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We Must NEVER FORGET 9-11!!!

Blood Money on the Border

Mexican drug cartels, which are supported and protected by that nation's extravagantly corrupt government, have lavished bribes on Customs and Border Patrol agents to transform "the Texas-Mexico border into one of the major transport corridors for marijuana, cocaine, and heroin," reported columnist James Pinkerton in the May 29 *Houston Chronicle*.

Border Patrol agent Juan Alfredo Alvarez, for example, was paid \$1.5 million "to wave trucks loaded with a ton or more of marijuana through checkpoints outside Hebronville, according to a plea bargain Alvarez agreed to earlier this month." Gerardo Diaz, a Customs and Border Protection inspector, had pleaded guilty to accepting a \$15,000 bribe to allow five kilos of cocaine to pass through the Ysleta port of entry. In one pending case, a Customs inspector - who lives in a \$500,000 home, "complete with a basement movie theater" - has been charged with accepting \$10,000 for each drug-laden vehicle he waved through his checkpoint. The FBI claims that this official was on the payroll of two Mexican drug syndicates.

"It's the money and weakness," one anonymous "longtime U.S. agent" reportedly told Pinkerton. "It doesn't take a whole lot to approach an officer at a Port of Entry and ask, 'How would you like to make \$5,000 a car?'"

Of course, things aren't helped when the Bush administration treats our border like a temporary fiction, slated to be rendered obsolete through illegal alien amnesty and eventual convergence with Mexico.

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Comment: Please write to our Congressman /woman and tell them to protect our borders, NOW. We must get a handle on our borders as

soon as possible. Say NO to amnesty for illegal aliens. Ed.

SAY NO TO RACE-BASED GOVERNMENTS

Tell Your Senators to Vote No on the Akaka Bill!

The Senate is trying to pull a fast one next week by slipping in a vote on S. 147, the Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act of 2005. This bill creates a Hawaiian race-based government by establishing a Native Hawaiian "tribe" that can accept or reject any part of the Constitution as it sees fit. Urgent action is needed.

What You Will Not Hear About S. 147

* To become part of the "tribe," wherever located, one must only prove direct lineage of an aboriginal Hawaiian. Senator Jon Kyl stated, "Congress should not be in the business of creating governments for racial groups that are living in an integrated, largely assimilated society...If Congress can create a government base on blood alone, then the Constitution's commitment to equality under the law means very little."

* Citizens in all 50 states will be Balkanized: different laws enforced for different races within the same community. The Supreme Court in *Rice v. Cayetano* stated, "One of the reasons race is treated as a forbidden classification is that it demeans the dignity and worth of a person to be judged by ancestry instead of by his or her own merit and essential qualities." In a recent poll, approximately 82 percent of Hawaiians reject racial preferences. In a state where inter-marriage is prevalent, no active, clearly defined "native community" is pressing for independence.

This is a big step toward Hawaiian secession which Sen. Akaka does not deny. The Native Hawaiian government

will not be subject to the jurisdiction of the American courts. The Office of Hawaiian Affairs Web site states: "The Native Hawaiian people may exercise their right to self-determination by selecting another form of government including free association or total independence." By Phyllis Schlafly in *Eagle Forum*

Comment: This is another of those ideas that boggle the mind. Who thinks these things up? We do not want to divide America, we need to come together to be strong. Please write or call today and tell the Senators to vote NO on this stupid bill. Ed.

FTAA and the EU

When the European Common Market was launched nearly 50 years ago, the peoples of Europe were told that it was principally a "free trade" pact. They were unaware that the architects of the scheme really intended for the Common Market to steadily evolve, gradually acquiring powers until it would become a supranational government.

As the Common Market evolved into the European Union, the EU's institutions and bureaucrats in Brussels usurped more and more powers. Adoption of the EU constitution would codify a vast transfer of remaining legislative, executive, and judicial powers from the nation states to the EU. Spanish Foreign Minister Miguel Angel Moratinos happily admits that the EU constitution amounts to a death warrant for the 25 member states. He stated: "We are witnessing the last remnants of national politics. The member states have already relinquished control of justice, liberty and security. The concept of traditional citizenship has been bypassed in the 21st Century."

Many Europeans who are now desperately trying to disentangle their countries from this morass wish they had acted sooner, before they had gone so far into the trap. The architects of NAFTA (North American Free Trade Agreement), CAFTA (Central American Free Trade Agreement), and FTAA (Free Trade Area of the Americas) intend to follow

the same path as the EU, pushing for full "integration" of the 34 countries of the Western Hemisphere, but on an accelerated timetable. EU leaders are very much involved in this process, providing massive funding to the CAFTA/FTAA process, supplying expertise at FTAA and Latin American conferences, and establishing formal ties and offices with Latin American countries and the central institutions of the FTAA: the Organization of American States, the Inter-American Development Bank, and the United Nations Economic Commission on Latin America.

The EU is becoming increasingly oppressive and socialistic, and is fast on its way to becoming what Mikhail Gorbachev has approvingly called "the new European Soviet." If America is to retain its freedom and independence and not follow the EU Soviet example, we must make sure that Congress rejects both CAFTA and FTAA. .
By WILLIAM F. JASPER in NEW AMERICAN
June 27, 2005 **SAY NO TO FTAA!**

MORE OIL

"Few people realize that the U.S. is also a major oil-producing country. After Saudi Arabia, producing 10.4 million barrels a day, then Russia with 9.4 million barrels, the U.S. with 8.7 million barrels a day is the third-largest producer of oil. Our problem is lack of refineries to produce the needed gasoline. We haven't built a refinery in over 30 years, thanks to environmental whackos. Ed.

"No tragedy is so horrific, no calamity so sad, that somebody can't reduce it to politics. Hurricane Katrina was a tragedy for most of us, but a gift of the gods to the kingdom of the left, where everyone gets up every morning eager to count the ways to despise George W. Bush." — Wesley Pruden

Was Hurricane Katrina the worst ever U.S. calamity? Maybe!

The Great Mississippi Flood of 1927 killed 246 people in seven states – Arkansas, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi and Tennessee. The river breached the levee system in 145 places and flooded 27,000 square miles, leaving some areas under 30 feet of water.

Comment: My vote is YES. Ed.

Congress Urged to Set Up 9/11-Type Fund for Hurricane Victims

By Susan Jones, CNSNews.com Senior Editor, September 09, 2005

(CNSNews.com) - The head of the National Urban League says Congress must create a victims compensation fund for the hundreds of thousands of people devastated by Hurricane Katrina.

The fund should be similar to the one set up for victims of the 9/11 terror attacks, said Mark Morial, president and CEO of the National Urban League, who once served as mayor of New Orleans.

Within days of the terrorist attacks, Congress passed and the president signed legislation authorizing a unique and unprecedented compensation fund, which eventually provided more than \$7 billion to thousands of people directly affected by the attacks.

Congress set up the compensation fund for 9/11 victims in an effort to discourage potentially devastating lawsuits against airlines, security firms, and other companies that might be held liable. More than 97 of the victims accepted payouts, thus forfeiting their right to sue.

But Hurricane Katrina is an entirely different situation because it's a natural disaster, and it's unlikely that victims could sue the government.

Comment: This is another ridiculous idea that could only come from a welfare state mentality. If we fall for this then the chorus of cries for help will be endless. Every flood or windy day will bring requests. Please call or write your elected reps today and tell in no uncertain terms that this is not authorized in the Constitution of this great country. Ed.

Family Foundation of Virginia Growing Our Grassroots

Victoria Cobb, Executive Director

As The Family Foundation looks to broaden our network of grassroots activities across the Commonwealth, regional and local Chapters are mobilizing local citizens to be actively involved in local and state issues that

affect the family. Already there are regional chapters in the Southwest with the Family Forum of the New River Valley and the Shenandoah region with the Valley Family Forum. New chapters are forming in Northern Virginia and in the Richmond/Tri-cities areas. Our hope is to have a chapter coming to a local community near you soon.

Comment: I didn't print the list but notably this area was absent. We should have a group here in South-Eastern Virginia. I talked to Steve at FF and he assures me that they plan on forming a group here before the next GA session in Richmond. Folks, the Family Foundation is the ONLY family issue oriented lobbying group in Virginia that focuses on local and Virginia issues and is always at the lawmaking session representing us. We need to give them our support. Ed.

Upcoming Events:

5th Annual Tidewater Salute to the Family: the Family Foundation hosting on Tuesday Sept. 27, 2005 at the Founders Inn. The keynote speaker is Mr. Fred Barnes, the Executive Editor of the Weekly Standard. Call FF at 804-343-0010 for more information. Or write Bob at Bob@familyfoundation.org.

THE ARMED CITIZEN

A female employee at the Tobacco Rack was in the back of the store when she heard someone enter about 7:15 a.m. The woman looked toward the entrance and saw a man holding a shotgun, pointing it down toward the floor, and possibly loading it. The employee drew a revolver and demanded the intruder leave the store. The gunman pulled his jacket hood down to cover his face, saying, "I'm going, I'm going," and left the premises. Police were looking for the suspect, who was wearing a baby blue, hooded jacket. (*Arkansas Democrat-Gazette*, Little Rock, AR, 05/15/04)
Comment: Another case of having a gun, but never firing it, prevented a bad situation. Ed.

Get U.S. Out of the United Nations!

Sen. Warner, 441-3079 and Senator Allen at 518-1674. Congresswoman Drake – 497-6859. Cong. Randy Forbes 382-0080. Cong. Robert "Bobby" Scott - 380-1000