

# Prophecy Briefs

## President Obama Wants to Rule the World

Everything is truly speeding up, faster and faster. The US Media are covering up much important news that affects all of us.

This is major, big news for me, the first time I heard this.

You have to realize that Obama will be like no other Secretary General of the United Nations before him.

The tyrant with a pen and a phone will rule with the same, and **more, much, much more** Imperial and Satanic arrogance as he has done from the White House.

It puts into the spotlight Bible prophecies of the anti Christ who emerges during the final waning days of mans rule on earth before Messiah Jesus returns to rule the nations from Jerusalem.



Since its creation, the United Nations has always been at its best, a failure, a weak form of Global government.

I think that was Satan's plan all along until the right man came along!

It has begun to grow sharp, independent, sovereign nation breaking teeth with Agenda 21 and many, many other global initiatives. Even Washington is now driven to dump the

Constitution and submit to global governance by the U.N.

Only one thing stands in the way now, Christian's with their God who rules over them instead of the elite, demon led and inspired, globalist UN masters and the false god they choose to lead them.

The globalist elite know that they need a major catastrophe or two to really make their long desired totalitarian global government dream a living, breathing reality.

I believe that will happen after WW III, everything will fall into place, including the one who has been prepared by Satan to head this emerging, extremely powerful global government that will crush all opposition. The nations of the world are almost ready to demand a strong world government and a strong leader to insure the survival of the earth, and usher in a draconian peace.

A man with a phone and a pen who rules by self decree without need for the consent of Congress or the people is now in the open seeking such global power.

It's becoming more and more possible that the one who is imbued with the pride of Lucifer might be the one.

We can already see how he could 'deceive even the elect' with so many Christian's looking for their latest false political messiah to lead them to victory (not spiritual victory) in the 2016 elections. (Marcell Cousineau RebelPlanet Dispatchd.blogspot, Jan.2016).

## Obama Aspires to be King of the World

As if the world has not had enough of Barack Hussein Obama as the Dictator in Chief of the United States – he is now aspiring to succeed Ban Ki-moon of South Korea as the Secretary

General of the U.N. Big plans, Mr. Obama; but it seems that it may be payback time for PM Netanyahu – and rightfully so.

After all, Obama has done his very best to harm Israel in his eight years of tyranny. America has never had a president who loathes Israel as this man does. His agreement with Iran, which basically allows them to make and use nuclear weapons without interference from the U.S., flies in the face of Israel, and puts them in harms way.

Obama attempted to thwart the reelection of Netanyahu by sending his minions over to Israel to rally the liberals. God had other ideas, and PM Netanyahu won the election, much to Obama's chagrin.

The United Nations has shown utter contempt for Israel. The silent stare of PM Netanyahu will never be forgotten, when he accused the assembly of wanting to destroy his people:

From the [Jerusalem Post](#):

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PM Netanyahu has every right to be angry at Obama. Israel has never seen the likes of this president since the establishment of the Jewish State in 1948.

The article goes on:

“A source close to Netanyahu did not deny to Al-Jarida that the premier is aiming to “torpedo the Obama project,” noting that “his presidency was characterized by [Washington's] moving closer to the Muslim Brotherhood, toppling the regime of Hosni Mubarak, and attempts to ally itself with political Islam.”

“Obama's term is ending with him forging an alliance with Iran, coming to an agreement with it on its nuclear program which in the end will result in a similar scenario that took place with North Korea,” the aide said.

“Israel will not allow this to happen,” the source is quoted as saying. “It will take all of the necessary steps to prevent Iran from manufacturing a nuclear weapon either covertly or overtly.”

2016 will prove to be a most interesting year on the world stage. (Geri Ungurean, Jan.8, 2016).

### **Obama Wants to be UN Chief**

Barack Obama has dreams of having an unelected position of power from which he can dictate his wishes to the entire globe. But, if Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has anything to say about it, Obama will never be the UN Chief.

According to recent reports, Netanyahu is slighted over Obama's foreign policy, especially his role in the Iranian Nuclear Deal, which the Israeli Prime Minister feels puts Israel in grave danger. Now, Netanyahu is planning his payback by rallying Arab leaders to deny Barack Obama in his plan to succeed Ban Ki-moon as the United Nations' Secretary-General.

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The newspaper cited the widely acknowledged fact that personal ties between Netanyahu and Obama are frayed. (The *Libertarian*, Keith Farrell, Jan.8, 2016).

### **Obama's Bid for Secretary-General Has Begun**

**Multilateralism:** It is commonly observed that President Obama never started governing because he never stopped campaigning. He campaigned in his West Point speech all right — for United Nations secretary-general.

We've got a president who has unblushingly told us he's "a better speechwriter than my speechwriters," knows "more about policies on any particular issue than my policy directors" and is "a better political director than my political director."

Not to mention that "like any politician at this level, I've got a healthy ego." Uh, no kidding.

An intellect that enormous must feel confined by merely leading the free world (or, more accurately, not leading). Such boundless cerebral prowess deserves a real challenge, such as running the whole world.

The president obviously agrees; his address to cadets at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point on Wednesday sounded much like the launch of a campaign for still-higher office: presiding over the hopelessly corrupt, tyrant-dominated United Nations.

After briefly giving lip service to the U.S. using "military force, unilaterally if necessary, when our core interests demand it," Obama quickly placed America under the U.N. umbrella. When faced with crises that "do not directly threaten us," he said, "we must mobilize allies and partners to take collective action."

Great wartime presidents never had to boast of U.S. power; they used it. But "those who think America is weak are wrong" was the theme of Obama's speech.

Those "who suggest that America is in decline, or has seen its global leadership slip away, are either misreading history or engaged in partisan politics," Obama claimed. "Think about it. Our military has no peer."

There's a similarity to Jimmy Carter's 1979 "malaise" speech, touting "the outward strength of America, a nation that is at peace tonight everywhere in the world, with unmatched economic power and military might." Six months later, Soviet tanks rolled into Afghanistan, and less than a year after that Ronald Reagan was called in to rebuild the Pentagon and a battered U.S. economy.

"I believe in American exceptionalism with every fiber of my being," Obama told the cadets, but he defined that as the willingness to affirm "international norms ... through our actions."

The Nobel Peace Prize Committee gave Obama its award on spec, less than nine months after his inauguration in 2009, to promote "multilateral diplomacy" and an "emphasis on the role that the United Nations and other international institutions can play."

Now the U.N., acting similarly, can make him "president of the world." Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon's term expires in early 2017. If Obama were his successor, the U.S., even under a Republican administration, might not veto an ex-U.S. president in the Security Council.

Who would the U.N. like better as secretary-general than an American who wants the world's lone superpower placed firmly under the rules made by the U.N. General Assembly, the vast majority of whose members are undemocratic and pine for redistributed U.S. wealth?

A secretary-general who can get the U.S. to accept U.N. rule. (Investor's Business Daily, June 28, 2014).

### **Fecklessness has its rewards: Barack Obama will be the next UN Secretary General**

Reading the news that the US was preparing to cede control of the internet to "the world community," a.k.a. Red China, Russia, Iran, Syria, Venezuela, Cuba, North Korea, et al, was at first a head-scratcher. Why? What's Obama doing? It makes no sense. He'll piss off even a lot of Democrats. He's not THAT stupid.

That was soon followed by the "AHA!!!!" moment. Now it ALL makes sense, a LOT OF SENSE!!!

It's obvious that Obama loves campaigning, he's just not that into governing. He does, however, have one more campaign in him.... he's now running to be the next Secretary-General of the United Nations.

Obama's term expires Jan 20th, 2017. In case you hadn't noticed, the term of the current SecGen expires on Dec 31, 2016.

What does the SecGen do? Actually, pretty much nothing. Gives some speeches, chairs a few meetings, attends lots of receptions and parties, and flies around the world a lot. The job comes with a lot of perks, including a five story town house on Sutton Place, lots of staff, a practically unlimited budget. There's nothing to well, govern. The UN charter does not list any specific duties or responsibilities in that regard. No pesky rules or regulations, like a Constitution, to be concerned with. It's perfect for Obama. And let's not forget all those great golf courses in the metropolitan area.

The UN Charter provides that the Secretary General shall be appointed by the General Assembly upon recommendation of the Security Council. As the five permanent members of the council have veto powers, Obama has to get the approval of Russia and China, and he's in.

Historically, the job of Secretary General went to a neutral, or third world power, as during the

cold war era the USA and USSR would veto anyone from the opposite faction.

And if there are any murmurs of opposition to Obama, well..look for Obama to fess up that he's really Kenyan, after all...and thus a "third-worlder."

The UN is becoming more and more irrelevant. The Secretary General has less impact than a Cabinet undersecretary. I'd wager that 95% of Americans couldn't name the current Secretary General ( *Go ahead, can you???* See what I mean..) A GOP president, with a GOP controlled Congress, might well move to cut the US appropriation to the UN, which would really mess thing up over in Turtle Bay.

The Obamas could, in an instant turn things around, and put the UN on the front page. Imagine Barack and Michelle ensconced in NYC, to the adulation of an adoring media. The UN might even be able to get its expansion plans off the ground..( and in the process, construct a big new office from which Obama could survey the world)

So all he has to do is win the support of Russia and Red China. The US, Britain, and France will support him. Let's face it, a President Lyndon LaRouche, let alone a President Rand Paul, wouldn't dare oppose Obama.

So if we view all of Obama's policies and decisions in the light of attempting to curry favor with the Russians and Red Chinese, well..it starts to make sense.

\*Allow Red China's massive military build-up to go unopposed. Instead, pull back US forces in the Pacific, and reduce our ability to project force. "*Carriers? We don't need no stinkin'carriers.*" Obama's allowing the Chinese to dominate the region.

\*Libya, Syria, Iraq, Iran, Afghanistan, Ukraine. I mean, could Putin ask for anything more than what Obama's allowing him to get away with?

\*Obama's environmental and economic policies are badly hurting the US economy, while allowing China to continue massive economic expansion, and the accompanying pollution it brings. Russia will continue to have a market for

its energy exports to western Europe, and the political power that comes with the ability to turn off the valves, and/or jack up the prices.

\*And now we're handing over control of the Internet to whom?...yup..the bad guys.

Just a few.....there are many more.

Obama told Putin that he'd have more "flexibility" after the election. He surely has demonstrated that.

Ask yourself, why would the Russians and the Red Chinese oppose Obama as the next Secretary General? He's giving them all they could ask for now. What more could they want?

And as for Obama, it's a perfect fit, even more than it's the ideal job description for him. After all, what's the guy gonna do next? He's young, too young to retire to Hawaii and play golf. Teach law? Lecture? Nah...He can't be a senior statesman for the Democrat party. By the time he leaves, the Dems will be in the electoral wasteland, having lost control of the Congress and the White House, not to mention most state houses. He will have succeeded, wildly so, in "fundamentally transforming..the Democrat party." Democrats will soon look upon Carter with fond memories.

Simply put, there's no room for Obama and Clinton on the same stage. What's Barry gonna do..another "global initiative?" Nope. But the guy does have a monstrous ego, laced with narcissism, that needs an outlet. Remember the Greek pillars ? The vow to make the oceans obey his commands? He needs a stage, a platform.....

And where better than at the UN, "ruling the world." And BTW, there's no pesky rule in the UN charter limiting him to two terms. (Redstate.com, March 17, 2014).

### **Obama for UN Secretary General?**

Throughout the 2008 Presidential campaign and after Obama was elected, there were many blogs, comments, and social media essays purporting that Obama may be the antichrist. I don't believe he is, but that dramatic feeling

swept the country among Christians and I firmly believe there was a reason so *many* people felt that way. Collectively, we are not often touched with a similarly strong feeling of spiritual evil- so there must be some basis for it. At the very least, he obviously has a front and center prophetic role to play in the eternal will of God at the close of this Church Age.

It is plain to see that Obama has no real interest in the job he occupies at the time - and he never occupies it for long. As community organizer he was accused of being distant and unfocused. As Law Professor (glorified adjunct, really) he was **and still is** accused of being distant and unfocused. As State Senator he was accused of being distant and unfocused (he voted 'present' 129 times). As President he is accused of being distant and unfocused. He plays golf a lot. He vacations a lot.

The unsaved are usually restless- always seeking the next thing that will fill that hole in them (but never does). Obama seems to have a unique amount of restlessness and lust for power and adoration. Earlier this year and also last year I wrote about the signals that some thought Obama was emitting to be the Muslim Caliphate, that is, the Islamic leader of all the world's Muslims. He might indeed be acceptable for that position. Ruling over 1.4 billion people is a nice job if you can get it, and Ayatollah Durrani seemed inclined to endow Obama with the credentials.

In 2007 when Obama was campaigning, the US was arguably still the world's only super power, claiming hegemony in all arenas and using that clout to fulfill the vision George Bush had for promoting the Good. But what job does one seek after being the leader of the richest and most influential nation in the free world? Why, the World's leader of course.

This is the story that won't go away. It's come up in several times over the years. In 2009, a blogger mused on it. In 2010, the UK Telegraph mused on it. This week in 2011, The American Thinker magazine mused on it. Will Obama's next job be Secretary General of the United Nations?

It kind of makes sense in the deep spiritual portion of our brain, doesn't it? The Secretary-General was envisioned by US President Franklin D. Roosevelt as a "world

moderator." The UN's page about the position says that it is "Equal parts diplomat and advocate, civil servant and CEO, the Secretary-General is a symbol of United Nations ideals and a spokesman for the interests of the world's peoples..." 'Obama: World Leader.'

We know that the Tribulation will be a time when the world's political and geo-national boundaries will be reformed. After the Gog-Magog war prophesied in Ezekiel 38-39, Israel will wind up with four times as much land as they have now, including parts of Egypt, and Lebanon, Syria etc. We don't know exactly how the world will be drawn together in the prophesied ten nations, (Rev 17:12-14). Some think there will be ten regions, some think the regions will be ten members of the European Union, but it is clear that global power is tightly controlled and rests with these ten kings under the evil direction of the antichrist.

The current UN Secretary Ban-Ki Moon was just re-appointed this week for another five-year term, which will begin Jan 2012 and end in 2017. Yes, he was re-appointed 6 months early to his next term. I don't know why the rush. Obama hurriedly joined his side to echo the chorus crying out for more of Moon's leadership and the deal was done. So the timing of an Obama UN position as Secretary General seems way off, because Obama won't end his Presidency until 2012 or if he wins re-election, 2016. The timing doesn't match up. But nothing is as it seems these days and anything can happen.

Obama showed his interest in world leadership early on. Remember Obama's unprecedented and possibly unconstitutional (Section 9) taking of the Chairmanship of the UN Security Council in 2009?? Never in the history of the United Nations had a U.S. President taken the chairmanship of the powerful UN Security Council. When the rotating chairmanship of the council went to the U.S., in normal course of business U.S. Ambassador to the UN Susan Rice would take the gavel. But Obama pushed her aside, and put HIMSELF in the chairman's seat, presiding over global nuclear non-proliferation and disarmament talks that began September 24, 2009. I was extremely discomfited by his move then, and I believed it signaled that the world will see a lot more of Obama in years to come, in whatever capacity is higher than US Presidency.

If Obama has designs on more power, being one

of ten world leaders as prophecy indicates, is a lot better than being one of 192, the number of nations there are now. So it seems Obama's future career path won't be one that sinks gently back into retirement as President Bush did, or even one filled with humanitarian causes as Bill Clinton is revered for, but one that will likely enjoy MORE power and attention than he has now. We can all intuit we have not seen the last of Obama. (the end-time blogspot, Sept.2011).

### **COULD BARACK OBAMA ACTUALLY BE THE ANTICHRIST?**

“And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy. And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority. And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast. And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him?” (Revelation 13:1-4).

In 2008, my husband and I attended a church in Columbia, MD. I have written about this church in a couple of articles on raptureready.com. The church was more than half black and we loved it there. The head pastor was a black man. He was a great teacher of the Word. The worship was amazing, and Wednesday's prayer group was always packed with people. We felt blessed to be in that church.

The campaign for the upcoming election was in full swing. In my naiveté, I was convinced that the black people in this church would surely not vote for Obama. I thought that they would be well aware of his Socialism, close ties with Planned Parenthood and would know about his radical friends, i.e. Bill Ayers and many others. They saw the news and they had to have seen Reverend Jeremiah Wright spewing his hate-filled Black Liberation Theology sermons. Obama sat under that teaching for twenty years.

One evening, I felt compelled to search the internet about my head pastor, to see if I could find anything regarding his opinion of Obama. The pastor was quite famous for many books he had written, so I felt that perhaps I could find statements he made on the upcoming election.

I did find a website with exactly the information which I was seeking. They were interviewing my pastor and another black lady, who was the head of Black Conservatives of America. My pastor was an Obama man, and I felt literally sick in my stomach.

I called him at his office the next day and told him what I had found. We talked for hours about Obama. I asked him if he was aware of the alarming facts about this man – he was well aware. But he shocked me with a question:

“Are you one of those white people who think that Obama is the Antichrist?”

I was speechless and angry that he would ask that. I almost didn’t answer, but then said that I did not believe that. We finally ended our conversation. I continued to send him information about BHO via email. This pastor finally blocked my email account, and also told his secretary not to take my calls. It goes without saying that my husband and I left that church.

For many years I have dismissed the possibility that Obama could be the Antichrist. I think that it was due mostly to my studying of End Times prophecy, and always looking for the Antichrist to be from either Italy, Greece or a country in close proximity to these countries. I suppose you might say that I had tunnel vision.

I knew that this man was evil to his core. But there have been many evil men down through history. But there was something different about Obama. Even from the start, when he would speak to the crowds while campaigning, there was something about his voice. I couldn’t listen to it and neither could my husband. It was offensive to me in a way that is hard to explain. I had to shut him off. I believe now that it was the Holy Spirit giving me wisdom about this man.

He had such a hold over his followers. It was hard to watch. Then came the “Messiah” jokes. People were worshiping him.

Today, I saw an article from CNN which astounded me. I don’t watch or read CNN as a rule, but this piece gripped me. It was as though God Himself was opening my eyes and giving me a glimpse of reality.

The article is called The Obamification of Pope Francis. It is obviously written to poke fun at the so-called conspiracy theorists.

Here is the link:

<http://www.cnn.com/2015/09/13/us/pope-obama-critics/index.html>

(CNN) Some pontiffs have been beatified or canonized, but Pope Francis is receiving a far more dubious honor.

He’s being “Obamified.”

The charismatic Pope, who arrives in the United States on September 22, has gained fans in and out of the Catholic Church for denouncing unfettered capitalism, warning about climate change and urging mercy toward divorced couples and women who have had abortions.

He’s also sparked a strange trend. The same political slurs and conspiracy theories that critics have used against President Barack Obama are now being deployed against Pope Francis. One critic even says the two leaders have morphed into one sinister figure he calls “Popama.”

The Obamification of Pope Francis includes charges from conservative critics that he’s either a socialist, the Antichrist, an illegitimately elected leader who wants to create a “New World Order” — or all of the above. Their anxiety was captured by the headline of one online column: “Pope Francis is the Catholic Church’s Obama — God help us.”

The CNN piece goes on to make fun of how the Obamification of the pope is happening:

No. 1: He’s a stealth socialist

No. 2: He’s the Antichrist

No. 3: He’s on an ‘Apology Tour’

Of course, CNN is reporting all of this with tongue in cheek, as they portray anyone who holds these beliefs or at least is wondering if these things could be true — as right wing nuts.

More from the article:

“Meanwhile, Francis has warmed up to Islam like no other Pope before him. In a historic first, Francis opened the door to Muslim prayers and Quran readings at the Vatican last year. Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas and Israeli President Shimon Peres joined the pontiff in the Vatican gardens for a prayer meeting.” Still, the Pope and the President are different in at least one crucial way, says Earle Scarlett, a retired U.S. diplomat who writes about religion. While arguing that Obama and Francis share a yearning for economic justice, Scarlett says Francis is freer than Obama to pursue his vision because the same checks and balances that stymie the power of the presidency don’t exist in the Vatican.”

Oh, really? Checks and balances keep Obama in line? That is ludicrous and even CNN knows it. This president has been able to push legislation down the throats of the American people as if it’s a magic act! Think of Obamacare. And he has signed more executive orders than any other president in history, when Congress is not in session.

And even when he does things which are glaringly unconstitutional, he gets a pass. I’ve watched as he is “transforming” America and I simply shake my head at this point. I’m numb, and I know that many of you know that feeling.

#### POPE FRANCIS

I have written in prior articles, that I do believe that Pope Francis is the False Prophet. There are so many compelling reasons why he meets the criteria for being the False Prophet. To avoid redundancy, please refer to my other articles on Pope Francis.

After he meets with Obama, he will travel to NYC to be the keynote speaker for the Sustainable Development Goals summit at the United Nations. His main topic: Climate Change.

I want to qualify this article and my views about Pope Francis and Barack Obama, with saying that *no* man or woman knows with certainty who the False Prophet and Antichrist will be. I am offering the readers food for thought, if you will.

Things are happening so quickly, really at breakneck speed.

These things are important to know about and talk about. We are close to the end (I believe) and these alarming events happening in the world could very well be used as a way to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with the lost.

#### OBAMA AND THE IRANIAN NUKES DEAL

I have always said to my husband that everything BHO does is calculated. Through the years, we have watched him cozy up to our enemies, especially in the Middle East. We have watched as he has turned his back on our one true friend in the ME – Israel. He loathes PM Netanyahu and all of Israel.

Netanyahu felt it necessary to come earlier this year, to address our Congress about the “bad deal” and pleaded with Congress to do what they could to stop this deal. He wanted the sanctions against Iran to stay in place, and for negotiations to cease.

Obama would not even meet with PM Netanyahu. The hatred that our president has for Bibi and for Israel is alarming.

Many times I sit and wonder why Obama is so adamant about the Iranian deal. It struck me that perhaps he is setting up the U.S. for an attack from which we will not recover. I’m sorry if that is a scary thought, brethren, but this is a scary world right now.

I believe that there is a very good chance that BHO will eventually be the head of the U.N. I believe that there is also a very good chance that he IS the Antichrist of which the Bible speaks. Praise God that we will not be here.

Another thing that struck me was realizing that for Satan to use the body of a black man is brilliant in a diabolical way. Remember how no one could say anything negative about Obama, without being called a racist? Now think about the entire world when Obama presides over the United Nations.

As I said, I am not saying these things with absolute certainty. But there is something

happening in my spirit which compels me to write this piece.

Pray about this as you think about it. Time is short. (Geri Ungurean, Sept.17 2015).

### **Royal Bank of Scotland Says “Sell Everything” – Cataclysmic Year Ahead!**

The Royal Bank of Scotland is telling clients that 2016 is going to be a "cataclysmic year" and that they should "sell everything". This sounds like something that you might hear from The Economic Collapse Blog, but up until just recently you would have never expected to get this kind of message from one of the twenty largest banks on the entire planet.

Unfortunately, this is just another indication that a major global financial crisis has begun and that we are now entering a bear market. The collective market value of companies listed on the S&P 500 has dropped by about a trillion dollars since the start of 2016, and panic is spreading like wildfire all over the globe.

And of course when the Royal Bank of Scotland comes out and openly says that "investors should be afraid" that certainly is not going to help matters.

It amazes me that the Royal Bank of Scotland is essentially saying the exact same thing that I have been saying for months. Just like I have been telling my readers, RBS has observed that global markets "are flashing the same stress alerts as they did before the Lehman crisis in 2008"...

RBS has advised clients to brace for a "cataclysmic year" and a global deflationary crisis, warning that the major stock markets could fall by a fifth and oil may reach US\$16 a barrel.

The bank's credit team said markets are flashing the same stress alerts as they did before the Lehman crisis in 2008.

So what should our response be to these warning signs?

According to RBS, the logical thing to do is to "sell everything" except for high quality bonds...

"Sell everything except high quality bonds," warned Andrew Roberts in a note this week.

He said the bank's red flags for 2016 – falling oil, volatility in China, shrinking world trade, rising debt, weak corporate loans and deflation – had all been seen in just the first week of trading.

"We think investors should be afraid," he said.

And of course RBS is not the only big bank issuing these kinds of ominous warnings.

The biggest bank in America, J.P. Morgan Chase, is "urging investors to sell stocks on any bounce"...

J.P. Morgan Chase has turned its back on the stock market: For the first time in seven years, the investment bank is urging investors to sell stocks on any bounce.

"Our view is that the risk-reward for equities has worsened materially. In contrast to the past seven years, when we advocated using the dips as buying opportunities, we believe the regime has transitioned to one of selling any rally," Mislav Matejka, an equity strategist at J.P. Morgan, said in a report.

Aside from technical indicators, expectations of anemic corporate earnings combined with the downward trajectory in U.S. manufacturing activity and a continued weakness in commodities are raising red flags.

Major banks have not talked like this since the great financial crisis of 2008/2009. Clearly something really big is going on. Trillions of dollars of financial wealth were wiped out around the world during the last six months of 2015, and trillions more dollars have been wiped out during the first 12 days of 2016. As I noted above, the collective market value of the S&P 500 is down by about a trillion dollars all by itself.

One of the big things driving all of this panic is the stunning collapse in the price of oil. U.S. oil was trading as low as \$29.93 a barrel on Tuesday, and this was the first time that oil has traded under 30 dollars a barrel since December 2003.

Needless to say, this collapse is absolutely killing energy companies. The following comes from

USA Today&

There aren't many people who feel bad for oil companies. But the implosion in oil prices is causing a profit decline that almost invokes pity.

The companies in the Standard & Poor's 500 energy sector are expected to lose a collective \$28.8 billion this calendar year, down from \$95.4 billion in net income earned during the industry's bonanza year of 2008, according to a USA TODAY analysis of data from S&P Capital IQ.

That's a \$124 billion swing against energy companies and one you're probably enjoying at the pump. The analysis includes only the 36 S&P 500 energy companies that reported net income in 2008.

If we are to avoid a major global deflationary crisis, we desperately need the price of oil to get back above 50 dollars a barrel. Unfortunately, that does not appear to be likely to happen any time soon. In fact, Dallas Fed President Robert Kaplan says that the price of oil is probably going to stay very low for years to come...

You'd expect at least some artificial optimism when the president of the Dallas Fed talks about oil. You'd expect some droplets of hope for that crucial industry in Texas. But when Dallas Fed President Robert Kaplan spoke on Monday, there was none, not for 2016, and most likely not for 2017 either, and maybe not even for 2018.

The wide-ranging speech included a blunt section on oil, the dismal future of the price of oil, the global and US causes for its continued collapse, and what it might mean for the Texas oil industry: more bankruptcies, mergers and restructurings.

The oil price plunge since mid-2014, with its vicious ups and downs, was bad enough. But since the OPEC meeting in December, he said, "the overall tone in the oil and gas sector has soured, as expectations have decidedly shifted to an even lower for even longer price outlook."

In recent articles I have discussed so many of the other signs that indicate that there is big trouble ahead, but today I just want to quickly mention another one that has just popped up in the news.

The amount of stuff being shipped across the U.S. by rail has been dropping dramatically. The

only times when we have seen similar large drops has been during previous recessions. The following comes from Bloomberg.

Railroad cargo in the U.S. dropped the most in six years in 2015, and things aren't looking good for the new year.

"We believe rail data may be signaling a warning for the broader economy," the recent note from Bank of America says. "Carloads have declined more than 5 percent in each of the past 11 weeks on a year-over-year basis. While one-off volume declines occur occasionally, they are generally followed by a recovery shortly thereafter. The current period of substantial and sustained weakness, including last week's -10.1 percent decline, has not occurred since 2009."

BofA analysts led by Ken Hoexter look at the past 30 years to see what this type of steep decline usually means for the U.S. economy. What they found wasn't particularly encouraging: All such drops in rail carloads preceded, or were accompanied by, an economic slowdown (Note: They excluded 1996 due to an extremely harsh winter).

The "next economic downturn" is already here, and it is starting to accelerate.

Yes, the financial markets are starting to catch up with economic reality, but they still have a long, long way to go. It is going to take another 30 percent drop or so just for them to get to levels that are considered to be "normal" or "average" by historical standards.

And the markets are so fragile at this point that any sort of a major "trigger event" could cause a sudden market implosion unlike anything that we have ever seen before. (Michael Snyder, The Economic Collapse Blog, Jan.12, 2016).

### **Stocks to Plunge 75%**

Albert Edwards, the Societe Generale economist known for his dire predictions, warns that stocks will plunge 75 percent if the U.S. economy could plunge into a recession sparked by global deflation and weak U.S. manufacturing output.

"(Quantitative easing in the U.S.) may not have done much to boost U.S. growth, but it certainly inflated global asset prices into the stratosphere,"

he said in the note, **CNBC** reported.

The main thrust of the thesis is that central bankers inflated asset prices after the 2008 crisis and didn't let stocks hit the lows they should have done, **Business Insider** explained.

"Central banks also caused a huge debt bubble to expand in the emerging markets and China, which is now pressuring emerging-market currencies to devalue, which could lead to a deflationary spiral and a U.S. recession," BI said. "Now that central banks have used up their ammunition to prop up stocks, asset prices will fall dramatically if the recession does hit. Stocks will be valued at seven times earnings."

Edwards thinks the U.S. is on the brink. Weak manufacturing data is the warning sign.

"When an economy is hurtling towards recession it is almost always the manufacturing sector that takes the less volatile services sector by the hand and leads it into a recessionary underworld," BI said.

"If I am right, the S&P would fall to 550 (points), a 75 percent decline from the recent 2,100 peak. That obviously will be a catastrophe for the economy via the wealth effect and all the Fed's QE hard work will turn (to) dust," he warned.

The S&P is already in correction mode, falling more than 10 percent from its recent high. The S&P 500 lost 48.4 points, or 2.5 percent, Wednesday to 1,890.28. The S&P 500 is now down 11.3 percent below its May 21, 2015, closing lifetime high. (Newsmax, Feb.7, 2016).

### **Move Over, Benedict Arnold, There's a New Traitor in Town – Barack Obama!**

The Obama administration is ordering Border Patrol agents to release illegal immigrants without making them appear in court or keeping track of their whereabouts, and it's also dramatically rolling back aerial surveillance along the southern border, leading a senior congressman to suggest the public is unaware it is being "betrayed" by its commander in chief.

What's sad is the people of the United States don't recognize that they're being betrayed by

their own president and also betrayed by those people in the Congress and the Senate who have been going along with this amnesty program," said Rep. Dana Rohrabacher, R-Calif., a leading voice against amnesty and for border enforcement.

On Thursday, reports emerged that the Obama administration was effectively telling U.S. Customs and Border Patrol agents to stand down and not process people entering the United States illegally. They further state that agents are told not to order illegals to appear at a deportation hearing and not make efforts to track them down inside the U.S.

"We might as well abolish our immigration laws altogether," said National Border Patrol Council President Brandon Judd. In addition, Gov. Greg Abbott, R-Texas, and Rep. Henry Cuellar, D-Texas, are imploring the Department of Homeland Security for an explanation for a 50 percent rollback in aerial surveillance of the Texas-Mexico border.

Rohrabacher told WND and Radio America he and fellow critics of Obama's immigration policies are well past the point of outrage. "This president has done so many things that are contrary to the interests of the safety and security and prosperity of the people of the United States that this is no surprise, especially in dealing with foreign entities, whether it's Muslims overseas or whether it's illegal immigrants coming in here from various countries. This is nothing new for this administration," he said.

One of Rohrabacher's top concerns is how Obama's open-door policy could further weaken national security.

"He's opening the door," he said. "There's not even going to be a guard on the door to watch who's coming in. Do you think the radical Islamist terrorists that have declared war on our country and murder us at any chance, you think they don't see this? They have already got a lot of people here."

He continued, "What the president is doing is going to increase the level of criminals that are coming here from other countries and terrorists who come here specifically to hurt Americans and kill Americans." (WND, Greg Corombos, Feb.6, 2016).