

OBAMA, THE HARVARD PROF AND COPS BEHAVING “STUPIDLY” – ALSO ABORTION, ISRAELIS AND RUST-BELT RESIDENTS BITTERLY CLINGING TO GOD AND GUNS

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While making an ass of himself, Harvard Professor Henry Louis Gates performed an invaluable public service by creating the circumstances in which the president of the United States again exposed himself as an elitist snob who can relate to the common man only as a caricature.

When Obama said the Cambridge police “acted stupidly” in arresting Gates –and lectured us on the epidemic of racial profiling -- the mask of moderation slipped to reveal the arrogant, sneering elitist lurking behind it.

To hear him tell it, Gates is a victim of racism on par with murdered civil rights workers Chaney, Schwerner and Goodman, and the demonstrators attacked with police dogs and fire hoses in Birmingham.

The professor (who teaches racial guilt at Harvard and leads the reparations gang) returned home from China on July 17. His key didn’t work in the front door, which he and his driver tried to break. Gates then entered by the back door. An alert neighbor who witnessed this called the police.

Sergeant James Crowley showed up to check out the report, accompanied by two other officers -- one black and one Latino. Multi-racial racial profiling?

He asked for identification from Gates. Instead of thanking the officer for protecting his property (it could have been a burglar in his house), Gates began berating him. Why was Crowley asking for an ID – “Because I’m a black man in America?” Doubtless, if Gates was a white man who had just broken into the house, on ascertaining his race, the police would have made no further inquiries, apologized for the intrusion and left.

Gates, who has a racial chip the size of a Sequoia on his shoulder, did his best to be obnoxious, at first refusing to prove he was the homeowner, commenting on the cop’s “mama,” and – after Crowley departed – following him out on the porch shouting at him. Gates was arrested for disorderly conduct.

Enter another Harvard man, the president of the United States. At a press conference for his fast-sinking health-care initiative, the man we were told would bring us all together was asked about the incident.

Obama responded that the Cambridge Police Department behaved “stupidly” in arresting the belligerent Gates. He then lectured us on the “there is a long history in this country of African-Americans and Latinos being stopped by law enforcement officers disproportionately” (Never mind that crimes are committed disproportionately by members of these groups.)

“Being stopped by law enforcement officers disproportionately”?—and Obama is celebrated for his oratorical skills.

The president was mystified by the public reaction to his casual insult of the men and women who protect our lives and property.

In an attempt at damage-control, he later claimed he was not “maligning the Cambridge Police Department or Sgt. Crowley.” “Stupidly” is now a compliment?

Obama admitted that he could have “calibrated” his words differently. (And they said Bush Sr. had trouble with the English language.) He then compounded the original insult by saying he believed “that there was an *overreaction* in pulling Professor Gates out his home to the station.” This after admitting he did not know all the facts of the case.

Based on his considerable experience in law enforcement, perhaps the former community organizer could explain how he would have handled the situation differently. The way he deals with Hugo Chavez, Ahmadinejad and Kim Jong-II? (Pass the velvet glove, please.) Maybe Crowley should have imitated Obama’s salutation to the Saudi King and done a from-the-waist bow to Gates.

Obama’s reaction to Gates’ arrest brought to mind another elitist moment, during the presidential campaign.

Speaking at what he thought was an off-the-record fundraiser in San Francisco, the epicenter of here’s-looking-down-on-you-kid elitism, Obama explained that lost jobs was the cause of anger in small-town America.

“So it’s not surprising then that they get bitter, they cling to guns or religion or antipathy to people who aren’t like them or anti-immigrant sentiment or anti-trade sentiment as a way to explain their frustrations” – as if bitterness over economic distress was the only conceivable explanation for faith and firearms ownership thriving in Middle America.

When Obama was attacked for his elitism – *Times*-gal Maureen Dowd excoriated the candidate for “attributing the emotional, spiritual and cultural values of working-class, ‘lunch pail’ Pennsylvanians to economic woes”), the Obama campaign responded by changing the subject, and challenging McCain to debate who was more “out of touch with the American people.”

Clearly, the man who graduated from Harvard Law School, sat on the board of several leftist foundations, and listened to Rev. Wright's "God Damn America" sermons for 19 years, was more in touch with American values than a man who graduated from Annapolis, flew combat missions in Vietnam and spent 6 years in a POW camp

In both incidents (Gates-gate and Golden Gate-gate), Toto pulled back the curtain to reveal the little man frantically pulling levers, while shouting into the microphone: "I am the great and benevolent Barack!"

The great Oz-bama's contempt for the middle class comes through loud and clear— in everything from his legislative initiatives and personnel decisions to his choice of friends.

Liberal elitism is the only conceivable explanation for putting public-funded abortion in the president's health-care plan. He had to know it would alienate Blue Dog Congressmen and blue-collar Democrats.

Providing abortion services to millions of uninsured or under-insured Americans was a case of ideology overcoming political instincts. (BTW, imagine the plight of those whose plans cover only elective abortions in the first trimester, but not those all-important partial-birth abortions.)

Abortion is among the handful of issues that define Obama. As a state senator, he voted twice in favor of infanticide. As president, everything he's done from repeal of the Mexico City Policy to the nomination of Sonia Sotomayor has advanced an abortion agenda.

For Obama not to have made provision for government-mandated abortion services in his health-care scheme is inconceivable. As fellow elitist Ruth Bader Ginsburg recently observed, the purpose of Roe was to limit "the growth in populations that we don't want to have too many of" – like gun-owning hicks, believing Christians and those who constitute the pool from which racist cops are drawn.

Elitism also dominates Obama's foreign policy. This is a president who wants to give foot-massages to terrorist suspects. Like others who don't live in the real world, he's a civil-liberties fetishist.

In their new book, "Catastrophe," Dick Morris and Eileen McGann charge: "In his first few months in office, President Obama has sent a clear message to both Americans and our enemies: the war on terror is over. On a host of fronts, he has pulled out and is pulling out. It's as if 9/11 never happened." For the elitist left, 9/11 was our fault anyway, the consequences of our interventionist foreign policy. Just ask The Rev. Jeremiah, who claimed the worst terrorist attack in history was the "chickens coming home to roost."

Nowhere is this Carter-esque worldview more apparent than in Obama's attitude toward the Israelis and Palestinians. Laundering the money through the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA), Obama is providing \$900 million to Hamas – fanatical terrorists and raving anti-Semites allied with Iran.

Compare this to BHO's treatment of Israel, our only reliable ally in the region. The president is willing to give the benefit of the doubt to Hugo Chavez and the Marxist who used to run Honduras. He's willing to make allowances for Iran's atomic ayatollahs.

But Israelis building homes in historic Jerusalem? That's where the man who brags about his childhood in a Muslim country draws the line. Obama has demanded a freeze on Jewish housing in East Jerusalem, to placate the Palestinians, who covet the area as the capital of their terrorist state.

Ahmadinejad can build nuclear weapons. Kim Jong-il can build ICBMs. Hamas can build more rocket launchers. But the Jews can't build homes in what once was called the City of David.

Obama's appointments and nominations scream elitism.

- Attorney General Eric Holder, Jr., who opposes “enhanced interrogation” (as does the president) – even when American lives are at stake -- and pushed Clinton to pardon FALN terrorists in the waning days of his administration
- Department of Homeland Security Director Janet Napolitano, who prefers the term “man-made disasters” to “terrorism,” and believes proliferators, gun owners, Americans concerned about illegal immigration and returning Iraq veterans are the real threats to our national security
- Treasury Secretary and tax-cheat Tim Geithner, who was tapped by the moralist-in-chief despite the former's failure to pay \$42,702 in back taxes. Geithner will make fighting tax-fraud one of his priorities.
- Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor, who approved discrimination against white New Haven firefighters – in a decision just reversed by the Supreme Court -- and believes race is a qualification for the judiciary (a “wise Latina woman” trumps a white male)
- Science Czar John Holdren – who co-authored a 1977 book with neo-Malthusian Paul Ehrlich which makes the case for forced abortion and sterilization to combat “over-population.” When confronted with his book, “Ecoscience: Population, Resources, Environment,” Holdren declared that he “never supported compulsory abortions, compulsory sterilization or other coercive approaches to limiting population

growth.” Apparently, Ehrlich put Holdren’s name on the book without his consent or knowledge.

Consider the people Obama surrounds himself with. There’s his wife, the lovely Michelle (queen of the common touch), who said she never had reason to be proud of America until her husband was on the fast-track to the White House, because America is a “mean” old country, filled with “cynics, sloths and complacents.” It’s also a country where, before he became president, “as a black man, you know, Barack can get shot going to a gas station.” By Cambridge cops “stupidly” engaged in racial profiling?

Buddy Bill Ayers, the unrepentant ex-Weatherman terrorist, who said in 2001 that America “makes me want to puke,” and, in a *New York Times* op-ed, that his only regret was not bombing more symbols of the establishment (like the Pentagon and New York City Police Headquarters). Ayers gave Obama a political boost by visibly supporting his Illinois state senate campaigns. Well, it’s not as if the ex-Weatherman was an Orthodox Jew building a home in East Jerusalem.

The Rev. Jeremiah A. Wright, Jr. It wasn’t until Wright’s lunatic ravings (hate-America, hate-Israel, hate-whites, respect Farrakhan) had been in the headlines for several weeks, and the controversy wouldn’t go away, that Obama finally disavowed his pastor and mentor of almost two decades. Initially, Obama likened the Afrocentrist Reverend Leroy to his own white grandmother (the woman who raised him while his hippy mom was traipsing around the world), who was frightened by black vagrants, thus proving her innate racism.

Unlike our president, normal people don’t talk anti-cop, anti-middle class trash. They don’t have friends who used to blow things up or want to burn them down now. They don’t make appointments from hell.

Obama has an ingrained contempt for most of the people who made him the 44th. President of the United States. He is the product of the exclusive Punahou Prep School, Columbia University and Harvard Law School, not his grandparents’ middle-class home, or even South Chicago.

He relates to Harvard professors pushing racial guilt, not cops trying to serve and protect in a working-class city; preachers whose religion demands that God damn America, not main-street Americans whose bitterness causes them to cling to their old-time religion; Palestinians preaching jihad and death to Americans, not Israelis (our loyal allies of over half a century); Bill Ayers who used to blow things up, not the capitalists who build things (who Obama wants to soak for nationalized health care).

This is gold-plated, 24-carat, diamond-studded elitism. Ted Kennedy and George Soros look like members of the local bowling league, next to Barack Obama.

The gracious Gates now says it's time to "move on," and that we can't continue to dwell on the great injustice done to him. But he can't help adding that the incident "could and should be a *profound* teaching moment in the history of race relations in America." (There was Rosa Parks told to go to the back of the bus, Dr. Martin Luther King in the Birmingham jail, and Henry Louis Gates asked to produce a driver's license.)

Obama's "stupidly" remark also affords a profound teaching moment – in the history of liberal elitism in America.

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