



Secret TPP Text Released: GOP to Push Obama's Dangerous Trade Deal

Following years of secret negotiating, the Obama administration released the text of the controversial Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) at 3:30 a.m. today (Thursday, November 5). Although billed as a "trade agreement," the treaty calls for economic and political "integration" among the TPP members. Adopting the model that transformed the European Common Market into the European Union, the TPP creates regional governing structures and processes aimed at eventual convergence into a similar EU-style super-state.



Currently, the TPP's negotiating member states include the United States and 11 other Pacific Rim nations: Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Peru, Singapore, and Vietnam. However, as we have been reporting here for years (see here and her

The newly released text confirms this goal officially. The TPP Preamble states:

The Parties to this Agreement, resolving to:

ESTABLISH a comprehensive regional agreement that promotes economic integration....
EXPAND their partnership by encouraging the accession of other States or separate customs territories in order to further enhance regional economic integration and create the foundation of a Free Trade Area of the Asia Pacific.

As Christian Gomez <u>reported</u> for *The New American* on November 4, Secretary of State John Kerry (shown above with Obama) recently invited both Communist China and Russia to join the TPP. "We invite people to come join other initiatives, like the Trans-Pacific Partnership, the TPP. We welcome China, we welcome Russia, we welcome other countries who would like to join, as long as they want to raise the standards and live up to the highest standards of protecting people and doing business openly and transparently and accountably," <u>Kerry said in an interview</u> with Russian interstate channel Mir TV.

Subsequently, <u>Breitbart News</u> said it was told by the U.S. State Department that "there are no talks with other countries on joining the TPP at this time." But the not "at this time" qualification does not contradict Kerry's statement; it simply means not now. Of course, the administration would not want to pursue TPP membership for Russia and China "at this time," since many pro-TPP congressmen view TPP as a counter-balance to China in the Trans-Pacific region. But as Kerry's statement makes clear, the administration is looking down the road to TPP expansion.

Like NAFTA and other trade agreements, the mammoth, convoluted TPP is loaded with Trojan Horse deceptions whose real dangers may become apparent only years after it is enacted. (See <u>10 Reasons Why You Should Oppose TPP and TTIP</u>).



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Much of the opposition to the TPP has centered on justifiable fears that it would accelerate the off-shoring of America's remaining manufacturing jobs and industrial base. However, the intended "integration" of the economic, political, and legal systems of the TPP members is also a potent threat to our independence and sovereignty. As the EU experience daily demonstrates, a similarly "evolving" TPP would steadily dismantle what remains of our Constitution and its limitations on governmental powers.

Unfortunately, President Obama has strong support for this agenda among Republican leaders in Congress. Representative Paul Ryan (R-Wis.), the newly elected speaker of the House, is a <u>vocal proponent of the TPP</u>, as is Rep. Kevin Brady (R-Texas), the new chairman of the powerful House Ways and Means Committee. As we <u>reported</u> earlier this year, Rep. Brady is a member of the little-known, high-level Transatlantic Policy Network (TPN), a secretive coterie led by world government promoters such as Peter Sutherland (former Goldman Sachs chairman and leader in the secretive Bilderberg and Trilateral gatherings). The TPN, which boasts that it is "the Network of networks," is one of the most influential insider organizations pushing the TPP. We have listed current TPN members of Congress here.

"One of Brady's initial tasks will be to deal with a sweeping Asia-Pacific trade deal," *The Hill* reported on November 4. "Brady said he would like to move quickly to get the TPP passed by early next year, rather than wait until a lame-duck session."

Photo of Secretary of State John Kerry with President: AP Images

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