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The United States of America, which epitomizes unfeigned democracy, should not have just two political parties. There should be a third main political party to be an alternate to voters who may not be contented with Republicans and Democrats party nominees. Having merely two political parties is a democratic assault on Americans because there is encumber in the choices availed to them. Other leaders who are not members of the main two parties are unable to participate in the main electoral processes because they are incapable of getting an opportunity. There could also be an end to the opposition if Republicans and Democrats form a coalition government, and no one would put the regime in check.

Most countries reverence the US because they believe that it has a strong respect for human rights, and is a staunch defender of democracy. They argue that America believes in political plurality where citizens get the opportunity to choose their political leaders from a wide selection of candidates. This gives the US the audacity to rebuke nations that try to limit the political selections of their citizens. This is corroborated by contemporary examples such as Zimbabwe and Uganda, which repudiates the residents the opportunity to choose leaders from other parties. Members of opposition parties face intimidation to encourage them to abandon their parties and join the government. This leaves the citizens with only unscrupulous leaders to choose. There will be voter apathy in the US if Republicans and Democrats parties remain the main political parties (Janda, Berry, & Goldman, 2007, p. 234).

Additionally, allowing more than two primary political parties in the US will encourage a majority of persons to contribute to leadership matters. This, in turn, will attract copious governance ideas, which will elevate the quality of services that the government provides to Americans. This is because voters will select the candidate with the best and most realistic

manifesto. This is contrary to the case where only Republicans and Democrats sponsor candidates, which limits development ideologies to merely two individuals (Janda, Berry, & Goldman, 2007, p. 288).

Moreover, confining the US to just two main political parties may culminate in corruption when Democrats and Republicans opt to work together in government. For instance, the two parties may decide to form a coalition government. This will imply that there will be no opposition party in the US. The government, which will comprise members from both Democrats and Republican parties, will be able to contravene the law, and no one would raise the issue since there would be no other party to play the oversight role. In the case of multiparty, the third leading political party will still play an oversight role and oppose any governmental policy that may be detrimental to America's economy (Barrington, 2012, p. 174).

In conclusion, multiparty remains a major political menace to leaders who want to uphold the status quo because it permits them to deny their adversaries the opportunity to contest for political seats. This is disadvantageous to both residents of the US and the American economy. Voters have very few choices to make. In addition, some leaders may be the front-runners in Republican and Democrats nominations, but have questionable backgrounds. Due to these serious demerits of a two-party political system, the US should not have this political organization because it may not only culminate in voter apathy, but also destroy its relationship with other countries.

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