The Vice-President is [now] only a heartbeat away from the presidency. So is 2024, the tock that is the tick of 2020. (August 14, 2020) (November 8, 2020)

November 8, 2020

I am shocked by Latinos (not Latinas) voting for Trump, not that they voted Republican. There is a fundamental difference between what the Republican party was before 2016 and 2020. Trumpism is here to stay.

The Republicans just found out that if not for Covid-19, Trump would have triumphed. If he came that close to winning again, then almost half the voters have embraced his machoistic bravado and misogynistic insults. And his lies, half-truths, misinformation, disinformation, QAnon, conspiracy theories, Proud Boys, and whatnot.

On Tuesday night I was glued to the TV. When Florida went red, I became moody blue. Apparently, the Cubans went all out and delivered the state to Trump. Yes, they played a major role and Trump was heading for a comfortable win.

The map was becoming crimson all around the middle and underbelly of America, places the Shahs of Sunset never want to visit. Borat’s latest film confirmed Reza Farah’s apprehension. The Democrats are more dangerous than Covid-19, according to Latinos like Ruiz Fernando:

“Baron Cohen's workaround is to expose them for an audience. In one sequence in the film, Borat stays with believers of QAnon — a fringe theory related to Pizzagate that claims the "deep state" is colluding against U.S. President Donald Trump. After they explain their beliefs around adrenochrome harvesting — a conspiracy theory that includes the assertion that Hillary Clinton harvests and consumes adrenaline from children — they balk at a fake medical book Borat shows them.”

CBC October 24, 2020

Rudy Giuliani, Trump’s personal lawyer, also got away with this:

“The reputation of Rudy Giuliani could be set for a further blow with the release of highly embarrassing footage in Sacha Baron Cohen’s follow-up to Borat. In the film, released on Friday, the former New York mayor and current personal attorney to Donald Trump is seen reaching into his trousers and apparently touching his genitals while reclining on a bed in the presence of the actor playing Borat’s daughter, who is posing as a TV journalist. Following an obsequious interview for a fake conservative news programme, the pair retreat at her suggestion for a drink to the bedroom of a hotel suite, which is rigged with concealed cameras. After she removes his microphone, Giuliani, 76, can be seen lying back on the bed, fiddling with his untucked shirt and reaching into his trousers. They are then interrupted by Borat who runs in and says: “She’s 15. She’s too old for you.”

Representatives for Giuliani have not replied to the Guardian’s requests for comment.” The Guardian
I went to bed with a heavy heart. They are voting for a President whose personal lawyer—claiming his client had discovered a massive voter fraud—was caught a few weeks earlier adjusting his pecker.

(I remember a quip heard 30 years ago where a beautiful fair-skinned woman was seen in the arms of an older, ugly, dark-skinned but rich husband: *Kaa jalebi lagiya*. The crow has taken the yummy *jalebi*. Giuliani was trying to taste the delicious daughter of Borat.)

I learned quite a bit about American elections over the next few days. And the worst of the incumbent President. (If he had even half the evidence of being cheated of the presidency Trump would have pulled his pants down on Fox News and demanded the Democrats kiss his arse, failing which he would sue the pants off them.)

**If Kennedy was my hippie dream of the 1960s Trump is my gangsta nightmare of the 2020s.**

(September 15, 2020)

Thankfully it is over. A weight has been lifted and my spirits have soared. We have Kamala Harris as the vice-President of the United States of America. This has been the most important political milestone for HALF THE SKY. With Biden already 77, Kamala Harris is on route to the Presidency.

I am going to follow Kamala Harris every step of the way to the White House. The next four years are going to be very exciting, far more than the 1960s. I did say this:

**The Resurrection is not the salvation of penance, pain, rituals of the Evening Empires. It is the redemption of a McDonald’s breakfast before watching whales in Tadoussac, Quebec.**

(September 28, 2020)

The Resurrection engages us in mind, body, and soul. Life has so much more to offer. And for those who want to accomplish the impossible, the 2050 future will become visible. Metaphorically, Kamala Harris is one of the Ten Hands of the Devi. It is all about the irreversible rise of HALF THE SKY.

The Vice-President is now only a heartbeat away from the Presidency. Experience the redemption of a McDonald’s breakfast for the next four years, and beyond.

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‘*It’s a Big Deal*: TV Coverage Notes Magnitude of Kamala Harris Victory

“The magnitude of this moment certainly is not lost on Black women and likely many women in general,” said the ABC News anchor Linsey Davis. “I’m especially thinking about the little girls of all colors, but in particular, Black and brown girls, because there’s so much power in seeing someone who looks like you.”

November 7, 2020

**Why Kamala Harris’ Win Is So Meaningful for Minorities, Immigrants and Women**

“My mom taught me to live life with integrity, be honest and to find ways to be resilient. These are the same characteristics that I see in Kamala Harris as she gets ready to enter the White House. Just like my mom, Kamala’s mother instilled those same values in her: to take pride in your culture, live life honestly and to find ways to uplift your community to help inspire those around you.”

November 7, 2020

**What Kamala Harris In The White House Means For Young Women Everywhere**

Harris wasn’t the only woman to make history in this election. Women built on the gains of the 2018 mid-terms, dubbed the “Year of the Woman”, when 127 women, including Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez and Ayanna Pressley, won seats in the Senate and the House of Representatives. Most of them were Democrats. After this election, there will be 134 women serving in Congress, which means that the trend, while slow, is going in the right direction. What’s more, these women represent a great swathe of American life: Cori Bush will become Missouri’s first Black congresswoman, Stephanie Bice of Oklahoma will be the nation’s first Iranian-American House lawmaker. Then there’s Yvette Herrell, who will become the House’s first Republican Native American woman. And Delaware, president-elect Biden’s home state, elected the first openly...
transgender female senator, Sarah McBride. November 7, 2020

Americans react to Kamala Harris's historic victory: 'Look baby, she looks like us.'
“Some supporters were overwhelmed by emotion after learning that President-elect Joe Biden and Harris won the election. Former Democratic National Committee Chair Donna Brazile cried while commentating about Harris's win on Fox News. CNN Commentator Van Jones wept openly about Biden's win and the impact a Biden-Harris ticket could have on minority families.” November 7, 2020

Women of colour – particularly Black women – saved America from the U.S. election abyss
As CNN's Abby Phillip said when a Biden-Harris victory looked likely: "For Black women this has been a proving moment for their political strength. Seeing a Black woman on the cusp of this moment is something that will go down in history. Black women put Joe Biden in the White House and they put a Black woman in the White House, and that is the poetry we'll live with for a long while." November 6, 2020

'A Long Time Coming': Black Women Celebrate Harris's Ascension
"The moment was also indelible for those who have known Ms. Harris, 56, for much of her life. Hers is a life that began in the Bay Area, as the child of immigrant academics from India and Jamaica, and included a high school experience in Montreal, Quebec; college amid the fertile Black intellectual loam of Howard, in Washington, D.C.; and a long, complex political career both on the West Coast and in the Senate." November 7, 2020

Harris smashing glass ceiling is victory for women of color
"Black women's role in the election of Biden and Harris demands that an agenda that centers Black and other working-class people is the priority of this next administration,” Hatch said. “When we’re talking to Black women, especially out in the field, they want to see a competent response to a pandemic. ... They want to see shifts in the way that our families are policed, overpoliced and overincarcerated. ... They want to be able to put food on the tables for their kids and send them to schools that are not only safe but allow their children to live their best lives in the future." November 7, 2020

Kamala Harris, daughter of Jamaican and Indian immigrants, elected nation’s first female vice president
"To see the joy of what is happening in this important moment in American history, with African American, Indian, Asian, Latino women coming together and seeing it in one woman, we understand that her election . . . will not only benefit all women, but her perspective of being able to look at the world through a lens of color will bring inclusion and opportunity," poet-activist Sonia Sanchez said.” November 7, 2020

Black women and girls cry and cheer over a historic victory for Vice President-elect Kamala Harris
But for Black women — 91% of whom voted for the Biden and Harris — and girls who spoke to Insider, Harris’ accomplishment as the first woman, Black, Indian, and South Asian elected as Vice President of the United States hits close to home and opens up a promising vision of representation on Capitol Hill. November 7, 2020

Kamala Harris, as first woman elected VP, says she 'won't be the last'
"And to the children of our country, regardless of your gender, our country has sent you a clear message: Dream with ambition, lead with conviction and see yourself in a way that others might not see you, simply because they've never seen it before. And we will applaud you every step of the way," she said. November 7, 2020

As Kamala D. Harris breaks barriers, India and Jamaica celebrate
"Harris’s groundbreaking win — she will become the first woman, the first Indian American and the first Black woman to become vice president — sparked jubilation thousands of miles away in her mother’s native country. And, in a reflection of her multiethnic heritage, Jamaicans also cheered Harris in the homeland of her father." November 7, 2020