

Right to Keep and Bear Arms



Predictably anti-gun hysteria is reaching a fever pitch. With the echoes of the Oregon shooting still reverberating across the country, President Obama is desperate to exploit this “opportunity” to ram through gun control.

Obama and his anti-gun allies are exploiting the blood of the victims of the Oregon Community College shooting to pursue their radical agenda. They’re eager to incite the mob against American gun owners.

The anti-gunners’ droning chant for more gun control is going to reach deafening levels in the days and weeks ahead. Following the gun control playbook, whenever a murder is committed, gun-grabbers and the media ALWAYS rush to “never let a crisis go to waste” and continuing their push to ultimately disarm every American citizen.

Even as the situation in Oregon remained unclear -- in fact, the local police had barely started to investigate the horrific murders -- Obama rushed to capitalize on the shootings, going so far as to say the victims should be politicized and he would proudly do it anytime there was a crime like this. He went on to call on the American people to “take on the gun lobby.” He’s talking about us, you and me. We’re the “so-called” gun lobby, you and I and the millions of supporters of the Second Amendment.

What is one of Obama’s solutions this time? It is to copy the gun confiscation policies and bans on civilian gun ownership of countries like “Great Britain, Australia, countries like ours.”

Great Britain? Australia? They’ve outlawed virtually all civilians from owning semi-automatic rifles or ANY handguns. What few shotguns and antique rifles that are still allowed are heavily regulated and registered. In many cases, these firearms can only be shot at certain gun ranges, and must be stored under lock-and-key at government-controlled facilities.

That’s the future that President Obama, Hillary Clinton, and billionaire Michael Bloomberg are promising the left-wing media and their deep-pocketed supporters. And they won’t flinch at using the murders in Oregon to achieve their anti-gun ends.

Democratic presidential front-runner Hillary Clinton announced her own plans for executive actions if she is elected. Clinton would use presidential executive authority to close a “loophole” to ensure people purchasing firearms at gun shows and online face the same background checks and sales taxes as buyers from traditional retailers.

Clinton would push Congress to prohibit domestic abusers, including stalkers, from purchasing guns and close what she called the “Charleston loophole,” referring to a June shooting at a predominantly black church in South Carolina that left nine dead. If a background check is not completed within three days, a sale can proceed. The alleged Charleston shooter could buy his gun because of this loophole, as did 2,500 people in 2014, Clinton’s campaign said.

Clinton also said she would pursue the repeal of a 2005 law that she voted against as a U.S. senator representing New York. The legislation prevents victims of gun violence from holding negligent manufacturers and dealers accountable for crime committed with their guns. “Nobody else is getting that immunity - and that just illustrates the extremism that has taken over this debate,” Clinton said.

With the national media as their all-in accomplices, the anti-gun crowd continues to drive up mass hysteria and fear by IGNORING basic facts that don’t fit their anti-gun agenda, like:

“Gun Free Zone” signs do not protect anyone from violent madmen. Like we saw in the Aurora movie theater, the Newtown, Connecticut elementary school, the Chattanooga military recruiting center, and the Lafayette movie theater, all these signs do is guarantee killers never face anyone who can defend him or herself;

Guns don’t commit crimes. Criminals do. In fact, guns are used 2.5 million times every year to deter or stop crimes. At a mall shooting in Portland, Oregon, the gunman took his own life after being confronted by a shopper carrying a concealed handgun. And there are literally dozens of stories of shootings being stopped by legally-armed citizens over the past few decades;

Gun Control DOES NOT WORK. PERIOD. Anti-gun utopia Mexico -- whose anti-gun laws are so harsh it has only one gun shop in the whole country -- is virtually owned by violent gangs who don’t beg “permission” from government officials

before they get their hands on guns. Also look at the shootings and murder rates in American cities which have severe gun control laws, cities like Chicago, Detroit, Los Angeles, Trenton, and Washington DC.

But with the support of weak-kneed members of Congress, and the fawning support of the anti-gun media, President Obama believes he's been handed the perfect "excuse" to enact a laundry list of anti-gun schemes in his last 16 months, including:

*** The UN "Small Arms Treaty." This dangerous Hillary Clinton-backed treaty is nothing more than a massive GLOBAL gun control scheme designed to register, ban and confiscate firearms from law-abiding citizens;

*** A new so-called "Assault Weapons" Ban. President Obama and arch gun-grabber, Senator Diane Feinstein, are still pushing for a new ban on so-called "assault weapons," something that experts warn would be at the top of President Hillary Clinton's agenda if she were to win the White House;

*** Mandatory federal political "mental illness" screening to buy a firearm. Should such a scheme pass, the federal government would be granted the new power to strip away the Second Amendment rights of any American at will -- just because they don't like your race, your religion or the political candidates you support;

*** Sweeping ammo bans or bans on magazines holding just a handful of rounds. With any one of these schemes, Congress could effectively outlaw many commonly-owned rifles and handguns. Just like Obama tried to do earlier this year when he proposed to ban common types of AR-15 .223 ammunition, which was defeated this year because of huge public push back.

And how far will the gun control media go to aid and abet Obama and Clinton? Linda Stasi, a writer for the New York Daily News, said the U.S. State Department ought to label the National Rifle Association a terrorist group because its massive lobbying efforts are "responsible" for more U.S. civilian deaths since 2012 than al-Qaida, Boko Haram, Hamas and the Taliban combined.

"One terrorist group is responsible for more civilian deaths since December 2012 (the Sandy hook massacre) than [these four terror groups]. Yet it is the only nearly state sponsored terrorist group that is not listed by the U.S. State Department as such," Stasi opined. "It is the National Rifle Association and for their unending lobbying that's kept a lid on gun control, we now have 428 times more American deaths by gun than deaths by foreign terrorists."

The opinion piece then cited University of Maryland Global Terrorism Database statistics to show ISIS killed 12,138 civilians; Boko Haram, 10,092; the Taliban, 8,427; and Hamas, 85, in the periods between 2012 and 2015.

"In that time, Americans have murdered or spree killed via gun and assault rifle, 87,423 people in the United States," the Daily News author said. "In contrast, terrorism killed 28 Americans per year on both U.S. soil and abroad."

The newspaper's Stasi went on: "Those murdered Americans killed by our own lunatic gun slingers include terrified children calling for their mothers, teachers begging for the lives of their students, students begging for not just their own lives but the lives of their classmates, moviegoers looking for escape, bystanders cheering for athletes, athletes trying to be the best they can be as the worst we ever could have imagined struck them down in cold blood."

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