Elephant Talk

Plano Republican Women

TFRW Region No: 3 Senate District No: 8

May 2022

President's Byline



The month of May has been an eye-opening experience for many Americans. Food shortages have become real, inflation is a relentless tax on the middle class with the Biden administration playing defense with every new crisis. Biden said he isn't a "mind reader", no one could have predicted these shortages. We don't need a president who is mind reader, we just want one who can read his daily briefings. We are seeing now what I call the Four Horsemen of the Democrat Apocalypse ride again with a vengeance punishing the average American family.

The first horseman is Authoritarianism. It is defined in Merriam-Webster's dictionary as relating to or favoring blind submission to authority or favoring a concentration of power in a leader or an elite not constitutionally responsible to the people. We have seen both from the

first day of the Biden Administration. The Bill of Rights is constantly under assault. Religion is treated like a pariah in our country. Free speech is called dangerous and should be suppressed in the public arena to "safeguard" the country from extremist thought, or groups (which is code for conservative speech). Nancy Pelosi called unfiltered free speech dangerous because it leads to Right wing thinking. People have lost their jobs over refusing to vaccinate themselves against COVID and we are only a few months past mandatory masking in most public places. Some people are allowing themselves to be herded like sheep by anything the CDC, or the Biden Administration commands. This is fascism at its finest being disguised at public health reform, and public safety. "We are here from the government to help you, shut up and listen". You aren't equipped to make decisions on your own about your body, your thoughts, or your children.

The second horseman is Abortion. This old argument has been used for 50 years, yet you see this tired, ghoulish concept rearing its ugly head again this election cycle because the Democrats feel they are on defense. The far Left have promised a Summer of RAGE over a potential change to Roe vs Wade by the Supreme Court. They can march in the streets and burn stuff down with impunity. Their protests will be called mostly peaceful and righteous. Infanticide has become their answer to poverty in black and brown communities, or any pregnancy deemed inconvenient to a woman. The Left stays ambivalent towards the real-life struggles of American women under soaring inflation. Real issues women face daily like the nationwide formula shortage, money issues, sky rocketing grocery cost, soaring housing prices and out of control gas prices have taken a back seat to abortion. For example, the formula shortage started in October of 2021 and reached crisis levels by March 2022, yet it was addressed like an afterthought for months, with the press reporting abortion as the biggest concern of American women.

The third horse is Eco-terrorism passed as Climate Change. Biden destroyed our energy independence on day one in office and like most globalists doesn't care because sky rocking gas and oil prices help to further their agenda. Biden announced on May 21st, we as Americans are head towards an all-electric future. Jen Psaki and the new press secretary, Karine Jean-Pierre tout the advantages of electric cars daily. They are even discussing making self-charging roads. Electric cars cut down on your autonomy. You have a finite distance you can travel soon to be controlled by the government. More electric cars are being purchased to save on gas despite the negatives of electric cars: limited mileage, expensive home charging stations, batteries that need to be replaced every five-years at an average cost of \$20K and that are dependent upon fossil fuel powered electricity. **So**, you have the appearance of clean energy without clean energy supporting this new technology. Solar and wind cannot generate enough power to support these cars. In Texas, we will have rolling brown outs this summer because we used too much energy this winter to stay warm, going over our government cap for pollution standards by the federal government. Seriously, think about that, Texas produces more natural gas, oil and wind power than any other state, but the government tells us how much we can use for ourselves.

The fourth horseman is Border Chaos, leaving dead bodies and broken lives in its path of destruction. The

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Tuesday, May 31st 2022 PRW Board Meeting 11:30 Napolis—West Plano

Tuesday, August 16th, 2022 PRW General Meeting 11:30 Saltgrass - East Plano

PRW Presidents Byline

Border Crisis has reached epic levels of illegal immigration. Every month over 200,000 people are crossing. The Left call this helping your fellow man. It's really a strategy to replace non-compliant Americans in the Middle and to the Right of the political spectrum with dependent lockstep voters for the next generation. The Border has become a place of human trafficking, and exploitation by the Cartels using human cargo with drugs as a secondary product. According to The Federalist, the cartels are making \$14 million a day smuggling people over the US border. In another article by the New York Post, the US government is spending \$60 million dollars a day to house just minors in cramped conditions using the same foil blankets the Left complained about under the Trump administration. The refugees also have access to pallets of infant formula stockpiled by WIC monthly for illegal aliens crossing our border while the rest of America goes without, including border control agents who can't find formula for their babies but must hand out free formula, a cell phone, clothes, and other care package items to non-citizens.

The message is clear, we need to change leadership this November desperately. We cannot put in office "go along to get along politicians" that are easily seduced by the Washington Cocktail Circuit. We need strong Republican leaders who will stand for American families. Stop this runaway inflation. Fix the supply chain problem that is creating shortages in medical supplies, food, energy, clothing and almost every faucet that controls everyday American life. The Left is putting forward candidates who are calling for the redistribution of wealth, abortion until the day of birth, the abolishment of gender, critical race theory in schools, open racism used for division and polices that shrink the middle class further.

In the coming months and years, we need to stand with the resolution of the Founders of this country. The next few months will be our modern-day Alamo played out on a larger battlefield. Texas must become energy independent using our energy as we see fit. We must stand firm and shout down the Left so they cannot continue to globalize this country, making us vulnerable to supply chain shortages. We must stop plans to give control of our public health to the World Health Organization for **any** public health crisis from further pandemics to "made up epidemics" like conservative speech or gun control. Right now, the Left is sounding the alarm that COVID numbers rise sharply in the fall. Just in time for the November Mid-term elections. We can expect them to fight for mail in ballots again.

We can bring back American exceptionalism. We can bring back strong family values. Conservatism must be the torch in the darkness to light the way back to common sense. The family unit must become the focus of society again, parents must be seen as the moral educators of their children. We need to bring back more manufacturing to our country and close the border. It should always be America first, in present and in the future.

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"CHEERS TO 60 YEARS!!!"



Plano Republican Women's 60th Anniversary Celebration was such a fun and wonderful evening, we hated to see it end. It was a rare and special occasion where we could celebrate our club history, our club members past and present, and have a great time dancing to 60's music and socializing. The 60's outfits were very cool, and the photo booth gave us all plenty of laughs. Let me know if you want to see your photo booth picture because I have a digital copy of them. All club members, sponsors and associates received a link to PRW's History in Photos. Contact me if you need it resent to you. There are 100's of photos from our 60-year history that I hope you'll find interesting.

Thank you to all members and special guests who attended. You really helped us celebrate a remarkable occasion. And to our **event sponsors** and **patrons**, we could not have done it without you. You helped to make our special evening possible.

Happy 60th Anniversary to PLANO REPUBLICAN WOMEN!

Debby Arrant, 3rd VP, PRW60th Anniversary Chair debbyarrant@verizon.net

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PRW August Meeting

NEXT GENERAL MEETING:

August 16, 2022

Since July 17, 1962 when the club for Plano Republican Women was founded, we have been working to advance conservative principles and candidates in Plano, Collin County, the State of Texas and Washington D.C.

Our daytime luncheon meeting is planned to make good use of time so members may stay up-to-date on issues in this community and in our country.

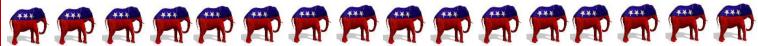
PRW Membership also supports TFRW, NFRW, literacy, education and local community service programs,

We invite you to join Plano Republican Women.
Please come to a meeting for membership forms and answers to any questions you may have about membership.

Location : Saltgrass Steakhouse Plano East

3320 North Central Expressway, Plano, TX 75074

Time: 11:15 am: Arrive and check-in, 11:30 am: Meeting, Lunch & Program







PRW May Photos

















































Cornyn Discusses Ukraine Visit and Support for Aid

Posted 05/17/2022

The Ukrainians' spirit and will to defend their country remains unbroken and undaunted, and Putin's plans have failed, and failed miserably.

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WASHINGTON – Today on the floor, U.S. Senator John Cornyn (R-TX) discussed last week's congressional delegation trip to Ukraine, Sweden, and Finland, and how the U.S. benefits from helping Ukraine. Excerpts of Sen. Cornyn's remarks are below, and video can be found here.

"We visited not only President Zelensky in the presidential palace but also visited two of what we hope will be the next members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, namely, Sweden and Finland."

"The Ukrainians' spirit and will to defend their country remains unbroken and undaunted, and Putin's plans have failed, and failed miserably. We saw this firsthand when we had a chance to visit Kyiv this weekend."

"He and his advisors warned us about the possibility of global food shortages caused by Russian blockade[s] of Ukrainian ports. This will lead to widespread famine not just in Europe, but throughout Africa, and spread the pain far afield from Europe."

"This week, as we know, the Senate will consider a supplemental funding bill to provide Ukraine with even more security and humanitarian assistance. I know there are some who disagree with more funding for Ukraine. To them, I would say this funding, this support, this military and humanitarian support, is not strictly an act of altruism on our part. We are doing this also because allowing Ukraine to defend itself is in our best interest."

"We can't kid ourselves by thinking Putin would simply end with his brutal conquest of Ukraine."

"Of course, in this situation, the cost of the United States doing nothing, of simply turning over this democracy, and our security, and our economy to Putin, well, that's greater than any cost that could come by a supplemental appropriation."

"I'm grateful to Leader McConnell for putting together this past weekend's trip. I found it enormously educational."

Cornyn, Leahy Bill Combatting Cybersecurity Attacks Signed Into Law

Posted 05/12/2022

WASHINGTON – U.S. Senators John Cornyn (R-TX) and Patrick Leahy (D-VT) today released the following statements after their *National Cybersecurity Preparedness Consortium Act*, which will authorize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to work with the National Cybersecurity Preparedness Consortium (NCPC) to help prepare for and respond to cybersecurity risks at the national, state, and local levels, was signed into law:

"We've already seen an increase in cyberattacks during Russia's war with Ukraine, and this kind of warfare will only become more common in the future," said Sen. Cornyn. "This legislation, now law, will help us prepare our critical infrastructure for cyberattacks at every level of government, and I'd like to thank Senator Leahy and the Administration for recognizing the urgency of this threat."

"Improving our communities' cyber readiness, response, and recovery in partnership with some of the finest academic institutions in cyber



security makes sense. With this new law, DHS and NCPC will be able to work over multiple years to raise the cyber skills of those they help," said Sen. Leahy.

Background:

The NCPC is comprised of university-based training entities including the University of Texas at San Antonio, Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service, the University of Arkansas, the University of Memphis, and Norwich University.

Under this bill, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security will be authorized to work with the NCPC to:

- Provide training to state and local first responders and officials, develop curriculums, and provide technical assistance;
- Conduct cross-sector cybersecurity training and simulation exercises for state and local governments, critical infrastructure owners and operators, and private industry;
- Help states and communities develop cybersecurity information sharing programs; and Help incorporate cybersecurity risk and incident prevention and response into existing state and local emergency plans and continuity of operations plans.

Cornyn: House Slow-Walking Police Protection for SCOTUS Justices & Families -

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After some negotiations, we were able to get this passed unanimously by the United States Senate. But it's currently hung up in the House, based on, I think, a misguided effort to include even law clerks of the Court.

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WASHINGTON – Today in the Senate Judiciary Committee, U.S. Senator John Cornyn (R-TX) discussed his *Supreme Court Police Parity Act* and a doomed-to-fail effort from House Democrats to expand the scope of the bill. Excerpts of Sen. Cornyn's remarks are below, and video can be found here.

"After some negotiations, we were able to get this passed unanimously by the United States Senate. But it's currently hung up in the House, based on, I think, a misguided effort to include even law clerks of the Court."

"There's some 40 law clerks on the Court. Nobody knows who they are. They're not protesting at their house. They're not threatening them with violence. But they are members of the Court, along with their families."

"Right now, we have two Justices with young families. When Justice Jackson is sworn in, that will make three Judges. She will benefit from this Police Parity Act."

"I just want to remind my colleagues, this does nothing except give the Supreme Court and the Supreme Court families the same protection members of Congress have. In other words, it provides powers that already exist for the Capitol Police to provide personal protection for members of Congress, but the Supreme Court does not have that sort of protection."

"I hope our colleagues who have some influence with the members of the House, particularly the House leadership, will encourage them to get this bill out the door today. I shudder to think what might happen if the Supreme Court members and their family are denied this sort of protection, which the Senate has unanimously supported, because it gets slow-walked in the House."



Political Cartoons

HERE SHE COMES JUST A WALKING DOWN THE STREET, SINGING









ACTORS STANDING NEXT TO THEIR STUNT DOUBLES



The U.S. Postal Service Just Came Out With a New Stamp



A quick fix for most of America's problems...



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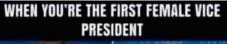


OSE THE BORDER

YOU SHUT DOWN DRILLING FOR OIL IN YOUR OWN COUNTRY TO SAVE THE ENVIRONMENT

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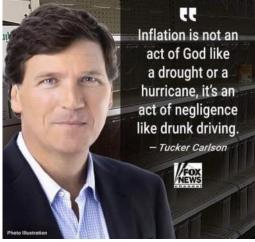
















I 🍚 America

by Ellen Leyrer

God Bless America

I love America. It seems we sometimes take America and all it means for granted. This month Americanism is all about being conscious – having it in the front of our minds – of what America means to us individually. Let's take time to consider the lyrics to these great songs and to be grateful and proud.

Color Me America (Dolly Parton)

I am red and white and blue
These are colors that ring true
To all I am and feel and love and do
I stand proud and brave and tall
I want justice for us all
Color me America, red, white and blue

I see red when evil speaks
Spilling red blood on our streets
And I feel blue from grief and sorrow that it brings
But the white, the light of love
God's own Spirit like a dove
Lifts us up and hands to us an olive branch

Oh, sweet freedom, may you stay

And may peace and beauty fill our hearts anew And may we all stand up for you May our thoughts and deeds be true And be worthy of your stripes...red, white and blue

I am red and white and blue
These are colors that ring true
To all I love and feel and see and do
Oh, I stand proud and brave and tall
I want justice for us all
So color me America, red, white and blue

Oh, sweet America
God won't you shed, won't you shed your grace on Thee
And crown Thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea
Oh, color me, color me America
Red, white and blue, color me America



America (Neil Diamond)

Far, we've been traveling far Without a home, But not without a star Free, only want to be free We huddle close, hang on to a dream

On the boats and on the planes They're coming to America Never looking back again, They're coming to America

Home, don't it seem so far away We're traveling light today In the eye of the storm In the eye of the storm

Home, to a new and a shiny place Make our bed and we'll say our grace Freedom's light burning warm Freedom's light burning warm Everywhere around the world They're coming to America Every time that flag's unfurled They're coming to America

Got a dream to take them there They're coming to America Got a dream they've come to share They're coming to America;

They're coming to America
They're coming to America
They're coming to America
They're coming to America today
Today, today, today, today

My country 'tis of thee (today) Sweet land of liberty (today) Of thee I sing (today) Of thee I sing today Today, today, today Today, today





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by Ellen Leyrer

God Bless the USA (Lee Greenwood)

If tomorrow all the things were gone I'd worked for all my life And I had to start again with just my children and my wife I'd thank my lucky stars to be livin' here today 'Cause the flag still stands for freedom and they can't take that away

And I'm proud to be an American where at least I know I'm free And I won't forget the men who died, who gave that right to me And I'd gladly stand up next to you and defend her still today 'Cause there ain't no doubt I love this land God bless the USA

From the lakes of Minnesota, to the hills of Tennessee Across the plains of Texas, from sea to shining sea

From Detroit down to Houston and New York to LA Well, there's pride in every American heart And it's time we stand and say

That I'm proud to be an American where at least I know I'm free And I won't forget the men who died, who gave that right to me And I'd gladly stand up next to you and defend her still today 'Cause there ain't no doubt I love this land God bless the USA

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Star Spangled Banner

Oh, say can you see By the dawn's early light What so proudly we hailed At the twilight's last gleaming?

Whose broad stripes and bright stars Through the perilous fight O'er the ramparts we watched Were so gallantly streaming?

And the rockets' red glare The bombs bursting in air Gave proof through the night That our flag was still there

O say, does that star-spangled Banner yet wave O'er the land of the free And the home of the brave?



















Taken from Matthew 5:14–16, America has been called a 'Shining City on a Hill'. As Jesus bade us, let us be a light unto the world; let us show the world the good, starting with those oft-repeated words, "Judeo-Christian values".

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good. "



















For entertainment and fact, I submit to you the following. Though read and watched 10 years ago, it is as timely now as it was then. Enjoy, then get ready, stand up, and stand together; conservatives must unite!

Video (16 minutes) - Andrew Breitbart Speech at CPAC, February 10, 2012. Speech delivered by the publisher of Breitbart.com, Breitbart.tv, Biggovernment.com, Bigjournalism.com, BigHollywood.com and Bigpeace.com at CPAC 2012 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CUBT0NiM7zA

A Call For Unity at CPAC 2012; We All Must Find Common Ground. (Author uncertain, appears to be David someone.)



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Excerpts:

The year [was one of turmoil for the conservative movement, as we faced a divisive counter-revolution by the Democrats and the media.

The Republican establishment, together with social conservatives, libertarians and the Tea Party, waged war against the [administration, the public sector unions, the mainstream media, [and the Progressive movement, writ large. And simultaneously, in these terrible economic times and our new, challenging political reality, we were unfortunately, too often, fighting each other.

Yet the last year has had [us] often fighting our own.

But we need to work with each other. Not against each other. We need to communicate better. We cannot let internecine battles and pressures of high-stakes politics separate us at a time when unity is needed most.

We need to unite. White, black, gay and straight. Tea Party, Social Conservatives, establishment types, Libertarians and Neo-Cons, alike. We all must find common ground. Not just for the sake of winning this monumental election. But to reclaim the [America of our founders].

[I will step up to the podium and in no uncertain terms declare a call to arms. Patriots need to unite behind our candidate, behind the GOP, behind the conservative movement. Or else.



And for the grand finale of this call to the patriot in each of us, I suggest that we all give conscious thought to the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America. Consider anew what it means and how we exhibit our allegiance.



I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America And to the Republic for which it stands, One Nation under God, Indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.



Ways to Engage - Be an advocate/activist

If you are not as engaged as you want to be, please consider what else you can add to your battle plans in this fight for America. There are dozens of ways to make a difference. Now is the time for conservatives to get engaged. Being the silent majority is not working. Here are some opportunities to engage:

Contact your representatives, local, state and federal: Call, Write, Email, Visit in person

With mid-term elections in November:

Precinct Chair – There are several vacancies, and this is a big opportunity.

Volunteer for candidates - phone calls and block walking, having a sign in your yard

Campaign, Donate, Become a Voter Deputy Registrar – you can register people to vote.

Be an election worker:

Poll greeter (no training required) Election clerk (training is available) Election judge (training is available)

City positions are critical too:

School Board, City Council, Planning and Zoning



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Other ways to engage and be informed:

- Attend other meetings You'll learn more ways to engage. You'll be more informed, you'll be entertained, and you'll be encouraged and energized by being with like-minded people.
- Heritage Action https://heritageaction.com/about-sentinel 'Sentinel' program for advocates/activists
- Plano Conservatives on https://nextdoor.com/
- Texas Scorecard https://texasscorecard.com/texas-minute/
- Plano Citizens' Coalition https://planocitizenscoalition.org/
- Texas Eagle Forum https://www.texaseagleforum.com/
- True Texas Project www.TrueTexasProject.com also has an advocate option
- Heritage.org https://www.heritage.org/ The World's Leading Think Tank for Policy Impact
- Citizens for Free Speech www.CitizensForFreeSpeech.org advocate arm, Citizen Ninja (training)
- Save Our Elections www.SaveOurElections.com

Stand up. Speak out. Reach out.

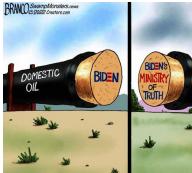
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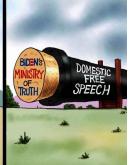
Made in America - https://www.madeinamerica.co/pages/thelist

Texas Republican Party Platform

https://texasgop.org/platform/

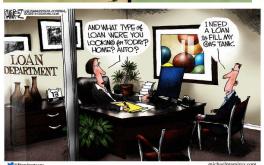








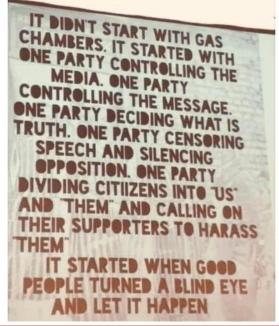






I could really go for Fully stocked shelves, \$1.80 gas, 1.7% inflation, and a Mean Tweet right now.

If your college degree doesn't have enough value for you to pay it off, it certainly doesn't have enough value for me to pay it off.





Constitutional Minute Series



WHO Treaty Panic Propaganda and a Real Solution

By: KrisAnne Hall|Published on: May 16, 2022|Categories: Treaty Power

Panic propaganda is a political tool designed to elicit an emotional response rather than a reasoned and factual one. Panic propaganda doesn't have to be completely false, as a matter of fact, the best propaganda contains a very serious element of truth that is dressed in the most fantastic deceptions causing the people to react in fear rather than analyze facts.

Biden's Panic Propaganda du jour is the notion that he is about to sign an agreement with the World Health Organization that will "end American sovereignty." It is true that the countries of the WHO are going to meet on May 22 to sign a health agreement. It is true that the Biden Administration has proposed certain amendments. That is where the element of truth ends. The rest is panic propaganda and here is why:

1. Biden does not legally possess the authority to force the WHO agreement upon America.

The President of the United States has certain authority in foreign negotiations established by Article II of the Constitution. The President does have the authority to *negotiate* Treaties according to Article II Section 2 Clause 2 of the Constitution. However, those treaties are not finalized and binding upon the States and the people of America without a two-thirds majority of the Senate:

[The President] shall have Power, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Senate, to make Treaties, provided two thirds of the Senators present concur..."

2. Without the Senate, there is legally no Treaty.

The President is not authorized to make unilateral, binding "deals." As a matter of fact, the office of the President was intentionally denied that authority because it was an authority that resembled too closely that of a king. The creators of our Constitution were particularly concerned about the power of Kings, for good reason.

The [President] would have a concurrent power with a branch of the legislature in the formation of treaties; the [King] is the sole possessor of the power of making treaties. -Federalist #69

If there is no Senate, then there is no Treaty. If there is no Treaty, then the "agreement" is not binding upon the people or the States. Even IF the Senate would sign on to a "treaty" that would allegedly "end American sovereignty," that treaty would not be binding on the people or the States because the Constitution does not authorize the federal government to control any aspect of America's Sovereignty. This fact is codified in Article VI clause 2 of the Constitution:

...all Treaties made, or which shall be made, under the Authority of the United States, shall be the supreme Law of the Land; and the Judges in every State shall be bound thereby... (emphasis added)

3. Only Treaties (not agreements) that are made "under the Authority of the United States" (according to the terms of the Constitution) "bind" the States.

Any Treaty not made according to the terms of the Constitution (and every agreement) SHALL NOT bind the States. Therefore, legally and Constitutionally, is it irrelevant what this administration signs. Legally and Constitutionally, it is irrelevant how Congress votes on the matter. The WHO agreement does not rest "under the Authority of the United States," therefore the States are not legally or Constitutionally required to follow it. And in those FACTS rests the solution to this administration (or any presidential administration of the past, present, or future) signing the WHO agreement, or any other like it.

4. The solution offered to "call your US Congressman" to stop the "signing of the WHO agreement" is NOT the true solution.

As a matter of fact, this proffered "solution" is no solution at all. It is a distraction from the real and most powerful solution. In my opinion, herein lies the purpose of the "panic." Remember, the purpose of panic propaganda is to sow fear in the heart of Americans and cause them to react as directed rather than to use fact and reason to actually solve the problem. Using facts and reason, since the WHO agreement is NOT ratified by 2/3 of the Senate and it is NOT "under the Authority of the United States," the "States are NOT bound" to it. Therefore, the solution to this WHO agreement problem doesn't begin with the US Congress, it begins with your State and local governments.

5. It is not a reasonable and efficient use of our resources to "call our US Congressmen" to stop the Biden Administration from signing this agreement.

Misdirecting the people to a federal non-solution has its benefits for those in the federal government. It keeps false power in place, keeps the people falsely focused upon the federal government instead of their local government, and keeps the people discouraged and defeated, thinking they have no power at all because the offered solution (as the only solution) will not work!



Constitutional Minute Series



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It is a reasonable and successful use of our resources to call, email, and speak to our Governors, State Legislators, and Sheriffs to make sure that they will not allow anything from this WHO agreement, if signed, to be enforced in your State or county. By sheer consideration of population and geography, the people of a State have more access and reasonable ability to influence their State and local governments than the US Congress.

It is highly unlikely that the US Congress is going to listen to the people at this point. It is highly unlikely that the US Congress is going to do anything at all, except create political talking points. The Governors, Legislators, and Sheriffs of each State must send a clear and palpable message to the Biden Administration that if this WHO "agreement" is signed the States will not abide by its terms. They must tell the Biden Administration publicly and in no uncertain terms that the federal government will not exercise any authority deriving from this WHO agreement in their State and neither will the WHO. THAT is the reasonable, powerful, and successful solution to this WHO agreement problem.

6. Why aren't the American people being directed to the most factual and successful solution?

I will let you ponder that question.

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PRAY FOR UVALDE, TEXAS







With the tragedy in Uvalde this week I know we are all struggling with our emotions and looking for answers that will keep our children safe and still preserve our right to protect our families. Our children need more than our prayers, they need our best effort to protect them from others and from themselves. Trying to balance gun laws, red flag warnings, school security and mental health awareness can be overwhelming. I hope that this poem of hope and the discussion on how we got here will answer some questions and help work through this critical problem. If this problem was easy we would have solved it by now, however now is the time to work together to find a solution.

I'm not sure who wrote this but isn't this beautiful:

Twas' 24 days into the month of May, when 19 beautiful children stormed through Heaven's gate.

Their smiles were contagious, their laughter filled the air.

They could hardly believe all the beauty they saw there.

They were filled with such joy; they didn't know what to say.

They remembered nothing of what had happened earlier that day.

"Where are we," asked a little girl, as quiet as a mouse.

"This is heaven," declared a small boy. "We're spending the rest of eternity at God's house."

When what to their wondering eyes did appear,

But Jesus, their Savior. The children gathered near.

He looked at them and smiled, and they smiled just the same.

Then He opened His arms and He called them one at a time by name.

And in that moment was joy, that only Heaven can bring.

Those children all flew into the arms of their King of Kings.

And as they lingered in the warmth of His great BIG embrace, One small girl turned and looked at Jesus face to face.

And as if He could read all the questions she had,

He gently whispered to her, "I'll take care of Mom and Dad."

Then He looked down on Earth, at the world far below.

He saw all of the hurt, the sorrow and woe.

Then He closed His eyes and He outstretched His hand,

"Let My power and presence re-enter this land!

May this country be delivered from the hands of fools.

I'm taking back my nation. I'm taking back my schools!"

Then He and the children stood up without a sound.

"Come now my children let me show you around."

Excitement filled the space, some skipped and some ran; All displaying enthusiasm that only a small child can.

And I heard Him proclaim as He walked out of sight,

"In the midst of this darkness, I AM STILL THE LIGHT."













Why Gun Control Doesn't Work - NRA-ILA Institute for Legislative Action

The Second Amendment guarantees law-abiding Americans the Right to Keep and Bear Arms. But over time, gun control laws have placed limits on that freedom.

Some politicians and gun control proponents argue that these laws are necessary — even at the cost of infringing upon a fundamental American right. But the fact is, **gun control doesn't work the way advocates argue it does.**

What is Gun Control?

Gun control is an umbrella term that refers to laws and ordinances that restrict how law-abiding citizens can buy, own, or use fire-arms. These vary at the federal, state, and local levels.

This means that while the Second Amendment protects your Right to Keep and Bear Arms, there may be different restrictions placed upon that right depending on where you live.

Gun control at the local level ranges widely. For example, in some towns, citizens who are licensed to carry concealed firearms cannot do so in public parks. And in Chicago, it's unlawful to own most semi-automatic firearms.

Federal gun control legislation like the Gun Control Act of 1968and the Brady Handgun Violence Prevention Act (1993) **created nationwide requirements that make it more difficult to obtain a firearm.**

These laws have been in place for decades, and by now, the evidence is crystal clear. **Gun control doesn't work. Some of the key reasons are detailed below.**

Criminals Don't Obey Gun Control Laws

Criminals, by definition, do not obey the law. Gun control laws only affect law-abiding people who go through legal avenues to obtain firearms.

Criminals overwhelmingly obtain their firearms through illegal channels and will never be deterred by state and federal laws. **That's why background checks have virtually no impact on criminals**.

A 2016 Obama administration study by the Bureau of Justice Statistics examined how prison inmates obtained the firearms they used during crimes — and the results weren't surprising. The study found that only about 10.1% obtained their firearms through a retail source.

The vast majority of criminals obtained their firearms through other means, including:

- Illegal underground sales
- Bought, borrowed, traded, or rented from friends or family
- Gifts
- Purchased by another individual for them
- Theft
- From their victims
- From the scene of a crime

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Criminals who go through illegal avenues to obtain firearms aren't going to submit to background checks while doing so. Ultimately, only law -abiding citizens would be impacted by expanded background checks.

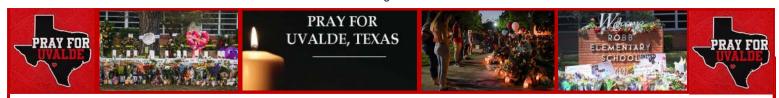
Background Checks Aren't Effective

Even if criminals did submit to background checks, we've seen that these checks aren't effective at stopping those who intend to use guns to commit crimes.

Consider the following scenarios.

A person with no criminal history walks into a store to buy a gun they'll use to commit a crime. A background check most likely won't stop them.

A drug addict lies about their addiction on a federal background check form. Although this individual is committing a federal crime, a background check most likely won't stop them.



A person with serious mental health issues but no history of treatment or institutionalization goes to buy a gun. A background check most likely won't stop them.

It makes sense then that background checks have no impact on violent crime.

Just take a look at California, a state that's had background checks in place for decades. In 2018, a study was released that examined the effect of comprehensive background checks on the state. The study examined nearly two decades (1981-2000) of data and found that background checks had no effect on homicide rates in California. [2]

Again and again, firearm background checks have proven to be ineffective. What we do know is that they simply make the gun buying process more difficult for law-abiding citizens.

Crime Goes Down When Good Guys Have Guns

On the other hand, allowing law-abiding citizens to more easily access firearms does help reduce violent crime.

Gun control advocates have long promoted the idea that making firearms more accessible would increase crime. But time has told a different story. **Gun ownership is up, and violent crime is down overall.**

Let's look over some quick facts:

- Over the past three decades (1991-2019), violent crime rates have dropped by more than half. The number of privately-owned firearms in the United States doubled in that same period. [3][4]
- The number of people carrying a firearm for protection outside the home has also risen to all-time highs as violent crime dropped. [5]
- Mass murderers have repeatedly been deterred or stopped by citizens carrying lawfully concealed firearms. [6]
- Concealed carry laws help reduce the number of rapes and robberies overall. [7]

It makes sense that criminals would be far less likely to commit a crime if they believed their victim might be armed. In fact, a major study of 2,000 felons in state and federal prisons across the United States showed that criminals actually fear armed citizens *more than they fear the police*. [8]

Cities with the Strictest Gun Control Have the Highest Crime Rates

Does gun control reduce crime? The evidence says no.

In fact, cities with some of the most stringent gun laws, like New York and Chicago, suffer from some of the highest violent crime rates.

Shooting and murder rates in Chicago surged 50% in 2020, and that city recorded the highest number of gun-related homicides on record. [9] Gun-controlled Chicago became the most murderous city in the country.

New York City saw similarly alarming statistics. In 2020, homicides increased 41%, and shootings increased an astounding 95%. [10]

Studies have shown that homicide rates tend to rise when law-abiding citizens are unable to own and carry firearms for self-defense. [11] And the recent statistics from some of the country's most anti-gun cities confirm this conclusion.

Gun control doesn't work, so what does?

The Solution: Crime Control

The simplest solution is crime control — enforcing existing laws aimed at criminals who carry and use firearms to commit their crimes.

We know that homicides in cities trend down when elected officials encourage solid police work and harsh penalties for gun criminals. We've seen it work in past years in Chicago when the city gave additional resources to law enforcement.

We've known for decades that crime control works. A good example is "Project Exile," a program launched in Richmond, Virginia in 1997. Faced with a sky-high homicide rate, Richmond prosecutors began enforcing existing gun laws to the fullest, imposing lengthy sentences against drug dealers and other criminals who were carrying firearms illegally.

The project was an enormous success. Law enforcement took hundreds of illegal guns off the street, and Richmond's homicide rate plummeted. [12] Other cities implemented the program with similar success. In short, "Project Exile" demonstrated beyond a doubt that focusing on gun criminals, not placing undue burden on law-abiding citizens, is the best way to curb violent crime and make the American people safe.

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Whitlock: Dave Chappelle attacker a symptom of the BLM-LGBTQ 'replacement theory' undermining the American family

By JASON WHITLOCK, May 5. 2022

Will Smith did not beget Isaiah Lee, the 23-year-old wannabe rapper who attacked comedian Dave Chappelle. Black Lives Matter bred Lee.

On the surface, it makes sense to assume that the Will Smith "slap heard 'round the world" inspired Lee to run on stage at the Hollywood Bowl and tackle Chappelle Tuesday night.

A month ago, Smith struck Chris Rock on the Oscars stage, calmly sauntered back to his front-row seat, berated Rock from the audience, and 20 minutes later returned to the stage to deliver an acceptance speech for the night's biggest award. Smith and the Academy Awards set an ugly precedent. The wildly popular actor assaulted an extremely popular comedian for a harmless joke and suffered no real consequences for his lawless behavior.

Like the rest of America, I'm sure Lee took note of Smith's brazen act. But I'm equally sure Isaiah Lee did not fashion himself as the second coming of Will Smith, a billionaire celebrity. No, Lee's role models are the entitled, angry, and identity-confused victims who fashion themselves as social justice warriors under the names Black Lives Matter and Antifa, the enforcement arms of the Democratic Party and the LGBTQIA+ Alphabet Mafia.

Like the rest of America, for nearly a decade, Lee has watched BLM and Antifa rioters burn and loot cities and physically intimidate and harass their opponents without suffering legitimate consequences for their lawless behavior. If a BLM or Antifa supporter sees or hears something they don't like, they've been encouraged to take swift, violent action in response. Kamala Harris, LeBron James, and social media influencers will defend their actions and raise money for their legal defense.

That is the fate Isaiah Lee envisions for himself. He sees himself as a mercenary in the BLM-LGBTQIA+ replacement theory culture war. He expects to be treated as a hero among the confederation of revolutionaries replacing "Western Civilization-prescribed, nuclear family structure with extended families and villages that collectively care for one another, especially our children, to the degree that mothers, parents, and children are comfortable."

That's the goal of Black Lives Matter. It was one of the organization's original public policy positions. BLM didn't say "replace" nuclear family structure. It said "disrupt" the nuclear family structure. It's the same thing. The Alphabet Mafia wants to replace God's natural order for family. That's the replacement theory destroying America.

Dave Chappelle is a dues-paying member of a nuclear family. He lives in small-town Ohio with his wife and kids. That family structure informs his humor and point of view. It's why he's had such a hard time in Hollywood. He struggles to get completely on board with the Hollywood agenda. He complained about and subsequently refused to wear a dress for a role in a movie. He mocks transgenderism. The LGBTQIA+ wing of the Alphabet Mafia despises Chappelle. They want him silenced.

Shortly after being attacked, Chappelle jokingly described Lee as transgender. There's no evidence that's true. There is evidence that Lee fits the profile of a disaffected BLM and Antifa mercenary. Lee grew up a ward of the state and was eventually raised by an activist grandmother who died unexpectedly when Lee was 14. In recent years, he lived with his brother and his brother's girlfriend. Neighbors told reporters that Lee was volatile and easily frustrated. He posted social media pictures of himself wearing devil homs. He painted his fingemails black.

Lee is not a Will Smith wannabe. Lee looks like the kind of guy leftist billionaires fly all over the country to promote mayhem whenever a white police officer harms a resisting black criminal suspect.

Black Lives Matter created Isaiah Lee. America's rotting family structure created Isaiah Lee. The rot is far more than our rapidly rising divorce and illegitimacy rates. It's not just single-parent and divorced-parent kids running wild in major cities. Pampered, delusional, ungrateful, and bitter two-parent kids are running wild on college campuses.

Too many American parents have prioritized money, flat-screen TVs, smartphones, laptops, video games, lavish vacations, designer clothes, and multiple cars well ahead of faith, authentic engagement, patriotism, discipling, and fostering a culture of forgiveness and gratitude.

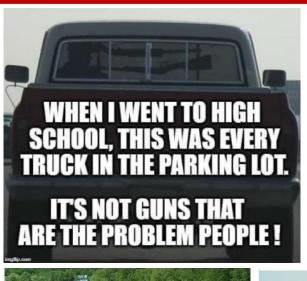
America has raised a generation of bitter and narcissistic radicals. Our young people are obsessed with recording their own personal history. They're stars of their own "Truman Shows."

Isaiah Lee jumped on stage because he needed the content for his YouTube page and Instagram feed. It's the same reason thousands of idiots swarmed Kenosha to protest the shooting of Jacob Blake or Minneapolis to protest George Floyd's assisted suicide/murder. The "protesters" are content creators. In hopes of building a profitable following, they record everything on their smartphones. If they're lucky, they could be the next Shaun King or DeRay Mckesson.

Isaiah Lee wants to be a rapper. That's about all he has in common with Will Smith.

Everything else about Lee screams Jussie Smollett and Black Lives Matter, a bitter opportunist looking to elevate his profile, and a sad victim of the decay of the American family.

Political Cartoons



"I don't remember a single school shooting when I was a kid. What I do remember is our teacher having us begin the day reciting the pledge of allegiance, reading from the Bible and praying. We also had the Ten Commandments on the wall.

Maybe getting rid of those things wasn't such a good idea after all!"



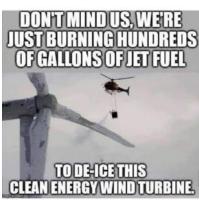
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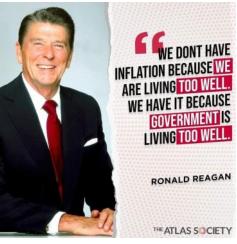


After 9-11 we didn't ban planes. We secured the cockpits. Secure the schools.

My view on "Gun Control" made simple.

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Disney Facing Financial Disaster As Anti-Woke Backlash Builds Across The Country

By Jess Lawson, for BlueStateConservative.com

Large companies inevitably have scores of metrics they use to gauge how well they are performing. Elements such as workplace safety, customer satisfaction indices, and employee engagement survey results are just a few examples of what a major corporation might track to ensure things are going in the right direction. A woke company such as The Walt Disney Company has undoubtedly established a multitude of 'equity' and 'diversity' standards as well. Such is the world we live in.

But make no mistake – at the end of the day, after all the peripheral issues have been examined by a company, and once the dust settles from the fluff of the tangential priorities being pushed by its various departments, there is nothing more important to Disney or any other company than the reports that come one group: Finance and Accounting.

If a company's financial performance is up to par, executives might focus on "employee sensitivity" initiatives and "social responsibility" objectives. But if a company's income statement starts to tank, those secondary concerns get put aside in a hurry. And after all their wokeness and virtue-signaling, the Disney Company now has a financial dumpster fire on its hands.

According to <u>Bloomberg</u> News, shares of Disney stock this year have dropped by a remarkable 28% as of Friday, only one-third of the way through the year. As Breitbart <u>explains</u>, 23.5% of that decline has come since the beginning of March, around the time when Disney CEO Bob Chapek inexplicably decided to bow to the wokesters in his company and pick a fight with Florida Governor Ron DeSantis.

Since that time, Disney has lost the special autonomous privileges in Florida that had previously made their operations there akin to the Vatican and the rest of Italy. They've lost over \$60 billion in market capitalization. And Disney stock is the single worst-performing stock making up the Down Jones Industrial Average (DJIA) during that period.

For a company on the DJIA, these results are catastrophic, and there's little doubt that America's rejection of wokeness is a driving force. Consider this video of Chapek and how such fawning plays with a majority of America:

Christopher F. Rufo Mon Twitter: "NEW: Disney CEO Bob Chapek grovels, apologizes, and pledges to "be a better ally for the LGBTQ+ community." He delegated the company's moral authority to the "LGBTQIA+ Advisory Council" and now those internal activists have taken him as an ideological hostage. https://t.co/efOSOmb47a" / Twitter

How do you think that video plays in Peoria? Or Akron? Or Topeka? And don't think investors haven't noticed, as well as other companies.

Ultimately, this result is what must happen. It's a difficult lesson for Disney and an exceptionally costly one as well. Other CEOs at other companies have taken note and are examining how they should proceed so that they can avoid being the next Disney, and for those executives, we have this advice:

- 1. Don't inject you or your companies into a political debate unless it directly relates to your industry. For instance, if Chapek had weighed in on labor regulations, that would have been fair game.
- 2. Know your customers. Disney used to be a company that was adored by parents as an American icon and for its traditional values. That veil has been lifted and their reputation destroyed.

Don't allow your inmates to run the asylum. Employees don't decide company policy, you and other members of your leadership team do. Tell employees who don't like your policies to take a hike

Is this advice too late for Disney? Almost certainly, unless they do an abrupt about-face and backtrack quickly. But hopefully, other companies will get away from kowtowing to vocal but vastly outnumbered leftist employees and resume focusing on what's best for their company.

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BIDEN'S INFLATION BLAME GAME

May 18, 2022

President Biden took to the stage last week to blame inflation on anyone but his own failed policies. Americans don't buy his diversions, or his embarrassing attempts to attribute responsibility to any host of targets. The President inherited a strong economy that he is singlehandedly destroying, a secure border that he is determined to make more porous, and a thriving energy sector that he is regulating

out of business. His Democrat enablers in Nancy Pelosi and Chuck Schumer continue to support this radical Administration, even as the American people suffer under their watch. The Biden agenda has harmed every facet of American life, from rising gas prices to baby formula shortages.

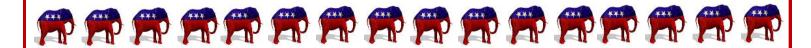
Inflation reached 8.3% in April, exceeding economists' estimates of 8.1% or better, but this was no surprise for the American people who've experienced rising prices every month since Biden took office. The President likes to claim "I think our policies help, not hurt" but, families and businesses across the country are living a reality that this radical administration clearly can't understand. Main Street America is less optimistic than they've been in 48 years according to a National Federation of Independent Business survey.

Let's understand the real damage that the Biden Administration has levied on the American people: Mortgage rates are rising to 2-decade highs, GDP is shrinking, inflation continues to rise uncontrollably, and gas prices are surpassing the highest levels ever recorded. When President Biden says "I want every American to know that I'm taking inflation very seriously" his actions tell a patently different story.

Democrats have control of the White House and both chambers of Congress, but the President spends his time slandering republicans and lobbing incoherent attacks on President Trump, forgetting that he is accountable for the failures of his policies, no one else. The Democrats' one-party rule in Washington is solely responsible for the current state of the economy and every American is paying the price.

Not since Jimmy Carter have we witnessed a President so disengaged from reality or lacking any sort of empathy for the wellbeing of the American people. American taxpayers demand more of their leaders than what's being delivered by the liberals in power. To date, there has not been a single path forward or plan of substance to reverse the on-slaught of damage occurring nationwide. Parents are struggling to feed their babies, gas prices are untenable, and a routine grocery outing has become an exercise in austerity. The American people deserve and must demand better from this President and Democrat leaders in Congress. Time is running out to prevent irreversible damage.

Roger Williams
US Congressman, District TX 25





MY 401K IS CRUSHED AND I CAN'T AFFORD FOOD OR GAS



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The WHO Treaty Is Tied to a Global Digital Passport and ID System

Aaron Kheriaty, May 24, 2022 Updated: May 25, 2022

Commentary

The World Health Organization recently announced plans for an <u>international pandemic treaty</u> tied to a digital passport and digital ID system. Meeting in December 2021 in a special session for only the second time since the <u>WHO</u>'s founding in 1948, the Health Assembly of the WHO adopted a single decision, titled "The World Together."

The WHO plans to finalize the treaty by 2024. It will aim to shift governing authority now reserved to sovereign states to the WHO during a pandemic by legally binding member states to the WHO's revised International Health Regulations.

In January of 2022, the United States submitted proposed <u>amendments</u> to the 2005 International Health Regulations, which bind all 194 U.N. member states, which the WHO director-general accepted and forwarded to other member states. In contrast to amendments to our own constitution, these amendments will not require a two-thirds vote of our Senate, but a simple majority of the member states.

Most of the public is wholly unaware of these changes, which will impact the national sovereignty of member states.

The proposed amendments include, among others, the following. Among the changes, the WHO will no longer need to consult with the state or attempt to obtain verification from the state where a reported event of concern (e.g., a new outbreak) is allegedly occurring before taking action on the basis of such reports (Article 9.1).

In addition to the authority to make the determination of a public health emergency of international concern under Article 12, the WHO will be granted additional powers to determine a public health emergency of regional concern, as well as a category referred to as an intermediate health alert.

The relevant state no longer needs to agree with the WHO director-general's determination that an event constitutes a public health emergency of international concern. A new Emergency Committee will be constituted at the WHO, which the director-general will consult, in lieu of the state within whose territory the public health emergency of international concern has occurred, to declare the emergency.

The amendments will also give "regional directors" within the WHO, rather than elected representatives of the relevant states, the legal authority to declare a <u>Public Health</u> Emergency of Regional Concern.

Also, when an event doesn't meet the criteria for a public health emergency of international concern but the WHO director-general determines it requires heightened awareness and a potential international public health response, he may determine at any time to issue an "intermediate public health alert" to states and consult the WHO's Emergency Committee. The criteria for this category are simple fiat—"the Director-General has determined it requires heightened international awareness and a potential international public health response."

Through these amendments, the WHO, with the support of the United States, appears to be responding to roadblocks that China erected in the early days of COVID. This is a legitimate concern. But the net effect of the proposed amendments is a shift of power away from sovereign states, ours included, to unelected bureaucrats at the WHO. The thrust of every one of the changes is toward increased powers and centralized powers delegated to the WHO and away from member states.

Leslyn Lewis, a member of the Canadian parliament and lawyer with international experience, has <u>warned</u> that the treaty would also allow the WHO to unilaterally determine what constitutes a pandemic and declare when a pandemic is occurring. "We would end up with a one-size-fits-all approach for the entire world," she cautioned. Under the proposed WHO plan, pandemics need not be limited to infectious diseases and could include, for example, a declared obesity crisis.

As part of this plan, the WHO has contracted German-based Deutsche Telekom subsidiary T-Systems to develop a global vaccine passport system, with plans to link every person on the planet to a QR code digital ID.

"Vaccination certificates that are tamper-proof and digitally verifiable build trust. WHO is therefore supporting member states in building national and regional trust networks and verification technology," said Garret Mehl, head of the WHO's Department of Digital Health and Innovation. "The WHO's gateway service also serves as a bridge between regional systems. It can also be used as part of future vaccination campaigns and home-based records."

This system will be universal, mandatory, trans-national, and operated by unelected bureaucrats in a captured NGO who already bungled the COVID pandemic response.

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The Biden Administration's 'Disinformation' Board Is A Tool Straight From Soviet Russia's KGB

BY: J. MICHAEL WALLER, MAY 9, 2022, THE FEDERALIST

The Biden administration re-defined disinformation, sanitized the term of its KGB roots, and expanded the definition by applying the label to Americans.

A KGB term of tradecraft is now part of U.S. Department of Homeland Security governance.

The new Biden administration "Disinformation Governance Board," Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas told CNN, is a "small working group" to "address threats, the connectivity between threats and acts of violence" without "infringing on free speech" and while "protecting civil rights and civil liberties, the right to privacy." The board has no "operational authority" of its own, Mayorkas said.

Mayorkas denied that the board will cause American citizens to be monitored, saying, "we, the Department of Homeland Security, don't monitor American citizens."

That might be true. But Mayorkas went on to say the Disinformation Governance Board is mandated to provide "best practices and communicate those best practices to the operators" in agencies that do have "operational authority."

Never before has "disinformation governance" been part of the official U.S. government terminology for defending the internal security of the country.

"Disinformation" is not a word from the English language. It is a direct translation of the Russian word *dezinformatsiya*. It is a KGB form of tradecraft from the Red Banner Institute of the KGB First Chief Directorate, otherwise known as the KGB foreign spy academy.

Disinformation is definition 159 in the KGB's "Lexicon of KGB Terms," published internally by the Soviet foreign intelligence service before 1984. Here it is: "Misleading by means of false information; A form of intelligence work in the Active Measures field, which consists of the secret channeling towards an adversary of false information, especially prepared materials and fabricated documents designed to mislead him and prompt him to take decisions and measures which fit with the plans and intentions of the Intelligence Service."

"Active measures" is another KGB term of tradecraft. The KGB lexicon defines active measures as "Agent operational measures aimed at exerting useful influence on aspects of the political life of a target country which are of interest, its foreign policy, the solution of international problems, misleading the adversary, undermining and weakening its positions, the disruption of his hostile plans, and the achievement of other aims."

Disinformation is a component of active measures. Foreign "agent operational measures" make the defense against disinformation and active measures a counterintelligence function, not a homeland security one. DHS has no statutory counterintelligence authority. That authority, as well as the authority to combat foreign disinformation and propaganda, rests by law with the FBI.

Whether the FBI remains fit for this role is another matter. The point is that combating foreign disinformation domestically is counterintelligence, which by law is not a DHS responsibility.

Even if the Disinformation Governance Board did have such a legitimate purpose, it would rest in the DHS Office of Intelligence and Analysis. Instead, this disinformation board is housed in the very political DHS Office of Strategy, Policy, and Plans, and therefore is a potential domestic political instrument.

Thus the board, as Mayorkas explained it, will not spy on American citizens' free speech per se, but will provide the "best practices" and policy guidance to those who do.

"Disinformation" did not enter into widespread use in English until the 1980s, when the Reagan administration, with bipartisan support in Congress, launched a State Department-led Office to Counter Soviet Active Measures and Disinformation to combat Soviet political warfare worldwide, without impinging on the free speech of American citizens. (References to that office have been practically wiped from online search engines.) The State Department retains a small office to monitor foreign disinformation.

KGB Major Anatoliy Golitsyn, Czechoslovakian intelligence officer Ladislav Bittman, KGB Major Ladislav Levchenko, and others shed more light on disinformation after they fled to the United States between 1961 and 1979 during the Cold War. All agreed that disinformation was a purely KGB term of tradecraft. All wrote books on the subject.

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The origin of disinformation as an operational word is rooted in Joseph Stalin's NKVD secret police, with some references to the earliest days of World War II. The Oxford English Dictionary has no definition of the word prior to 1947, when the Cold War began. Merriam—Webster traces "disinformation" to hearings on Communist subversion in 1953, and to Nazi and Soviet techniques as early as 1940. Occasional usage of the word appeared in the 19th century as an infrequent, contrived, "non-standard synonym of misinformation."

"Misinformation," of course, isn't the same as disinformation. It is a mis-statement, or the inadvertent or careless spreading of inaccuracies or untruths, without malign intent. Yet Mayorkas and others have used the two terms interchangeably. So have many public "experts."

Under the Trump administration, DHS created a Countering Foreign Influence Task Force within the department's Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency. The Biden administration morphed it into the "Mis- Dis- and Malinformation" (MDM) team whose stated job is to build "national resilience to MDM and foreign influence activities."

Note the modification: keeping the old countering foreign influence function and adding what MDM calls "false or misleading information" in general. MDM thus became a federal government influence operational entity of its own. The Disinformation Governance Board is an interagency add-on within the DHS policy shop.

While it does explain the distinctions between misinformation and disinformation, the DHS MDM Team has sanitized the origins of "disinformation" as a KGB term of tradecraft. Indeed, it erased the distinction between disinformation as a foreign active measures technique and the simple use or abuse of words in domestic American political discourse.

Last year, DHS <u>re-defined disinformation</u> as follows: "Disinformation is deliberately created to mislead, harm, or manipulate a person, social group, organization, or country."

So DHS re-defined disinformation, sanitized the term of its KGB roots, and expanded the definition by removing the foreign element and applying the label to First Amendment-protected political discourse. DHS then officially adopted the KGB word as its own to create a political board for "governance" of disinformation — whatever that is — to guide agencies to monitor American citizens' free speech.

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Was Census Count Rigged Too? Texas, Tennessee, Florida May Have

Stephan Moore, May 24, 2022 Updated: May 24, 2022

Commentary

A year ago, my colleagues and I at the Committee to Unleash Prosperity raised the alarm that there were potential shenanigans with the 2020 census. Based on annual estimates from 2011 to 2020, we alerted that the new decennial census count and subsequent reapportionment were slanted against red states.

Based on the census annual state population estimates for the years 2011–2019, three red states with big population gains—Florida, Tennessee, and Texas—appeared to have been undercounted in the 2020 decennial census by hundreds of thousands of residents. Meanwhile, the count appeared to have come in way too high in blue states such as Rhode Island, New Jersey, and New York.

At that time, those of us who dared "question the count" were called conspiracy theorists. But now, our suspicions have been vindicated by none other than... the U.S. Census Bureau itself! The bureau now concedes that six states were undercounted in the 2020 decennial census: Arkansas (by 5.04 percent), Florida (3.48 percent), Illinois (1.97 percent), Mississippi (4.11 percent), Tennessee (4.78 percent), and Texas (1.92 percent). All of those states, except for Illinois are red states.

The census re-estimates also uncovered significant net overcount rates in eight states: Delaware (by 5.45 percent), Hawaii (6.79 percent), Massachusetts (2.24 percent), Minnesota (3.84 percent), New York (3.44 percent), Ohio (1.49 percent), Rhode Island (5.05 percent) and Utah (2.59 percent).

New York's overcount appears to be as much as 500,000 people. These are big errors.

Why does this matter? Well, first the census count determines how much federal funding each state receives. So, now more money will flow to blue states.

Second, the census count is used for the reapportionment of congressional seats by state every 10 years. A more accurate count would have shifted three congressional seats to red states from blue states. The states that probably should have received an additional seat are Florida, Tennessee, and Texas. It appears that the blue states of Colorado, Minnesota, and Rhode Island each hold a seat that they don't deserve.

This census error might also have a major effect on the presidential races in 2024 and 2028. Blue states will have three additional electoral votes and given how close our presidential elections have been in recent years, that could sway election outcomes in favor of the Democrats.

Whether these errors can be corrected at this point appears somewhat doubtful. The irony of all of this is that it was the left that accused the Trump administration of trying to politicize the census.

Now, we can be pretty certain that any mistakes were virtually all in the direction of helping blue states—the states that people are leaving.

When even the census is corrupted, one wonders whether we can trust ANY of the numbers that come out of Washington.

Views expressed in this article are the opinions of the author and do not necessarily reflect the views of The Epoch Times.

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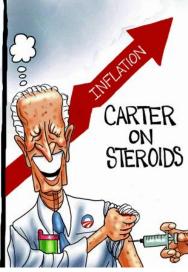
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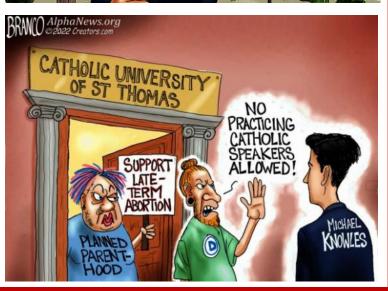














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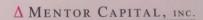


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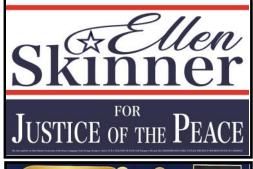
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