

FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH

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"There's somethin' happenin' here. What it is ain't exactly clear." The lyrics of Buffalo Springfield's 1967 hit "For What it's Worth," written by Stephen Stills *still* resonates strongly within our AllEngelhard ears some 50 years later. And, frankly, it could not ring truer in our world today. We are at a point and time in history where a very real uncertainty abounds in every aspect of our economy, political arena, educational system, jobs and labor market, health care system, race relations, personal and virtual security, the list goes on. We have an election on the horizon, and, at a time where our nation desperately needs an undeniably and undisputedly honest, brilliant, strong, diplomatic, unbiased and fair leader to navigate us through these trying times, perhaps more so than **any other time** in United States history, we face what many consider to be a sadly laughable situation. The "All in the Family" theme song lyric "Mister, we could use a man like Herbert Hoover again" also rings loudly right now. Actually, a Ronald Reagan or John F. Kennedy candidate would sound pretty darn good right now, for what it's worth. Our intent is never to express political opinion, as we respect the notion that everyone has a right to choose who or what she or he believes. However, that does not negate the fact that we are indeed at such a critical junction that the right choice must be made to chart our destiny. Our nation is in dire need of a respectable, responsible, reasonable, representable, dominant, trustworthy leader who understands and relates to the views of the masses. One who can restore confidence and respect in the people of our nation. One who can restore safety, peace and unite both within our homeland and abroad. And, while the masses are out *singing songs and carrying signs*, the difficulty for a voter today is that none of our current candidates appear to meet each of the above criteria. But, you still have to pick one, or otherwise not vote. Ironically, that may very well be the same as a vote in the coming election.

Thank God silver investing presents a much easier choice. In fact, it's a lot like ice cream... you pick your favorite flavor and you smile! There is only one precious metals refiner who garners worldly respect as the dominant and most trusted name in precious metals... **ENGELHARD**. And, as Engelhard investors, we have total and unwavering confidence in our choice. It doesn't get any

easier than that, really. And when you can still buy the most available of Engelhard silver and gold products for only a small margin over spot price, in our minds it is without question or doubt **the best investment you will ever make, period**. In fact, we think you should read that sentence one more time.

So, how does investing in Engelhard silver relate to politics and the upcoming election? You're no doubt wondering where we're going with this. The World is all about money, and the balance of power. Wars are all about money. Terrorism is all about money. Peace is all about money. Yes, even Elections are all about money.¹ And Money *used* to be Silver and Gold. But today's Money is nothing more than an illusion represented by paper currency, soon to be worth its weight. It depreciates steadily over time, as we have seen so clearly with World currencies, and it's happening right before our very eyes with the US Dollar having already lost 98% of its value since 1913. How will the upcoming election influence or change this? It all depends upon what you think your chosen candidate will be able to accomplish, if anything... or perhaps in comparison to their respective opposition, or outgoing President Obama. If your desired candidate succeeds in their propaganda jabber and they believe in a free money policy of zero to low interest rates and limitless quantitative easing, then you might want to load up on your precious metals portfolio as a hedge against inflation, perhaps hyper inflation, which is looking very likely. If your desired candidate is an anti-politician, and they suggest cutting back on government programs, lowering taxes and bringing jobs back to America, this *could* stimulate a stronger economy, supporting higher interest rates, potentially stabilizing our dollar due to lack of quantitative easing, yada yada. This could very well stifle any precious metals rallies for the short term, while manifesting a positive outcome as our world economic sentiment improves. If this fledglingly wishful scenario occurs, then our 'wealth insurance' would simply be put on hold until the next election or crisis and, theoretically, all would otherwise be good. Which is exactly why it's referred to as wealth insurance.

But do you vote based on your investments and their profitability potential? Or do you vote based on what is best for your country? And who knows if any of the ambitious plans, or even the credibility of either candidate, will pan out to any measure of impact or improvement for the average citizen? If you think your government is there to help you and make life better, think again. It's quite the opposite – they need us, we don't need them.

WHAT IF... there was further Euro detachment from other members of the European Union, causing overall economic crisis and turmoil in the European continent?

WHAT IF... the US Government had no choice but to assist European countries to stabilize their economies in effort to stave off crisis on **our** home front?

WHAT IF... President Pantsuit had to endorse the most prolific QE in history to stabilize the US economy in light of the European or other crisis, perhaps our own first?

WHAT IF... President Pompadour pissed off Kim John-un and we were soon facing war with North Korea? Or he immediately ceased all imports from China only to be facing war on that front as well?

We could soon be facing a full-on Revolution, both at home and abroad. *There's battle lines being drawn. Nobody's right if everybody's wrong.* We would have to pour hundreds of Billions of dollars, if not *trillions*, into our military to boost the campaign of defending our nation and defeat the

opposition. The US dollar would plummet and metals would soon, and once again, be the only real measure of value in tangible form used as money in society.

No one knows exactly how the future will play out, but one thing is for certain. The next several years will be VERY challenging on the economic and political fronts, and outright frightening on the international security fronts. We would bet good money (aka Silver) that our dollar would surely continue its decline when our zero interest policy fails to stimulate real growth in economic activity. To note, we are NOT pessimists at AllEngelhard. Our silver goblets are **more** than half full. We are truly hoping and praying for the best! But *paranoia strikes deep*, and it's critical for us all to prepare for the worst, given our current reality. Owning precious metals rather than US greenbacks will help to protect the wealth that we have. And what better means of holding metals than with the most trusted bullion refiner in the world... **ENGELHARD**. And you can still pick them up for near spot value, in other words, **FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH** in silver value alone! So readers, *it's time we stop, hey, what's that sound, everybody look what's goin' down*.

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ⁱ If you haven't read G. Edward Griffin's 1994 book "The Creature from Jekyll Island", you MUST. If you've already read it, you might read it again. Timeless, priceless truth!