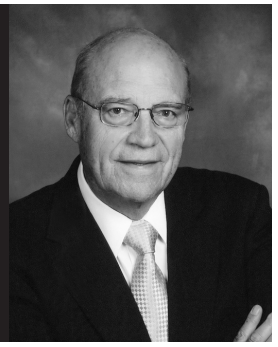




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Treason

by David Horowitz

The Bolshevik leader Leon Trotsky once described Stalinism as “the perfect theory for glueing up the brain.” What he meant to dramatize was the fact that a regime as monstrous as Stalin’s, which murdered 40 million people and enslaved many times more, was nonetheless able to persuade progressives and “social justice” advocates all over the world to act as its supporters and defenders. These enlightened enablers of Stalin’s crimes included leading intellectuals of the day, even Nobel Prize winners in the sciences and the arts like Frederic Joliot-Curie and Andre Gide. Brilliant as they were, they were blind to the realities of the Stalinist regime and therefore of the virtues of the societies they lived in.

What glued up their brains was the belief that a brave new world of social justice—a world governed by progressive principles—existed in embryo in Soviet Russia, and had to be defended by any means necessary. As a result of this illusion, they put their talents and prestige at the service of the totalitarian enemies of democracy, acting, in Trotsky’s words, as “frontier guards” for the Stalinist empire. They continued their efforts even after the Soviets conquered Eastern Europe, acquired nuclear weapons and initiated a “cold war” with the West. To the progressives seduced by Stalinism, democratic America represented a greater evil than the barbaric police states of the Soviet bloc. Even half a century later a progressive culture still refers to the formative phase of the Cold War as years of a “Red Scare”—as though the fifth column of American progressives whose loyalties were to the Soviet enemy, whose members included Soviet spies, was not a matter of serious concern, and as though a nuclear-armed, rapacious Soviet empire did not pose a credible threat.

How were these delusions of otherwise intelligent and well-intentioned people possible? How were otherwise informed individuals able to deny the obvious and support the most brutal and oppressive dictatorship in history? How did they come to view a relatively humane, decent, democratic society like the United States as evil, while regarding the barbarous communist regime as its victim? The answer lies in the identification of Marxism with the promise of social justice and the institution of progressive values, which will take place in a magical socialist future. Defense of the progressive idea trumped recognition of the reactionary fact.

Once the Stalin regime was identified with the imaginary progressive future, everything followed—its status as a persecuted victim, and its adversary’s role as a reactionary force standing in the way of the noble aspiration. Every fault of the Stalin regime, every crime it committed if not denied by progressives was attributed to the nefarious actions of its enemies, most glaringly the United States. Once a promise of redemption is juxtaposed to an imperfect real world actor, all of these responses become virtually inevitable. Hence the glueing of the brain.

The Soviet Union is gone, and history has moved on. But the Stalinist dynamic endures as the heritage of a post-Communist left, which remains wedded to fantasies of an impossibly beautiful future that bring it into collision with the flawed American present. This left is now the dominant force in the Democratic Party. Its extreme disconnect from real world realities is encapsulated in its support for the transparently racist movement called Black Lives Matter, which attacks law enforcement and defends street predators, excusing their crimes with the alibi that “white supremacists” create the circumstances that make them commit criminal acts. This extremist movement has the “strong support” of the entire spectrum of the “progressive” left (including 46% of the Democratic Party, according to a *Wall Street Journal*/NBC news poll).

Black Lives Matter is a movement built on the fiction that police have declared an open season on innocent blacks. According to progressive fictions, police are the agents of a “white supremacist society”—a claim alone that should make one wary of the sanity of those who advance it. Facts belie the very basis of the claim that there is open hunting season on

African Americans. African American males, accounting for 6% of the population are responsible for more than 40% of violent crimes. But a *Washington Post* report on all 980 police shootings of 2015 reveals that only 4% of fatal police shootings involved white officers and black victims, while in three-quarters of the incidents, cops were either under attack themselves or defending civilians,” in other words,” as Michael Walsh observed in the NY Post, they were “doing their jobs.”

One such job done by Officer Darren Wilson in the suburb city of Ferguson, Missouri, became the launching point for the Black Lives Matter movement and its malicious claim that innocent blacks were being wantonly gunned down by racist police. The alleged “victim,” Michael Brown had just committed a strong-armed robbery and refused to comply with Wilson’s order to surrender. Instead the 300 lb street thug attacked Wilson in his vehicle, tried to wrest his gun from him, and then walked away before turning and charging him. Several warning shots failed to stop Brown, until one killed him.

Ignoring the facts, Black Lives Matter promoted the lie invented by Brown’s robbery accomplice, that Brown had his hands up and was attempting to surrender when he was shot. “Hands Up Don’t Shoot” quickly became the anthem of the movement. But this lie was refuted not only by black eyewitnesses testifying before the Grand Jury, and by forensic evidence, but by a review conducted by the Holder Justice Department, otherwise bent on demonstrating the existence of bigotry in the Ferguson police department. Meanwhile Black Lives Matter went about setting fire to Ferguson, causing millions of dollars of damage, because if there was no justice—no hanging of Wilson—there would be no peace, as the now familiar lynch mob slogan framed it. Black Lives Matter then set about taking its crusade to other cities, most prominently to Baltimore, where a career criminal named Freddie Gray became another cause celebre. Gray had suffered fatal injuries inside a police van where only another captive was present. As the Black Lives Matter inspired mobs began to gather in “protest,” Baltimore’s black Democratic mayor ordered police to stand down allowing them to destroy millions of dollars of property. The state’s black Democratic prosecutor then indicted six officers, three

of them African American, on various ludicrous charges including first degree murder, although none except the African American driver were in the van with Gray.

The immediate result of Black Lives Matter’s war on law enforcement was an epidemic of crime, as police officers decided that aggressive law enforcement was dangerous to their careers and lives. Homicides in the St. Louis Ferguson area and in Baltimore jumped 60% setting records in the annals of criminal mayhem. Virtually all the victims were blacks, revealing the hypocrisy of a movement for which black lives didn’t really matter—the attacks on the law enforcement and the “power structure” and on whites did.

How could any reasonable citizen—let alone one with progressive aspirations—support a roving lynch mob like Black Lives Matter? How could half the Democratic Party support a movement that condemns America as a white supremacist society, disregarding the reality that the president and chief law enforcement officer and thousands of civil servants and elected officials including the mayors and police chiefs of large urban centers, like Memphis, Atlanta, and Philadelphia are black? (In Detroit the new mayor is actually the first white mayor in 40 years, while its police chief is still black). You can embrace the absurdity that America is a white supremacist society only if you are afflicted with the illusion that everybody is the same and all statistical inequalities affecting African Americans, like high crime rates, are not reflections of culture and character but marks of racist oppression. (This particular absurdity—universal as it is among American progressives and the current US Department of Justice—is easily refuted: If statistical disparities proved racism, the National Basketball Association in which 95% of the starting multimillionaires are black would be an association controlled by black racists, as would the National Football League, while the National Hockey League would be under the thumb of white racists.) Progressives are delusional about black racism and black crime because they are in thrall to the vision of an imaginary progressive future in which social justice will guarantee that every individual outcome is the same.

Blindness to the accountability of inner city populations for their off the charts violent crime rates, and their

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failures to shoulder the responsibilities of parenthood is as characteristic of the progressive attitude as is its blindness to the betrayal of inner city communities by Democrats and progressives. The disgraceful conditions of America's large inner cities is almost entirely the responsibility of these two political actors. Chicago, Detroit, Baltimore, St. Louis, and numerous other sites of out-of-control black poverty, failed public school systems and black on black violence are 100% controlled by the Democratic Party and have been for 50 to 100 years. Yet 95% of the black vote and 100% of the progressive vote continues to go to Democrats who oppress African Americans.

Progressives' sordid history of supporting criminals at home is accompanied by an equally dishonorable record of sympathy for America's enemies abroad. The Iraqi dictator, Saddam Hussein, was one of the monsters of the 20th Century, launching two aggressive wars, dropping poison gas on the Kurds, and murdering 300,000 Iraqi citizens. But more than a million progressives poured into the streets of America to thwart our attempt to depose him. At first, the Democratic leadership supported the Iraq invasion as a just and necessary war. But three months into the war, with American men and women still in harm's way, under pressure from the progressive left they turned against the war they had authorized, and for the next five years, conducted a malicious propaganda campaign, worthy of the enemy, to discredit America's intentions and to obstruct its military mission.

Because the Bush administration chose not to defend itself by confronting the treasonous actions of the left—including the exposure and destruction of three national security programs—leftist myths about the Iraq War persist to this day, even in Republican circles. To set the record straight: Bush did not lie to seduce Democrats into supporting the war, and could not have done so, since the Democrats had access to the same intelligence he did. The war was not about stockpiles of Weapons of Mass Destruction, as Democrats dishonestly claimed—it was about Saddam's violation of 17 UN Security Council resolutions designed to prevent him from pursuing the WMD weapons programs he had started. The Democrats' betrayal of their country's war effort crippled its progress, and with the election to the presidency of an anti-war leftist in 2009, led directly to the explosion of terrorism and bloodshed that has since engulfed the Middle East.

Nor was it just the surrender mentality of the Obama administration that fueled these catastrophes. With the full support of the Democratic Party, President Obama embraced the Muslim Brotherhood and America's mortal enemy, Iran, providing its Ayatollahs with a path to nuclear

weapons and dominance of the region, and causing the Sunni Arab states to prepare for a Middle Eastern civil war.

Just as leftists acted as propagandists for the Soviet empire, discrediting America's Cold War effort and conducting deceptive campaigns to hide Soviet crimes, so the left today disparages the Islamic threat and opposes security measures necessary to protect the homeland—most alarmingly the sealing of our southern border. Progressives have created seditious “Sanctuary Cities,” which refuse to cooperate with Homeland Security and the immigration laws in more than three hundred outlaw municipalities under Democratic control. Their betrayal has gone un-reversed for more than a decade and led to the needless deaths of numerous Americans at the hands of illegal alien criminals, of which there are more than 200,000 inside our jails alone, and obviously many more inside our borders.

Leftists and Democrats have also joined the Islamic propaganda campaign to represent Muslims—whose co-religionists have killed hundreds of thousands of innocents since 9/11 in the name of their religion—as victims of anti-Muslim prejudice, denouncing critics of Islamic terror and proponents of security measures as “Islamophobes” and bigots. In fact, 60% of religious hate crimes are directed at Jews, many inspired by the Jew-hatred that forms a core of Islam's religious canon, along with its incitements to war against Christians and other non-Muslim “infidels.” “Imagine where the Jews would be,” asks Don Feder, “if a Jewish civil servant and his foreign bride shot up a Christmas party in Southern California. A Jewish psychiatrist murdered 13 and wounded another 30 at Ft. Hood, and two Jewish brothers planted bombs at the finish line of the Boston Marathon.” Yet for progressives no heinous act by Islamic terrorists, nor deafening silence by Islamic communities in the face of the atrocities committed in the name of their religion, can prompt them to consider the problematic nature of Islam itself.

Exploiting the myth of Muslim persecution, progressives oppose scrutiny of the Muslim community, including its terror-promoting Imams and mosques. They immediately denounce proposals to screen Muslim immigrants as religious bigotry, and thus seal off any rational discussion of the problem. Led by Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama, Democrats have enabled the Islamic assault on free speech, which is a central component of their campaign to create a religious theocracy that circles the globe. Most notoriously the president and his operatives cynically spread the lie that a video about Muhammad was behind the Benghazi terror attack. Speaking like an Ayatollah before the UN General Assembly, shortly after

the attack, Obama declared: “The future must not belong to those who slander the prophet of Islam.” What an American president should have said is, “The future must not belong to those who murder in the name of Islam.”

By actions such as these, Democrats not only betray the 320 million Americans they are obliged to protect, but encourage the silence of the Muslim community, which has failed to expose the terrorists in its midst, or condemn the Imams and mosques that are preaching hatred of Jews and Christians, and promoting terrorist agendas aimed at Americans.

Our country is at a perilous crossroads, one that is made immeasurably more dangerous by a treacherous national party, which blames its own country for the crimes of its enemies, and by a political opposition too feckless and timid to hold its fellow citizens accountable for their treasonous acts.

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Leftist Justice

by Heather MacDonald

Following is the transcript of Heather MacDonald's comments at Restoration Weekend.

Today, I'm going to talk about the mass illegal immigration and its effect on American society. This summer the nation experienced a horrible murder in San Francisco. A young woman, Kate Steinle, was fatally shot by an illegal alien who had been deported five times already for various felonies. I wanted to deport him a sixth time, but was foiled in doing so by the San Francisco Sheriff, who alleged that this murderer should be let out.

As the country was trying to digest this information and what it meant for our immigration policies residents of Los Angeles, if they relied exclusively for their information from *The Los Angeles Times*, would have been largely clueless. Because *The Los Angeles Times* barely covered it. Only several days after Donald Trump had brought this to the national attention did the *LA Times* get around reporting what had happened and the underlying policy of sanctuary cities that led to it.

The unwillingness of *The Los Angeles Times* to report on this murder honestly is emblematic of how mass illegal immigration is distorting our cultural discourse and resulting in a whole series of taboos about what can be said in polite discourse.

Today I want to examine more closely this very concept of a sanctuary city—of which San Francisco is a

shining example—because it's emblematic of the agenda of the illegal alien lobby and their erosion of the law. Until recently, ICE, our federal immigration authorities used to be known as INS but now the acronym is ICE, had a program known as Secure Communities. It posits that when an illegal alien criminal is booked into a local jail ICE should be notified of the presence of that illegal alien criminal in order to allow ICE the option of deciding whether to take custody of that illegal alien criminal when he is then released from the local jurisdiction, having served his time or maybe even just the prosecutor decides I don't want to do anything with this.

This should be a no-brainer because somebody who's in the country illegally has no claim for presence in this country. But if that illegal alien goes on to commit further crimes—whether theft, graffiti, drunken driving, assault—at that point there is simply no ground for claiming that you should be immunized from any possible threat of deportation, and yet, over 300 jurisdictions across the country formally declared that they would have nothing to do with the Secure Communities program. ICE could ask the local jail authorities to hold on to an illegal alien criminal rather than releasing him back into the streets and those jurisdictions would just look the other way and say, “We're ignoring your federal authority. We're letting him back out.”

And the irony is that ICE's own prosecution of the Secure Communities program was completely listless. In 2012 ICE was notified by participating jurisdictions of 400,000 illegal alien criminals who were in local jails and ICE decided to take custody of only 19 percent of those 400,000. Not surprisingly, 50 percent of those illegal alien criminals whom ICE decided not to take custody of went on to commit more crimes.

Why is the Secure Communities program and the opposition to it so significant? Its ultimate goal is to delegitimize deportation entirely as a response to illegal entry. Conservatives have let themselves get sort of hung up on the issue of the fence. They talk exclusively about we've got to build a fence and if you notice the Left doesn't really push back very hard against the fence. Why? Because the Left understands that far more important than the fence is this delegitimation of deportation because even if we build a fence there's always going to be people who get through. The issue is what happens next.

The Left is so confident that it is starting with the hardest case. It is saying, even an illegal alien criminal should not be deported. If you can't deport somebody in the country illegally, any formal immigration policy is an absolute nullity because the only penalty for illegal entry

is deportation. It is the only penalty that actually responds to the law breaking.

I've never heard the Left actually disclose what it thinks should be an appropriate and legitimate response to illegal entry. But for the sake of argument, let's postulate that the Left would agree somebody's in the country illegally. There should be a penalty. The Left would say that penalty will be paying a fine. If that is the penalty, that is no deterrent at all. It just simply becomes the cost of illegal entry.

Now, what's particularly interesting is who has been opposed to this Secure Communities program. I would say the Obama administration was opposed because its efforts to enforce Secure Communities was so listless and it contrasts very strongly with the Obama administration's response to Arizona's law SP1070.

Several years ago Arizona legislators passed a law that said we are officially and explicitly deputizing our law enforcement officials in the state to cooperate with ICE in the project of detecting and removing illegal alien criminals. Our sheriff's deputies, local police officers, have the authority—if they have reasonable suspicion to think that somebody's in the country illegally—to ask questions.

Arizona wanted to cooperate with federal immigration authority. The Obama administration hauled Arizona into court for violating the Constitution by trying to cooperate with the federal government. The Obama administration won.

What is the Obama administration's response when they have an actual case of non compliance with federal authority? Such as when ICE asks a sheriff's deputy like Ross Mirkarimi in San Francisco to say, please, could you hold on to this illegal alien criminal so we can take custody and deport him?

Rather than hauling San Francisco into court—which it should under the precedent of the Arizona case—the Obama administration has chastely looked the other way. In fact, the Obama administration has now eviscerated Secure Communities.

But equally telling is the response of big city police chiefs like Los Angeles Police Chief Charles Beck or New York Police Commissioner William Bratton. These are people that in any other context support the idea that law enforcement is important to the rule of law and public order; that there is no such thing as an innocuous crime; that if you wink at things like graffiti, public drinking, public drunkenness, drunk driving, that the whole legal order starts to fray. They equivocate. They believe in enforcing the law in every other context other than illegal

immigration.

This is a complete hypocrisy and shows again the practical effect of the reality on the ground of mass unchecked illegal immigration and how that erodes our basic principles.

Amazingly the San Francisco supervisors after the national uproar of the murder of Kate Steinle by this five-times deported illegal alien felon reaffirmed their sanctuary policy. An explicit commitment to the rule of illegal aliens.

California's largely emasculated state Republican legislators—in one final pique of principle—tried to pass a law that would punish sanctuary cities but the Democrats in California overruled it. What we have here is a perpetual motion machine. The presence of so many illegal aliens drives policy making and you have legislators passing further laws to normalize their presence so California is now considering a \$1 billion bill that would open up completely Obamacare to illegal aliens.

It is passing law after law saying there's no distinction in legal practice—if you're in California illegally you still get to be a lawyer—an amazingly bizarre perversion of law. Those laws that are passed because of the presence of illegal immigrants further act as a magnet to bring people in, bringing more people in who then generate more laws.

Now, as Congressman DeSantis mentioned yesterday, the most mind boggling violation of the rule of law and the disintegration of our Constitutional order is Obama's proposed Executive Amnesty. In it, he declares that because Congress is not willing to give an amnesty across the board to illegal alien criminals he's going to decide Article 2 of the Constitution is a nullity. An astounding precedent that I assume Democrats one day will rue if the Republicans ever capture the White House again.

But beyond the effects of unchecked mass illegal immigration on the rule of law and on the very idea of sovereignty I want to briefly look at the effects on the economy and on our competitiveness and social culture.

California—my home state—is a bellwether of all things related to illegal immigration. If you want to see the future of the country today you just need to look at



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California. California in the 1950s and 1960s led the country in its educational attainment. It was a thriving economy, drawing scientists across the country and world to its aerospace industry and its schools and colleges led the nation. Today, California's peers in educational achievement are places like Mississippi and Alabama. It's at the absolute bottom of the country's educational scale.

The Los Angeles Unified School District, which is the second largest public district in the country, in that jurisdiction 67 percent of all its students are below grade level in English and 75 percent are below grade level in math. What has driven this? The presence of so many Hispanic students. Hispanics in the LA Unified School District only 32 percent are at grade level in math and English. California spends enormously to try to close the achievement gap between Hispanics and whites.

Jerry Brown, several years ago, the governor of California, pushed through a law that would redistribute school funding from districts that were succeeding to districts that had high proportions of so-called English learners. But like all such previous efforts to try to spend our way out of the massive, and seemingly intractable, achievement gap, this one didn't work.

California is also the sort of Ground Zero for a very disturbing phenomenon known as long-term English learners. You'd think the term English learner refers to somebody who has grown up in a different country, comes here, and needs to learn English. And a long-term English learner is somebody who by high school still is not testing adequately on various tests that would measure English skills.

One-third of all long-term English learners in the country are third generation immigrants. So they've been here; their parents have been here, and their previous parents were here and yet, by test scores, they are testing as if they just came because their cognitive skills are so low and California is the leader in the long-term English learner problem.

California is a harbinger. This year, for the first time, the nation's test scores dropped, and amazingly, *The New York Times*, which is one of the most aggressive champions of unchecked illegal immigration, actually acknowledged the truth and said the reason is demographic change, which is a polite euphemism for mass illegal immigration.

Now, what's going on in this country is mirroring what's happening in Europe, which has already been noted in the Horowitz Freedom Conference this weekend. The very idea of borders is under attack and with it the very possibility of western culture and western civilization.

The pope, in his visit recently to the United States, un-

fortunately embodied this idea. He privileged immigrants always over native people, but insisted that there should be no distinction between legal and illegal immigrants and anybody who arrives should be absorbed and taken into the national culture. There are, outside the country, a few courageous voices who are willing to say the truth about what is going on.

A Hungarian holocaust survivor named Imre Kertesz, who won the Nobel Prize for literature in 2002 has very eloquently identified what's going on. He said, "Civilization reaches a stage of over ripeness where it can no longer defend itself and doesn't particularly care to."

Tony Abbott, the Australian prime minister, has also been unapologetic in saying where this is heading to. He said, all countries that say that anyone who gets here can stay are now in peril, given the scale of the current population movements.

Now, the Left understands this. The mystery to me is why Republicans don't. The establishment wing of the Republican Party embodied most clearly by, say, *The Wall Street Journal* editorial page, continues to promote a vision of open borders. It's blind to the issue of skills. It's blind to the issue of culture.

Now, the Left, and the establishment Right, both say that unchecked, low skilled, illegal immigration is a good thing for America and for their own agenda. They can't both be right, and following the lead of David Horowitz, I'm going to put my bet on the fact that the Left probably has a more accurate picture of how things are working than the Right.

Thank you for your attention.

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Communists Stoke "Gay Month"

by Paul Kengor

"Blessed is he who has no family," Karl Marx wrote to Friedrich Engels, his partner in crime who detested family and marriage so much that he refused both. The partners were not shy about their thoughts on the family. In their most famous joint creation, *The Communist Manifesto*, they wrote of the "abolition of the family."

Subsequent communists in the decades and even centuries that followed would seek to redefine family and marriage, but only now, in America in June 2015, is the

fundamental transformation finally poised to succeed, as Anthony Kennedy and the Supreme Court's four liberals have rendered unto themselves a right to redefine something that heretofore had been the province of the laws of nature and nature's God. Most grateful to Kennedy and the Supremes are their appreciative new comrades in the modern American Communist Party.

Today's inheritors of Marx and Engels are thrilled with the June 26, 2015 historic decision forever redefining marriage and family in America. Indeed, why wouldn't they be? Modern liberalism has given modern communism a magnificent vehicle to take down family and marriage and—best of all—to hammer religious believers into submission. It has taken communists over two centuries to get here, but they're finally here.

If these guys weren't atheists, they'd be shouting, hallelujah! Of course, they can't thank a God they don't believe in, one that many ages ago set down a male-female standard for marriage, but communists can certainly thank Joe Q. Liberal, Mr. and Mrs. Mainstreet, and the Supreme Court.

We can measure their gratitude in sources like *People's World*, the successor to the longtime Soviet-directed and funded *Daily Worker*.

In response to the high court's ruling, the immediate lead article at *People's World* was a piece celebrating the ruling. Titled, "Three in a row: SCOTUS upholds marriage equality, Obamacare, Fair Housing Act," it was actually grateful for the court's work across-the-board last week.

The article stated: "All three rulings touched off celebrations by tens of millions of progressive-minded people across the United States—a majority of the people. And the string of decisions cast a pall of gloom over right-wing Republicans." It then added a key political point looking forward to the 2016 presidential vote, underscoring who communists view as the good guys and bad guys: "The keenest hope of the ultra-right is that they seize control of the White House in 2016 so that a tea party Republican chooses the next Supreme Court justice. Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, one of the staunchest liberals on the high court, is in frail health."

Read between the lines, comrade: The Marxists at *People's World* are telling you that the next great leap forward, an absolute must, is to get Hillary Clinton in the White House in 2016. And if you don't believe that's the goal, well, Vladimir Lenin had a name for people like you.

If you need further proof, check out this piece, "Tactics and the 2016 elections," in the current rotating window of Communist Party USA's website, which identifies "the ultra right" (i.e., Republicans) as literally "one of the great-

est dangers to life on Earth." Ready for Hillary in 2016!

Back to communists and gay rights and specifically gay marriage....

In all, the month of June was a blessedly historic one for communists in their two-century-long effort to take down marriage and family. All month long, *People's World* was celebrating LGBT Pride Month. The communists have seized this issue with abandon, as the gay agenda achieves their dreams of fundamental transformation that until now, in the era of our first Fundamental Transformation and first Gay Marriage President, had remained so long elusive.

The month started at *People's World* with no less than three articles on gay topics. One of them was in the rotating window for at least two weeks, celebrating Ireland's vote for gay marriage. The communists were utterly thrilled about that take down of the Church and natural-traditional-biblical marriage. The other two articles were kick-off pieces marking the communist publication's month-long daily commemoration of LGBT Pride Month, which continued right through Anthony Kennedy's gift on June 26.

The day before Kennedy's landmark opinion came two pieces in *People's World*, one titled, "Today in Pride Month history: Homosexuals in Holocaust first publicly recognized," and the other titled, "Today in LGBTQ history: Stonewall Inn made historic landmark." Both had photos to call attention to them. Ironically, one is literally far more likely to see the rainbow flag at *People's World* nowadays than a red flag with a hammer and sickle.

Really, though, they are, in a sense, one and the same—at least to the objectives of modern communism. For today's communists, the gay agenda, especially on marriage, is the hammer and sickle to take down the natural, traditional, biblical, Western/Judeo-Christian model for marriage and family that they've always despised.

These are truly exciting times for communists. It has taken two centuries to finally achieve the longtime goal of "abolition of the family." They could have never done it, of course, without the indispensable help of liberals and of everyday Americans of all stripes. I must say, I'm almost tempted to congratulate them.

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Paul Kengor's newly released book is *Takedown: From Communists to Progressives, How the Left Has Sabotaged Family and Marriage*.

North Korea, Cuba, and the Hellfire Missile

by Mary Anastasia O'Grady

You'd think that North Korean dictator Kim Jong Un wouldn't have a friend in the world these days. His relentless pursuit of weapons of mass destruction and willingness to starve his own people is evil madness. Last week even communist China condemned the supreme leader's fourth nuclear test, which the chubby little psychopath called "the thrilling sound of our first hydrogen bomb explosion."

But Mr. Kim is not all alone. He still has the Caribbean's Cosa Nostra—aka the Castro family—as a friend and ally. The Cold War may be long over, but Cuba is sticking by the North Korean pariah.

This bond exposes Americans to grave risk. Analysts fret that Pyongyang is developing missiles and miniaturized warheads that will allow it to lob a bomb into the continental US. But having a desperate ideological pal 90 miles from US shores magnifies that danger. In the past 2 ½ years Cuba has tried to smuggle weapons to Pyongyang, engaged in high-level meetings with North Korean officials, and secured US military technology. Anybody want to connect the dots?

On Friday *Wall Street Journal* reporters Devlin Brett and Gordon Lubold broke the story that the State Department became aware in June 2014 that a Hellfire missile had gone missing and that it was "likely in Cuba." Let's face it: That was no shipping error, as some have speculated. Stealing weapons technology is what spies do for a living, and getting hold of a sophisticated piece of US equipment is a major coup for Havana.

It is not a stretch to think that the regime will share, for a price, everything there is to know about the laser-guided, air-to-surface Hellfire—which can be launched from a helicopter or drone as well as from a plane—with its good friends Iran, Russia, and North Korea, and even with other terrorist organizations.

President Obama seems to think that the Castros have abandoned their revolutionary obsession with harming the US. The theft of the Hellfire would have disabused even Chauncey Gardiner of such naiveté.

But not Mr. Obama. He was already engaged in a rapprochement with the regime when the State Department learned that Havana had the missile. If he issued an ultimatum that it be returned, his talks might have collapsed.

So six months later he went ahead with his plan to

throw a lifeline to the economically struggling Castros by restoring diplomatic relations and liberalizing American travel to the island. In May Cuba was removed from the State Department's list of state-sponsors of terrorism.

The missile is only the latest example of the no good that Cuba is still up to. In July 2013 Panama Canal authorities discovered 240 metric tons of weapons—including jet fighters and missiles—hidden under a sugar shipment aboard a North Korean ship that had sailed from Cuba and was bound for North Korea.

Havana tried to play down the incident, calling the weapons outmoded. But the UN's North Korea sanctions committee said the shipment demonstrated "intent to evade UN sanctions" and that it was consistent with previous attempts by "Pyongyang to transfer arms and related materiel through similar tactics in contravention of Security Council prohibitions." Samantha Power, the US ambassador to the UN, called it "cynical, outrageous, and illegal attempt by the two countries to evade UN sanctions."

In the 13 months since Mr. Obama's announcement that he would reopen a US embassy in Cuba and use executive decrees to weaken the US embargo, Cuba has repeatedly pledged its loyalty to North Korea. In March 2015, according to Cuba's state-run news agency, North Korea's foreign minister visited Havana and reminded Cubans that the two peoples "share a history of struggle together in the same trench against US imperialism, which continues exerting economic pressure on our countries to this day." The news agency also reported that the minister brought a "message from Jong-Un in order to expand and strengthen" the excellent relations between the two countries.

In June 2015 Raul Castro hosted Kang Sok Su, the secretary of international relations for the North Korean Workers' Party. In September Mr. Kim received Cuban Vice President Miguel Diaz-Canel in Pyongyang. Cuba's state owned newspaper *Granma* reported that Mr. Kim sent "an affectionate greeting" to the Castro boys during the visit. It also said that Messrs. Diaz-Canal and Kim discussed the two countries' close relations and mutual cooperation.

This ought to worry US national-security officials. But Mr. Obama is busy worrying about shaping his legacy. I'm not sure why: He's the first US president to bow to a Saudi king, the first to open the door for Iran to get the bomb, and the first to prop up the Castros even while they hold a stolen Hellfire missile. His place in history is already secure.

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