

# Hillary Clinton's Track Record & Agendas

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## INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this document is to educate Americans about the character, worldview, and agendas of Hillary Rodham Clinton, the Democratic Party's 2016 candidate for President of the United States.

## CLINTON'S BACKGROUND & RADICAL INFLUENCES

In 1966, Hillary Clinton, who was still Hillary Rodham at the time, was deeply influenced by an article titled "World Revolution and American Containment," which appeared in a magazine called *motive* (with a lower-case *m*) and was authored by the Marxist/Maoist theoretician Carl Oglesby.<sup>1</sup> Oglesby was a leader of the Students for a Democratic Society, a radical Sixties organization that aspired to overthrow America's democratic institutions and transform the nation into a Marxist state. The *motive* piece defended Ho Chi Minh, Fidel Castro, and Maoist tactics of violence. Its thesis was that "certain cultural settings" (most notably American capitalism) were inherently inequitable and oppressive. Clinton later said that the Oglesby article had played a key role in her metamorphosis from Goldwater Republican in 1964, to leftist Democrat in 1968.<sup>2</sup>

In 1969, Clinton wrote her 92-page Wellesley College senior thesis on the theories of the radical Chicago organizer Saul Alinsky. As a great admirer of Alinsky's activist tactics, Clinton met with the famed author several times in 1968 to interview him personally.<sup>3</sup> She concluded her thesis by comparing him favorably to other titans who "embraced ... democracy" — including Eugene Debs, the five-time Socialist Party candidate for U.S. President.<sup>4</sup>

Saul Alinsky's goal was to teach American radicals how to transform the United States into a Communist nation by means of "community organizing." In the Alinsky model, "organizing" is a euphemism for "revolution" whose ultimate objective is the systematic, forced

redistribution of wealth and power, and the radical transformation of America's social and economic structure.

Alinsky's brand of revolution was not characterized by dramatic, sweeping, swift societal changes. Rather, he advised organizers and their disciples to quietly infiltrate the decision-making ranks of existing societal institutions, and to transform them from within.

When Clinton graduated from Wellesley in 1969, she was offered a job with Alinsky's Industrial Areas Foundation in Chicago. She opted instead to enroll at Yale Law School. Nevertheless, she went on to maintain her allegiance to Alinsky's teachings throughout her adult life, and cultivating a relationship with him that was steeped in mutual admiration.<sup>5</sup>

At Yale, Clinton was strongly influenced by the radical theoretician Duncan Kennedy, founder of the academic movement known as Critical Legal Studies, which views the American legal system as a racist and illegitimate institution that nonwhite minorities have a moral right to defy and disobey. Advocates of Critical Legal Studies are interested in revolutionary change and the building of a new society founded on Marxist principles.<sup>6</sup>

One of Clinton's Yale professors, Thomas Emerson (known as "Tommy the Commie"), introduced her in 1970 to the radical attorney Charles Garry, who helped Clinton get personally involved in the defense of several Black Panthers who were on trial for the crimes of torture, murder, and mutilation. Though evidence of the defendants' guilt was overwhelming, Clinton — as part of her coursework for Professor Emerson — attended the Panther trials and arranged for shifts of fellow students to likewise monitor court proceedings and report on any civil-rights abuses allegedly suffered by the defendants. Striving to neutralize what she considered the pervasive racism of the American legal system, Clinton was committed to fighting on behalf of the Panthers, who were revolutionary Marxists in every sense of the term. "Hillary was," as the late Barbara Olson observed in her book *Hell to Pay*, "a budding Leninist."<sup>7</sup>

In 1972, Clinton went to Berkeley to work as an intern at the law firm of Treuhaft, Walker, and Bernstein. Established by then-current, as well as former, members of the Communist Party USA, this firm had long acted as a legal asset not only for the CPUSA but also for the murderous Black Panther Party and other Bay-area radicals.<sup>8</sup> Founding partner Bob Treuhaft, who headed the Communist Party of Northern California, was described as one of the nation's most "dangerously subversive" lawyers by the House Committee on Un-American Activities. Historian Stephen Schwartz called

Treuhart “a man who dedicated his entire legal career to advancing the agenda of the Soviet Communist Party and the KGB.”<sup>2</sup> Moreover, Treuhart was married to the writer Jessica Mitford, also a Communist Party member.

These were some of the major influences that shaped Hillary Clinton during the first three decades of her life. And, as evidenced by her words, her deeds, and her political positions, the Hillary Clinton of today very obviously continues to embrace the values she learned during those years.

Thus it is not surprising that the Communist Party USA (CPUSA), whose political objective is to gain as much leverage as possible within the Democratic Party and thereby move the nation incrementally toward adopting a Communist system, candidly hopes that Mrs. Clinton wins the November 2016 presidential election “in a landslide.”<sup>10</sup>

### **CLINTON'S MEAGER ACHIEVEMENTS AS A U.S. SENATOR**

In May 2007, political analyst Dick Morris, a longtime former adviser to Bill and Hillary Clinton, summarized what Mrs. Clinton achieved during her seven years in the U.S. Senate as follows: “Other than totally meaningless legislation like changing the names on courthouses and post offices, she passed only four substantive pieces of legislation. One set up a national park in Puerto Rico. A second provided respite care for family members helping their relatives through Alzheimer’s or other conditions. And two were routine bills to aid 9-11 victims and responders which were sponsored by the entire NY delegation.”<sup>11</sup>

### **CLINTON'S FAILED RECORD AS SECRETARY OF STATE**

Hillary Clinton served as President Barack Obama's secretary of state for four years, from January 2009 through January 2013.

A March 2013 Gallup poll (measuring public attitudes and opinions across 130 countries) indicated that by the end of Clinton's tenure in the State Department, international perception of American leadership had fallen to its lowest point since the start of the Obama administration. The median worldwide approval rate for U.S. leadership was just 41%, down from 49% in 2009.<sup>12</sup>

In a May 2014 interview, NBC chief foreign correspondent Richard Engel conceded that he could not name a single nation whose relations with the United

States had improved since President Obama took office (with Hillary Clinton as his secretary of state) six years earlier.<sup>13</sup>

### **CLINTON'S PURPOSEFUL, ILLEGAL USE OF A PRIVATE, UNSECURED EMAIL SERVER**

#### **The Basic Facts**

In March 2015, it was reported that throughout her entire four-year tenure as secretary of state, Mrs. Clinton had never acquired or used a government email account. Instead, she had transmitted — in violation of government regulations — all of her official government correspondences via a personal email address that traced back to a private, unsecured email server which was housed in a barn adjacent to Clinton's home in Chappaqua, New York.<sup>14</sup>

This came to light after the House Benghazi Committee, which was examining what Mrs. Clinton knew about a terrorist attack that had occurred in Libya on September 11, 2012, issues two subpoenas to Clinton for her emails.<sup>15</sup>

Rather than turn over all of her emails to authorities, as was required by law, Clinton in 2015 instructed a team of her advisers to review her emails and decide which ones to make available to investigators, and which ones to delete. According to Clinton, she and her staff deleted almost 32,000 of the roughly 60,000 emails in question, on grounds that they were “personal” and not “work-related.”<sup>16</sup> This was untrue, however. The FBI subsequently found thousands of work-related emails that Clinton had failed to provide.<sup>17</sup>

Jason Baron, ex-director of litigation at the National Archives and Records Administration, said that Clinton's email-related transgressions were “inconceivable,” adding: “I can recall no instance ... when a high-ranking official at an executive branch agency solely used a personal email account for the transaction of government business.”<sup>18</sup>

After remaining silent for several days regarding her private email server, Mrs. Clinton addressed the issue for the first time on March 10, 2015, in a press conference. There, she claimed that her reason for having used a personal email account was that she found it “easier,” “better,” “simpler” and more convenient to “carry just one device for my work and for my personal emails instead of two.” “Looking back, “ she added, “it would've been better for me to use two separate phones and two email accounts. I thought using one device would be simpler and, obviously, it hasn't worked out

that way.”<sup>12</sup>

It was eventually learned, however, that Mrs. Clinton in fact had used 13 mobile devices to access emails on her private server, and at least 8 of those were from her years as secretary of state. But the FBI was unable to obtain any of those devices in its investigation, in some cases because Clinton aides had been instructed to smash them with a hammer.<sup>20</sup>

By March 2, 2016, it was known that at least 2,079 emails that Hillary Clinton had sent or received via her private, unsecured server, contained classified material.<sup>21</sup> This figure did not include any classified material that may have been present in the nearly 32,000 email messages that Mrs. Clinton and her lawyers had unilaterally deleted with no oversight.<sup>22</sup> Moreover, Mrs. Clinton herself had personally written at least 104 emails containing classified information which she transmitted via her private server.<sup>23</sup>

### **Clinton Violated the Espionage Act**

On August 6, 2015, the *Wall Street Journal* reported that Mrs. Clinton's use of a private, unsecured email server for government business was a violation of Section 793 of the Espionage Act:

“The Espionage Act, which is part of the U.S. criminal code, makes it a crime for any government employee, through 'gross negligence,' to allow national defense information 'to be removed from its proper place of custody or delivered to anyone in violation of his trust, or to be lost, stolen, abstracted or destroyed.' Mrs. Clinton's email on a private server was not in its proper place of custody and was at plenty of risk of being lost or stolen. We also know she edited some of the email that went to State, which means pieces of it have been destroyed. Plenty of government officials have been prosecuted for less.”<sup>24</sup>

Each instance where the Espionage Act is violated is punishable by a monetary fine as well as a prison sentence of up to ten years.<sup>25</sup>

### **The FBI's Political Cover-up for Clinton**

On July 5, 2016, FBI director James Comey completed his participation in one of the most egregious political cover-ups in living memory. While acknowledging that Mrs. Clinton had been “extremely careless” in her “handling of very sensitive, highly classified

information,” and that she had clearly taken active steps to deceive and mislead investigators, Comey refused to recommend that she be indicted for her crimes. He justified this decision by stating that there was no “clear evidence that Secretary Clinton or her colleagues intended to violate laws governing the handling of classified information.”<sup>26</sup>

But under the Espionage Act statute, “gross negligence” — not intent — is the relevant standard. In other words, as former federal prosecutor Andrew C. McCarthy wrote, “the FBI rewrote the statute, inserting an intent element that Congress did not require.”<sup>27</sup>

### **The High Likelihood That Foreign Enemies Had Hacked into Clinton's Emails**

In March 2015, Ari Fleischer, who served as White House spokesman under George W. Bush, told Newsmax TV that he was certain that foreign agents had routinely read Mrs. Clinton's emails, classified and non-classified. “If it's done from a personal account, I guarantee you China, Russia and Iran have them,” he said.<sup>28</sup>

On September 30, 2015, the *Daily Mail* reported that Russian-linked hackers had tried at least five times to gain access to Mrs. Clinton's private email account during her tenure as Secretary of State.<sup>29</sup>

Also on September 30, 2015, *The Weekly Standard* reported that in a newly uncovered email from July 2011, Mrs. Clinton herself had joked about the possibility that the Chinese government may have hacked her email account: “Even weirder — I just checked and I do have your state but not your gmail — so how did that happen. Must be the Chinese!”<sup>30</sup>

In January 2016, radio host Hugh Hewitt asked former Secretary of Defense Robert Gates whether he believed that the “Russians, Chinese and Iranians had compromised [Clinton's] home brew server.” Gates replied: “Well, given the fact that the Pentagon acknowledges that they get attacked about 100,000 times a day, I think the odds are pretty high.”<sup>31</sup>

### **The Deadly Consequences of the Hacking of Clinton's Emails**

In August 2016, it was learned that Hillary Clinton in 2010 had recklessly discussed — in emails hosted on her private, unsecured server — the activities of Shahram Amiri, an Iranian nuclear scientist who had provided the U.S. with information about Iran's nuclear program. On

August 3, 2016, Iran executed Amiri for treason. “This person who had access to the country's secret and classified information had been linked to our hostile and No. 1 enemy, America, the Great Satan,” a spokesman for the Iranian judiciary said. “He provided the enemy with vital and secret information of the country.”

Given the likelihood that Iran had learned of Amiri's actions by hacking Mrs. Clinton's private email server, Republican Senator Tom Cotton said: “That goes to show just how reckless and careless her decision was to put that kind of highly classified information on a private server. And I think her judgment is not suited to keep this country safe.”<sup>32</sup>

## THE CLINTON FOUNDATION SCANDALS

### The Scandal of Foreign Donors

In an effort to prevent foreign governments, organizations, and individuals from influencing the policy decisions of American national leaders, campaign-finance laws prohibit U.S. political candidates from accepting money from foreign sources. But as the *Washington Post* noted in February 2015, the Bill, Hillary, & Chelsea Clinton Foundation “has given donors a way to potentially gain favor with the Clintons outside the traditional political [donation] limits.”<sup>33</sup>

As of February 2015, foreign sources accounted for about one-third of all donors who had given the Clinton Foundation more than \$1 million, and over half of those who had contributed more than \$5 million.<sup>34</sup> Foreign donors that gave money to the Foundation either before or after Mrs. Clinton's term as secretary of state included: Hezbollah supporter Issam Fares, who once served as deputy prime minister of Lebanon;<sup>35</sup> the Dubai Foundation, which also gave money to the families of Palestinian terrorists killed in action;<sup>36</sup> the royal family of Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan of the United Arab Emirates; GEMS Education, a Dubai-based company that promotes Sharia Law;<sup>37</sup> a privately-held Chinese construction and trade conglomerate headed by a delegate of the Chinese parliament;<sup>38</sup> and the governments of Saudi Arabia, Brunei, Germany, the United Arab Emirates, Australia, and Qatar.<sup>39</sup>

While all of these donations from foreign sources raise a host of ethical red flags, contributions that were made during Hillary Clinton's tenure (2009-13) as secretary of state may be even more significant, given the possibility that such funds could be used to buy immediate political influence. During that period, the Clinton Foundation received millions of dollars in donations from seven foreign governments: Australia, Norway, the Dominican

Republic, Algeria, Kuwait, Oman, and Qatar.<sup>40</sup>

### The Clinton Foundation Misreports Tens of Millions of Dollars It Received from Foreign Governments

It was revealed in early 2015 that the Clinton Foundation and the Clinton Health Access Initiative had misreported (to the IRS) tens of millions of dollars in donations they had received from governments around the world.

According to the *Daily Mail*: “For three years in a row beginning in 2010, the Clinton Foundation reported to the IRS that it received zero in funds from foreign and U.S. governments, a dramatic fall-off from the tens of millions of dollars in foreign government contributions reported in preceding years. Those entries were errors, according to the foundation: several foreign governments continued to give tens of millions of dollars toward the foundation's work ... through this three-year period.”<sup>41</sup>

### Quid Pro Quo: Donations to the Clinton Foundation, in Exchange for Policy Favors or Political Access

In his 2015 book, *Clinton Cash: The Untold Story of How and Why Foreign Governments and Businesses Helped Make Bill and Hillary Rich*, author Peter Schweizer writes: “During Hillary's years of public service, the Clintons have conducted or facilitated hundreds of large transactions. Some of these transactions have put millions in their own pockets.”<sup>42</sup>

From 2001-13, Bill Clinton earned a total of \$105 million from appearance and speaking fees, foreign and domestic. Approximately \$48 million of that total came during his wife's four-year (2009-13) stint as secretary of state. More than half of the \$48 million was paid by foreign companies, including some based in China, Japan, Canada, Russia, Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Kuwait, and the Cayman Islands. “Of the 13 Clinton speeches that fetched \$500,000 or more,” writes Schweizer, “only two occurred during the years his wife was not secretary of state.”<sup>43</sup>

Schweizer says he found a clear “pattern of financial transactions involving the Clintons that occurred contemporaneous with favorable U.S. policy decisions benefiting those providing the funds.”<sup>44</sup>

During Hillary Clinton's tenure as secretary of state, at least 181 donors to the Clinton Foundation lobbied the Clinton State Department regarding various matters. “Public records alone reveal a nearly limitless supply of cozy relationships between the Clintons and companies with interests before the government,” reports the news

website *Vox.com*.<sup>45</sup>

In August 2016, the Associated Press reported that 85 of Hillary Clinton's 154 scheduled meetings and phone calls with non-governmental personnel during her time at the State Department were with donors who gave \$156 million to the Clinton Foundation. The AP report also revealed that the Clinton Foundation had received \$170 million in donations from at least 16 foreign governments whose representatives met personally with Mrs. Clinton.<sup>46</sup>

### **The Clinton Foundation's Dealings with Russia**

In July 2016, Peter Schweizer reported that “Skolkovo” — a Moscow-based developer of various technologies — had given tens of millions of dollars to the Clinton Foundation. “Of the 28 U.S., European and Russian companies that participated in Skolkovo,” said Schweizer, “17 of them were Clinton Foundation donors” or sponsors of speeches by former President Bill Clinton.

According to Schweizer, Russia’s FSB spy agency — the successor to the KGB — has two information warfare “security centers” at Skolkovo. Through its relationship with the Clinton Foundation, Skolkovo gained access to cutting-edge technology possessed by such companies as Cisco, Intel, Microsoft, all of which participated in the “reset.” In turn, Skolkovo likely shared this advanced technology, which could be applied to both civilian and military purposes, with the Russian government.<sup>47</sup>

### **The Clinton State Department Awarded Billions of Dollars in Arms Deals to Human-Rights-Violating Governments That Donated to the Clinton Foundation**

In May 2015, the *International Business Times (IBT)* reported that the Clinton State Department had approved billions of dollars in arms deals with governments that donated to the Clinton Foundation, including governments that were infamous for their appalling human-rights records. *IBT* explains:

“Under federal law, foreign governments seeking State Department clearance to buy American-made arms are barred from making campaign contributions — a prohibition aimed at preventing foreign interests from using cash to influence national security policy. But nothing prevents them from contributing to a philanthropic foundation controlled by

policymakers.... 'The word was out to these groups that one of the best ways to gain access and influence with the Clintons was to give to this foundation,' said Meredith McGehee, policy director at the Campaign Legal Center, an advocacy group that seeks to tighten campaign finance disclosure rules.”<sup>48</sup>

IBT enumerates some examples of countries that donated to the Clinton Foundation, and were approved for commercial arms deals by the Clinton State Department:

- “Under [Hillary] Clinton's leadership, the State Department approved \$165 billion worth of commercial arms sales to 20 nations whose governments have given money to the Clinton Foundation.”
- “The Clinton-led State Department also authorized \$151 billion of separate Pentagon-brokered deals for 16 of the countries that donated to the Clinton Foundation.”
- “American defense contractors also donated to the Clinton Foundation while Hillary Clinton was secretary of state and in some cases made personal payments to Bill Clinton for speaking engagements. Such firms and their subsidiaries were listed as contractors in \$163 billion worth of Pentagon-negotiated deals that were authorized by the Clinton State Department between 2009 and 2012.”
- “Algeria, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Oman and Qatar all donated to the Clinton Foundation and also gained State Department clearance to buy caches of American-made weapons even as the department singled them out for a range of alleged ills, from corruption to restrictions on civil liberties to violent crackdowns against political opponents.”
- “In all, governments and corporations involved in the arms deals approved by Clinton’s State Department have delivered between \$54 million and \$141 million to the Clinton Foundation as well as hundreds of thousands of dollars in payments to the Clinton family.”<sup>49</sup>

### **Donors to the Clinton Foundation Received Prestigious State Department Awards**

During Hillary Clinton's tenure as secretary of state, 22 of the 37 corporations nominated for the State

Department's prestigious Award for Corporate Excellence — and 6 of the 8 ultimate winners of that award — were donors to the Clinton Foundation.<sup>30</sup>

### **The Clinton Foundation Spends Very Little of Its Revenues on Direct Aid**

According to a review of IRS documents by *The Federalist*, between 2009-12 the Clinton Foundation raised over \$500 million in total. A mere 15% of that, or \$75 million, went towards programmatic grants. The other \$425 million was allocated as follows: more than \$25 million went for travel expenses; almost \$110 million for employee salaries and benefits; and \$290 million for “other expenses.”<sup>31</sup>

In 2013 the Clinton Foundation took in more than \$140 million in grants and pledges, and spent \$84.6 million on “functional expenses” including payroll.<sup>32</sup> A mere \$9 million (scarcely 6%) went to direct aid.<sup>33</sup>

According to the Sunlight Foundation's Bill Allison, “It seems like the Clinton Foundation operates as a slush fund for the Clintons.”<sup>34</sup>

When Charity Navigator (CN), a watchdog group for philanthropic organizations, placed the Clinton Foundation on a “Watch List” because it lacked transparency and devoted only a small percentage of its revenues to charitable causes, the Foundation called one of CN's board members in an attempt to strong-arm the organization into removing the Foundation from that list.<sup>35</sup>

### **The Clinton Foundation's Canadian Affiliate Spends More Than 70% of Its Funds on Overhead**

The Clinton Giustra Enterprise Partnership (CGEP) — founded by the Canadian philanthropist and mining financier Frank Giustra — is a Vancouver-based charity that serves as the Clinton Foundation's Canadian affiliate. In 2014, the CGEP devoted only 22% of its expenditures to charitable programs, and 78% of its expenditures to management and administration costs for things like office expenses, salaries, and professional and consulting fees.<sup>36</sup>

### **“This Charity Is a Fraud”**

In May 2015, Wall Street analyst and longtime financial adviser Charles Ortel reported that he had found — after 15 months of digging into the Clinton Foundation's public records, tax filings, and donor disclosures —

that the contribution disclosures from the Foundation did not match up with individual donors' records. He also stated that the Foundation was not in compliance with a number of state laws regarding fundraising registration, disclosure requirements, and auditing rules.

“This is a charity fraud,” said Ortel. “Starting almost 20 years ago in 1997,” he added, “the Clinton Foundation spread its activities [across the world] without taking legally required steps to function and solicit as a duly constituted public charity. I decided it would be fun to cross-check what their donors thought they did when they donated to the Clinton Foundation, and that's when I got really irritated. There are massive discrepancies between what some of the major donors say they gave to the Clinton Foundation to do, and what the Clinton Foundation said they got from the donors and what they did with it.”<sup>37</sup>

### **Criminals on the Clinton Foundation's Board of Trustees**

According to Peter Schweizer's 2015 book, *Clinton Cash*, at least four members of the Clinton Foundation's board of trustees have either been charged with, or convicted of, serious crimes, including bribery, fraud, and illegal campaign financing.<sup>38</sup>

### **The Clintons' Charitable Donations Go Almost Exclusively to Their Own Foundation**

On their 2015 tax returns, Bill and Hillary Clinton deducted \$1,042,000 in charitable contributions, of which \$1 million went to their own Clinton Family Foundation. The other \$42,000 went to Desert Classic Charities (DCC), a nonprofit entity that organizes an annual charity golf tournament. In turn, DCC gave \$700,000 to the Clinton Foundation.<sup>39</sup>

### **CLINTON & THE DISASTROUS IRAN NUCLEAR DEAL**

Vowing that Mrs. Clinton will “preven[t] Iran from acquiring a nuclear weapon,” the Clinton presidential campaign website assures Americans that “Hillary will vigorously enforce the nuclear agreement with Iran” — which was negotiated by the U.S. and five other nations in 2015 — “and implement a broader strategy to confront Iran's bad behavior in the region.”

It is true that Mrs. Clinton enthusiastically supported the deal “as part of a larger strategy toward Iran.” But the

agreement was hardly something worth celebrating. Its key provisions were as follows:

- Iran was permitted to keep more than 5,000 centrifuges.<sup>60</sup>
- Iran received \$150 billion in sanctions relief.<sup>61</sup>
- Russia and China were permitted to supply Iran with weapons.<sup>62</sup>
- Iran was given the discretion to block international inspectors from its military installations, and was promised that it would receive 14 days' notice for any request to visit a given site.<sup>63</sup>
- Only inspectors from countries that had diplomatic relations with Iran would be given access to Iranian nuclear sites; thus there would be no American inspectors.<sup>64</sup>
- An embargo on the sale of weapons to Iran would be officially lifted in 5 years.<sup>65</sup>
- Iran's intercontinental ballistic missile program would remain intact.<sup>66</sup>
- The U.S. pledged that it would provide technical assistance to help Iran develop its nuclear program, supposedly for peaceful domestic purposes.<sup>67</sup>
- Sanctions would be lifted on critical parts of Iran's military.<sup>68</sup>
- Iran was not required to release American prisoners whom it was holding on trumped-up charges.<sup>69</sup>
- The U.S. pledged that in the future, it would provide Iran with "training courses and workshops to strengthen [its] ability to prevent, protect and respond to nuclear security threats to nuclear facilities and systems."<sup>70</sup>

As a result of this nuclear deal that Mrs. Clinton so enthusiastically supports, Iran is guaranteed of having a near-zero breakout time to a nuclear bomb approximately a decade down the road.

## **CLINTON HELPS RUSSIA GAIN CONTROL OVER 20% OF AMERICAN URANIUM RESERVES**

In 2007-08, a Canadian named Ian Telfer, chairman of Uranium One — a South African uranium-mining company with assets on several continents — funneled millions of dollars in donations to the Clinton Foundation. Moreover, a number of additional people with ties to Uranium One gave the Foundation between \$1.3 million and \$5.6 million in contributions.<sup>71</sup>

Over time, Uranium One gained control of approximately 20% of all U.S. uranium reserves. Then,

in June 2010, the Russian government made an extremely generous offer to Uranium One's shareholders. If the offer were to be accepted, Russia would gain a 51% controlling stake in the company.

But because Uranium One now controlled one-fifth of all U.S. uranium reserves — and uranium is considered a strategic asset with implications for American national security — the deal with Russia could not be permitted without the approval of the American government. Specifically, that approval could be granted only by the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS), which is composed of several of the most powerful members of the cabinet — the Attorney General as well as the Secretaries of Defense, Commerce, Treasury, Homeland Security, Energy, and State. (The latter, of course, was Hillary Clinton.)<sup>72</sup>

Without the approval of these seven Obama administration officials, Russia's acquisition of Uranium One could not have taken place. All seven approved the deal. As a result, the Russian government now controlled fully 20% of all uranium production capacity in the United States. The seriousness of this matter was heightened even further by the fact that the U.S. produces only about one-fifth of all the uranium it needs to run its nuclear energy plants.<sup>73</sup>

In June 2010 — the very month in which the Russian acquisition of Uranium One was approved by the CFIUS — Bill Clinton was invited to speak in Moscow for the astronomical sum of \$500,000. Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin personally thanked Mr. Clinton for speaking. And Mr. Clinton's speaking fee was paid by Renaissance Capital, a Russian investment bank with ties to the Kremlin.<sup>74</sup>

Four members of the House of Representatives signed a letter expressing deep concern about the sale of Uranium One to Russia. Two additional House members pushed legislation designed to invalidate the deal.<sup>75</sup>

## **THE BENGHAZI TERRORISM SCANDAL**

### **How Clinton's Dereliction of Duty Allowed Four Americans to Be Slaughtered by Islamic Terrorists in Benghazi**

Throughout 2012, violent jihadist activity became increasingly commonplace in the city of Benghazi and elsewhere throughout Libya and North Africa. At or near the U.S. diplomatic mission in Benghazi, for instance, there were many acts of terrorism featuring the use of guns, improvised explosive devices, hand grenades, rocket-propelled grenades, and car-bombs, along with

explicit threats against Americans issued by known terrorists like Al Qaeda chief Ayman al-Zawahiri. As a result of such developments, American personnel at the U.S. mission in Benghazi repeatedly asked the Clinton State Department for increased security provisions during 2012, but *all* of these requests were either denied or ignored.<sup>76</sup>

On the night of September 11, 2012, a large group of heavily armed Islamic terrorists attacked the U.S. diplomatic mission in Benghazi with great violence.<sup>77</sup> In the process, they killed the U.S. Ambassador to Libya, Chris Stevens, and three other Americans.

Two days later, Mrs. Clinton spoke out against the killings but prefaced her remarks by blaming the violence on an obscure YouTube video — titled *Innocence of Muslims* — which was critical of the Prophet Muhammad and had been produced recently in the United States. Clinton advanced the notion that the attack in Benghazi was an unplanned, unforeseeable escalation of an impromptu protest over the “disgusting and reprehensible” YouTube video, rather than a pre-planned, carefully orchestrated act of terrorism led by an Al Qaeda-affiliated group.<sup>78</sup>

At a September 14 receiving ceremony where the bodies of the four dead Americans were returned to the United States, Mrs. Clinton spoke to the grieving families of the deceased. In the course of her remarks, she referenced an “awful Internet video that we had nothing to do with.” Afterward, she told the father of Tyrone Woods, the former Navy SEAL who had been killed in the attack, “We will make sure the person who made that film is arrested and prosecuted.”<sup>79</sup>

For weeks thereafter, Mrs. Clinton and the rest of the Obama administration continued to characterize what had occurred on September 11 in Benghazi not as a carefully orchestrated act of terrorism, but as a spontaneous uprising that evolved unexpectedly from what had begun as a low-level protest against a YouTube video.

For the administration, it was vital to continue putting forth this false narrative because, with the presidential election only a few weeks away, nothing could be permitted to puncture the Obama-Clinton talking points: “Al Qaeda is on the run” and “Osama bin Laden is dead.”<sup>80</sup>

In reality, however, within mere hours after the September 11 attack, U.S. intelligence agencies had already gained more than enough evidence to conclude unequivocally that it was a planned terrorist incident, and that the YouTube video had nothing whatsoever to

do with it.<sup>81</sup>

## **Clinton Lies About the Obama Administration's Aid to Islamic Jihadists in Libya & Syria**

On January 23, 2013 — fully 134 days after the September 11 attack in Benghazi — Mrs. Clinton went before Congress to testify as to what she knew about the incident.... At one point in the hearing, Senator Rand Paul asked her whether the United States had ever been involved in procuring weapons in Libya and transferring them to other countries including Syria. Clinton replied, “I do not know. I have no information on that.”<sup>82</sup>

A March 25, 2013 *New York Times* story subsequently indicated that the Obama administration had in fact been sending arms from Libya, through intermediary nations and ultimately to Syria, since early 2012. And another *Times* article described Mrs. Clinton as one of the driving forces who had called for arming the Syrian rebels (who were fighting Syrian President Assad) in precisely that manner.<sup>83</sup> In other words, Clinton had lied in her congressional testimony.

It should be noted that the Syrian rebels whom Clinton and Obama were aiding consisted of Islamic jihadists, many of whom were affiliated with Al Qaeda. In July 2016, Julian Assange of Wikileaks revealed that a batch of hacked DNC emails contained information proving that Clinton, contrary to what she had said in her congressional testimony in 2013, knew as early as 2011 that the U.S. was sending arms from Libya to jihadists in Syria.<sup>84</sup>

And in October 2016, a Fox News report indicated that Obama and Clinton had also arranged for the provision of weapons to radical jihadists in Libya.<sup>85</sup>

## **Clinton's Massive Cover-up of Incriminating Benghazi Files**

In September 2014, former Deputy Secretary of State Raymond Maxwell reported that in late 2012 he had witnessed — in the basement of the State Department’s headquarters — a Sunday meeting in which Cheryl Mills (Hillary Clinton’s chief of staff) and Jake Sullivan (Clinton's deputy chief of staff) were overseeing and directing staffers who were busy purging documents that might implicate Clinton or her top people in the Benghazi attacks.<sup>86</sup>

According to Maxwell, one of his own female aides who was also involved in the document purge, had told him: “Ray, we are to go through these stacks and pull out

anything that might put anybody in the ... seventh floor in a bad light.” (“Seventh floor” was State Department shorthand for then-Secretary of State Clinton and her principal advisers.) When Maxwell asked the aide whether it was unethical to do what she was doing, the woman replied: “Ray, those are our orders.”<sup>87</sup>

## **THE ISLAMIST TIES OF CLINTON’S CLOSEST AIDE, HUMA ABEDIN**

Hillary Clinton's closest aide for many years has been Huma Abedin, whose late father, Syed Abedin, was affiliated with the Muslim Students Association (MSA). The MSA grew out of the Muslim Brotherhood, which Islam expert Robert Spencer has described as “the parent organization of Hamas and al Qaeda.” Specifically, the Brotherhood seeks to establish an Islamic caliphate, or kingdom, that imposes Sharia Law on the people of every nation. This goal is encapsulated in the Brotherhood’s militant credo: “God is our objective, the Koran is our Constitution, the Prophet is our leader, struggle [jihad] is our way, and death for the sake of God is the highest of our aspirations.”<sup>88</sup>

Huma's mother, Saleha Mahmood Abedin, is a prominent member of the Muslim Sisterhood — the Muslim Brotherhood's division for women. She is also a board member of the International Islamic Council for Dawa and Relief, a pro-Hamas entity that is part of the “Union of Good,” which the U.S. government has formally designated as an international terrorist organization. Saleha once wrote an article blaming America for having provoked the Islamic “anger and hostility” that led to the 9/11 attacks.<sup>89</sup>

When Huma Abedin was two, Abdullah Omar Naseef, a major Muslim Brotherhood figure who served as vice president of Abdulaziz University in Saudi Arabia, recruited Syed Abedin to work for the Institute of Muslim Minority Affairs (IMMA), a Saudi-based Islamic think tank that Naseef was preparing to launch.

A number of years later, Naseef would develop close ties to Osama bin Laden and Al Qaeda. Naseef also spent time as secretary-general of the Muslim World League, which, as former federal prosecutor Andrew C. McCarthy points out, “has long been the Muslim Brotherhood’s principal vehicle for the international propagation of Islamic supremacist ideology.”<sup>90</sup>

From 1997 until sometime before early 1999, Huma Abedin, while interning at the Clinton White House, was an executive board member of George Washington University's MSA.<sup>91</sup>

From 1996-2008, Abedin was employed by the IMMA, as the assistant editor of its in-house publication, the *Journal of Muslim Minority Affairs (JMMA)*. At least the first seven of those years overlapped with the Al Qaeda-affiliated Abdullah Omar Naseef's active presence in the IMMA.<sup>92</sup>

It is vital to note that the IMMA's “Muslim Minority Affairs” agenda was, and remains to this day, a calculated foreign policy of the Saudi Ministry of Religious Affairs. It is designed, as Andrew C. McCarthy explains, “to grow an unassimilated, aggressive population of Islamic supremacists who will gradually but dramatically alter the character of the West.”<sup>93</sup>

Throughout her years with the IMMA, Huma Abedin remained Hillary Clinton's closest aide. During Clinton's 2008 presidential primary campaign, a *New York Observer* profile of Abedin described her as “a trusted adviser to Mrs. Clinton, especially on issues pertaining to the Middle East.”<sup>94</sup>

## **NATIONAL SECURITY & TERRORISM**

### **Clinton's Absurd Call for a National Security “Intelligence Surge”**

The Clinton campaign website says that Mrs. Clinton pledges to launch “an intelligence surge to get security officials the tools they need to prevent attacks.”<sup>95</sup> This would appear to be either a misprint or a very bad joke.

In 2011 the Obama administration, in which Clinton was obviously a major player, decided to purge, from the training materials and curricula of all federal intelligence and criminal investigators, every single item suggesting that “jihad” or “Islam” were in any way related to terrorism.<sup>96</sup> Instead, the new objective would be “countering violent extremism,” improving “cultural competency training across the United States Government,” and promoting “cultural awareness.”<sup>97</sup> All told, the FBI removed more than 1,000 presentations and curriculum items that were deemed “offensive” or “Islamophobic.”<sup>98</sup>

The FBI's decision to change its training materials and interrogation methods went on to have deadly serious, real-world consequences. A particularly noteworthy case involved jihadist Omar Mateen, who in June 2016 entered a gay nightclub in Orlando, Florida and murdered 49 people while wounding 53 others. The FBI had investigated Mateen extensively for 10 months in 2013 because he had family connections to Al Qaeda, he was a member of a Shi’a terrorist organization, and he

had issued terroristic threats on a number of occasions. But eventually, the FBI canceled that investigation because, in accordance with the tenets of its revised training materials, it concluded that Mateen posed no threat to anyone; that his biggest problem was the psychic pain he was suffering as a result of “being marginalized because of his Muslim faith.” As a result of this absurd line of reasoning, 49 innocent people from Orlando are now lying in their graves.<sup>99</sup>

Hillary Clinton agrees completely with the notion that it is both counterproductive and morally unjustified to suggest any connection between Islam and terrorism. As she told an ABC interviewer last December, she refuses to use the term “radical Islam” because she believes it is disrespectful to the “vast number of Muslims in our country and around the world who are peaceful people.” Clinton added that the term gives the impression that “we are declaring war against a religion.”<sup>100</sup>

In short, Clinton embraces the same delusional, preposterous mentality that enabled the Orlando mass murder to take place.

### **Clinton's Role in the Rise of ISIS and the Stratospheric Growth of Worldwide Terrorism**

On her presidential campaign website, Hillary Clinton promises to “take out ISIS’s stronghold in Iraq and Syria.”<sup>101</sup> That is a rather amazing statement, given the fact that ISIS, which evolved out of Al Qaeda in Iraq (AQI), grew into the most powerful, well-funded horde of bloodthirsty barbarians in world history, right under Mrs. Clinton's nose, and precisely during her watch. While ISIS launched its campaign of mass rapes, beheadings, slaughters, and tortures of unimaginable brutality — and gained control over enormous portions of Iraq and Syria — Clinton and President Obama did absolutely nothing to thwart it.<sup>102</sup>

Moreover, the rise of ISIS coincided with the expansion of terrorism to unprecedented levels all over the world. According to the Global Terrorism Index, fatalities caused by terrorism increased from 3,361 in 2000, to 11,133 in 2012, to 18,111 in 2013, to 32,658 in 2014. More than half of the 2014 killings were carried out by ISIS and Boko Haram, the latter of which has pledged allegiance to ISIS.<sup>103</sup> In other words, worldwide terrorism has spiraled out of control under Obama, Clinton, and Clinton's successor, John Kerry.

In August 2012, Clinton's State Department received a classified Defense Intelligence Agency report predicting the rise of a broad “Islamic State” and declaring, among other things, that the Obama administration, in its effort

to overthrow Syrian dictator Bashar al Assad, was actively and willfully supporting AQI.<sup>104</sup>

That is correct. Hillary Clinton knew quite well that America was supporting a branch of Al Qaeda, the terrorist group that had masterminded and carried out the 9/11 attacks, and she approved of this.

Clinton's awareness of America's role in aiding Al Qaeda and affiliated jihadists in their battle against Assad, was confirmed in July 2016. At that time, Julian Assange of Wikileaks revealed that a batch of hacked DNC emails contained information proving that Clinton, contrary to what she had said in congressional testimony in 2013, knew as early as 2011 that the U.S. was sending arms from Libya to jihadists in Syria.<sup>105</sup>

### **Clinton's Role in Squandering America's Victory in the Iraq War**

ISIS's meteoric ascent to power occurred as a direct result of President Obama's decision to rapidly withdraw *all* U.S. troops from Iraq — against the advice of experienced military leaders — in 2011. Retired Army General John M. Keane, the last American commander in Iraq, had recommended that 23,000 U.S. troops be left in place to secure the U.S. war victory. But Obama, wanting to be remembered most of all as the president who ended wars rather than fought them, left no forces behind. Beaming with pride, he frequently took credit for bringing American military involvement in Iraq to a close.<sup>106</sup>

Of course, when ISIS later grew into a genocidal monster, Obama tried to claim that his withdrawal from Iraq had been mandated by a December 2008 deal in which President Bush and Iraqi president Maliki had signed a “status-of-forces” agreement stipulating that all U.S. troops must leave Iraq by December 2011.<sup>107</sup>

Hillary Clinton is now repeating this Obama talking point, which is nothing more than deceptive rhetoric. Status-of-forces agreements are often amended and renegotiated, based on evolving security concerns. Obama left no U.S. forces in Iraq for one very simple and obvious reason: he didn't want to. As the president himself stated during a 2012 debate with Republican challenger Mitt Romney: “What I would not have done is left 10,000 troops [a far cry from the 23,000 recommended by General Keane] in Iraq that would tie us down. That certainly would not help us in the Middle East.”<sup>108</sup>

It is vital to remember, moreover, that Iraqi president Maliki would have been quite willing to accept a new

status-of-forces agreement, had it stipulated that the U.S. would leave behind a contingent of troops large enough to effectively secure the peace. But when Obama and Clinton proposed to leave a mere 2,000 to 3,000 troops in Iraq, Maliki had no choice but to refuse. As *National Review* explains: “[T]he problem was that the Obama administration wanted a small force so that it could say it had ended the war. Having a very small American force wasn’t worth the domestic political price Maliki would have to pay for supporting their presence.”<sup>10</sup>

When Obama was deciding to pull all U.S. troops out of Iraq, Hillary Clinton was in 100% agreement with him. As Fox News reports: “Clinton was a leading and outspoken supporter of the Obama administration’s decision to withdraw U.S. forces from Iraq.... Clinton touted the United States’ commitment to Iraq in 2011 and said the Obama administration has ‘a plan in place’ to ensure Iraq’s security.”<sup>11</sup>

But instead, Iraq turned into a beehive of jihadism, terrorism, and mass murder.

In August 2016, Retired Lt. Gen. Mike Flynn, a lifelong Democrat who served for more than two years as the director of President Obama’s Defense Intelligence Agency, told an interviewer that Obama and Hillary Clinton had intentionally turned a deaf ear to intelligence that did not fit their “happy talk” narrative about conditions in the Middle East. Noting that “the administration has basically denied the fact that we have this problem with ‘Radical Islamists,’” Flynn said: “There’s a narrative that the President and his team, including Hillary Clinton, wanted to hear—instead of having the tough news or the bad news if you will that they needed to hear.... [F]rankly in the last 8 years,... we have seen a level of dishonesty coming out of both the policy and the decision making structure with the American people.”<sup>12</sup>

### **Clinton's Horrible Judgment Regarding Another Terrorist Enemy**

Hillary Clinton's judgment was just as abysmal when, as a member of the U.S. Senate, she opposed President Bush's January 2007 decision to deploy an additional 21,500 troops in a military “surge” designed to turn the tide of the Iraq War — which had devolved into a bloody quagmire — back in America's favor:

- In December 2006, when Bush was still contemplating the surge, Clinton said: “Everyone knows there is no military solution to the difficulties we face in Iraq.”<sup>13</sup>

- In January 2007, Clinton complained that the surge was “taking troops away from Afghanistan, where I think we need to be putting more troops, and sending them to Iraq on a mission that I think has a very limited, if any, chance for success.”<sup>14</sup>
- In August 2007, Clinton said: “The surge was designed to give the Iraqi government time to take steps to ensure a political solution to the situation. It has failed to do so.... It is abundantly clear that there is no military solution to the sectarian fighting in Iraq. We need to stop refereeing the war, and start getting out now.”<sup>15</sup>
- When General David Petraeus issued a September 2007 report on the remarkably successful results that the surge was yielding, Clinton obstinately told Petraeus that his assertions required “a willing suspension of disbelief.”<sup>16</sup>

Contrary to Clinton's erroneous predictions and false rhetoric, the troop surge proved to be a monumentally important strategy that finally enabled the U.S. to crush the Iraqi insurgency. Prior to the surge, it had not been uncommon for 3,000 or more Iraqi civilians and security-force members to die at the hands of terrorist violence during any given month. By May 2008, the monthly mortality figure stood at 19, and it fluctuated between 7 and 25 deaths per month over the ensuing 14 months.<sup>16</sup>

In his 2014 memoir, Robert Gates — who had served as Secretary of Defense under both George W. Bush and Barack Obama — wrote that Hillary Clinton's opposition to the troop surge had been based on how she thought her own political fortunes would be affected by taking that position. For example, Gates described a “remarkable” exchange that he had witnessed, where Clinton, speaking retrospectively, “told the president that her opposition to the [2007] surge in Iraq had been political because she was facing him in the Iowa primary” and could not afford to be perceived as pro-war.<sup>17</sup>

### **Clinton Speaks out in Favor of Releasing High-Level Terrorist Leaders**

In a June 2014 interview, Mrs. Clinton was asked to comment on the potential consequences of a deal in which the Obama administration had freed five senior Taliban commanders and high-value terrorists who had been imprisoned at Guantanamo Bay since 2002, in exchange for the release of Bowe Bergdahl, an American

Army soldier who had deserted the U.S. military in 2009 and spent the next five years with the Taliban.

Though the five Taliban who were released were known affiliates of Osama bin Laden and were guilty of all manner of war crimes and mass murder, Hillary Clinton said: “These five guys are not a threat to the United States. They are a threat to the safety and security of Afghanistan and Pakistan. It’s up to those two countries to make the decision once and for all that these are threats to them. So I think we may be kind of missing the bigger picture here. We want to get an American [Bergdahl] home, whether they fell off the ship because they were drunk or they were pushed or they jumped, we try to rescue everybody.”<sup>118</sup>

Notably, eight American soldiers had lost their lives searching for Bergdahl after his desertion, thinking that he had been abducted.<sup>119</sup>

## RUSSIA & CHINA

### Clinton's Empty Talk Regarding Russia and China

Promising to “be firm but wise with our rivals,” the Clinton presidential campaign website says that “Hillary has gone toe-to-toe with Russia and China and many other different leaders around the world,” adding that “she knows we have to be able to both stand our ground when we must, and find common ground when we can.” For instance, the website boasts that in 2010 Clinton “worked to ensure ratification of the New START treaty, which will make the world safer by reducing U.S. and Russian nuclear arsenals to their smallest size in 50 years.”<sup>120</sup>

But this was hardly an accomplishment worth bragging about. The New START agreement with Russia limited each country's long-range nuclear weapons stockpile to 1,500. (America's existing nuclear weapons arsenal at that time was 5,113.)<sup>121</sup> But while both the U.S. and Russia agreed to these limits, only America promised to freeze its technology.<sup>122</sup> As constitutional scholar Phyllis Schlafley wrote of the treaty:

“It reads like it was written by the Russians and has nothing good in it for the United States.... The treaty allows Russia to build new and modern weapons to reach New START limits, whereas the United States is locked into reducing its current number. That means Russia will have new and tested weapons, but the U.S. will be stuck with its current, out-of-date, untested warheads.... This treaty gives Russia a veto over all U.S. defenses against incoming

missiles.... Russia explained that ... it will stick with New START 'only if the (U.S.) refrains from developing its missile defense capabilities quantitatively or qualitatively.’”<sup>123</sup>

*The Federalist* notes, moreover, that “Clinton is responsible for 'Russia reset,' which has empowered Russia, made the relationship between it and the United States far worse, and seriously undermined the U.S. strategic posture generally. The entire plan to improve relations with Moscow was predicated on the absurd assumptions that Russia shared U.S. interests in improving relations and that it would abide by arms-control treaties despite having a long record of cheating.”<sup>124</sup>

Regarding New START in particular, *The Federalist* points out that “the Russians refused to allow the treaty to restrict their tactical nuclear weapons. Thus, it continues to have roughly eight to ten tactical nuclear weapons — holding at risk NATO allies — for every one American tactical nuclear weapon.”<sup>125</sup>

## CLINTON & ISRAEL

### Clinton's Reprehensible Treatment of Israel

Though Hillary Clinton has pledged to “work with our allies to dismantle global terror networks” around the world,<sup>126</sup> she and President Obama have repeatedly shown extreme disrespect to the state of Israel, America's foremost ally, and its leadership.

- In 2010, Israeli Ambassador Michael Oren said, “Israel’s ties with the United States are in their worst crisis since 1975 ... a crisis of historic proportions.”<sup>127</sup>
- Author and scholar Dennis Prager concurred that “Israeli-American relations are the worst they have been in memory.”<sup>128</sup>
- Middle East expert David Rubin depicted the Obama administration as “very harmful for Israel and very dangerous for the future of Judeo-Christian civilization.”<sup>129</sup>
- Author Thomas Sowell asserted that the Obama administration's relationship with Israel was consistent with its pattern of “selling out our allies to curry favor with our adversaries.”<sup>130</sup>
- In October 2012, Israeli lawmaker Danny Danon said that the Obama administration had “not

been a friend of Israel,” and that its policies had been “catastrophic.”<sup>131</sup>

- According to a 2010 poll commissioned by *The Jerusalem Post*, only 9% of Jewish Israelis saw the Obama administration as being more pro-Israel than pro-Palestinian.<sup>132</sup>

From the outset of their administration, both Clinton and Obama believed that it was important for America to put “daylight” between itself and Israel, and that Israel would need “to engage in serious self-reflection” regarding the root causes of Palestinian terrorism.<sup>133</sup> Moreover, Clinton and Obama maintained that the U.S. would “absolutely not” give Israel permission to strike Iran’s nuclear facilities,<sup>134</sup> and that the construction of new Israeli homes in the West Bank was wholly unacceptable.

After Vice President Joe Biden criticized Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu in March 2010 for “endanger[ing] regional peace” by authorizing the construction of some Jewish housing units in Jerusalem, Clinton, according to *The Wall Street Journal*, “berated ... Netanyahu on a now-infamous 45-minute phone call, telling him that Israel had 'harmed the bilateral relationship.' ... [And] the Israeli ambassador was dressed-down at the State Department...”<sup>135</sup>

Clinton betrayed Israel in the aftermath of an infamous 2010 incident where terrorist members of a Turkish organization known as the IHH — which has ties to Hamas, al Qaeda, and the Muslim Brotherhood — participated in a six-ship flotilla of Muslim and anti-Israel activists who sailed to Gaza for the purpose of breaking Israel's naval “blockade” there. (That “blockade” was, in reality, a policy whereby Israel insisted on examining all imports passing through Gaza, so as to prevent the ruling Hamas government from importing weaponry from abroad). The flotilla's lead ship was owned and operated by IHH. When its crew refused to comply with repeated Israeli demands that it submit to an inspection of its cargo, Israeli commandos boarded the vessel and were violently attacked by IHH terrorists. In the melee that ensued, nine IHH members were killed, and seven Israeli soldiers were wounded. Thereafter, Clinton, by her own telling, “spent ... literally years trying to get the Israelis to finally apologize to the Turks on the flotilla.”<sup>136</sup>

Speaking at a December 7, 2012 forum at the Saban Center for Middle East Policy, Clinton chastised Israel for the “lack of generosity” and “lack of empathy” it had shown to the Palestinians. “[T]here is more that the Israelis need to do,” said Clinton, “to really demonstrate that they do understand the pain of an oppressed people

...”<sup>137</sup>

When Israel in 2012 announced its plan to build some new housing units in East Jerusalem and the West Bank, Mrs. Clinton said that “these activities set back the cause of a negotiated peace.”<sup>138</sup>

In 2016, a number of private emails that Mrs. Clinton had sent and received during her time as secretary of state, were leaked to the press. Based on the content of those emails, the low regard that she and her closest advisers had for the state of Israel, was obvious.

- In one 2011 exchange, Clinton adviser Thomas Pickering suggested a scheme whereby the U.S. could use various third parties to secretly foment and organize Arab demonstrations designed to pressure the Israeli government into making political concessions to the Palestinians. Rather than dismissing this idea outright, Clinton instructed an aide to print the email.<sup>139</sup>
- In 2010, Anne Marie Slaughter, who served as Clinton’s director of policy planning at the State Department, sent an email to senior Clinton staffers proposing a “pledge for Palestine” fundraising campaign, intended to have a “shaming effect on Israel.”<sup>140</sup>
- In 2012, Clinton adviser Sidney Blumenthal, forwarded to Mrs. Clinton a scathing anti-Israel article from the Hezbollah-affiliated website *Al-Akhbar*, to which Clinton responded: “interesting reading.”<sup>141</sup>

### **Clinton's Role in Enabling Hamas to Murder Israeli Jews**

In the summer of 2014, Israel engaged in a massive military operation designed to weaken the destructive capacity of Hamas terrorists who were launching more than 100 potentially deadly missiles per day from Gaza, deep into Israel. Before long, Israel discovered that Hamas, in recent years, had constructed a massive network of at least 60 underground missile storage-and-transport tunnels throughout Gaza. A number of those tunnels extended, underground, into Israeli territory — for the purpose of facilitating terror attacks, murders, and kidnappings against unsuspecting Israeli citizens. According to a *Wall Street Journal* report, Hamas had spent between \$1 million and \$10 million to build each of those tunnels, using as many as 350 truckloads of cement and other supplies per tunnel.<sup>142</sup>

Then, in a bombshell revelation in August 2014, Dennis

Ross, who had served as Secretary of State Clinton's senior Mideast policy adviser, revealed that Clinton had personally assigned him the task of pressuring Israel to ease up on its military blockade of Gaza. "I argued with Israeli leaders and security officials, telling them they needed to allow more construction materials, including cement, into Gaza so that housing, schools and basic infrastructure could be built," said Ross. "They countered that Hamas would misuse it, and they were right." As one analysis aptly puts it, "Ross's admission shows that it was [Clinton] who sent her personal envoy to push for a policy that ultimately enabled Hamas to build the terror tunnels."<sup>143</sup>

## CLINTON TURNS LIBYA INTO A TERRORIST HAVEN

During her tenure as secretary of state, Hillary Clinton pushed hard for the U.S. to take military action designed to drive Muammar Gaddafi from power in Libya.<sup>144</sup> According to former Defense Secretary Robert Gates, who served under President Obama, Clinton played a major role in convincing Obama to lead a protracted NATO bombing campaign against Gaddafi in 2011 — a campaign that lent support to opposition rebels consisting of ISIS, Ansar al-Sharia, and other local militant groups. In other words, Clinton and Obama — in their quest to unseat Gaddafi — were aiding murderous jihadists in Libya.

What is remarkable about this, is the fact that Gaddafi at that time no longer posed any threat to American national security. Indeed, just prior to the Al Qaeda-led uprising that Clinton and Obama supported, Libya was providing the U.S. with important intelligence data. Moreover, it was a prospering, secular Islamic nation that had a national budget surplus of 8.7% and was producing 1.8 million barrels of oil per day.

By the time the Obama-Clinton bombing campaign was finished, Libya's economy had shrunk by 42% and was operating at an annual deficit of 17.1%; oil production was down by at least 80%.<sup>145</sup>

According to *Foreign Policy In Focus*, the Obama-Clinton strategy "plunged" Libya "into chaotic unrest" and "turned [it] into a cauldron of anarchy."<sup>146</sup> Today Libya is a nation teeming with jihadists, and ISIS is becoming increasingly powerful there.<sup>147</sup> With an estimated 1,700 armed groups and militias active throughout the country, there is virtually no sense of personal safety left for the people of Libya. At least 435,000 Libyans have fled their homes in fear, to other regions of the country.<sup>148</sup>

## CLINTON'S PLAN TO IMPORT 65,000 SYRIAN REFUGEES INTO THE U.S.

"We have to stem the flow of jihadists from Europe and America to and from Iraq, Syria, and Afghanistan," says the Clinton presidential campaign website.<sup>149</sup> While this sounds like a grand idea, it begs a very obvious question: Why has Hillary Clinton explicitly called for bringing at least 65,000 refugees from Syria into the United States as quickly as possible,<sup>150</sup> even though:

- ISIS has vowed to deploy terrorist operatives to infiltrate the flow of Syrian refugees heading to Western nations?<sup>151</sup>
- more than 1,500 terror-linked refugees, asylees and migrants entered the U.S. in 2014 alone?<sup>152</sup>
- more than 30,000 illegal immigrants from "countries of terrorist concern" entered the United States through America's Southwestern border with Mexico in 2015?<sup>153</sup>
- Michael Steinbach, deputy assistant director of the FBI's counter-terrorism unit, has made it clear that it is virtually impossible to screen out terrorists who could be posing as refugees and coming to America?<sup>154</sup>
- FBI Director James Comey has said that the federal government does not have the ability to conduct reliable background checks on the Syrian refugees, and has warned that "there will be a terrorist diaspora [from Syria and elsewhere in the Middle East] sometime in the next two to five years like we've never seen before"?<sup>155</sup>
- Homeland Security Secretary Jeh Johnson has admitted that the U.S. will not "know a whole lot" about the refugees it accepts?<sup>156</sup>
- CIA director John Brennan has said that ISIS "is probably exploring a variety of means for infiltrating operatives into the West, including in refugee flows ..."?<sup>157</sup>
- and Tom Ridge, former head of the Department of Homeland Security, agrees with all of these assessments?<sup>158</sup>

What will happen if, as a direct result of the policy that Mrs. Clinton herself has spelled out, scores of thousands of people from the very seat of ISIS's power begin streaming into the United States?

What motivates Mrs. Clinton to advocate for such an obviously foolish and potentially deadly policy, is nothing more than political calculation. Taking a long-range view of American migration and refugee policy, Clinton understands that eventually, when these Syrian refugees and their relatives, and then their descendants, become registered voters, they will vote heavily Democrat, as the vast majority of immigrants from Third World countries have always done.

And if some Americans have to get murdered along the way by terrorist infiltrators, so be it. To Mrs. Clinton, that is simply one of the costs of doing (political) business.

## **PROMOTING AMNESTY, OPEN BORDERS, & MASSIVE IMMIGRATION FROM THE THIRD WORLD**

### **Clinton Favors Amnesty for Illegal Aliens**

“Hillary will introduce comprehensive immigration reform with a pathway to full and equal citizenship within her first 100 days in office,” says the Clinton presidential campaign website.<sup>159</sup> This is a dramatic departure from her position in 2008, when she did not even support the mainstream Democratic position of permitting illegals to have driver’s licenses.

Today Clinton pledges that if she is elected president, she will extend President Obama's two major executive orders on immigration, which temporarily protected millions of illegal aliens from deportation.<sup>160</sup> She vows to do this despite the fact that Obama himself, prior to issuing his executive orders, frequently acknowledged that such actions went far beyond the proper limits of presidential authority.<sup>161</sup>

Speaking to a group of illegal immigrant high-school students in 2015, Clinton said: “I want to do everything we can to defend the president's executive orders ... As president I would do everything possible under the law to go even further.”<sup>162</sup>

In a 2015 interview with the Spanish-language TV station Telemundo, Clinton stated: “I think we have to go back to being a much less harsh and aggressive enforcer” of immigration laws.<sup>163</sup>

### **Clinton's Open-Borders Agenda: A Look at Her Senate Voting Record on Immigration Bills**

During her years in the U.S. Senate, Mrs. Clinton cast

numerous important votes on the issue of immigration. According to NumbersUSA.com, she:

- “co-sponsored legislation in 2001 to extend ... an immigration provision that allows certain illegal aliens to pay a fine and adjust their status to legal status”
- “co-sponsored [a] bill to create an amnesty for illegal agricultural workers in 2003-2004”
- “co-sponsored the DREAM Act of 2003, [which] would have granted in-state tuition [discounts] and amnesty to illegal aliens under the age of 21”
- “co-sponsor[ed] ... an amnesty that would have granted Legal Permanent Resident status to [nearly 10.3 million] illegal aliens (and their spouses and minor children)”
- “co-sponsor[ed] [a] bill to create an amnesty for illegal agricultural workers in 2005-2006”
- “voted in favor of amnesty for [illegal] agricultural workers in 2005”
- “voted against [an] amendment to provide funding for additional Border Patrol agents in 2005”
- “co-sponsor[ed] the DREAM Act of 2005”
- “voted ... to kill [an] amendment to prevent Social Security for illegal aliens in 2006”
- “voted ... against [an] amendment to remove amnesty provisions from [an] immigration bill in 2006”
- “voted in favor of [an] amendment to make two million illegal aliens eligible for amnesty in 2006”
- “voted ... in favor of [an] amendment to kill [the] border fence in 2006”
- “voted against [an] amendment to extend [the] border fence in 2006”
- “voted against [an] amendment to fund additional immigration investigators in 2006”
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- “voted ... against [an] amendment to increase interior enforcement in 2007”
- “voted against [an] amendment to strip amnesty provisions from [a bill] in 2007”
- “voted against the Cornyn Amendment [in 2007] ... to establish a permanent bar for gang members, terrorists, and other criminals”
- “voted ... against [an] amendment to increase [immigration] enforcement and delay amnesty in 2007”
- “voted in favor of rewarding illegal aliens with amnesty in 2007”
- “voted in favor of sanctuary policies for illegal aliens in 2008”<sup>164</sup>

### Clinton's Support for Sanctuary Cities

Hillary Clinton unequivocally supports the “sanctuary” policies that bar police and other public-sector employees in some 340 U.S. cities from notifying the federal government about the presence of illegal aliens residing in their communities. As such, these policies defy the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act that Congress passed twenty years ago to require that local governments cooperate with U.S. Immigration & Customs Enforcement (ICE).<sup>165</sup>

Sanctuary policies have turned hundreds of U.S. cities into very dangerous places. Of the 9,295 deportable aliens who were released after their arrest in sanctuary jurisdictions during the first eight months of 2014 alone, some 2,320 were subsequently re-arrested, on new criminal charges, soon thereafter. And before their initial release, 58% of those 9,295 aliens already had felony charges or convictions on their records, while another 37% had serious prior misdemeanor charges.<sup>166</sup>

The late newsman Tim Russert once asked Hillary Clinton whether she “would allow the sanctuary cities to disobey the federal law.” She replied: “Well, I don’t think there is any choice” because otherwise “people from the immigrant community ... may not talk” to police who are trying to solve crimes there “if they think you’re also going to be enforcing the immigration laws.”<sup>167</sup>

That is still Clinton's position today. As Xochitl Hinojosa, the Clinton presidential campaign's director of coalitions press, said in 2015: “Hillary Clinton believes that sanctuary cities can help further public safety, and she has defended those policies going back years.”<sup>168</sup>

### Clinton Explicitly States That She Favors “Open Borders”

In a speech she delivered at Banco Itau, a Brazilian bank, on May 16, 2013, Mrs. Clinton stated: “My dream is a hemispheric common market, with open trade and open borders....”<sup>169</sup>

### Likening Republicans Who Favor the Enforcement of Immigration Laws, to Nazis

At an August 28, 2015 press conference, Mrs. Clinton was asked how she planned to deal with the millions of illegal immigrants living in the United States. Without offering any plan of her own, she instantly condemned a Republican rival’s plan to deport such illegals. “I find it the height of irony,” said Clinton, “that a party which espouses small government would want to unleash a massive law enforcement effort ... to go and literally pull people out of their homes and their workplaces ... Round them up, put them, I don’t know, in buses, boxcars, in order to take them across our border.”<sup>170</sup>

As Breitbart News subsequently observed: “The picture Clinton paints of placing people in boxcars [rather than 'trains'] is a potent one because, during World War II, Jews were forced into boxcars and transported to Nazi concentration camps as part of Hitler’s final solution.”<sup>171</sup>

## CLINTON & THE SECOND AMENDMENT

### Clinton's Opposition to Gun Rights

Lamenting that “too many families in America have suffered — and continue to suffer — from gun violence,” Mrs. Clinton has stated that crime victims should be allowed to sue firearm manufacturers and retailers who lawfully produced or sold a gun that was used in a crime.<sup>172</sup> This is a way to eliminate the Second Amendment “without firing a shot,” so to speak, as it would inevitably cause the firearms industry to disappear.<sup>173</sup>

In a June 2016 interview with ABC’s George Stephanopoulos, Mrs. Clinton refused to say whether she believes that the Second Amendment protects

an individual's right to keep and bear arms. Clinton had previously voiced her disagreement with what she called the Supreme Court's "terrible" ruling in *District of Columbia v. Heller*, which held that people have a right to possess a firearm for lawful purposes such as self-defense within the home. Seeking clarification on Clinton's position, Stephanopoulos asked her: "Do you believe that an individual's right to bear arms is a constitutional right ...?" Clinton replied evasively, saying that "there was no argument until [*Heller*] that localities and states and the federal government had a right, as we do with every amendment, to impose reasonable regulation."<sup>174</sup>

At a New Hampshire town hall in 2015, a man asked Clinton whether she would consider supporting a gun buyback measure similar to the one that had been implemented in Australia: "Recently, Australia managed to get away, or take away tens of thousands, millions of handguns. In one year, they were all gone. Can we do that?" Clinton replied: "I think it would be worth considering doing it on the national level, if that could be arranged."<sup>175</sup>

## CLINTON & OBAMACARE

### Her Plans to Expand Obamacare

Stating unequivocally that she plans to "defend and expand the Affordable Care Act" (ACA),<sup>176</sup> Mrs. Clinton contends that Obamacare has thus far been a great success.

The facts say otherwise.

When Obamacare was being debated and formulated, President Obama repeatedly assured Americans that under his plan, the average family would save up to \$2,500 per year in annual premiums.<sup>177</sup> The reality has been quite different:

- A 2014 study by the Brookings Institution found that "premiums in the individual health insurance market increased by 24.4 percent beyond what they would have had they simply followed ... [existing] trends."<sup>178</sup>
- The S&P Global Institute found that between 2013-15, the average market medical costs per individual increased by 69%.<sup>179</sup>
- Premiums for ACA-compliant Qualified Health Plans that were sold to individuals on the Obamacare exchanges, were \$2,300 more expensive than premiums for non-Qualified

Health Plans, i.e., plans that were in existence before 2014 and did not comply with the mandates of the ACA.<sup>180</sup>

- In 2015, premiums for the lowest-cost plans across all tiers — bronze, silver, gold and platinum — increased by a median of 10-13%.<sup>181</sup>
- By September 2016, fully 16 of Obamacare's 23 state exchanges had gone bankrupt, with another one — the Tennessee exchange — "very near collapse."<sup>182</sup>
- It is expected that by the end of 2016, UnitedHealth Group will have exited 31 of the 34 Obamacare exchanges in which it has participated, while Aetna will have left 11 of its 15 state exchanges.<sup>183</sup>
- In early 2016, NPR, Harvard's T.H. Chan School of Public Health, and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation conducted a survey which found that a mere 15% of respondents said that Obamacare had helped them.<sup>184</sup>

Meanwhile, Obamacare's insurance policy deductibles are skyrocketing in almost every state. As *National Review* reports: "Average deductibles for silver plans — which accounted for nearly 70 percent of the exchanges' 9.3 million enrollees [in 2015] — now average \$2,994. The second most popular Bronze plans have average deductibles of \$5,629.... Paying \$3,000 or \$5,600 before their insurance kicks in simply isn't an option for most families ..."<sup>185</sup>

### Clinton's Solution: More Government Involvement, Via a "Public Option"

Hillary Clinton's proposes to address the financial implosion of Obamacare by implementing a "public option"<sup>186</sup> — i.e., a government-run insurance plan that would "compete" with private insurers. Pacific Research Institute president Sally Pipes explains how disastrous such a measure would be: "By drawing on taxpayer dollars, this public option would be able to out-price almost every private insurer in the country. Unable to compete, private insurers would be 'crowded out,' leaving Americans with just one choice: a government-operated health care plan that brings the entire health sector under government control."<sup>187</sup>

President Obama and numerous Democrats called for the creation of a public option during the early stages of the healthcare debates of 2009-10. But because public opinion was strongly against the idea, they soon

abandoned it, lest the success of the entire Obamacare project be jeopardized.<sup>188</sup>

### **Clinton's Desire to Implement “Universal,” Government-Run, “Single-Payer” Healthcare**

Mrs. Clinton's ultimate, long-range goal is to have a “single-payer,” “universal” healthcare system that is run entirely by the federal government. Her presidential campaign website candidly states that she “has never given up on the fight for universal coverage.”<sup>189</sup>

And what does the empirical evidence show, regarding the effectiveness of universal healthcare systems in countries around the world? It's actually quite clear. As the Cato Institute puts it, “In countries weighted heavily toward government control, people are most likely to face waiting lists, rationing, restrictions on physician choice, and other obstacles to care.” By contrast: “[T]hose countries with national health care systems that work better, such as France, the Netherlands, and Switzerland, are successful to the degree that they incorporate market mechanisms such as competition, cost-consciousness, market prices, and consumer choice, and eschew centralized government control. In other words, socialized medicine works — as long as it isn't socialized medicine.”<sup>190</sup>

### **Illegally Promising Health Care for Illegal Aliens**

Though illegal aliens do not qualify for coverage under the Obamacare law,<sup>191</sup> the Clinton presidential campaign website says that “Hillary will expand access to affordable health care to families regardless of immigration status by allowing families to buy health insurance on the health exchanges regardless of their immigration status.”<sup>192</sup>

## **CLINTON'S TAX POLICIES**

### **Taxing “The Wealthy”: Clinton's Answer for Everything**

One of Hillary Clinton's major campaign positions is her call for the imposition of a “fair share surcharge” on “the wealthiest Americans,” to ensure that proverbial fat-cats don't get a free ride on the backs of the poor. As her presidential campaign website says, “Hillary believes that we can afford to pay for ambitious, progressive investments in good-paying jobs, debt-free college, and other measures” by forcing “the wealthiest [Americans] and the largest corporations [to] pay their fair share [of taxes] to pay for these investments.”<sup>193</sup>

But contrary to Clinton's hackneyed demagoguery, hard facts indicate that “the wealthiest” Americans are already paying much more than “their fair share”:

- The top 1% of American earners currently make 21.2% of all income, and pay 45.7% of all federal income taxes in the U.S.<sup>194</sup>
- The top 5% of earners, who take in 32.3% of all income, pay 70% of federal income taxes.<sup>195</sup>
- The top 20% of earners receive 60% of the nation's income, and pay 95.2% of all federal income taxes.<sup>196</sup>

Meanwhile, people making less than \$50,000 per year represent about half of the country, earn approximately 16.4% of the nation's income, and contribute a *negative* share of federal income taxes because they receive more money back from the government than they pay in to it. Thus their “contribution” to national tax receipts is *minus 6%*.<sup>197</sup>

### **Increasing the “Death Tax”**

Mrs. Clinton's campaign platform emphasizes how important it is to compel “multi-million-dollar estates” to pay “their fair share” of estate taxes,<sup>198</sup> or so-called “death taxes,” where IRS agents descend like ghouls and jackals upon the bodies of fresh corpses, metaphorically picking their pockets, removing their jewelry, and yanking the gold fillings out of their teeth, so that these valuables can be utilized by a Leviathan federal government to fund the many boondoggles and giveaways that Clinton and her ilk are fond of promising in exchange for votes.

Under current tax law, when a person dies, the first \$5.45 million of his or her assets are not taxed when they are passed on to their heirs, but anything above that threshold is taxed at a rate of 40%. As far as Clinton is concerned, this arrangement fails to confiscate enough money from the dead, and thereby deprives the government of a great deal of easy cash that's there for the taking. Thus her proposal is to impose a 45% tax on every dead person's assets above \$3.5 million, rather than above the current \$5.45 million figure. In addition, for people whose assets are significantly greater than \$3.5 million, Clinton is calling for three additional brackets that would impose death-tax rates of 50%, 55%, and an incredible 65%.<sup>199</sup>

Dead people have already paid taxes on whatever assets they own at the time of their demise. Thus it is not only

illogical to tax those assets *again* when someone dies; it is *highly immoral*. If an individual has spent a lifetime working hard, paying taxes on his earnings, and striving to save up a substantial sum of money that he wishes to pass along to his children or grandchildren after he dies, should he not be permitted to do that without Hillary Clinton first taking a cut for herself?

What right does Mrs. Clinton have, to confiscate even one penny of that money? Did she and her fellow politicians — who together have managed to rack up a national debt of nearly \$20 trillion, to say nothing of the \$220 trillion<sup>200</sup> in long-term unfunded liabilities that will inevitably sink the American economy by the time today's children reach adulthood — earn such a right? And, for that matter, what right does *any* politician have, to burden Americans with a policy that quite literally penalizes parents who wish to bequeath their life savings to the children they love, but imposes no penalty whatsoever on people who might choose instead to squander every cent of their fortunes on reckless and riotous living? What possible argument could one make, in support of such an obviously unjust arrangement?

### Clinton's Death-Tax Hypocrisy

If Hillary Clinton believes that higher estate taxes are such a good idea for everyone else, *why have she and her husband done everything in their power to evade them?* As Bloomberg News reports, the Clintons have been “using financial planning strategies ... common among multimillionaires” to “help shield some of their estate from the tax that now tops out at 40 percent of assets upon death.” Specifically, the Clintons “created residence trusts in 2010 and shifted ownership of their New York house into them in 2011.” Their objective? As a partner at the law firm of Holland & Knight LLP explains: “The goal is [to] ... try to build up the nontaxable estate [and create] things that are going to be on the nontaxable side of the balance sheet when they die.”<sup>201</sup>

This begs an obvious and vital question: If the money derived from the estate taxes of “wealthy” people is so crucial to the funding of more social services, welfare benefits, “free” college tuition, and so many other things that Mrs. Clinton wishes to institute, why is *she* — a multi-millionaire many times over — unwilling to “invest” in those wonderful things, too?

### Closing “Tax Loopholes” on Corporations

Hillary Clinton's presidential campaign website states that she intends to “close tax loopholes” that “reward

companies for shifting profits and jobs overseas.”<sup>202</sup> This pledge raises an important question: Why do so many companies choose to move their operations abroad?

Though Mrs. Clinton suggests that this is due primarily to unbridled greed, it actually has more to do with the fact that the top federal corporate tax rate in the U.S. is approximately 35%, while the combined federal and state statutory corporate tax rate is 39.1% — higher than in any other developed nation on earth?<sup>203</sup> American companies be far less inclined to relocate overseas if our government simply lowered the corporate tax rate to a competitive, non-confiscatory level, and thereby created a better business climate in this country. But Mrs. Clinton steadfastly refuses to even consider such a solution.<sup>204</sup>

### Clinton Supports the Imposition of a Crushing Regulatory Burden on Corporations

Thousands upon thousands of federal regulations have been enacted in recent years by one government agency, board, and commission after another. As a result, it has become increasingly difficult and expensive to do business in America, and thus more likely that companies will be forced to move their operations abroad.<sup>205</sup>

Between 2005-14, no fewer than 36,877 regulations — often carrying heavy fines and penalties for noncompliance — were put into effect.<sup>206</sup> All of those regulations are in essence laws, but they were written and enacted not by Congress — the one branch of government that the Constitution explicitly empowers to make law. Rather, they were created and implemented by faceless, anonymous, unelected bureaucrats who are wholly unaccountable to the American public, as they cannot be voted out of their jobs on election day.

By comparison, Congress passed just 1,706 bills during that same ten-year period.<sup>207</sup> This is not the way a government “of, by, and for the people” is supposed to work. And yet, Hillary Clinton has absolutely no intention of reducing the crushing regulatory burden that American businesses face. Quite the opposite: she candidly promises to increase that burden, on the premise that government is more trustworthy than the free market.<sup>208</sup>

### Taxes for Thee, but Not for Me

If Mrs. Clinton thinks it is wrong for corporations to take certain measures (like relocating) to lower their tax liabilities, why did she and her husband in 2008 create

“WJC, LLC” — a Delaware-based “pass-through” shell company with no employees and no financial assets — for the sole purpose of funneling payments to the former president for consulting and other services that he provided, and to give various tax advantages to the Clintons in the process?<sup>202</sup>

And why did Mrs. Clinton — a mere eight days after stepping down as secretary of state in 2013 — register “ZFS Holdings LLC” at that very same Delaware address, to manage her earnings from book sales and speaking engagements?

*The Guardian* gives us the obvious answer: “Being registered in Delaware lets companies take advantage of strict corporate secrecy rules, business-friendly courts and the ‘Delaware loophole,’ which can allow companies to legally shift earnings from other states to Delaware, where they are not taxed on non-physical incomes generated outside of the state.”<sup>210</sup>

## THE CLINTONS' IMMENSE WEALTH

One of the more lucrative activities that Mrs. Clinton pursued after leaving the State Department was public speaking, for which she collected approximately \$200,000 per speech.<sup>211</sup> From 2001 through the spring of 2015, Hillary and Bill Clinton gave a combined total of 729 speeches, for which they raked in \$153 million, or about \$210,795 per gig.<sup>212</sup> As of mid-2014, the Clintons' combined net worth was estimated at somewhere between \$100 million and \$200 million.<sup>213</sup>

The Clintons spent this money lavishly. During the summers of 2011-13, for instance, they rented out extremely expensive homes in the Hamptons for their family vacations. One example: The Clintons paid \$200,000 per day to rent a six-bedroom, \$11 million mansion in the summer of 2013.<sup>214</sup>

## CLINTON'S VIEW OF THE SUPREME COURT AND ITS PURPOSE

When Mrs. Clinton was asked, in an October 2016 presidential debate, to articulate what would be her chief considerations when appointing Supreme Court Justices, she never once mentioned fidelity to the Constitution, which is in fact the principal duty of the Court. Instead, Clinton alluded to the idea that Justices should try to balance the proverbial scales of power in favor of people who lack wealth and influence: “I want to appoint

Supreme Court Justices who understand the way the world really works ... [and] actually understand what people are up against.” In other words, she prefers Justices who seek to enforce her vision of “social justice,” rather than blind, unbiased justice.

Mrs. Clinton then proceeded to explain that she would nominate Justices who share her public-policy preferences vis-à-vis certain hot-button issues:

(1) “I would want to see the Supreme Court reverse *Citizens United* and get dark unaccountable money out of our politics.” (*Citizens United* was a 2010 Supreme Court ruling that left intact the federal law prohibiting corporations and unions from making campaign contributions to politicians, but nullified a provision barring such entities from paying for political ads made independently of candidate campaigns—on grounds that the First Amendment prohibits Congress from censoring any entity's right to engage in, or to fund, political speech.)

(2) “I would like the Supreme Court to understand that voting rights are a big problem in many parts of the country. That we don't do always do everything we can to make it possible for people of color and older people and young people to be able to exercise their franchise.” (In other words, Mrs. Clinton would appoint Justices who oppose Voter ID laws, favor extended early-voting periods, support voting rights for convicted felons, and endorse universal voter registration — all measures that would make it significantly easier to commit voter fraud.)

(3) “I want a Supreme Court that will stick with *Roe v. Wade* and a woman's right to choose.”

(4) “I want a Supreme Court that will stick with marriage equality” (i.e., same-sex marriage).

## FALSELY BLAMING CAPITALISM FOR THE FINANCIAL CRISIS

In the first presidential debate of 2016, Hillary Clinton said: “Let's stop for a second and remember where we were eight years ago. We had the worst financial crisis, the Great Recession, the worst since the 1930s. That was in large part because of tax policies that slashed taxes on the wealthy, failed to invest in the middle class, took their eyes off of Wall Street, and created a perfect storm.”<sup>215</sup>

That may be the most nonsensical batch of gibberish ever uttered by any political candidate, anywhere.

The financial crisis and housing market collapse of 2008 were caused, quite simply, by too much government interference in the economy, and by government-mandated policies that actually *prevented* Wall Street from functioning normally. Most significantly, they were policies that both Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama had long favored.

The earliest roots of those government policies can be traced back to the mid-1970s, when Democrats in Congress passed the Community Reinvestment Act (CRA), which included a mandate for banks to make special efforts to lend money to minority borrowers — particularly mortgagors — of meager to modest means. The bill was passed with near-unanimous Democratic support and was signed into law by Democrat President Jimmy Carter in 1977.<sup>216</sup>

The CRA began small, but grew in scope and severity over the years. Though there was not a shred of evidence that the mortgage-lending industry discriminated against loan applicants because of their race,<sup>217</sup> the Clinton administration sought to transform the CRA from an outreach effort into a strict quota system for lending to low-income, nonwhite minorities.

Under Clinton, if a bank failed to meet its quota for loans to low-income minorities, it ran a high risk of failing to earn a “satisfactory” CRA rating from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. Such a failure, in turn, could derail the bank's efforts to open a new branch, relocate a home office, make an acquisition, or merge with another financial institution. From a practical standpoint, then, banks had no recourse other than to drastically lower their standards on down-payments and underwriting, and to approve many loans to borrowers with weak credit credentials.<sup>218</sup>

The CRA was by no means the only mechanism designed by government to impose absurd lending mandates on financial institutions. The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), for instance, developed rules encouraging lenders to increase their approval rates for loans to minority applicants by a hefty 20% within a one-year period. In 1993, HUD began bringing legal actions against mortgage bankers who had turned down a higher percentage of minority applicants than white applicants, regardless of their reasons for doing so. This, too, caused lenders to lower their down-payment and income requirements for minorities.<sup>219</sup>

Moreover, HUD pressured the government-sponsored enterprises Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, the two largest sources of housing finance in the United States, to earmark a rising number of their own loans for low-income borrowers. Many of these were subprime

mortgages — loans characterized by higher interest rates and less favorable terms in order to compensate lenders for the high credit risk they were incurring. Nonwhite minorities, because of their comparatively poor credit ratings, were far likelier than whites to be the recipients of such loans.<sup>220</sup>

The situation was exacerbated further by the fact that many banks securitized the risky loans — i.e., bundled them together and sold them to third-party investors. From 2000 to 2005, private securitization of home and commercial mortgages grew tenfold. Many of these securitized loans were subprime mortgages.<sup>221</sup>

The result of these many ill-conceived lending practices was a full-blown financial crisis characterized by countless home foreclosures and skyrocketing unemployment rates. “It was ultimately the skyrocketing rates of mortgage delinquencies and defaults,” writes Hoover Institution Fellow Thomas Sowell, “that were like heavy rain in the mountains that caused the flooding downstream.... Government was not passively inefficient. It was actively zealous in promoting risky mortgage lending practices.”<sup>222</sup>

These plain facts bear no resemblance whatsoever to Hillary Clinton's useless bromides about “policies that slashed taxes on the wealthy, failed to invest in the middle class, took their eyes off of Wall Street, and created a perfect storm.”

If we fail to properly identify the cause of our sickness, we will never be able to cure it.

## THE MINIMUM WAGE

### **Clinton Seeks to More Than Double the Minimum Wage, & Thereby Put Countless Poor Minorities out of Work**

Asserting that “anyone who is willing to work hard should be able to find a job that pays well enough to support a family,” Hillary Clinton wants to raise the federal minimum wage from \$7.25 per hour to \$12 per hour immediately, and to \$15 per hour “as quickly as possible” thereafter.<sup>223</sup>

But Clinton's professed concern with enabling workers to “support a family” is hollow propaganda. Most minimum-wage workers are unmarried people younger than 25. Fewer than 20% of them have a family to support. Often they are high-school or college students trying only to earn some extra money, and 60% work only part-time.<sup>224</sup>

In short, minimum-wage jobs serve chiefly as a vital bottom rung on the economic ladder for young people who have little or no prior work experience, and who lack the types of job skills that would command higher wages. Notwithstanding the limitations of such individuals, many an employer is happy to hire and train them to perform certain tasks, so long as he is not required by law to pay them more than they are worth to the business.

Whenever the government raises the minimum wage by decree, however, every employer is forced to evaluate whether the extra expenditures on inexperienced and relatively unskilled workers can be justified from an economic perspective. In some instances, employers simply may not be able to afford the higher pay rate and thus will either trim their work force or scale back the number of hours worked by their employees. In other cases, employers may decide to hire more-experienced workers in order to increase the likelihood of getting an adequate amount of productivity in exchange for their extra financial outlay. Consequently, unskilled-labor positions and starter jobs for young people are placed in jeopardy.

According to the Heritage Foundation, a nationwide minimum-wage hike to \$15 per hour would result in the loss of approximately 9 million jobs.<sup>225</sup>

In 2011, a study commissioned by the Employment Policies Institute found that:

- Because minimum-wage hikes remove the incentive for employers to hire workers with low skills and little experience, 16-to-24-year-old males are affected more than anyone else by such policies.
- Historically, each 10% increase in a state or federal minimum wage has decreased employment by 2.5% for 16-to-24-year-old males as a whole, and by 6.5% for young black males in particular.<sup>226</sup>

According to the Cato Institute, “Decades of research have shown that the minimum wage harms the least-skilled workers from poor families.”<sup>227</sup> Hoover Institution economist Thomas Sowell concurs, “[T]he cold fact is that minimum-wage laws create massive unemployment among black teenagers,” regardless of economic conditions in the nation as a whole.<sup>228</sup>

These laws of economic physics are by no means restricted to the United States. Most studies of minimum-wage hikes in countries all over the world demonstrate that when governments impose artificially

high wage rates on businesses, not only do overall employment rates drop, but young, inexperienced, and low-skilled workers are affected the most.<sup>229</sup> An American Enterprise Institute analysis puts it this way: “Artificially raising wages for unskilled workers reduces the demand for those workers at the same time that it increases the number of unskilled workers looking for work, which results in an excess supply of unskilled workers. Period. And another term for an 'excess supply of unskilled workers' is an 'increase in the teenage jobless rate.’”<sup>230</sup>

## CLINTON ON EDUCATION

### Clinton's Propaganda Regarding the “School-to-Prison Pipeline”

The Clinton presidential campaign website says that Hillary Clinton intends to spend \$2 billion to “dismantle the school-to-prison pipeline,” a term connoting the allegedly common practice of using black students' behavioral problems as an excuse for pushing them out of the classroom and into the juvenile-justice system. According to Clinton, “overly harsh” methods of discipline “disproportionately affect African American students.”<sup>231</sup>

But in fact, there is voluminous data indicating that differing rates of suspension and expulsion for blacks and whites are not due to race, but rather, are consistent with marked differences in actual schoolyard behavior.<sup>232</sup>

Moreover, there is every reason to believe that harsh disciplinary actions taken against black students are among the many unfortunate consequences of the fact that some 73% of black youngsters are born into single-parent homes. Why is this significant? Because regardless of race, children in one-parent households are much likelier (than those who are raised in two-parent families) to have trouble academically; to drop out of school; to have behavioral problems; to experience emotional disorders; to have a weak sense right and wrong; and to display violent impulses.<sup>233</sup> Anyone can see that such variables are very likely to affect children's classroom behavior and, in turn, the types of disciplinary intervention those youngsters may require.

But rather than acknowledge these harsh yet obvious realities, Mrs. Clinton instead treats us to a grotesque exhibition of imperious moral preening. On top of that, she informs us that she plans to take \$2 billion out of taxpayers' pockets and funnel that money into programs that will somehow help schools “reform overly punitive disciplinary policies.”<sup>234</sup> And all of these massive expenditures are based on Clinton's wholly unfounded

theory that every racial disparity is somehow a consequence of institutionalized racism.

### **Rejecting School Vouchers for Poor Minority Children in Failing Urban Schools**

Hillary Clinton dogmatically opposes the implementation of school voucher programs,<sup>235</sup> which would enable the parents of low-income, mostly-minority children who attend failing, inner-city public schools, to send their youngsters instead to private schools where they might actually have a chance of succeeding academically.

Why would anyone reject such programs, if he or she actually cared about poor minority kids?

To answer this question, we need to keep in mind that Mrs. Clinton's objectives are consistent with those of the public-sector teachers' unions, most notably the 3.2 million-member National Education Association (NEA) and the 1.5 million-member American Federation of Teachers (AFT). The leading goals of these unions are to decrease class sizes, lower student-to-teacher ratios in the classroom, derail voucher initiatives, expand early-education programs, and make it virtually impossible to terminate any instructors, including even the most incompetent.

The net effect of each of the foregoing objectives is to maximize employment opportunities for dues-paying members of the teachers' unions. This is highly significant because mandatory dues constitute the very lifeblood of those unions. And, in turn, the unions spend significant portions of the revenues derived from those dues, on political support for the Democratic Party.<sup>236</sup>

Today's teachers' unions are not so much educational entities, as they are political. The NEA, for instance, employs a larger number of political organizers than the Republican and Democratic National Committees combined.<sup>237</sup> *Fortune* magazine routinely ranks the NEA among the top 15 in its "Washington's Power 25" list of organizations that wield the greatest political influence over the American legislative system.<sup>238</sup> Together, the NEA and AFT have given tens of millions of dollars in campaign contributions to political candidates since the early 1990s, and more than 95% of that money has gone to Democrats. If we also count the massive expenditures that teachers' unions make on politically oriented initiatives like television ads and get-out-the-vote efforts, the numbers become almost unfathomable. From

2007-12, the NEA and AFT together spent more than \$330 million to influence elections in favor of Democrats.<sup>239</sup>

Hillary Clinton rejects voucher programs because her union benefactors oppose them. As always, if you want to find out what motivates Mrs. Clinton, just follow the money.

### **Supporting Forced School Integration**

In July 2007, Mrs. Clinton voiced her opposition to a Supreme Court decision which stated that public school systems may not try to achieve or preserve racial "balance" through measures — such as quotas or forced busing — that dictate where parents must send their children to school. According to Clinton, this Court decision "turned the clock back" on the history of civil rights gains; it represented "a setback for all of us who are on the long march toward racial equality"; and it would inevitably "erode core constitutional guarantees."<sup>240</sup>

### **Clinton's "Universal Preschool" Boondoggle**

Stating that "every child deserves the same strong start" in life, Mrs. Clinton, citing the many "benefits" of preschool, wants to "make preschool universal" for young children by "doubl[ing] our investment in Early Head Start," which covers kids from birth to age 3.<sup>241</sup> But two large-scale, federally funded studies examining the effects of Early Head Start programs on young children, found the programs to be virtually useless. As the *Daily Signal* reports: "At age 3, Early Head Start appeared to have a few modest beneficial impacts on child cognitive and language development and child-social-emotional growth.... [H]owever, [these] disappeared by the fifth grade. For all children, Early Head Start had no effect on social-emotional outcomes and academic outcomes, including reading, vocabulary and math skills."<sup>242</sup>

So, aside from the fact that Hillary Clinton can use her Early Head Start funding proposal to promote the notion that she "cares" deeply about little kids, what benefit does the program have for anyone else — especially the American taxpayer? In an economy that is \$20 trillion in debt, what justification is there for funneling billions of extra dollars into a boondoggle that offers not a single benefit of any substance?

The same record of failure can be seen in the regular Head Start program (for 3-4 year-olds), for which Clinton has likewise advocated billions of dollars in increased annual funding.<sup>243</sup> Currently serving some

900,000 children from low-income families at an annual cost of about \$10,000 per pupil, Head Start is ostensibly intended to provide an educational boost to disadvantaged youngsters before they enter elementary school. From its 1965 inception through 2012, American taxpayers spent more than \$180 billion on the program.<sup>244</sup>

But again we must ask, what are taxpayers — and the children enrolled in Head Start — getting in return for all this money? To find out, Congress in 2002 commissioned a scientifically rigorous, longitudinal analysis to evaluate the program's effectiveness. The results, which were released in 2010, indicated that Head Start had little to no effect on the participants' cognitive abilities, socio-emotional development, or physical health. Whatever meager benefits may have been detectable while the children were actively participating in Head Start, “almost completely disappear[ed] by first grade.”<sup>245</sup>

Then, in 2012, the Department of Health & Human Services published the findings of yet another landmark study that tracked some 5,000 children from the beginning of their Head Start experience through the third grade. This analysis likewise concluded that Head Start had no measurable impact on cognitive, social-emotional, or health-related variables. On a few measures, in fact, access to Head Start had negative effects on the children.<sup>246</sup>

### Clinton's Absurd Call for “Free College”

On the premise that “every student should have the option to graduate from a public college or university in their state without taking on any student debt,” Hillary Clinton says that “by 2021, families with income up to \$125,000 will pay no tuition at in-state four-year public colleges and universities,” and “all community colleges will offer free tuition.”<sup>247</sup>

Does this mean that college professors, administrators, and staffers will suddenly start working for no pay? No, it means that Mrs. Clinton wants to force American taxpayers to cover the massive costs of “free” college.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, college graduates earn 68% more than people with only a high-school diploma.<sup>248</sup> The eminent conservative broadcaster and author Mark Levin, noting that about two-thirds of Americans never earn a college diploma, points out that there is no moral justification whatsoever for requiring those two-thirds of the population to pay the tuition costs of the one-third who do graduate from college, and who ultimately earn substantially more money than the two-thirds.

## CLINTON ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE

### “Criminal Justice Reform”: Going Soft on Crime, and Filling America's Graveyards

Hillary Clinton tells us that Americans everywhere “are crying out for criminal justice reform” because “families are being torn apart by excessive incarceration,” and “children are growing up in homes shattered by prison and poverty.”<sup>249</sup>

How does Mrs. Clinton know that our country's current levels of incarceration are excessive? What, exactly, would be the right number of people in prison? How would we arrive at that number?

Consider some highly noteworthy facts:

- In 1990, when there were about 1,149,000 prisoners in penitentiaries nationwide, there were 1,820,130 violent crimes committed that year, including 23,440 murders.<sup>250</sup>
- In 2014, when there were 2,208,000 inmates in penitentiaries nationwide, a total of 1,197,987 violent crimes were committed that year, including 14,249 murders.<sup>251</sup>
- So, even as the population of the United States grew by 28% between 1990 and 2014, the incidence of violent crimes declined by one-third, and the incidence of murders fell by 39%.

These numbers suggest that putting more criminals in prison has helped to spare at least a million people per year from being victimized by violent crimes, and to save at least 9,000 people per year from being murdered. If we look at the numbers from this perspective, incarceration doesn't look like such a bad thing, does it?

Indeed, Mrs. Clinton herself inadvertently admitted that current incarceration levels may have contributed greatly to the reduction in crime rates over the past two decades, when she said, while railing against “mass incarceration,” that “the numbers [of prisoners] today are much higher than they were 30, 40 years ago, despite the fact that crime is at historic lows.”<sup>252</sup>

Poor Hillary Clinton. She opened her mouth in an unscripted moment and accidentally told the truth.

## Clinton's False Claim That Too Many Prisoners Are Incarcerated for “Nonviolent” Offenses

Asserting that “a significant percentage of the more than 2 million Americans incarcerated today are nonviolent offenders,” Hillary Clinton calls for “cutting mandatory minimum sentences for nonviolent drug offenses in half.”<sup>253</sup>

Manhattan Institute Fellow Heather Mac Donald, a highly distinguished scholar, uses hard facts to dismantle Mrs. Clinton's pathetic demagoguery about the large numbers of supposedly harmless “nonviolent” offenders who are locked behind bars. Writes Mac Donald:

“The state prison population (which accounts for 87 percent of the nation’s prisoners) is dominated by violent criminals and serial thieves. In 2013, drug offenders made up less than 16 percent of the state prison population, whereas violent felons were 54 percent of the rolls, and property offenders [were] 19 percent.... Less than 1 percent of sentenced drug offenders in federal court in 2014 were convicted for simple drug possession,... and most of those convictions were plea-bargained down from trafficking charges.... Even on the state level, drug-possession convicts are relatively rare. In 2013, only 3.6 percent of state prisoners were serving time for drug possession, often the result of a plea bargain, compared with 12 percent of prisoners convicted for trafficking. Virtually all the possession offenders had long prior arrest and conviction records.”<sup>254</sup>

One of Mrs. Clinton's chief complaints is that the unjust incarceration of “nonviolent” drug offenders contributes heavily to the disproportionate number of African Americans in U.S. prison cells. But that fraudulent claim is easily demolished by hard data. “In 2006,” writes Heather Mac Donald, “blacks were 37.5 percent of the 1,274,600 state prisoners. If you remove drug prisoners from that population, the percentage of black prisoners drops to 37 percent.”<sup>255</sup>

## Clinton's Reprehensible Claim That the American Criminal-Justice System Is Fundamentally Racist

According to Hillary Clinton, “implicit bias still exists across society — even in the best police departments”; “African American men are far more likely to be stopped

and searched by police, charged with crimes, and sentenced to longer prison terms than white men found guilty of the same offenses”; and America's “mass incarceration epidemic has an explicit racial bias, as one in three black men can expect to go to prison in their lifetime.”<sup>256</sup>

Unfortunately for Mrs. Clinton, there exists not a shred of evidence to support her predictable bromides. Above all else, Clinton is troubled by the fact that African Americans, who constitute about 13% of the U.S. population, currently account for 51.1% of all arrests for murder and manslaughter; 28.2% of all arrests for rape; 53.5% of all arrests for robbery; and 32.1% of all arrests for aggravated assault.<sup>257</sup> Heather Mac Donald delves into the reality behind statistics like these:

“Let’s start with the idea that cops over-arrest blacks and ignore white criminals. In fact, the race of criminals reported by crime victims matches arrest data. As long ago as 1978, a study of robbery and aggravated assault in eight cities found parity between the race of assailants in victim identifications and in arrests—a finding replicated many times since, across a range of crimes. No one has ever come up with a plausible argument as to why crime victims would be biased in their reports.

“Moving up the enforcement chain, the campaign against the criminal-justice system next claims that prosecutors overcharge and judges oversentence blacks.... Backing up this bias claim has been the holy grail of criminology for decades—and the prize remains as elusive as ever. In 1997, criminologists Robert Sampson and Janet Lauritsen reviewed the massive literature on charging and sentencing. They concluded that 'large racial differences in criminal offending,' not racism, explained why more blacks were in prison proportionately than whites and for longer terms....

“A 1990 study of 11,000 California cases found that slight racial disparities in sentence length resulted from blacks’ prior records and other legally relevant variables. A 1994 Justice Department survey of felony cases from the country’s 75 largest urban areas discovered that blacks actually had a lower chance of prosecution following a felony than whites did and that they were less likely to be found guilty at trial. Following conviction, blacks were more likely to receive prison sentences, however—an outcome that reflected the gravity of their offenses as well as their criminal records.

“Another criminologist—easily as liberal as Sampson—reached the same conclusion in 1995: ‘Racial differences in patterns of offending, not racial bias by police and other officials, are the principal reason that such greater proportions of blacks than whites are arrested, prosecuted, convicted and imprisoned,’ Michael Tonry wrote in *Malign Neglect*.... The media’s favorite criminologist, Alfred Blumstein, found in 1993 that blacks were significantly underrepresented in prison for homicide compared with their presence in arrest.”<sup>258</sup>

Mac Donald's overview, impressive as it is, cites only a tiny portion of the voluminous evidence that demolishes Hillary Clinton's specious claims about racial inequities in the American criminal-justice system. But of course, nothing will stop Mrs. Clinton from continuing to burp up her well-rehearsed fictions. Fomenting racial grievance and resentment is her stock-in-trade. Convincing people that America is a nation teeming with bigotry, is what Hillary Clinton calls a get-out-the-vote strategy.

### **Clinton's Plan to Cut Mandatory Drug Sentences in Half**

“Excessive federal mandatory minimum sentences keep nonviolent drug offenders in prison for too long — and have increased racial inequality in our criminal justice system,” says the Clinton presidential campaign website. “Hillary will reform this system by [c]utting mandatory minimum sentences for nonviolent drug offenses in half [and] allowing current nonviolent prisoners to seek fairer sentences ...”<sup>259</sup>

Nowhere in the U.S. Constitution is it written that the president is authorized to cut mandatory sentences for even a single classification of crimes, or, for that matter, to determine what would constitute “fairer sentences.” The president heads the executive branch of the federal government and, in that role, is required to “faithfully execute” the laws passed by Congress,<sup>260</sup> not to *create* laws on his or her own. Mrs. Clinton's eagerness to rewrite statutes and restructure sentencing guidelines is evidence of a totalitarian mindset that has no respect for the separation of powers that the Framers of the Constitution put in place as a means of preventing despotic tyranny.

### **Clinton's Demagoguery About Sentencing Disparities Involving Crack & Powder Cocaine**

Hillary Clinton calls for “eliminating the sentencing disparity that exists for for crack and powder cocaine so that equal amounts of crack and powder cocaine carry equal sentences, and applying this change retroactively.”<sup>261</sup> Here, Clinton is rehashing an empty argument that was first put forth in the 1980s. At that time, many critics of the American criminal-justice system charged that racism was the reason why the penalties for possession of crack cocaine, a drug most often used by poor blacks, were much harsher than the penalties for possession of powder cocaine, whose users were typically affluent whites.

Barack Obama has long shared this view. Thus, in August 2010 he signed the Fair Sentencing Act, which reduced the disparity (in terms of weight) between the respective amounts of powder cocaine and crack cocaine whose possession would trigger federal criminal penalties. The original powder-to-crack weight ratio was 100-to-1. The Fair Sentencing Act lowered the ratio to 18-to-1. Now Mrs. Clinton wants to water it down even further.<sup>262</sup>

It should be understood, however, that the original 100-to-1 sentencing disparity was emphatically not due to racism in the justice system or in the legislature. The Congressional Record shows quite clearly that in 1986, when the strict, federal anti-crack legislation was first being debated, the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) — deeply concerned about the crack epidemic that was decimating black communities across the United States — strongly supported the legislation and actually pressed for even harsher penalties.<sup>263</sup>

It should further be noted that the vast majority of cocaine arrests in the U.S. are made not at the federal level but at the state level, where sentencing disparities between cases involving crack and powder cocaine generally have never existed.<sup>264</sup> Indeed, only 13 states punish crack convictions more harshly than powder convictions, and these state-level differentials are much smaller than those on the federal level have ever been.<sup>265</sup>

It is also noteworthy that critics of the crack-vs.-powder penalty gap generally view the alleged injustice solely from the *criminal's* perspective. That is, they ignore the fact that the harsher punishments for crack violations harm only a small subset of the black population — namely drug dealers and users — while benefiting the great mass of law-abiding people in black neighborhoods.

Also, critics of the crack-vs.-powder penalty imbalance have been largely silent on the matter of federal methamphetamine-trafficking penalties—which, it could easily be argued, discriminate heavily against whites. As

Heather Mac Donald writes: “The press almost never mentions the federal methamphetamine-trafficking penalties, which are identical to those for crack.... In 2006, the 5,391 sentenced federal meth defendants (nearly as many as the [5,619] crack defendants) were 54 percent white, 39 percent Hispanic, and 2 percent black. But no one calls the federal meth laws anti-Hispanic or anti-white.”<sup>266</sup>

## RACIAL PROPAGANDA & “VOTING RIGHTS”

### Clinton's Racial Propaganda Regarding the Voting Rights Act

“Hillary will fight to restore the portions of the Voting Rights Act [VRA] that were struck down by the Supreme Court,” says the Clinton presidential campaign website, “to make sure that all citizens enjoy the full protections they deserve — especially in states where they have been disproportionately targeted by laws that restrict voting access to the polls.”<sup>267</sup>

Mrs. Clinton's suggestion that the Supreme Court somehow gutted a key piece of civil-rights legislation bears no resemblance to reality. In 2013 the Court did nothing more than strike down, as anachronistic, a VRA provision requiring mainly Southern states to undergo — based on the unfounded presumption of their continuing racist tendencies — special federal scrutiny before being permitted to change their election laws in any way (e.g., by instituting Voter ID requirements or reconfiguring their voting districts).<sup>268</sup>

But according to Clinton, the VRA, which “for more than four decades ... has helped overcome constitutional barriers to voting,” is now in “real jeopardy.”<sup>269</sup>

Real jeopardy? It's hard to see where. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the black voting rate (66.2%) in the 2012 elections surpassed the white voting rate (64.1%) by 2.1 percentage points. In fact, blacks voted at higher rates than whites even in states with strict voter ID laws in place, including Southern states like Virginia, Arkansas, Tennessee, and Georgia.<sup>270</sup>

### Fighting Voter ID Laws As “Racist” Schemes to Disenfranchise Minorities

At an August 2013 meeting of the American Bar Association, Mrs. Clinton lamented that “more than 80 bills restricting voting rights” had been “introduced in 31 states” during the first eight months of that year. These were generally bills calling for Voter ID requirements at polling places, shortening early-voting periods,

eliminating same-day voter registration, and preventing the arbitrary extension of voting hours. All of these proposed measures were designed to reduce the likelihood of voter fraud, but Mrs. Clinton called them “voter suppression” efforts that were part of a racist scheme to “disproportionately [disenfranchise] African-Americans, Latino[s] and young voters.”<sup>271</sup> On another occasion, Clinton said that Voter ID laws are emblematic of a racist form of “fear-mongering about a phantom epidemic of election fraud.”<sup>272</sup>

Is Mrs. Clinton correct? Look at the evidence and decide for yourself:

- A 2012 report by the Pew Center on the States found that 24 million voter registrations — one-eighth of all registrations nationwide — were either invalid or inaccurate, including more than 1.8 million dead people who were still registered.<sup>273</sup>
- A 2014 study found that two years earlier, some 155,692 registered voters in North Carolina *alone* had first and last names, birth dates, and final-four Social Security Number digits that matched those of voters who were registered in other states.<sup>274</sup>
- The same study also found that 35,570 people who had *actually voted* in North Carolina, had first names, last names, and birth dates that matched those of voters who had cast ballots in other states.<sup>275</sup>
- In 2008, Democrat Al Franken won a highly controversial U.S. Senate race in Minnesota by just 312 votes. It was later discovered that 1,099 felons — all legally ineligible to vote — had cast ballots in the election, almost exclusively for Franken.<sup>276</sup>
- A 2006 study found that 77,000 dead people were listed on New York's statewide database of registered voters, and that as many as 2,600 of them had somehow managed to cast ballots from the grave.<sup>277</sup>
- In Milwaukee in 2004, approximately 5,300 more ballots were cast, than voters who were recorded as having shown up at the polls.<sup>278</sup>
- In 2008, election officials nationwide had to discard at least 400,000 bogus voter registrations submitted by ACORN,<sup>279</sup> the now-defunct criminal operation masquerading as a “community organization.” (Speaking at ACORN's 2006 national convention, Mrs.

Clinton said: “I thank you for being part of that great movement, that progressive tradition that has rolled across our country.”<sup>280</sup>

- In 2011, a Colorado study found that of the nearly 12,000 non-citizens who were illegally registered to vote in that state, about 5,000 had taken part in the 2010 general election.<sup>281</sup>
- In ten Colorado counties in 2012, voter registrations *outnumbered the total voting-age population* by between 4% and 40%.<sup>282</sup>

The foregoing examples represent only the barest tip of a colossal election-fraud iceberg. And Hillary Clinton *knows all about it*. She really *isn't* dumb enough to believe what she says about election fraud and voter ID. She's just counting on *voters* being dumb enough to believe her.

### Calling for an Increase in Early Voting

“In an effort to reduce long lines and give more people with family or work obligations an opportunity to vote,” says the Clinton presidential campaign website, “Hillary will set a national standard for early voting, giving voters at least 20 days to vote in the evenings or on weekends before election day.”<sup>283</sup> Logan Churchwell, spokesman for True the Vote, an organization that fights to preserve election integrity, puts this Clinton objective in proper perspective: “If you have enough time, you can get people to the polls. It’s not about ideas. It’s about moving bodies.”<sup>284</sup>

### Voting Rights for Felons

“Americans who have paid their debts to society and have served their sentences,” says the Clinton presidential campaign website, “should have the right to vote, and Hillary will support legislation to make sure their voting rights are restored.”<sup>285</sup>

There are currently 10 states where convicted felons may permanently lose their right to vote.<sup>286</sup> Those penalties were on the books when the felons committed their crimes. And part of paying “their debts to society,” in those states, is permanent disenfranchisement. Period.

## CLINTON'S TIES TO RACISTS & RACIAL ARSONISTS

### Clinton's Affiliation with Al Sharpton

In April 2007, Mrs. Clinton spoke at an event held by Al Sharpton's National Action Network, where she stated that her own presidential bid was possible only because of the dedicated work of longtime civil-rights leaders who, like Sharpton, had fought on behalf of those traditionally excluded from power positions in American life. “I have enjoyed a long and positive relationship with Reverend Al Sharpton and National Action Network,” said Clinton, “and I don't ever remember saying 'no' to them and I intend to remain their partner in civil rights as I clean the dirt from under the carpet in the Oval Office when I am elected President.”<sup>287</sup>

And nothing whatsoever has changed in Mrs. Clinton's estimation of Sharpton in the years since then. In April 2016, for instance, Clinton again spoke at a National Action Network event where she lauded Sharpton and his organization for steadfastly working “on the frontlines of our nation’s continuing struggle for civil rights,” and “in a million ways lift[ing] up voices that too often go unheard.”<sup>288</sup>

When one considers Al Sharpton's track record over the past 30 years, it is beyond incredible that a presidential candidate would purposefully and proudly ally herself with him.

- Sharpton’s career as a public liar and racial arsonist began in earnest nearly three decades ago, when he injected himself into the phony case of 16-year-old Tawana Brawley, who in 1987 falsely claimed that she had been repeatedly raped and sodomized by six white men in Dutchess County, New York.
- In 1991, Sharpton's incendiary rhetoric helped to foment deadly anti-Semitic riots in Crown Heights, Brooklyn.
- In 1995, Sharpton led his National Action Network in an ugly boycott against a Jewish-owned business in Harlem, New York. The street leader of the boycott, Morris Powell, was the head of Sharpton’s “Buy Black” Committee. Referring to whites as “crackers,” Powell and his fellow protesters repeatedly denounced “the greedy Jew bastards” who were “killing our [black] people.” All of this occurred under the watchful, approving eye of Sharpton, who condemned a “white interloper” for seeking to “expand his business” in Harlem, and exhorted blacks to join “the struggle brother Powell and I are engaged in.” The subsequent picketing became increasingly violent in tone, until one of the protesters eventually shot four

whites inside the store and then set the building on fire — killing seven employees.

- Sharpton also spent many years as a strong supporter of the late activist Khalid Abdul Muhammad, whose vulgar diatribes against Jews, “crackers,” and “faggots” were the stuff of legend.<sup>289</sup>

### Clinton Tells “Black Lives Matter” Activists That White People Are “Sinners”

In August 2015, Mrs. Clinton held an impromptu, videotaped conversation with three Black Lives Matter (BLM) activists who were complaining about the “mass incarceration” of African Americans. In response to them, Clinton said: “This country has still not recovered from its original sin [slavery] ... Your analysis is totally fair. It's historically fair, it's psychologically fair, it's economically fair.... All I'm suggesting is, even for us sinners [white people], find some common ground on agendas that can make a difference right here and now in people's lives.”<sup>290</sup>

Founded by Marxist revolutionaries in 2013, BLM depicts the United States as a nation thoroughly awash in racism, sexism, and homophobia. Demonstrators at BLM events commonly smear white police as trigger-happy bigots who are intent upon killing innocent, unarmed black males. They also taunt, and direct obscenities at, uniformed police officers who are on duty. At all BLM events, demonstrators invoke the words that the Marxist icon, former Black Panther, convicted accomplice in a cop-killing, and longtime fugitive Assata Shakur once wrote: “It is our duty to fight for our freedom. It is our duty to win. We must love each other and support each other. We have nothing to lose but our chains.” (The fourth line was drawn from the *Communist Manifesto* of Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels.)<sup>291</sup>

## ENVIRONMENTAL & ENERGY POLICIES

### Clinton and “Climate Change”

“Climate change is an urgent threat and a defining challenge of our time,” says the Clinton presidential campaign website. “It threatens our economy, our national security, and our children’s health and futures.”<sup>292</sup> Specifically, Mrs. Clinton contends that the carbon emissions associated with human industrial activity are a major cause of potentially catastrophic “climate change,” and she has identified the reduction of such emissions as a major priority of her presidential

campaign.

In this regard, Clinton joins leading Democrats like John Kerry and Barack Obama, who contend that a consensus of “97% of scientists” believe that climate change is an urgent, man-made problem. But in fact, the 97% figure is a complete fiction. As the *Wall Street Journal* explains, “the so-called consensus comes from a handful of surveys and abstract-counting exercises that have been contradicted by more reliable research.” Adds the *Journal*:

- “In 2013, John Cook, an Australia-based blogger, and some of his friends reviewed abstracts of peer-reviewed papers published from 1991 to 2011. Mr. Cook reported that 97% of those who stated a position explicitly or implicitly suggest that human activity is responsible for some warming. His findings were published in *Environmental Research Letters*.
- “Mr. Cook's work was quickly debunked. In *Science and Education* in August 2013, for example, David R. Legates (a professor of geography at the University of Delaware and former director of its Center for Climatic Research) and three coauthors reviewed the same papers as did Mr. Cook and found 'only 41 papers — 0.3 percent of all 11,944 abstracts or 1.0 percent of the 4,014 expressing an opinion, and not 97.1 percent — had been found to endorse' the claim that human activity is causing most of the current warming. Elsewhere, [a number of] climate scientists ... whose research questions the alleged consensus, protested that Mr. Cook [had] ignored or misrepresented their work.”
- “Rigorous international surveys conducted by German scientists Dennis Bray and Hans von Storch ... have found that most climate scientists disagree with the consensus on key issues such as the reliability of climate data and computer models. They do not believe that climate processes such as cloud formation and precipitation are sufficiently understood to predict future climate change.”
- “Surveys of meteorologists repeatedly find a majority oppose the alleged consensus. Only 39.5% of 1,854 American Meteorological Society members who responded to a survey in 2012 said man-made global warming is dangerous.”

- “Of the various petitions on global warming circulated for signatures by scientists, the one by the Petition Project, a group of physicists and physical chemists based in La Jolla, Calif., has by far the most signatures—more than 31,000 (more than 9,000 with a PhD).... The petition states that ‘there is no convincing scientific evidence that human release of ... carbon dioxide, methane, or other greenhouse gases is causing or will, in the foreseeable future, cause catastrophic heating of the Earth’s atmosphere and disruption of the Earth’s climate.’”<sup>293</sup>

In late November 2009, the so-called “Climategate” scandal cast grave doubt on the intellectual integrity of those leading the effort to spread fear about the alleged dangers of global warming. At the heart of the controversy was the discovery that a number of leading American and British climatologists who held that mankind’s industrial activity was causing a dangerous warming trend in the earth’s atmosphere, had intentionally manipulated the evidence in order to provide “proof” that their warnings were justified. The scientists’ deceptions were found out when hundreds of their private email messages and documents were obtained and publicized by computer hackers.<sup>294</sup>

### **Pledging to Fight Climate Change with Solar Panels**

Mrs. Clinton believes that “we can tackle [climate change] by making America the world’s clean energy superpower and creating millions of good-paying jobs, taking bold steps to slash carbon pollution at home and around the world, and ensuring no Americans are left out or left behind as we rapidly build a clean energy economy.” Toward that end, adds the Clinton presidential campaign website, the goal should be to “generate enough renewable energy to power every home in America, with half a billion solar panels installed by the end of Hillary’s first term.”<sup>295</sup>

When reading this, one wonders whether Mrs. Clinton has forgotten that between 2009 and 2012, the Obama administration pumped some \$90 billion of taxpayer money into “green energy” initiatives, most of which failed because they simply could not compete in the energy marketplace. This included, most famously, \$535 million that was fast-tracked to the solar panel company Solyndra, one of whose major investors was a billionaire donor and fundraiser for Obama.<sup>296</sup>

Other federally funded “green energy” debacles during the Obama-Clinton years of 2009-13 included the following, as enumerated by *DividedStates.com*:

- Amonix Solar, subsidized by more than \$20 million in federal tax credits and grants awarded by the Obama administration, permanently shuttered its operations a year after it had opened.
- Solar Trust of America filed for bankruptcy on April 3, 2012.
- LSP Energy filed for bankruptcy protection and a sale of its assets in February 2012.
- Energy Conversion Devices and its subsidiaries filed for bankruptcy on February 14, 2012.
- Abound Solar, whose leading investors included a company founded by Democratic mega-donor Pat Stryker, announced that it was filing for bankruptcy not long after it had received a \$400 million loan guarantee from the Obama administration.
- Beacon Power filed for bankruptcy protection in October 2011, just a year after Obama had approved a \$43 million government loan guarantee.
- Ecotality received \$115 million in loan guarantees from President Obama, but filed for bankruptcy in September 2013.
- A123 Systems, backed by \$249 million in subsidies from the Obama administration, filed for bankruptcy on October 16, 2012.
- UniSolar filed for bankruptcy in June 2012.
- Azure Dynamics filed for bankruptcy in June 2012.
- Evergreen Solar filed for bankruptcy in 2011, after receiving \$527 million in taxpayer funds from the Obama administration.
- Ener1 received a \$118 million grant from Obama’s Energy Department, then defaulted on debt and filed for bankruptcy protection in January 2012.<sup>297</sup>

### **Clinton’s Opposition to Fracking**

Mrs. Clinton’s position on hydraulic fracturing, or fracking, is a breathtaking display of verbal mush: “I don’t support it when any locality or any state is against it.... I don’t support it when the release of methane or contamination of water is present. I don’t support it ...

unless we can require that anybody who fracks has to tell us exactly what chemicals they are using. So by the time we get through all of my conditions, I do not think there will be many places in America where fracking will continue to take place. And I think that's the best approach, because right now, there are places where fracking is going on that are not sufficiently regulated."<sup>298</sup>

OilPrice.com explains that fracking is by no means a new or untested process: “[T]he birth of modern day hydraulic fracturing began in the 1940s.... After achieving experimental success in 1949, fracking quickly became commercialized.... Modern day fracking didn't begin until the 1990s. This originated when George P. Mitchell created a new technique, which took hydraulic fracturing, and combined it with horizontal drilling.”<sup>299</sup>

A 2014 report by the Heritage Foundation succinctly summarizes the enormous economic and energy-related benefits that fracking has created, as well as the facts that are currently known about the safety of the fracking process:

“In just the last two years ... fracking and horizontal drilling have increased U.S. energy production by an additional two million barrels of oil per day and the country is swimming in natural gas. This has directly lowered energy prices and indirectly produced significant cost savings by lowering manufacturing, transportation and other expenses. Economic opportunity created by the fracking revolution ... ripples throughout the US economy....

“The recent [energy] boom has sparked some concern that fracking might contaminate drinking water, either through gas migration or through the chemical additives used in the injection process. Yet these fears have proved groundless. Companies have now fracked over one million wells in this country. Studies by the Environmental Protection Agency, the Groundwater Protection Council, and several independent agencies have found no evidence of groundwater contamination. It's a remarkable safety record and a shining example of the efficacy of state-level regulation.”<sup>300</sup>

But to Hillary Clinton, fracking is unacceptable.

## **PROPAGANDA ABOUT WOMEN & AMERICAN SEXISM**

### **The “Gender Pay Gap” Myth**

The Clinton presidential campaign website promises that Mrs. Clinton will “work to close the pay gap” that causes women to “earn less than men across our economy.”<sup>301</sup> At issue is the claim, promoted by Clinton and many others, that for every dollar earned by men in the workforce, women of equivalent skills and experience earn only “77 cents.”<sup>302</sup>

The contention that women are underpaid by American employers in comparison to men is one of the most egregious, yet enduring, lies of our time. For one thing, equal-pay-for-equal-work has been explicitly mandated by U.S. law since 1963.<sup>303</sup> And as the longtime employment lawyer Warren Farrell, who was a board member of the National Organization for Women from 1970-73, explains in his book *Why Men Earn More*, the 23-cent “pay gap” is neither a result of gender bias nor workplace discrimination. It can be explained entirely by the fact that women as a group tend to make certain very logical and legitimate employment-related choices which, while affording them a number of benefits that they value highly, tend to suppress incomes—for reasons that are also logical and legitimate. For example, women, as compared to men, are much more likely to seek employment in fields that:

- are non-technical or involve the social — as opposed to the physical — sciences;
- offer a high level of physical safety;
- involve work that is performed indoors as opposed to outdoors (where bad weather can make working conditions poor);
- feature a pleasant and socially dynamic working environment;
- are characterized by lower levels of emotional turbulence;
- offer desirable shifts or flexible working hours;
- require fewer working hours per week or fewer working days per year; and
- do not require long commutes or geographic relocation.<sup>304</sup>

Such advantages come at a cost; they make certain fields more attractive and thus expand the pool of applicants to a point that, in some cases, exceeds the demand for services. This, in turn, exerts a downward pressure on salaries. Yet this trade-off is quite acceptable to many working women: Only 29% of women, versus 76% of men, report that their primary motivation for working is to “build wealth.” Research has shown repeatedly that women are more likely to pursue jobs that they perceive to be socially useful, while men, for various reasons, tend to give greater emphasis to money.<sup>305</sup>

An even more significant cause of the gender pay gap is

the fact that women tend to compile fewer years of uninterrupted service in their jobs than men. Indeed, women are far more likely to leave the workforce for extended periods in order to attend to family-related matters such as raising children. This is simply a life choice to forego some degree of financial reward in exchange for the emotional reward of being an at-home parent, whether full-time or part-time. During the course of their work lives, men accumulate an extra 5 to 9 years on the job as compared to their female counterparts, and each of those additional years translates to approximately 3 or 4 percent more in annual pay.<sup>306</sup>

When all of the above variables are factored into the equation, the gender pay gap disappears entirely. That is, when men and women work at jobs where their titles, responsibilities, qualifications, and experience are equivalent, they are paid exactly the same.<sup>307</sup>

By no means is this a new phenomenon. In fact, even in the 1950s, the pay gap between men and never-married women (i.e., those women who were unlikely to have temporarily left the work force in order to raise children) was less than 2%. Never-married white women actually earned 6% more than never-married white men a half-century ago.<sup>308</sup>

It is highly unlikely that Hillary Clinton is unaware of the facts presented above. Logic tells us that by constantly repeating her lies regarding pay discrimination, Clinton is simply performing the same three-act drama that she has performed countless times before: Act One: Identify various voting blocs of supposed victim groups who can be divided along lines of class, race, or gender. Act Two: “Rub raw the resentments” of those groups in precisely the manner outlined by her hero, Saul Alinsky. Act Three: Cast herself as a savior who heroically rides in to slay the exploiters and rescue the victims.

Clinton's remarks regarding the gender pay gap are rendered even more pathetic when one considers that by her own ludicrous standards, *she herself is guilty of underpaying the women employed in her own offices:*

- During her time in the U.S. Senate, Mrs. Clinton paid the women employed in her office 72 cents for each dollar paid to their male counterparts.<sup>309</sup>
- An even greater imbalance exists at the Clinton Foundation, where male executives earn 38% more than female executives.<sup>310</sup>

## Clinton's False Claims About Violence Against Women

Pledging that Mrs. Clinton will “confront violence against women,” the Clinton presidential campaign website assures us that “Hillary will put forward bold plans” to address the fact that “one in five women in America is sexually assaulted while in college.”<sup>311</sup>

But this claim about the ubiquity of campus rape is nothing more than propaganda designed to advance the notion that America is an inherently sexist society, and that women need to elect Democrats to protect them from the big, bad bogeymen. As *PragerUniversity.com* explains:

“[The one-in-five figure] comes from a study conducted over the Internet at two large universities.... The survey was anonymous, no one’s claims were verified, and terms were not clearly defined. In round numbers a total of 5,000 women participated. Based on their responses, the authors, not the participants, determined that 1,000 had been victims of some type of “non-consensual or unwanted sexual contact. And *voila!* From one vaguely worded, unscientific survey we suddenly arrive at 'a rape culture on college campuses.' Tellingly, the study authors have since explicitly stated that it is 'inappropriate' to use their survey to make that claim.”<sup>312</sup>

The Bureau of Justice Statistics, which is a division within the Department of Justice, has found that the actual rate of sexual assault against women on campus is 6.1 per 1,000 — i.e., 0.61%, or 1 out of every 164 female students. This figure is substantially *lower* than the 0.76% figure for women in the overall U.S. population.<sup>313</sup>

## WHEN HILLARY CLINTON PERSONALLY PERSECUTED A YOUNG RAPE VICTIM IN COURT

With regard to “Hillary’s plan to end campus sexual assault,” the Clinton presidential campaign website laments that “many who choose to report sexual assault in the criminal justice system fear that their voices will be dismissed instead of heard.”<sup>314</sup> But Hillary Clinton herself took part in one of the most deplorable exhibitions of disrespect for a rape victim ever seen in an American courtroom.

The year was 1975, and Clinton was defending Thomas Alfred Taylor, a 41-year-old man accused of raping and beating a 12-year-old girl named Kathy Shelton. So brutal was Taylor's assault, that the victim spent five

days in a coma immediately afterward; then several months recovering from the physical thrashing that accompanied the rape; plus, more than 10 years in psychotherapy. At the time of the attack, doctors told the girl that she would probably never be able to bear children.<sup>315</sup>

Mrs. Clinton knew for certain that Taylor was guilty of this crime, as she made clear years later when she discussed the case in a 1980s interview with Arkansas journalist Roy Reed. “He [Taylor] took a lie detector test!” Mrs. Clinton recalled. “I had him take a polygraph test, which he passed, which forever destroyed my faith in polygraphs.”<sup>316</sup>

Notwithstanding her certitude regarding the man's guilt, Clinton negotiated a plea bargain for Taylor by taking advantage of a prosecutorial error <sup>317</sup>

In the aforementioned 1980s interview, Mrs. Clinton laughed as she recalled how a forensic scientist from New York had been prepared to testify on her client's behalf. When Reed asked Clinton about the outcome of the case, she replied, nonchalantly, “Oh he plea bargained. Got him off with time served in the county jail, he'd been in the county jail about two months.”<sup>318</sup>

Subsequent to the Taylor trial, a *Newsday* investigation revealed that Mrs. Clinton had also attacked the young victim's character during the trial by calling into question her motives, her honesty, her temperament, and her ability to perceive reality.<sup>319</sup>

In an emotional June 2014 interview, Kathy Shelton accused Mrs. Clinton of intentionally lying about her in court documents, and of going to extraordinary lengths to discredit evidence of the rape. “Hillary Clinton took me through Hell,” Shelton said. “She lied like a dog on me. I think she was trying to do whatever she could do to make herself look good at the time.... She ... didn't care if those guys [Taylor and an accomplice] did it or not. Them two guys should have got a lot longer time [in prison]. I do not think justice was served at all.”<sup>320</sup>

## **ABORTION-RIGHTS EXTREMIST**

### **Clinton Supports Partial-Birth Abortion**

On March 12, 2003, Hillary Clinton went to the Senate floor to speak out against legislation that proposed to ban the procedure commonly known as “partial-birth abortion” — where the abortionist maneuvers the baby into a breech (feet-first) delivery position, permits its entire body to exit the birth canal except for its head, and then uses scissors to puncture the baby's brain and kill it

while the head is still inside the mother. Defending the legality of this procedure and condemning Republicans for trying to outlaw it, Clinton argued that any attempt “to criminalize a medical procedure” would compromise American liberty.<sup>321</sup>

### **Clinton's Deep Affection for Planned Parenthood**

“Hillary is proud to have earned the endorsement of the Planned Parenthood Action Fund,” says the Clinton presidential campaign website. “She will always defend the essential health and reproductive care that Planned Parenthood provides for women.”<sup>322</sup> This the same abortion mill that gives 99% of its political donations to Democrats,<sup>323</sup> the same organization that in 2015 was implicated in a series of undercover videos showing that it was illegally trafficking in fetal organs and body parts, a federal felony punishable by up to 10 years in prison and a fine of \$500,000.<sup>324</sup>

### **Clinton Favors Taxpayer Funding for Abortion**

For Hillary Clinton, abortion is a civil liberty that should be funded by taxpayer dollars. Indeed, Planned Parenthood — to Clinton's delight — receives more than \$520 million per year in government funding, and much of that is used to pay for abortions. Moreover, Mrs. Clinton has vowed to repeal what is known as the Hyde Amendment, a 1976 law that has traditionally prohibited federal funding for abortions.

### **Clinton's Reverence for Margaret Sanger, Racist & Eugenicist**

In March 2009, Mrs. Clinton was the recipient of Planned Parenthood's Margaret Sanger Award, named after the organization's founder. When accepting the honor, Clinton said: “I admire Margaret Sanger enormously, her courage, her tenacity, her vision ... I am really in awe of her.”<sup>325</sup>

Some noteworthy facts about Margaret Sanger:

- In 1914 Sanger published an article (authored by Robert A. Thorpe) which openly justified assassination as a means of eliminating political or industrial leaders who stood in the way of what Sanger viewed as progress.<sup>326</sup> She was subsequently indicted for inciting murder and assassination.<sup>327</sup>

- Sanger's commitment to eugenic “sexual science” dovetailed seamlessly with her Marxist political vision. But she doubted that a Communist revolution in the U.S. could be carried out by a proletariat class of limited intellectual capacity. Thus she sought to elevate the quality of the overall gene pool by means of eugenics. “[M]y purpose is not to depreciate the efforts of Socialists aiming to create a new society,” wrote Sanger, “but rather to emphasize [that] ... unless sexual science is incorporated ... and the pivotal importance of birth control is recognized in any program of reconstruction, all efforts to create a new world and a new civilization are foredoomed to failure.”<sup>328</sup>
- In 1923, Sanger wrote: “Birth control ... means the release and cultivation of the better racial elements in our society, and the gradual suppression, elimination and eventual extirpation of defective stocks — those human weeds which threaten the blooming of the finest flowers of American civilization.”<sup>329</sup>
- At a March 1925 international birth-control event in New York, Sanger advocated the sterilization of those “unfit” to procreate — most notably, Catholics.<sup>330</sup>
- In 1926 Sanger presented a lecture on birth control to a women’s auxiliary of the Ku Klux Klan in New Jersey.<sup>331</sup>
- In September 1930 Sanger invited Nazi anthropologist Eugen Fischer — whose ideas were cited by the Nazis to legitimize the extermination of Jews — to meet with her at her home.<sup>332</sup>
- In 1939 Sanger launched a “Negro Project” that sought to radically decrease black birth rates by persuading African Americans to use birth control. “The mass of significant Negroes,” read the Project’s report, “still breed carelessly and disastrously, with the result that the increase among ignorant Negroes ... is [in] that portion of the population least intelligent and fit, and least able to rear children properly.”<sup>333</sup>

## CLINTON'S PLAN TO “EXPAND” THE ALREADY-BANKRUPT SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAM

“Committed to defending Social Security,” Hillary Clinton says that she will “expand the program, especially for caregivers and widows who currently

don’t get what they deserve”; oppose “attempts to gamble seniors’ retirement security on the stock market through privatization”; oppose reducing annual cost-of-living adjustments; and oppose efforts to raise the retirement age.<sup>334</sup>

In their annual report published in July 2015, the trustees of the Social Security Administration reported that the Old-Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance funds — the major component of Social Security — spent \$859 billion in 2014 but took in only \$786 billion in taxes, meaning that the program operated at a \$73 billion deficit. Moreover, the trustees predicted a cumulative cash deficit of \$1.6 trillion from 2015 to 2026.<sup>335</sup>

In other words, Social Security is already completely insolvent. And yet, Mrs. Clinton waves her proverbial magic wand and assures us that she will be able to “preserve Social Security for decades to come” by ... yes, you guessed it ... “asking” the “wealthiest” and “most fortunate” to “contribute more.”<sup>336</sup>

## CLINTON'S CALL FOR MASSIVE INFRASTRUCTURE SPENDING

The Clinton presidential campaign website emphasizes the need to “repair and expand our roads and bridges”; “moderniz[e] infrastructure like dams, levees, and wastewater systems”; and “invest in building world-class American airports and modernize our national airspace system.”<sup>337</sup>

But there's a dirty little secret that Hillary Clinton won't tell the American people: Infrastructure spending has very little effect on overall employment. As the Heritage Foundation points out: “Infrastructure projects are capital intensive, not labor intensive. Road and bridge construction requires a relatively small number of highly skilled workers using advanced equipment and machinery.... In total, such construction employs just 0.2 percent of all workers. This includes less skilled employees on the worksites. Even doubling the number of jobs in the sector would have only small effects on overall employment.”<sup>338</sup>

Even more important is the fact that every penny which is spent on infrastructure is money that has been taken out of the private economy, where it could have been used for all manner of highly valuable purposes. And before that money is subsequently spent on infrastructure, it is first laundered through an enormously inefficient, wasteful, and corrupt government bureaucracy. A 2010 Heritage Foundation report puts it in plain English:

“Every dollar Congress injects *into* the economy must first be taxed or borrowed *out of* the economy. No new spending power is created. It is merely redistributed from one group of people to another.... For example, many lawmakers claim that every \$1 billion in highway stimulus can create 47,576 new construction jobs. But Congress must first borrow that \$1 billion from the private economy, which will then *lose at least as many jobs*. Highway spending simply transfers jobs and income from one part of the economy to another. ... Removing water from one end of a swimming pool and pouring it in the other end will not raise the overall water level. Similarly, taking dollars from one part of the economy and distributing it to another part of the economy will not expand the economy.”<sup>329</sup>

## CONCLUSION

This document has laid out the essential facts about Hillary Clinton's character, her worldview, her values, and her chief political agendas.

While largely ineffective as a U.S. senator, Mrs. Clinton was a catastrophic failure in her role as secretary of state. During Clinton's time at the State Department, America's relations with numerous countries around the world deteriorated markedly, and worldwide terrorism reached unprecedented levels.

In matters involving American national security and the war on terror, Clinton has repeatedly demonstrated abysmal judgment. Time and again, she has shown herself to be far more concerned with her own political fortunes, than with the welfare and safety of the American people.

Temperamentally, Mrs. Clinton harbors a seething contempt for those who do not share her political and ideological values. At a September 2016 fundraiser, for instance, she said: “You know, to just be grossly generalistic, you could put half of [Republican presidential candidate Donald] Trump’s supporters into what I call the basket of deplorables.... The racist, sexist, homophobic, xenophobic, Islamophobic — you name it. And unfortunately there are people like that. And he has lifted them up.”<sup>330</sup>

Further, Mrs. Clinton clearly has a low opinion of the American people in general, as evidenced by the fact that she routinely characterizes the United States as a nation where deep-seated racism, sexism, and all manner of bigotry are woven deeply into the fabric of our society.

Notwithstanding her professed aversion to hateful racists, Mrs. Clinton herself has cultivated noteworthy political and ideological ties to vulgar racial arsonists like Al Sharpton and the Black Lives Matter movement.

And it is quite significant that Mrs. Clinton's closest political aide, Huma Abedin, has had longstanding personal and family ties to the Muslim Brotherhood, the Islamic supremacist organization that gave rise to Hamas and Al Qaeda.

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