



Former Trilateral Commission Member Susan Rice Floated For Biden's VP Pick

Rice is a globalist of the first order and tightly connected with members of the Trilateral Commission. As a former Ambassador to the UN and then National Security Advisor to Obama, it is not surprising that she would be on Biden's short list. □ TN Editor

Sens. Kamala Harris (D-Calif.) and Elizabeth Warren (D-Mass.) are getting most of the buzz, but former U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations Susan Rice is also getting a lot of attention in Joe Biden's campaign as he considers who to pick as his running mate, sources say.

Rice, who also served as former President Obama's national security adviser, has seen her stock rise amid a series of crises, including the COVID-19 pandemic.

"I know she's very much in the mix," a source close to the Biden campaign said.

One factor to watch is Biden's relationship with Rice. The two worked closely in the Obama administration, and personal chemistry is an underrated factor in vice presidential decisions.

"I know they have a good relationship — perhaps the best relationship of anyone on the list," the source close to the Biden campaign said. "They've known each other for years, they've worked alongside each other and she's been tested in a way that a lot of folks on the list just haven't been."

Biden, who has committed to selecting a woman as his running mate, has said repeatedly that he is looking for someone who is "ready to be president on day one."

He is also under pressure by some Democrats to pick a woman of color after the death of George Floyd and the demonstrations that followed urging an end to systemic racism.

Harris has widely been seen as the favorite, but sources said Rice should not be counted out.

"Everyone automatically thinks of Kamala when they think he needs to pick a woman of color. It's become conventional wisdom," said a source who worked in the Obama administration alongside Biden and Rice. "But if you look at Susan's credentials, she makes perfect sense. She's a rock star who has the confidence, stature and gravitas to be vice president."

In an interview with Norah O'Donnell of CBS last month, Biden said he wants a partner in the White House who is "simpatico."

"It's really important that whomever you pick as a vice president agrees with you in terms of your philosophy of government and agrees with you on the systemic things that you want to change," Biden said to O'Donnell.

Those close to Rice say she more than meets the job qualifications.

"I have never worked with anyone who is more skilled at rallying all parts of government into action and bringing people with diverse views together to tackle thorny problems," Ambassador Brooke Anderson, who

served as Rice's chief of staff at the United Nations, said in an interview.

"She's incredibly smart and strategic," Anderson continued. "It's not enough to have good ideas. You also need to have an understanding about how you get things done. She combines both and has deep experience in both."

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Fauci Says Vaccine May Only Be 75% Effective And Transitory

Technocrats like Fauci require that all citizens be vaccinated, but then turn around and admit they basically don't have a clue as to the outcome. Nevertheless, in true Technocrat form, Fauci says that "Science will get us through this." □ TN Editor

During an NIH Q&A on Monday, Dr. Anthony Fauci answered questions about the current state of the US outbreak, while trying to manage the public's expectations in a way that adequately conveys the seriousness of the viral threat we are facing. But he was once again forced to acknowledge an intractable fact: **That scientists still not sure whether a COVID-19 vaccine will provide lasting protection.**

Dr. Fauci was joined by NIH Director Dr. Francis Collins.

The good doctor started out by warning that the "current state is not good," referring to the state of the coronavirus response. The US is still "knee deep" in the first wave of the pandemic. The coronavirus cases went up, came back down, but they never went back to baseline. Now, they're surging back.

"This is a serious situation," Dr. Fauci said.

Moving to the subject of the vaccine trials, while the US government is working with several of the most promising candidates, all of whom will be starting trials involving 30,000 patients from all over the country, Dr. Fauci acknowledged that the scientific community still can't say for certain whether a vaccine will offer lasting protection, or require annual injections, more akin to the flu vaccine.

"We don't know how long COVID-19 antibody protection lasts"...Fauci said. For all we know, any protection provided by the vaccine could be "transitory."

Still, Dr. Fauci says he's "doubtful" about reinfection, although "I wouldn't be surprised if, in rare cases, people went into remission and then relapsed."

In the meantime, the doctor said the NIH is doing everything it can to ensure that the patients included in the study span all age ranges and racial groups. He promised that minority groups will be "well represented" in the trial, offering the customary virtue-signaling that must be a part of every conversation about public issues, not matter how irrelevant.

“It’s a high priority,” he said.

While there’s still so much we don’t know, Dr. Fauci said, he does know one thing for sure: this will end.

“We will get through this. I’m absolutely certain. We’ve already suffered through a lot of pain. But it will end. Science will get us through this. We will get a vaccine,” he said

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