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# Trump looking after number one

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**T**his week's golden nuggets, hewn from the igneous rocks of wisdom and experience come to you from China where I have travelled in the hope of doing a few deals to keep the 50 families who are fed directly by our business in enough profitable work next year.

As I type, the talk is all of Donald and Rocket Man's first date in Singapore, of Mr Trump's reserve seat in Hell for Canadian Prime Minister Mr Trudeau, and of the retaliatory trade strikes being planned by America's key al-

lies in response to Mr Trump's unilateral imposition of steel tariffs.

Trump became the most powerful man on the planet.

It was no accident. He is a ruthless "Democratic Dictator", a phenomenon which reaches deep into Brexit and recent electoral changes in Italy and spells the end of democracy as we know it.

Trump's strategy has been to attack America's friends and woo her enemies, which in the short term can provide benefits, mainly to his own power-base but carry eye-watering long-term cost to the world. Once you start emulating the dictators around the world you befriend, we are all under threat.

This includes you.

Mexico was insulted first with the notion of the wall it was going to have to pay to build. Now comes Canada. America's biggest ally has suddenly been conjoined with the Mexicans in a new Trumpian Axis of Evil of the free western

democracies. Who knew? They kept that so quiet.

Now he attacks America's staunchest allies around the world like the Europeans with a trade war over steel and seeks to destabilise and undermine western solidarity by threatening to withdraw from NATO, by withdrawing from global environmental agreements and by refusing to put his name to a G7 agreement. Start a trade war with China for good measure.

All in the name of democracy by the way.

It's important to discredit external independent analysis; hence the concept of fake news and sanctions against the "evil" media.

Just as important is to tolerate no dissention within your ranks, which is why turnover in his own team is triple that of Obama during the same period. Of course, it doesn't help when you have to fire the director of the FBI for investigating you for collusion with the Russians, who by



Donald Trump

the way, should surely be welcomed back into the G8 now, don't you think?

Laugh out loud!  
Moving your embassy to

Jerusalem will create more instability.

Trump's strategy. Keep your friends on their toes. Trade incentives with your enemies.

Eradicate disloyalty. Magnify mistrust. Make sure everyone knows who's boss. Look after number one. Mugabe. Mao. Mussolini. Move over.