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Obama's Council Of Governors And The "Remaking" Of America

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Regular readers of this column will doubtless recall my recent column in which I reported on the new Council of Governors (CG) that President Barack Obama has created. See my column here.

Well, Obama's CG is quickly beginning to take shape. According to the Associated Press (AP),

"President Barack Obama has selected Missouri Gov. Jay Nixon to serve on an advisory council for defense and national security issues.

"Nixon was one of 10 governors named Thursday [February 4, 2009] by Obama to the newly created Council of Governors."

The 10 governors (and one of them is not even a State governor) selected by Obama are:

- *Governor James Douglas (R-Vermont) *Co-chair
- *Governor Chris Gregoire (D-Washington) *Co-chair
- Governor Brad Henry (D-Oklahoma)
- Governor Jay Nixon (D-Missouri)
- Governor Martin O'Malley (D-Maryland)
- Governor Janice Brewer (R-Arizona)
- Governor Bob McDonnell (R-Virginia)
- Governor Michael Rounds (R-South Dakota)

- Governor Beverly Perdue (D-North Carolina)
- Governor Luis G. Fortuno (R-Puerto Rico)

As I have already written, the creation of a CG should be of serious concern to all liberty-loving Americans.

That more of us are not as concerned as we should be can be traced to the mistaken belief that the American people have nothing to fear from an overreaching federal government. This is pure folly! As I have said many times, we have far more to fear from Washington, D.C., than from Iran, Iraq, North Korea, or any other potential terrorist state. It is Washington, D.C.—and Washington, D.C., alone—that has the power, opportunity, and propensity to squash our freedom and sell us into tyranny.

As Kurt Nimmo reports:

"In other words, with the stroke of a pen, Obama significantly increased the ongoing effort to federalize the states and take control of the National Guard in violation of the now more or less moribund Posse Comitatus Act. Posse Comitatus was effectively annulled by the 2006 John Warner National Defense Authorization Act. The act provides the president with power to declare martial law under revisions to the Insurrection Act and take charge of United States National Guard troops without state governor authorization. Parts of the act were repealed in 2008."

See the <u>report at Infowars.com.</u>

What most Americans fail to realize (thanks to a national propaganda press corps that refuses to reveal the conspiratorial machinations of America's ruling class, which, by and large, is totally disconnected from—or unaccountable to—elected officeholders: especially those in Congress) is that the subdivision of the United States into a 10-region country (thereby minimizing or even negating the sovereignty and authority of the 50 independent and autonomous states) goes all the way back to the Richard Nixon administration.

In response to pressure from the United Nations, President Richard Nixon issued <u>Executive Order #11647</u> on February 10, 1972, which carved up the United States into 10 "standard Federal regions."

For the doubters out there, Wikipedia has a rather detailed web page mentioning the federal 10-region breakdown of the United States.

See the Wikipedia entry here.

See the map here.

Still not convinced? Try a casual web search of the 10 US regions and you will quickly discover that each major federal agency, such as the EPA, OSHA, DOT, FEMA, etc., has their agency already divided into these 10 regions. As an example, here is the

official district map for FEMA.

Commenting on the creation of the 10 "super" regions initiated by President Nixon, CuttingEdge.org director David Bay very astutely said, "This regional system is also apparently a military structure."

This is a very insightful observation, because I'm sure this was said long before President Obama took office, yet, that is exactly what his CG accomplishes. It grants federal executive power to these 10 governors—with the specific responsibility of providing leadership and direction to the National Guard and related homeland military activities. And is it any coincidence that the number of governors appointed to this new CG is exactly 10? Even more telling is the fact that the 10 governors come from each US region (the governor of Puerto Rico represents Region 2), except for Region 5, and guess what? Region 5 is President Obama's region!

Now, get this: the only region that has two governors represented on the CG (making up for Region 5's lack of a representative—who will be Obama himself, no doubt) is Region 3.

And put this in your pipe and smoke it: the two governors from Region 3 are from Maryland and Virginia, which are the two states that border Washington, D.C. But all of this is mere coincidence, right?

See the map on the EPA web site here.

So, here is the list of the Council of Governors, as it coincides with the respective 10 regions. If you know anything about what is going on, you should easily be able to see the logic of how and why these governors were selected.

Obviously, the two basic criteria would be 1) The location of necessary government infrastructure, facilities, personnel, etc., combined with 2) The compliant attitude and overall disposition of the governor selected. Here is how it looks:

Region 1: Governor Douglas of Vermont

Region 2: Governor Fortuno of Puerto Rico

Region 3: Governor O'Malley of Maryland and Governor McDonnell of Virginia.

These are necessary, as these are the two border states of Washington, D.C.

Region 4: Governor Perdue of North Carolina

Region 5: President Barack Obama of Illinois

Region 6: Governor Henry of Oklahoma

Region 7: Governor Nixon of Missouri

Region 8: Governor Rounds of South Dakota

Region 9: Governor Brewer of Arizona

Region 10: Governor Gregoire of Washington State

And while it is true that President Jimmy Carter revoked President Nixon's **"Federal Regional Council"** (what Nixon's Executive Order created in 1972) in 1979, the concept never died. It was merely incorporated into other Executive Orders. And there can be no question that President Obama's CG certainly builds on Nixon's initial **"Regional Council"** model.

Neither is it a coincidence that Missouri Governor Jay Nixon is included in the list of 10 governors appointed to the CG.

Why? Does anyone remember the MIAC flap in the State of Missouri last year? I sure do, because I (along with Ron Paul and Bob Barr) was listed in the MIAC report as being a potential dangerous militia member or terrorist.

And anyone who supported or voted for the three of us was similarly maligned in the MIAC report.

Plus, the report also targeted people who opposed any of the following as being potential dangerous militia members:

- The New World Order
- The United Nations
- Gun Control
- The violation of Posse Comitatus
- The Federal Reserve
- The Income Tax
- The Ammunition Accountability Act
- A possible Constitutional Convention (Con Con)
- The North American Union
- Universal Service Program
- Radio Frequency Identification (RFID)
- Abortion on demand
- Illegal immigration

Remember, this was an *official Missouri State Police report* that was distributed to all Missouri State law enforcement officers.

And Governor Jay Nixon authorized and strongly defended the MIAC report!

Later, of course, Governor Nixon and other State leaders were forced to withdraw the report, due to immense public pressure from both the citizens of Missouri and angry Americans all across the country.

I have a web page set aside with all the pertinent information regarding the MIAC fiasco, including the most recent updates, <u>here</u>.

Plus, here are my previous 3 columns regarding the MIAC report:

- Missouri State Police Think You And I Are Terrorists
- My Response To MIAC Report
- Missouri Scraps MIAC Report

Now we learn that President Obama has appointed this very same Governor Jay Nixon to the newly formed Council of Governors. Doubtless, Nixon's support for the MIAC report brought him into the good graces of this Marxist President, who, in his inaugural address, pledged to "**remake America.**"

Without a doubt, the newly established Council of Governors is helping Obama do just that.

Of course, the big question is not, Is America being "remade"?

It most certainly is—and it started long before Obama moved into the White House.

The question is, Will this "remade" America be something we can live with?

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