

# **Trump and Market Volatility**

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**President Trump seems determined to pursue his tariff policy even if it means destroying the stock market which obviously is not happy with Trump's tariff policy. That comes as no surprise because Trump is putting America first while the investors are interested not in promoting America but in making money, and tariffs cut into profits, hence investors are selling fast. There are few groups that are more skittish than investors who want to protect and grow their investments. Investors from all over the world invest in the stock market. Investing is not restricted to Americans.**

**Wall Street is not interested in sacrificing profits to promote an America-first agenda. Wall Street is interested in one thing: MAKING MONEY. And if Wall Street investors can't make money in the U.S., then Wall Street investors will take their money and invest elsewhere. That's just the way it is. At some point, if the market continues to sell off, Mr. Trump and his cabinet will have to decide on whether to make a course change, which could have negative political consequences, or stay the course, ignore the damage being caused to the economy, to achieve their long-range political objective which is to make the United States the dominant trading nation in the world.**

**The market's volatility is being driven not by economic factors but political factors. If Trump announced that he is tabling tariffs, the stock market would**

**skyrocket. Ditto if the Fed announced another interest rate cut. The U.S, economy is the biggest and richest economy in history. Nothing comes close to it.**

**The U.S. GNP is FORTY TRILLION DOLLARS, the net worth of the United States is ONE HUNDRED FORTY TRILLION DOLLARS. The United States couldn't go bankrupt if it tried. The U.S. economy is driven by easy access to credit.**

**Everyone has a credit card. It is easy access to credit and a cheap currency that has produced unprecedented wealth.**