

Wow I guess we are all fucked then.

As the UK approaches the end of the third fiscal quarter of 2020, it becomes important to address our trading relationship with the US as a main exponent in our economy as our society develops through rapid consumption of US products. In 2018, the UK made up the 5<sup>th</sup> largest export market from the US and already in 2020, the US has exported 29674 million dollars' worth of goods to the UK. Anyone who compares the US and UK can see the stark contrast between the international economic giant which is the US and our small island in the Atlantic who appear cling to relevancy as an international mediator, while remaining America's little brother who always seems to appear where they do. The question which the reader should therefore ask themselves is how the UK could change themselves to once again rival the US. This is brought under the spotlight when we see how the UK is accepting a great number of imports from the US, as we take in American products such as the wonderful Coca cola produced in Atlanta, Georgia, as we attempt to adopt Americanisms and emulate the lifestyle of our mighty Atlantic cousins. Despite being able to see Coca-Cola in every shop in the UK and a bottle of coke sitting in most fridges in our country, this is of course a slow process and we are attempting our best to catch up. It was estimated that in 2016, 36% of the American population was obese while the United Kingdom sat only at a saddening 26%, meaning we still have much further to go before the UK truly embraces the American way of life which made them most free country in the world.

Let us not get caught up on lifestyle changes however, as this will come in time and does not get to the crux of the issue. During the period in which western countries first began to move operations to developing countries, symbolizing the movement to the era of globalization and the economic growth which came as a result, infrastructure had to be set down so these countries could accept foreign enterprise. So is the case now that infrastructure must be laid in the fundamental principles which govern the way British people interact so we can truly mirror America's stature. We digest and regurgitate core American doctrine in imported cultural icons such as Friends, in which 8.4 million Britons tuned in to Channel 4 to watch the season finale to work out how these 6 plucky young New Yorkers embodied the American dream and helped teach us how we should live our lives. This is ultimately a continuous process and even now we must look at our cultural imports from the US.

Recently the murder of George Floyd taught us a valuable lesson about how the UK currently does not have the social infrastructure to adequately catch up to America. Just as the US erupted into conflict and rioting over the social disparity in the US, with widespread rioting occurring in cities such as Portland, Minneapolis and what can only be described as the construction of a true bastion of American freedom in the Capitol Hill Arsehole Zone, so too were the British eager to accept their American cultural imports as rioting also occurred in London. As with America, Britons came forth in the hundreds to protest institutional racism and police murders of unarmed people of colour within the UK. However, here we can see the disparity between the social infrastructure within the US and UK, as the protesters in the US wept for the 235 African-Americans killed by police in 2019, the London protesters who lamented for the tragic loss of our citizens only had one person of colour killed by British police to mourn, who also happened to be the London Bridge terrorist attacker. Just as the British are doing our best to chase America's obesity rate, so must we also do our utmost to chase this rate

of deaths from police if we have any hopes of meeting the staggering standards set by America's economic growth. In order to sufficiently adopt the Americanisms, the British people relentlessly import, figures like this must go up. Not only do we insist on importing US products, but also their social values and hysteria, and in order to do this we must lay down a social framework which we as a country currently don't have, but must work towards as a nation to truly realize the American dream and realize Britain's true potential. We, the British must do more as a country to see these quotas are met and our dreams be realized, and we are recognized as the western giant we wish to be.