

# I Think Trump Saved the World After All!

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*It's been an exciting year with Trump at the helm and, you know what, he's done a tremendous job.*



Oh! Am I going to get a lot of flak for this piece!

This morning, I went for my now-usual morning five-kilometre walk around the neighbourhood. I used to jog it, but my knee has been causing me some gip as of late.

Whilst doing so, I listened to Trump's complete speech at the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland. This had occurred only a few hours ago and being so fresh, I could envisage, in real time, an army of Trump-haters and nervous globalist and left-winger journalists on social media and mainstream media fact-checking *every* little thing he said in the minutest of detail. Looking for any opportunity to nitpick any iota of information which isn't one-hundred percent accurate or correct. And then, after compiling a list of inaccuracies, will proceed to misconstrue what he said by taking him out of context and then spread his inaccuracies as blatant lies.

Happens all the time with Trump. And this latest speech, more than an hour in length, was certainly one hell of a speech. And by the way, I implore anyone interested in what he said at Davos, to watch *the whole thing* without the unwanted adulterations in podcasts and video channels with their abridged versions and commentary edited to suit their audiences.

Back in February 2025, I wrote a piece titled, [\*Can Trump Save The World?\*](#)

This is a follow-up.

Roll on a year, and the results have been interesting.

I mentioned in that piece that he would shut down the border, cut funding to over-inflated government bureaucracies, introduce tariffs on imports, officially declaring that there are two sexes, stop DEI programs, cutting funding to the Russian-Ukrainian war, withdrawing from the Paris Agreement, tough sanctions on Iran, cutting back on international organisations like the United Nations, and stopping transgender women on using women's private spaces.

And yes, he did all that and more. But oddly, if he didn't do those things, he would have been called a liar by those who hate him. There are many out there who don't know the definition of what a liar is. Just because you aim to set out to do something but don't achieve it does not make one a liar, unless you purposely say it on the premise that you have no intention of trying.

If anyone agrees with *most* of what Trump's administration has achieved above, then arguably, it has been a success. I think this administration *can* save the world, or, at least, halt the decline of the West, although, it may be too late for that now. However, Trump's made a valiant attempt to hold the rudder of a wayward ship.

I've come to agree with authors like [Douglas Murray](#) who base much of the West's demise on the abandonment of traditionalism, merit, and patriotism.

Without patriotism, you *have no country*.

It's interesting to observe some of the defining differences between how Americans, Australians, Brits, Canadians, and many other nations in mainland Europe think with respect to how they want to select their leaders. For example, those from Commonwealth countries like Australia and the UK tend to support the underdog which, in many cases but not all, gives rise to weak, but inoffensive, leaders who would rather bend will to their parties rather than the people they serve. Australia, the UK, Canada, and France have followed this path spawning weak leaders who would rather suppress *their own people* through censorship and fear rather than supporting strong leaders to *defend their people* from other nations who either take advantage of them or display open hostility like Iran's oppressive regime, which, hopefully, will be toppled.

Should Trump had lost the election, I fear the world would be in quite grave danger.

The reason is simple.

Planet Earth is not yet ready for a global order.

The World Economic Forum opened up with an address made by the President of the European Commission, [Ursula von der Leyen](#), who supports the rise of a new global order with Europe leading the way. She delivered the speech with eloquence and conviction. However, the premise that Europe can possibly lead the way to a global order is so laughable, that to write about it would require a book rivalling in length with Tolstoy's, *War and Peace*.

During the last year or so, I've followed many vloggers who share their video diaries and travelogues of Europe on YouTube. During the early 2000s, I had done extensive European travel across many of their capital cities and I was quite shocked to the extent how urban decay had set in after watching these videos. Sure, I'm aware that some of these vloggers may cherry-pick the good bits and the bad bits, but shown were places I remember quite well as a traveller. A lot of these places had deteriorated so badly, that they are now hardly recognisable. Only the tourist spots, often heavily guarded by police, remain unaltered. But as soon as you wander around the streets, it's a different ball game.

It's a great shame because I love Europe, however, during the last couple of decades, it has been abused by irresponsible leaders.

It is largely Western Europe that has deteriorated, however. Much of Eastern Europe, interestingly, has *improved*, from what I can see. Probably a result of tightening up on immigration policy, less censorship, respecting merit, and maintaining common sense and traditional values.

Wandering around the streets of Stockholm and Madrid during the early 2000s, I was dismayed to find graffiti in so many places, even on the outside of old churches and monuments. The decline had already begun. But now, there is far more physical crime, drug abuse, vandalism, and the mass closure of businesses and shops which had boarded themselves up, probably on the back end of the pandemic.

You can't lie about this stuff anymore with today's all-reaching panopticon made available through the world of the vlogger.

I remember one video showing what Brussels is now like. There are the glistening and massive buildings of the EU administration with their endless and empty

corridors with thousands and thousands of offices occupied by faceless bureaucrats, most of whom, probably don't do very much. Walk a couple minutes away and there is a veritable slum to contend with. Trash everywhere, drug addicts, boarded-up shops and businesses, and general degradation. Some of the vloggers likened it, with an element of hyperbole, to walking among the streets of Somalia.

One must watch Terry Gilliam's dystopian movie, [Brazil](#), to appreciate this in satire!

No way is Europe ready to lead the way.

Absolutely no way!

Nor do I think that the world will ever position itself as being an effective global order as that defined by a Tier 1 society on the [Kardashev Scale](#). A global society with no poverty, little crime, endless energy, egalitarian justice, and ample food and water for all. The reality is that, on Mother Earth, we *do* have all the energy, food and water we need to sustain more than ten billion people, but with all our political differences and wars, it seems too far out of reach.

Remember that classic 1951 sci-fi film, [The Day The Earth Stood Still](#), when Klaatu wants to speak to the leader of Earth?

Well. That film sums it up. We don't have one and neither will we get one!

I'm in favour of a global society that works, but alas, we do not.

In response, the United States has refused to go down the path of the new order of globalism. Rather, it has strengthened its stance on supporting the [Monroe Doctrine](#), a policy put in place during the early years of the United States that largely protects the Americas from foreign powers either through force or through economical means. Trump's version of it is his so-called [Donroe Doctrine](#), which, when I first stumbled upon it, surprised me, because I thought it was a typo!

Today's United States tends to view international bodies like the United Nations, the World Economic Forum, NATO, the World Health Organisation, and many others as not being sustainable. Many of them have become over-bloated, top-heavy, and over-reliant on funding given disproportionately by the United States. Trump, crudely, points out that the United States has been taken for a ride by other nation states dependent on funding given by the United States.

He's right, in a way.

Then there are international agreements like the Paris Agreement which handicapped developed nations with respect to industry output by restricting their carbon output while developing nations are given carte blanche to pollute their environments. The United States, and quite rightly so, pulled out of this unfair arrangement while some other western nations, like Australia, try to aim for net-zero carbon output by punishing their own people by imposing very high costs of living by escalating their fuel and energy prices and placing their manufacturing output at a disadvantage.

Where's the shared globalism in that?

Prior to Trump, the world had become an extremely dangerous place teetering on chaos.

While the United States become, essentially, a lame duck in the previous administration under Biden, other nation states who do not share the same freedoms which many of us western nations take for granted, took the opportunity to seed fear, instability and unrest on the global stage. Radical extremists, many of whom had immigrated to more economically-rich nations brought with them, their own cultures incompatible to the countries they were admitted to. They had not only refused to assimilate, but they also took any chance to create acts of violence and terrorism.

Worst of all, were those actions by western nations who put their own people *last* by allowing this to happen on their own soil. Their governments became increasingly authoritarian with respect to free speech by enacting laws punishing people for speaking out under the guise of so-called e-safety laws like Australia's Under-16's social media ban and Britain's online safety act.

More recently, Australia passed the absurd Hate Speech act in a matter of days *during the holidays* as a kneejerk reaction to the [Bondi Beach Massacre](#) which took place on December 14, 2025. Instead of addressing the issue of immigration control, Australia, passed into Parliament a combined revised gun control and hate speech law which does not address the source of the problem.

The US administration under Trump along with Musk's takeover of Twitter calling it X, marks a very important milestone for the re-instatement of free speech which has slowly been eroded under left-wing governments. Detractors, however, plead that Trump's administration has infringed on free speech like the

overly-reported [Jimmy Kimmel](#) case in which he was sacked by his producer for insensitive comments about Charlie Kirk's death. However, he was re-instated not long after. Jimmy Kimmel may have been banged up in a jail in a country where hate speech is enforced, but not in the United States.

Those posting hate comments about Trump's administration won't be banged up in prison, *but*, those employers who object to this rhetoric have every right to choose who they have as their employee.

There is *freedom of speech* AND *freedom of association*!

Don't conflate the two.

Another very important cogwheel in all this Elon's takeover of Twitter.

The social media platform, *X*, is the only large social media platform in which the community decides if information is misrepresented or not rather than those who run the platform itself. Moreover, Musk has stated that he will *publicly* release all the algorithms that drive it. This is quite unprecedented for a major social media platform.

*X*, however, poses a grave threat to governments that want control over what their people can access or not in the world of social media and news. In a nutshell, those governments who embrace *X* with open arms tend to be those governments who promote free uncensored Internet for its citizens while those who want to ban it, like Australia's governing Labor Party, would rather see it quashed or heavily controlled under threat of major fines.

There's too much to add to this piece about all the significant events that took place during the past year. For example, those events involving Iran, Greenland, Venezuela, and, of course, China.

However, I must mention Trump's very interesting approach on how to make housing more affordable for families.

This took me by surprise because he put forth an initiative which a more welfare-oriented state would do.

Instead of punishing existing house owners by increasing taxes or proposing extremely odd measures like so-called 'bedroom taxes' in Australia or encouraging migrants to share a house in the UK, Trump is going to do something quite extraordinary.

He is going to stop institutional investors of buying up single-family homes.

THIS is the primary reason why housing prices have shot up through the roof, especially in countries like Australia and Canada.

And another radical idea he has put out.

To cap credit card interest rates to ten percent for a year to help those in the credit card trap to catch up with payments. Although, I am not sure how he can enact this legally. But that's not the point. It's the intention.

But what I can say is this.

So far, I'm impressed with Trump's administration during the last year. And what he has achieved is extraordinary. Yes, his mannerisms can be considered overly direct and crude. Not everything runs perfectly. He did some odd things like unnecessarily renaming geographical features or running non-fungible token schemes. And, unfortunately, despite the overall success of his immigration control strategy, I'm sure there have been a few tragic mistakes.

We all know that.

But I think he's genuinely trying to do something right for, not only the American people, but for the world.

Did Trump save the world?

Maybe.

So, go for it!

Call me a '*bad man orange*' supporter!