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Let’s look at what’s happened with the intel memo.

The “Nunes memo,” named for House Intelligence Committee Chairman Devin Nunes (R-Calif.), shows that the unverifiable dossier about Trump’s alleged ties to Moscow, written by ex-British spy Christopher Steele, was bought and paid for by the Hillary Clinton campaign and the DNC. The money was funneled through the law firm Perkins Coie and the left-wing research group Fusion GPS.

That dossier was peddled to the liberal media, and to the FBI and DOJ. The DOJ/FBI used the dossier to obtain Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) warrants to spy on Trump adviser Carter Page during the 2016 presidential race.

However, Obama’s DOJ/FBI did not tell the FISA court about the dossier’s political background and that it was funded by Trump’s political opponents. There is no way the FISA court would have approved had it known.

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Let’s look at the liberal media’s discombobulation. Before the memo was released, former NBC anchor Tom Brokaw squawked on MSNBC, “Now there’s beginning to be a whiff of the tactics, at least in this White House, that we saw during the days of Watergate.”

Host Joe Scarborough incredulously told Brokaw, “We know what’s in the memo,” even though he had not read it. Scarborough rattled on that the memo is a “half-truth,” a “whole lie,” “false,” “misleading,” “twisted” and “distorted.”

On Hardball, Chris Matthews railed that Trump was waging “all-out war” against the “American justice system,” which is leading to a “constitutional crisis.”

On CNN, Wolf Blitzer was apoplectic when the memo was released on Feb. 2. “This is exploding right now,” he declared. “This is precisely what, as I mentioned earlier, Putin and the Russians wanted to see happen. The disunity, the anger ... the blaming of the intelligence community going after the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court.”

ABC agreed. This Week’s George Stephanopoulos spun the memo as benefiting Putin. “When you think about the investment that Vladimir Putin in interfering in our election, it is paying off every day in spades,” he claimed, citing zero evidence. ABC’s Martha Raddatz chimed in, “Putin has won the Super Bowl here. Exactly what he wanted to happen in this country, this discord, this mistrust of institutions is exactly why they operate this way.”

Neither of these propagandists mentioned that the information in the dossier was provided by Russians who were paid by Christopher Steele, who was ultimately paid by the Hillary Clinton campaign and the DNC.

The New York Times largely ignored the memo’s contents. It instead claimed that Trump was using the memo to project his “conspiracy-minded thinking.”

In early 2017, the Times (and all liberal media) dismissed Trump’s assertion that his campaign team was spied on by the Obama administration. The memo proves Trump was right.

Like ABC, CNN’s Brian Stelter buried the memo’s facts and complained that the issue has “distracted people about the truth involving Trump’s Russia ties and they’ve done everything possible to destroy faith in Robert Mueller’s probe.”

Not to be outdone, the once-respected reporter Carl Bernstein bemoaned that “we may well have not seen such dark days for American democracy and its institutions since the days of Joe McCarthy.”

MSNBC’s Mika Brzezinski took a different tack, comparing the memo to Geraldo Rivera’s dramatic opening of Al Capone’s vault, in which nothing was found. CNN’s Evan Perez echoed Mika, declaring the Nunes memo “a dud.”

The liberal media attacked Trump for daring to release the memo, then they claimed it was a partisan distraction, and finally they dismissed it as not important. They will not report the truth to the American people.

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Minibits

- The Washington Post’s Jennifer Rubin, citing no names, claims Republicans now acknowledge that President Trump “is a basket case, that he cannot serve, he cannot lead the party.” ■ ABC’s Joy Behar lashes out, again: Trump “needs to be impeached. He is a menace. He is nuts.” ■ NYT’s David Cay Johnston, with no evidence, rails, “Donald Trump is a racist. He isn’t just a white supremacist – he’s a flat-out, full racist.” ■ As for Trump’s electrifying first State of the Union speech, ABC’s Martha Raddatz complains, “It was also just a particularly gloomy speech. It was a sad speech there at the end and did not unify.” ■ MSNBC’s Ron Reagan Jr. declares, “I don’t remember a time when you would watch a State of the Union address being delivered by a president who is, I guess you could say, actively betraying the country.” ■ Hollywood’s Rob Reiner also chimes in, “The guy is a racist. He’s a misogynist and he’s a pathological liar. He just lies all the time.” ■ Star Trek actor George Takei tweets, “I’m not watching some frothing orange gorilla read off a teleprompter. I’ve got better things to do, like alphabetize my spice cabinet. #StateOfTheDream.” ■ The West Wing actor Bradley Whitford whines, “We are in uncharted territory now, I mean, I feel like we’re floating in a river of civic dysentery.”

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Commenting on the new video-views marker of 400 million, Brent Bozell said, “Our mission at the MRC is to provide the American public with the facts and expose biases in the media by any means possible. Technology has provided us with a new set of tools to engage with our audience, which we have fully embraced.

“MRCTV invests a considerable effort to create entertaining and educational video content that is easily accessible to a younger generation of supporters. Surpassing this milestone is a testament to the continued success of that effort and to the hard work of the dedicated men and women of our organization.”

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CBS Buries Own Pro-Trump Poll

Following President Trump’s State of the Union Speech, CBS News/YouGov conducted a poll that showed 43% of Democrats approved of the president’s address. However, that number was not reported by CBS This Morning, the CBS Evening News, or at CBSNews.com. The liberal news network buried the findings of its own survey.

The poll specifically showed that 97% of Republicans approved of the speech, as did 72% of Independents, and 43% of Democrats. The only CBS outlet to mention the Democrat number was the network’s streaming service CBSN, which means few Americans heard the story. Some truths apparently are too inconvenient for CBS.

Another ‘Racist’

Not satisfied with the way White House Chief of Staff John Kelly handled allegations of spousal abuse against White House aide Rob Porter, CNN contributor Walter Shaub, a former “ethics director” under President Obama, proceeded to label Kelly a “racist.” On CNN Live, Feb. 8, Shaub, citing no evidence, declared Kelly “just decided that the white male employee working for him couldn’t possibly beat his former wives because he said he didn’t.”

Shaub then claimed that “there’s a lot of people he [Kelly] doesn’t believe and trust because they look a certain way,” i.e., non-white. Shaub also said Kelly believed Porter because “he looks the right way.” Got it? He’s a racist because CNN says so! Shaub was just getting started. He went on to falsely claim that Kelly “smear[ed] an African-American congresswoman” and called Dreamers “lazy people, tapping into other dog whistles of a racial nature.” There’s a “pattern here,” thumped Shaub.

Yes, there is a pattern: Race-baiting is the first refuge of the liberal media.

‘Dictator’ Trump

The day after the State of the Union, MSNBC’s Morning Joe hosted pollster Frank Luntz who praised President Trump’s speech and then was sharply attacked by co-host Mika Brzezinski who screeched it was inappropriate for members of Congress to applaud “the great dictator.” During the exchange, Luntz criticized the Democrats who sat on their hands and did not applaud the president even when he was speaking about positive economic news.

Brzezinski snapped that Trump couldn’t take credit “for all of that.” When pressed as to why, she huffed, “I think because he’s literally screwed everybody in that room over a few times too many.” Luntz countered, “What about the speech? What about the speech?” Brzezinski snarled, “You tell me that that room is supposed to respond like this” — clapping her hands — “to the great dictator?” Luntz replied, “No, but they’re not supposed to sit on their hands.”

The anti-Trump Brzezinski then said, “Really? I’m not sure.”
What DUI?

Indianapolis Colts Linebacker Edwin Jackson, 26, was struck and killed by an illegal alien driving drunk but you wouldn’t know it if you were watching NBC and MSNBC. The brutal hit-and-run occurred on Feb. 4, when Jackson and his Uber driver were standing next to their car on the side of the road. The drunken illegal, Manuel Orrego-Savala, from Guatemala, plowed into them with a Ford F-150 and then fled the scene on foot; he was caught shortly thereafter by police.

NBC completely ignored the story, zero coverage. MSNBC gave it a paltry 11 seconds. Over at CNN, host Alisyn Camerota tried to blame President Trump for the horrific death by complaining that Trump was not doing enough to deport the right types of illegals.

Manuel Orrego-Savala had previously been convicted for DUI and had been deported twice. It is undeniable that if the U.S. border were secure and the immigration laws enforced, Edwin Jackson would be alive today.

Cheering Totalitarianism

Can you imagine the U.S. media praising the Nazi leaders at the 1936 Olympics? The liberal media did essentially that when they cheered the sister of Communist North Korean dictator Kim Jong-un, who made an appearance at the Winter Olympics in South Korea. Kim Yo Jong, who runs the North Korean Propaganda and Agitation Department, i.e., ministry of censorship, helps her blood-stained brother rule North Korea with an iron fist.

Yet CNN gushed, “If ‘diplomatic dance’ were an event at the Winter Olympics, Kim Jong-un’s younger sister would be favored to win gold.” She is like “Ivanka Trump” and a foil to the perception of North Korea as antiquated and militaristic,” cheered CNN, adding that her presence “is a signal that North Korea is not this crazy, weird former Cold War state — but it too has young women that are capable and are the future leadership.” That is, of course, if her brother doesn’t murder her, too.
Treason? A Common Liberal Accusation

President Trump heard someone yell “treason” in the audience at a speech in Cincinnati as he mentioned the Democratic pouting at the State of the Union address. “Somebody said, treasonous,” he mused. “I mean, yeah, I guess, why not?”

Meltdown.

The media outrage was summarized by CNN analyst Jeffrey Toobin: “It is so grotesque! It is so appalling...I just wonder what the cost is, in terms of the future of our civic discourse!”

At this point we should just start laughing at the press. These self-appointed watchdogs of the “civic discourse” weren’t a bit outraged when liberals tossed that T-word like a Frisbee at anyone criticizing President Obama. Here are just a few examples.

- **June 11, 2014:** CNN anchor Carol Costello brought on leftist Cliff Schecter to promote his article suggesting leaders of the National Rifle Association were “treasonous and murderous.” Costello could only add: “Um, I don’t know. That’s really strong.”

- **July 9, 2014:** MSNBC host Michael Eric Dyson went ballistic over Sarah Palin’s suggestion that Obama be impeached: “The President’s push towards positive and crucial change was met with treasonous accusations.”

- **June 27, 2015:** The Daily Beast posted an article on dissenters in the Supreme Court’s gay-marriage decision: “Did The Four Dissenting Justices In Gay Marriage Case Just Suggest Treason?” Contributor Jay Michaelson suggested anyone criticizing the court majority created a “shocking display of treason.”

- **October 1, 2015:** Leftist radio talker Thom Hartmann was incensed that anyone could consider Kevin McCarthy for House speaker, citing some Republican inauguration-night conspiracy to deny Obama any success. “They have committed treason. Maybe not the kind of treason that is elevated to the level of a prosecution or firing squad...a moral treason.”

In fact, this liberal treason talk just kept going under Trump, but he became the perpetrator.

- **March 2, 2017:** CNN contributor Maria Cardona, on Attorney General Jeff Sessions: “He knows he is smack in the middle of this investigation having to do with perhaps treasonous activities by the Trump campaign.”

- **March 28, 2017:** MSNBC anchor Kate Snow brought on liberal historian Douglas Brinkley, promoting his quote: “You told the Washington Post last week that, quote, ‘There’s a smell of treason in the air,’ when it comes to this [Russia] investigation.”

- **May 11, 2017:** On ABC’s The View, co-host Joy Behar screeched about the press being barred from a Trump meeting with Russian foreign minister Sergei Lavrov: “This is treason to me! This is un-American!”

- **June 25, 2017:** Hollywood director Rob Reiner uncorked treason as a Twitter hashtag. “When Fox says that DT colluding with the enemy is not a crime, the fight to save Democracy is now an all out war. US-Stay strong. #Treason”

- **July 18, 2017:** Former MSNBC star Keith Olbermann tweeted in reply to the president asserting most people in politics would have met a foreign official to get negative information on their opponent: “Sure! Benedict Arnold would have. And Aaron Burr. And Charles Lindbergh. And Quisling. And Marshal Petain. That’s politics! Annndd treason!”

Speaking of “grotesque” and “appalling” overstatements, let’s consult the accuser himself, Jeffrey Toobin, responding on CNN on January 3, 2018 to Steve Bannon suggesting Donald Trump Jr was treasonous: “The idea that people involved in an American presidential campaign would greedily reach out to the Russian government for dirt on their opponent, as Donald Trump Jr. and company did, does feel treasonous in a sort of colloquial sense.”

Liberals are the worst hypocrites on “civic discourse.”

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- Intelligence Report, Jan. 16
- Risk and Reward, Jan. 17, Feb. 1
- Varney & Co, Feb. 6

**FNC**
- Fox & Friends, Jan. 11, 12, 16, 18, 20
- Hannity, Jan. 5, 16, Feb. 11
- @ Night w/ Shannon Bream, Jan. 8, 17
- Outnumbered, Jan. 12, 17
- Your World with Neil Cavuto, Jan. 12

**NEWSTMAX TV**
- America TalksLive, Jan. 17

**OANN**
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- Breitbart News, Feb. 5, 12
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- Canada Free Press, Feb. 20
- Western Journal, Feb. 5, 20
- The Epoch Times, Feb. 3, 6
- American Spectator, Feb. 6, 13
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- WROK, Aurora, IL, Feb. 5
- KNTH, Houston, TX, Feb. 7, 8, 15
- WTKF, Morehead City, NC, Feb. 9, 16
- WENY, Alma, NY, Feb. 7, 14
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At the beginning of 2018, former congressman Allen B. West, a retired Army lieutenant colonel, joined the ongoing battle against the liberal media as a senior fellow at the Media Research Center, and the MRC could not be prouder to have a leader and warrior such as Lt. Col. West on its team.

“I am thrilled to have Colonel West working with our team here at the Media Research Center,” said Brent Bozell. “Like many of us, he has witnessed the liberal media’s hypocrisy and bias first hand. West brings an extremely knowledgeable and unique perspective that will serve the MRC and our supporters well.”

“We are incredibly fortunate to have a respected conservative like Colonel West fighting alongside us,” he said. “I am very eager to begin working with him.”

Lt. Col. West served in the U.S. Army for 22 years, which included operations in Kuwait and Iraq and later as a civilian adviser to the Afghan National Army. West also served as the U.S. Representative for Florida’s 22nd District. He is the author of Guardian of the Republic and he is a contributor to Fox News.

In a video message to the MRC, Lt. Col. West said, “I can’t tell you how humbled and honored I am to work with this incredible organization. ... One of the sincere threats that I see out there to our constitutional republic is our 1st Amendment. I fully believe and fully support the freedom of the press. But we must also have a press that understands their responsibilities.

“When I realize there is a manipulation, an ideological war going on using information as a means by which we can be manipulated, deceived, and even lied to, it’s so important that we have an organization like the Media Research Center. For them to bring me on and join them in this incredible battle, to make sure you are truly receiving that which is truth — not as Oprah Winfrey said, ‘Your Truth’ — but the truth.

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“I am deeply honored that Brent Bozell and the incredible team here at the Media Research Center, which includes NewsBusters and CNSNews.com, have allowed me to be a part of their organization and what they’re doing. So, stay tuned. This is going to be a great ride.”