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 **TODAY'S "SHORT TOPIC"**
**IF YOU REPEAT
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Here's what provoked me:

Sometimes ignorance needs no explanation!

Here's my response:

If You Repeat a Lie Often Enough

Michael Golding assures us he knows what threatens America ("Real threat is gun murder," August 18). He correctly points out that many more U.S. gun murders have occurred since 9/11 compared to domestic victims of "Islamic terrorism." While we must not give up on identifying and eliminating the causes of violence by firearms, Golding's cynicism and ignorance about the worldwide threats we face is truly astounding! And he blames conservatives and the NRA for misleading us.

Mix a whole bunch of wishful thinking by the public, with large and irresponsible doses of understated concern and foolish political correctness by the administration, and this happens. Soon is seen proof of the adage that if you repeat a lie often enough, eventually people will start believing it.

My friends, let us not "play our fiddle while Rome burns"! Mistrust and criticism of conservatives and the NRA is sometimes deserved. But let's not start making foolish comparisons which lead to false equivalencies.

Ignoring the deaths by firearms would be a threat. But Islamic terrorism is a much greater existential threat. Where in this "continuum of threat" should we assign the misguided thinking exhibited by Mr. Golding? Somewhere toward the top, I would say!