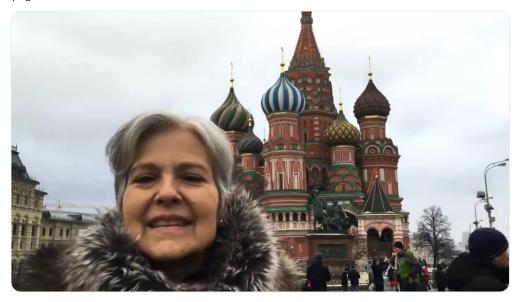


In today's #vatniksoup, I'll introduce an American politician, Jill Stein (@DrJillStein). She's best-known for her visits to Moscow, bids for the US presidency, blaming of NATO for the war in Ukraine, and for her inability to condemn Vladimir Putin as a war criminal.

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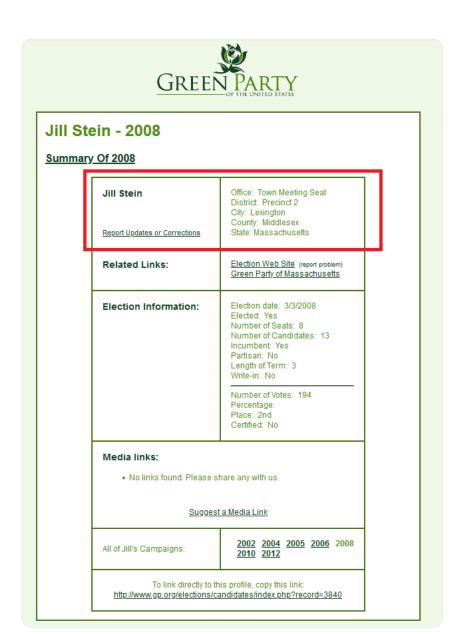
Stein's background is in medicine, and she graduated from Harvard Medical School in 1979. During the 90s Stein turned to activism and subsequently received various environmental awards for her work. Stein began her political career by running for governor of Massachusetts...





...in 2002, but only got 3,5% of the total vote. Her following campaigns were also massive failures, and the only election in which she managed to secure a seat was the local legislative body in Lexington. But that didn't stop Jill, as in 2012 she decided to run for...





...president with the Green Party. Her campaign consisted of unrealistic promises of "putting 25 million people to work," and she was endorsed by people like Russia-funded Chris Hedges, CODEPINK founder Medea Benjamin and academic and genocide denier Noam Chomsky.







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Code Pink's denial of the Uyghur genocide makes it a hate group

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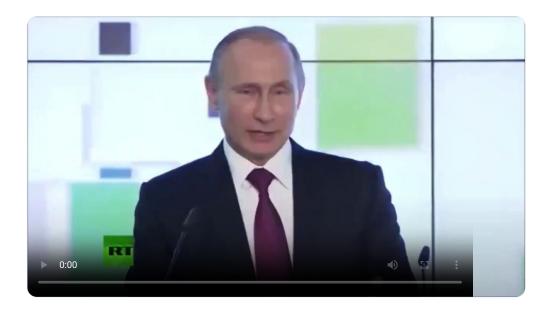


Professor Chomsky said he will probably vote for Jill Stein for president in effort to push a genuine electoral alternative, but that if he lived in a swing state he would vote "against Romney-Ryan, which means voting for Obama."

We also discussed the relationship between tactics and action. Speaking about Occupy Wall Street's public encampments, Professor Chomsky, who supported OWS and authored a book on the subject, said such tactics have a half-life and that when one tactic stops working, activists have a responsibility to try something else.

In 2012, Stein received 0,36% of the total vote, which is why she also decided to run again in 2016. This time she decided on a different strategy - in 2015, she travelled to Moscow to attend the RT 10th anniversary party. While there, she criticized US foreign policy...







...and human rights situation. She was seated together with Vladimir Putin, but somehow failed to remind him that Russian imperialism is bad and Russia should stop annexing and invading sovereign countries. For this, she blamed the language barrier (Putin speaks English).



In Moscow, Stein calls for foreign policy of principled collaboration

In Moscow, Presidential Candidate Stein Calls For US Foreign Policy of Principled Collaboration Rather than Lawless Domination

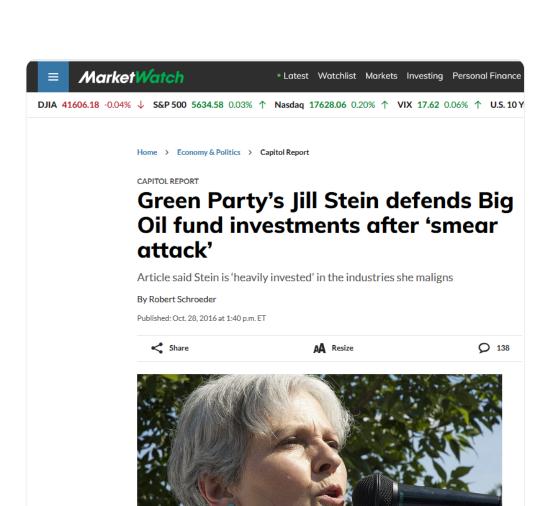
(MOSCOW) United States foreign policy in the Middle East is failing badly because it is built upon a futile quest for military and economic domination, according to Green Party presidential candidate Jill Stein.

Speaking as part of a panel of foreign policy experts at a forum organized by the RT news network, Stein said that solutions to problems such as jihadi terrorism would require Russia and the

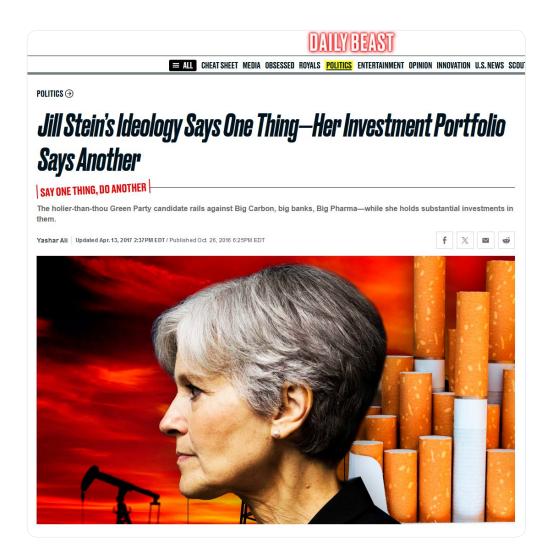


United States to work together, shedding outdated cold war attitudes that prevented collaboration on problems facing both nations.

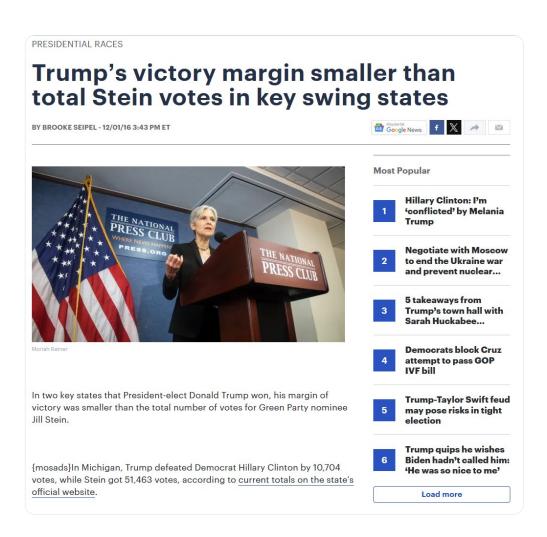
Unlike Donald Trump, both Hillary Clinton and Jill Stein released their tax returns. Surprisingly, Stein had around 8,5 million USD invested in funds in industries she had harshly criticized, including energy, financial, tobacco, pharmaceutical and defense contractors.

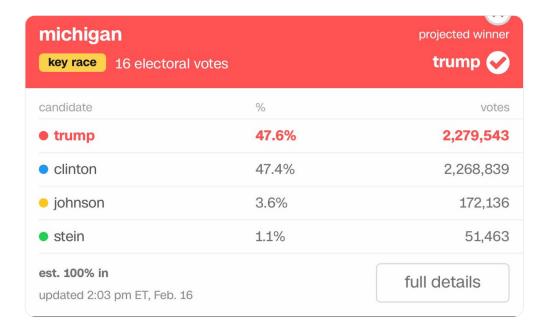


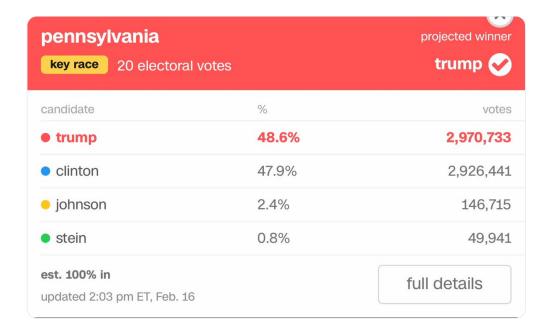
Jill Stein says an article about her investments 'failed to show a conflict of interest.' ILLUSTRATION: GREEN PARTY



Stein ultimately received 1% of the national vote in the 2016 election, but she played a significant role in the swing states of Wisconsin, Michigan and Pennsylvania, as Trump's victory margin was smaller than Stein's total votes in these key battleground states.





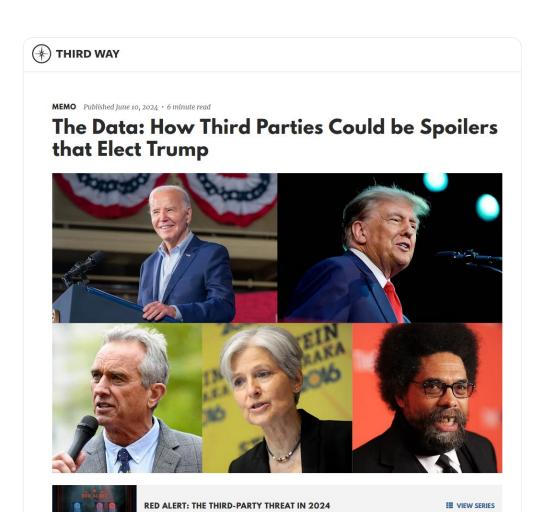




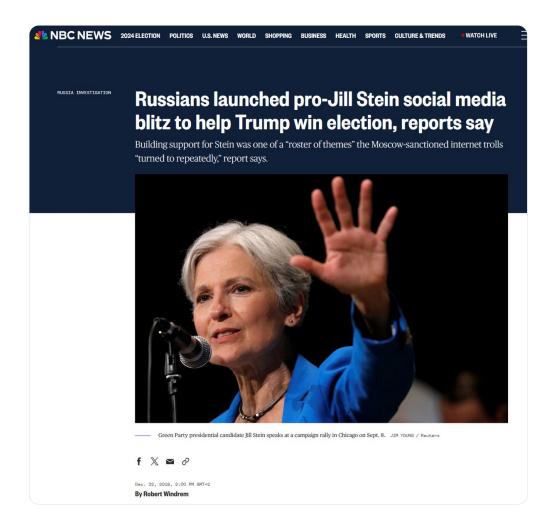
Following Trump's victory, Stein spearheaded an effort to recount votes in three swing states. The recount was a lost cause, but Stein managed to fundraise 7,3 million USD for it. In May 2018, only 1 million of the money was spent and the rest is allegedly stashed somewhere.



Naturally, the Republicans and the Russians knew that a third-party candidate could help Trump grab the presidency. Trump-operative Roger Stone had previously used third-party candidates to grab votes from the Democrats, and according to a 2018 report, the Russians...



...had launched a pro-Stein online campaign promoting Stein and her policies. For example, the employees of Yevgeny Prigozhin-led troll factory Internet Research Agency tweeted the phrase "Jill Stein" over 1000 times during the elections.



Two days before the 2016 presidential election, an Instagram account called @woke_blacks posted a message in support of long-shot Green Party candidate Jill Stein.

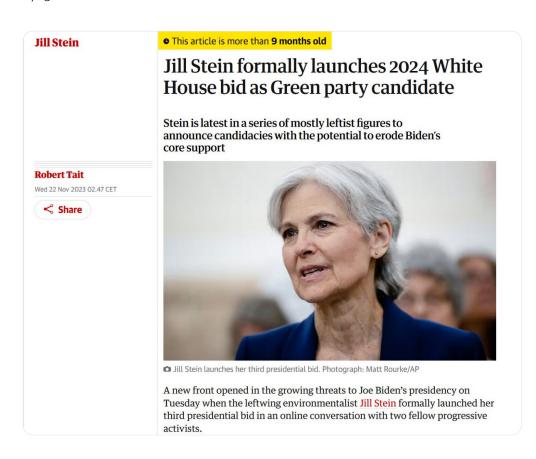
"The excuse that a lost Black vote for Hillary is a Trump win is bs," it read. "It could be late, but y'all might want to support Jill Stein instead."

According to a report commissioned by the Senate, the account was a fake, part of the Russian campaign to sway the 2016 presidential election in favor of Donald Trump.

An NBC News analysis found that Russians working under the direction of the Internet Research Agency, the St. Petersburg-based firm run by a close ally of Russian President Vladimir Putin, tweeted the phrase "Jill Stein" over 1,000 times around the time of the election.

The posts were often accompanied by variations of the same hashtag, "Grow a spine and vote Jill Stein."

During the 2020 elections Jill was hibernating, but she's back in the race for the 2024 presidential elections. According to Stein, her main priorities are being "anti-war", supporting universal healthcare and "pledging to stop genocide" in Palestine.



PLEDGE TO STOP GENOCIDE

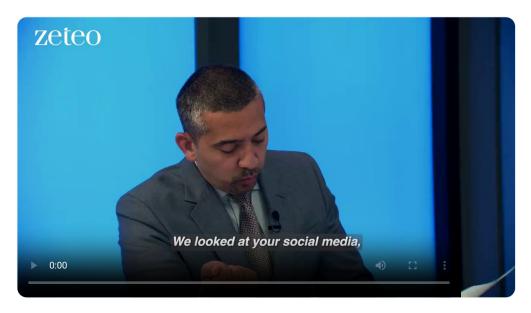
ABANDON PRO-GENOCIDE CANDIDATES! SUPPORT ANTI-GENOCIDE CANDIDATES!

We the undersigned demand the US government stop supporting the ongoing Israeli genocide of Palestinians in Gaza. We therefore pledge to withhold all support from candidates supporting the genocidal war on Gaza. We will instead support only candidates who:

- Support peace, freedom, dignity, equality, and security for all people in Palestine and Israel;
- Don't take money from AIPAC and the PACs and lobbyists for war profiteers;
- Who specifically support:
 - o An immediate ceasefire
 - o Ending the blockade and allowing food, water, medicine, energy, and emergency shelter to enter Gaza
 - Return of all hostages and political prisoners
 - An end to Israeli occupation and apartheid
 - Compliance by all parties in the conflict with international law, including an end to all violence against civilians
 - o Accountability for war crimes

On 16 Sep 2024, Mehdi Hasan interviewed Stein over her policies and presidential bid. In one of the most absurd conversations ever, Hasan asked Stein whether Putin was a war criminal, but she failed to condemn him as one (like she did in case of Biden and Netanyahu).

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In addition, Jill's promoting the main Russian narratives about the war in Ukraine. She's repeating the lie about NATO agreeing to "not move one inch to the east," spread the lie about the US formeting a "coup" where "ultra-nationalists and ex-Nazis came to power".

Expanding NATO threatens Russia and breaks our promise

OnTheIssues: What should the U.S. do about Russia?

Stein: I think this is an issue where something does need to be said--but it's important to understand where they are coming from. The United States, under Bush 1, had an agreement when Germany joined NATO--Russia agreed with the understanding that NATO would not move one inch to the east. Since then NATO has pursued a policy of basically encircling Russia--including the threat of nukes and drones and so on.

Work towards neutral Ukraine; don't arm them against Russia

OnTheIssues: Should we help Ukraine against Russia?

Stein: We should encourage Ukraine to be neutral--we helped foment a coup against a democratically-elected government, [resulting in a government] where ultra-nationalists and ex-Nazis came to power. Imagine the inverse: if Russia did that in Canada--installed a government hostile to us--we saw something like that in Cuban Missile Crisis--that would not be acceptable to us. So let's not be single-issue--instead of fomenting a hostile Ukraine we should be leading the way in establishing a neutral Ukraine that would allow Russia to not feel under attack. We've made great strides--Putin is not a hero--but as Noam Chomsky points out, the Doomsday clock has moved closer to midnight than it has been since 1983. The hostile faceoff with Russia causes that and is entirely misplaced--led by war hawks in Obama administration--especially [Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs] Victoria Nuland, who cheered on an overthrow in Ukraine.

When asked about Crimea, Stein stated that "These are highly questionable situations," and that "Russia used to own Ukraine." In the same interview, she repeated her lie about a "US-orchestrated coup" in Ukraine. When asked whether Putin was a "incipient despot",...

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Jeff Stein

How much do you think America is currently to blame for Russian aggression? Jill Stein

Well, Russian aggression meaning what, exactly? (References Crimea and Ukraine.) These are highly questionable situations. Why are we — Russia used to own Ukraine. Ukraine was historically a part of Russia for quite some period of time, and we all know there was this conversation with Victoria Nuland about planning the coup and who was going to take over.

Not that the other guy was some model of democracy. But the one they put in — with the support of the US and the CIA in this coup in Ukraine — that has not been a solution. Regime change is something we need to be very careful about. And this is a highly inflammatory regime change with a nuclear armed power next door. So I'm saying: Let's just stop pretending there are good guys here and bad guys here. These are complicated situations. Yeah, Russia is doing lots of human rights abuse, but you know what? So are we.

...she answered: "To some extent, yes, but there could be a whole lot worse," again blaming NATO and the West for the crisis: "we needlessly provoke him and endanger him and surround him with war games," neatly forgetting Putin's invasions starting with Chechnya in 1999.

THRUSH: Give me a sense of how you sort of view Putin's role. Do you think he is an incipient despot?

STEIN: To some extent, yes, but there could be a whole lot worse, you know, and I think when we--you know, when we needlessly provoke him and endanger him and surround him with war games--you know, this is sort of the Cuban Missile Crisis on steroids, what we are doing to Russia right now, and I don't think this is a good idea. Zbigniew Brzezinski, you know, who was one of the--



Stein was also a speaker at the "Rage Against the War Machine" event, where vatniks and tankies gathered around to call for the end of aid to Ukraine, bash the US and NATO and whitewash Russia's war crimes and crimes against humanity in Ukraine.







As is tradition, Jill also supports Syria's brutal dictator Bashar al-Assad. In 2016, she deleted a tweet saying that "The US should be working with Syria, Russia, and Iran to restore all of Syria to control by the [Assad] government."

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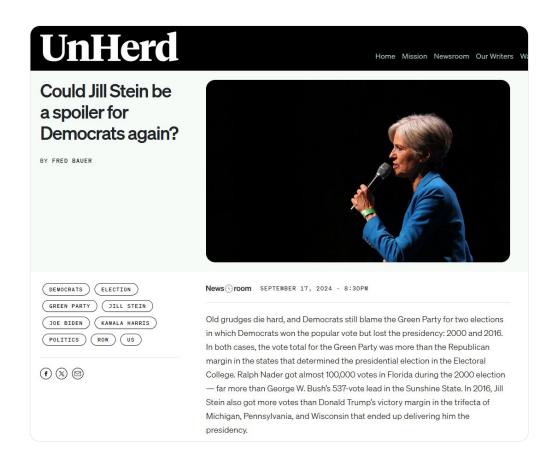
Green Party candidate deletes old post supporting Assad's regime

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Some (including me!) consider her to be a "spoiler candidate" - a candidate who knows they have no chance of winning, but who can still affect the vote in battleground states and help the other candidate win. I mean, she did the same thing during the 2016 elections.



	Polling Avg: Third Party Share of Vote	Projected Third Party Vote Share in 2024	Biden 2020 State Margin of Victory
ARIZONA	0.2%	6,775	10,457
GEORGIA	1.7%	84,999	11,779
MICHIGAN	7.6%	420,987	154,18
NEVADA	0.8%	11,243	33,596
NORTH CAROLINA	4.8%	265,191	-74,483
PENNSYLVANIA	0.6%	41,622	81,660
WISCONSIN	6.5%	214,373	20,682

In 2016, the Stein campaign - with the help of the Russians - targeted heavily the African-American population. This time they seem to be focusing on the Muslim vote in the swing states, and a recent CAIR survey indicates that this strategy has been fairly successful.





Dr. Jill Stein 🤵 🧇 @DrJillStein · 3h

The establishment isn't worried that we haven't built enough power. They're looking at @CAIRNational polls like these and are terrified that in spite of the obstacles they've thrown our way, this election is paving a path for Greens to become a serious force in US politics.

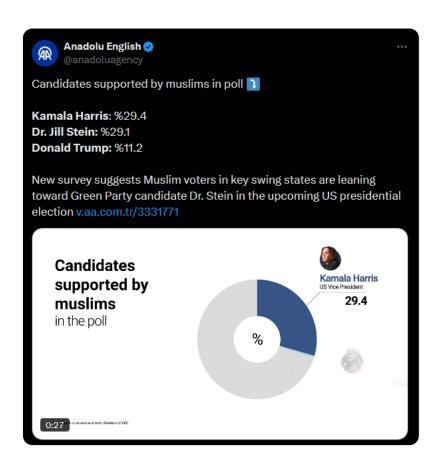
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Have you seen the latest @CAIRNational poll? We leading with Muslim American voters by at least 5 points in Arizona, Michigan, and Wisconsin!!!

MUSLIM VOTERS IN SWING STATES

ARE COMMITTING TO JILL STEIN FOR PRESIDENT







While Stein is considered to be a general laughing stock over here on X, her supporters and promoters are running a relatively successful campaign on platforms with younger audiences, like TikTok, where she targets mostly Democrat voters.

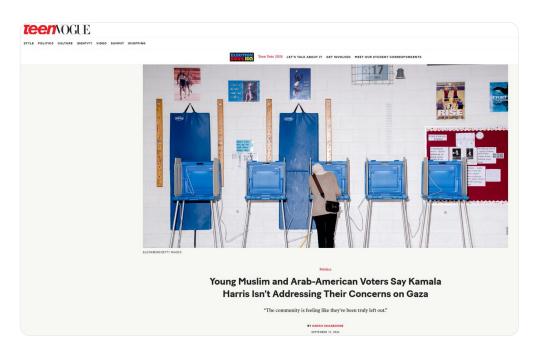




Jill Stein has absolutely no path to win the presidency, but just like she did in 2016, she can help Donald Trump to win. Trump has relatively low support among the US Muslim community, which is why using Stein to get those votes is a brilliant and cunning strategy.

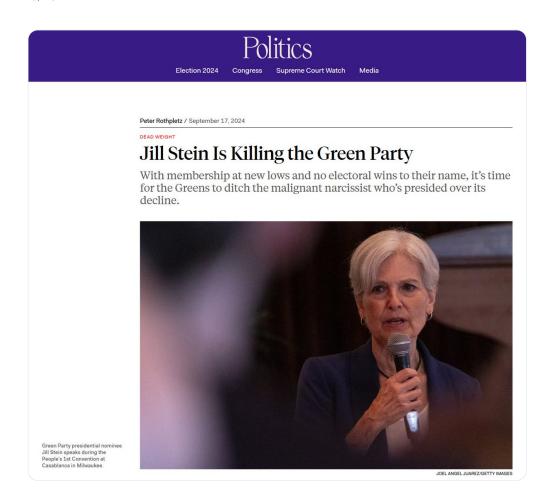






The New Republic's Peter Rothpletz has claimed that "Jill Stein is killing the Green Party", and that they should "ditch the malignant narcissist" responsible for its decline. And when you look at her "achievements" throughout the years, it's hard to disagree.

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How has Stein fared as a leader? By AOC's perfectly reasonable standard, she's done abysmally. As of July 2024, a mere 143 officeholders in the United States are affiliated with the Green Party. None of them are in statewide or federal offices. In fact, no Green Party candidate has ever won federal office. And Stein's reign has been a period of indisputable decline, during which time the party's membership—which peaked in 2004 at 319,000 registered members—has fallen to 234,000 today.

My book titled "Vatnik Soup - The Ultimate Guide to Russian Disinformation" has been published, you can order it here:

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