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Senator Tom Harkin: Duped by Reds

The scathing reply delivered by Sen. Marco Rubio on the Senate floor this week in response to Sen. Tom Harkin's report of a visit to Cuba was a well-aimed and well-justified verbal cannonball. Sen. Harkin had it coming.

Let's be clear about this: There is room for debate about the US trade embargo of Cuba and whether it should be replaced. Indeed, open debate should be encouraged.

There is certainly room for discussion about finding a more-effective way for the United States to help the Cuban people and, at the same time, promote US goals in the hemisphere. Sacred cows have no place in foreign policy.

But any discussion about daily life in Cuba that glosses over, or completely ignores—as Sen. Harkin did—the punishing nature of the Cuban regime is intellectually dishonest, not to say naive.

Sen. Harkin believes the United States should abandon its policy of seeking Cuba's isolation. His farm state of Iowa benefits from any trade improvement that would increase agricultural exports to Cuba, of course. Still, it's his opinion, and he's entitled to express it without arousing anyone's temper.

But US policy toward Cuba is one thing, and the tyrannical, dictatorial nature of the Cuban government is another. How can there be any debate about the latter?

Sen. Harkin recently visited eastern Cuba and returned to deliver a report on the Senate floor about the idyllic countryside and the wonders of Cuban medicine, with a brief bow, as well, to the state education system.

Even assuming he's right—a debatable point—he forgot to say that whatever “benefits” the Cuban state offers its people have come at the price of taking their liberty. That's a bad bargain in anyone's book. His constituents in Iowa wouldn't make that deal, and neither did the Cuban people, not willingly.

There's not enough room here to once again lay out all the many crimes of the Castro regime. We'll settle for the opening words of the latest *Human Rights Watch* report on Cuba:

“Cuba remains the only country in Latin America that represses virtually all forms of political dissent. In 2012, the government of Raúl Castro continued to enforce political conformity using short-term detentions, beatings, public acts of repudiation, travel restrictions, and forced exile.”

And that's just for openers. Maybe Sen. Harkin would have gotten a more accurate impression of what daily life is really like if he had spoken to Cuban dissidents, the courageous individuals who dare to keep the spirit of freedom alive on the island by willingly risking their lives and liberty.

Sen. Rubio rightly responded to the speech by the Democrat from Iowa with sarcasm and indignation, tying the Castro regime to the Venezuelan government's harsh response to street protests over failed economic policies based on Cuba's discredited model.

“Let me tell you what the Cubans are really good at,” Sen. Rubio said. “What they are really good at is repression . . . They have exported repression in real time, in our hemisphere, right now.”

Mr. Rubio ended by making a good suggestion to his colleagues: Go ahead, visit Cuba, but be sure to talk to those who dare to speak the truth even at the cost of punishment by the government.

“I bet you're going to hear something very different than what you got from your hosts on your last trip to the wonderful Cuba, this extraordinary socialist paradise. Because it's a joke. It's a farce.”

It's a joke, but no one's laughing.

—*The Miami Herald*, February 26, 2014

Senator Tom Harkin and Stalinist Cuba

by Humberto Fontova

If Justin Beiber had returned from Cuba smitten with its healthcare and calling it “awesome!” most Americans would understand. But Iowa Senator and Obamacare champion Tom Harkin serves as chair of the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee. He just returned from an official tour of Stalinist Cuba hailing its healthcare as “quite remarkable.”

“Cuba’s a poor country,” he marveled. “But they have a lower child mortality rate than us . . . their public health system is quite remarkable.”

What Senator Harkin actually believes to be true or “quite remarkable” might be (implicitly) worthy of emulation. If so, this would affect the lives of millions of Americans. After all, Senator Harkin is still a few months away from retirement and still banging the drums deafeningly for Obamacare from his chairman’s seat.

It’s an old story with this Senator, actually. In April 1985 while president Reagan sought to aid Nicaragua’s desperate anti-communist guerrillas, freshman Senators Tom Harkin and John Kerry visited Nicaragua, met with the Sandinista (communist) leaders and returned smitten with their dedication to democracy and their enmity towards the Soviets. President Reagan’s obsession with Central American communism and his aid to the Contras was a manifestation of simple “McCarthyism,” sneered the freshman Democratic Senators. The proof was in a “peace-proposal” signed by Sandinista leader and Castro-protégé Daniel Ortega that Kerry and Harkin “held in their hands” (Neville Chamberlain, anyone?) and read convincingly to Congress. Its purpose was to kill President Reagan’s Contra-aid bill.

It worked like a charm. The US Congress swallowed the Communist scam hook, line, and sinker and killed the President’s bill. Then exactly three days later a snickering Daniel Ortega was in Moscow, flouting his Soviet ties for all the world to see. The Castro-protégé returned to Managua with a \$200 million Soviet aid package, along with a bigger pledge of arms and Cuban advisors to crush the Contras.

So Congress, rotten egg dripping slowly off their face, reversed itself and finally approved Reagan’s Contra aid. Harkin and Kerry ultimately failed—but hey, it’s the thought that counts. They did go the extra mile attempting to aid and comfort communists. The original Sandinista

national anthem, by the way, includes the line, “We fight the Yankees—the enemy of humanity,” lifted straight from a speech by Che Guevara. It’s nice to know such an outfit charmed the socks off the current US Secretary of State.

Senator Harkin’s official Cuban guides last week—forgive me for reminding some readers (and perhaps even Senator Harkin and his staff!)—were apparatchiks of a regime modeled almost perfectly on Stalin’s. Most of the Soviet KGB and GRU agents and advisors who flooded Cuba from 1959-62, had actually worked for Stalin. Raul Castro had a KGB handler as early as 1954. “The solution to the world’s problem lie behind the Iron Curtain,” proclaimed the regime’s co-founder Che Guevara, who often signed his correspondence as “Stalin II.”

In fairness, Senator Harkin follows in the footsteps of a long procession of (hopefully!) dupes. But in contrast, there finally came a day when most people recognized that official tours of Stalinist Russia were pure scams. The term “Potemkin Tours” even came into common usage (even among liberals) to describe them.

Alas, such a forehead-slapping, V-8 commercial-type “revelation” about official tours of Stalinist Cuba doesn’t occur to most people, for some reason.

According to *The National Journal* Senator Harkin also marveled at “the country’s (Cuba’s) success in reducing smoking among citizens through public health campaigns.”

Oh it’s a “government campaign” alright, Senator Harkin. To wit: For the usual communist reasons a communist regime cannot stock the shelves in its stores. This—amazingly enough!—decreases the consumption of those products by the communist regime’s hapless and half-starved subjects! “Quite remarkable” how that works, Senator Harkin!

And it’s not only for smoking. This “reduction” also applies to eating, as in items like milk, beef, and bread. In fact as fully-documented in an eye-opening new book—along with infectious diseases that had been virtually eradicated in pre-Castro Cuba (Dengue-Fever, Cholera)—nutritional diseases are also rampant nowadays in the Castro family fiefdom. Marzo Fernandez, an economist who until defecting in 1996, served as Secretary General of Castro’s Ministry of Nutrition could help shatter many of Senator Harkin’s illusions.

“The average height of Cubans has decreased by 8 centimeters in the past 25 years,” he’s quoted in the eye-opening new book. “For the first time in Cuban history, thousands of macrocephalic children (abnormally large heads in proportion to their bodies) due to protein (pri-

marily milk) deficiencies have been found in the eastern provinces.”

Now regarding that vaunted Cuban infant-mortality rate, parroted by Harkin (among many others) some clarifications:

In 1958 (the year prior to the glorious revolution) Cuba ranked 13th from the top, worldwide with the lowest infant-mortality rate. This meant that robustly capitalist pre-Castro Cuba had the 13th lowest infant-mortality rate in the world. This put her not only at the top in Latin America but atop most of Western Europe, ahead of France, Belgium, West Germany, Israel, Japan, Austria, Italy, Spain, and Portugal. Today all of these countries leave Communist Cuba in the dust, with much lower infant mortality rates.

And even plummeting from 13th (capitalist) to 47th (communist), Cuba’s “quite remarkable” infant mortality rate is kept artificially low by Communist chicanery with statistics and by a truly appalling abortion rate of 0.71 abortions per live birth. This is the hemisphere’s highest, by far. Any Cuban pregnancy that even hints at trouble gets “terminated.”

In April 2001, Dr. Juan Felipe García, MD, of Jacksonville, Fla., interviewed several recent doctor defectors from Cuba. Based on what he heard, he reported the following:

“Cuban pediatricians constantly falsify figures for the regime” reveals Dr. Garcia. “If an infant dies during its first year, the doctors often report he was older. Otherwise, such lapses could cost him severe penalties and his job. The official Cuban infant-mortality figure is a farce.”

The late George Carlin’s “Hippy-Dippy Weatherman” had a hilarious skit: “The radar is picking up a line of thundershowers,” he says pointing to the map . . . “but it’s also picking up a squadron of Russian ICBMs . . . so I wouldn’t sweat the thundershowers.”

In brief, don’t sweat the small stuff. Perhaps that applies here? To wit: if our very Secretary of State allowed snickering communists to play him like a fiddle, why sweat the same fiddle-playing of a middling and soon-retiring Senate Committee chairman?

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Where Have All the Flower Children Gone?

by Humberto Fontova

That silence you hear issues from the media/celebrity axis regarding the massive protests in Venezuela where hip college kids are being beaten, tear-gassed, and shot down in a manner to shame anything done by Mayor Daley’s police in 1968 or the Ohio National Guard in 1970. Six Venezuelan youths are confirmed dead and hundreds have been injured and/or arrested.

Forget looking in the mainstream media for the nitty-gritty of this communist repression. The Venezuelan regime—under the (literal!) and expert tutelage of their Cuban colonial overlords—is easily censoring the sheep-like mainstream media. The truth, however, is seeping out through social media. Please don’t miss these dramatic videos.

But these are Communist police and National Guardsmen doing the beating, gassing and shooting, you see. Hence the silence. Worse still, these Venezuelan storm-troopers are “practiced at the art of repression” thanks to hands-on training by the best in the business: Castro’s police.

There is no place in the media-celebrity narrative on Latin American police repression for this sort of thing. Pinochet? Somoza? Batista?—sure! These Latin American dictators thrived on repressing young hipsters. But they were all “right-wingers.” So it was only natural. A good word regarding any of those regimes by a rocker celebrity would have lead to instant and permanent blacklisting.

On the other hand, a good word regarding the Castro regime serves almost as password into the uppermost reaches of celebrity-rocker status, especially it’s “thinking” echelons (as such things are measured among rockers.)

The notion of Castro’s Cuba as a stifflingly Stalinist nation never quite caught on among “the enlightened.” Instead the island often inspires hazy visions of a vast commune, rock-fest or Occupy site, studded with free health clinics and with Wavy Gravy handing out love-beads at the entrance. The regime was founded by beatniks, after all. In 1960 Jean Paul Sartre hailed Cuba’s Stalinist rulers as “les Enfants au Pouvoir” (the children in power). A few months earlier Fidel Castro spoke at Harvard the same bill as beat poet Allen Ginsberg. And ever since then, long-haired Che Guevara has reigned worldwide as top

icon of youthful rebellion.

“They saw in him (Fidel Castro),” writes Camelot court scribe Arthur Schlesinger Jr. “the hipster who in the era of the Organization Man had joyfully defied the system.”

In fact the brain-shackled robot Fidel Castro and Che Guevara tried to create with their firing squads, forced labor camps and Stalinist indoctrination makes the Eisenhower era’s “Organization Man” look like a combination of Jimmy Hendrix and Jack Kerouac.

As exhibit A, in this grotesque ideological disconnect, let’s take the famous rockers and “political thinkers” responsible for the songs “Four Dead in Ohio” and “Chicago.”

In 1979 when Fidel Castro (whose regime murdered more political prisoners than pre-war Hitler’s and jailed political prisoners at a higher rate than Stalin’s) invited Stephen Stills to perform in Cuba at a Communist propaganda-palooza known as “Havana-Jam,” the famous Woodstocker could hardly contain his elation. The fervent champion of human-rights, civil rights and free-speech (indeed Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young’s last tour was titled “The Free-Speech Tour”) not only took up the offer to perform at this “Havana-Jam,” but also composed a song in Castro’s honor, titled “Cuba al Fin!” (Cuba at Last!)

Jazz-master and Cuban exile Paquito ‘d Rivera, living in Cuba at the time, recalls watching Stephen Stills on stage at Havana’s Karl Marx theatre lovingly crooning his songs to the families of Cuba’s Stalinist nomenklatura as if Havana-Jam were a personal performance for the mass-murderer—in—chief himself. Within blocks of this cheeky “Havana-Jam,” (which also included Human-Rights activist Kris Kristofferson along with Billy Joel) Cuban youths, black and white, languished in dungeons suffering longer prison sentences than Nelson Mandela’s. The Cubans’ crimes were attempting free speech.

“They (Castro’s Stalinist regime) invited me because they knew I was politically astute,” gloated Stephen Stills regarding the acumen and good taste of his Cuban hosts, who to this day jail and torture youths for the crime of saying “Down with Fidel!”

“There’s a man with a gun over there, tellin’ me I gotta beware,” wrote Stephen Stills in the 1967 hit For What it’s Worth.” Indeed, Stephen Stills: Cuban youths have much to teach regarding that scenario. If only you’d deigned to part briefly from your Stalinist hosts (the gunmen) in Havana and asked around.

“Paranoia strikes deep, into your life it will creep. It

starts when you’re always afraid, you step out of line, the man come and take you away.”

The “man who came to take away” Cubans at a higher rate than Russians were taken away by Stalin and Germans were taken away by Hitler was your very host on your Cuban visit, Stephen Stills.

“Young people speaking their minds—a getting SO much resistance from behind.”

“Exactly Stephen Stills, from the people right behind your stage, from the Stalinists who were sponsoring you, who were brown-nosing with you, who were jailing and torturing us, for the crime of listening to YOUR music!”—Might reply many Cuban youths of the time.

“You have to give them (Cuba’s Stalinists) due respect because they have a unique form of socialism that’s very significant in the scheme of world history,” Stephen Stills gloated while explaining his Cuba visit.

Oh, it’s unique alright, Mr. Stills. Few 20th Century regimes jailed and tortured youths en-masse for the crime of growing long hair and craving rock music.

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Democrats and Karl Marx

by Jack Kerwick

New York Senator Chuck Schumer thinks that it is a good thing, an affirmation of “family values” and “freedom,” that nearly 3 million people are expected to stop working in order to be able to qualify for Obamacare subsidies.

While on “Meet the Press” this past weekend, Schumer was blunt: The “bottom line,” he said, “is very simple. What [the] CBO [Congressional Budget Office] said is that many American workers would have freedom. Now that’s a good word,” Schumer continued, for it means that Americans would now have the “freedom to do things that they couldn’t [previously] do.”

That Obamacare promises to discourage people from looking for work is also a boost for “family values.” Schumer explained: “The single mom who’s raising three kids [and] has to keep a job because of healthcare, can now spend some time raising those kids. That’s a family value.”

Schumer’s fellow partisans, both in Washington and the media, are seconding his sentiments.

And make no mistakes about it: Schumer, Barack Obama, and all leftists who have been aching for national healthcare for a century truly believe, to the very marrow

of their bones, that work or labor is something from which most people need liberation.

This is but another way of saying that some of the more salient concepts of the philosophy of Karl Marx, if not his entire philosophy, live on in the contemporary Democratic Party.

This is not hyperbole. That Schumer and Obama may not subscribe to Marx's "dialectical materialism," say, is neither here nor there. The fact is that, like Marx, leftist Democrats are convinced that "capitalism," i.e. the private sector, "alienates" workers from their "labor."

Marx contrasted "the human world" with "the world of things." He writes: "The devaluation of the human world increases in direct relation with the increase in value of the world of things." A worker's labor reduces the worker to "a commodity."

That is, workers are related to their work "as to an alien object." What this means is that the laborer "becomes a slave of the object," the "thing" or the "commodity," that he produces. "The life which he has given to the object sets itself against him as an alien and hostile force," "an autonomous power" that now "exists independently" of its author.

Marx's idea seems to be something like this: Human beings produce goods in exchange for the wages of their labor. This, though, results in the human becoming dependent upon the fruits of his labor, for his need for "subsistence" demands that he continue producing. The creature now stands over and above the creator. But it isn't just the product of his labor to which the laborer is now enslaved: he is enslaved as well to his labor itself.

Since a person who works is related to "his own activity as something alien and not belonging to him," his "activity" becomes "suffering (passivity)," his "strength" is rendered "powerlessness," and his "creation" is his "emasculat[i]on." In other words, "the personal physical and mental energy of the worker, his personal life," is "an activity which is directed against himself, independent of him, and not belonging to him."

And because of the human being's "alienation" from both his labor and that which it produces, each worker is now "alienated" from other human beings: "man becomes alienated from other men."

Schumer, Obama, and all leftist Democrats who claim to think that Americans' emancipation from work is some kind of historical achievement believe what they say. This is what their opponents must understand. We must also understand that this belief of Schumer's, Obama's, and Marx's is inseparable from another: Private property

is both cause and effect of the misery, the "alienation," brought about by work.

Of course, no contemporary Democrat will think to say this aloud, but their actions speak loudly enough, revealing for all who will but listen that they are of one mind with Marx when the latter laments how private property, being both "the product of alienate labor" and "the means by which labor is alienated," "has made us so stupid and partial."

Doubtless, there are legions of Democrats—and, for that matter, Republicans—who will genuinely regard this analysis as over the top. They are mistaken. Both the policies for which we argue, as well as the arguments that we offer on their behalf, possess their own logic.

And the logic of leftist Democrats like Schumer and Obama is the logic of Marx.

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Communists to Obama: We've Got Your Back

by Jack Minor

With Democrats facing a real possibility of losing the Senate this November, the Communist Party USA has announced the cavalry is planning to ride to their rescue by helping unite the left and stave off "right-wing extremism."

The plans were announced during a web streaming event held by party Chairman Sam Webb Wednesday titled "Taking care of the future: from here to socialism."

The event was part of the party's national convention process which will culminate later this year in Chicago, where the party was formed in 1919.

Webb told listeners that there is no direct path to socialism and that to arrive at their destination they would have to pass through different stages. He stated one of those steps was to work with other left-wing groups to press for issues important to the left.

"We can talk about shortening the work week, green jobs, restructuring the economy, we can talk about the de-militarization of the economy and putting those people back to work in jobs that are productive," Webb said. "The starting point has to be this immediate engagement, but once we do that, many things become possible such as more radical demands."

Webb acknowledged that one of the problems the movement faces is the stigma of the name Communist among some Americans, but he believes under the policies of the Obama administration the country is now more willing to embrace those beliefs.

“The good news is the same hang-ups or stereotypes that people had 30 to 40 years ago are not so evident today,” he said. “Growing numbers of people are ready to have a conversation about socialism. There have been public opinion polls that indicate that substantial numbers have more confidence in socialism than capitalism.

“We have to let people know what our vision is. The climate in the country is different. We can have a different conversation than we could have 30 to 40 years ago, even 20 years ago. Socialism is no longer a white-hot word, people are willing to talk about it.”

WND reported last month how retired Maj. Gen. Paul Vallely, president of Stand Up America, announced a plan to unite the tea party groups in order to return the country to its constitutional roots.

Webb said Communists are planning a similar effort to unite left-wing groups to protect Democrats and President Obama from the possibility of losing the Senate to tea party candidates.

“Even if it’s only turning back right-wing extremism which plays such a large role in policies today . . . I don’t see how it’s going to happen without a much stronger left and an important part of that left is a bigger stronger Communist Party. That’s a necessary component.

“There’s a broad left in this country and a good section of it isn’t connected to other organizations. We have to be connected and have a dialogue with this broad left and find common ground where we can join in on joint struggles,” he said.

Webb said it was vital for left-wing individuals to be part of a “bigger and better Communist Party and a bigger and better left in general,” noting that the CPUSA had a major part in helping FDR with his New Deal policies.

“The New Deal came about for a lot of reasons, but I would argue that one of the main reasons was that in that same period we saw the growth of the Communist Party and the left in general,” Webb explained. “The Communist Party and the left in general contributed mightily to the

process of first building a transformative movement and then helping secure these changes, this New Deal.”

He said progressives need to have a bigger left in order to prevent the tea party movement from advancing its agenda.

Setting out the party’s goals, he said the CPUSA could not bring about socialism on its own but needed the help of other left-wing groups it was helping to unify.

“If it just took the left and Communists alone we would have done it long ago. It takes more than that. It takes a bigger Communist Party and left that is deeply embedded in the day to day struggle for people.”

The US military, which has seen generals and other high-level officers relieved of duty at an unprecedented rate during the Obama administration, is in trouble largely because of the radical social experimentation being forced upon it, according to the Center for Military Readiness.

CMR’s president, Elaine Donnelly, said in an interview with *WND* that under Obama, budgets for the military have been slashed, SEAL Team Six members exposed as the ones who killed Osama bin Laden, open homosexuality introduced, and service members pressed into service to hold an umbrella over the president during the rain.

Donnelly says Obama has done “great damage” to the military by taking away resources and imposing “heavy burdens of social experimentation.”

As *WND* reported, the US military has been gutted with massive budget cuts due to the congressionally mandated sequestration to trim \$1 trillion in government spending over 10 years, fully half of which would come from the defense budget.

Webb said despite these cuts the American government is still spending too much on the military and called for further military budget cuts and that the party has no qualms about working with those in other countries to fight against US “imperialism.”

“We spend too much on military weapons and hardware, especially the United States. By building a transformative movement we can begin to change that,” Webb said. “We find many ways to express solidarity with people around the world who are fighting imperialism, either US imperialism or any other imperialism.”

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Pete Seeger: Communist

by Humberto Fontova

Only in America would a singer who insults a US President (Lyndon Johnson) as “a big fool” in song be awarded the National Medal of the Arts by a US President (Bill Clinton), hailed as a “Living Legend” by the US Library of Congress, and be invited to play at a US Presidential inauguration (Barack Obama’s).

Oh I realize this speaks well for our 1st amendment rights. But it also brings to mind a snicker by former Brazilian President Janio Quadros circa 1961: “Those Americans are much like women. They have a masochistic streak. The more you slap them around, the more you get out of them.”

That singer, by the way, is the recently-deceased leftish troubadour Pete Seeger. In their tribute the *Washington Post* hailed him as “America’s best-loved commie.” Author and expert on commie fellow-travelers Ron Radosh writes that (at his prodding in 2007) Seeger finally repented for his infamous Stalin-philia, even composing a song to that effect titled “Big Joe Blues.” The song’s Big Joe was “Uncle” Joe Stalin and the song made it clear that Joe Stalin—rather than Joe McCarthy—had been the real threat to freedom in the 50s. Alas, Seeger never actually released the song for airplay and only sang it privately to friends. So Seeger’s reputation remained pristine among most commie fellow-travelers.

Unsurprisingly, the Castro regime’s captive (literally!) media contributed heavily to the Seeger tributes and eulogies this week. After all, in 1999 Pete Seeger had eagerly visited Cuba to proudly accept the Castro regime’s highest cultural honor, the Medal of the Order Felix Varela, in honor of Seeger’s “humanistic and artistic work in defense of the environment and against racism.”

In brief: famous peacenik Pete Seeger proudly visited the Stalinist dictator, who brought the world closest to nuclear war of any in history, to eagerly accept an award “against racism” from the Stalinist/Apartheid regime that jailed and tortured the most black political prisoners in modern history!

An article in Castro’s eunuch media by the regime’s eunuch cultural ambassador (singer Silvio Rodriguez who often met with Pete Seeger) relates how three years ago during a meeting in New York, Seeger lamented to Rodriguez that: “conditions in Latin America had not improved because of the US (Imperialism, presumably.) But that this would change in the next 15 years.”

So here he was at age 91: still blaming the US and (pre-

sumably) capitalism for the woes of the Third World as brought about by its own thieves, frauds, and scoundrels.

Shortly after his meeting with Rodriguez, Pete Seeger joined ranks with several US celebrities (Danny Glover, Martin Sheen, Oliver Stone, Susan Sarandon, among many others) to boost one of the Castro regime’s most vital campaigns by signing a letter to “Free The Cuban Five.” The letter starts:

“We are dismayed that the Cuban 5, who have committed no crime against the United States nor posed any threat to this country’s national security, have now been imprisoned for 12 years. The Five monitored the activities of violent groups of Cuban exiles in Miami, activities that had already resulted in the deaths of thousands of Cuban nationals. They sought simply to protect their country from further acts of terrorism.”

Here’s what Castro’s KGB-trained terrorists (“The Cuban Five”)—convicted by US Federal jury and upheld all the way to the US Supreme Court—are actually guilty of:

On September 14, 1998, the FBI uncovered a Castro spy ring in Miami and arrested ten of them. Four others managed to scoot back to Cuba. These became known as the “Wasp Network,” or “The Cuban Five” in Castroite parlance. According to the FBI’s affidavit, the 26 charges against the convicted Castro-spies championed by Seeger:

- Gathering intelligence against the Boca Chica Air Naval Station in Key West, the McDill Air Force Base in Tampa and the headquarters of the US Southern Command in Homestead, Fla.
- Compiling the names, home addresses, and medical files of the US Southern Command’s top officers, along with those of hundreds of officers stationed at Boca Chica.
- Infiltrating the headquarters of the US Southern Command.
- Sending letter bombs to Cuban-Americans.
- Spying on McDill Air Force Base, the US armed forces’ worldwide headquarters for fighting “low-intensity” conflicts.
- Locating entry points into Florida for smuggling explosives.

Pete Seeger’s poster-boys also infiltrated the Cuban-exile group Brothers to the Rescue, who flew unarmed planes to rescue Cuban rafters in the Florida straits, also known as “the cemetery without crosses.” The estimates of the number of Cubans dying horribly in the “cemetery without crosses” run from 50-85,000. Brothers to The Rescue risked their lives almost daily, flying over the straits, alerting and guiding the Coast Guard to any

balseros, and saving thousands of these desperate people from joining that terrible tally. (Prior to Castroism, by the way, Cuba was swamped with more immigrants per-capita than the US, including during the Ellis Island years.) So you can imagine how the Cuban exodus embarrasses the Castroites, including those in the US.

By February of 1996, Brothers to The Rescue had flown 1,800 of these humanitarian missions and helped rescue 4,200 men, women, and children. That month Danny Glover's and Pete Seeger's cause célèbre passed to Castro the flight plan for one of the Brothers' humanitarian

flights over the Cemetery Without Crosses.

With this info in hand, Castro's Top Guns, jumped into their MIGs, took off and valiantly blasted apart (in international air space) the lumbering and utterly defenseless Cessnas. Four members of the humanitarian flights were thus murdered in cold blood by communists. Three of these murdered men were US citizens, the other a legal US resident.

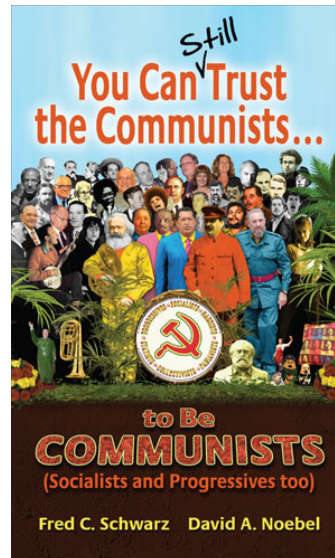
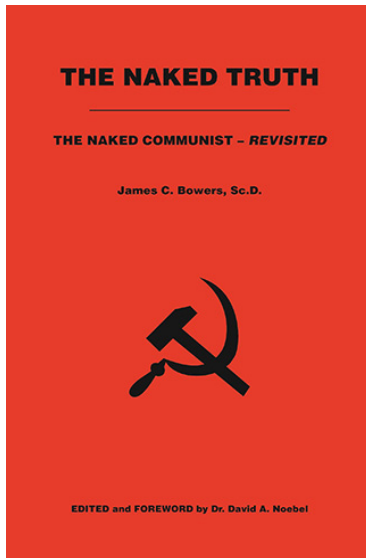
Pete Seeger, whatever else you might say about him, was certainly consistent.

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