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In fact, Niccolò Machiavelli was an Italian Diplomat, Politician, Historian, Philosopher, Humanist, and Writer of the Renaissance Period. The term "Machiavellian" is often associated with Political Deceit, Deviousness, and Realpolitik. On the other hand, many Commentators, such as Baruch Spinoza, Jean-Jacques Rousseau and Denis Diderot, have argued that Machiavelli was actually a Republican. Machiavelli was born in a Tumultuous Era in which Popes waged acquisitive Wars against Italian City-States, and People and Cities often fell from Power as France, Spain, and the Holy Roman Empire battled for Regional Influence and Control. Political-Military Alliances continually changed, featuring Mercenary Leaders, who changed Sides without warning, and the Rise and Fall of many Short-Lived Governments.

After the expulsion of the Medici in 1494, Machiavelli was the Rising Star of the New Florentine Republic; a Brilliant Civil Servant, Secretary to the Second Chancery, and at the Heart of the Government. Then, in a Brutal Twist of Fate, the Republic fell, the Medici returned to Power and he was arrested, tortured and soon expelled from the City.

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Following the February Revolution of 1917, Nicholas abdicated on behalf of himself and his son. He and his family were imprisoned and transferred to Tobolsk in late summer 1917. On 30 April 1918, Nicholas, Alexandra, and his Mother Marie were handed over to the Local Ural Soviet in Ekaterinburg; the Rest of the Captives followed on 23 May. Nicholas and his Family were eventually murdered by their Bolshevik Guards on the night of 16/17 July 1918. The Remains of the Imperial Family were re-interred in St. Petersburg 80 years later on 17 July 1998.

Nicholas desperately wanted to go into Exile in the United Kingdom following his Abdication. The British Government reluctantly offered the Family Asylum in the UK, although it was suggested that it would be better for the Romanovs to go to a Neutral Country. The Offer of Asylum was withdrawn in April following Objections by King George V. The French Government declined to accept the Romanovs in view of increasing Unrest on the Western Front and on the Home Front as a Result of the Ongoing War with Germany (as the ex-Empress was regarded as pro-German). The Romanovs believed that various Plots were underway to break them out of Captivity and smuggle them to Safety. The Western Allies lost Interest in the Fate of the Romanovs after Russia left the War. The German Government wanted the Monarchy restored in Russia to crush the Bolsheviks and maintain Good Relations with the Central Powers....

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