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Peoples Action Plan to Replace President Bush & Others With Well-Qualified Candidates

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Nothing in this document is intended to be critical of our courageous U.S. military troops or to slow, curtail or discourage any ongoing efforts toward replacing Bush and others, ending the Iraqi war, etc.

PURPOSE.

This document provides a plan, procedures, information needed and formats for documents to help replace Vice President Richard Cheney, President George W. Bush and others with well-qualified individuals and to lay the groundwork for lawsuits, payment of restitution, restorative justice, possibly war crime trials and national reconciliation. This plan should be used in conjunction with the **Peoples Action Plan to Prosecute Government Officials, Legislators and Others Who Have Violated the Law** which now contains all the information about indictments and prosecutions that was previously in this document and is available on the web site WeThePeopleNow.org.

BACKGROUND.

Vice President Richard Cheney, President George W. Bush and certain others must be replaced before the end of the year because:

1. Standards must be set for all future presidents and all civil and military officials.
2. The rule of law and the principles set forth in our Constitution must be maintained.
3. Until they are replaced, the situation in Iraq, prisoner/detainee abuse and torture, the threats and possibility of nuclear attacks against Iran, illegal conventional attacks all over the world, violations of fundamental rights, etc. are not likely to improve and may get worse.
4. **The Iraq war** was illegal under U. S. and international law, has caused the deaths of hundreds of thousands of innocent men, women and children and will cost over three trillion dollar.
 - a. President Bush ordered the invasion and occupation of Iraq so that U.S. oil companies could literally steal Iraq's huge oil reserves and the massive profits from the sale of this oil.
 - b. Courageous US troops are fighting and dying to help President Bush, Vice President Cheney and certain U.S. oil companies steal Iraq's oil reserves and oil profits.
 - c. President Bush are to keep U.S. Armed Forces and defense contractors/mercenaries in Iraq indefinitely to provide security for and help U.S. oil companies control Iraq's oil industries and reserves and because they are afraid that Iraq will re-nationalize their oil reserves if

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U.S. Armed Forces and defense contractors/mercenaries leave.

5. The current situation provides the opportunity to replace President Bush and Vice President Cheney and others with well qualified public servants who will end the Iraq occupation peacefully and justly, end U.S. torture programs, stop wasting money on useless weapon systems, have a just tax structure, practice diplomacy versus bullying, etc. (During regular elections such individuals would normally be unelectable.)
6. Almost all needed "investigations" have been completed and there are numerous reports, books, articles, speeches, etc. which can be edited and put into criminal complaints, proposed grand jury indictments, affidavits and articles of impeachment.
7. Bush and Cheney could declare a state of emergency and delay all elections indefinitely.

DIFFERENT METHODS OF REPLACEMENT

The several different methods by which Cheney, Bush and certain others could leave office and be replaced before the 2008 election include:

1. Resignation.
2. Impeachment.
3. By *written declarations* under Amendment XXV to the United States Constitution (Attachment A):
 - a. *If the President voluntarily transmits to the President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives his written declaration that he is unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office,*
 - b. *If the Vice President and a majority of either:*
 - i. *the principal officers of the executive departments or*
 - ii. *of such other body as Congress may by law provide,*

transmit to the President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives their written declaration that the President is unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office,
4. Combinations of the above.

ACTIONS THAT COULD ENCOURAGE BUSH, CHENEY AND OTHERS TO CHOOSE AN ALTERNATIVE TO IMPEACHMENT (Please note that items 1 through 5 are now covered in the **Peoples Action Plan to Prosecute Government Officials, Legislators and Others Who Have Violated the Law**)

1. Requests for the FBI to Investigate Criminal Complaints

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2. Criminal complaints filed with county magistrates, state police, federal magistrates, the International Criminal Court, Interpol, etc.
3. Affidavits in Support of Criminal Complaints/ Proposed Indictments
4. Proposed Indictments to be presented to a Grand Jury
5. Criminal prosecutions.
6. Complaints for Declaratory and Injunctive Relief e.g. to Compel President George W. Bush To:
"Take Care That the Laws Be Faithfully Executed"
7. Lawsuits e.g. for restitution for U.S. troops and their families, the people of Iraq, Guantanamo Bay detainees, victims of secret rendition, etc.
8. Demonstrations, sit ins, swarms, civil disobedience.
9. State and local resolutions.

STATUS.

1. Articles of Impeachment, H. Res. 333, were filed against Vice President Richard Cheney and have been referred to the House Judiciary Committee.
2. Articles of Impeachment, were filed against President George W. Bush on June 9, 2008 and have been referred to the House Judiciary Committee.
3. If the House of Representatives passes "articles of impeachment" against Vice President Cheney (by a simple majority vote) he is "impeached." If tried and convicted (by a two-thirds majority of the senators present), Cheney will be removed from office. He can be indicted before or after being impeached.
4. Section 2 of Amendment XXV of the U.S. Constitution (Attachment A) requires: "*Whenever there is a vacancy in the office of the Vice President, the President shall nominate a Vice President who shall take office upon confirmation by a majority vote of both Houses of Congress.*"
5. If the House of Representatives passes "articles of impeachment" against President Bush (by a simple majority vote) he is "impeached." Then if tried and convicted (by a two-thirds majority of the senators present), Bush will be removed from office and he would be replaced by the Vice President.
6. It is obvious that as long as Pelosi is Speaker of the House, nothing will be done to impeach Bush and Cheney and that the country will slide into a deep lengthy depression

ACTIONS.

1. Hold planning meeting and use email and the internet to get organized, refine this document, divide up the work, and find individuals and organization to work with.
2. Organize and execute **Short and LongTerm Peoples Information, Education and Training Programs** to, among other things, convince everyone possible of the necessity and procedures for replacing Pelosi and impeaching Cheney, Bush and other government officials who have violated the law and/or their oath of offices.
3. Follow the steps outlined in the **Proposed Plan to Prosecute Government Officials, Legislators and Others Who Have Violated the Law**

Attachments:

- A. AMENDMENT XXV to the United States Constitution

Attachment A

AMENDMENT XXV to the United States Constitution
Passed by Congress July 6, 1965. Ratified February 10, 1967.

Note: Article II, section 1, of the Constitution was affected by the 25th amendment.

Section 1.

In case of the **removal** of the President from office or of his **death** or **resignation**, the Vice President shall become President.

Section 2.

Whenever there is a vacancy in the office of the Vice President, the President shall nominate a Vice President who shall take office upon confirmation by a majority vote of both Houses of Congress.

Section 3.

Whenever the **President transmits to the President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives his written declaration that he is unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office**, and until he transmits to them a written declaration to the contrary, such powers and duties shall be discharged by the Vice President as Acting President.

Section 4.

Whenever **the Vice President and a majority of either the principal officers of the executive departments or of such other body as Congress may by law provide, transmit to the President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives their written declaration that the President is unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office**, the Vice President shall immediately assume the powers and duties of the office as Acting President.

Thereafter, when the President transmits to the President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives his written declaration that no inability exists, he shall resume the powers and duties of his office unless **the Vice President and a majority of either the principal officers of the executive department or of such other body as Congress may by law provide, transmit within four days to the President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives their written declaration that the President is unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office. Thereupon Congress shall decide the issue**, assembling within forty-eight hours for that purpose if not in session. If the Congress, within twenty-one days after receipt of the latter written declaration, or, if Congress is not in session, within twenty-one days after Congress is required to assemble, determines by two-thirds vote of both Houses that the President is unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office, the Vice President shall continue to discharge the same as Acting President; otherwise, the President shall resume the powers and duties of his office.