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Mount Vernon, October 24, 1798.

Revd Sir: I have your favor of the 17th. instant before me; and my only motive to trouble you with the receipt of this letter, is to explain, and correct a mistake which I perceive the hurry in which I am obliged, often, to write letters, have led you into.

It was not my intention to doubt that, the Doctrines of the Illuminati, and principles of Jacobinism had not spread in the United States. On the contrary, no one is more truly satisfied of this fact than I am.

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Rev^d Sir

Your most Obedt^l Serv^t

G. Washington

The Commissioners of the
City of Washington
Gentlemen,

Mount Vernon 27th Oct. 1798

When Mr. Blagden came here yesterday with your favor of the 25th Inst. and the plans, Specification &c. of my houses I was out on my usual ride about my farms, and when I returned home, I found Company which prevented my answering your letter by him. —

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Europe is now ground zero for the war on cash.

Europe is perhaps the most centrally controlled political system in the world: a place in which political and economic policies range from socialist (the public sector accounts for 30% of “free market” German’s employment) to *extremely socialist* (the public sector accounts for 56% of France’s employment).

As such, Europe is where a Central Banker can implement the most insane policy and get away with it.

Remember, it was Europe that first implemented “bail-ins” in which deposits were STOLEN to bail out a bank.

It was also Europe that first implemented Negative Interest rate Policy or NIRP.

And it was Europe that banned using physical cash in numerous transactions: **France and Spain have banned any transaction over €1,000 or €2,500, respectively, from using physical cash.**

Despite having implementing both NIRP and QE, Europe’s economy is lurching back towards deflation. So now the ECB is looking into even more extreme measures to trash cash in an attempt to drive capital into risk assets.

At the top of the list?

Staggering charges on banks that are “hoarding cash.”

Euro zone central bank officials are considering options such as whether to stagger charges on banks hoarding cash or to buy more debt ahead of the next European Central Bank meeting, according to officials.



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Little over a week before the meeting to set the ECB's policy course, numerous alternatives are open, from snapping up the bonds of towns and regions to introducing a two-tier penalty charge on banks that park money with the ECB.

Officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said that even buying rebundled loans at risk of non-payment has been discussed in preparatory meetings, although such a radical step is highly unlikely for now. The ECB declined to comment.

Source: UK Reuters.

That's correct. Sitting on cash is now an evil thing according to Central Bankers in Europe.

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Town demolishes veteran's house while he has surgery



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WEST HEMPSTEAD, N.Y. — When a U.S. Navy veteran traveled from Long Island to Florida for a knee replacement, his house was the last thing on his mind. But now his memory of it is all he can think about.

Philip Williams' home was demolished in the spring by town officials while he spent about six months recuperating from surgical complications in Fort Lauderdale. Back in New York, officials in the Town of Hempstead deemed his

modest two-story home unfit for habitation and knocked it down.

The 69-year-old has now waged a legal battle against the suburban New York town. He wants reimbursement — for the house and all the belongings inside.

"I'm angry and I'm upset. It's just wrong on so many levels," he said "My mortgage was up to date, my property taxes were up to date ... everything was current and fine."

Williams went to Florida in December 2014 for the procedure, so a friend could help with his recovery. But he developed infections that forced further surgery and heart complications, leaving him hospitalized until doctors deemed him medically able to return home in August.

When Williams pulled up to what should have been a two-story cream-colored cottage with a red door in West Hempstead, there was just an empty lot.

"My first thought was there was a fire or something," Williams said.

But there was no fire. According to town officials, neighbors had been complaining the house was in disrepair and a blight on the community. Hempstead officials, responding to those complaints, sent inspectors and determined the house was a "dilapidated dwelling" unfit for habitation. So they knocked it down.

"The house was in terrible condition for a long time," next door neighbor Keylin Escobar said. "Nobody really lived in the house; the house was abandoned. Everyone who came over to visit, people always say, 'What's going on with this house?'"

Kathleen Keicher, who has lived across the street from Williams for 12 years, said notices tacked to the front door of the home began piling up and the house had holes in the side and appeared unkempt.

"I feel terrible. When we knew a house was coming down, it was sad," she said. "We thought the house was coming down, someone would buy the land, a new house would come up, a new family would move in. ... We don't want anyone to lose their home."

Williams says he was never contacted and believes town officials thought his house was a so-called "zombie home" — a dwelling abandoned after foreclosure proceedings begin, but one not yet seized by the bank — and rushed to demolish it.

"The town basically took everything from me," said Williams, who is now staying with a friend in Florida and has only two suitcases of belongings. "The town does not have a right to take all of my property, all of my possessions."

Williams had lived in the house since he was 6 months old. He said many of the items in the home had been in his family since he was a newborn or had sentimental value, like his late wife's engagement ring, photos of his six children growing up and a model train set he had since he was a child. He lost all of his clothing, a bicycle he'd just purchased, dishes, silverware and other housewares.

Town officials say they tried to contact Williams and provided The Associated Press copies of letters they said they mailed to the home and to banks. They also held a public hearing before going forward with the demolition. But Williams contends he never received any of the notices and said he couldn't figure out why the letters were mailed to four separate banks where he never had accounts.

"I have no idea who those banks are," Williams said. "But they never contacted me in any way, shape or form."

And that's why his attorney believes that town's actions were illegal.

"Under the law, it should not happen," his attorney, Bradley Siegel said. "It's un-American. It just doesn't seem believable."

Williams has filed a notice of claim, the first step in a lawsuit against the town, and also is fighting for public records he believes may show what happened. Williams says town officials wouldn't tell him the name of the demolition company or the date the house was torn down.

The town said in a statement that it "followed all proper procedure with regard to property owner notification." But town officials refused to answer any other questions, citing pending litigation.

Williams has contacted police and the Nassau County district attorney's office and has asked for a criminal inquiry. A spokesman for the district attorney's office said the matter is under review.

"You see people who went through a tornado or a flood and they say they lost everything, but that's not preventable," Williams said. "This was preventable. The town took my house."

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As noted earlier, after last week's snoozefest, this week starts off with a bang when the IMF announces in a few hours it will accept the Chinese Yuan in the pantheon of world reserve currencies alongside the USD, EUR, GBP and JPY the only question being what the allotted weighing of the currency will be. Things then progress to tomorrow's global PMI numbers, Yellen speeches on the economy to the Economic Club of Washington and Congress (Weds/Thurs), the eagerly anticipated ECB meeting on Thursday and finally Friday's OPEC meeting and US payroll print - the last before the FOMC in 2 weeks time.

Here is the full rundown of this week's events courtesy of DB:

- We start this morning in the UK with the latest mortgage approvals and consumer credit data, before we then turn our attention over to Germany with the latest CPI numbers for November. In the US this afternoon, data wise the focus will be on pending home sales, while the Chicago PMI, ISM Milwaukee and Dallas Fed manufacturing activity index are also expected.
- We start in Asia on Tuesday where the official and non-official November manufacturing and non-manufacturing PMI's for China will be closely watched, while we'll also get Japan's Nikkei manufacturing PMI data and also the latest capex data. Over in Europe on Tuesday we'll get the final revision for the November manufacturing PMI numbers for the Euro area, Germany and France as well as provisional numbers for Italy, UK and Spain. The Euro area unemployment rate is also expected. In the US the final revision to manufacturing PMI is also due, along with the November ISM numbers, construction spending and finally vehicles sales data.
- Wednesday kicks off in Europe where the November CPI print is due (headline expected to rise to +0.3% yoy from +0.1%). In the US the November ADP employment change reading is the notable release ahead of Friday's payrolls, while Q3 nonfarm productivity and unit labour costs, along with the ISM NY and finally the Fed's Beige Book also due.
- In Asia on Thursday the only data of note is the November Nikkei services and composite PMI's for Japan. In Europe we'll get the latest French labour report, along with the final services and composite PMI's for the Euro area, Germany and France. Euro area retail sales is also due, but the main focus will be on the ECB decision due shortly after midday. It's a busy day for data in the US with the final revision to October durable and capital goods, final services and composite PMI's,

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initial jobless claims, ISM non-manufacturing and finally factory orders data.

- We round off the week in Europe on Friday with German factory orders. In the US it'll be all about the November employment report and payrolls in particular (200k expected). The October trade balance reading is also worth keeping an eye on.

And in chart format:

The week's events

Data deck for 30 November — 04 December

Date	Time	Indicator	Period	BofAML Estimate	Consensus	Previous
11/30/15	9:45	Chicago Purchasing Managers	Nov	52.0	54.0	56.2
11/30/15	10:00	Pending Home Sales	Oct	1.5%	1.0%	-2.3%
12/01/15	10:00	Construction Spending mom	Oct	0.5%	0.6%	0.6%
12/01/15	10:00	ISM Manufacturing	Nov	50.5	50.5	50.1
12/01/15	All day	Total Vehicle Sales	Nov	17.7M	18.1M	18.1M
12/02/15	8:15	ADP Employment	Nov	175k	190k	181k
12/02/15	8:30	Nonfarm Productivity	3Q F	2.2%	2.2%	1.6%
12/02/15	8:30	Unit Labor Costs	3Q F	0.8%	1.0%	1.4%
12/02/15	14:00	Beige Book	—	—	—	—
12/03/15	8:30	Initial Jobless Claims	28 Nov	265k	270k	260k
12/03/15	10:00	ISM Non-Manufacturing	Nov	57.0	58.0	59.1
12/03/15	10:00	Factory Orders	Oct	—	1.4%	-1.0%
12/04/15	8:30	Trade Balance	Oct	-\$38.9bn	-\$40.5bn	-\$40.8bn
12/04/15	8:30	Change in Nonfarm Payrolls	Nov	180k	200k	271k
12/04/15	8:30	Private Payrolls	Nov	185k	190k	268k
12/04/15	8:30	Unemployment Rate	Nov	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%
12/04/15	8:30	Average Hourly Earnings mom	Nov	0.2%	0.2%	0.4%
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Naturally, in the wake of the Planned Parenthood shooting, Obama made another call for gun confiscation (http://www.nytimes.com/2015/11/29/us/colorado-springs-planned-parenthood-obama-responds-to-gun-violence.html?_r=0). Any one of us could have written his speech. Very predictable (<https://jonrappoport.wordpress.com/2015/11/27/planned-parenthood-shooting-agenda-already-set-in-stone/>).

But suppose, seized with a desire to tell more of the truth, he gave the following speech instead:

“Hi, folks, this is your President, making the clubhouse turn in my two-terms as your esteemed leader. I’ve decided I want some props for what I’ve *really* been doing in office, as opposed to what some of you *think* I’ve been doing. Therefore, let’s go to the subject of guns.

“This Planned Parenthood shooting? Do you actually believe this is the only recent event I could have seized on to promote my agenda? Wow. Come on. What’s wrong with you folks? For example, I’ve got a story right here from Reuters, dated November 28 (<http://www.thewhig.com/2015/11/28/suspect-in-new-orleans-shooting-that-wounded-17-in-custody/>), about the arrest of a suspect in a New Orleans blow-up. Let me read a few lines.

‘A suspect in a shooting at a New Orleans park last Sunday that wounded 17 people is in police custody, authorities said on Saturday. The suspect, Joseph “Moe” Allen, 32, has declined to give detectives a statement, the New Orleans Police Department said in a Twitter post. Police on Friday named Allen a suspect in the shooting at the Bunny Friend Playground. Police have said gunfire

erupted on Sunday between two groups when hundreds of people gathered at an unauthorized block party and for the filming of an impromptu music video. Police have said the shooting appeared to be gang-related. One of the victims is 10 years old and most of those injured were young, they said. Authorities plan to charge Allen with 17 counts of attempted first-degree murder. Police said on Friday he is believed to be one of several suspects involved in the shoot-out.'

"That's a good one, right? Seventeen counts of attempted first-degree murder. Why haven't I mentioned that one? Now, I know what some of you are going to say—the suspect is black, some of the victims are gang members, and I don't want to publicize black crime.

"But you're missing the subtle point. Screw in your brains real tight to understand this. The official narrative about black crime is that it's caused by, let's call it the *environment* in inner cities—and of course, racism. Right? Well, if I highlighted the suspect in the New Orleans shooting, I'd be disturbing that narrative, see? Suddenly I'd be changing it to: this guy is horrible and let's take away all the guns, including those in the inner cities. I'm not about to do that.

"Let me go over that again, for those of you who are dim bulbs. Let me boil it down. Crazy lone white guy with a gun spraying bullets around? That equals blame, guilt, mental illness, and therefore, take all the guns away. Black guy with a gun spraying bullets all around? That equals 'we have to do something about conditions in the inner cities' and racism. Does that make things a little clearer?

"There are different narratives for different situations. It's nothing personal, it's just business. So don't get your panties in a twist. Relax.

"Instead of the shooter at Planned Parenthood, I could have given a speech about yet another situation. Can you guess what it is? Chicago. Do you know that the tally of gunshot victims in Chicago, so far in 2015, is 2,724? Wow. Pretty wild, right? Can you guess that most of these victims are black, and that most of the shooters are black? But all those folks fit into a different narrative on a national level. They don't become the poster children for 'take away all the guns from everybody.' They just don't. For that message, I need one white shooter going nuts in Colorado.

"This is how the game works. Why can't you see that? Plus, and this is something you should keep quiet, I don't want to draw too much attention to the inner cities and their problems, because then it would come out that all these Globalist trade treaties gutted jobs in those areas—and of course I'm the number one proponent in the world for trade treaties (<https://jonrappoport.wordpress.com/2015/05/14/corporate-gods-obama-remember-why-we-hired-you-ram-the-tpa-through/>), like the TPP, the one that's coming up for a vote now (<https://jonrappoport.wordpress.com/2015/10/06/the-tpa-a-monster-too-big-to-fail/>).

"Oops. But again, this is all about the cost of doing business. In this case, I mean my business, because I was put in office to move Globalism forward. Can't you grasp that? Why is this such a mystery? How naïve can you people be?

“I certainly wasn’t put in office to ‘extend equality,’ whatever that’s supposed to mean. That was just the cover story. Come on, get with it. Look at the American landscape these days. Do you see more equality?”

“I know this may be hard to swallow, but things are worse in the inner cities...and wait for it, I’ve given up on the inner cities. They’re good for one thing: creating unrest and violence. That’s it. So regardless of what I’m saying about black lives, how much do they really matter to me? I mean, look, I could have forwarded just one item for the past seven years—the growing of food in vast empty lots, urban food gardens and farms, and with that one program I could have done more good for those folks than anything I’ve been generalizing about. Don’t you think I know that? I’m a smart guy. Think of it—three thousand, four thousand flourishing food gardens in the inner cities of America. I could have done that. It would have been a real revolution called self-sufficiency. Good clean food for all. But I didn’t do that. Why not?”

“Like every other American President, I’m an agenda guy. I have my agendas on a silver platter that’s handed to me and I go with that. Different narratives for different agendas. It’s actually pretty simple.

“We, the people who run the day-to-day stuff for the real power players...we don’t want self-sufficiency. We want dependence on the government. That’s our job, to foster that. I can give away cell phones like there’s no tomorrow, but I can’t promote, with vigor, one urban farm in an inner city. That’s just the way it is. And to be frank, guns and shootings in inner cities do, in fact, promote dependency, because what else do those residents have to fall back on, in their dreams, when bullets are whistling around their heads?”

“This isn’t rocket science. This is Clinton, Bush, me, and every other President. We’re in the political party which, if it had a name, would be called: the screw-things-up-worse party. On purpose. Make chaos, then bring in tighter order. Everybody should know that by now.

“And as far as guns are concerned, we need enough of them on the streets in the hands of people who want to fire them, so we can keep the pot boiling. Honestly, isn’t that as obvious as the nose on your face?”

“Anyhow, that’s all for the moment, [I have to get back to the Climate Change summit \(https://twitter.com/jonrappoport/status/671123484580454400\)](https://twitter.com/jonrappoport/status/671123484580454400). Or as I call it, the Spare Change Summit, about 50 trillion dollars of it, diverted from some to others, and in the process making regular folks all over the planet worse off than they are now, because total energy production will drop like a stone when we have our way. This isn’t an accident or a miscalculation, in case you’re laboring under yet another delusion. This is an agenda designed to do what it does. Get it? I hope so. For once, I’d like to be recognized for what I’m actually doing, instead of for my public persona.

“But maybe that’s too much to ask for. By the way, stop writing me asking for winter coats. It’s warm, warm, warm everywhere, even when it’s cold.



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“—Wait. I thought I was done, but one more thing occurred to me. It has to do with those smart alecks who say I should give up my guns (<http://www.infowars.com/matt-drudge-challenges-obama-give-up-your-guns/>) ...meaning I shouldn't have all those heavily armed Secret Service people around wherever I go. I don't mind the sentiment, but again, it's the naïve presumption that gets under my skin. How stupid are you people? I and others like me have to be the last people with guns when all other guns are taken away. That's the whole goal of gun confiscation: the people in charge have the firepower. And of course, the criminals get to keep their weapons because you can't stop them from finding sources of supply. And like I said, we need criminals with guns because they'll shoot them whenever they want to—and this promotes a desirable climate of fear.

“One last confession: I have dreams at night, glorious dreams, in which all sorts of 'liberals' who want to disarm the populace are in a bad situation, on streets where bad guys are coming toward them with guns, and the liberals are out of luck. And in those dreams, I ask myself, How far can I push those liberals before they turn into advocates for guns? And the answer seems to be: there is no limit. They'll die on the street. And do you know why? This is the wonderful thing. They'll die because they're too scared to shout: 'I want a gun!' That's all. That's their bottom line. They'd rather die than shout, 'Give me a gun!' This is how low the survival instinct will sink just to avoid public criticism. It's a beautiful, beautiful thing. I wake up from those dreams laughing. I really do. I mean, you have to laugh. It's unavoidable. If you were in my position, with all that firepower guarding you, wouldn't you see the joke? I think you would. I hope so. Because if you couldn't see the joke, you'd be so stupid you wouldn't have understood anything I've been saying in this speech. Bye for now.”

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A month ago, US and Russian military officials [signed a memorandum of understanding](#) that included steps their pilots should take to avoid an inadvertent clash over Syria as they carry out separate air strikes against armed groups. That MoU has now been shredded, as it certainly *did not* involve Russian fighter jets operating above Syria being armed with short and medium range air-to-air missiles as a direct threat to other fighter jets also operating above Syria - mostly those of Turkey, France and the US.

Which is precisely what Russia has done as disclosed in an announcement [moments ago by the Russian defense ministry](#), and furthermore, has released a clip as a warning to not only Turkey, but all NATO forces in the region, that any further provocations at its jets will be met with an immediate and proportional response.

Igor Klimov, spokesman for the Russian Air Force, said that "today, Russian Su-34 fighter-bombers have made their first sortie equipped not only with high explosive aviation bombs and hollow charge bombs, **but also with short- and medium-range air-to-air missiles** The planes are equipped with missiles for defensive purposes."

"The missiles have target-seeking devices and are capable of hitting air targets within a 60km radius."

And the video that was released to commemorate the warning to the "anti-ISIS" alliance:



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