainwashed to be a political assassin. Again culture provides a suitable metaphor for reality. President Barack Obama's woeful lack of experience, when coupled with his meteoric rise to the pinnacle of political and military power is enough to lend credibility to such popular suspicions.

His puzzled look and vapid rhetoric is enough to make one think that he is NOT the one in charge of his presidency. This supposition is enhanced by his continued firm reliance on an army of czars who run the country while he vagabonds around the world.

The puppet scenario raises the question as to what power behind Obama could be pulling his strings like the puppeteer Dr. Toulon. While it is quite possible that there is more than one puppet master, Obama's links to philanthropist and currency manipulator George Soros must head any list.

From all public accounts, Soros first met Obama in March 2004 when he was still an Illinois State Senator, running for a vacant U.S. Senate seat. Just as sixties' radical William Ayers launched Obama's Senate campaign in 2004, it was Steven Gluckstern of Soros' Democracy Alliance who held one of the biggest fundraisers for Obama's presidential campaign in April of 2007. Given Obama's strong socialist bent, Soros' early attraction is not surprising. It is becoming apparent that much of Obama's globalist agenda for the United States comes, at least indirectly, from Soros' globalist network.

### A Nations Collector

George Soros was born in Budapest, Hungary, on August 12, 1930. His father was the Esperantist writer Tivadar Soros. The elder Soros was a lawyer whose marriage into a wealthy merchant family allowed him the freedom to become an authority on Esperanto, an artificial language, created in the 1880s. The Esperantists hope to eliminate nationalism by persuading everyone in the world to drop his native tongue and speak Esperanto instead. It has served as a useful metaphor for Soros throughout most of his adult life. In response to a growing tide of anti-Semitism, the family fittingly changed its name in 1936 from *Schwartz* to *Soros*, an Esperanto verb meaning *will soar*.

Soros wanted to go to Moscow to study Communism but his father persuaded him to go to London to study economics. Soros left for England in 1947 and graduated from the London School of Economics in 1952. One of his professors, the philosopher Karl Raimund Popper made a lasting impression on him. Popper foretold the fall of the *closed* or totalitarian societies in his 1945 book, *The Open Society and its Enemies*. Soros later molded his global network of foundations around Popper's vision. His Open Society Institute is his tribute to Popper's principle of *Fallibilism*, the belief that anything one believes may be wrong, and is therefore to be questioned and improved. Popper was an atheist like Soros. He taught that men were doomed to grope blindly for truth by trial and error. No matter how hard they tried they would never find any truth. The father of five, Soros has been divorced twice. In 1952 he became a successful broker, mastering the then obscure art of international arbitrage, which is the simultaneous buying and selling of commodities in different markets in order to realize immediate and sizable profits. He was extremely good at it as his fortune grew into the billions. By the 1990s Soros was manipulating world currencies to the extent that his dealings were creating financial panic and ruination, especially in the United Kingdom and Malaysia.

Soros is also a collector of nations who delights in his ability to influence their internal politics. He helped finance the Czech Republic's 1989 *Velvet Revolution* that brought Vaclav Havel to power. He has acknowledged having orchestrated coups or *regime changes* over the years in Croatia, Georgia, Slovakia, and Yugoslavia.

## Davos Man

Despite his atheism Soros has a *God Complex*. He sometimes refers to himself in Biblical terms and has often bragged of his messianic ideas. In his own mind he is a *Nietzschean superman*. Some say he thinks he is the *conscience of the world*, dedicated to shattering all the traditional cultural canons, especially those of the American people.

Soros has expended several billion dollars over the years in America providing funding for abortion rights, atheism, drug legalization, sex education, euthanasia, feminism, gun control, globalization, mass immigration, gay marriage and other forms of social engineering. He also funds organizations that advocate open borders, amnesty for illegal aliens, a cap and trade tax, defense spending reductions, an increase in the minimum wage and a world poverty tax. He is a major financial backer of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), which supports the rights of *sex workers* and radical feminists. President Obama's agenda during his first year in office seems to have come from the Soros playbook.

Much of Soros' activity is inspired by his animus for capitalism. He despises its competition because it limits his ability to corner markets and manipulate currencies, the wellspring of his enormous wealth. With regard to his concern for the environment Libertarian Michael Berliner believes that it is *not clean air and clean water* that Soros wants but rather *the demolition of America's technological and industrial civilization*.

Soros' relentless campaign to undermine American moral values makes him an avatar of the *Davos Man*, a term coined by the late Harvard University political science professor Samuel Huntington to describe a group of globalist international elites who have no allegiance to any country. The *Davos Man* views national boundaries as inevitably vanishing. Soros also sees nation-states as harmful vestiges of the past and believes national laws and administrative regulations are detrimental to world economies as are national currencies.

He does all of this in the name of promoting an *open society*, which to Soros is merely the negation of all organized society. Soros hopes to direct his activities for a more unified world economy that would enhance his own abilities to corner markets and direct policies for billions of people.

## A Globalist Web

The best way for Soros to undermine America's economy and its cultural institutions is through a web-like structure of subversive groups. The keyword which all of them have in common is the *open society*, which is based on the Popperian notion that *people act on imperfect knowledge and nobody is in possession of the ultimate truth*. As a result someone has to direct them. The bulk of Soros' energies are centered on education, libraries, publishing, and media. Various scholarships are offered to students in order to give them access to greater resources.

Through his Open Society Institute, Soros funds groups that are part of an intricate web of globalist organizations that have been designed to advance his world agenda through stealth and subterfuge. His Democracy Alliance is led by two leading figures in the SEIU/ACORN nexus, namely Andy Stern, the international president of the of the Service Employees International Union and Anna Burger, the secretary-treasurer.

Another important cog in the Soros global wheel of fortune is Drummond Pike, the head of the Tides Foundation. While the Republican Party and the right-wing media have recently had a field day highlighting criminal probes into ACORN's voter registration and subprime mortgage fraud schemes, hardly a word has been mentioned about ACORN's link to Pike's foundation, an \$80-million-a-year conduit from wealthy donors, who wish to conceal their contributions to many of the same organizations now principally sponsored by Soros' cartel. Pike has been a longtime sponsor of ACORN co-founder, Wade Rathke, who had to leave his organization in 2008 after the New York Times revealed a decade-long ACORN/Tides cover-up of a million-dollar theft from their treasury by his brother, Dale.

Another key component in the Soros globalist web is the Institute for Economic Thinking. The INET is another Soros front, which he launched with \$50 million in seed money. INET educates the public about the weaknesses and contradictions in the current free market system. Soros hopes to use his INET to make research grants, convene symposia, and establish a journal that will thoroughly discredit the free market system which by socialist definition is *always in crisis*. He would replace it with a European form of state capitalism.

## A Catholic Wedge

One of Soros' major contributions to Obama's election was his work among the Catholic population. A full 54% of voting Catholics pulled the lever for the most overtly pro-abortion candidate in American history. According to Accuracy in Media (AIM) editor Cliff Kincaid, Soros poured hundreds of thousands of dollars into the coffers of *progressive* Catholic groups, many of whom are now leading the Obama push to socialize American health care.

To underscore Soros' connection with Obama's Catholic supporters, Catholic League president Bill Donohue exposed the link between Soros and two left-wing groups, Catholics in Alliance for the Common Good (CACG) and Catholics United (CU). Soros' Open Society Institute gave the CACG \$100,000, double what they gave in 2005.

Soros' funds were allocated for promoting two issues close to the *Catholic conscience*, namely health care reform and illegal immigration. These two issues are very high on the agenda of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). Soros' accolades adroitly used them to drive a moral stake through the heart of Catholic solidarity. The CACG media director confessed to AIM that *we have been primarily focused on highlighting the moral dimensions of this issue and articulating how Catholic social teaching addresses health care as a human right central to a just society*.

Using their *seamless garment* towels to cover the federal funding mandate for abortion in Speaker Pelosi's Health Care Bill, Catholic progressives have been working tirelessly for illegal immigrants being included in any health care reform. John Podesta, who runs Soros' Center for American Progress, admits that he works closely with CACG and CU. The reason Soros funds the *Catholic Left* is that he can make abortion rights a respectable Catholic position and thus split the Church down the middle.

James Todd of Pewsitter.com, which represents traditional Catholics, calls such groups nominal Catholic CINOs, or *Catholics In Name Only*. *He believes they have been funded to counterbalance the growing influence of the faithful Catholics AND to try to deceive and mislead the middle of the road Catholics that have determined the last 13 Presidential elections.*

### A Hospice Nation

Abortion is not the only life issue on the Soros radar screen. Given the recent storm surrounding Sarah Palin's charge of *death panels* as part of Obama's Health Care Reform, it is important to understand Soros' stand on the other side of the life coin. As part of his *cultural reform*, Soros is one of the leaders in the *right to die* movement. Founded in 1994, Soros' *Project on Death in America* was one of the Open Society Institute's early projects. It sought to *understand and transform the culture and experience of dying and bereavement*. Its goal is to encourage people to overcome their fear of death and embrace the inevitable on their terms. It promotes both suicide and euthanasia. It urges doctors to warehouse terminally ill people in hospitals and give palliative care to the gravely ill, that is care designed to help patients feel better while they are dying, rather than *wasting* finite medical resources on trying to cure them.

In 1994 Soros gave a speech that not only endorsed the *Oregon Death with Dignity* legislation, but also reported that he had offered to help his mother commit suicide. Erzebet Soros had long been a member of the Hemlock Society, an organization that urges its members to commit suicide. His mother had enough medication to take her life but died without taking it. Ever the vigilant son, Soros was ready and willing to assist her had she requested it. Soros' philosophy on death would effectively turn American medicine into a *Hospice Nation*. It is a certainty that Soros' influence has been at work during the Health Care debate. The American people should be leery of any Soros-inspired *death panel* that may be lurking within its thousands of pages.

### The White House *Rabambo*

With Obama in the White House and Soros' access somewhat diminished, the argument can be made that Obama's chief martinet is his Chief of Staff, the native Chicagooan, Rahm Emanuel. He's the second son of a former Israeli terrorist, Benjamin M. Emanuel, a Jerusalem-born pediatrician, and member of the Irgun, a militant Zionist group that operated in Palestine before Israel's nationhood in 1948. As Chief of Staff, Emanuel is in a perfect position to carry out Soros-like solutions for the many crises that have confronted Barack Obama since last January.

The 49-year old Emanuel was originally a Clinton supporter but he saw a brighter future with the *Hawaiian Candidate*. He is known for his *take-no-prisoners style* that has earned him the nickname *Rabambo*. Stories abound concerning his ruthless style that includes profanity-laced bullying, threats, and a dead fish. The Chicago Tribune calls Emanuel a brutally effective taskmaster.

As a result of his combative style, not everyone in Congress, or Washington, likes the former Clinton official and four-term Congressman. Even some members of his own party, including members of the black and Latino caucuses bear no affection for him, especially those who feel he has run roughshod over their personal agendas. Even his long list of enemies is impressed with his energy, intellect and sheer will. *He's aggressive and creates his own weather* said one observer. Emanuel's approach stands in stark contrast to President Obama's whose own spineless demeanor of conciliation and surrender frightens few. Emanuel's strong liberal views rank him as the *insider Soros*.

What does this all mean for America's future? A strong argument can be made that there have been other weak presidents who had behind the scenes' control like Ulysses S. Grant, Warren Harding, Woodrow Wilson and maybe even George W. Bush. In all likelihood, as the Obama administration gets drawn closer to the unavoidable light of public scrutiny the umbilical cords linking him to more powerful forces such as George Soros, and Rahm Emanuel, will become increasingly more apparent.

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We regret the passing of our beloved Council Member and valiant supporter of the Cardinal Mindszenty Foundation for over 35 years.

Abbot Parker settled in Southern Orange County, California. He became the Founder of St. Michael's Abbey for the education of young men and served as major superior for 35 years, from 1960 until recent years. He had led seven penniless, immigrant Hungarian priests into a community vibrant today in Silverado, CA with 41 priests and 60 members at other stages of formation, preparing for priesthood.

Abbot Parker suffered from Parkinson disease his last years and died peacefully on Sunday, January 3, 2010 at St. Michael's Abbey, receiving final care from the young seminarians in residence under the guidance of the Headmaster Reverend Gabriel D. Stack. The Funeral will be held at the Mission of San Juan Capistrano Basilica.



*St. Michael's Abbey*

## March For Life

January is a month known for foul weather, especially in the northeast. Yet every January 22nd the pro-lifers descend upon Washington DC to March for Life, sometimes sloshing through ice, snow or rain to be a voice for the unborn.

The marchers are a diverse, cheerful crowd and the preponderance of young people has always been evident. The Culture of Life is the Future...the culture of death is on the way out.

## Happy New Year

PRAYERFUL THANKS to each CMFer who offered prayers, greetings and gave donations to the Cardinal Mindszenty Foundation during the recent Christmas season.

We are very grateful! We ask God to send you and yours many graces, good health, and happiness in the New Year. CMF will confidently persevere in its apostolate of defending our Faith, Family life and Freedom, following the example of our saintly patron Cardinal Mindszenty.

### ST. JOHN 4:12

*"If we love one another, God abides in us, and His love is perfected in us."*