

# Disingenuous, Disengaged and Disinterested political leadership

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## Abstract

This paper provides a review of where humanity stands at the start of Year 2020.

One third of the world's people live under a dictatorship. Another third of the world's people live in a semi-dictatorship.

From the final third most are disillusioned with their political classes as their politicians also increasingly move from democracy toward autocracy.

The erosion of trust in political classes is a result of corruption of various forms. This is happening in a world heading straight for disaster on almost every front.

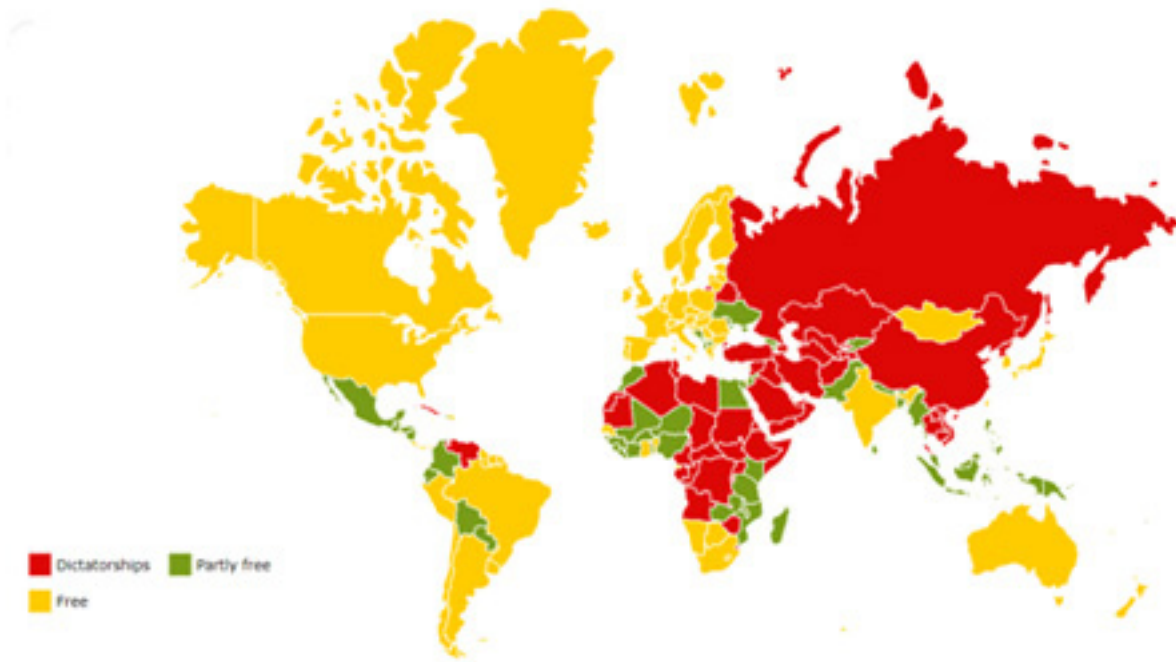
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## Introduction

The start of year 2020 has witnessed mass destruction and mass casualties across the globe. These are not the usual calamities brought about by the proliferation of cruel dictators and their endless theft, endless wars and endless barbarities; these new and dangerous calamities are on another level and attack the very fabric of life itself. And they are all man made. They have all been produced or exacerbated by the lack of sane and proper leadership..

They have affected lives, livelihoods, businesses big and small. The facts speak for themselves – one third of the world's people live in dictatorships, another third of the world in semi-dictatorships and most of the other third are totally disillusioned with the ignorance and self-serving greed and pettiness of their politicians.

These same dictators or would be dictators also 'own' 50% of the land on the planet!



**Dictators now control more than 50% of the land on planet Earth.**

Since **TRUMP** became **POTUS** the USA has been trending **ORANGE**



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### The undemocratic trend

A report recently published from Cambridge University analysed the political sentiment of more than 4 million people, using data from survey projects that covered 154 countries between 1995 and 2020.

The proportion of people who said they were dissatisfied with democracy over the last year hit 57.5%, with researchers saying 2019 marked “the highest level of democratic discontent” on record.

Authors noted that over the last 25 years, the number of individuals dissatisfied with democratic politics around the world rose from a third to more than half.

Shifts in satisfaction levels were often a response to “objective circumstances and events” such as economic shocks and corruption scandals.

Many large democracies, including the U.S., Australia, U.K. and Brazil, are at their highest-ever level of dissatisfaction with democracy.

When the surveys began in 1995, more than 75% of U.S. citizens were satisfied with American democracy. Currently fewer than 50% of Americans are now content with democracy in their country, marking the first time on record that a majority of U.S. citizens were dissatisfied with their system of government.

However, researchers found an “island of contentment” in Europe, where satisfaction with democracy had reached all-time highs. Denmark, Switzerland and Norway were among the countries that fell into that category.

The Cambridge University study follows a report published by the Economist Intelligence Unit, which found that the U.S. had a “flawed democracy” and the strength of global democracy was at its lowest since 2006.

### Dictators and Dickheads

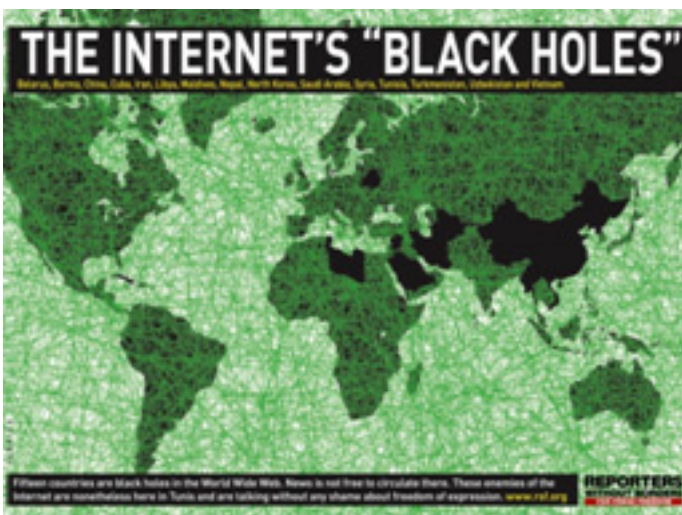
These reports are unsurprising. In a time of great global crisis where life itself is now under threat there is a moral vacuum where there should be strong and fearless leadership. Too many people are being told endless lies – the ‘fake news’ is being spread by those political figures who cry out ‘fake news’ every time they see the truth; these ranks are also filled by big dirty and exploitative business leaders and the endless dogma that comes out of the mouths of dictators.

The only people who support the dictatorships are their partners in crime and their paid killers, the murderers, torturers and rapists that masquerade as their armies. Do they not have the courage or decency to stand up and say no? These people kill their own mothers and children for their evil overlords. The current trend among dictators of course is to swap their hired killers and say we’ll send armies to torture and kill your people if you send armies to torture and kill ours.

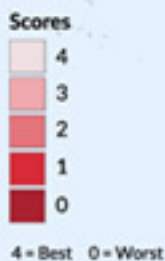
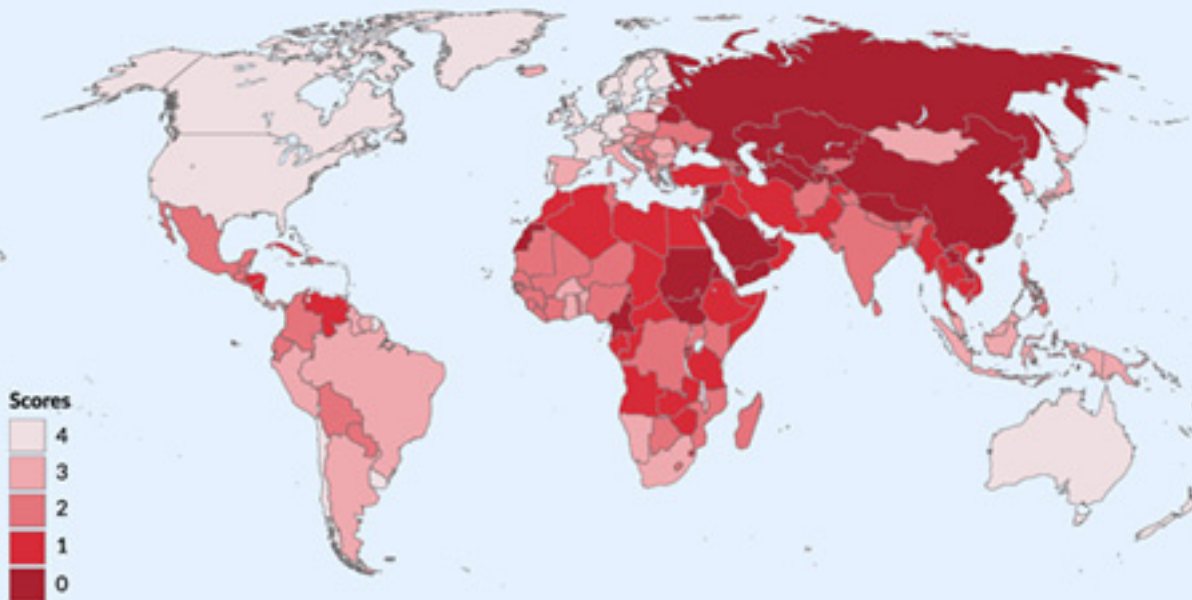
If every single one of these mindless assassins said no to their evil overlords and refused to do their evil for them then there would be no dictators and no war.

### Fake news and Propaganda Rules

The proliferation of communications technology, which is far too often in the hands of those who worship money and nothing else, are the modern day mercenaries for the evil dictator club. They can sow seeds of doubt, spread false information, interfere in elections, collect and falsify data, rob through spam and scam, and broadcast libel, slander and innuendo.



## Global Press Freedom in Peril



Freedom in the World 2019 subcategory scores for question D1: Are there free and independent media?

For more information, see the Freedom in the World 2019 Methodology at <https://freedomhouse.org/report/methodology-freedom-world-2019>.

Let us look at and analyse two catastrophes that have occurred this year already (end of February 2020).

### COVID 19

This catastrophe is still unfolding and there is much in the press about it currently. Two salient factors are:

The Chinese dictatorship initially covered it up and in fact harassed and jailed early medical whistle blowers. This action went against all sense and all logic and all regard for public health and casts more suspicion on the Chinese dictatorship than what would have naturally occurred. Why did they do it therefore? A man's ego or some more sinister reason? Time will answer this question.

The same applies to those other dictatorships in the 'evil dictator club' who downplayed the extent of infection in their own countries. Why? To escape scrutiny because they have no facilities or expertise in proper government or something more sinister? Again time will tell.

### Australian fires 2019-2020

The spread of the Australian fires have now been extinguished by nature (not by the government who did little other than spread propaganda that the fires were started by arsonists and caused by the Greens party, which has no political power, so that their political line of there being no climate change was not to be questioned). Government time and taxpayer money was put into diverting attention from the facts rather than helping extinguish the fires, as the government continue to deny climate change, because of their financial ties to the planet destroying fossil fuel industry. Indeed an advertisement, an embarrassment of lies, was put out by the PM using taxpayers money to say how great the government was, when in fact it did nothing. These patterns and practices repeat ad nauseum.

The PM himself left unannounced for a personal holiday, deserted the country in its greatest hour of need and left no budget or authority to save even one of the thousands of houses and businesses burned to the ground, making his excuses 'he does not handle a hose' and said that the great heroes of the Australian summer, the men who fought 70m high flames with hoses 'wanted to be there'. The PM also said that as they were volunteers they should not be paid even though they went for months without work because they were trying



to help their country and its people. Some of these brave and good men along with possibly 2 billion other loved and protected creatures lost their lives – and the people, of Australia will not forget their sacrifice and the PM's callousness and absence in the line of duty.

Why did he do that while the rest of the country mobilised itself to help each other? It sounds insane in a country that has lost so much land, businesses and livelihoods to fire and drought. It is because of political donations and other benefits for politicians who will pursue their economic greed at the expense of every creature on the planet.

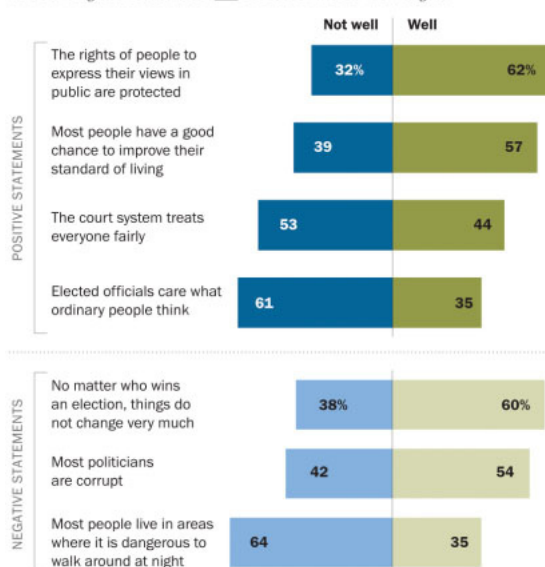
Multiply this right across the world of self-serving politicians and you could say most humans are being ruled by dictators and dickheads .

### Divided views around the world about how key aspects of democracy are working

% who say they are \_\_\_ with the way democracy is working in their country



% who say the statement \_\_\_ describes their country ...



Note: Percentages are medians based on 27 countries. Don't know responses not shown. Source: Spring 2018 Global Attitudes Survey, Q4 & Q34a-g.

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### So what do we do?

We can either keep kow-towing to these monsters that have attempted to enslave and rob us all of a proper life and human rights and who have been doing so for millennia - or stand up and say that is enough.

How do we deal with this existential crisis of our time which is in fact the same existential crisis that has faced humanity since we first found out that some of our fellow humans are unforgivably evil and cruel and greedy. We call it 'mental illness' these days (psychopathy) but somehow the psychopaths end up ruling. Why? Most people will look after their fellow man and don't seek positions of ruthless overarching power.

Those who speak the truth assume others speak the truth. But in the mind of the psychopath –and let us be frank – psychopaths are NOT clever at all, cunning and devious and ruthless yes, but they are rather stupid nevertheless as they are easily recognised by others but never see their own faults or ugliness, or stupidity.

The fatal and tragic flaw of human existence is that it has two faces, psychopathy accompanied by evil, cruelty, and barbarity and the other face, of good, acceptance, resignation, compassion, empathy and inter-dependence. This has seen a never ending rule of terror on planet earth of one type over the other – a situation that we don't deserve at all.

One is reminded of Vaclav Havel and his book *The Power of the Powerless* written in 1978 and which dissects the nature of the communist regime of the time, and how by their very nature such regimes can create dissidents of ordinary citizens. This has shown itself in the uprisings in Hong Kong in 2019 where normally quiet and reserved members of society, have risen to face the totalitarian Chinese dictatorship. Their actions, though now tempered by COVID 19 were seemingly self-destructive. Havel's essay discusses ideas and possible actions by loose communities of individuals linked by a common cause. One could say such organisations today like Avaaz, Greenpeace, WWF, Wikileaks and so on are the global response to the current bastardry of dictatorships and evidence of the global stirring of the masses.

As in Havel's time various methods and cruelties (e.g. rape and torture by dictatorial regimes) are utilized to pressure citizens into compliance, the most common method, fear. Some individuals are picked out for extreme torture and execution, to silence the rest. The populations are also kept at subsistence level, fighting to survive, to both occupy them with immediate survival and to lower their resistance.

The topic of how best to resist a totalitarian system occupied Havel. His writings sought to "to give courage" to fellow opponents of the Soviet bloc elsewhere.

Havel's definition of a post-totalitarian world: "Within the system, every individual is trapped within a dense network of the state's governing instruments...themselves legitimated by a flexible but comprehensive ideology, a 'secularized religion'... it is therefore necessary to see, argued Havel, that power relations...are best described as a labyrinth of influence, repression, fear and self-censorship which swallows up everyone within it, at the very least by rendering them silent, stultified and marked by some undesirable prejudices of the powerful...

### Overcoming powerlessness

Havel proposed that the oppressed always contain "within themselves the power to remedy their own powerlessness..." He argued that by an individual "living in truth" in their daily life they automatically differentiate themselves from the officially mandated culture prescribed by the State; **since power is only effective when citizens are willing to submit to it.**

Havel felt that all that is suffered over time under such systems often leads to deeper reflection: *"There are times, when we must sink to the bottom of our misery to understand truth, just as we must descend to the bottom of a well to see the stars in broad daylight."*

It is interesting to note that the people (around the world) who are fighting for their freedom and human rights on every continent on earth are having to fight with prehistoric weapons such as rocks, fire and arrows. It shows who has the physical power but it is the people who have the moral power, the greatest power of all.

Ultimately, the world is starting to realise the coronavirus spread in China which will in turn spread across the globe, is caused by dictatorships and their choice to rule through fear and suppression of information and not development of structures and processes that serve the people (i.e. democracy and human rights).

The brave doctor in China who went against the trend of fear of the authorities shows the ultimate powerlessness of such a dictatorship – they are there while they are tolerated but mass death and mass disorder bring about other values, a noble and sacrificial attitude to survival as can happen in a just war, and their perspectives and the unity of people - which is the greatest tool of all people, can readily transform society.

Society should be run by all those experts in fields other than politics, rising to the occasion to lead and using their specific skills and knowledge to take command, like the Chinese doctor whistle blower who attempted to stop the mass disaster that is encircling the world as I write, and the fire authorities in the Australian bushfire crisis where the political leaders were frankly worsening the situation through downplaying the severity of the disaster while the people themselves were expressing something different, something noble and uniting. Both worlds collide at these times and the fake emperors stand there naked and smirking trying to pretend they are still relevant.

Some analysts say China's failure to contain the coronavirus outbreak will lead to a "Chernobyl moment" for the country's leadership, amid warnings that the world's efforts to isolate confirmed cases "is not going to stop" its spread.

It comes amid growing criticism of Chinese authorities from both inside and outside the country, though currently those leaders in the 'world dictator club' are mostly keeping their comments to themselves. One thing we can rely on though, is that in the final battle, all dictators will only think of themselves as they secretly harbour their own personal plans of world domination.

The 1986 nuclear disaster in Chernobyl was exacerbated by a failure to admit mistakes, a culture of secrecy among leaders and incompetent handling of the fallout. This is what happens

in dictatorships– there is only one life of value to a dictator and that is his own.

The 'monkey see, monkey do' character of the base man however has seen democratically elected politicians envy the power and wealth of dictators and it has seen them aspire to the same spoils of office and a weakening of democracy itself.

It is not democracy that is at fault; it is a proven system of government that provides the best chance for a fair and equitable society that looks after all. It is because those elected in democracies are no longer democratic. We are not disillusioned with democracy, we are disillusioned with politicians who subvert democracy for their own power, privilege and wealth.

Let us face the fact that while the entire world is ruled, or under threat of being ruled by self-serving dictators, nothing will be done to look after our planet or its people. It is time we all showed them we are better. We need to ignore their self-serving rulings and their policies and laws and look after our planet and live our lives as we should, and as we want, like Havel and the Chinese whistle blower doctor. The dictators and dickheads are welcome to join us if they wish, if not they must be exiled. All that needs to be done is for the lackeys, sycophants and human war machines gathered together by these despots, to re-join humanity, to come back to the side of good, to come home.

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