# Benz & Tucker: Inside America's Hidden Power Network: NGOs, The CIA, And The Rise Of The Blob

Former State Department official and director of Foundation for Freedom Online Mike Benz sat down once again with Tucker Carlson, where he laid out a labyrinthine narrative about U.S. power and influence that should come as no surprise to those who have been paying attention. Benz described the role non-governmental organizations (NGOs), intelligence agencies, and private philanthropic empires have engaged in to quietly shape global and domestic affairs.

NGOs are the stem cell of the government's central nervous system," Benz said, adding "They are this highly flexible tool...you can't disentangle or really separate the government from the non-governmental organizations."

According to Benz, the US often wields power through unofficial channels - increasingly through a network of publicly funded and privately directed institutions Benz dubbed "the Blob," a term originally coined by Ben Rhodes, a former deputy national security advisor to President Obama.

## A History Rooted in Covert Strategy

According to Benz, the roots of this NGO influence structure go back to the early 20th century, with the 1913 introduction of the income tax and the subsequent 1917 law making contributions to charities tax-deductible. This opened a floodgate of elite philanthropy which, during World War II and the Cold War, merged with U.S. intelligence objectives.

"In 1948," said Benz, "the CIA achieved its first covert operation: rigging the Italian election by working through trade unions, charity fronts, and other non-profits." He cited a now-declassified memo by diplomat George Kennan, who described the need for a "Bureau of Political Warfare" and endorsed a system where covert influence would appear to originate from civil society.

Benz divided the "Blob" into three strata: **official government actors** (State Department, Pentagon, CIA, USAID), **a network of NGOs** funded and coordinated by these agencies, **and the "donor-drafter class"** - high-net-worth individuals like George Soros and Bill Gates, whose foundations shape U.S. foreign policy priorities.

"They don't just donate into it. Like in a bike race, you always want to be not in first, you want to be right behind the guy in first... The Pentagon cuts the wind for companies," he explained.

## Soros, Mongolia, and Market Influence

A centerpiece of the discussion was **George Soros**, the financier and founder of the Open Society Foundation. According to Benz, the foundation frequently collaborates with the State Department and U.S. embassies abroad. In Mongolia, he said, Soros-affiliated organizations stymied a mining deal they deemed insufficiently favorable to the private sector. Soon after, the Soros Management Fund purchased a large stake in the mine's corporate parent.

"In 2009, the George Soros Management Fund purchased an absolutely huge stake in that very company," Benz stated, referring to Ivanhoe Mines (later Rio Tinto).

#### The U.S. Institute of Peace and the Shadow State

One of Benz's more startling claims centered on the U.S. Institute of Peace (USIP), a federally funded think tank chartered by Congress in 1984. Benz alleged that the organization had resisted oversight by Trump-appointed officials, deleted financial records, and was indirectly linked to funding Taliban networks.

"They deleted a terabyte worth of financial data," Benz said. "Doge says it recovered [it] and showed payments to those very Taliban networks."

"Now the peace people are stockpiling weapons," Carlson replied.

International Peace has a funny history with US intelligence work. In the JFK files, for example, in the recent declassifications, it showed a group that the CIA infiltrated and directed called the Catholic Association of International Peace. And there are all these files that show that, yes, we have our assets in here, and they're doing this for this. The Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, not the Catholic Association for International Peace, but a second international peace group, the Carnegie Endowment for International peace was run from 2014 to 2021 by Bill Burns, the guy who would leave the Carnegie endowment for international peace to run the Central Intelligence Agency.

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Now the Trump administration tried to assert control over the US institute of peace as it is statutorily entitled to do. And the response from the US Institute of Peace was to barricade the doors. To delete, **Doge said a terabyte worth of financial data**, which Doge says it recovered and showed payments to those very Taliban networks that they were saying keep the drugs flowing. **Evidently, according to the Doge team, they found weapons caches inside, like a full military, you know. They found weapons**. -Mike Benz

#### The CIA's Role in Education

Benz described CIA influence in global education initiatives during the Cold War and suggested that those same frameworks have been repurposed to counter right-wing populism.

"All of this was repurposed against right-wing populism when Trump won in 2016," he said.

He claimed that international teaching organizations such as Education International have roots in CIA-affiliated groups and are still active in political campaigns, such as opposition to Germany's right-wing Alternative für Deutschland (AfD) party.

Benz stressed the alignment of foreign policy objectives with corporate profit motives. For example, AT&T winning telecom contracts in Syria after the U.S. supported regime change.

The US National Police would not even allow the Trump-appointed board members or its president to even go in the building. That's why the federal police had to, the FBI had to come in and in, but what happened was is that same lawyer also happens to represent the Wireless Trade Association in the US and AT&T in that whole network. So while they are working for regime change in Syria, while the US Institute of Peace is taking US taxpayer money, \$55 million a year, to build up this network of paramilitary groups and all these economic assistance programs and midwifing the political negotiations. -Mike Benz

"AT&T just secured 25 million customers effectively...with the barrel of a gun," said Benz.

Carlson added, "You know that we're monitoring it," referring to AT&T's newly acquired user base.

### Ukraine, BRICS, and the Limits of U.S. Power

Carlson and Benz then discussed the changing global order, noting the rise of BRICS and the decline of U.S. unipolar dominance.

"Trump is between a blob and a hard place," said Benz, pointing to legislative resistance to defunding programs like USAID.

Carlson asked whether those in power "realize their 1980s assumptions have been overtaken by events."

"I think they do," Benz replied. "This is part of the global alliance structure. I don't think the Biden administration moved unilaterally. They work in tandem with the EU on all things."

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"They'll get it all from you sooner or later 'cause they own this f\*\*kin' place. It's a big club and you ain't in it. You and I are not in the big club. By the way, it's the same big club they use to beat you over the head with all day long when they tell you what to believe. All day long beating you over the head with their media telling you what to believe, what to think and what to buy. The table is tilted, folks. The game is rigged and nobody seems to notice. Nobody seems to care. Good, honest, hard-working people: white collar, blue collar, it doesn't matter what color shirt you have on."

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These men are accurately describing our USA position in the world - the greatest, most powerful, murdering, torturing, assassinating, usurping of democratically elected governments, bombing to death from 7 miles in the sky (and the brave pilot murderers celebrating with their buds after mission to congratulate each other on how brave they are = pathetic humans), disease giving, poisoning and so much, much more "state sponsored" terrorist entity of all history. We're goddam exceptional my man. But only 96% of Americans don't know this already.

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NGOs and "philanthropic" organizations have nothing to do with charity. They are an extension of political parties that can receive government money in ways that political parties cannot. Single issue PAC and Foundations are clearly geared and aligned to specific political parties. There are only two, and they're basically now diametrically opposed on practically everything.

The system is corrupt by design now. Congress openly passes legislation that obviously makes the corruption worse, but just has nice sounding names on the bills.

Unfortunately something radical needs to occur to fix it

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Americans need to realize that virtually all of your local government directives are created by ngo's that write grants from your state and give kickbacks to your local government officials when they are contracted by them. In turn the state receives much of this money from the feds through various funding programs. These ngo's working in your local government are all being directed by foreign billionaires and foreign government technocrats via layers of funding coming from multiple foundations, including and especially ivy league and other prestigious school foundations, gates, soros and bloomberg foundations, etc that all work in tandem...it is easy to go down that rabbit hole and figure out this stuff pretty quickly and painlessly via the internet at your local level and that is

where Trump's FBI needs to start if they want to shut this bullshit down. It is all a conspiracy to remove representation from the American people and to destroy our constitution and sovereignty. You will be amazed if you take an hour or two to do this.

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Most NGOs have been set up solely to execute the UN's evil goals. These socalled philanthropic institutions are tax-exempt. They do not need to disclose their donors. They move millions (even billions!) of dollars around, from mother to sister company, to yet another subsidiary, without any legal control or obstruction whatsoever in this massive money laundering scheme.

Let's examine what 'philanthropy' truly means...

https://rumble.com/v1rgl46-the-sequel-to-the-fall-of-the-cabal-part-7-philanthropy-or-money-laundering.html

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What is an 'intelligence' agency doing being involved in just about every aspect of societal life...?

Ever ask yourself that...?

At every turn and nearly every issue which gains the media spotlight, you will find - in some capacity, intelligence agency involvement - albeit in some cases tangentially, but involved nonetheless.

Why is this...?

What is the concern...? 'National Security'...? Please...

There is something very 'dark' about this involvement - their existence even, which speaks to things of much greater scope (think: other dimensions - literally), than just 'deep state' shenanigans...

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Criticism of Trump and U.S. Leadership: The speaker argues that Donald Trump has become incoherent and ineffective, drastically changing his stance on Russia and Ukraine in recent months. Trump is described as failing in leadership both domestically and within NATO. He is seen as incapable of influencing events meaningfully or acting in America's best interest. Despite his past potential to mediate or de-escalate the conflict, he is now viewed as irrelevant or powerless, overshadowed by entrenched U.S. intelligence and political actors.

Russia's Stance and Strategy: Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov has made clear that Russia will not accept any peace deal that leaves the Zelensky government in power. The Russian view is that the Zelensky regime would use a ceasefire to rebuild militarily, continuing the war later. Regime change in Kyiv is now seen as a necessary outcome for a lasting peace.

**Military Developments:** Putin has announced a "buffer zone" in northern Ukraine, suggesting a new front in the war that expands deeply into Ukrainian territory. Russian military strategy may involve seizing key regions like Odessa, Kharkiv, and pushing to the Dnieper River. Russian recruitment is exceeding goals, while Ukraine is facing troop shortages and recruitment problems.

**Western Inaction and Miscalculation:** The West, especially the U.S., is accused of ignoring or refusing to understand Russian concerns. There is frustration that Western leaders, including Trump, Macron, and others, have no real stake or understanding of the conflict. Russia views attempts at negotiations or pressure from the West as insincere and ineffective.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aujX\_PisQ4o