



## **“By Any Means Necessary”**

*Democrats redefine the concepts of moral and ethical speech and behavior.*

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### **Key Points:**

- This phrase and philosophy entered the political lexicon in 1964 in a Malcom X speech.
- Became a Democratic Party operational concept and “bible” through the writings of Saul Alinsky, a Chicago Labor and Community Organizer.
- “ Rules for Radicals” is his primary book for spreading his philosophical approach to defeating authority and details his thirteen “Rules” and tactics for winning.
- Used by Barak Obama, Hilary Clinton, Bobby Kennedy, Cesar Chavez and others.
- Is a practical guide on how to “take power from the Haves and give to the Have-Nots”.
- Espouses that “The issue is not the issue; the issue is the revolution”.
- In Democrats “Holy” or “Just” War, using immoral or unethical practices is the only moral/ethical thing to do.
- To lose is the only immoral or unethical outcome.
- Are we ready for the fight?

Now that the election season is upon us, it is good for those of us who are not Democrats to understand what is meant by the phrase “by any means necessary” as used by Democrats, or more broadly, the left, as they redefine moral and/or ethical speech and behavior.

The term and concept, **“by any means necessary”**, came into being in French playwright Jean-Paul Satre’s play *“Dirty Hands”*. It entered the civil rights and political lexicon through a speech by Malcom X at the Organization of Afro-American Unity on June 28, 1964 and became a Democratic Party operational concept through the writing and teaching of Saul Alinsky, Chicago community organizer and author of the book *“Rules for Radicals”* (dedicated to Satan).

Alinsky was a brilliant Chicago Community organizer. His book was written as a guide to other community organizers (Barak Obama, for example, used and taught his rules and organizing technics) and has become a “bible” or field guide to the Democratic Party. Hilary Clinton wrote her senior theses on Alinsky and his rules and became a close friend. Robert Kennedy was a follower, as was Cesar Chaves, who worked with Alinsky for ten years.

This paper focuses on only one key concept of the book, his advice and perspective on winning “by any means necessary”. To consider “winning by any means necessary” we should first remember that while Republicans want to win elections and run the country according to the

language and constructs of the Constitution and other founding documents, Democrats want to “transform” the country into something it is not and to achieve this new reality they are in their version of a “holy war”. “Holy” or “Just” Wars require and accept winning “by any means necessary”.

Alinsky taught and practiced the theory that Community Organizers are fighting for a “Just World” and, therefore, must choose honorable and worthwhile intermediate goals to achieve on the way to their final goal, a “Just Society”; it then follow that any means used by them to achieve those goal are ethical, moral, and practical or, in Alinsky’s words, “the ends justify the means”.

He taught that a radical has a single principle: to take power from the “Haves” and give it to the “Have Nots”; that “the issue is not the issue; the issue is always the revolution”. That is, the underlying goal of overturning the system (government, corporation, etc.) and creating a new world that makes social injustice impossible is the true purpose of any intermediate action taken by a “radical”.

If, he taught, your goal is a “Just World”, then the moral code you live by requires you wage war without reservation. To Alinsky, “the most unethical of all means is the non-use of any means”. To lie and win is ethical, to tell the truth and lose the battle is unethical and immoral. It is, therefore, moral and ethical to use normally immoral and unethical means to achieve a goal. And finally, one caveat from Alinsky is necessary: “the tenth rule of the ethics of ‘means and ends’ is that you ‘do what you can with what you have and clothe it with moral arguments’. All effective actions require the passport of morality.” In other words, always, but always, claim the moral high ground.

Did Harry Reid lie when he said, just before the election against Mitt Romney, that Romney cheated on his taxes? It turned out this was not true; Reid’s answer when asked by reporters after the election was “we won”. The end justified the means.

Did Donald Trump collude with the Russians? Doesn’t matter; to create a “Just World”, to move the revolution forward, to get Trump impeached, those opposed to Trump have, according to Alinsky’s rules, been moral and ethical when they lied, leaked secret documents, used a false dossier for FISA warrants, etc. To not lie, to tell the truth, and leave him in office would be unethical as it leaves their community in an unjust world.

Was Judge Brett Kavanaugh guilty of the charges leveled at him in his confirmation hearings? Of course not; but the Kavanaugh hearings may be the perfect example of winning “by any means necessary”. And although Democrats were not successful in stopping Judge Kavanaugh’s appointment, they may have achieved their greater goal of stopping other potential President Trump appointments from accepting nominations.

Did David Stringer do what he was charged with in Baltimore more than thirty years ago? Irrelevant. The only ethical behavior for a “radical” would be to release the information to

destroy Mr. Stringer's reputation, even though he had already resigned as this action/means will achieve an intermediate goal (tainting Stringer), instilling doubt in other potential candidates, and move the left one step closer to a more Just World (flipping Arizona to a Blue state).

In his book "Barak Obama's Rules for Revolution: The Alinsky model", David Horowitz says "Conservatives think of war as a metaphor when applied to politics. For radicals, the war is real. That is why when partisans of the left go into battle, they set out to destroy their opponents by stigmatizing them as racists, sexists, homophobes, and islamophobs. It is why they so often pretend to be what they are not and rarely say what they are. Deception for them is a military tactic in a war designed to eliminate the enemy".

Note: Alinsky has thirteen rules to overthrow authority. Rule 12 is "Pick the target, freeze it, personalize it (pick a person), and polarize it". In other words, destroy him or her.

Conservative writer and pundit Charles Krauthammer wrote that ALL of our actions as people are, to some degree, political. Democrat activists live the same belief. They don't live in a world of "the election cycle" and the rest of the year. It is a battle three hundred and sixty-five days a year. They don't want to win an election; they want to politically, socially, financially destroy their opponent. They want to win the current issue and move one step closer to a "Just World". This means "flipping" Arizona one issue at a time while making it difficult, at best, for Republicans to compete and/or recover.

Are we ready for the fight?

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