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## **THE BORDER: WORDS OF WISDOM**

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“We all agree on the need to better secure the border and to punish employers who choose to hire illegal immigrants. We are a generous and welcoming country here in the United States, but those who enter the country illegally disrespect the rule of law and they are showing disregard for those who are following the law.

“We simply cannot allow people to pour into the United States undetected, undocumented, unchecked, and circumventing the line of those who have been waiting patiently, diligently, and lawfully to become immigrants in this country.”

Postscript: That was Senator Barack Obama back in 2005. He had universal and enthusiastic support for those words. He would soon be President, and that’s what Presidents should say. In 2019, I dare say Obama would receive a similar reaction. But a contravening force has come on the scene. He wouldn’t make the same comment because Trump agrees with him. Obama would have to change his tune.

If Trump were to say those exact words today, he would be labeled a white supremacist, Nazi, racist, Herr Hitler, and worse. And to some people that contrast makes perfect sense.

It’s a fickle world and political system we watch so fondly.