
Subject: America is Now the Corporations' Bitch
Posted by [slosha](#) on Wed, 27 Jan 2010 04:50:04 GMT
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Look at this video.

From what I understand, corporations will now be able to influence and reward politicians' actions in Congress and every other aspect of American Government.

I'm absolutely stunned. This is NOT what our founding fathers intended. This certainly not what America is about either. I'm honestly worried about the future of my country. I hope I'm not just overreacting either, I think this may be a big problem for our future.

More linkage.

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Posted by [nikki6ixx](#) on Wed, 27 Jan 2010 04:53:12 GMT
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Posted by [Starbuzz](#) on Wed, 27 Jan 2010 05:18:54 GMT
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i am not surprised, tbh

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Posted by [Spoony](#) on Wed, 27 Jan 2010 05:32:55 GMT
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I guess I never learned that. What a load of shit.

What I also find puzzling is that there is a limit on how much an individual can contribute to a campaign of \$500, I think. My government teacher said it was \$250, but a quick google search said it was \$500. If this is true, you would think this rule should apply to the corporations, who is considered one 'entity.'

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So, if I read the wiki article right, some members in the House of Lords have a birth right to be a Lord? That does seem like a strange today. A democracy makes more sense to me, and I can see you think the same. But why does it matter anymore? Corporate America wins in the end.

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Posted by [nikki6ixx](#) on Wed, 27 Jan 2010 06:31:57 GMT
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Thing is, this has nothing to do with Obama, nor even Bush really. The judges were just interpreting the constitution, and even then, it was a narrow 5-4 vote.

Frankly, as bad as it is, I'm at least happy your Supreme Court actually interprets your constitution, instead of my country's court's habit of just making dumb legislation without public/parliamentary consent.

Obama is apparently looking at his options for this, because this comes at a really bad time for him. Right now, he's pitching huge taxes on banks, and this ruling, even though he has nothing to do with it, jeopardizes his 'Main Street' pitch.

Also, there could be a silver lining in this. It's a well known fact that corporations channel their money through different special interest groups and groups, which lets them donate lots of money to political parties in a dubious manner. At least this way, maybe they won't use those tactics, and instead donate their funds as one entity, which makes it a bit cleaner, and easier for people to see who is bankrolling who.

Subject: Re: America is Now the Corporations' Bitch
Posted by [Canadacdn](#) on Wed, 27 Jan 2010 07:08:26 GMT
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Why don't American politicians start wearing NASCAR-style jackets with corporate logos, so everyone can see who bought and paid for them!

Subject: Re: America is Now the Corporations' Bitch
Posted by [Herr Surth](#) on Wed, 27 Jan 2010 09:47:00 GMT
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What do you mean about america is the corporations bitches "now"?

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They get around the limits using what are called Political Action Committees. They basically give the money to someone else to donate for them. It's a facilitated loophole.

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Lol.

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Posted by [Starbuzzz](#) on Wed, 27 Jan 2010 15:41:59 GMT
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Posted by [The Party](#) on Wed, 27 Jan 2010 16:34:57 GMT
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We need another progessive era, breaking up anti - trusts and shit like that.

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Posted by [GEORGE ZIMMER](#) on Wed, 27 Jan 2010 16:40:38 GMT
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Yeah, this actually has nothing to do with Obama. Infact, if you hadn't noticed, the democrats are also against this shit. I dunno how many, but it doesn't really matter I don't think.

That being said, this isn't a political thing at all. If you're in the US, I recommend actually doing with Grayson said- try and make a big deal out of it to your congressman and etc. Unless there really is some secret illuminati bullshit going on and all the congressman are in on it, I'm sure they'd be willing to listen to enough pissed off people whose donations matter a whole lot less than some giant monopoly corporation...

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TBH, this does not surprise me, and I knew this was happening for quite some time, but this is the first time that it is publicly pointed-out since the monopolies, afaik.

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Posted by [The Party](#) on Tue, 16 Mar 2010 15:00:25 GMT

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Well half the Americans in America are asshole cocksuckers anyway.

Subject: Re: America is Now the Corporations' Bitch
Posted by [cnc95fan](#) on Wed, 17 Mar 2010 12:56:30 GMT

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The G-Man wrote on Tue, 16 March 2010 09:00 Well half the Americans in America are asshole cocksuckers anyway.

Genius.

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Posted by [zeratul](#) on Thu, 18 Mar 2010 07:46:14 GMT
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DRNG wrote on Wed, 17 March 2010 17:06

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It's sickening how often I have to use this picture on these forums

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