

# Open letter to the President of the USA



Dear President of the USA, this open letter is aimed to bring into your notice that in your next visit to Spain to have talks with Mr. Rajoy ([1](#), [2](#)) you are going to meet with the leader of a Franco-fascist party called Partido Popular (PP). This party is the continuation of another one called Alianza Popular ([AP](#)), which was founded in February 1976. Almost all the members of both parties (AP & PP) belonged to the ranks of the Franco's regime.

Manuel Fraga Iribarne ([1](#), [2](#), [3](#), [4](#)), one of the main founders of both political formations, was Interior Minister (*Ministro del Interior*) who hunted down democrats and people against the dictator. We must bear in mind that Franco was a war criminal who killed more than half a million people during the civil war, a war triggered after a coup d'état promoted by the Spanish Army, the Church, the

monarchs, the bourgeoisie, the aristocracy, the newspaper ABC, and the "good people" of the those days. It must not be neglected that after the civil war more than 100,000 people died in executions, concentration camps, and in overambitious mega-constructions aimed at becoming Franco's inheritance ([Monumento de los Caídos](#), hydroelectric dams, etc.). Also, more than 114,000 people are still missing, which makes of Spain *"the second country in the world after Cambodia, with the largest number of victims of enforced disappearances whose remains have not been recovered or identified."*

Franco was also an ally of both Hitler and Mussolini ([1](#), [2](#)) and Spain became the testing ground for the new war machinery that Germany had devised and which would be used in the 2<sup>nd</sup> World War . You may be thinking that this happened a long time ago as Franco died in November 1975, and that a democratic Constitution was accepted by the Spaniards in 1978, but today the PP still has this francoist ideology in its DNA, and ideology that is put into practice through "*democratic means*", I will explain:

(1) There are, at least, 165 streets in Madrid that bear francoist and fascist names, and more than 8,000 in the rest of Spain (except for Catalonia and the Bask Country); they represent a homage to those who helped Franco and his national allies during and after the war (you can ask the American Ambassador in Madrid about this), but the PP leaders say these streets represent pieces of the Spanish history. And on top of that,

the PP has enacted a law ([known as the gag law](#)) that forbids demonstrations against their policies and goes against the freedom of speech, a law very similar to one that in Franco's days prohibited the meeting of more than 6 people in the streets.

(2) The PP and PSOE allowed the creation of the "*Fundación Nacional Francisco Franco*" (National Foundation Francisco Franco), which has [received state subsidies](#), as well as the organization "[La Falange Española](#)", a sort of **Spanish SS ranks** that were at the service of the Franco's regime; this fascist group took part, together with the "Guardia Civil" (GC), in the persecution and murder of thousands of Spaniards who had fought against the Franco's army, or were intellectuals against the fascist regime during Franco's life.

(3) The PP has denied in numerous occasions to condemn the war crimes committed by Franco, his fascist army and the GC, and has always denied to position in favor of the "**Memoria Histórica**" (a democratic movement aimed at honoring those who died against the fascists). On the other hand, the PSOE, the historical opposition, has always feebly condemned the PP's strategies as a way to favor very big corporations (electricity and gas supplying firms whose price list of services are higher than the European average, although the Spanish minimum wage of workers is less than half of the average wage in the eurozone); this protective strategies has secured many PSOE and PP leaders a post in the board of directors of the supplying firms mentioned above: this is known as the "*revolving door*" system.

Probably, Spain has become the last redoubt of fascism in Europe, or the whole world, as the number of votes in favor of the PP is high. Many analysts insist on the theory that pensioners who vote for the PP are afraid of losing their pensions if **Podemos** (a political formation labeled as communist by the PP and PSOE) gains power, but the Church, the army, the Guardia Civil, the National Police (another iron hand at Franco's service), the aristocracy, the bourgeoisie, the managerial class, and many other groups of subjects who have benefitted from the PP's corrupt strategies represent a large number of voters; also, many other voters have believed the lies that this party has been spreading for nearly 40 years (the silliest the voters are, the better for the crooks). **Podemos**, though, is the outcome of people's anger against the fascist practices carried out by the PP, which include corruption, bribery, promotion of increasingly constrictive laws, manipulation of data concerning unemployment figures and deficit levels and many other crimes that in a real democracy would send many of their members to jail immediately, but as they (the PP) are also protected by judges whose political ideology is very close to theirs, their fears are non-existent as legal proceeding are endless, dismissed, or in any case of a jail sentence the PP can resort to pardoning the accused. A law that has protected more crooks than innocents since 1874.

The PSOE is a puppet for the PP and its economic allies (big corporations, board of employers, that is, all that staff who benefit from economic and labor laws that impoverish workers, that is the real driving force of a rational capitalism). On the other hand, another political party has also emerged as a consequence of the independence aspirations of Catalonia; they call themselves Ciudadanos (C's). Anyway, they are a "white label product" of the PP as his leader, Albert Rivera ([1](#), [2](#)), was a member of the PP organization **Nuevas Generaciones** in his youth. This party is playing both sides to get into politics in a more "substantial" way, and it because the board of employers and

big corporations are seeing in them the "spare part" they need to replace an over-filthy and corrupt PP one day.

Mr. President, I sincerely hope your visit to Spain may have been interesting and enlightening.

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