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Friends,

Additional information on the recounting of votes.

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> Dear Colleagues:

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> To those of you who have watched TV this morning or read the newspapers, there is a lot of speculation about recounting votes in the swing states. "Is the recounting of votes in Wisconsin and possibly Michigan, North Carolina and Pennsylvania realistic?" The simple answer is no and here is why:

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> I was an election commissioner in Beaufort County for seven years including four as its chairman. I was there when BC changed from punch card voting to paper ballots counted electronically. (BC spent \$650,000 to purchase the equipment and we were the first county in SC to have a recording machine in each precinct). I was also the commission chairman when BC went from that system to what we have now: touch screen voting machines. FYI, punch card voting had a 2% voting error. Scanned ballots had 1% and the current touch screen systems have less than 1/2%!! (Mostly caused by the voter). It is nearly impossible to "rig" the voting machines. There is triple redundancy in these machines. Meaning that votes are recorded on three different devices.

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> And now the MOST important point: The voting results are transmitted by each precinct to election headquarters by a MODEM. And NOT over the Internet! Most of the concerns are that the Russians or someone has or could have "hacked" into the systems and altered the results. As far as I know not a single state in America transmits voting results from the precincts to their headquarters over the Internet. Or, "How would you hack in every single precinct modem transmitted results?" The answer is that it is somewhere between zero and none.

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> From what I have read and heard, this is their main reason for requiring a recount. It is a waste of time and money.

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> Trump won Wisconsin by over 10,000 votes. I doubt that the Democrats could find that many "found" absentee ballots as they did in Minnesota a few years ago to elect a clown as their senator.

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> Rest easy.

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> Regards,

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