

Saving Money on Teargas

How the NRA Can Stop Illegal

Immigration with Bullets and No Wall

By Bob Jensen

It's another week of a government shutdown in the United States with neither political side budging over the issue of five billion dollars to build a wall on the border of the United State to help keep illegal immigrants from getting into our country. It's the biggest issue we face these days. It's bigger news than what Democratic candidate will be running for president in 2020 or the latest in all of the Donald Trump investigations. Some call it a matter of National Security. Others call it political wrangling over an issue that'll never get solved, much like the United States War on Drugs. But as both political parties argue and debate, call each other names, and see who can be the most petty when it comes to the issue, the one thing that has escaped all sides is fervent solutions. That is until now.

Last week, the President of the United States, Donald Trump declared a National Emergency regarding border security. Instead of using executive orders to raise the money to build a wall, he came up with another solution. It's a solution that dates back to the American Revolution and the years of having civilian militias. He was quoted as saying to a senior White House official, "if we can't build a wall and we will find civilians who want to volunteer to help guard our borders. That will be our wall." In a stunning new initiative, the president invoking a John F. Kennedyesq challenge to the American people, *asking not what their country can do for them, but what they can do for their country* when it comes to border security, has asked for volunteers with guns to guard the border. It was no surprise that this new initiative came with controversy. While some citizens have been very eager for a chance to do this with one man from Texas being quoted as saying "I might finally get to use my gun and shoot someone," some have criticized that this new policy is inhumane.

I was curious to see how all this would work so I traveled to El Paso, Texas along the border to see how this new policy would be implemented. Basically the president is asking

for civilian volunteers and you can sign up at any border security office or Homeland Security office, but you have to provide your own gun. The government will not give out guns to any citizen without a proper background check. But government officials freely admit that any citizen can walk into a gun show, purchase a gun without a background check, and sign up that day to be a volunteer border security agent. Conservatives have praised the idea. One man told me that it's a great way for Americans to take responsibility for their country and to give back. What I also found is that while the government is pushing this idea you still need large organizations to help with the Grassroots activism in order to get people behind the idea. And there is no better organization than the National Rifle Association. Last week the president in a sit-down meeting with the president of the NRA asked how the organization could help when it came to marketing the idea of volunteer border security agents.

One of the ideas that came out of the meeting was to encourage hunters. As with the original intent of the NRA gun club for hunters who advocated gun safety the President of the NRA proposed that why not make another form of hunting season, But this time instead of hunting game they can volunteer for border security and hunt illegal immigrants. After all, he was quoted as saying "they are a threat to American security so why shouldn't they be hunted." During my investigation, I had a chance to sit down with the president of the NRA in order to get some clarifications about his ideas and as I found out, to which the president of the United States agreed with.

The president of the NRA told me that what they would like to do is encourage every able-bodied gun owner who believes in America to help man the border and to use their skills as a hunter to stop illegal immigrants from crossing illegally What I wanted to know is was he was proposing giving every NRA member a license to kill anybody who illegally steps over the Border. He said, "if it is legal to shoot trespassers on your own land in America, then why not illegal immigrants because they are the greatest trespassers of all." I also asked him if that meant shooting women and children. He responded, "of course we wouldn't shoot children because of our current policy of rounding them up and putting them essentially in prison camps." I asked if he thought that this was a little inhumane. What he told me was shocking. He was quoted as saying, "it's more important to protect American interest in to show humanity, especially with enemies you are coming across the border because essentially anybody could come across including terrorists. " I asked if he thought women and children were terrorist and he told me, "just because they don't wear a suicide vest doesn't mean they can't be terrorists.

As you can imagine the controversy with this new policy and the National Rifle Association keeps growing and more than usual. But polls show that the majority of Americans are in favor of a volunteer border security force, although it should be pointed out that most people didn't know exactly what they were going to get to do if they did volunteer. Most of the citizens who volunteered have said, "I'm glad we actually get to shoot someone without going to jail." A lot of democratic and liberal lawmakers have pointed out that that's the best part of America should be showing our humanity to the rest of the world and being able to learn from our own dark history. Especially, that time in American history where we rounded up every Japanese-Americans and put them in internment camps without due

process because they might be an enemy of the state. The President of the United States for the most part ignored comments like this, but when he was asked last week in a press conference why the need for this volunteer border security force without any limitation on being able to shoot illegal immigrants, in his usual whimsical manner, simply replied "well if nothing else, it will at least save the taxpayers from having to spend money on tear gas!" Because as one Senior White House Official said, "that's more important than coming up with logical solutions on border security."

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