

POOR DONALD TRUMP GOT DUMPED



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Poor Donald Trump.

He's been having a terrible, horrible, no good, very bad day, every day for about the last six weeks. He lost the election, then in his battle to overturn things in court he lost and lost and lost and lost some more, each time more bigly than that last. But the worst day, the most terrible horrible no good very bad day of them all, had to be last Sunday, when the Russian electronic spying operation using Solar Wind to hack into highly sensitive government and corporate networks became public.

There has been a lot written about the potential damage of the Solar Wind mess, both in terms of national security and corporate secrets, most of which is speculation. But there is one bit of enormous damage that is obvious, not at all speculative, but is getting no attention at all from anyone.

Along with the rest of the world, Donald Trump just learned that he got dumped by Vladimir Putin.

*We almost made it up where they are
But losing your love
Brought me down hard
Now I'm just hanging, just getting by
Where expectations aren't that high, but*

*Here on cloud 8
A lotta nothing's going on
I'm just drifting day to day
Out here on my own
While up on cloud 9
I hear 'em party all the time
They don't hear my heart break
Down here on cloud 8*

Poor Donald. He just learned that Putin has been doing stuff behind his back, all while Putin has been telling him that he's Putin's BFF. It's been almost a week, and poor Donald still can't come to grips with it.

He's tweeted about getting the COVID-19 vaccines out ("Yay Me!") He's tweeted about the "fact" that he actually won the election and condemned everyone who has failed to have his back (Brian Kemp, he's looking at you). He's tweeted about bizarre public health theories ("masks and lockdowns don't work!"). He's tweeted about vetoing the defense bill in order to defend 19th century traitors. He's tweeted about Senator-to-be Tommy Tuberville, on whom he's pinning his hopes of overturning the election when the electoral college vote gets to Congress. He's tweeted against Mitch McConnell for arguing against this. But despite this flood of tweets, the one thing he can't bear to tweet about is being dumped.

And it's not just that he got dumped. It's that Putin cheated on him.

He cheated on Trump for months, privately whispering sweet nothings in his ear in their special phone calls, while working behind Trump's back. Worst of all, in Trump's mind the hack tells Trump that Putin believed that Trump would lose, and Putin needed to take advantage of Trump's blindness while he could.

And it's not just that Putin cheated on him and didn't believe in him. It's that everyone *knows* that Putin cheated on him

Angela Merkel knows. Boris Johnson knows. Emmanuel Macron knows. Justin Trudeau knows. Xi Jinping knows. Kim Jong Un knows. Jacinda Ardern knows. Even Andrés Manuel López Obrador knows about it, and Trump is sure that everyone in Mexico is laughing at him. Even the nobodies who rule those shithole countries know, and they're laughing too. Putin made him look like a fool in front of everyone in the whole cafeteria world, and they're all laughing at him.

And it's not just that Putin made him look like a fool. It's that there's not a damn thing that Trump can do about it.

Everyone knows that Trump has been played, bigly. Trump can't run a PR operation to deflect things. He can't deny that it ever happened. He can't say that he dumped Putin and not the other way around. He can't pretend it doesn't hurt. And he can't keep everyone in the whole damn world from talking about it, and from laughing about him behind his back.

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And before you think this is all a good laugh, and that Trump got what's been coming to him, I've got two words for you: John Hinckley. Something tells me that Trump does not take well to being dumped, being cheated on, and being held up before the world as a fool.

And that scares me.