

DUPED MCCAIN FALLS INTO WALL STREET BAILOUT TRAP SET BY PAULSON OF GOLDMAN SACHS

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Washington DC, Sept. 27 – In the wake of McCain’s decision to express support for Wall Street’s widely execrated \$.7 trillion bailout in yesterday’s presidential debate, questions are multiplying as to what in God’s name the Arizona senator thinks he is doing. If he wants to choose victory, McCain has one clear shot left: condemn the bailout as the biggest earmark in world history, and the biggest piece of corrupt corporate welfare to ever come down the pike. The bailout is the mother of all pork, and it is dedicated exclusively to the needs of the sociopathic Wall Street parasites, the hyenas, jackals, lamprey, and raptors who have been busting unions, gouging wages, downsizing factories, demolishing the social safety net, driving up the price of oil, and outdoing each other over recent years in destroying American jobs in favor of runaway shops and sweatshops in the third world. If McCain were to oppose the bailout, he would enjoy the support of the two thirds of the American people who decisively oppose the stupid, criminal, and futile bailout monstrosity. By opposing the bailout, McCain (or any other prominent politician) would emerge as a genuine national leader. Since Obama is a total creature of Wall Street, he will always be forced to support the demands of the financiers who are his owners. By attacking the bailout, McCain could pin Barky into the role of defending Bush, Paulson, Pelosi, Dodd, Frank, and the finance vultures, and with this McCain would probably win the election. If McCain supports the bailout, all his talk about “country first,” mavericks, earmarks, reform, fighting corruption, corporate welfare, and so forth will be exposed as a hollow sham.

McCain’s foolish behavior can perhaps be explained by looking at the machinations of the devious Treasury Secretary Hanky-Panky Paulson of Goldman Sachs, a member of the ruling principals’ committee and Wall Street’s point man in the biggest Treasury heist in history. Paulson was the prime mover in McCain’s erratic behavior over the past week, most notably his ploy in suspending his campaign and coming back to Washington to join the bailout talks. It is now clear that McCain came back to Washington because he was invited to do so by Paulson. As veteran newscaster Bob Schieffer of CBS News has reported, “... the way McCain got involved in this in the first place, the Treasury Secretary was briefing Republicans in the House yesterday, the Republican conference, asked how many were ready to support the bailout plan. Only four of them held up their hands. Paulson then called, according to my sources, Senator Lindsey Graham, who is very close to John McCain, and told him: you've got to get the people in the McCain campaign, you've got to convince John McCain to give these Republicans some political cover. If you don't do that, this whole bailout plan is going to fail. So that's how, McCain, apparently, became involved.” This was the siren song of Paulson – perhaps suggesting to McCain that he could posture as the savior of the country if he successfully rammed through the bailout. Perhaps Paulson even promised that Wall Street would shift its support from its current darling Barky to McCain if he secured passage of the big bucks.

In reality, it is evident that this invitation from Paulson was a trap. Paulson sought to kill two birds with one stone: first, to play McCain against the right-wing House Republicans and their Senate allies like Shelby, DeMint, and Sessions, who do not want to be seen voting to subsidize Wall Street. McCain might be able to suppress some of this opposition, which would help Paulson. Second, reasoned Paulson, using McCain in this way would lock him onto a suicidal course, with the media whores controlled by the Goldman Sachs – JP Morgan Chase axis of usury mercilessly attacking McCain for obstructing the alleged deal that in fact had never been reached.

And McCain fell into the trap. He met with the House GOP rejection front, and then attended the Thursday afternoon White House meeting which turned into an acrimonious shouting match. The media whores blamed McCain for the failure, even though the Perfect Master was also in the room. What ever happened to Barky's magic, his fabled ability to reach out across the aisle and bring everyone together? It was nowhere to be seen, and Barky played the role of a weak, passive, and feckless figure, even where the interests of his bosses are in question. Then came the Friday debate, where McCain punted, mumbling nonsense about wanting bipartisan cooperation, and hoping to support the final bailout bill. The American people do not want bipartisan cooperation in the service of Wall Street; they want an authentic spokesperson for the overwhelming majority that condemns the bailout.

McCain is surrounded by very bad advisors. On the foreign policy side, we see Russophobe Ian Brzezinski and a gang of unemployed neocons, who have been trying to brainwash Gov. Palin into accepting their lunatic world view, severely disorienting and discrediting her in the process. On the economic side, McCain has Meg Whitman, Carly Fiorina, Mitt Romney, and other monetarists and asset-strippers. A key role in getting McCain to roll over for Wall Street may have been played by the very shifty Mayor Giuliani, who expressed his satisfaction of Fox News that neither candidate had "demagogued" the issue. By this he meant that neither one had taken a principled stand against Wall Street theft and blackmail.

Barky's supporters among the pseudo-radical labor skates, foundation-funded Astroturf groups, and storm trooper countergangs like ACORN are now active in organizing protests against the bailout. Their line is to support Barky AND oppose the bailout – even though Barky is the keystone of support for Wall Street's demands. The average left liberal lemming is too deluded to notice the contradiction, and this allows the foundation-funded countergangs to create a border guard operation to protect Barky's left flank from those who are really interested in fighting Wall Street.

McCain is now drifting towards defeat – a defeat which he could still avoid. Let McCain repudiate the bailout and vote against it, and Barky's edifice of lies and deceptions will crumble. Physical courage is cheap; moral courage is much rarer. We must all hope that McCain can muster the gumption to speak for the people against Wall Street. Otherwise, we are heading into the long night of a postmodern fascist era under the Wall Street puppet Obama.

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