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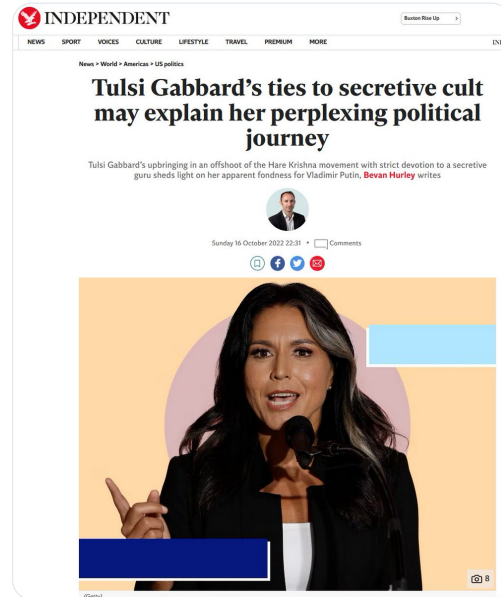
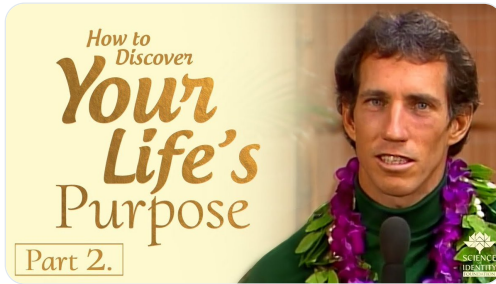
In today's [#vatniksoup](#), I'll introduce an American politician and political commentator, Tulsi Gabbard ([@TulsiGabbard](#)). She's best-known for blaming absolutely everything on the US Democrats and NATO, and for being a fan of totalitarian regimes like Russia and Syria.

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Tulsi was raised up in accordance with the teachings of the Science of Identity Foundation (SIF), a religious group described as secretive and abusive cult. Former member has described SIF as "virulently homophobic, often anti-Islamic and misogynist" where its founder,...

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Chris Butler, is "considered to be akin to a God". Gabbard became politically active at a relatively young age, and she was elected to the Hawaii House of Representatives when she was 21. She was in a field medical unit and was deployed to Iraq between 2004 and 2005 and...

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...was stationed in Kuwait between 2008 and 2009 as a platoon leader. While in Congress, she was a vice chair of the Democratic National Committee (DNC) between 2013 and 2016. She later resigned to endorse Bernie Sanders' campaign for the 2016 US presidential election.

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Vice Chair Of DNC Resigns To Support Bernie Sanders

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Democratic Rep. Tulsi Gabbard of Hawaii has resigned her position as vice chair of the Democratic National Committee to endorse Bernie Sanders.

Gabbard [announced her decision](#) on NBC's *Meet the Press* Sunday morning.

Gabbard, 34, is [one of the youngest members of Congress](#) and the first Hindu elected to Capitol Hill. She served in Iraq and with the Hawaii National Guard, and cites her military experience as the impetus for her decision to back Sanders.

"As a veteran and as a soldier I've seen firsthand the true cost of war," she said. "I think it's most important for us as we look at our choices as to who our next commander-in-chief will be ... to recognize the necessity to have a



Rep. Tulsi Gabbard attends the 33rd Annual Women's Campaign Fund Parties of Your Choice Gala on April 22, 2013, in New York City.

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While in Congress, she was a staunch critic of Barack Obama for refusing to admit that the real enemy of the US is actually radical Islam and Islamic extremism, often appearing on Fox News to comment on the issue. Since she started criticizing Obama and picking fights...

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That isn't stopping the twice-deployed 33-year-old Army veteran from continuing to challenge the president, her home state's favorite son, over his refusal to identify terror groups like the Islamic State as driven by "radical Islam."

"Every soldier knows this simple fact: If you don't know your enemy, you will not be able to defeat him," Gabbard told FoxNews.com. "Our leaders must clearly identify the enemy as Islamist extremists, understand the ideology that is motivating them and attracting new recruits, and focus on defeating that enemy both militarily and ideologically."

Gabbard has been hitting this message for weeks now, putting her at odds with many in her party who toe the line that the Islamic State should not be associated with Islam.

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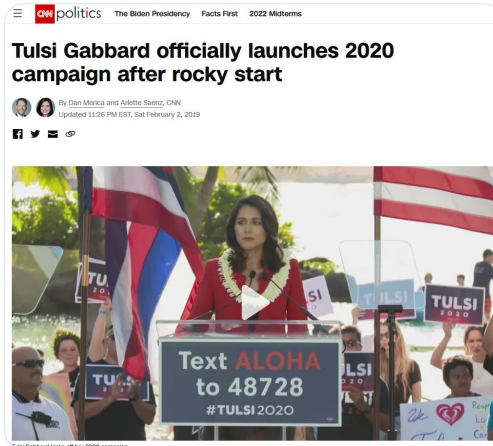
Gabbard called "mind-boggling" Obama's refusal to associate ISIS with the Muslim religion, even though the terrorist army is emphatic it is enforcing a strict interpretation of Islam.

"[Obama] is completely missing the point of this radical Islamic ideology that's fueling these people," she said.



...inside the Democratic Party, she's been praised more by the people like Steve Bannon and Tucker Carlson than the Democrats. Gabbard ran for US presidency in the 2020 election. Hillary Clinton described Tulsi as "the favorite of the Russians," and that she was being...

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..."groomed" by the Republicans for the candidacy. Gabbard filed a defamation lawsuit against Clinton, but dropped it five months later. Interestingly, Tulsi used the same law firm that represented Rudy Giuliani and George Papadopoulos during the investigation into the...

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The screenshot shows an ABC News article with the headline "Rep. Tulsi Gabbard files defamation lawsuit against Hillary Clinton". Below the headline, it says "Clinton's spokesman called the lawsuit 'ridiculous.'" and is attributed to Beatrice Peterson, dated January 22, 2020, at 9:25 PM. The article features a video player with two side-by-side images: one of Hillary Clinton on the left and one of Tulsi Gabbard on the right. A play button is centered over the images. The video duration is 0:24.

The screenshot shows a CNN Politics article with the headline "Tulsi Gabbard drops defamation lawsuit against Hillary Clinton". It is attributed to Dan Merica, CNN, and published on Wednesday, May 27, 2020, at 1:06 PM EDT. The article features two side-by-side images: one of Tulsi Gabbard on the left and one of Hillary Clinton on the right.

...Russian interference in the 2016 US election. Gabbard was also endorsed by former KKK boss David Duke, and neo-Nazi and conspiracy theorist Richard B. Spencer. After dropping out of the race, she endorsed Joe Biden.

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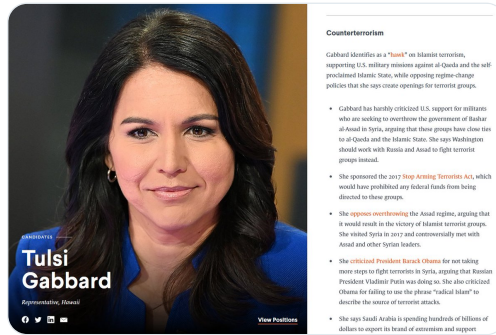
The screenshot shows a MarketWatch article with the headline "Rep. Tulsi Gabbard gets 2020 endorsement from David Duke". It is published on October 19, 2019, at 9:45 a.m. ET, by the New York Post. A quote from Gabbard reads: "I have strongly denounced David Duke's hateful views and his so-called 'support' multiple times in the past, and reject his support," Gabbard said. The article features a large image of Tulsi Gabbard in a red top, looking slightly to the side. The photo credit is VICTOR REKLAITIS/MARKETWATCH.

Alt-right leader Richard Spencer has a new darling: Democratic Rep. Tulsi Gabbard

The image shows two side-by-side portraits. On the left is Tulsi Gabbard, and on the right is Richard Spencer.

Gabbard has criticized the "neoliberal/neoconservative war machine", stating that the money the US uses for wars should be used for other stuff, like war against (Islamic) terrorism. Some (well, me) have speculated that this harsh stance against Islam might stem from her...

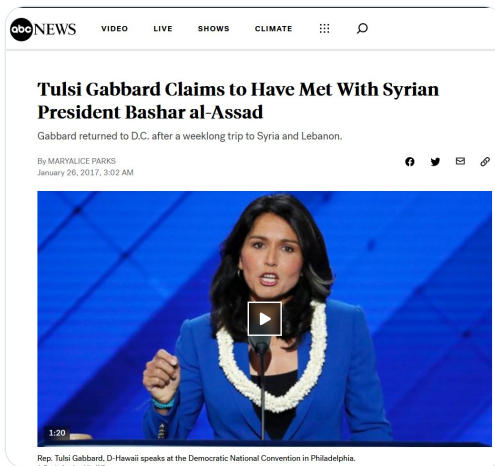
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...upbringing in a anti-Islamic cult.

Tulsi visited Syria in 2017 in a "fact-finding mission". She had two "unplanned" meetings with Syrian totalitarian leader Bashar al-Assad. Later she expressed skepticism about the Khan Shaykhun chemical attacks, and voted against...

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...condemning the Syrian government for "war crimes and crimes against humanity". OPCW-led investigation later attributed the Khan Shaykhun attack to al-Assad's forces. She also refused to say who paid for her trip to Syria. Gabbard's trip to have a chat with al-Assad...

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Rep. Tulsi Gabbard's office won't say who is paying for the Hawaii Democrat's controversial trip to Syria and Lebanon this week.

Gabbard spokeswoman Emily Latimer said the trip wasn't funded using taxpayer dollars and was approved by the House Ethics Committee but wouldn't provide further information when pressed by POLITICO. The lawmaker is currently on the trip, though it's not clear exactly when she'll be returning.

"For security reasons, we will not be releasing additional details or comments until she returns," Latimer said in an email.

Congressional leaders were blindsided by Gabbard's trip to war-ravaged Syria with staffers saying she didn't give the customary advanced warning to Democratic or Republican leadership offices.

Latimer wouldn't say whether Gabbard met with Syrian President Bashar Assad. Lebanese officials did not immediately respond to a request for comment on the trip.



..was later praised by our favorite weapons inspector/chatroom-enjoyer, Scott Ritter.

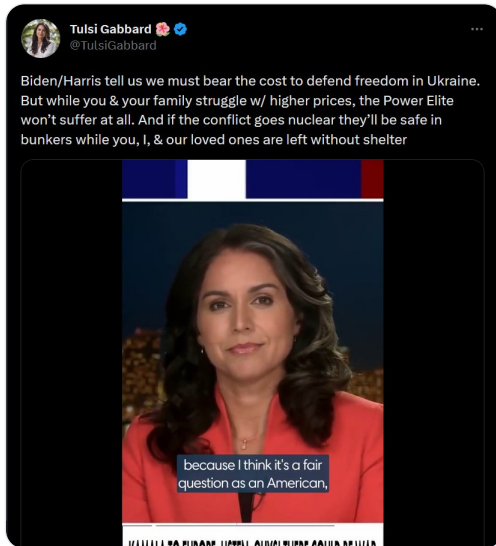
When it comes to Ukraine, Gabbard parrots the same Kremlin narrative: the US and NATO provoked Putin to attack Ukraine, peace negotiations are needed (after Putin got what he wanted, ...

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...as is tradition) to prevent nuclear war, it's a "proxy war" between US and Russia, and sanctions are hurting the West and not Russia. She also blames the "elite cabal of warmongers" for the war. She's said that the war could've been prevented by declaring that Ukraine...

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...can't join NATO, but as those who have read Putin's 2022 essay, "On the Historical Unity of Russians and Ukrainians", it was never about NATO but Putin's obsession over Ukraine being part of Russia. In a recent keynote speech, she also praised the Durham report,

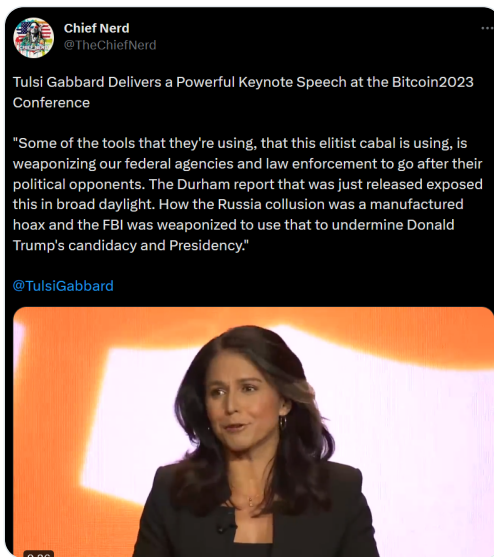
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stating that the Russian collusion in the 2016 election was a "manufactured hoax".

She was also one of the speakers at the "antiwar" event Rage Against the War Machine in Feb 2023.


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Tulsi has been careful about commenting on the atrocities and the ongoing genocide, and I couldn't find any mention of Bucha, Izium, Kherson, Donbas, Crimea, etc. I guess she wants to be careful and just defame Biden & the Democrats and disregard the complexity of war crimes.16/19

 **Tulsi Gabbard**  
@TulsiGabbard

The warmongers are trying to drag us into WW3, which can only end in one way: nuclear annihilation and the suffering and death of all our loved ones. Zelensky, Biden, NATO, congressional and media neocons are insane. And we are insane if we passively allow them to lead us into this holocaust like sheep to the slaughter. We find hope in the fact that the vast majority of Americans are sane, but sanity is not enough. We also need courage. The courage to stand up to the powerful warmongers, and in unison declare: "No! we will not allow you to destroy our families, communities, environment, country, and world!"



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Gabbard left the Democratic Party in Oct 2022, blaming its leadership for "cowardly wokeness, anti-white racism, (being) hostile to people of faith and spirituality, and dragging us closer to nuclear war". After this, she signed a deal with Fox News and started working...

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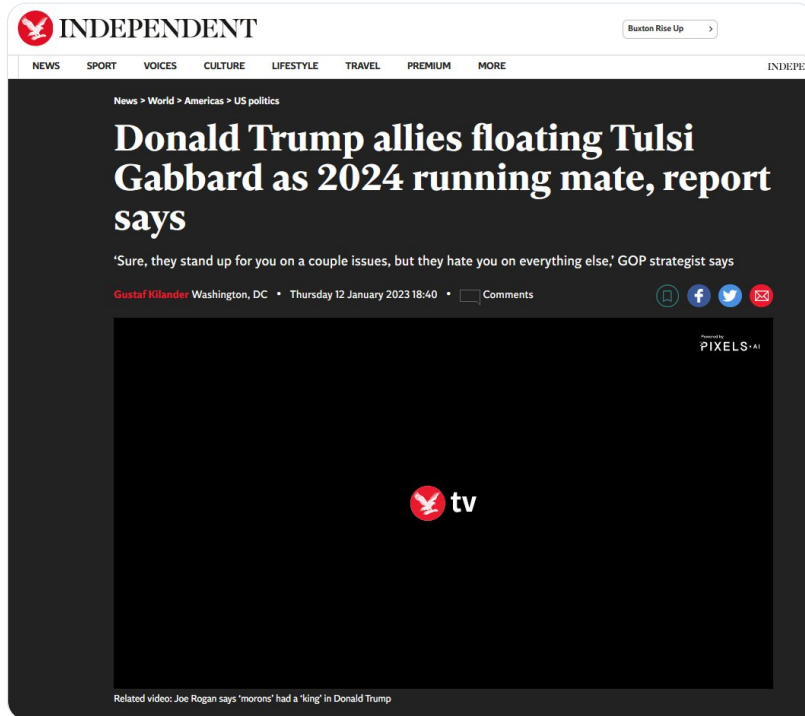
...as a paid contributor for the network. She also endorsed several Republican candidates for Senate, including J.D. Vance who has said that he doesn't "care what happens to Ukraine".

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Some have speculated that she'd be a running mate for Donald Trump in the 2024 US presidential election. This would make sense, since these days Gabbard is speaking like any MAGA member would, condemning the "woke mind virus", and outright refusing to condemn Russia's war.

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