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## Feminist Writer Naomi Wolf Back-pedals on Biden

Controversial feminist writer Naomi Wolf had stepped onto a hornet's nest when she tweeted her buyer's remorse for voting for Biden. In her November 8 <u>Tweet</u>, Wolf wrote:

#### <u>Dr Naomi Wolf</u>

#### <u>@naomirwolf</u>

If I'd known Biden was open to 'lockdowns' as he now states, which is something historically unprecedented in any pandemic, and a terrifying practice, one that won't ever end because elites love it, I would never have voted for him.



Image of Naomi Wolf: Thomas Good / NLN via Wikimedia

The reactions from the Left were swift and mostly peaceful:

#### <u>Dr Naomi Wolf</u>

Gma23 @Gma233

<u>Nov 9</u>

Replying to

#### @naomirwolf

I don't know what kind of "Dr "you are, but anyone with common sense would agree that the ONLY way to stop COVID is a NATIONWIDE LOCKDOWN for a month! No incoming flights, no public traveling. 230,000 lives could have been saved if this had been done in FEBRUARY.

#### Coup Werupt (the puns I'm Packenham in) @Bachtobacharach

<u>Nov 8</u>

Replying to

#### <u>@naomirwolf</u>

How dare you call it terrifying Terrifying is the death toll if it isn't done WTF is an elite, I get a low-income benefit and I support it and understand the science Blue ticks with massive followings and big incomes are surely the elite



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#### <u>Nov 10</u>

Replying to

#### <u>@naomirwolf</u>

Millions dying is the historic precedent. Surviving through limiting our interactions for a period (not a "lockdown") is smart. By the way, I bought your book, and I regret it.

The reactions also came from those in the "I told you so camp:"

John Knight @JohnKni34865720 14h

Replying to

<u>@naomirwolf</u>

How could you not know that it was all over the news! You people who voted him in just destroyed one of the best economies we have had now we will be going back into a depression. Thank you for voting for the devil

<u>a simple Pilgrim, tired of lies.</u> @adventurescribe Nov 10

Replying to

<u>@naomirwolf</u>

Dr. Wolf, welcome to the team. We've been watching Joe, and we KNEW this. It gets much worse than that with Joe. He has given himself over to Marxists.

On Monday, Biden released the names of his <u>team members</u> for his COVID-19 (CCP) virus and outlined his strategy for dealing with the China virus. Several members of the team should raise alarm bells to *New American* readers. They include:

- <u>Beth Cameron</u>, who <u>publicly</u> criticized Trump's handling of COVID-19 and falsely claimed her position in government was eliminated unfairly;
- Dr. Luciana Borio, who is a <u>member of the Council on Foreign Relations</u>, which wants to use fear over the disease to bring about a Great Reset of the world and bring about a socialist-globalist world government;
- Rebeca Katz, <u>CFR</u>;
- Dr. Atul Gawande, who <u>supports euthanasia</u>, whose beliefs would seem to be antithetical to goals of the group;
- Dr. Michael Osterholm, <u>CFR</u>
- Dr. Eric Goosby, <u>CFR</u>
- Dr. Ezekiel Emanuel, <u>CFR</u> member and <u>advocate</u> of <u>healthcare</u> rationing. Again how does that fit into saving the elderly and infirm from COVID?

CNBC <u>summarized</u> Biden's plan: The United States can expect increased COVID-19 testing, a <u>national</u> <u>mask mandate</u>, and the possibility of nationwide lockdowns if presumed President-elect Joe Biden takes office January 20.

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As to Wolf's buyer's remorse, apparently, she had missed the ABC interview in which Biden <u>stated</u>, "I would <u>shut it down</u>. I would listen to the scientists."

In response to Biden's announcement of an upcoming lockdown, Wolf also tweeted:

#### Dr Naomi Wolf \_\_\_\_@naomirwolf

Shouldn't we have seen Biden's policies in detail BEFORE the election? Only

<u>@DailyClout</u> reported on platforms in detail, and his wish to invest in 5G and electric cars as top US priorities was NOT foregrounded by Biden. 'What Are Joe Biden's Policies?'

Wolf has been criticized for shoddy <u>research</u> previously. Apparently, she has not learned her lesson well because Biden also confirmed his intention of investing in <u>5G</u> and <u>electric cars</u>.

On the same day, Wolf Tweeted an op/ed piece by Sunetra Gupta, professor of theoretical epidemiology at the University of Oxford:

#### Dr Naomi Wolf @naomirwolf

<u>Nov 8</u>

MUST-READ. I don't usually cite <u>@DailyMailUK</u>, but this Oxford epidemiologist who warned that "lockdowns" are harming public health, is being harassed, smeared, and silenced.

Gupta's <u>article</u> states what many other doctors and medical experts have been saying for months, namely that lockdowns cause more harm to people and civilization than does the virus.

Lockdown is a blunt, indiscriminate policy that forces the poorest and most vulnerable people to bear the brunt of the fight against coronavirus. As an infectious disease epidemiologist, I believe there has to be a better way.

But Covid-19 is not a political phenomenon. It is a public health issue — indeed, it is one so serious that the response to it has already led to a humanitarian crisis. So, I have been aghast to see a political rift open up, with outright abuse meted out to those who, like me, question the orthodoxy.

We are already seeing how current lockdown policies are producing devastating effects on short and long-term public health.

The results — to name just a few — include lower childhood vaccination rates, worsening cardiovascular disease outcomes, fewer cancer screenings, and deteriorating mental health.

Such pitfalls of national lockdowns must not be ignored, especially when it is the working class and younger members of society who carry the heaviest burden.

I was also deeply concerned that lockdowns only delay the inevitable spread of the virus. Indeed, we believe that a better way forward would be to target protective measures at specific vulnerable groups, such as the elderly in care homes.

Since then, Naomi has issued other tweets critical of handling the COVID virus and vaccine, dubbing



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them <u>political</u> weapons. Perhaps the veil is being lifted from Naomi's eyes, and she will begin to understand that it has never been about saving lives: The response to the coronavirus has only been about seizing power.



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