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Details:

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According to the Washington Post:

Britain's Parliament on Friday voted down Prime Minister Theresa May's Brexit deal for the third time. The vote, which came on the day that Britain had originally been scheduled to leave the European Union, added another layer of uncertainty to an already unclear path forward.

Days before, Parliament had held several "indicative," nonbinding votes designed to find an alternative to May's deal. All eight proposals failed to find a majority. The deadline is now April 12 to find a new plan or leave the bloc without a deal.

But if you think this all sounds convoluted, hold on to your hats: It could get even more confusing still. One possible scenario is that the E.U. grants Britain a longer extension to work out a new deal — and that may mean that three years after voting to leave the E.U., Britain would be expected to field candidates in European elections.

This is not an unlikely scenario. It may be as likely as anything else in Brexit's ongoing chaos.

The extension "is almost certain to involve the United Kingdom being required to hold European Parliament elections," May told Britain's House of Commons on Friday after her vote failed.

The vote in the European Parliament, the only directly elected legislative body of the E.U., is slated to take place May 23 to 26. These elections are held every five years to select new members of the European Parliament, or MEPs, with every E.U. citizen over 18 able to vote.

In spite of its convoluted complexities, following Britain's tedious Brexit drama is quite instructive in unmasking the true reality of modern Western democracy.

Britain never intended to leave the European Union. The British establishment's long-term mission has been to take benefit from Europe without being dominated by it. This was done by maintaining two separate factions in British politics and the ruling Tory party in particular – one faction was pro-Europe and the other anti-Europe. But after decades of UK governments using Europe as an excuse for their problems, the anti-Europe faction became increasingly unmanageable in British politics; the Brexit referendum was supposed to deliver a 'Remain' vote that would silence the Brexiteers. The fact that Britain voted 'Leave' has no real impact on the objectives of the British establishment, which is continuing to find ways to keep Britain, formally or informally, within the EU. Despite publicly calling for a 'hard Brexit', it's obvious that the government has been tacitly working for an extremely 'soft Brexit' that is now transitioning into a very 'slow Brexit'. In the longer term, a second referendum, to cancel the original Brexit vote, is still quite possible.

Western ruling systems are not designed to practise democracy, a quite meaningless slogan adopted by eighteenth century atheistic European revolutionaries; after all, how can tens of millions of people possibly collaborate in fashioning the comprehensive detailed legislation needed for law and government. So, instead, the West introduced the idea of 'representative democracy' but since it is already conceded that the general population is not capable of legislating then their 'representatives' will inevitably be guided by considerations other than the so-called general will of the people.

Trump Running his own Palestine Policy

According to the Daily Beast.

A key House committee is demanding a briefing from Secretary of State Mike Pompeo on Jared Kushner's trip to Saudi Arabia last month that included a senior State Department official but otherwise left American diplomats in the dark.

In a letter sent Thursday, House Foreign Affairs Chairman Eliot Engel (D-NY) expressed concern that embassy staff were reportedly sidelined from participating in the meetings on that trip, including those with the Royal Court and Crown Prince Mohammed Bin Salman.

The American establishment has been working hard to derive benefit from the Trump administration while at the same time trying to contain its eccentricities. Most of Trump's original team has now been replaced by establishment loyalists but his son-in-law Jared Kushner remains. Kushner is a Jew with strong family connections to the Jewish entity's Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu and has also developed a close personal relationship with the Saudi Crown Prince Mohammad bin Salman, it seems in order to design a 'peace plan' to benefit the Jewish State by eliminating the Palestinian issue once and for all through a final settlement that would permanently deprive them of any rights to Palestinian land. It seems the American establishment is blocking this plan because it knows that the Jewish State, and even the Saudi regime, would be extremely foolish to attempt to directly face the anger of the Muslim Ummah by attempting a final settlement. Earlier this week, Kushner himself appeared before a closed-door meeting of the Senate Intelligence Committee. It is expected that he will be fully brought in line with American strategic objectives just as the rest of the Trump administration has been.

In Shameful Interview, Imran Khan Denies Knowledge of China's Muslim Atrocities

According to CNN:

Pakistan's Prime Minister Imran Khan has dodged a question on the reported detention of as many as two million Muslims in the western Chinese region of Xinjiang, saying he "didn't know much" about the issue.

In an interview with the Financial Times released on Wednesday, the leader of the mainly Muslim nation was questioned about his stance on the mass detention centers where many of China's Muslim-majority Uyghurs have been sent. Activists and former detainees say the camps are designed to eradicate Uyghur culture and Muslim religious practices.

"Frankly, I don't know much about that," said Khan, whose government is a major beneficiary of Chinese aid.

When pressed, he said the Muslim world was going through "its worst phase" but demurred on Beijing's crackdown in Xinjiang. "If I had enough knowledge I would speak about it. It is not so much in the papers," he said.

In fact, Imran Khan knows quite a lot about the plight of China's oppressed Muslims but he is keeping quiet in order to derive benefits from his relationship with China. Pakistan's military has been working for decades to undermine the liberation of East Turkestan, known in China as Xinjiang province, from continued Chinese occupation. Imran Khan's faked ignorance about hundreds of thousands of interned Muslims in China stands in stark contrast to his comments about the deaths of Muslims in the recent New Zealand mosque attack. Quite obviously, like other Muslim rulers today, Imran Khan's talk of Islam is for domestic consumption only, designed to boost his political appeal without any real policy substance.