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ALL ABOUT ACORN

FROM THE INSIDE – ACORN employees “counseling” a pimp and a prostitute on how to cheat on taxes and get fraudulent loans came as no surprise to me, although I was shocked by their callous willingness to aid in the sexual abuse of underage girls. The video clips first appeared on Biggovernment.com and then on FOX News. Despite the fact that this government funded group was clearly telling people how to break the law, ABC, CBS and NBC totally ignored the story. WHY? ... Let me count the ways: Barack Obama’s first actual job in Chicago was with an ACORN affiliate. Despite being a non-profit group, the Obama campaign gave ACORN \$888,000.00 to assist “voter turnout” during the last election.

There are criminal complaints against the far left group ACORN in several states. Seventy ACORN employees have been charged and/or convicted of voter fraud. This month in Florida, fourteen more ACORN employees were charged with voter fraud. In Baltimore, two ACORN employees instructed a man and woman posing as a pimp and prostitute how to get federal aid and tax benefits while setting up a house of prostitution for underage girls. ACORN staffers in Washington, DC were shown explaining how to hide money made from prostitution and get a loan to establish a brothel. Now, two more videos have surfaced of ACORN employees telling people how to cheat on taxes, get fraudulent loans and support prostitution.

ACORN will support any immoral activity including adoption for homosexuals and prostitution. ACORN is a criminal enterprise today, and it was a criminal enterprise when Barack Obama represented it as an attorney. And ... ACORN was a criminal enterprise when Republicans controlled the House for twelve years and funded it. Even the Administration of President George W. Bush gave millions of dollars to ACORN! It is a disgrace to our nation that no agency ever checked on how our tax dollars were being spent until two young conservatives decided to take action by themselves and film what actually goes on at ACORN.

The Senate has now voted to defund ACORN by a vote of 83 to 7, but on the House side Financial Services Committee Chairman Barney Frank and others want to continue funding this criminal enterprise! House Republicans, after funding ACORN for years themselves, are finally acting against the group. Texas Republican Congressman Lamar Smith has requested the FBI start a RICO (organized crime) investigation. In his letter to the FBI, Smith said, “For years, ACORN has been the subject of allegations of fraud, misconduct and possible criminal activity. In fact, voter registration fraud allegations have led ACORN to be subject to investigation in 15 states. He said that, “Despite these serious concerns, Congress and the Administration continue to provide federal funding to a corrupt organization.”

MORE INSIDER STUFF: I know the young man and woman who have exposed ACORN for what it is, and they have done this before with Planned Parenthood. James O'Keefe is an activist filmmaker. His credits include the "Bailout Prize Patrol" produced for Right.Org in 2009. He directed, scripted, and produced a series of undercover videos showcasing racism and statutory rape at Planned Parenthood in 2007 and 2008. ... YES ... I said rape. These were the videos of underage girls being told how to protect their “older” boyfriends from the law. O'Keefe learned these skills of undercover journalism as the Publications Coordinator at the Leadership Institute.

Every week I attend a leadership lunch that is chaired by the president and founder of the Leadership Institute, Morton Blackwell. The Leadership Institute is a school that teaches young conservatives how to take on leadership positions and to run for public office. Many social conservative congressmen and Senators who are in office today attended courses at the Leadership Institute.

What happens now? To maximize the tax dollars it gets, this pro-abortion, pro-drug, pro-prostitution group has set up over 300 "affiliate" organizations. Even if the Senate ban holds up in the leftwing House, ACORN will still be able to funnel tax dollars into its coffers through those affiliate groups. ACORN will continue to work to defeat social conservative candidates despite the fact that it receives federal funds and is a non-profit organization.

CONGRESS, THE PRESIDENT AND RACISM

JOE WILSON AND JIMMY CARTER – Joe Wilson shouted out, "You lie," during President Obama's address to a joint session of Congress, and according to former President Jimmy Carter, this was a racist remark simply because Barack Obama is half black. The Congressional Black Caucus demanded that Congressman Wilson be publically rebuked by the House, and the far left Speaker of the House, Nancy Pelosi, was happy to call a vote. A New York Times columnist agreed with former President Carter that any criticism of Barack Obama is racist since he is half black.

I must agree that Joe Wilson hollering "You lie" was not polite, but the reality is that not only did President Obama lie, but later the White House admitted it. Wilson was responding to the comment that "no illegal immigrants" would be covered under the Obama health care plan. Not only was that not true, but there were actual provisions in the bill to do just that. Two days later a White House spokesman said that the provisions would have to be added to the bill.

TINKERBELL DREAMING – Normally I don't mention the health care debate, except for the abortion issue, because it does not fit well into most of what I do on the Hill which is to work for social conservative issues and religious freedom. **MAKE NO MISTAKE** – The health-care plan passed by the House and approved by President Obama would use federal tax dollars for abortion. The bill actually sets up a special fund from a "fee" on private insurance to fund abortions. Liberals see abortion as a part of "minimum healthcare services."

If you have Tinkerbell to call on, life is pretty easy. You can just make a wish, and poof - it comes to pass. As I watched President Barack Obama deliver his health care speech to Congress, I was stunned by the Tinkerbell thinking that drives him and his radical left allies. During the speech he told seniors that he would not change Medicare. A few sentences later he said he would abolish Medicare Advantage, which has millions of participants. Then Obama said he could "save" half a trillion dollars in Medicare payments to pay for his "Obama-care" program, while at the same time making Medicare better. That is what I call Tinkerbell thinking. His speech to the Joint Session was full of outright fantasies such as this Medicare example.

The current state of medical care in the United States is not the real issue here; it is the liberal fantasy of creating a utopia which Obama, Pelosi, Reid and the rest of the "progressives" envision. They believe that government can provide medical care and a minimum living standard for all Americans, while shutting down "polluting" factories, ending war, and sort of peacefully merging Christianity and Islam. Marx, Lenin, Stalin and even Hitler had the same fantasies of creating a utopia on earth. History shows all too well what their utopian dreams did to humanity.

HOLLYWOOD'S "SERVANTS" OF OBAMA? – It appears that the Tinkerbell effect extends from the White House to Hollywood. The Hollywood types believe in the Obama utopia and have pledged to be his "servants." You read that right: a large group of Hollywood stars, on video, stated: "I pledge to be a servant of our president." The pledge of the group comes at the end of the video. To get there you have to listen to the word "change" being used so many times it is sort of sickening and you just want to turn it off. I have seen lots of Soviet communist and Nazi propaganda films, and this falls right into that category. The video can be seen at: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=51kAw4OTIA0>

PANDERING TO ISLAM – I found it disturbing the way George W. Bush pandered to Islam, but the manner in which Barack Obama panders to Islam is disgusting. In his address to a Ramadan dinner at the White House in September, Obama said that "the contributions of Muslims to the United States are too long to catalog because Muslims are so interwoven into the fabric of our communities and our country." Well, I imagine it would have taken too long for him to read off the names of those who died in the Jihad attack against us on 9-11. Just listing the attacks on American civilians and servicemen in various parts of the world would take days.

Obama was right about one thing, Islam does have a long history with the United States. President Thomas Jefferson ordered our infant Navy and Marines to what is now Libya, to stop the Muslim pirates from raiding our merchant ships and enslaving our citizens. In both WW I and WW II Muslim armies sided with our enemies. Today, virtually every mosque in the United States teaches that democracy is an apostate religion that must be destroyed. There is even a Muslim school in Virginia that produced a valedictorian who is currently in jail for plotting to assassinate President Bush. I have posted videos on this at www.youtube.com/murrayonthehill.

CONTROL OF INTERNET BY OBAMA? - It just sounds unbelievable. Imagine the outrage in the liberal media if President George W. Bush had asked for emergency powers to take over and control the Internet! Fast forward to the Obama presidency in which leftwing loon Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi and Senator Harry Reid intend to give this extraordinary power to Barack Obama. What little mention there is of the bill in the mainstream media is about how it is needed in case of an "emergency" which, by the way, is not defined by the legislation. It will be up to Barack Obama to decide what emergency would require him to take over communications in the United States.

WHITE HOUSE INTERROGATION UNIT - President Barack Obama directed his Justice Department to attack the Central Intelligence Agency. Not only was a "special prosecutor" appointed to investigate the "crimes" of the CIA, but the responsibility to interrogate "high profile detainees" was taken away from the CIA.

Let me define that: The responsibility to interrogate terrorists and other "high value" detainees was taken from the CIA and given to a special White House unit that will be housed at the FBI headquarters.

The special "interrogation unit" will be run directly by the Obama Administration. There was no definition given for "high value" detainees. This is stuff straight out of third world dictatorships. Presidents and Prime Ministers in democratic states do not operate police powers; that is up to separate agencies that are independent. No White House Administration should have direct powers of arrest or interrogation. This is scary – almost as scary as those Hollywood types pledging to be "servants" to President Obama.

INTERNATIONAL

OBAMA'S PALESTINIAN ALLY FOR "PEACE" - President Barack Obama plans to sit down and meet with the prime minister of Israel and the current head of Yassar Arafat's FATAH movement which controls the West Bank. He believes that if Israel will just give up more land and surrender tens of thousands of homes and billions of dollars in factories to FATAH, then there will be peace. But did the FATAH organization proclaim at its last conference that even this much surrender would bring peace? Far from it! FATAH declared the right to armed struggle and the eventual return of all of "Palestine" to their control.

"A SETTLEMENT FREEZE IS STUPID" - That is what my good friend Ron Nachman, the mayor of Ariel, had to say about Barack Obama's demand that Jews stop building homes in Ariel and other areas. He blamed most of the problem on Obama's Jewish advisers who, he said, are anti-Israel. Among them is Rahm Emanuel, who himself attends an Orthodox synagogue, but for some unfathomable reason promotes an anti-Israel and pro-Muslim agenda.

This American policy is a big mistake," said Nachman." He told reporters that it is wrong for Barack Obama and Hillary Clinton to pressure the Israeli prime minister to comply with a freeze on construction, and it is an attempt to interfere with Israeli internal policy. "More and more, Israelis do not like this American pressure. It unites them around Netanyahu. It won't bring Netanyahu down, it will only strengthen him," Nachman said.

Mayor Nachman has been very supportive of Christians who live in Ariel and spoke out when the apartment of Christian leader David Ortiz was bombed in Ariel. A new civic center in Ariel is named after American pastor John Hagee, a supporter of Israel. Ariel is in the center of Samaria. It is Samaria that President Obama is demanding that Israel hand over to FATAH.

CHRISTIANS JAILED FOR HELPING REFUGEES – Internationally, the Religious Freedom Coalition focuses on the persecution of Christians in the Middle East. That does not mean that the persecution of Christians in China has ended.

Li Mingshun and Zhang Yonghu were sentenced to ten years in a prison camp at a trial held August 17, 2009 in the Erliahaote City People's Court. Their crime was giving food and water to refugees from North Korea who had crossed over into China. The refugees crossed the Chinese border only to make their way safely to South Korea. But China has made it a crime to help North Koreans escaping to South Korea.

IRAQI CHRISTIAN MISSION – The persecution of Christians continues in Iraq. The media, including FOX, has rarely run stories on the plight of Christians there. Now virtually all news about Iraq is fading as the number of deaths among our troops there drop. The Obama Administration is doing less and less in Iraq as it focuses on what it calls a "just war" in Afghanistan (where Christians are also persecuted). Converts to Christianity in Afghanistan face the death penalty.

I am in almost daily contact with our ministry partners in Amman, Jordan. The Religious Freedom Coalition continues to assist with medical and food programs. The next Chairman's Report will contain more on the international front.

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