

# **THE ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION LOBBY – WeAreTraitors.Com By Don Feder**

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You may have noticed that those who carelessly throw around charges of “racism” are themselves the most egregious racists.

Thus, race hustlers charge that opponents of racial quotas (euphemistically called affirmative action) are racists – that their opposition to racial preferences in education and employment is motivated by animus against blacks and Hispanics.

But affirmative action is every bit as racist as Jim Crow – holding, as it does, that certain individuals should be penalized and others rewarded solely on the basis of pigmentation. (Calls to “redress historic grievances” and demands for “diversity” are thin rationalizations for racial plunder.)

Similarly, every call for immigration reform is answered with lusty shouts of racism by the self-styled champions of “immigrant rights.”

You want to start protecting our borders? You’re a racist. You think illegal aliens are responsible for a disproportionate share of crime, disease, poverty and social disintegration? You’re a racist. You believe America has a national language, and it isn’t Spanish? You’re a xenophobic, hate-monger (even if you’re an immigrant or the grandchild of immigrants).

You object to drivers licenses for “undocumented” workers, in-state tuition at state colleges for their children, bi-lingual education, bi-lingual ballots, etc., etc.? Well, my friend, you’re a white-sheet wearing, night-riding, cross-burning member of the Ku Klux Klan looking for someone to lynch.

Of course, by this calculation, the overwhelming majority of Americans are racists – but we’ll get to that in a minute.

In the meantime, contemplate the pathetic spectacle of the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC), which bills itself as “the largest and oldest Hispanic civil rights organization in the United States and Puerto Rico.”

LULAC is smearing the Minuteman with a website that calls them “racists, cowards, un-Americans (*sic*), vigilantes” and “domestic terrorists” who are “often affiliated with white supremacy groups.” LULAC probably thinks the Republican Party is a white supremacy group.

The site – WeAreRacists.com, registered on December 13, 2005 – is primal-scream politics, prompted by rage and desperation.

The Minutemen (who have the chutzpah to try to assist the authorities in enforcing our immigration laws), have been in LULAC's crosshairs since their founding. Recently, the Herndon Virginia chapter began photographing contractors who hire day laborers at a tax-funded gathering spot in the city. Day labor, paid in cash (no questions asked), is a notorious conduit for illegal immigrant labor.

LULAC retaliated by posting photos of the civic-minded citizens on its slander site, with the notice, "If you know anyone pictured on this website, please be advised that they are participating in the *anti-immigrant* movement."

The League stubbornly refuses to distinguish between the immigrants who come here legally (many waiting years to do so), and the criminals who wipe their feet on our flag and laws as they infiltrate this country. It won't even use the word "illegal" in reference to the latter. They are simply "immigrants" or, at most, "undocumented" immigrants. (What happened to their documents, did they wash away while the gate-crashers were wading across the Rio Grande?)

LULAC believes America's borders should be imaginary lines in the sand, and that everyone from Mexico, Honduras or the Dominican Republic who wants to come here has a God-given right to do so. And anyone who interferes with the exercise of that right is – you guessed it – a racist.

The League is another crass ethnic/racial lobby whose motto should be "We want ours and screw the rest of you." If 80% of the illegal immigrants in America spoke Chinese or Polish or Swahili, do you honestly think they'd care about immigration enforcement?

LULAC views everything through a lens of race and language. On January 10<sup>th</sup>, after "long and careful deliberation" (which probably stretched into minutes) its National Executive Board voted unanimously to oppose the Supreme Court nomination of Judge Samuel A. Alito, Jr.

In the first place, the League whined, "President Bush has consistently passed up the opportunity to nominate a Latino to the Supreme Court."

He's also passed up the opportunity to nominate a Jew, an Asian-American, an African-American and a midget of Albanian extraction. Are we now to have racial quotas for the Supreme Court? (Apparently, the president gets no credit from LULAC for giving America its first "Latino" attorney general.) Frankly, I wouldn't care if all of his nominees were Hispanic, as long as they were capable of reading the Constitution – as opposed to reading their views into it.

LULAC also is “troubled with Sam Alito’s contention during the Reagan administration that undocumented workers (*there they go again*) ... have limited or ‘no due process rights’ under the constitution.” Why have citizenship at all, if aliens who are here in violation of our laws have exactly the same rights as Americans?

Given its mindset, LULAC’s positions are predictable.

In 2000, it demanded that presidential candidates grovel before it by supporting an amnesty for an estimated 3.9 million illegal aliens. Amnesties bring to mind that line in “Field of Dreams” – build it and they will come. We’ve built it – an advanced welfare state whose politicians have sold out our sovereignty. They’re coming – at the rate of 750,000 a year.

A proposed fence along the U.S.-Mexican border is a “wall of shame” and “reminiscent of the Berlin era,” says LULAC President Hector Flores. (Would someone please tell Senor Flores that that the Berlin Wall was built to keep communism’s slaves in, not to prevent illegal immigration to East Germany – a fanciful notion.)

LULAC’s position is that nothing should be done to impede the flood of illegals, including hardened criminals and potential terrorists.

On its WeAreRacists.com website (temporarily down), LULAC charges, “Those who oppose *immigrants’* rights often blame *immigration* and *immigrants* for an array of social problems. From unemployment to the poor quality of schools to urban sprawl and congestion.” But blaming illegals for such problems is scapegoating “ultimately rooted in racism” the League explains.

If you can’t answer an opponent’s arguments, if facts are embarrassing to your cause, shout racism at the top of your lungs. You don’t have to debate “racists” or answer their arguments or offer evidence supporting your own positions. It’s all so convenient.

You don’t have to deal with troubling statistics, such as the information from the Federation for American Immigration Reform that illegal aliens cost California taxpayers alone an estimated \$9 billion annually, or the fact that the state spends \$750 million a year to incarcerate 18,000 illegal immigrants (after they’ve been convicted of robbery, rape, murder and drug-dealing). But, by calling the foregoing to your attention, I am guilty of scapegoating “ultimately rooted in racism.”

Actually, LULAC thinks I’ve been walking around in a bed-sheet for years, the Grand Bagel of the KKK’s Jewish auxiliary.

In 1999, LULAC Vice President Regla Gonzalez officially unmasked me as a bigot. This was in response to a column I wrote for The Boston Herald opposing statehood for Puerto Rico, wherein I noted that the island has an average income of less than half our poorest state and most residents (those who haven’t fled to the mainland) don’t speak English.

Said recognition of reality was an attempt at “lowering the bar on racist hate language (*as opposed to racist love language?*)” and we will not tolerate this offensive action.” Gonzalez grouched. Naturally, LULAC demanded an apology from me. Sadly, its leaders did not hold their breaths until one was offered.

No big deal. According to LULAC, most Americans are racists, or the victims of racist indoctrination.

- 55% of Americans believe illegal immigration is a very serious problem (Roper poll, 2003)
- 74% think the government shouldn't make it easier for illegal aliens to become citizens – no to amnesties (USA Today/CNN poll, 2004)
- 81% want state and local police to aid the feds in enforcing immigration laws ( Zogby poll, 2005)
- 67% favor deploying the U.S. military to stop illegal immigrants at the border (FOX News poll, 2005)
- 72% believe illegal immigrants take jobs away from Americans (Wall Street Journal/NBC News poll, 1998)

And so it goes. The Minuteman should wear LULAC's smear as a badge of honor.

I'm thinking of starting my own website – WeAreTraitors.com, for the scoundrels who think the interests of those who share their ethnicity outweigh the common good, for the ideologues who have betrayed the ideals of the Founding Fathers (liberty in a republic governed by law) and the sacred trust of those who fought and died to defend our borders, and for the termites who are busily undermining our institutions, language and identity as a people.

The site will be crowded -- what with Michael Moore, Cindy Sheehan, Jane Fonda and the rest of the Hollywood left, the ACLU, MoveOn.Org, Howard Dean, Ted Kennedy and most of the mainstream media working so hard at impersonating Tokyo Rose and Axis Sally.

Still, the League of United Latin American Citizens will have a place of honor among those trying to deconstruct America. Can I have an ole?

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