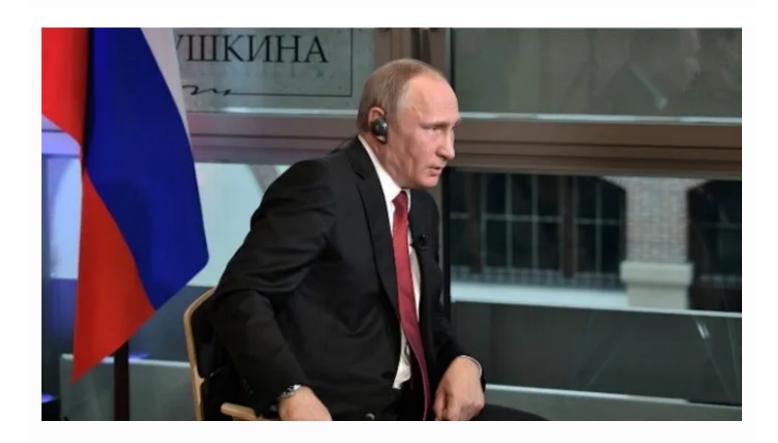
## Putin: All US Presidents Are Puppets – 'Dark Men In Suits Rule America'



Russian President Vladimir Putin has revealed that all US Presidents are merely puppets to the "dark men in suits" who he says "secretly rule America."

In an interview with French publication *Le Figaro*, Putin said that nearly every US president that gets elected becomes a powerless puppet for the shadow government behind the scenes.

**Commonsenseevaluation.com** reports: Putin explained that the 'Bureaucracy' in the US, which is more commonly known as the Deep State, is very powerful and as such does not allow any real change in policy direction.

I have already spoken to three US Presidents. They come and go, but politics stay the same at all times.

Do you know why? Because of the powerful bureaucracy. When a person is elected, they may have some ideas. Then people with briefcases arrive, well dressed, wearing dark suits, just like mine, except for the red tie, since they wear black or dark blue ones. These people start explaining how things are done. And instantly, everything changes. This is what happens with every administration.

Changing things is not easy, and I say this without any irony. It is not that someone does not want to, but because it is a hard thing to do. Take Obama, a forward-thinking man, a liberal, a democrat. Did he not pledge to shut down Guantanamo before his election? But did he do it? No, he did not. And may I ask why not? Did he not want to do it? He wanted to, I am sure he did, but it did not work out. He sincerely wanted to do it, but did not succeed, since it turned out to be very complicated.

Putin went on to point out how the US lectures the rest of the world about democracy, while simultaneously embracing deeply undemocratic, inhumane policies:

This is not the main issue, however, even though it is important, since it is hard to fathom that people have been walking there in chains for decades without trial or investigation. Can you imagine France or Russia acting this way? This would have been a disaster. But it is possible in the United States and continues to this day. This refers to the question on democracy, by the way.

I referred to this example just to show that it is not as simple as it may seem. That said, I am cautiously optimistic, and I think that we can and should be able to reach agreements on key issues.