The Complete Obama Timeline

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On November 1 GOP presidential candidate Carly Fiorina appears on Fox News Sunday and responds to the criticism of her looks by the panelists on ABC's *The View*: "I think there's a double standard. It's funny. You know, I was on The View several months ago. They said none of that to my face. There is nothing more threatening to the liberal media in general and to Hillary Clinton in particular than a conservative woman, so of course there's a double standard. And conservative women from Sarah Palin to Michele Bachmann to Carly Fiorina are long used to this. It will not stop me. It will not scare me. And maybe the ladies of *The View*, if I come back on again, let's see if they have the guts to say that to my face. ... I think what these women represent is a set of liberal feminists who believe that if you do not agree with them on their liberal orthodoxy that you don't count, that somehow you're not a woman. You see, I know that women represent half the nation, so of course our views are going to be as diverse as men's. I also know that unless and until women's potential is fully unlocked—and women have been crushed under the Obama economy—that we will not be as good a nation as we can be. And frankly, I'm tired of being insulted by liberal feminists who talk about women's issue when the reality is every issue is a woman's issue. From the economy, to ISIS, to Russia, to health care, to education, to the national debt, women care about all of it. So I am really sorry that I don't agree with the women of *The View*. Nevertheless, I'm going to continue to stand up, stand strong, talk about what I believe in-and I am Hillary Clinton's worst nightmare as a result." [82904, 82910, 82933]

Also on *Fox News Sunday*, Senator Lindsey Graham (R-SC) says, "At the end of the day, Barack Obama has turned out to be a completely incompetent commander-in-chief. He doesn't listen to sound military advice. Leaving Iraq too soon led to the rise of ISIL [ISIS], and John Kerry, his secretary of state, is a completely delusional man. ...What we're about to accomplish is to turn Syria over to Russia and Iran, and to make sure that we never destroy ISIL on Obama's watch, and pass this mess on to the next president." [82948]

Obama's favorite foreign leader, Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan, comments on the possibility that the Russia passenger plane that crashed may have been brought down by ISIS: "How can I condemn the Islamic State for shooting down a Russian plane as its passengers were returning from a happy vacation in a time when our co-religionists in Syria are bombed by [Russian President Vladimir] Putin's fighter jets? ...[I]t is the natural outcome of Moscow's actions in Syria and the support for [Syrian President Bashar al-] Assad." (Most assume that ISIS does not have the surface-to-air missiles capable of shooting down an airliner cruising at 31,000 feet. At LewRockwell.com, Jack Perry wonders if the airliner was inadvertently struck by a U.S. drone.) [82930, 82963, 82964, 82986] In Sydney, Australia, Islamist activist Uthman Badar complains, "Requiring school children to sing the national anthem, and the citizenship pledge supporting democratic values, are part of an oppressive campaign by Australian authorities of 'forced assimilation' of the Muslim community." (Jihad Watch's Robert Spencer writes, "Uh, yeah. Because if you don't adopt our values, eventually you will subvert the law. A nation of people without shared values will eventually collapse into dissolution and probably civil war.") [82905, 82971]

The Gatestone Institute's Soeren Kern writes, "Germany's Muslim population is set to nearly quadruple to an astonishing 20 million within the next five years, according to a demographic forecast by Bavarian lawmakers. The German government expects to receive 1.5 million asylum seekers in 2015, and possibly even more in 2016. After factoring in family reunifications—based on the assumption that individuals whose asylum applications are approved will subsequently bring an average of four additional family members to Germany—that number will swell exponentially. This is in addition to the 5.8 million Muslims already living in Germany. According to the president of the Bavarian Association of Municipalities (Bayerische Gemeindetag), Uwe Brandl, Germany is now on track to have '20 million Muslims by 2020.' The surge in Germany's Muslim population represents a demographic shift of epic proportions, one that will change the face of Germany forever, 'but we are just standing by, watching it happen.''' (According to a 2011 census, Germany's population is about 80.2 million.) [82924, 82925, 82926]

Also in Germany, one community wants to rename the Saint Martin's Festival the "Festival of Lights" to "facilitate the integration of refugees." (Pamela Geller writes, "Why? These migrants are coming to *our* countries from failed, devastated cultures. When and why was it decided that we have to mute and censor our traditions and mores for theirs—a failed society that suffocates and destroys? They are running from devastation and failure; why adopt that?") [82928, 82929]

In Meerane, Germany, several hundred citizens attempt to block buses awaiting refugees at the train station. [82965, 82966]

In Bauzen, Germany, refugees are being housed in the Spree Hotel. Pamela Geller notes, "The owner... has angered many in the small community... as he now receives state monies to house refugees. His hotel had once been a premier location some 20 years ago, and recently he spent 300,000€ to renovate. Now he has a one-year contract with the government to house refugees from all over the world. In addition to security fence and surveillance cameras, the hotel now requires 24-hour police protection." (The town's residents not only have to pay taxes to house the Muslims, they are also probably not pleased that under German law additional welfare benefits apply when there is more than one wife in the family. Those "multi-spousal" benefits are in addition to the German welfare state's generous "Kindergeld" payments to families with children. The amounts range from 184 euros to 215 euros per child per month, and generally last until the child completes his education. Muslim refugees with many children will be able to "make a very good living" in Germany without working.) [82967, 82968, 82969, 83070] While Germany is destroying itself with its immigration policies, the *Daily Mail* reports that "Non-Muslim inmates in several of Britain's category A prisons are being forced to pay a 'protection tax' to radical Muslim prisoners out of fear of facing violence. The 'tax,' known as 'jizya,' was found to be enforced by some Islamist extremist prisoners in four of Britain's largest prisons. The shocking findings were uncovered by a team of government investigators, appointed ...to establish the threat posed by Islamic extremists in prisons." (Why the findings were "shocking" is not clear. Payment of the jizya is well-established in Muslim societies and areas occupied by ISIS.) [82927, 82970]

At PJMedia.com Rick Moran writes, "A report by the Department of Homeland Security says that more than 179,000 criminal illegal aliens eligible to be deported are still in the U.S. and immigration officials admit they don't know where they are. The report was delivered to the Senate Subcommittee on Immigration. As it turns out, there are nearly a million illegals who have been issued deportation orders who have not been sent home." [82944]

At DailySignal.com Katie Tubb writes, "The cornerstone of Obama's promise to the U.N. is called the 'Clean Power Plan.' Developed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency [EPA], the plan is a set of regulations on new and existing power plants that, realistically, would eliminate the use of coal-powered electricity and force states to meet targets for reducing carbon dioxide emissions set by the agency. A bipartisan group of lawmakers in both the Senate and House of Representatives took leadership on the issue and put forth resolutions of disapproval of the Clean Power Plan. ...Obama surely will veto any revocation of the Clean Power Plan that makes it to his desk. However, the votes in Congress hardly represent a wasted effort. The votes will send a clear message to Americans—as well as the nations meeting next month for the U.N. climate summit known as the Paris Protocol—that the Obama administration's unilateral attempt to fundamentally change our economy and energy sector isn't acceptable." [82937, 83457]

"...What kind of impact will the agency's plan to counter global warming have? Models created by the EPA itself show that the climate impact of the Clean Power Plan is less than 0.02 degrees Celsius in warming avoided over the next 85 years. ...EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy testified before Congress that the Clean Power Plan isn't about reducing global temperatures, but about 'an investment opportunity' and 'the tone and tenor' of the Paris climate negotiations. Jim Hansen, a professor at Columbia University who used to head NASA's climate arm at the Goddard Institute for Space Studies, called the Clean Power Plan 'practically worthless,' even though it is the centerpiece of the Obama administration's climate agenda. Hansen is far from what Obama calls global warming or climate change 'deniers.' ...Regardless of political party or position on climate change or global warming, Congress should be commended for standing up to unelected bureaucrats who are attempting to re-engineer America's energy economy and drive up prices for households and businesses with little to no climate benefit in return." (Obama's Clean Power Plan requires a 32 percent reduction in carbon emissions from power plants by 2030. It is essentially a scheme to eliminate the coal

industry—despite the fact that more than 40 percent of the nation's electricity comes from coal-fired plants.) [82937, 82953, 83457]

At NationalReview.com Thomas Pyle later writes, "The EPA's carbon regulation forces states to reduce carbon dioxide emissions by 32 percent, on average, by 2030. The limits are so strict that many states will be forced to shut down affordable energy sources, mandate more-expensive sources, and join regional cap-and-trade schemes—all of which will drive up energy prices, to the detriment of the poor and middle class. States have responded by suing the Obama administration and requesting a stay of the rule. And while legal scholars across the political spectrum agree that the EPA has a weak case, pinning our hopes on a legal victory is a mistake. In fact, it is a mistake the EPA is counting on states to make. The problem with relying on the legal challenge is that it will take years before the fate of the regulation is decided. Even if a stay is granted, the danger facing states is still very real. As recent history shows, utilities will begin shutting down power plants before the courts have a chance to weigh in." [83263, 83457]

"...The most effective way for a state to protect its citizens is for the governor to refrain from submitting a state implementation plan before there is legal resolution—the 'do no harm' approach. This will help send a clear signal to utilities and state regulators that no steps shall be taken to implement the rule until its legality is determined. ...[Obama's] carbon regulation is so legally vulnerable that states actually have a chance to defeat it. However, states will lose if they bank on legal challenges alone. Without strong signals from the executive and legislative branches in the states, utilities will begin to comply with the rule well before the courts decide its fate, rendering hollow any future legal victory. To protect their citizens, state leaders should reject calls to implement Obama's federal energy takeover before full legal resolution." (The Clean Power Plan will cause electricity rates to increase in almost every state, because the utility companies will be forced to pass on the costs of complying with the new regulations.) [83263, 83457]

The Obama administration is attempting to come to a "climate agreement" in Paris and not call it a treaty, in order to avoid the constitutional requirement that all treaties be approved by at least two-thirds of the Senate. Senator John Barrasso (R-WY) has told Todd Stern, Obama's climate negotiator, "Just like the Kyoto Protocol and the United Nations framework convention on climate change, any agreement that commits our nation to targets or timetables must go through the process established by the founders in our Constitution. It must be submitted to the United States Senate for its advice and consent." [82958]

While the Obama administration pretends it is trying to "save the planet," it cannot be said that it is saving money. Reports surface of a Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) service station built by the U.S. military in Sherberghan, Afghanistan—at a cost of \$43 million (about 100 times a reasonable cost for such a facility). [82973, 82983]

HotAir.com reports that the Hillary Clinton campaign's general counsel is attorney Marc Elias, whose "specialty is dealing with pesky cases involving voter registration and election fraud. One of the latest examples on his resume dealt with a voter registration

group in the Buckeye State who he represented earlier this year known as the Ohio Organizing Collaborative. They were challenging the state's new voter ID law, though their usual purpose was supposed to be going out and registering voters of all stripes to increase citizen participation in the electoral process. A noble goal to be sure, but there are a few rules which must still be followed. For one thing, the people you register are supposed to be, er... you know... *alive*." (Some of the "signatures" on the group's voter registration forms were of dead people.) [82939]

"Elias is described as a 'fixer' for the Democrats and he certainly has a history of that. Lest you think this pesky Ohio detail is an aberration, you'll find Marc's name attached to some other high profile cases. For just one example, back in 2010 he was involved in the contentious Minnesota gubernatorial election when the close race went into a recount. At the time it had been noted that in certain precincts there were more votes cast than the total number of people who showed up and signed in to vote. One estimate placed the number of 'overage' votes at roughly 12,000 which was greater than the margin of victory claimed by the Democrat, Mark Dayton." [82939]

According to DailyCaller.com, both Bill Clinton and Jimmy Carter serve on the (allegedly bipartisan) Commission on Presidential Debates. If Clinton and Carter serve no functions on the board, why are they honorary chairmen? If they perform functions, how can they be considered fair when Clinton's wife is likely to be the Democrat nominee facing the Republican candidate in the 2016 debates? (Whether Chelsea Clinton will be a debate moderator is not known.) [82941, 82984]

Breitbart.com reports, "The 2016 GOP presidential campaigns agreed on Sunday evening to cut the Republican National Committee (RNC) out of the debate negotiation process and instead deal directly with networks moderating debates... Corey Lewandowski, the campaign manager for frontrunner Donald Trump, confirmed to Breitbart News via phone on Sunday that the 'biggest consensus' of five separate points the GOP campaigns agreed on was cutting the RNC out of the negotiations with the networks, as the campaigns would each like to negotiate with the networks directly. ...A campaign manager with another campaign who wished not to be identified confirmed to Breitbart News that the RNC will no longer be handling debate format and that the 'campaigns will take the lead' on that. The RNC will still handle basic logistics, though, that campaign manager said." (In other words, not only do several of the GOP candidates not trust the media, they also do not trust the RNC—which they believe is doing its best to ensure that the nominee is Jeb Bush.)" [82942, 82943]

Actor and former U.S. Senator from Tennessee (1994-2002) Fred Thompson dies of lymphoma at age 73. Among Thompson's statements over the years: "This country has shed more blood for the freedom of other people than all the other nations in the history of the world combined, and I'm tired of people feeling like they've got to apologize for America." "Obama admin declares it's moving to investigate the death of Cecil The Lion. I'm sure Ambassador Stevens' family noted the sad irony." "Once you have practiced law and been involved in politics, you are not disabled by the discovery that people even good people—do bad things." "[Richard] Branson wants world 'powered by sun, powered by wind.' Ohhhh... like in the Dark Ages when everyone used sailing ships and clotheslines." "Global warming experts are saying that sea levels could rise 20 feet. Apparently their strategy for surviving this is to stand on top of a pile of government research grant money." "On ABC, Josh Earnest said that the economy is 'building momentum.' Well, Josh, things that are rapidly going downhill often do that." [82912, 82913, 82914, 82932, 82952]

On November 2 Obama signs the budget legislation, claims "it's paid for in a responsible, balanced way" [borrowing an additional \$80 billion], and says, "It should finally free us from the cycle of shutdown threats and last-minute fixes and allows us to, therefore, plan for the future." He also calls for even more spending: "My hope is now that they [members of Congress] build on this agreement with spending bills that also invest in America's priorities—without getting sidetracked by a whole bunch of ideological issues that have nothing to do with the budget." [82935, 82936]

As soon as Obama signs the legislation, his administratin starts spending money—and the national debt increases by \$339 billion, to \$18.492 trillion. (The national debt was just over \$10 trillion when Obama entered the White House. It may reach \$20 trillion by the time he leaves office.) Morning Jolt's Jim Geraghty writes, "Guess whose record he broke? The previous records for one-day increases in the national debt have all come under similar circumstances: A \$328.2 billion increase after the government shutdown ended on Oct. 17, 2013, and a \$238.3 billion increase the day after Obama signed the Budget Control Act into law on Aug. 2, 2011. Gold, silver, and bronze. ...'Nice work, champ.'" [83003, 83095]

The Department of Justice announces a \$1.7 million "Juvenile Re-Entry Assistance Program" to help juvenile delinquents "that [sic; who] have paid their debt to society rehabilitate and reintegrate back into their communities." (The document uses the absurd term "justice-involved youth" in place of juvenile delinquents or youth criminals. PJMedia.com notes other Obama administration euphemisms: "overseas contingency operation," "man-caused disaster," kinetic military action," "leading from behind," and "strategic patience," and "dynamic global security posture.") [83134, 83135, 83136, 83154, 83155]

Townhall.com's Guy Benson reports on the sticker shock experience by ObamaCare enrollees as they receive notice of premium increases for 2016: "Ugly numbers are cropping up across the country, from Minnesota to Arizona to South Dakota. [A CBS] story profiles an accountant from Oklahoma whose premiums are jumping by \$600 per month over last year's rates, a 66 percent increase. In all, CBS reports, he could end up paying roughly \$20,000 for healthcare coverage in 2016. ... The administration's own projections predict weak enrollment growth during the current sign-up period, for reasons we've addressed previously: 'The uninsured people 'most eager to enroll,' predictably, were older, sicker consumers, many with pre-existing conditions. This phenomenon has produced a risk pool that's more expensive to cover—without the needed legions of younger, healthier enrollees in the mix to defray and absorb those increases. Thus, the coming rate shock that will accompany rising out-of-pocket costs for consumers within both the individual and employer-based markets.' That last link is particularly important, as it illustrates the rising costs for Americans who weren't among the millions who lost their existing plans under Obamacare. The top barrier to entry for uninsured Americans remains lack of affordability." [82934]

"Sticker shock and access shock: The Obamacare way. And that suits Hillary Clinton just fine. She says the law is working well, although she says she plans to 'build' on it by imposing more market-crushing price controls—an implicit acknowledgement that Obamacare is failing to live up to its central promise. Lest you forget, Obamacare is Hillarycare. Mrs. Clinton is still taking fire from editorial boards and veterans groups for her dismissive minimization of the VA healthcare scandal, which she cast as overblown by ideological Republicans. One of her primary arguments in her revealing answer on this matter was that most veterans are satisfied with the care they receive through the government-run system. The Washington Post fact-checker examines that claim, noting that Clinton omitted results that conflicted with her 'much ado about little' attitude: 'A July 2014 Gallup survey of 1,268 veterans in the broader veteran population found 55 percent of veterans said it is somewhat difficult or very difficult to access care.' A survey released earlier this year showed that an overwhelming majority of veterans favor more private options within the VA system, an idea of which Clinton has been critical. In short, Hillary Clinton is campaigning for president as someone who: (a) invented Obamacare, (b) insists it's been successful, (c) nevertheless wants to expand the government's role to address its glaring failures, and (d) reflexively downplays abject federal incompetence and corruption." [82934]

In Newark, New Jersey, Obama calls on employers to hire more ex-convicts. He also wants employment applications to not ask job applicants if they have criminal records. (Obama is apparently distraught that banks discriminate against bank robbers in their hiring practices. Obama seems to believe that background checks are warranted for law-abiding gun buyers, but not for criminal job applicants.) [82949, 82956]

Talk radio's Mark Levin comments, "Everything good is turned upside down, and now [Obama] wants to release thousands more prisoners. And he doesn't want those hiring at the federal level, in the federal bureaucracy, to be able to know if people have actually served time in certain circumstances. This is just incredible to me. Just think about Obama, what his priorities are. Illegal aliens, not American citizens. American citizens he has contempt for, particularly white people—let's be honest here—who have racism in their DNA. It's the damnedest thing. [Obama] sides with rioters against police officers. [He] sides with criminals against successful tax-paying citizens. And I got to thinking. This is his constituent group. This is his constituent group, and so the more people they can release—maybe at some point he'll release these people and give them a blanket pardon. You've heard it here first because I think maybe that's what's going on. You know because in some states you can't vote [if you have a criminal record]." [82995, 83010, 83056]

Obama's Department of Education forces Township High School District 211, in Chicago's northwest suburb of Palatine, to allow transgender students to use bathrooms and locker room facilities of the opposite sex. According to *The New York Times*, the Obama administration has given township officials 30 days "to reach a solution or face enforcement, which could include administrative law proceedings or a Justice Department court action. The district could lose some or all of its Title IX funding. In a letter sent Monday [November 2], the Office for Civil Rights of the Department of Education told the Palatine district that requiring a transgender student to use private changing and showering facilities was a violation of that student's rights under Title IX, a federal law that bans sex discrimination. The student, who identifies as female but was born male, should be given unfettered access to girls' facilities, the letter said." (Meanwhile, a Pennsylvania man and his adopted son seek to get married.) [82981, 82982, 82987, 82991, 82992, 82994, 83000, 83001, 83002, 83014, 83015, 83016, 83108, 83210, 83228, 83267, 83286]

Director of National Intelligence James Clapper says, "We don't have any direct evidence of any terrorist involvement yet [in the downing of a Russian passenger plane on October 31]." (There may not yet be any direct evidence, but the plane reportedly broke apart at high altitude.) [82954]

TransCanada asks Secretary of State John Kerry to halt its review of the Keystone XL pipeline, amid legal challenges over the pipeline route in Nebraska. WashingtonTimes.com writes, "The move raises a real possibility [that] Obama will not be the one to make a decision on the pipeline and that the next president, perhaps one more inclined to back new oil-and-gas infrastructure in the U.S., will be the final arbiter. Powerful environmental groups quickly condemned TransCanada's request and said it's clear the company simply wants to delay a decision until January 2017, when a Republican may enter the White House." (The administration later denies the request and states it will continue its review process.) [82980, 82993, 83052]

HotAir.com's Ed Morrissey writes, "The election of Justin Trudeau [as Prime Minister in Canada] might have made this a moot point. In fact, the State Department might be pausing now to see whether Canada's new Liberal government will strike down Keystone and prevent Obama from taking the political hit from doing it himself. Trudeau [who his critics quickly call 'Prime Minister Fluff'] claims to be pro-Keystone but his party is very much opposed to it, and one presumes they're not fond of the oil sands in Alberta either. Stephen Harper threatened to sell the oil to China if the US didn't act to approve Keystone, but will a Liberal government export lower-grade petroleum and (arguably) contribute to global warming? That seems less than sure, to say the least, especially in the short run with prices as low as \$50 a barrel for high-quality crude. In other words, while the State Department can deny TransCanada's request for a pause, don't expect a rush to a decision either. The pause strategy has worked for more than six years, and Obama may end up riding it all the way to January 19, 2017." [83035, 84208]

Hillary Clinton meets with the mothers of Trayvon Martin, Michael Brown, and others whose children have died violently. (HotAir.com comments that Clinton's choice to appear with those particular mothers places her "squarely in the camp of those who choose to blame the police when the deceased were either obviously engaged in criminal

activity or (in the case of Tamir Rice) who were the victims of absolutely tragic accidents which were completely absent of malice on the part of the police. If Clinton thinks this is going to play well with the general public she may be in for an unpleasant surprise next year. She's winning friends among the SJW [social justice warriors] this week but it could cost her in the end." Clinton knows she will have to work to get the black votes Obama was able to take for granted, but pandering to the "black lives matter" movement may cost her the votes of many who side with the police over street thugs.) [83034]

Senator Cory Gardner (R-CO) endorses Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) for president. [82955, 82985]

An October 29-30 Viewpoint Florida poll shows Donald Trump in first place in the sunshine state, with 27 percent, followed by Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) (16 percent), Ben Carson (15), Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) (12), and Jeb Bush (12). [82957]

Ben Carson moves into first place among GOP candidates nationally, with 29 percent in an October 25-29 NBC/WSJ poll. Donald Trump has 23, Marco Rubio 11, Ted Cruz 10, and Jeb Bush 8. [82959, 82960, 82974, 82975]

At a Democrat fundraiser in New York City, Obama mocks the Republican candidates. He says, "Every one of these candidates says, 'Obama's weak, Putin's kicking sand in his face. When I talk to Putin, he's going to straighten out.' And then it turns out they can't handle a bunch of CNBC moderators at a debate. If you can't handle those guys, you know, then I don't think the Chinese and the Russians are going to be too worried about you." (Some might argue that most of the candidates "handled" the CNBC questioners quite well, and that Russia and China have done a good job of "handling" Obama.) The next day Donald Trump responds, "[Obama] can't handle the country. I mean, he's doing a terrible job running the country. He may say the Republicans can't get along during a debate. It's not us, we were being asked rude questions, many of them directed at me to be honest with you." Ben Carson asks, "That wouldn't happen to be the same ...Obama who was afraid to go on Fox, would it? [It] Must be a different guy... That's just ridiculous." (The "brave" Obama cannot even stand up to parents who want their male child to be able to use the girls' locker room in a public high school.) [82988, 82989, 82990, 82997, 83013, 83081]

On November 3 CanpusReform.org posts a video from Project Veritas showing administrators at Vassar College agreeing to destroy copies of the U.S. Constitution after an undercover journalist, posing as a student, complains that the document is "oppressive," "causes people pain," and gave her a "panic attack." [82976, 82977, 82978, 82979]

In Germany, Peter Dreier, a Bavarian official of the Free Voter Association (Freie Wählervereinigung) and the County Commissioner for Landshut County, says that his city (Landshut) will take no more than 1,800 refugees and if more than that are sent they will be bused to Chancellor Angela Merkel in Berlin. [82998, 83012, 83203, 83204, 83205]

FoxNews.com reports, "Congressional lawmakers are raising alarm over the rapid collapse of several so-called ObamaCare 'co-ops'—government-backed alternative health plans—that are failing, leaving tens of thousands of customers scrambling for coverage, and billions in taxpayer-funded startup loans at risk. To date, nearly half of the 23 co-ops established under the Affordable Care Act have gone or are expected to go under by the end of the year. The latest to be barred from selling insurance on the official marketplace is in Arizona. In a letter to the head of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Sens. Orrin Hatch (R-UT) and Lamar Alexander (R-TN) pressed the Obama administration for answers on what is being done to address the crisis—and recoup some of the federal taxpayer loan money that has gone to the failing start-ups." (Among the problems of the co-ops: many were set up and operated by people who had no insurance industry experience—but who had connections to government officials.) [82996, 83026, 83072, 83145]

Newsmax.com reports that the taxpayer-subsidized Tesla Motors "has set a dubious new record as it managed to lose more money per car sold than in any of the quarters in the last year. The loss per car was an astounding \$19,810, up from \$15,975 in the prior quarter..." [83036]

Adam Kredo reports at FreeBeacon.com, "Lawmakers in both houses of Congress filed legislation on Tuesday that would formally designate the Muslim Brotherhood a sanctioned terrorist organization... The legislation outlines the Brotherhood's long history of sponsoring terrorism and outlines congressional support for it to be designated a global terrorist outfit. The bill also would force Secretary of State John Kerry to explain why the Obama administration has been hesitant to label the Brotherhood a terrorist group. The Brotherhood's political wing has been banned in Egypt, where affiliates of the organization overthrew the government and then violently cracked down on its opposition, the United States has avoided labeling the organization a sponsor of terrorism." [83066, 83148]

Pamela Geller notes that after the Holy Land Foundation terrorism-sponsoring trial in 2007, "it was understood that [other Muslim organizations] were to be indicted and prosecuted as well. ButObama was elected, and [Attorney General] Eric Holder and his DoJ [Department of Justice] scuttled those prosecutions. Eric Holder refused to answer a Congressional inquiry about evidence in scuttled prosecutions of jihadist groups, CAIR, ISNA, ICNA in America's largest terrorism financing trial. Nonetheless, the Department of Justice is sitting on 'a mountain of evidence' against these subversive jihad groups. Maybe the designation of the Muslim Brotherhood as a terror organization will get that prosecution moving again—if an American President is elected in 2016. But will the Muslim Brotherhood's [current] friend in the White House move to stop this designation?" [83067, 83068]

On the *NBC Nightly News*, Lester Holt asks Obama if he believes that "police officers may be laying back a bit—they don't want to end up on somebody's camcorder—and as a result, we are seeing a spike in homicides in some cities. Do you fear that could

undermine, derail what you are trying to do right now? ...Is it something that you think it's chilled, that police officers are feeling [sic]?" Obama replies, "You know, we have not seen any evidence of that, and I think the FBI director would be the first to say that he's heard antidotal [sic, anecdotal] suggestions that it may be happening in selective sites, but we don't know." [83038]

A delusional Obama also says, "I am very proud that my presidency can help to galvanize and mobilize America on behalf of issues of racial disparity and racial injustice. I do so hoping that my successor who is not African-American—if he or she is not—that they'll [sic] be just as concerned as I am because this is part of what it means to perfect our Union." [83102]

Obama tells Holt, "The problem with election season is sometimes folks want to devote a lot more time to sloganeering and stirring folks up emotionally, but they're not spending enough time really trying to explain to the American people what exactly they're trying to do." (This would be the same Obama whose entire 2008 campaign consisted of "Hope and Change" and "Yes We Can" slogans and vague promises that were completely devoid of details.) [83200]

In November elections, Republican Matt Bevin (a Tea Party favorite) is elected governor of Kentucky, defeating Democrat Jack Conway 53-44-despite polls that suggested Conway would win by five percentage points. (With Bevin's victory, there are only 17 Democrat governors in the nation.) State Auditor Adam Edelen, a "rising start" in Kentucky's Democrat party, loses his bid for reelection. Republicans-despite the National Rifle Association having been outspent 30-to-1—retain control of the Virginia state senate, thwarting Democrat Governor Terry McAuliffe's gun control and expensive Medicaid expansion plans. (McAuliffe, a close friend of the Clintons, had former New York City mayor Michael Bloomberg working in his corner by donating heavily to Democrat candidates.) Mississippi Governor Phil Bryant wins reelection. Ohio voters reject legalized marijuana. By a 24-point margin, Houston residents reject a transgender "bathroom ordinance." San Francisco's "sanctuary city" sheriff, the totally unqualified Ross Mirkarimi, loses his bid for reelection—by a whopping 62-31 percent. Residents of Portland, Maine (who apparently are able to comprehend that being employed at \$8 or \$9 per hour is better than being unemployed at \$15 per hour) vote down a \$15 minimum wage referendum. [82999, 83004, 83005, 83006, 83007, 83008, 83009, 83011, 83017, 83018, 83019, 83020, 83022, 83023, 83024, 83025, 83027, 83028, 83031, 83043, 83044, 83046, 83048, 83050, 83051, 83073, 83082, 83091, 83092, 83107, 83128, 83158]

MSNBC notes that Matt Bevin becomes only the second Republican governor in Kentucky in four decades. NBC's Tom Brokaw says, "I think the terror for the Democrats is, is that a metaphor for the national election [in 2016]?" Political analyst Charlie Cook, noting that Bevin ran against Obama's policies more than his Democrat opponent, says, "If it goes this way [in 2016], it's radioactive for the Democrats because it's a rejection, again, of Obama and what the Democrats are standing for at this point." [83039] Bevin states that one of his first official acts as governor will be to remove county clerk names from marriage licenses issued by the state. (This is a victory for Kim Davis, a county clerk who was jailed for refusing to issue and sign a marriage license to a gay couple.) [83184, 83195]

Since Obama entered the White House in January 2009, Democrats have lost more than 900 seats in state legislatures, 12 governorships, 69 U.S. House seats, and 13 U.S. Senate seats, and the control of 30 state legislatures—and he still has 14 more months in office. (There are two black lieutenant governors in the United States. Both are Republicans.) [83055, 83442]

The residents of Hamtramck, Michigan elect a Muslim-majority city council. (The historically Polish town was once known as "Poletown." It is now often referred to as "Shariahville.") [83057, 83221, 83279, 83314, 83320]

On *Hannity*, Milwaukee County Sheriff David Clarke says Obama is "hallucinating if he thinks he has improved race relations in America. The polling shows otherwise. He's delusional if he really believes that. Look, race relations have always been tenuous in America. Slavery and discrimination have left an ugly scar on the soul of America, but that scar has been healing over the years. ...Obama came along with sandpaper, rubbed it raw, and then poured salt in it to inflame it for political gain. He doesn't believe that and neither does anybody else." [83102]

At a Democrat fundraiser in New York City, Obama says, "Our system only works when we recognize that the government is not something separate—it's us. It's not some foreign entity. It is an expression of our values collectively and who we are and what we believe and what we care about. Justice [Louis] Brandeis once said, 'The most important office in a democracy is the office of citizen.' ... The office of citizen. And that's how change comes about, and that's always been my message. As I enter into my last year in office, some supporters started getting nostalgic, and so we'll take pictures and they'll say, oh, Barack, I wish you could run another term. And I explain: No—first of all, not everybody says that. But I explain, A, it's unconstitutional. George Washington set a good example. B, Michelle would not permit it, even if it were constitutional. And, C, this has never been about me." [83103]

Talk radio's Mark Levin says, "I want Mr. Tough Guy President to come on my show. My show, any given day, is substantially larger than CNBC. It's substantially larger than the Fox Business channel. It's substantially larger than a lot of TV shows, particularly on cable. Now, I have offered Barack Obama, on multiple occasions, to come on this show, where we would have a serious, professional, honest debate for an hour. And I've said, 'I will give \$100,000 to his favorite charity.' He's not coming on this show, Mr. Tough Guy. He's not coming on this show. He can do all this crap in front of a DNC crowd or a pretend praetorian guard journalist or some damn fool with an iPod, iPod broadcast. But he would never come on this show, never lower himself to come on this show. Believe me, I'd be lowering myself to have him on this show. So this guy's a joke! He thinks this is funny. And no, he can't handle Putin, and no he can't handle the Chinese. They're rolling all over him, and unfortunately, as commander in chief, it means they're rolling all over us. And he thinks it's funny. He's having a grand old time. "Well, tough guy, come on this program. I'll even pay you off. That's what you liberals want. You want money." [83104]

Two Louisiana police officers shoot and kill six-year-old Jeremy David Mardis. According to *The Washington Post*, "The autistic first-grader was sitting in the front passenger seat of a car being driven by his father, Chris Few, in Marksville, La., when city marshals attempted to serve the man a warrant about 9:30 p.m. Tuesday night. Few fled, eventually turning down a dead-end street. Police say Few then attempted to back his vehicle out, striking officers' cruisers, prompting a hail of gunfire that left him hospitalized. An official briefed on the shooting said that Few was unarmed when two officers' opened fire, shooting between 13 and 18 bullets combined. ...Five of the officers' bullets pierced Jeremy's body, ...with the two fatal shots hitting him in the head and chest." (The child is white. The police officers are black. Whether a "white lives matter" movement develops is as unlikely as Obama commenting on the incident.) [83227, 83228]

On November 4 a 19-year-old woman is brutally gang-raped by refugees at Germany's Magdeburg University. (Pamela Geller adds, "Early in October a 24 year-old woman was brutally gang-raped in a Magdeburg cemetery. Two weeks ago two 19 year-old girls were gang-raped by 'refugees.' The locals are worried. But [German Chancellor Angela] Merkel will send them a few more thousand migrants anyway.") [83060, 83061, 83062, 83065]

In Tehran, Iran, thousands of anti-American demonstrators gather to celebrate the takeover of the U.S. embassy 36 years earlier and the start of the 444-day hostage crisis. [83063, 83064]

At the University of California in Merced, 18-year-old student Faisal Mohammad attacks four people with a 10-inch knife before being shot and killed by campus police. (On Hugh Hewitt's radio program, Donald Trump says "it's a little bit unfair" that the attacker's name was kept from the public for about 24 hours, while Obama made public the fact that he was sending 50 troops to Syria: "[T]hat should have been quiet, because now they have a big bounty on their head. ...I said wow, that's really bad, because those people now, instead of going over quietly and doing what they have to do, people are watching them, looking for them all over the place. And I said that's something that should be kept quiet. This, I think, is pretty much the opposite.") [83076, 83077, 83121, 83122, 83123, 83147, 83283]

At Merced County News Television, Matthew Gonzales later claims, "From the information I have gathered, the suspect [Faisal Mohammad] was indeed not only on the FBI's terrorist watch list but he was also on a national watch list and had been one of the topics of discussion at a recent FBI briefing to Merced County law enforcement leaders. According to recently obtained information, about 6 months ago the FBI held a terrorist/extremist briefing with Merced County law enforcement leaders. At this meeting

several suspected terrorist with ISIS links were said to be here in Merced County. Names and photos were presented including one of Faisal Mohammad. Based on the FBI's own analysis and a number of people on the terrorist watch list that are in the area they projected an attack at the UC Merced campus. Though they were not absolutely certain of the attack on the UC they did feel that there was enough information for them to be here if it did. According to my sources the UC Chancellor was also briefed on the potential threats." [83219, 83220, 83280, 83318]

"A witness who wishes to remain anonymous stated that they had seen what appeared to be a picture of an ISIS flag which was pulled out of the suspect's pocket. Two of my law enforcement sources have verified that this is in fact true and that the UC Chancellor along with the FBI and DHS have instructed our local media and our local law enforcement leaders to feed the current narrative that FM was a disgruntled student instead of what he actually was... an extremist Muslim bent on attacking American students in the name of ISIS. And their reasoning for not informing Merced County residents or our out-of-town students and their parents about these potential threats to their lives? According to all three law enforcement sources the information was withheld because it would be bad for business. Protecting four innocent people's lives and the truth was bad for business." (This *Timeline* has not been able to independently verify Gonzales' claims, which are based on information from "three independent law enforcement officials, all who cannot be named for fear of losing their jobs/pensions.") [83219, 83220, 83280, 83318]

Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid (D-NV) blocks debate on legislation that would impose a mandatory five year federal prison sentences on criminal illegal immigrants who continue to enter the United States. Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) asks, "This ought to be a clear choice: with whom do you stand? Do you stand with violent criminal illegal aliens, or do you stand with American citizens?" Reid whines that it would cost too much to house an additional 20,000 inmates. (Reid apparently believes it is better to have those criminals loose on the streets of U.S. cities.) [83041, 83045]

A Quinnipiac poll shows Donald Trump leading Ben Carson 24-23, followed by Senator Marco Rubio (14), Senator Ted Cruz (13), and Jeb Bush (4). Rubio bests Hillary Clinton 46-41, Carson leads Clinton 50-40, Cruz leads Clinton 46-43, Chris Christie leads Clinton 46-41, and Clinton leads Trump 46-43. In a Reuters poll, Trump leads Carson 32-20, while Rubio has 12. [83029, 83030, 83032, 83033, 83084]

Senator Bernie Sanders (I-VT) tells *The Wall Street Journal* that when he said, "the American people are sick and tired of hearing about [Hillary Clinton's] damn e-mails" at the Democrat debate he did not mean they were not an issue. He states, "You get 12 seconds to say these things [in the debates]. There's an investigation going on right now. I did not say, 'End the investigation.' That's silly... Let the investigation proceed unimpeded." (Translation: "With Joe Biden's decision not to challenge Clinton, I guess it's up to me to stop her.") [83078, 83079, 83088, 83105, 83119, 83132, 83168]

Newsmax.com reports, "Evidence now suggests that a bomb planted by the Islamic State militant group is the likely cause of last weekend's crash of a Russian airliner over Egypt's Sinai peninsula, U.S. and European security sources said on Wednesday." British Foreign Secretary Philip Hammond states, "We have concluded that there is a significant possibility that the crash was caused by an explosive device on board the aircraft." (If it is proven that ISIS planted a bomb on the airliner, its fighters can expect from Russia fierce retaliation that it would not get from Obama.) In Iraq's Ninevah Province, ISIS fighters pass out candy to celebrate the downing of the plane. [83042, 83054, 83058, 83059, 83085, 83086, 83090, 83096, 83101, 83126, 83127]

White House press secretary Josh Earnest tells skeptical reporters ObamaCare "is working better thus far than anybody predicted." [83047]

At WND.com Leo Hohmann writes, "It costs U.S. taxpayers nearly \$65,000 to resettle one Middle Eastern refugee over the first five years, which is 12 times what it would cost to care for that same refugee in a neighboring country in the region, according to a new study. The Center for Immigration Studies cites 'heavy welfare use' as the main reason why refugees are so costly to resettle. This flies in the face of oft-quoted comments by U.S. mayors who claim refugees add to their tax base and promote economic growth, making for a more 'culturally diverse' and 'economically resilient' city. The CIS study indicates they are more of a drain on the economy than a boost. ...As WND has reported numerous times, 91 percent of refugees from the Middle East receive food stamps, 68 percent receive cash assistance and 23 percent live in public housing. Costs also include processing refugees, cash assistance given to new refugees, and aid to refugee-receiving communities." [83071]

TheBurningPlatform.com writes, "There were a few different stories coming out over the last few days that reveal the true nature of government and the apparatchiks who use disinformation, devious machinations, fraudulent accounting, and taxpayer money to cover up their criminality, lies, and the true state of the American economy. The use of government accounting tricks to obscure the truth about our dire financial straits is designed to keep the masses sedated and confused. A few weeks ago, to great fanfare from the fawning faux journalists who never question any Washington D.C. propaganda, they announced the lowest annual deficit [\$439 billion] of Obama's reign of error. ...Jack Lew, the Treasury Secretary, and Obama were ecstatic as they boasted about this tremendous accomplishment. I find it disgusting that our leaders hail a \$439 billion deficit as a feather in their cap, when until the mid-2000's the country had never had an annual deficit above \$300 billion. After 183 years as a country, the entire national debt was only \$427 billion in 1972. Now our beloved leaders cheer annual deficits above that figure. What a warped, deformed, dysfunctional nation we've become." [83357]

The claim of a \$439 billion deficit is, however, inconsistent with the increase in the national debt reported by the government. "A critical thinking person might wonder why the National Debt went up by 26% more than the deficit officially reported by our trustworthy leaders. This is where the hocus pocus of government accounting enters the picture. You just don't count things that would make the deficit bigger. You pretend the

SSI [Supplemental Security Income] and SSDI [Social Security Disability Insurance] entitlement programs aren't running deficits. You pretend you are being paid back by Fannie and Freddie, when it is just meaningless accounting entries." (Social Security has been running a deficit since 2010. That is, it has been paying out in benefits more than it has been collecting in taxes. But the government "conveniently" does not count that in the federal deficit. It simply pretends it is an irrelevant separate entity.) [83357]

Meanwhile, the government continues to borrow money at low rates to finance the deficits and the national debt, but those rates are for short-term borrowing. "The average maturity of our existing debt is about 5 years. Instead of locking our debt in at 30 year rates below 3%, our government has decided to play Russian Roulette with interest rates. A 1% increase in interest rates will drive interest on the debt from \$400 billion per year to \$600 billion per year, a 50% increase. A normalization of rates to 2007 levels would drive the annual interest on the debt to almost \$1 trillion and blow an enormous hole in the budget. Now you know why Madam Yellen [Federal Reserve Board chairwoman Janet Yellen] can't bring herself to increasing rates by even a paltry .25%." (In other words, the government is saving money in the short-term by borrowing at low interest rates, but when those rates go up it will be a fiscal disaster. It would have been more prudent to borrow at a higher rate over a longer term. A new home buyer might pay a lower initial rate on a variable mortgage than with a 30-year mortgage at a fixed 4 percent rate, but that lower rate will not remain low forever. The federal government has been playing with fire by routinely engaging in short-term borrowing.) [83357]

Forbes magazine names Russian president Vladimir Putin the World's Most Powerful Person—for the third year in a row. German Chancellor Angela Merkel takes the number two spot (up from number 5 in 2014), and Obama ranks third (down from number two). (Obama apologists on *CBS This Morning* are not amused.) [83097, 83098, 83099, 83106]

On *The O'Reilly Factor*, author Monica Crowley states, "As of now, at least 671 emails that [Hillary] Clinton sent or received through her private server contained classified material. Of those, at least four documents are extremely problematic here in this investigation. Of those, two reached the highest classified designation, which is top secret. One of those documents, which has been publicly disclosed, contains satellite data about North Korea's nuclear weapons program. I am told that that particular document is an open and shut violation. As of now they do have enough to build a case against her if they so choose on two issues. One: gross negligence of the mishandling of classified data; and two: obstruction, multiple counts. ...[We] are talking about classified material that may or may not have been stamped classified at the time but that material was in intelligence circles known as 'born classified'—meaning that the information contained therein was so sensitive that it was assumed to be classified. And as Secretary of State she must have known that." [83114, 83115, 83150]

"...[F]rom what I know about the FBI director [James Comey], he is a serious man and a rule-of-law man. Now, whether or not he takes this and recommends a prosecution to the Attorney General Loretta Lynch I don't know. If he does then it's her decision whether or not she is going to proceed [with an indictment of Clinton]. ...Everything with [Obama]

is political, not legal. So whether or not he wants her sidelined so they can bring Joe Biden back as the knight in shining armor is an issue....If they don't indict her and the evidence is there that they could, that will become public though. And that will be devastating." [83114, 83115]

Pentagon spokesman Navy Captain Jeff Davis tells reporters, "What we're not doing [is] counter-terrorism operations against the Taliban. We actually view the Taliban as being an important partner in a peaceful Afghan-led reconciliation process. We are not actively targeting the Taliban." (The "partner" news will come as a surprise to U.S. troops in Afghanistan, who are under rules of engagement that permit them to fire at the enemy only if they are certain that they are Taliban. The news will also come as a surprise to most Americans, who thought the point of having U.S. troops in Afghanistan since late 2001 was to kill Taliban fighters. If the Taliban fighters are "an important partner," who then is the enemy?) [83182, 83183, 83189]

On *Hannity*, Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) calls Obama "the worst negotiator perhaps in the history of American presidents, because what he does with [Russian president Vladimir] Putin and Iran is he just surrenders and gives them everything. He tells Iran, 'Okay, you want 100 billion dollars? Fine. You want nuclear weapons? Fine. You want to keep sponsoring terrorism? Fine. You want to keep building ICBMs? Fine. You want to keep Americans in prison? Fine. We'll surrender everything.' What kind of negotiation is that?" [83253]

On November 5 the Secret Service authorizes protection for presidential candidates Donald Trump and Ben Carson. [83113]

Judge Andrew Napolitano suggests at LewRockwell.com that Hillary Clinton's name "might not appear on any ballot in 2016. That's because, each time she addresses these issues—her involvement in Benghazi and her emails—her legal problems get worse. We already know that the FBI has been investigating her for espionage (the failure to secure state secrets), destruction of government property and obstruction of justice (wiping her computer server clean of governmental emails that were and are the property of the federal government), and perjury (lying to a federal judge about whether she returned all governmental emails to the State Department). Now, she has added new potential perjury and misleading Congress issues because of her deceptive testimony to the House Benghazi committee." [83069, 83074]

"...[I]n violation of federal law and the U.N. arms embargo on Libya she authorized the shipment of American arms to Qatar, knowing they'd be passed off to Libyan rebels, some of whom were al-Qaida, a few of whom killed Ambassador Stevens using American-made weapons. When asked about this, she said she knew nothing of it. The emails underlying this are in the public domain. Clinton not only knew of the arms-to-Libyan-rebels deal, she authored and authorized it. She lied about this under oath. ...It is difficult to believe that the federal prosecutors and FBI agents investigating Clinton will not recommend that she be indicted. Inexplicably, she seems to have forgotten that they were monitoring what she said under oath to the Benghazi committee. By lying under

oath, and by misleading Congress, she gave that team additional areas to investigate and on which to recommend indictments. When those recommendations are made known, no ballot will bear her name." (If Obama orders Attorney General Loretta Lynch not to indict Clinton, someone at the FBI may very well leak the draft indictment.) [83069, 83074]

Katie Pavlich reports at Townhall.com, "The Iranian regime has detained another American on trumped up charges despite recently reaching a historic nuclear agreement with the United States in July. Earlier this week, Iranian American Siamak Namazi was arrested and thrown in prison by Iranian military, upping the number of Americans held in that country to five. ...Iranian authorities also arrested a Lebanese citizen [Nizar Zakka] this week who carried permanent status in the United States." [83075, 83080]

BizPacReview.com writes, "The motion picture '13 Hours: The Secret Soldiers of Benghazi,' has a scheduled release date of January 15, 2016, and will likely drive one more nail into the coffin of Hillary Clinton's presidential campaign. It's based on the book, '13 Hours: The Inside Account of What Really Happened In Benghazi,' and describes the utter chaos after the attack on the U.S. compound in Benghazi, Libya on September 11, 2012. Instead of taking immediate, decisive action to ward off the attack by al-Qaida-affiliated militants, the administration, including then-Secretary of State Clinton, was busy trying to pawn it off as precipitated by an anti-Islamic video. Meanwhile, security forces were held back from offering support until they took matters in their own hands." [83087]

By a vote of 363-64 the House of Representatives passes a six-year, \$340 billion highway and mass transit funding bill. (The legislation also includes the reinstatement of the controversial "crony capitalist" Export-Import Bank—which uses taxpayer dollars to give low-interest loans to huge corporations, such as Boeing, General Electric, and Caterpillar. Where the \$340 billion will come from is not explained.) [83100, 83109, 83146, 83308]

With 370 votes the House passes legislation barring the transfer of terrorist detainees from Guantanamo to the United States. Meanwhile, CBS' Mark Knoller tweets, "WH says @POTUS will 'relatively soon' release latest plan to shut Gitmo detention facility. Urges Congress to 'remove obstacles' to shutdown." White House press secretary Josh Earnest tells reporters Obama "isn't playing politics with this. If we continue to be rebuffed by Congress ...at this point I would not take anything off the table in terms of [Obama] doing everything that he can to achieve this critically important national security objective." (Obama has been playing politics with the issue since his 2008 campaign, and it is certainly not a "national security objective." The argument that keeping captured terrorists in Guantanamo somehow helps recruit new terrorists is absurd. If the detainees were moved to the prison in Florence, Colorado they would still be behind bars, and terrorist recruiters would still condemn the United States and seek additional fighters.) [83110, 83111, 83112, 83133, 83153, 83214, 83422]

Senate Democrats again block the defense spending bill. Townhall.com political editor Guy Benson writes, "One source told me he suspects [Senate Minority Leader Harry]

Reid's real goal is to run out the clock until the December 11 deadline to fund the government is imminent. This would force the Senate to roll all of its separately-crafted appropriations bills (all 12 of which have been passed out of committee for the first time in six years, by the way) and roll them into a giant 'omnibus' spending bill. ...Today's Democratic Party is bizarrely invested in a governance-by-crisis model, wherein they retain the ability to use manufactured 'emergencies' to help advance their ideological agenda—secure in the knowledge that when push comes to shove, much of the media will help them blame the resulting dysfunction and brinksmanship on Republicans (who are rarely blameless, I should add)." [83137, 83138]

DCWhispers.com writes, "Since his entrance into the White House in 2009, Barack Obama and his presidential consigliere have made concerted efforts to include and promote the Muslim Brotherhood within the ranks of the administration. When some sounded alarms to this fact, the White House would claim the Brotherhood as Muslim moderates essential for improving relations between the United States and the Middle East. Then Egypt, long an ally to America and an actual Middle East moderate government, was pushed aside in favor of being overtaken by Muslim Brotherhood rule, a rebellion openly embraced and celebrated by Barack Obama himself. After Morsi set out to inflict radical Islam upon the entirety of the Egyptian population, Egyptian military leaders intervened and sent Morsi to prison, an act which was then condemned by Barack Obama who decried the violence against Morsi's Muslim Brotherhood supporters." [83116]

"The war between the current Egyptian government and the Muslim Brotherhood has continued since that time, primarily in the Sinai Peninsula which is dominated by Muslim Brotherhood/ISIS militants comprised primarily of Bedouin fundamentalists. That is the very region that saw Russian Metrojet Flight 9268 fall from the sky after what British and American intelligence officials are indicated was the likely result of a terrorist bomb attack. Shortly after the crash of Flight 9268, alleged ISIS operatives uploaded [a] video that [could be] that very same plane plummeting to the ground. ...The video is not that of shooting down the plane, but rather ISIS/Muslim Brotherhood forces knowing the very moment of detonation and capturing it on video." [83116]

"...The Muslim Brotherhood controls the militant activity of the Sinai Peninsula, therefore it is only logical to assume that if terrorism was in fact responsible for the destruction of Flight 9268, it was done so either by direct Muslim Brotherhood involvement, or at the very least by ISIS affiliates with the Brotherhood's support and approval. ...Now with all of the aforementioned above, take this into account from an earlier D.C. Whispers report on the Russian airliner tragedy: 'One D.C. Whispers source went so far as to suggest part of the Obama administration's hesitation to make public statements regarding the Russian airline tragedy is based upon concerns there is a Muslim Brotherhood connection and that measures are being taken by administration officials to make certain no such connection, if in fact it exists, will become part of the investigation.' As uncomfortable such a connection is for some to acknowledge, the potential for its existence is undeniable. One need look no further than the White House visitor logs or its staffing records. We can certainly assume [Vladimir Putin] has already done so." [83116]

The Fox Business Network announces the line-up for the November 10 Republican debate: "As was previously announced, the 9:00 P.M. ET debate will feature candidates scoring 2.5% or higher based on an average of the four most recent national polls. The candidates achieving that are: Donald Trump (25.3%), Ben Carson (24.5%), Marco Rubio (11.8%), Ted Cruz (10.0%), Jeb Bush (5.5%), Carly Fiorina (3.0%), John Kasich (2.8%) and Rand Paul (2.5%). The 7:00 P.M. ET debate will feature candidates who, while not hitting that threshold, received a minimum 1% support as determined by at least one of the four most recent national polls. The following candidates meet that criteria: Chris Christie, Mike Huckabee, Bobby Jindal and Rick Santorum. The four polls used in the average were conducted by the following organizations: FOX News, Investor's Business Daily/TIPP, Quinnipiac University, and The Wall Street Journal/NBC News." [83117, 83131, 83149]

The Obama administration releases the text of the 5,544-page Trans-Pacific Partnership agreement ("Obamatrade"). At WND.com Jerome Corsi writes, "Critics charge the pact undermines U.S. sovereignty by establishing a secret, unaccountable TransPacific Partnership Commission with sweeping regulatory powers over 40 percent of the world's economy while sending jobs abroad." Jake Schmidt, international program director at the Natural Resources Defense Council, states, "This trade agreement would allow foreign corporations to challenge our health, safety and environmental protections in a foreign tribunal outside our legal system, and it would weaken those bedrock safeguards in the United States. While there are some positive conservation measures, the agreement's substantial shortcomings should lead Congress to reject it." [83118, 83152, 83163, 83238]

AFL-CIO president Richard Trumka states, "We are deeply disappointed that our policy recommendations and those of our trade reform allies in the environmental, consumer, public health, global development and business sectors were largely ignored." The United Steel Workers Union calls the agreement "a dagger twisting in the heart of American manufacturing." Rick Manning, president of Americans for Limited Government, says the agreement "will continue to outsource American jobs overseas, fail to do anything about currency manipulation, and once adopted, will create an international, unelected commission with broad authority to implement and interpret the agreement without any votes of Congress." Congresswoman Donna Edwards (D-MD) states, "The American people deserve better and we can do better. It may indeed be worse than we thought," because of "a lack of enforceable workers' and human rights protections, environmental standards, enforceable currency manipulation rules, food safety standards, strong government procurement Buy American provisions, and enforcement to ensure American wages are protected." Congresswoman Debbie Dingell (D-MI) says the deal "will reward countries that support sweatshops and abusive working conditions, at the same time putting even more American jobs at risk." [83118, 83152, 83163]

NBCNews.com reports, "Four Ohio men have been charged with plotting to travel to Yemen and provide thousands of dollars to former al Qaeda propagandist Anwar Al-Awlaki. Their goal, prosecutors say, was to support violent jihad against American military personnel in Iraq and Afghanistan. The four—Yahya Farooq Mohammad, age 37, Ibrahim Zubair Mohammad, 36, Asif Ahmed Salim, 35, and Sultane Room Salim, 40—face terrorism charges. ...Court documents say the men made a series of financial transactions in 2008 and 2009 and discussed raising money for a trip to the Middle East. In July of 2009, the FBI says, Farooq Mohammad traveled to Yemen with two other people, not identified by authorities, to meet Alawki [sic; al-Awlaki]." [83124, 83125]

At Newsbusters.org Katie Yoder reports that the six fiercely pro-abortion Democrats appointed by House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) to serve on the House Energy and Commerce Committee's Select Investigative Panel examining Planned Parenthood have received more than \$81,000 in campaign contributions from the nation's number one abortion mill. Pelosi's appointees are: Congressman Jerrold Nadler (D-NY) and Congresswomen Jan Schakowsky (D-IL), Diana DeGette (D-CO), Jackie Speier (D-CA), Suzan DelBene (D-WA) and Bonnie Watson Coleman (D-NJ). [83157, 83176, 83212]

On November 6, after seven years of dithering on a decision, Obama announces his administration's rejection of the Keystone XL pipeline. He argues it would not create as many jobs as supporters claim—as if that is a valid reason for rejecting the project. Obama instead calls on Congress to approve infrastructure legislation because it would create more jobs. (Such legislation would also require more borrowing. The Keystone XL pipeline would be build with private funds, not taxpayer dollars, while additional infrastructure spending would require increasing the national debt even more. It is, of course, absurd to argue that Project X should not proceed because it would create fewer jobs than Project Y. Would Obama argue that an entrepreneurial American should not open a dry cleaning business simply because it would create fewer jobs than a new supermarket? Obama complains that the pipeline construction jobs would be temporary. While that is true, it is also true of the infrastructure jobs he wants: a bridge does not get rebuilt every year in perpetuity. Building Hoover Dam was also a temporary construction project, but that did not mean the men who built it did not appreciate the jobs.) [83129, 83160, 83192]

Obama argues that the pipeline would not lower gasoline prices and that those prices have been falling for the past year anyway. (Gasoline prices have been falling because of improved technology and the hydraulic fracturing or "fracking" process, *not* because of anything Obama has done. In addition, of course, there is no guarantee that gas prices will not again shoot upward.) Obama also argues that the pipeline would not be as harmful to the environment as some claim—and then argues that everyone must work together to combat climate change because it is critical to the survival of the earth. (He chastises those who have overdramatized the impact of the pipeline, and then does exactly the same thing on a global scale, suggesting that the world will end if we don't stop using oil.) [83129, 83160, 83192]

Obama's arguments are all nonsensical, but the politics are clear. With the upcoming environmental conference in Paris, Obama wants to "demonstrate to the world" that the U.S. government takes climate change seriously. That will make it easier for him to demand that other nations take action. (Obama and his fellow "envirosocialists" will not give up without a fight. In France, the nation's most popular weatherman, Philippe Verdier, was fired on October 12 for writing a book, *Climate Investigation*, that charges climate change scientists have manipulated data for political purposes. The firing is a warning from the political left: "Dare to stand in our way and you can expect to be destroyed.") [83144]

Senator Barbara Boxer (D-CA) comments, "I want to thank the Obama administration for protecting the health of the American people and the health of the planet by rejecting the ill-advised Keystone tar sands pipeline, which would have brought the filthiest oil known to humankind into our country in large amounts." (Boxer is an idiot. The oil will still be extracted form the Canadian fields. But rather than sending through a pipeline to refineries and ports in Texas, it will be transported by truck, and rail to the west coast, and then shipped to China—to refineries that pollute far more than U.S. facilities.) [83129, 83139, 83140]

Senator John Hoeven (R-ND) states, "...Obama's denial of the Keystone XL pipeline project today following the company's request to suspend its application is not surprising, but it is disappointing. It [is] ironic that after delaying construction for more than seven years—postponing the jobs, revenues and other benefits that would result from the project—[Obama] now finds it pressing to make a decision just as the company is asking for a pause to resolve any concerns." (Killing the pipeline helps Obama's billionaire pal Warren Buffett—whose Burlington Northern Santa Fe railroad will make a fortune transporting North Dakota's Bakken shale formation oil by rail.) [83129, 83266]

Terry O'Sullivan, president of the Laborers' International Union of North America (LIUNA), comments, "...Obama today demonstrated that he cares more about kowtowing to green-collar elitists than he does about creating desperately needed, family-supporting, blue-collar jobs. After a seven-year circus of cowardly delay, [Obama's] decision to kill the Keystone XL Pipeline is just one more indication of an utter disdain and disregard for salt-of-the-earth, middle-class working Americans. We are dismayed and disgusted that [Obama] has once again thrown the members of LIUNA, and other hard-working, blue-collar workers under the bus of his vaunted 'legacy,' while doing little or nothing to make a real difference in global climate change. His actions are shameful. ...[F]acts apparently mean as little to [Obama] as the construction jobs he repeatedly derided as insignificant because they are 'temporary.' Ironically, the very temporary nature of [Obama's] own job seems to be fueling a legacy of doing permanent harm to middle- and working class families. ...[Obama] may be celebrated by environmental extremists, but with this act, [he] has also solidified a legacy as a pompous, pandering job killer." [83178, 83451]

Nicolas Loris points out at DailySignal.com that building the southern portion of the pipeline, which did not need Obama's approval, "has already created 4,000 construction

jobs. And if opponents are dismissive of Keystone XL, they should be dismissive of all construction projects, as they're all temporary—because they're construction jobs. Further, Keystone XL would add economic value, transport an important energy resource efficiently, and result in billions of dollars of tax revenue for states it runs through. ...America has more than 500,000 miles of crude oil, petroleum, and natural gas pipelines and another 2 million miles of natural gas distribution pipelines. When it comes to accidents, injuries, and fatalities, pipelines are the safest mode of transporting oil and gas. ...Obama said, 'The pipeline would not make a meaningful long-term contribution to our economy.' It is not the role of the federal government to make that determination. The federal government shouldn't make that determination with the construction of a new restaurant or boutique shop. And it shouldn't make that determination with a pipeline." [83168]

On MSNBC Live, NBC's Chuck Todd observes that the "environmental movement ...dragged [Obama] to this [Keystone XL pipeline] position. The reason [Obama] is where he is today, the reason Hillary Clinton is where she is today on this issue, goes to the environmental movement on the left. ...[I]f you are truly an environmentalist, you are against this thing. If you're not, then you can't call yourself a real advocate on the climate change issue, you can't call yourself a real environmentalist." [83176]

Former Congressman Pete Hoekstra (R-MI) suggests that Obama rejected the pipeline not just to satisfy environmentalists, but to appease Saudi Arabia—which does not want to see an energy-independent United States, and whose cooperation Obama needs in his efforts to oust Syrian president Bashar al-Assad. (It is worth noting that Saudi Arabia showered the Obama family with about \$1.35 million in gifts in 2014, including jewelry for Malia and Natasha Obama. But Yahoo.com notes, "If Obama wants to keep anything he gets from another world leader, he has to pay fair market value for it and take it with him when he leaves office. Otherwise, U.S. law stipulates that the president must turn over everything to the National Archives or other institutions for storage or display.") [83526, 84230, 84231]

Obama's and the left's preoccupation with "climate change" becomes increasingly ridiculous and even more laughable. CNN.com warns that global warming is causing Americans to have fewer babies because it is too hot for sex: "According to a study, the last of those mojo-killers—and the climate change that is causing more scorching hot days—could be bringing down the birth rate in the United States." (At Townhall.com Katie Pavlich writes, "This. Is. Absurd. If global warming is, you know, global, then how do these scientists explain the increasing birth rates in African countries with some of the hottest temperatures in the world?") [83193, 83194]

GOP candidate Carly Fiorina again appears on *The View*, where she readily bests the leftist panel. [83141, 83142, 83165]

NowTheEndBegins.com reports on a Rand Corporation study that shows a dramatic increase in sexual assaults in the military since Obama ended the "don't ask, don't tell." [83294, 83295]

The U.S. Supreme Court agrees to take up the case of the Catholic charity, *Little Sisters of the Poor*, which the Obama administration is forcing to comply with ObamaCare's contraceptive and abortifacient requirements. [83265]

The Department of Labor reports that 271,000 jobs were added to the economy in October and the unemployment rate is 5.0 percent, which, speculates Politico.com, "means the Federal Reserve is almost certain to raise interest rates for the first time in nearly a decade next month... Markets could take the first hike—likely to be just a quarter of a percentage point—as a vote of confidence in the American economy and react positively. That would benefit Democrats, especially presidential front-runner Hillary Clinton, who is counting on a strengthening economy and rising stock prices to help drive her into the White House next year. ... There is also the risk that the Fed has already waited too long to raise interest rates and could find itself in the position of having to move faster and more often than it would like next year to keep inflation in check, a strategy that has created recessions in the past and could cripple an economy growing at only about 2 percent." [83151, 83159, 83161, 83162]

The workforce participation rate remains a dismally low 62.4 percent. More than 94 million Americans of working age are not in the workforce, but most are not "officially" counted as unemployed because they are on welfare, have exhausted unemployment benefits, and are no longer actively seeking employment. The black unemployment rate is 9.2 percent. [83151, 83159, 83161, 83162]

According to MRCTV.org, buried in the government report is the news that "The number of unemployed foreign-born workers in the United States decreased by 57,000 between September and October of this year, while the number of unemployed native-born workers shot up by 27,000... [T]he number [of] unemployed foreign-born workers fell from 1,204,000 in September to about 1,147,000 in October. But among native-born workers, the number of unemployed people rose from 6,423,000 to 6,450,000 in the same time frame." [83285]

The CBC reports, "The Obama administration is moving to increase and accelerate the number of Syrian refugees who might be admitted into the United States by opening new screening outposts in Iraq and Lebanon, administration officials told Reuters on Friday. The move comes after ...Obama pledged in September to admit an additional 10,000 Syrian refugees in 2016... The U.S. State Department confirmed the plans to open a refugee settlement processing centre in Erbil, Iraq, before the end of 2015, and to resume refugee processing in Lebanon in early 2016, said spokeswoman Danna Van Brandt. The White House would not say how many additional refugees it may take in beyond the 10,000, but two senior administration officials said they are seeking ways to increase the number. 'We want to be in a place where we can push out really ambitious goals,' said one of the officials, who spoke to Reuters on the condition of anonymity." [83525]

According to FreeBeacon.com, "A day after assuming office as secretary of state [on January 22, 2009], Clinton signed a Sensitive Compartmented Information [SCI]

Nondisclosure Agreement [NDA] that laid out criminal penalties for "any unauthorized disclosure" of classified information. Experts have guessed that Clinton signed such an agreement, but a copy of her specific contract, obtained by the Competitive Enterprise Institute through an open records request and shared with the Washington Free Beacon, reveals for the first time the exact language of the NDA. 'I have been advised that the unauthorized disclosure, unauthorized retention, or negligent handling of SCI by me could cause irreparable injury to the United States or be used to advantage by a foreign nation,' the agreement states." It also states, "I understand that it is my responsibility to consult with appropriate management authorities in the Department …in order to ensure that I know whether information or material within my knowledge or control that I have reason to believe might be SCI." The document signed by Clinton includes this wording: "As used in this agreement, classified information is marked or unmarked classified information…" That language makes it clear that Clinton's "it wasn't marked classified" excuse will not help her if she is indicted. [83156, 83166, 83173, 83201, 83239, 83240]

FoxNews.com reports, "James Woolsey, former director of the CIA, said in a somewhat shocking statement Friday on Fox News that many of the nation's airport security staffers are not subjected to full vetting. Many, in fact, come from overseas locations and are hired through the same process used to employ farm workers, he said. In other words: they're not subjected to background checks that could alert to terror ties. 'They used to be vetted,' Woolsey said in an interview on 'America's Newsroom.' 'Now, quite a few of them are foreign nationals who have just worker visas. They're treated like agricultural workers.'" [83164]

Republican presidential candidate Ben Carson responds to a Politico.com "hit piece" that accused him of lying about an offer to attend West Point military academy. The Carson campaign's Doug Watts issues a statement: "Dr Carson was the top ROTC [Reserve Officer Training Corps] student in the City of Detroit. In that role he was invited to meet General [William] Westmoreland. He believes it was at a banquet. He can't remember with specificity their brief conversation but it centered around Dr. Carson's performance as ROTC City Executive Officer. He was introduced to folks from West Point by his ROTC Supervisors. They told him they could help him get an appointment based on his grades and performance in ROTC. He considered it but in the end did not seek admission. There are 'Service Connected' nominations for stellar High School ROTC appointments. Again he was the top ROTC student in Detroit. I would argue strongly that an Appointment is indeed an amazing full scholarship. Having ran [sic; run] several Congressional Offices I am very familiar with the Nomination process." [83169, 83170, 83171, 83172, 83185, 83186]

"Again though his Senior Commander was in touch with West Point and told Dr. Carson he could get in, Dr Carson did not seek admission. The Politico story is an outright Lie. Dr. Carson as the leading ROTC student in Detroit was told by his Commanders that he could get an Appointment to the Academy. He never said he was admitted or even applied. The campaign never 'admitted to anything.' This is what we have come to expect from Politico." (Politico.com's original story stated, "Ben Carson's campaign on Friday admitted ...that a central point in his inspirational personal story was fabricated." It then changes the story to read, "Republican presidential candidate Ben Carson on Friday conceded that he never applied [for] nor was granted admission to West Point.") Carson tells *The New York Times*, "It was, you know, an informal 'with a record like yours we could easily get you a scholarship to West Point.' I don't remember all the specific details. Because I had done so extraordinarily well you know I was told that someone like me—they could get a scholarship to West Point. But I made it clear I was going to pursue a career in medicine." [83169, 83170, 83171, 83172, 83185, 83186]

On CNN's *New Day*, Carson slams the investigations into his past. He says, "Tell me how your methodology works because I don't understand it. You talk to people primarily who knew me in high school who don't know anything about, for instance, the... situation that occurred at Wilson Junior High School. ...This is what it is, a bunch of lies, attempting, you know, to say I'm lying about my history. I think it's pathetic and basically what the media does is they try to get you distracted with all of this stuff so that you don't talk about the things that are important. Because we have so many important things. You know, I'm not proud of the fact that I had these rage episodes [as a youth]. But I am proud of the fact that I was able to get over them. My message has been that you can escape from that kind of anger. ...The vetting that you all did with ...Obama doesn't even come close, doesn't even come close to what you guys are trying to do in my case, and you're just going to keep going back, 'He said this 12 years ago'—it is just garbage." [83174]

Carson tells reporters, "Here's my prediction: My prediction is that all of you guys piling on is actually going to help me, because when I go out to these book signings and I see these thousands of people, they say, 'Don't let the media get you down.' They understand that this is a witch hunt. ...I do not remember this level of scrutiny for ...Barack Obama when he was running. In fact, I remember just the opposite. ...Why are you guys not interested in why his [school] records are sealed? Why are you not interested in that? Can somebody tell me that?" (This *Timeline* believes Obama refuses to release his school records because he was registered as a foreign student from Indonesia.) [83181, 83202, 83209]

For the record, at least two U.S. Senators have lied about their military service. Former Senator Tom Harkin (D-IA) falsely claimed (in 1979) that he flew combat missions in Vietnam. Current Senator Richard Blumenthal (D-CT) falsely claimed he served in Vietnam. (Despite their lies, both were elected to the U.S, Senate.) Hillary Clinton has claimed she was named after Sir Edmund Hillary—a clear falsehood inasmuch as she was born almost six years before he became famous for being the first to climb Mount Everest. Clinton also falsely claimed she was "under sniper fire" upon landing in Bosnia in 1996. (In fact, she was greeted by children with flowers.) Clinton has also absurdly claimed that in 1975 she tried to join the U.S Marines but was rejected because she wore glasses and was a woman. (Even CNN, the "Clinton News Network," is skeptical of that claim.) Another Clinton lie: she claims that at age 13 she wrote a letter to NASA and asked if she could be an astronaut, and was told she was not eligible because she was a female. [83187, 83188, 83207, 83208, 83380, 83389, 83391, 83395, 83439, 84291] TheGatewayPundit.com writes, "How's this for a media double standard? Barack Obama was either born in Kenya or he lied about it for years. Breitbart.com published a 1991 booklet by Barack Obama's literary agent today that says Obama was 'born in Kenya and raised in Indonesia and Hawaii.' ... The liberal media later blamed the publisher, not Obama for giving the publisher the information. But that same liberal media is calling neurosurgeon Dr. Ben Carson a liar for his stories of struggling as a child in inner city Detroit. What a bunch of hypocritical trash!" [83179]

Rush Limbaugh tells his listeners, "Friday, November sixth is the assassination attempt of Ben Carson undertaken by the United States American media, which is horrible, it is despicable, it is infuriating, and I'm telling you it is this kind of thing that is causing a majority of Americans to reject the mainstream media, the establishment political structure of Washington and everything they have to do with. ... This is exactly what the mainstream media use to be able to get away with when they had a monopoly. This is what the news was when they had a monopoly. There was no Daily Caller reacting to it. There was no me. There was not alternative media correcting the record. ... When the mainstream media set out to destroy you, this is exactly how it happened and they continued to do it hoping to prove to themselves that why still have the ability to do it since their monopoly has been blown." Limbaugh calls the attack on Carson an "electronic lynching being conducted against the Republican African American candidate by a majority white, mainstream American liberal media, where if you're not a good liberal and a good African American on their plantation, they are going to take you out. And we are witnessing it. It is the same thing folks that happened to [Supreme Court Justice] Clarence Thomas." [83175]

Meanwhile, Donald Trump rips a leftist organization called "Deport Racism PAC" for a despicable, exploitative ad in which *children* insult Trump, saying things like, "Fuck you, racist fuck!" Trump says, "I think it's terrible, I think it's just terrible. ...[A]nd it totally backfired and people are actually going wild about it and they're saying we're going to support Trump." (According to MRCTV.org, the Deport Racism PAC's campaign manager, Luke Montgomery, "is also the campaign manager for Bill For First Lady 2016. The domains for DeportRacism.com and BillForFirstLady2016.com are registered in Montgomery's name. ...Montgomery is best known his involvement in the FCKH8 ['fuck hate']. Like Deport Racism, FCKH8 utilizes the shock value of children saying profanity in order to speak out against 'racism, homophobia, and sexism.'") [83177, 83190, 83191, 83254]

Economist Gary North warns, "Europe will be hit by millions of immigrants from failed Middle Eastern states over the next few years. They will cash in on the entire welfare system, from free education to free medical care. They will be low-productivity workers, unable to speak the local languages, poorly educated, and living in ghettos with their TV satellite dishes pointed at Middle Eastern networks. We have seen this in France. We will see it across Europe. ...The tsunami of mass immigration has not yet hit. It will next spring. Millions have made it into Europe. Millions more will make the move while it is still easy. The razor wire fences are up only in Hungary. It will ramp up again next spring. Europeans thought they could vote themselves economic security by taxing the rich. Now they have become the rich, and their welfare systems will all go bankrupt under the weight of failed-state masses. It all looked so easy after World War II. Just vote yourself lifetime security. Surprise, surprise! The chickens are coming home to roost... by the millions." [83316]

"These low-tax and no-tax immigrants have mouths to feed, bodies to house, and young minds to educate. They cannot get certified in the certification-mad societies of Europe. They will not get into the trade unions of the guild-dominated mercantilist states of Europe. But, being liberals, most Europeans will not ask them to feed, house, and educate themselves. That would be—you know—Thatcherism. So, their governments will run massive deficits, funded by the European Central Bank. Europe is not only guild-ridden; it is guilt-ridden. They have believed in the ethics of voting yourself into security. In 25 years, they will no longer have the votes. The children of the immigrants will be the swing voters. It may take less than 25 years. These welfare states were already going bust with unfunded liabilities for welfare state programs. This process will now speed up. What's a Leftist to do? They have proclaimed democratic socialism, called economic democracy. Now they are going to get it, good and hard. They never dreamed they would be on the receiving end of ballot box theft. Now they are." [83316]

MSNBC's Rachel Maddow hosts a Democrat presidential candidates forum in South Carolina. In her interview of Hillary Clinton, Maddow does not ask *any* questions about her controversial email scandal. [83272, 83326]

On November 7 the "Alternativ für Deutschland" (AfD) party holds rally in Berlin to demand a string immigration policy and the resignation of Chancellor Angela Merkel. Breitbart.com notes, "The AfD has seen its popularity surge as Germany struggles to deal with the huge influx of migrants, and is currently campaigning in local elections in the Saxony-Anhalt region that will be seen as an indicator of public sentiment on the issue." [83213, 83235]

Hillary Clinton claims she will not be influenced by Wall Street donors, saying, "Anybody who thinks that they can influence what I will do doesn't know me very well." (Daniel Snyder tweets, "That was certainly true for Ambassador Stevens, and State Department's IT." Heartless Gordon tweets, "Anybody who thinks that they can influence what I will do doesn't know my going rate.' - HRC") [83196, 83197, 83198, 83199]

GOP candidate Ben Carson tweets, "We the People have made 10,000 donations each day this week, raising \$3.5M this week alone. Thank you biased media." [83211]

In Bonn, Germany, Muslim migrants at a "Refugees Welcome" event harass and sexually molest women. (The event organizers later write, "During the party we tried to identify the offenders and make them leave the venue; also we made announcements where we asked to stop this behavior immediately. However, these measures were not successful. We apologize for that! Those men cast a negative light on our organization as well as on all men and male refugees, who were at our party.") [83409, 83410]

Meanwhile, a nightclub in the Bavarian town of Bad Tölz is being criticized by "human rights groups" for banning refugees after they followed women into bathrooms and called them whores. (Some apparently believe that male migrants have a right to harass women.) [83411, 83412]

Donald Trump hosts *Saturday Night Live*. Trump benefits from being in one of the least unfunny of the disappointing comedy skits. (Anyone who misses the program will have nothing to regret.) [83215, 83216, 83222, 83223, 83226, 83258, 83259, 83337, 83390]

On November 8 Britain's Sunday Express reports, "British extremists were behind the bombing of a Russian jet over Egypt, intelligence experts believe. They were overheard celebrating moments after the explosion that blew the plane apart, killing all 224 on board. The jihadis were heard talking in Birmingham and London accents by spies at GCHQ [Government Communications Headquarters] in Cheltenham. Trained in Syria and with an electronics background, it is believed they may have had a hand in building the bomb. ...GCHQ, the Government's secret listening centre, picked up 'chatter' from extremist groups in Egypt immediately after the Russian plane came down. The regional accents suggest 'a definite and strong link' between British extremists and the attack, according to intelligence sources. 'Jihadis in the Sinai area of Egypt could be heard celebrating,' one source said yesterday. 'A closer analysis of that material has identified London and Birmingham accents among those numerous voices. There has also been some internet traffic suggesting that there was British involvement in the attack. This was a very sophisticated, carefully planned operation involving many moving parts. We know there are British jihadis in Egypt fighting with members of Islamic State. They were trained in Syria and are now hardened terrorists. Some of the Britons have an electronics background and have been developing some very sophisticated bombs." [83217, 83218, 83256]

NDTV.com adds, "Abu Osama al-Masri, an Egyptian cleric and the frontman of an ISISoffshoot group, has been unmasked as the suspected mastermind behind the alleged downing of a Russian jet, according to a media report. 'Intelligence chiefs believe that the plane, which crashed last weekend killing 224 people, was brought down by a bomb planted by an offshoot of ISIS in the Sinai peninsula,' The Sunday Times reported. The group's frontman, Masri, an Egyptian cleric, brokered a pact with the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS) last year in Syria, the report said. British officials confirmed this weekend that Masri is a 'person of interest' and that Britain would help Egypt or Russia in a 'kill or capture' mission. Such a move could involve the deployment of the SAS to Egypt, it said. The man known as Masri claimed responsibility for the Russian plane crash in an audio statement last on Wednesday—the same day that David Cameron announced the suspension of British holiday flights to Sharm el-Sheikh." [83319]

While the mainstream media digs into Ben Carson's past to catch him in a lie, IJReview.com lists nine of the many statements Obama has made about his past that are not true. Among them: Obama has claimed that his uncle helped liberate Auschwitz. (It was the Russians, not the Americans, who liberated that concentration camp.) Obama has claimed that the civil rights march in Selma, Alabama inspired his parents to get together. (That March occurred four years after Obama was born.) Obama has claimed that his father was part of the "Kennedy airlift" that brought Kenyan students to the United States. (Obama's father was attending school in Hawaii even before Kennedy was elected.) Obama has claimed that his paternal grandfather was tortured by the British in a colonial prison in Kenya. (Kenyan friend of the Obama family say the story is not true.) Obama has also claimed that his Kenyan step-father was killed while fighting Dutch troop in Indonesia. (He died while hanging drapes.) Obama has claimed that his mother had to fight health insurance companies while dying of cancer. (Her claims were paid promptly without dispute.) [83224, 83232, 83363]

On *Meet the Press*, Senator Bernie Sanders (I-VT) says, "I am glad that in recent months Hillary Clinton has moved to my position on the Keystone Pipeline, on the Trans-Pacific Partnership, [and] she is now making a step forward on [legalizing] marijuana. What people want to know [is,] who has leadership, who has leadership? Who was there in 1996 in terms of DOMA, the Defense of Marriage Act. So what I think the issue is, who is prepared under difficult circumstances, when it is not necessarily popular to make decisions which are the right decisions rather than 20 years later say, 'Well you know maybe I was wrong or maybe I got to rethink that' [sic]. ...Everybody evolves on issues, [there is] nothing wrong with that. But I think if you look at the important issues facing this county going back to 2002, who made the analysis, who looked at what [President George] Bush and [Vice President Dick] Cheney were saying on the war on Iraq [sic]. It's one thing to evolve and say, 'Well I made a mistake.' It's another thing to analyze the information and say, 'You know what? I think that war was a terrible mistake.'" [83225]

Also on *Meet the Press*, Senator Dianne Feinstein (D-CA) says, "I have said before and I really believe it. 'We will fight [ISIS] now or we will fight them later. It's only a question of time.'" [83255]

On *State of the Union*, Senator Rand Paul (R-KY) says, "I see [Hillary Clinton] and [Senator Marco] Rubio as being the same person. They both want a no-fly zone [over Syria]. They both support[ed] the war in Libya, the intervention that made us less safe. They support pouring arms into the Syrian civil war, a mistake that I think allowed ISIS to grow stronger. They both supported the Iraq War. So, I mean, what's the difference?" (Meanwhile, a number of Republican Senators are shifting support from Jeb Bush to Rubio, including Cory Gardner (CO), Steve Daines (MT), and Jim Risch (ID). The more Bush fades in the polls, the more certain it will be that the GOP establishment will push Rubio.) [83229, 83230, 83257]

On *Face the Nation*, Senator Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY) says, "I think what we could be doing more of is dealing with the humanitarian crisis [in the Middle East]. I wish we were focused on how we could create relief for millions of families that are streaming out of Syria. I've seen our European partners really pick up the pace and take significant responsibility for these families. What Germany has done is outstanding. I think America should be doing more." (By "America should be doing more" Gillibrand means the taxpayers should be doing more. She does not offer to house the refugees in her

neighborhood. FrontPageMag.com's Daniel Greenfield calls Gillibrand "the least qualified person in the Senate. Picked by [Senator Charles] Schumer [D-NY] as part of some local political payola, she beat out the even more unqualified Caroline Kennedy (whom Obama instead inflicted on the long-suffering people of Japan) to be the other Senator from New York." [83403, 83404]

Pamela Geller later writes, "Kirsten Gillibrand is a bagman. She was handpicked by the Hillary Clinton/Chuck Schumer-corrupt-NY-Democrat-machine back in 2008 when then President-elect Barack Obama nominated Hillary Clinton as Secretary of State, leaving her senatorial seat empty. In some dirty back-door deal, this nobody was made Senator. They wanted a vassal, a beck and call girl. That's Gillibrand. You see, here in deep blue New York, we hold ceremonial elections that mean nothing. The Democrat machine runs this state like its own private fiefdom, a la Tammany Hall. No one had ever heard of Gillibrand. Seven years later, we still haven't heard of her. Until now. Who is putting her up to this is anyone's guess. [George] Soros? Obama? Huma [Abedin]? But I can promise you this, I will lead a march on this woman if she pursues this [bringing 1.5 million Muslim refugees into the United States]. All attendees will be required to bring pitchforks and torches. If she wants to kill this state, she [had] better be prepared for a knock down, drag out fight." [83405]

On Fox News Sunday, Congressman Mike McCaul (R-TX), chairman of the House Homeland Security Committee, warns that Obama can probably transfer all the remaining terrorists from Guantanamo to the United States if he chooses to do so: "Well, he's done this [acting against the law] before, and it's hard to stop this kind of action. I would hope the American people would rise up in numbers so strongly that, as he tried to do this last time, that he'll decide to back down from that decision. ...[But] I do think you're going to see an executive action to close down Guantanamo... If they set foot on American soil, at a military prison, I predict the American people will stand up in outrage over this decision for many reasons. I've been down there, I've seen Khalid Sheikh Mohammed, the evil incarnate, and the fact that [we would] bring him into United States to provide a Mecca for the jihadists—you know, we're already having radicalized individuals hitting military installations in the United States. If we bring these guys into the U.S., to these facilities, you're going to see a heightened terror alert threat in the United States. It would be highly reckless and irresponsible." (This Timeline believes that Obama has promised Fidel Castro and Raul Castro that, before he leaves office, he will transfer the terrorists at Guantanamo to the United States and give the property back to Cuba. Obama knows that even if the House were to impeach him, Senate Democrats would not vote to convict. Obama will make his Guantanamo move far enough into 2016 that Congress will simply decide the impeachment process would not have enough time to play out before Obama leaves office.) [83264]

In an interview with the *Independent Sentinel*, Kentucky governor-elect Matt Bevin responds to a question about Obama's war against coal: "One of the most powerful tools that any governor has, frankly, regardless of their ideology, is the Tenth Amendment. And I happen to be a staunch conservative. I happen to be somebody who believes the powers not given to the federal government are the responsibility of the states and of the

people. And every time this has been adjudicated for the last 150-plus years that it has been tested in the courts, it has come down on the side of the states, ultimately. The problem is there's not enough spine, typically, for people to test it. And yet, history and precedent has shown it to be the case. Never in the history of the world... has there been more consumption of coal than there is right now. Never in the history of the world." With an abundance of coal in Kentucky, "how are we not participating in something that the world wants more of than they ever have? ...We will tell the EPA and other unelected officials, who have no legal authority over us as a state, to 'pound sand.' It's not that complicated." [83232, 83233, 83290]

Pamela Geller posts a letter from a reader with a friend in Germany who describes the societal upheaval caused by the hundreds of thousands of Middle Eastern refugees being allowed into the country. "I knew some of the 'unpleasant' things happening from reading online, talking to my mother, etc, but he is a 'true local' and from what he says, it must be much worse than any reports I read! He owns a small store in the center of town and ever since the arrival of the big masses this summer he has zero business because nobody wants to go to town anymore. What is far worse and underlines all that you have been writing about, the 'refugees' even go into churches to disrupt service. I had no idea! I have to say, this is a crime against the German people and culture committed by their own government... Originally, the intention and capacity was for 500 people [refugees]. That number rose quickly to about 5000 plus/minus with serious mass brawls and conflicts police had to show up regularly to separate. There has been some resistance in the population, but the people standing up for themselves are called 'nazis.' From the latest information that I read on the developments, people will be housed there permanently and the state government plans on spending 5.1 Million Euros to expand and renovate the place that is now supposed to accommodate about 3,500. It is hard to pinpoint any number; they seem to change or be different with every article I read." [83234]

"What has been happening to the town itself is not difficult to image. The reports I read speak of Muslims in the small streets of the town; I read about serious theft problems in stores where 'refugees' walk in, take what they want or need, and walk out again without paying. In the beginning, grocery stores called the police, but stopped doing so after they were told to write up the losses and contact someone at the local municipality to reimburse them. (I had a verbal confirmation from a wife of a German police officer...) ...) People in Ellwangen don't leave their houses anymore and stay home unless they need to go out. Women don't want to go out anymore, and that is not only in the evenings. People feel they are strangers in their own home town and feel uncomfortable. A couple of weeks ago, it became public that a woman had been raped at night on her way home; the police had withheld the report but said it was not because the crime may have been committed by 'asylum seekers' but not to hinder the investigation and to protect the victim. Apparently the rapist spoke in a foreign language with another man who was present during the attack. A 10 year old girl had also been sexually harassed, but thankfully, she reported it to her parents before anything physical and more serious happened. I read that the perpetrator in that case was Afghan and lived in town." [83234]

"A friend of mine owns a small store in the center of the town and, it not being a grocery store, his business has gone down to virtually zero, and if he didn't have a second source of income, he would be in a serious financial trouble. The most disturbing news he informed me about, however, was that the so called refugees go into churches to disrupt service. They would simply walk in and start to riot. 'These people want to destroy us,' is what he said, literally. He is a very well educated business man; not someone inciting hatred against refugees. Most of the people living in that town and neighboring villages are honest, hard working people, trying to do good and be good, and now are forced to watch how their town and livelihoods are destroyed by the decision of the government to take in people that are violently opposed and opposite to the German and Christian culture. Most of these Germans have no interest in politics, and are law abiding citizens who are now faced with police cars driving any hour of the day due to incidents caused by 'refugees.' I was told months ago that these refugees defecate in people's gardens and that signs were written to explain not to do this in Germany and those refugees were asked to use toilets instead. Can you believe that? It blows my mind." [83234]

The *Daily Mail* reports, "Jihadis have hacked tens of thousands of Twitter accounts in retaliation for the drone attack that killed a British Islamic State extremist. A group called Cyber Caliphate, set up by Junaid Hussain from Birmingham, urged its followers to take control of the accounts to spread IS propaganda. Most of the victims appear to be based in Saudi Arabia, though some are feared to be British. In what experts described as a worrying escalation of the global cyber war, details of more than 54,000 Twitter accounts, including passwords, were posted online last Sunday. ...One victim, a half-British engineer based in Saudi, said: 'I am horrified at how they got hold of my details.' The extremists also posted hacked personal details, including mobile phone numbers, of the heads of the CIA, the FBI and America's National Security Agency." [83236, 83237]

WashingtonPost.com reports, "Heaving under mountains of paperwork, the government has spent more than \$1 billion trying to replace its antiquated approach to managing immigration with a system of digitized records, online applications and a full suite of nearly 100 electronic forms. A decade in, all that officials have to show for the effort is a single form that's now available for online applications and a single type of fee that immigrants pay electronically. The 94 other forms can be filed only with paper. This project, run by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, was originally supposed to cost a half-billion dollars and be finished in 2013. Instead, it's now projected to reach up to \$3.1 billion and be done nearly four years from now, putting in jeopardy efforts to overhaul the nation's immigration policies, handle immigrants already seeking citizenship and detect national security threats, according to documents and interviews with former and current federal officials." [83249, 83250]

On *Breitbart News Sunday*, attorney, author, and talk show host Mark Levin excoriates Obama's Trans-Pacific Partnership trade deal: "No conservative—none—in the Senate or the House should vote for this based on the nature of this phony deal. It's too long. It's too massive. It empowers the government. It empowers the bureaucracy... It empowers other governments and bureaucracies too. ...[T]his is not a trade deal. This is a destroythe-Constitution deal. ...[W]hat the Senate should say is, 'We say it's a treaty... we made a terrible mistake with this phony fast track stuff.' You never give Obama fast track, because what does he do? He takes us to the fast track to hell. ...We have to stop the central government from ramming... massive laws and phony treaties... down our throats. ...Barack Obama hasn't read this. No member of the Senate—their staffs may break it up and look at it—has read this. No member of the House is going to read this. ...As a citizen, I'm tired of the government, I'm tired of phony experts, I'm tired of professors telling me how to make widgets, where to send widgets, what to charge for widgets, who can buy widgets. We don't need two million words to do that. This is another Obama legacy item... Anything that man touches should be opposed because he is not to be trusted. ...[D]oes anything Obama or this government do promote capitalism? So it's not a pro-trade deal either." [83260]

Republican presidential candidate Carly Fiorina also comments on the trade agreement: "It's 30 chapters long [and] the thing has been negotiated in secret for almost two years. The people only now are getting a look at what's in this thing. ...There's a whole bunch of stuff in there that can only be described as crony capitalism, special giveaways to certain industries." [83261]

In a KSTP/SurveyUSA poll in Minnesota, Hillary Clinton trails Ben Carson (41-50), Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) (41-47), Carly Fiorina (41-45) and Donald Trump (42-45). Clinton leads Jeb Bush (44-43) and Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) (41-46). (It is worth noting that no Republican presidential candidate has won Minnesota since Richard Nixon in 1972. Minnesota was the only state Ronald Reagan did not win in 1984. If Clinton is her party's candidate and does not win Minnesota in November 2016, it will be a disaster for Democrats.) [83358, 83359, 83360]

On November 9 Israeli Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu meets with Obama in the White House—their first meeting since Obama and Secretary of State John Kerry concluded the disastrous nuclear agreement with Iran. Obama laughably claims their differences over the Iran deal are "narrow." [83241, 83242, 83243]

While Netanyahu visits Obama, anti-Israel, pro-Palestinian demonstrators block traffic near the White House, carrying signs that read, "No boarders." (The crowd appears to consist mostly of young, college age students—who apparently never learned how to spell "borders.") [83251, 83252]

At NationalReview.com Anne Bayefsky writes, "[W]hen ...Obama announced on November 6, 2015, via [Robert] Malley, Middle East coordinator at the National Security Council, that there was an allegedly 'new' 'reality' in which 'the parties are not going to be in a position to negotiate a final status agreement' during his presidency, he was adopting the Palestinian playbook. This means [Obama] will *not* spend his final year doing the only thing that would move the ball forward—namely, pressuring [Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud] Abbas to choose diplomacy and negotiations over violence and third-party coercion. Rather, Obama will attempt to impose his will on Israel, the U.N. being the obvious modus operandi. After all, [Obama] chose the Security Council over Congress on the Iran deal. He can let the Council do the dirty work on Israel, too. Indeed, over the past month, Samantha Power, the U.S. ambassador to the U.N., has been laying the groundwork for just such a treacherous strategy. ...Anyone who believes that [Obama's] toxic foreign policy on Israel is a mere personal vendetta against a foreign leader he doesn't like is giving Obama far too little credit. His foreign policy has never wavered: He sought 'daylight' between himself and Israel. He has achieved a chasm. The only question left is how much more blood [Obama] can extract from Israel in his last twelve months." [83262, 84500, 84579]

As noted previously in this *Timeline*, Robert Malley is known for his pro-Palestinian, Islamist-sympathizing, Israel-hating views. Malley's father, Simon Malley, was an Egyptian-born journalist, member of the Egyptian Communist Party, close friend of Yasser Arafat, anti-Semite, and anti-American Marxist. Malley had been expelled from France in 1980 for, according to government officials, "political activities which do not correspond with, and even run contrary to, French interests in certain countries..." and some articles written by Malley that were "genuine appeals to murder foreign chiefs of state." Robert Malley served as Bill Clinton's Special Assistant for Arab-Israeli Affairs (1998-2000). In 2008 Malley was sent by Obama to Egypt and Syria to discuss the new administration's Middle East plans and to pledge that Obama would "seek to enhance relations with Cairo [Egypt] as well as reconcile with Damascus [Syria]." In May 2008 Obama removed Malley from his list of official advisors after it was reported that he had met with the terrorist group Hamas, but Obama continued to rely on his advice and support. Obama eventually felt comfortable bringing Malley back on board, correctly assuming the media would not make it an issue. Malley was also on the team that negotiated the Obama-Kerry nuclear agreement with Iran, and has worked for George Soros' International Crisis Group. [356, 453, 472, 473, 474, 497, 1583, 55306, 55307, 84471, 84500, 84579, 84693, 84694]

At the American Enterprise Institute, Netanyahu states, "The core of the conflicts in the Middle East is the battle between modernity and early primitive medievalism." [83417]

Katie Pavlich writes at Townhall.com, "As ...Obama continues to stick his head in the sand over the rise of ISIS, the terror army quickly becoming the most dangerous terrorist organization in the world, Middle Eastern Christians are on the verge of extinction. According to a new report detailed by Fox News, Christians in the Middle East will be nearly non-existent in just five years." (Since 2003, the number of Christians in Iraq has fallen from about 1.5 million to about 275,000.) [83244]

Breitbart.com reports, "A convicted terrorist has been caught trying to smuggle himself into Europe by posing as an asylum seeker, in a stark event proving correct those who warned of terrorists taking advantage of the European Union's lax border controls. Ben Nasr Mehdi, a Tunisian who was first arrested in Italy in 2007 and sentenced to seven years imprisonment for plotting terror attacks with an Islamic State-linked group, was caught trying to re-enter the country last month. Authorities discovered him among 200 migrants who were rescued at sea and taken to the island of Lampedusa. Although he gave a false name, migration officers identified him through finger print records, the *Independent* reports. ... Mehdi was... interrogated for several days before being deported

back to Tunisia, where he was handed over to local police. The revelation will likely add to fears that Islamist terrorists are using the migrant crisis as a means to enter Europe." [83338, 83339, 83340, 83384, 83406]

In South Carolina, the Berkeley County Council approves a resolution calling on "all South Carolina public officials to immediately cease and desist" any efforts to resettle Middle Eastern refugees in the state. [83354]

Asked if Obama would close the terrorist detainee center at Guantanamo via an executive order, against the wished of Congress and the American people, White House press secretary Josh Earnest whines, "His goal is to have [Guantanamo] closed on his watch, as he promised. And that's been our goal since, I think, [Obama's] second full day in office. It continues to be our goal today. The truth is, this is a goal we would've accomplished some time ago had Congress not gotten in the way." (Translation: "That damned U.S. Constitution and those damned citizens!") Earnest tells reporters, "The focus of our efforts right now is on Congress and there are members of Congress who share this goal [closing Guantanamo] and who have indicated at least an openness to working with the administration to achieve this goal. That's the focus of our efforts right now. I'm not aware of any ongoing effort to devise a strategy using only [an] executive authority to accomplish this goal, but I certainly wouldn't take that option off the table. There are a wide range of thorny, legal questions that are raised by this ongoing effort to close the prison at Guantanamo Bay. I wouldn't sort of speculate on those right now. These are obviously, in some cases because of the unique nature of this facility, in some cases we're in uncharted legal waters here but, [Obama] made clear from his first week in office that closing the prison at Guantanamo Bay is a national security priority." (Translation: "Obama will close Guantanamo and believes Congress lacks the courage to impeach him if he does.") [83245, 83247]

Earnest also says that GOP candidate Ben Carson "deserves the scrutiny he's getting. ... This process is good for our democracy. It's not easy to run for president. It shouldn't be. And people who run for president are going to have their claims scrutinized, particularly about their own biography." (Meanwhile, at AmericanThinker.com, author Jack Cashill lists "25 Obama Whoppers for the Media to Chew On.") [83277, 83313]

At the US-funded Jordan International Police Training Centre (JIPTC) in Muwaqqar, Jordan, a police officer kills two Americans, a South African, two Jordanians, and wounds four others before being shot dead. [83281, 83282]

The White House announces that Obama will attend the Climate Summit in Paris on November 30 and December 1. (The size of Air Force One flight's "carbon footprint" is not released.) [83248]

Reporters who want wi-fi access at the November 10 Republican debate will need to use the SSID "RNCdebate and the password "StopHillary." [83246]

At WND.com Bob Unruh reports, "A federal judge on Monday ordered the National Security Agency to stop collecting telephone records for some of the citizens who sued the government after Edward Snowden leaked details of the vast sweep of private data. The ruling from U.S. District Judge Richard Leon comes almost two years after he issued an injunction to halt the program. At that time, he stayed his injunction to give the government time to appeal. But the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals took most of that time to decide on a secondary issue, and even though the collection program is about to expire and be replaced by a new set of rules, Leon said enough is enough. 'I will grant plaintiffs J. J. Little and J. J. Little & Associates' requests for an injunction and enter an order consistent with this opinion that (1) bars the government from collecting, as part of the NSA's Bulk Telephony Metadata Program, any telephony metadata associated with these plaintiffs' Verizon Business Network Services accounts and (2) requires the government to segregate any such metadata in its possession that has already been collected." [83268, 83276, 83296]

"...The most significant issue raised at the appellate level was that the plaintiffs were customers of Verizon Wireless, while it was the company's business network that was identified as a participant in the data-collection program. Attorney Larry Klayman of Freedom Watch, who brought the case on behalf of himself and other plaintiffs, then added the business network customers to the lawsuit. Leon pointed out that 'although the daily bulk collection, storage and analysis of telephony metadata is not expressly authorized' by the law, the government went ahead with the program. 'This is one of the most significant cases in the history of litigation against the government,' Klayman said. 'Never before in American history have people been subjected to such egregious violations of their constitutional rights,' he said. 'Thank God that there are judges like Leon who will stand up for the American people. Without this, revolution is almost assured if more judges do not start to do their job, like Leon, and protect the citizenry from government tyranny.'" [83268, 83276, 83296]

Politico.com reports, "A federal appeals court has rejected ...Obama's effort to move forward with a series of executive actions he announced last year seeking to give quasi-legal status and work permits to millions of illegal immigrants. The 2-1 ruling from the New Orleans-based 5th Circuit is a defeat for the Obama Administration, but one that may have come just in the nick of time to give the Supreme Court the chance to revive Obama's attempt to make it easier for many immigrants who entered the U.S. illegally to live and work here. ...The release of the 5th Circuit decision Monday appears to allow the Supreme Court enough time to take up the dispute this term, if the justices choose to wade into the issue. A favorable Supreme Court ruling would permit the administration to implement the executive actions next summer." (Obama's own words contributed to the loss of his appeal. On at least 20 occasions he told audiences he did not have the power to do what he eventually did with his later executive order.) [83273, 83274, 83275, 83284, 83287, 83300, 83321, 83356]

The Associated Press tweets, "BREAKING: Appeals court rules against Obama's plan to protect about 5 million people from deportation." *The Guardian* whines, "Court again blocks Obama's plan to protect undocumented migrants." (Apparently they decided

against a more accurate headline: "Appeals court rules against Obama's unconstitutional amnesty action.") [83288, 83289]

Texas Governor Greg Abbott, who filed the lawsuit when he was the state's attorney general, responds to the court's decision: "The court's decision is a vindication for the rule of law and the Constitution. The president's job is to enforce the immigration laws, not rewrite them. ...Obama should abandon his lawless executive amnesty program and start enforcing the law today." [83299]

Jim Wallis, the founder of the Marxist magazine *Sojourners* and occasional Obama "spiritual advisor," whines, "This [appeals court] decision is not justice. It is not what welcoming the stranger and caring for the least of these looks like. Christians must continue to fight alongside our immigrant brothers and sisters, many of whom are members of our churches, so that everyone can enjoy the flourishing that God intends for us all." [83445]

Meanwhile, Maricopa County, Arizona Sheriff Joe Arpaio has a lawsuit (*Joseph Arpaio v. Barack Obama, Jeh Johnson, Leon Rodriquez & Loretta Lynch*) before the Supreme Court challenging Obama's unconstitutional executive order protecting illegal immigrants from deportation. WND.com notes, "The taxpayers of Maricopa County have been hit with an extra \$9 million in expenses to house inmates who should have been deported. The costs are rising, so the sheriff challenged [Obama's] decision to grant even more illegal aliens permission to remain in the U.S. The D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals earlier threw out the case on an issue of standing, despite one judge's alarm over the situation and her call for changes. 'Today we hold that the elected sheriff of the nation's fourth largest county, located mere miles from our border with Mexico, cannot challenge the federal government's deliberate non-enforcement of the immigration laws,' wrote Judge Janice Rogers Brown. 'I write separately to ...note the consequences of our modern obsession with a myopic and constrained notion of standing.'" [83452, 83453]

DailyCaller.com reports, "The Daily Caller News Foundation filed a lawsuit Monday in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia over the State Department's failure to release records showing that former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and her top aides passed all mandatory security courses on handling classified materials. The DCNF previously filed an Oct. 9, 2015, Freedom of Information Act request for the training records, but the department did not respond to the request within the 20 days allowed by the law. In addition to Clinton, the suit requests records for Under Secretary Patrick F. Kennedy, Chief of Staff Cheryl Mills, Deputy Chief of Staff Huma Abedin, and Deputy Chief of Staff Jacob Sullivan. The suit asks for documents 'memorializing certification that senior State officials had satisfied mandatory security training courses regarding the handling of classified materials and communications through secure equipment.' It also included sought records for IT Security training as well." [83269, 83270]

Donald Trump slams Obama's Trans-Pacific Partnership trade agreement, telling Breitbart News, "The deal is insanity. That deal should not be supported and it should not be allowed to happen. ... The deal is so bad because of the fact they don't cover currency manipulation. It's the number-one weapon used by foreign countries to hurt the United States and take away jobs. ...We are giving away what ultimately is going to be a back door for China. China will take advantage of it—all the weak points in it, more than anybody else. ...The only people that [sic; who] are supporting [the agreement] politically are people that [sic; who] are controlled by the lobbyists for certain companies that want this to happen because it's to their advantage, not to the country's advantage. So the lobbyists and the special interests are supporting it, and certain politicians [such as Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL)] are supporting it because they're totally controlled by the lobbyists and the special interests. ...[As president] I would make individual deals with individual countries and currency manipulation would be a preeminent part of every deal because that's the chief weapon that other countries—particularly China and Japan—use to take away our businesses and our jobs." [83271]

While about 50 people attend a John Kasich event in Chicago, more than 10,000 attend a Donald Trump rally in Springfield, Illinois. Trump says, "If we had honest government, Hillary [Clinton] wouldn't be allowed to run [for president]. People are in jail right now for doing five percent of what she did and the Democrats are not going to prosecute her, and it's frankly a disgrace. And you know it and so do I and so do these people right here—they know it. ...You [had] better remember: There's a six-year statute of limitations on [Clinton's] crime. So Hillary's running for a lot of reasons. One of them is because she wants to stay out of jail. Because I am sure—and first of all, everybody gets a fair shake with me—but I am sure whoever the attorney general is, you've got a lot of years left on that crime. That's a crime. If I win, we're going to look into that crime very, very seriously, folks." (The statute of limitations on most federal crimes is five years. In any event, Clinton—and former IRS official Lois Lerner—should be worried about her future if Trump is elected president and appoints someone as tough as Congressman Trey Gowdy (R-SC) as his attorney general.) [83278, 83315, 83349, 83350, 83351, 83352]

DailyCaller.com reports, "Dartmouth College is under fire for using its largest auditorium to host a Hillary Clinton campaign event, after previously telling the Donald Trump campaign that it would now allow said auditorium to be used by presidential candidates." [83291]

CNSNews.com reports, "Spending by the Social Security Administration [SSA]—which includes payments for Social Security and disability benefits as well as Supplemental Security Income payments and the administrative costs for these programs—hit a record \$944,143,000,000 in fiscal 2015, according to data published by the U.S. Treasury. ...As of September, there were 59,737,817 beneficiaries getting Social Security or disability benefits, according to the SSA. At the same time, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, there were 148,800,000 people who had either a full- or part-time job in the United States. That means there were only 2.49 people with jobs for each of the 59,737,817 Social Security and disability beneficiaries. At the same time, there were only 121,839,000 people with full-time jobs in the United States in September, according to BLS. Those 121,839,000 full-time job holders equaled about 2.04 for each of the 59,737,817 people getting Social Security or disability benefits. The \$944,143,000,000 spent by the Social Security Administration in fiscal 2015 equaled about \$6,345 for each

of the 148,800,000 persons in the country with a job as of September. It equaled about \$7,749 for each of the 121,839,000 people with a full-time job." [83301]

On November 10 FoxNews.com reports, "A former San Francisco police chief and vocal supporter of a sanctuary cities policy is on a short list of candidates to become the new chief of the Border Patrol, according to sources. As police chief, Heather Fong shielded illegal immigrants, including aliens who committed crimes, from deportation. In contrast, it is the job of the U.S. Border Patrol to catch and deport all illegal immigrants, including those with a criminal history. ...Fong, according to Border Patrol, DHS and Capitol Hill sources, is one of several candidates to replace current chief Mike Fischer, who announced his resignation last month. ...During her five years as the chief of SFPD [San Francisco Police Department], Fong refused to cooperate with ICE [Immigration and Customs Enforcement], telling reporters in November 2008, 'We do not cooperate with ICE when they go out for enforcement of immigration violations of the law.'" [83292, 83293, 83317, 83331]

Congressman Mike McCaul (R-TX), chairman of the House Committee on Homeland Security, states, "If they bring [a police chief] in for political purposes based on the sanctuary cities model, that politicizes the job and I think it completely undermines credibility and morale in the organization. If you have someone who is advocating for sanctuary cities, that's the opposite side. They welcome these illegal immigrants to stay in the country. And so I think it's at cross-purpose with the mission itself." Brandon Judd, head of the Border Patrol agents' union, states, "The appointment of Heather Fong would prove that the Border Patrol is no longer the enforcement agency that Congress and the American public intended it to be. Heather Fong oversaw a sanctuary city, which is directly contrary to our mission. Her appointment would be for political purposes and the trust of the men and woman of the Border Patrol in DHS and CBP leadership would be lost." [83292, 83293]

By a vote of 91-3 the Senate approves and sends to Obama another defense spending bill—after he vetoed a previous version. Obama will not like the new version of the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) either, as it also includes provisions making it difficult for him to close the terrorist detainee center at Guantanamo. (It also calls for \$5 billion less spending.) Nevertheless, Obama will likely sign the legislation, and then simply ignore Congress and the law and empty out Guantanamo anyway. Senator Kelly Ayotte (R-NH) tells Fox News that if Obama "takes this action, in my view... it will violate the law. The American people do not want it, and I believe he would be violating the law." (By a more than two-to-one margin—66/29 percent—the American people oppose closing the Guantanamo facility and moving the terrorists to U.S. prisons. Obama's National Security Advisor, Susan Rice, says the administration will "die trying" to close the prison.) [83297, 83298, 83302, 83303, 83330, 83415, 83416]

According to FreeBeacon.com, the NDAA (National Defense Authorization Act) "bar[s] Gitmo inmates from being relocated to America and prevent[s] the administration from

spending taxpayer funds to retrofit U.S. prisons to hold Gitmo prisoners." It "additionally stipulates that Gitmo will remain open through Dec. 31, 2016." [83312, 83330]

Obama poses for the cover of *Out* magazine, a gay publication. (Whether he is a long-time subscriber is not known.) [83304, 83305, 83306, 83345, 83346]

Federal Judge Rudolph Contreras scolds the State Department for being "lackadaisical" in processing Hillary Clinton's emails for release. [83307]

At a Hillary Clinton campaign event in New Hampshire, a member of the audience says when he sees Carly Fiorina on television "I want to reach through and strangle her." Rather than suggest that he man tone down his anger, Clinton responds, "I wouldn't mess with you" and follows with her infamous cackle. (According to DailyCaller.com, Republican National Committee Press Secretary Allison Moore responds, "By laughing off a male questioner's desire to strangle Carly Fiorina, Hillary Clinton and the Democrats have lost all credibility claiming to be a party that stands up for women. Jokes about committing acts of violence against women are always in poor taste and should be condemned every time. Hillary Clinton routinely exhibits the worst kind of hypocrisy on women's issues, whether it's launching attacks on equal pay despite paying women less than men in her Senate office or her foundation's acceptance of millions of dollars from foreign governments that oppress women's rights. It's clear women just can't count on Hillary Clinton to stand up for them. She should apologize immediately.") [83309, 83310, 83311, 8332]

Clinton calls for a \$12 per hour minimum wage. (Her interns get paid \$0.00 per hour. In 2013 Clinton lectured a UCLA audience, "Businesses have taken advantage of unpaid internships to an extent that it is blocking the opportunities for young people to move on into paid employment. More businesses need to move their so-called interns to employees." Remarkably, according to Time.com, Clinton has also had the chutzpah to ask the Federal Election Commission "if an unpaid intern could get college credit and a stipend from her university for her work on the campaign. ...Clinton campaign lawyers argue that the student should be permitted to accept the \$3,000 stipend and the college credit without either being designated as in-kind contributions to the campaign because the university 'did not condition the availability of the stipend upon the political nature of the internship." In other words, Clinton wants universities to pay students to work for her campaign so she does not have to.) [83446, 83447, 83448]

NBC News totally misrepresents the incident, tweeting, "Hillary Clinton reacts to joke about strangling Carly Fiorina"—and including a photo of a stern-faced Clinton that makes it appear as though she reprimanded the individual over his Fiorina remark. Clinton spokesman Nick Merrill insists, "It was a joke." (While the mainstream media does not expect Clinton to defend Fiorina, it certainly expected Donald Trump to defend Obama when a town hall event questioner suggested Obama was a Muslim.) [83310, 83311]

More universities are infected with spoiled-brat students making unreasonable and absurd demands. At the University of Minnesota, the Minnesota Students Association (MSA) rejects a resolution for an annual commemoration of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. MSA "Director of Diversity and Inclusion" David Algadi states, "The passing of this resolution might make a space that is unsafe for students on campus even more unsafe. Islamophobia and racism fueled through that are alive and well. …When will we start having moments of silence for all of the times white folks have done something terrible?" [83427, 83471, 83491]

CIA Director John Brennan meets with Bernard Bajolet, the head of French foreign intelligence. [83528, 83529]

The Republican presidential candidates debate in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The discussion focuses on economics issues, with the moderators letting the candidates describe their positions and proposals—rather than attacking them with gotcha questions. (The debate draws about 13.5 million viewers, a ratings record for the Fox Business Channel.) [83322, 83323, 83324, 83325, 83328, 83329, 83333, 83334, 83335, 83336, 83341, 83342, 83343, 83344, 83347, 83348]

On November 11—Veterans Day—USAToday.com reports, "The Department of Veterans Affairs doled out more than \$142 million in bonuses to executives and employees for performance in 2014 even as scandals over veterans' health care and other issues racked the agency. Among the recipients were claims processors in a Philadelphia benefits office that investigators dubbed the worst in the country last year. They received \$300 to \$900 each. Managers in Tomah, Wis., got \$1,000 to \$4,000, even though they oversaw the over-prescription of opiates to veterans—one of whom died. The VA also rewarded executives who managed construction of a facility in Denver, a disastrous project years overdue and more than \$1 billion over budget. They took home \$4,000 to \$8,000 each. And in St. Cloud, Minn., where an internal investigation report last year outlined mismanagement that led to mass resignations of health care providers, the chief of staff cited by investigators received a performance bonus of almost \$4,000." [83327, 83437]

NYTimes.com discusses the book, *Seeking Bipartisanship: My Life in Politics*, by Obama's former Secretary of Transportation, Ray LaHood—the "token Republican" in Obama's cabinet. "'I do not believe the White House ever committed fully to a genuine bipartisan approach to policy making, despite the president's words to the contrary,' Mr. LaHood wrote in the book, which he produced with Frank H. Mackaman. While he said he believed that Mr. Obama was sincere when he said he wanted bipartisanship, [Obama] was hamstrung 'by mistakes in judgment and political calculation that prevented cooperation between the political parties and sacrificed vision too easily for short-term gain.' …'Obama depended almost exclusively on a handful of folks situated in the White House,' he wrote. 'He rarely sought counsel outside that group. He did not, as other presidents have done, place a high value on consulting with members of Congress.' 'As time passed,' he added, '[Obama] seemed to me to become more isolated, more insulated from those outside the in-group, less engaged with others.'" LaHood, a liberal Republican from Illinois, also criticizes members of his own party for not cooperating with Obama. Of course, Obama and the Democrats set the mood when "they made a decision that they were going to pass [the early 2009, \$787 billion] economic stimulus with just Democratic votes. That was the beginning of the end of bipartisanship." [83353]

Unrest continues at the University of Missouri, where student activists force the resignation of the president over his alleged failure to "keep students safe" from racist remarks, wildly exaggerated discrimination claims, and a charge of a swastika written with feces on the wall of a dormitory. Breitbart.com reports, "The University of Missouri's student body president, Payton Head, is apologizing 'for scaring everybody with false KKK on campus rumor.' ... Given Head's central role in recent protests at Mizzou [the university], some may not be surprised to find a connection between Head, from an upper middle class Chicago neighborhood, and the nation's community organizer in chief, Barack Obama. Per his Facebook page, the two met in July, 2011 when Head visited the White House. There are also as yet unconfirmed Internet reports that [the black and openly gay] Head interned for Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel." ("Oppressed" student Jonathan Butler-who went on an alleged hunger strike-has a father who earned \$8.4 million in 2014. Butler's major grip is that he lost his health coverage when he became a graduate student. He blames the university, but ObamaCare was the cause.) [83355, 83361, 83362, 83373, 83374, 83375, 83376, 83377, 83378, 83385, 83386, 83397, 83398, 83420, 83421, 83423, 83429, 83455, 83456]

Donald Trump comments, "I think [the actions of the University of Missouri students are] disgusting. I think it's disgusting. I think the two people who resigned are weak, ineffective people. I think that when they resigned, they set something in motion that's going to be a disaster for the next long period of time. They were weak, ineffective people. How [could] we hire people like that... Trump should've been the chancellor of that university. Believe me. There would've been no resignations." (Brenda Smith-Lezama, vice president of the Missouri Students Association, tells MSNBC, "I personally am tired of hearing that First Amendment rights protect students when they are creating a hostile and unsafe learning environment for myself and for other students here." How Lezama grew up believing that the First Amendment is deplorable and she has a "right" to never be offended by anyone is not clear, but it is likely a combination of bad parenting and years of indoctrination by leftist teachers.) [83397, 83418, 83419, 83432]

According to a Pew Research study of Census Bureau data, "A larger share of young women are living at home with their parents or other relatives than at any point since the 1940s." [83381, 83382]

On *Hardball*, Chris Matthews says of Senators Marco Rubio (R-FL) and Ted Cruz (R-TX) he is "not sure" they are Hispanic because they are "Cuban nationals or whatever or come from Cuba." (Matthews should be asked to explain why, if their fathers' citizenship makes Rubio and Cruz "Cuban nationals," Obama is not a "Kenyan national." Arguably, Cruz was born with dual citizenship—Canadian and Cuban—because he was born in Canada to a Cuban-citizen father. Rubio was born in the United States to Cuban-citizen parents. Like Obama, neither Rubio nor Cruz are natural born citizens, which—based on the historical definition as understood by the nation's Founding Fathers—requires *birth on U.S. soil to U.S. citizen parents*. Of course, because the U.S. Constitution was ignored and Obama was allowed to be sworn in as president despite being ineligible, few will make a fuss about the ineligibility of Rubio or Cruz. For the same reasons, GOP candidates Rick Santorum and Bobby Jindal are also not natural born citizens. Jindal's parents were citizens of India at the time of his birth; Santorum's father was a citizen of Italy. It is worth noting that efforts are underway to challenge the inclusion of Marco Rubio, Ted Cruz, Bobby Jindal, and Rick Santorum on the New Hampshire primary ballot because they are not natural born citizens.) [83366, 83367, 83372, 83387, 83443, 83589, 83590, 83591, 84269]

At Morning Jolt, National Review's Jim Geraghty later makes the moronic claim that Cruz "is considered a natural-born U.S. citizen because he was born to an American parent on foreign soil." (He may as well argue, "A dog is a tree because it has four limbs.") In reality, Cruz is not a natural born citizen because he was born on Canadian soil to a non-American parent. Remarkably, millions of people who claim that "anchor babies" born on U.S. soil to illegal immigrants born on U.S. soil must be considered Americans are unable to see the inconsistency with their argument that Cruz is a natural born U.S. citizen. If simply being born in the United States is enough to make one an American, why is being born in Canada not enough to make one a Canadian? Even if one believes that Cruz is a U.S. citizen by virtue of the fact that one of his parents was an American, it does not follow that he is also a "natural born U.S. citizen." He is not. As noted several times in this *Timeline*, on the floor of the U.S. House of Representatives in 1862 Congressman John Bingham—the father of the Fourteenth Amendment—stated, "All from other lands, who by the terms of [Congressional] laws and a compliance with their provisions become naturalized, are adopted citizens of the United States; all other persons born within the Republic, of parents owing allegiance to no other sovereignty [emphasis added], are natural born citizens. Gentleman can find no exception to this statement touching natural-born citizens except what is said in the Constitution relating to Indians." Cruz was not "born within the Republic." Nor did he have two "parents owing allegiance to no other sovereignty." [18420, 18466, 18783, 18784, 18795, 83387, 84269]

In a discussion on March 9, 1866 Bingham—who should certainly be considered more of a Constitutional expert than any of today's media pundits—stated, "[I] find no fault with the introductory clause [S 61 Bill], which is simply declaratory of what is written in the Constitution, that every human being born within the jurisdiction of the United States *of parents not owing allegiance to any foreign sovereignty* [emphasis added] is, in the language of your Constitution itself, a natural born citizen." [12191, 12192, 12266, 12299, 12300, 12301, 12410, 12411, 12533, 13239, 84269]

Bruce McKay later writes at ThePosteEmail.com, "There's ample indication... that members of the US Supreme Court have consistently taken the position that foreign born children of US citizens who acquire their citizenship by means of Congressional enactments are considered by members of the Court to be 'naturalized citizens' [rather than 'natural born citizens']." In *United States v. Wong Kim Ark* (1898), Justice Horace Gray wrote, "A person born out of the jurisdiction of the United States can only become a

citizen by being naturalized, by authority of Congress, exercised ...by declaring certain classes of persons to be citizens, as in the enactments conferring citizenship upon foreignborn children of citizens..." (A *naturalized* citizen is a citizen, but he is not a *natural born citizen*.) McKay notes *Rogers v. Bellei*. "Aldo Bellei, like Ted Cruz, was born outside US territory." (Bellei was born in Italy to an Italian father and an American mother.) "Aldo Bellei, like Ted Cruz, had a US citizen mother who provided a pathway to citizenship at birth. Aldo Bellei was considered by the entire Court to be a naturalized citizen. If Aldo Bellei was a naturalized citizen, Then Ted Cruz must also be a naturalized citizen. Naturalized \neq natural born." [3741, 3742, 3749, 4880, 84176, 84269]

In *Minor V. Happersett*, Chief Justice Morrison Waite wrote, "[I]t was never doubted that all children born in a country of parents who were its citizens became themselves, upon their birth, citizens also. These were natives, or natural-born citizens..." Canadian-born Ted Cruz fails that test, because he was born outside the United States and he also did not have two U.S. citizen parents (plural). Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) also fails the test, because he did not have even one U.S. citizen parent. His having been born in Florida is not sufficient. Obama is also not a natural born citizen (regardless of where he was born) because he did not have two U.S. citizen parents. Where defenders of Cruz, Rubio, and Obama (as well as Rick Santorum and Bobby Jindal) err is in quoting laws that refer only to generic *citizens*, rather than *natural born citizens*. The terms are not the same. (All trees are plants but not all pants are trees.) In addition, the defenders of the ineligible often conveniently ignore the term "of parents" in the historical texts. Words have meaning. Justice Waite would not have written "of parents" had he not believed they were significant. [84176, 84269]

Mark Levin tells his radio audience, "You don't have to round up [illegal immigrants], certainly not millions and millions of people to send them home. Although, it would be nice if we rounded up some people and sent them back and shut down these sanctuary cities and sanctuary states, which are lawless, thuggish and nullifying our existing law. And [Obama] does nothing about it because he agrees with them. So, of course you need to round up some people and deport them, as you would need to round up tax cheats or round up embezzlers or round up whomever. But this is the thing, folks. If, as president, [Donald] Trump were to say look, the Supreme Court has ruled that the federal government has plenary power, the broadest possible power when it comes to the issue of immigration—remember the Obama administration went to court to block Arizona from actually upholding federal law? And Anthony Kennedy, one of the dumbest of the justices, he wrote basically that, look, the president has all kinds of power in this regard, and nobody else does. Fine. Then states should not be able to offer in-state tuition. Then states should not be able to offer [drivers] licenses. Then the federal government should cut all welfare benefits, entitlements and other subsidies to people who are here illegally. And word will go out. Word will go out that you're not going to collect benefits; you're not going to have quasi-citizenship status, de facto citizenship status; and that, in fact, you can't even get a job in America if you're here illegally." [83450]

"And we're going to punish employers who hire people illegally, because they're breaking the law, just as if they were breaking a tax law or an environmental law or any other law. So you create an environment in which people will leave. We used to call this self-deportation, but we're told we're not allowed to do that anymore. If I were to talk like a liberal I'd be talking about undocumented Americans. They're not undocumented Americans. They're not Americans. So the point is—and we all know that this can be extremely practicable—it can work. You don't actually have to send yellow school buses to everybody's house and neighborhood and start collecting people. You just create an economic environment, opposite of the one that exists today, where people can come into this country illegally and get in-state tuition, get driver's licenses, and get jobs. That's crazy. I don't know of any country that does that. Well, Europe is destroying itself with the so-called refugees. But any country that cares about its own culture and sovereignty and economic system, they don't do that." [83450]

According to CommonConstitutionalist.com, "Four American presidents conducted deportations in our history—Herbert Hoover, Franklin Roosevelt, Harry Truman and Dwight Eisenhower. ... Beginning in 1931, under the auspices of trying to preserve jobs for American citizens during the Depression, the government began a series of 'repatriation' programs. They called it repatriation because it was being done at the local level, and by local authorities, and it was determined that only the feds could 'deport.' Both the Hoover and Roosevelt administrations were perfectly content to let the local authorities do the heavy lifting of deportation. ... Under Truman approximately 3.3 million illegals were deported. Yet looking closer at the numbers you'll find that only about 130,000 were removed by the government and the other 3.2 million self-deported. Yes, when the illegals figured out old Harry 'The Buck Stops Here' Truman was serious; they packed up and left on their own. His 'deportation force' only had to deport about 4% of all who left. ... And it worked again under Eisenhower. In all, from when Hoover began in 1931 to the end of Ike's term in 1959, about 5-1/2 million Illegal aliens left this country, but less than 500,000 had to be 'rounded up' and removed, or less than 10%. When people understand that a president is serious about deportation, the Illegals, as they've always done in the past, will once again respond in kind. And as far as the 'court battles,' a president Trump will just declare that deportations are a matter of national security and trump the courts. Pardon the pun." [83522]

On November 12 Catherine Herridge reports at FoxNews.com, "The FBI has expanded its probe of Hillary Clinton's emails, with agents exploring whether multiple statements violate a federal false statements statute, according to intelligence sources familiar with the ongoing case. Fox News is told agents are looking at U.S. Code 18, Section 1001, which pertains to 'materially false' statements given either in writing, orally or through a third party. Violations also include pressuring a third party to conspire in a cover-up. Each felony violation is subject to five years in prison. This phase represents an expansion of the FBI probe, which is also exploring potential violations of an Espionage Act provision relating to 'gross negligence' in the handling of national defense information. 'The agents involved are under a lot of pressure and are busting a[ss],' an intelligence source, who was not authorized to speak on the record, told Fox News. The section of the criminal code being explored is known as 'statements or entries generally,' and can be applied when an individual makes misleading or false statements causing federal agents to expend additional resources and time." [83364, 83371, 83399]

Townhall.com's Katie Pavlich adds, "A few things here. First, up to this point Team Hillary and her liberal supporters have knocked Republicans for focusing on her private email use. The FBI's new exploration of Clinton's potentially and deliberately false statements not only expands the probe, but brings the investigation to a whole new level. It's going to be even more difficult now for Clinton and her campaign to argue this is simply about emails, when in fact the probe includes Clinton's lies. Second, the cover up portion of this is huge. We already know Clinton went out of her way to delete at least 40,000 emails off her private server that she deemed 'personal,' and we also know her closest aides, including Huma Abedin and Cheryl Mills, are also being closely looked at by Congress and the FBI for potential destruction of evidence. Don't forget Clinton's claims that she turned all required documentation and email over the to the State Department when in fact, she did not. Third, considering the top three words voters use to describe Clinton are liar, dishonest and untrustworthy, this expansion will do her no political favors with the American people. Finally, the expansion of the FBI probe creates a bigger chance for an indictment not for only hosting classified information on a private server, but for lying to investigators in an effort to cover up wrongdoing." [83365, 83371, 83399]

DailySignal.com reports, "A little-known whistleblower lawsuit accuses Planned Parenthood clinics in Iowa of wrongly siphoning millions of American taxpayer dollars with a series of complicated billing schemes aimed at increasing profits. Among other dishonest practices, a former manager of the clinics alleges, Planned Parenthood staffers routinely purchased birth control pills for just under \$3, billed Medicaid \$35 for the same package of pills, and got reimbursed for \$26." [83368, 83369]

The leftist site Vox.com writes, "The Democratic National Committee, which organizes the party's primary debates, has faced accusations of scheduling them on dates that will receive poor viewership in an attempt to protect frontrunner Hillary Clinton. DNC Chair Debbie Wasserman Schultz has denied these claims. There are other hints Clinton wanted less exposure, including reports that her campaign privately lobbied the DNC for fewer debates." (Democrat debates are scheduled on Saturdays, six days before Christmas, and during NFL playoff games.) [83370, 83436]

DailyCaller.com reports, "Environmental Protection Agency officials awarded nearly \$2.7 million in contract enhancements to Environmental Restoration LLC after the firm was involved in the Colorado Gold King Mine disaster that dumped three million gallons of yellow wastewater into a drinking water source for people in three states and the Navajo Nation. The wastewater poured into the Animas River, a Colorado River tributary that supplies water to people in Colorado, New Mexico and Utah. The company also got a contract enhancement worth nearly \$1 million from EPA on Aug. 4, 2015, the day before the spill, according to documents compiled by the Project on Government Oversight, a non-profit government watchdog group." Adam Andrzejewski, founder of the government transparency organization Open the Books, comments, "The EPA has taken the concept of 'performance bonus' much too far by giving their on-site contractor even more work after a natural disaster at Gold King. Had the spill soiled one of the EPA's \$730 office chairs, the contractor would have been fired on the spot. If the EPA spent as much time choosing contractors as they do shopping for furniture... our environment would be a much cleaner place." (The Obama administration has awarded Environmental Restoration more than \$367 million in federal contracts. The EPA also required the company to sign secrecy agreement to keep information about the mine disaster from being made public.) [83379, 83383, 83440]

Obama awards the Medal of Honor to Army Captain Florent Groberg, who risked his life in Afghanistan in August 2012 to protect other soldiers from a suicide bomber. (Groberg was injured and four U.S troops were killed, but without his actions the death toll would have been higher.) [83392]

The American Postal Workers Union endorses Senator Bernie Sanders (I-VT) for president. [83393]

Hillary Clinton tweets, "We need to keep guns out of the hands of domestic partners and convicted stalkers." (No explanation is provided, and the message is later deleted.) [83394]

Clinton also unveils a \$30 billion plan to help coal communities. Her campaign states, "Building a 21st century clean energy economy in the United States will create new jobs and industries, deliver important health benefits, and reduce carbon pollution. But we can't ignore the impact this transition is already having on mining communities, or the threat it poses to the healthcare and retirement security of coalfield workers and their families." (The "transition," of course, has been caused by the Obama administration's war on coal, which has devastated communities dependent on coal mining. The government causes a problem, and then "solves" the problem it created with massive and expensive federal programs.) [83400]

FoxNews.com writes, "...Republicans fired back, noting that Clinton is backing the highly controversial EPA plan requiring states to cut emissions from coal-fired power plants—a regulatory plan that coal-state representatives are fighting. The sweeping new environmental regulation may result in the closure of hundreds of coal-fired plants and freeze construction of new coal plants. 'Hillary Clinton is Public Enemy No. 1 for coal miners and their communities because she wholeheartedly supports ...Obama's EPA agenda that is crippling their way of life,' Republican National Committee spokesman Michael Short said in a statement." [83400]

The Obama administration expresses support for the European Union's decision to require the labeling of Jewish products from Judea, Samaria, eastern Jerusalem and the Golan Heights. IsraelNationalNews.com reports, "The administration said the move is only a 'technical guideline,' and is not a boycott, reports Associated Press—despite the obvious assumption that consumers would follow the labeling when choosing what

products to buy. US State Department spokesperson Mark Toner said, 'we do not believe that labeling the origin of products is equivalent to a boycott. And as you know, we do not consider settlements to be part of Israel. We do not view labeling the origin of products as being from the settlements as a boycott of Israel.'" (The so-called "settlements" are areas of Israeli that the Palestinians demand for themselves. The whole point of the labeling, of course, is to encourage a boycott of goods produced there in order to destroy those local economies.) [83407]

Israeli Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu responds, "The labeling of products of the Jewish state by the European Union brings back dark memories. Europe should be ashamed of itself. It took an immoral decision. Of the hundreds of territorial conflicts around the world, it chose to single out Israel and Israel alone, while it's fighting with its back against the wall against the wave of terror. The European Union is not going to hurt the Israeli economy. It's strong enough to weather this, but it's the Palestinian workers in Israeli enterprises in Judea and Samaria that will be hurt. This will not advance peace; it will certainly not advance truth and justice. It's wrong. Europe should be ashamed of itself." [83407, 83408]

Pamela Geller comments, "This boycott of Jewish products is no different from the Nazi boycott of Jewish businesses. The irony, of course, is that Obama is making the declaration close to the anniversary of Kristallnacht. Kristallnacht, literally, 'Night of Crystal,' is often referred to as the 'Night of Broken Glass.' The name refers to the wave of violent anti-Jewish pogroms which took place on November 9 and 10, 1938. Kristallnacht owes its name to the shards of shattered glass that lined German streets in the wake of the pogrom—broken glass from the windows of synagogues, homes, and Jewish-owned businesses plundered and destroyed during the violence." [83408]

Secretary of State John Kerry declares that the global warming agreement he expects to be reached in Paris will be legally binding on the United States yet will not require Senate approval because it is "definitively not going to be a treaty." (Treaties require the approval of the U.S. Senate. Kerry and Obama attempt to avoid the U.S. Constitution by not calling treaties treaties. Of course, if they are not treaties they generally would not be legally binding. In a sane world, both Obama and Kerry would be impeached for such manipulative actions.) [83459]

Attorney Orly Taitz writes, "The total number of people returned and deported during the Clinton administration is over 10 million people, nearly the same number of illegal aliens we have in this country according to our government. Nobody calls Clinton inhumane. In the year 2000 alone 1.86 million people were either returned by the border patrol or deported through legal proceeding, yet nobody cried foul. Let's look at Obama administration, the most lenient administration as far as illegal immigration is concerned. Every year Obama deports about 350,000 people. By the end of his term Obama will deport nearly 3 million people, yet nobody calls him inhumane. ...So, why is the media attacking Trump, while not uttering a peep about Clinton and Obama? The main reason is very simple: Trump is a Republican, a populist with a tremendous support among Americans, particularly blue color Americans, who are the main voting block of the

Democrats. The liberal media does not want to see a conservative win the election and leave their darling, Hillary Clinton, in the dust." (It appears that Taitz's number include deportations and "border turnarounds." Nevertheless, even if turnarounds are excluded, several hundred thousand illegal immigrants have been deported each year by the Obama administration.) [83413, 83414]

On Fox News, Neil Cavuto interviews Keely Mullen, a "Million Student March" organizer, who demands a free education, the elimination of all student loan debt, and a \$15 per hour minimum wage. The clueless Mullen says the cost should be borne by "The one percent of people who are hoarding the wealth and causing a catastrophe students are facing." When Cavuto notes that taxing the one percent at 100 percent would not even fund Medicare for three years, Mullen replies, "Yeah, I don't believe that. Yeah, I'm sorry, that just sounds completely ludicrous to me." She argues that if the one percent to go after. [83430, 83431, 83438]

The Kuwait-born, London-raised Mohamed Emwazi, also known as "Jihadi John," is reportedly killed in an airstrike in Raqqa, Syria. [83401, 83433, 83444, 83490]

At Dartmouth College, dozens of "black lives matter" protesters storm the Baker-Berry Library, shouting, "Fuck you, you filthy white fuckers!" "Fuck you and your comfort!" and "Fuck you, you racist shits!" According to CampusReform.org, "The sign-wielding, obscenity-shouting protesters proceeded through the usually quiet backwaters of the library. ...Throngs of protesters converged around fellow students who had not joined in their long march. They confronted students who bore 'symbols of oppression' such as 'gangster hats' and Beats-brand headphones. The flood of demonstrators opened the doors of study spaces with students reviewing for exams. Those who tried to close their doors were harassed further. One student abandoned the study room and ran out of the library. The protesters followed her out of the library, shouting obscenities the whole way. Students who refused to listen to or join their outbursts were shouted down: 'Stand the f*** up!' 'You filthy racist white piece of s***!' Men and women alike were pushed and shoved by the group. 'If we can't have it, shut it down!' they cried. Another woman was pinned to a wall by protesters who unleashed their insults, shouting 'filthy white b****!' in her face." (Obama has no comment.) [83762, 83763, 83790, 83818]

On November 13 Obama appears on *Good Morning America* and declares, "I don't think they're [ISIS is] gaining strength. What is true is that from the start, our goal has been first to contain and we have contained them. They have not gained ground in Iraq, and in Syria they'll come in, they'll leave, but you don't see this systemic march by ISIL [ISIS] across the terrain. What we have not yet been able to do is to completely decapitate their command and control structures. We've made some progress in trying to reduce the flow of foreign fighters and part our goal has to be to recruit more effective Sunni partners in Iraq to really go on offense rather than simply engage in defense." (Not only is ISIS not contained, it is spreading. If its "headquarters" in Raqqa, Syria were to be bombed, ISIS leaders can control operations from Sirte, Libya.) [83462, 83511, 83598, 83629, 83654, 84330, 84331]

Secretary of State John Kerry says, "The terrorists associated with Daesh [ISIS] need to know this: your days are numbered."

TheHill.com reports, "A federal judge on Friday sided with the State Department against a conservative legal advocacy group trying to speed up the government's release of some Hillary Clinton emails. Judge Amit Mehta said that it would be 'unwise and potentially risky' to order the government to quickly release some of the 329 emails specifically related to the 2012 terror attack in Benghazi, Libya, which it had recently discovered. Those emails—along with tens of thousands of others—are already on pace to be released by next February, as a result of a separate lawsuit under the Freedom of Information Act, said Mehta, a judge for the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, who was appointed by ...Obama. ...The decision is a blow to Judicial Watch, the right-leaning legal group that has filed 20 lawsuits over the Clinton emails. ...At issue were 242 emails to or from Clinton in 2012 that relate to the Benghazi attack, which the State Department had found during a second search in response to Judicial Watch's request under the Freedom of Information Act. Many of those emails had not yet been disclosed to Congress, Judicial Watch said, and might have remained buried were it not for their lawsuit." [83424]

DailyCaller.com reports, "The Daily Caller has exclusively confirmed that a top aide to then-Secretary of State Hillary Clinton signed—but failed to honor—an official 'separation agreement,' which required her to surrender all work-related documents when she left office. That aide, Huma Abedin, maintained control of emails she sent and received through a personal email account hosted on Clinton's private email server for nearly two-and-a-half years after she left the agency in Feb. 2013. In signing the form—called the OF-109—but failing to turn over State Department records, Abedin may have opened herself up to criminal charges. ...In signing the form, outgoing employees acknowledge that they have been advised that 'Section 1001 of Title 18, United States Code, provides criminal penalties for knowingly and willfully falsifying or concealing material fact in a statement or document submitted to any department or agency of the United States Government." [83434, 83435]

Nina Shea reports at NationalReview.com, "A report by a renowned journalist states that Christians are to be excluded from an impending official United States government declaration of ISIS genocide. If true, it would reflect a familiar pattern within the administration of a politically correct bias that views Christians—even non-Western congregations such as those in Iraq and Syria—never as victims but always as Inquisition-style oppressors. ... Yazidis, according to the story by investigative reporter Michael Isikoff, are going to be officially recognized as genocide victims, and rightly so. Yet Christians, who are also among the most vulnerable religious minority groups that have been deliberately and mercilessly targeted for eradication by ISIS, are not. This is not an academic matter. A genocide designation would have significant policy implications for American efforts to restore property and lands taken from the minority groups and for offers of aid, asylum, and other protections to such victims. Worse, it would mean that, under the Genocide Convention, the United States and other governments would not be bound to act to suppress or even prevent the genocide of these Christians." [83454]

White House press secretary Josh Earnest tells reporters Obama will act to close the terrorist detention facility at Guantanamo "relatively soon. ...But, you know, specifically on this issue, I think if this is an issue that ends up in court, it will be as a result of the abject failure of the United States Congress to put the national security interests of the United States first. ...So, you know, what we would like to see is Congress engage constructively in a strategy that is supported by people who have dedicated their lives to protecting the country. We're just asking members of Congress to fulfill their responsibility to put the interests of the country ahead of their narrower political interests." (Earnest is grossly mistaken. A majority of Americans oppose closing the facility and relocating the terrorists does not improve the security of the nation.) [83449]

On CNN, retired Lieutenant General Mark Hertling criticizes Donald Trump for saying he would "bomb the shit out of [ISIS]." Hertling (a CNN military analyst who leans left politically—which is why he is a CNN military analyst) says, "You just don't do that. Americans don't fight wars by carpet-bombing nations." (Hertling has apparently never heard of World War II or the Vietnam War.) [83458, 83593]

FBI Director James Comey refuses to comment on the motives of Muhammed Youssef Abdulazeez, who killed four Marines and a sailor at a recruitment center in Chattanooga in July. Comey says, "Sometimes the way we investigate requires us to keep information secret. That's a good thing. We don't want to smear people." (The American people deserve to know the motives or killers so that they can better protect themselves against future attacks. Clearly, Comey's statement means, "The Obama administration does not want to offend Muslims.") [83695, 83696]

Near Hebron, two Palestinians shoot and kill an Israeli father and son, and wound the mother and another son. [83473, 83474, 83489]

In Milan, Italy, a female Muslim stabs a Jewish man nine times. [83476, 83488]

In Magdeburg, Germany, the town's citizens form a militia to protect themselves from violent refugees. They state, "The purpose of our militia is not to take over police duties! Nevertheless the police appear more and more to be at their limit when it comes to protecting our security." [83472]

Additional Syrian refugee families arrive in New Orleans, bringing the total so far to 14. So far, about 1,800 Syrians have been brought to the United States in 2015. (On November 14 Louisiana Governor Bobby Jindal writes Obama: "Louisiana has been kept in the dark about those seeking refuge in the state. It is irresponsible and severely disconcerting to place individuals, who may have ties to ISIS, in a state without the state's knowledge or involvement. ...As governor of Louisiana, I demand information.") [83608, 83611, 83624, 83625, 83659, 83671, 83722]

At the Aicha mosque In Montpellier, France, Imam Mohammed Khatabi tells his congregation, "The Muslim is a sleeping giant, and if he awakens woe betide anyone around, because he will restore glory to humanity. ...We want our children to penetrate the political realm in the West. We dream of seeing our children become ministers and dignitaries, and even presidents. Why not? We want them to rule France one day, to rule Belgium, Germany, and Britain..." [83680, 83681]

On the Ohio turnpike, Highway Patrol officers stop a vehicle for improper lane usage and find machine for making and duplicating credit cards. Five men are arrested: Jibril Abdiselam, 24; Mohammeddeq Hassan, 27; Mahamoud Mohamed, 26; Zakaria Warsame, 25; and Said Abu. [83895]

In Paris, coordinated terrorist attacks take place. Gunmen open fire in a restaurant/bar; at least 100 hostages are taken at the Bataclan concert hall; and explosions are heard just outside a soccer stadium. (Two suicide bombers are denied entry to the stadium and they detonate their explosive-laden vests outside.) At least 120 are killed at six or seven attack sites; more than 300 are wounded. [83425, 83426, 83428, 83441, 83460, 83461, 83464, 83465, 83466, 83467, 83469, 83482, 83483, 83492, 83505, 83515, 83521, 83552, 83559, 83576, 83588, 83724, 83848, 83856, 83885, 84007, 84179]

It is worth noting that the concert hall has had Jewish owners for about 40 years and often held pro-Israel events. In addition, the heavy metal group performing was American, the soccer match was between French and German teams and was attended by French President Francois Hollande, and the date of the attacks is November 13. Jihad Watch notes that on November 13, 1918 Allied troops occupied Constantinople (now called Istanbul), the capital of the then-Ottoman Empire, the Caliphate. [83568, 83620, 83621]

Of the victims, more than 80 are hostages in the concert hall, executed by terrorists who shout, "This is for Syria! This is for Syria! What you are doing in Syria? You are going to pay for it now!" Police eventually storm the concert hall and kill three terrorists. [83441, 83483, 83484, 83485, 83514, 83724, 83856, 84179]

The *Mirror* later reports, "ISIS gunmen used knives to torture their mortally wounded victims by slitting their stomachs as they lay on the floor, it has been claimed. An eyewitness who hid in a cellar for three hours as the armed murderers rampaged through the packed Bataclan Theatre in Paris said she knew people were being tortured because she could hear their screams. Mariesha Payne, from Perthshire, told the Daily Mail: 'We knew people were being tortured in the theatre because we heard people screaming, but they were not being shot and these were singular screams. When we escaped a man trapped on the level where it happened said to us the terrorists were stabbing people in the stomach. We were told they were throwing explosives at people. It was a horrendous ordeal.' ...Another survivor, Pierre Marie Bertin, saw men pleading for the lives of their

wives and girlfriends as the killers with their assault rifles told them to shut up." [83856, 83857]

One of the Paris victims is an American student, Nohemi Gonzalez. [83547]

French president Francois Hollande—who was at the soccer game—orders his nation's borders closed; a curfew is imposed; and a state of emergency (essentially martial law) is enacted. [83486, 83487]

New York City is placed on heightened alert.

One arrested terrorist reportedly tells police he is a Syrian who was recruited by ISIS to participate in the attack. (Whether Obama—who just hours earlier declared that ISIS had been "contained"—still intends to bring 200,000+ Syrian refugees into the United States is not clear.) [83481]

Obama says, "We must stop those who do these crimes." (Obama continues to refuse to accept that radical Islamists are at war with western civilization. The attacks are not "crimes," they are acts of war.) "Once again we've seen an outrageous attempt to terrorize innocent civilians. This is an attack not just on Paris, it's an attack not just on the people of France, but this is an attack on all of humanity and the universal values that we share." (Obama is mistaken. The values are not shared universally. If they were, there would be no such attacks. Further, the terrorist who committed the atrocities do not consider their victims to be innocent. By virtue of their being non-Muslim they are considered guilty.) The jihad-defending Obama also says, "I don't want to speculate at this point in terms of who was responsible for this." [83441, 83470, 83480, 83493, 83494, 83577, 83594]

While Obama is reluctant to "speculate" on the identity of the attacks or their motives, French President Francois Hollande says, "To all those who have seen these awful things, I want to say we are going to lead a war which will be pitiless. Because when terrorists are capable of committing such atrocities they must be certain that they are facing a determined France, a united France, a France that is together and does not let itself be moved, even if today we express infinite sorrow." [83462, 83470, 83501]

Pamela Geller writes, "Despite all this horror, the European Union elites are bringing into Europe millions of these savages. I have warned for years about this coming jihad. For doing so, I was attacked, smeared, and marginalized. We were right about it all, and yet still my colleagues [like Jihad Watch's Robert Spencer] and I are blacklisted. Hundreds are dead, and the war has just begun. We did everything in our power to save lives. But the political, media, and academic elites aligned with the savages. And now hundreds more are dead in Paris—and you ain't seen nothing yet." [83467, 83468]

"...Incredibly, Obama said today that the Islamic State (ISIS) is not getting stronger: 'we have contained them.' He is either in an early stage of dementia or he is one of them. I

submit that it is the latter. In either case, Americans must be ready: lock and load. It's not just in Paris, it's here: Garland, Texas, Chattanooga... yesterday, an Ohio Muslim was arrested for plotting to kill U.S. soldiers and bomb churches and schools. 'I'll be proud when I shed American blood,' Muslim convert Terrence McNeil said, according to prosecutors. He allegedly posted messages advocating jihad against the United States: 'I would gladly take part in an attack on this murderous regime and the people.' This was one of their jihad fighters in the US. And Ohio is crawling with them. These are not idle threats. This is a world war. I have exposed hundreds of Islamic State social postings which name names and provide addresses and photos of U.S. soldiers here in the States, urging American Muslims to slaughter our boys and girls." [83467, 83468]

"Right now, nothing is being done to stop jihad recruiting in U.S. mosques, even as several hundred young Muslims from the U.S. have gone to wage jihad for the Islamic State. And now they seek to wage jihad here at home. In the wake of this jihad war in France, terror groups like the Hamas-tied Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) will hold press conferences that their running dogs in the media will clamor to cover, hand-wringing about a non-existent 'fear of reprisals' and 'backlash' against innocent Muslims. And the jihad machine steamrolls on. The Muslim migrant stream into Europe is a Muslim invasion. Back in February, the Islamic State warned that they would send millions of Muslim fighters into Europe. They have made good on their every pledge. And now the attacks in Paris demonstrate that Europe is at war. It's coming here. Stop Muslim migrant immigration. Now." [83467, 83468]

The Guardian predictably demonstrates its far left attitude, writing, "Muslims in France will now increasingly fear being associated with fanaticism and terror. Populist, far-right groups may well fuel more hatred." (Translation: "Don't feel sorry for the victims of the savage jihadists, feel sorry for the Muslims in France who may be looked at with suspicion.") [83479]

The far-left Salon.com tops *The Guardian*, writing, "In recent months, the right-wing media has used language such as 'terrorism' and 'violent,' or that the latter [sic] is 'targeting police for murder' to describe the Black Lives Matter movement. Such bombastic and ugly screeds—which are wholly unfounded, with no basis in empirical reality—have also been used by right-wing opinion leaders to describe the African-American students who are fighting against racism at Yale and the University of Missouri... Real terrorists have killed people in the streets of Paris. The right-wing media needs to take note of that fact and moderate their rhetoric and abusive language accordingly." (Translation: "Criticizing Black Lives Matter activists who chant, "Pigs in a blanket, fry 'em like bacon," and "What do we want? Dead cops" caused otherwise peaceful Muslims in Paris to lose their tempers and kill innocent people." Salon.com apparently wants everyone to turn the other cheek, say nothing that might offend a Muslim, and let western civilization be destroyed.) [83480, 83507, 83539, 83540, 83564]

German Chancellor Angela Merkel, also apparently worried about the possibility that she might offend Muslims, says, "We believe in the right of everyone to seek his fortune and live, to the respect for the other and tolerance [sic]. We know that our free life is stronger

than any terrorist. Let's give the terrorists the answer by living our values confidently. And as we affirm these values throughout Europe. Now more than ever." (The German people have been more than tolerant. It is the Muslim immigrants who have repeatedly demonstrated their intolerance. Merkel is oblivious to the fact that Muslims do not travel to Europe to become Europeans and to assimilate. They travel to Europe to breed, win future elections, and turn Europe into a caliphate.) [83509, 83517, 83518]

French National Front leader Marine Le Pen states, "France must determine who its friends are and who its enemies are. France's enemies are those who maintain links with Islamism. Once and for all, France must recapture control of its borders. Islamist fundamentalism must be destroyed, radical mosques must be closed and radicals clerics must be expelled. French terrorists must be stripped of their citizenship and banned from this country." [83509, 83720]

A leftist newspaper in Iceland warns that there is "More danger of terrorist attacks from racists than followers of Islam." [83554]

Author Ann Coulter tweets, "HOW DID THIS HAPPEN? French people ran onto the street with signs that said, 'Je Suis Charlie!' Why didn't that stop this?" "Paris death toll up to 100. U.S. college students need to tell Parisians about real violence from Halloween costumes & 'trigger words.'" "All we need is people rushing to the street with candles and we'll have these savages on the run!" "100% of TV talk is @ fighting ISIS—IN SYRIA. Bomb away, but isn't there something else we should consider? Like not letting ISIS move here?" "They can wait if they like until next November for the actual balloting, but Donald Trump was elected president tonight." "How does one say 'Illegal immigration is an act of love' in French?" [83495, 83496, 83497, 83498, 83499, 83500, 83505, 83506]

Stern.de reports, "According to information from the Bayerischen Rundfunk (Bavarian Radio) police investigators in Rosenheim, a few days ago [November 5] arrested a man from Montenegro who probably belongs to the circle of terrorists responsible for the bombings in Paris. Immediately after the arrest, the Bavarian State Office of Crime (Landes Kriminalamt) contacted the French authorities and informed them of the details. The 51-year old man was underway with his VW Golf on the Salzburg-Munich Autobahn when he was stopped by investigators in Bad Feilnbach. The car's navigation system showed an address in Paris as the destination. In searching his car, the police uncovered a stash of several pistols, revolvers, ammunition, machine guns, and several kilograms of TNT explosives. According to Focus Online there were eight Kalashnikovs and grenades were found. Nothing is known about the man's background. The man is sitting in prison and is refusing to say anything. He has not even opted to be given a lawyer." [83502, 83570]

Breitbart.com adds, "When officers found two handguns and a grenade under the bonnet of the car, the search intensified, and they soon discovered a significant hidden arsenal. Also secreted about the car behind panels were eight Kalashnikov assault rifles with ammunition, several handguns, two hand grenades, and 200 grams of TNT..." (Although it is extremely difficult for law-abiding French citizens to purchase guns, a strong black market readily provides them for anyone willing to break the law.) [83510, 83523]

On Newsmax.tv retired Air Force General and former NSA and CIA director Michael Hayden says, "We went to school on that attack [in Mumbai in 2008]. We had great fear that we would see copycat versions of that attack—and now, I fear that our fears have been realized, and we're seeing that carried out tonight in Paris. It shows the fragility of free societies. It shows the great danger that international terrorism presents to all of us. This is probably a jihadist attack. It's certainly a terrorist attack. If you ask me on a forced-choice test to pick a group, I'd say ISIS, but we don't know any of that for sure yet. We're going to have to wait and see the evidence as it comes in so that we can form a rational response to a very irrational act." [83503]

Former New York City Police Commissioner Bernard Kerik states, "To pull something like this off, the group needs intelligence. They've got to do surveillance. They've got to acquire weapons. They have to train. They have to do mock runs of whatever it is they're going to do. You mean to tell me five guys pulled off these six attacks [without help]? Absolutely not. I personally believe it's more [than a dozen]. But even if it's [only] a dozen, you mean a dozen guys or more planned this attack for several weeks, if not months, and nobody picked nothing up on it [sic]? That's bad. That's really bad. ...Somewhere, there was no chatter? There was nothing? They didn't know this was coming, in any way? It's just bad. It's really bad. ... Everybody's worried about insulting the Muslim community. We're not talking about law-abiding Muslims. This is a radical Islam extremist group that's responsible for this. Nobody wants to go into the mosques anymore. Nobody wants to collect intelligence in the Muslim community. As soon as anybody even talks about it, they're attacked. There's this major outcry that there's profiling. Somebody did this—and I'm confident that these guys were talking about it somewhere and it wasn't picked up. Being politically correct in combating terrorism is only going to get us hurt. This is an enemy that is a chameleon. This isn't a conventional enemy. These people aren't walking around clad in uniform. These were invisible bodies—and the only way you're going to be able to deal with them is if you know who they are, where they are, what they're doing, what they intend to do, where they came from. All that intelligence has to be collected." [83504]

Mark Levin tells his radio audience, "I want to tell you... what goes through my mind. I bet it goes through your mind: Thank God for the Second Amendment.' Thank God for the Second Amendment or we'd be Europe. We would all be disarmed. Thank God for the Founding Fathers, the framers of the Constitution and the Bill of Rights. Thank God because you see this going on—these poor people who were slaughtered going to a sporting event or a restaurant or a concert or potentially a shopping mall—slaughtered as they stand there by these animals, by these barbarians—and none of them are armed, none of them. ... What is going on in France is going to happen here—I truly believe it. I cringe even when I say it, but I know it will. We're just an easy hit. We're just an easy target. We don't secure the border. We coddle people who come here illegally. We have a president who wants to bring in tens of thousands of people from Syria. We can't even vet them. We don't know their background. ... You can't have sovereignty, you can't

have security, you can't have a rule of law, you can't have a free country if you do not secure your border, ladies and gentlemen. I am sick and tired of being lectured by the left, being lectured by Republicans, being lectured by morons on TV. I am tired of it. It doesn't mean we're anti-anybody. It means we are pro-us. This is common sense. This is what we call reason." [83513]

Several University of Missouri students are angry that the attacks in Paris take media attention from her "grievances." "Melanin Monroe" tweets, "Racist white people kill me, you want everyone to have sympathy for YOUR tragedy, but you have none for ours. #GetTheFuckOutOfHere #Mizzou." "Maybe if you people get some respect and tolerance to hear our outcries, then we'll care more about yours. We are not heartless like you!" "Dar & Donnie" tweet, "Not to take away from Paris at all but just how they're getting news coverage & the world's support, we deserve it too. #Mizzou." "Emma" tweets, "The fact there are some of these journalists using Paris as a way to sweep "Mizzou under the rug is repulsive." "Alasian Invasion" tweets, "Now people are desensitizing #BlackLivesMatter & #Mizzou for what's happening in Paris, have you no common decency?" "Sleaze Rich Porter" tweets, "It's black kids trapped in their rooms in #Mizzou but y'all talking bout #PrayForParis. fuck Paris. #PrayForMizzou." "Amir Parish Crooks" tweets, "People care about what's going on in Paris but ain't said shit about #Mizzou lol get y'all fake caring asses outta here." [83573, 83574, 83596]

On November 14 a suspected suicide bomber is shot and wounded by police in Mississauga, Ontario. Sources tell the *Toronto Sun* "the man was wearing what appeared to be a suicide vest and holding what looked like a triggering device. The threat seemed real enough that the bomb squad was called in and some nearby residents were told to take cover in their basements. The would-be suicide bomber was shot four times by uniformed officers, according to sources. But he survived. A Sun source says police later learned the vest did not contain explosives. Hamza Mohamed Abdi, 26, is charged with possession of a imitation weapon for a dangerous purpose, two counts of uttering threats to cause death or bodily harm and fail to comply with a recognizance order." [83771, 83772]

FoxNews.com reports, "Police in Belgium made three arrests Saturday in connection with Friday's bloody terror assaults in Paris that killed at least 129 people, officials said. Belgium Justice Minister Koen Geens told the VRT network that the arrests came after a car with Belgian license plates was seen Friday night close to the Bataclan concert hall, scene of the deadliest assault where at least 89 people were massacred by attackers armed with AK-47s and explosives." (Complicating the situation in Belgium is the fact that, according to home affairs minister Jan Jambon, the government "does not have control of the situation in Molenbeek," a neighborhood in Brussels. The area is apparently a "no-go" zone because of a large Muslim population.) [83508, 83516, 83535, 83566, 83580, 83581, 83612, 83678, 83679, 83776]

"...Paris prosecutor Francois Molins told a news conference Saturday evening in Paris that the seven attackers who blew themselves up wore identical explosives vests. 'We can say at this stage of the investigation there was probably three coordinated teams of

terrorists behind this barbaric act,' Molins said, according to Reuters. ...Two French police officers told the Associated Press Saturday that one of the suicide bombers was identified as a young Frenchman flagged in the past for links with Islamic extremist activity. The officials said the man was one of the four attackers who blew himself up after a rampage and hostage-taking at the Bataclan." [83508, 81516, 83535, 83566, 83580, 83581]

"Earlier, police officials said they found a Syrian passport on the body of a suicide bomber at another site targeted in the assaults, the Paris soccer stadium where three were killed. The other victims were killed in bursts of gunfire at restaurants in two popular Paris neighborhoods. Molins said the attacker with the Syrian passport was not known to French intelligence services. A Greek official said that terrorist crossed into the European Union through the Greek island of Leros in October, a transit point for Syrian refugees fleeing their war-torn country." (Two Syrian passports found near bodies of the attackers are later shown to be a forgery obtained via Turkey, which prompts some to argue that "refugees aren't really a problem." But at least one of the attackers did, in fact, enter Europe via Greece, registering as a refugee in Leros on October 3.) [83508, 83516, 83535, 83566, 83580, 83581, 83786, 83787]

In northeast France, a high-speed train on a test run catches fire, derails, and tumbles into a canal. According to WesternJournalism.com, "The train was carrying 49 people. All those aboard the train were employees of national railway operator SNCF. At least 10 people have been killed. [The death count is later reduced to five.] About 32 people were injured, 12 of them seriously. Many of those injured were seriously hurt and were airlifted to local hospitals. French environment minister Ségolène Royal said five were unaccounted for. Divers were searching the canal where the train landed in hopes of finding survivors. The train burst into flames, split apart and plunged into the Marne au Rhin canal at in the town of Eckwerscheim, near Strasbourg. ...Spokeswoman Viviane Chevallier said authorities believe the train was going too fast. Initial reports said the train struck a bridge before catching fire." [83512, 83545]

According to Fox News, "An American airstrike has targeted and likely killed a top Islamic State leader in [Darnah,] Libya, in a strike that happened just as the Paris terrorist attacks were underway, the Pentagon said Saturday. Pentagon press secretary Peter Cook said the U.S. strike targeted Abu Nabil, also known as Wissam Najm Abd Zayd al Zubaydi, an Iraqi national who was a longtime al-Qaida operative and the senior Islamic State leader in Libya. This was the first airstrike against an Islamic State leader in Libya and comes on the heels of a U.S. and British operation late last week in Syria that officials believe likely killed Islamic State militant Mohammed Emwazi." [83520]

Blogger Judson Phillips writes, "In light of the horrific Friday the 13th attacks on Paris, its time for real Americans to name their enemies. They are ISIS, Islam, the Democrats and Barack Obama. A lot of people might say such a statement is hateful. The late Andrew Breitbart said, 'The truth isn't hate. It is the truth.' ... Two weeks ago, ISIS blew a Russian airplane out of the sky, killing over 200 people. Now they have attacked Paris. America is next. Obama wants to bring in 200,00 [sic; 20,000 or 200,000] Syrian

refugees. No one will vet them. No one will know where they came from or who they are or more importantly what ties they have to terror. 90% of the so-called 'refugees' showing up in Europe are military aged men. These are the people that Obama wants to bring to America. ...Every Obama policy has one goal in mind. It is to make America weak and vulnerable to an attack. Obama cannot name our enemy. He will not direct meaningful attacks against them. Every time Islamists attack, he rushes to defend Islam. ...Obama is not a fool nor is he ambitious. He is cheering for America's enemies and doing everything within his power to facilitate their cause. Obama is the enemy." [83524]

French police take into custody the father and brother of a French terrorist linked to the attacks in Paris. IsraelNationalNews.com reports, "The body of the 29-year-old French national was found and identified at the Bataclan music hall, where 89 people were shot dead Friday when three gunmen wearing suicide vests opened fire on spectators, in the bloodiest of the attacks in Paris. Investigators were also searching the homes of friends and relatives of the Frenchman, another source close to the enquiry told *AFP*. The father's house is located in the small town of Romilly-sur-Seine, some 130 kilometers (80 miles) east of Paris, while his brother's is south of Paris in the Essonne region. ...Meanwhile in Belgium, police arrested several suspects in Brussels during raids connected to the Paris attacks, including one who was in the French capital at the time of the carnage, Prime Minister Charles Michel said." [83532, 83533, 83534, 83535]

Ian Hanchett reports at Breitbart.com, "MSNBC Contributor and Washington Editor-at-Large for the Atlantic, Steve Clemons stated that French officials he had talked with criticized lack of US support against fighting terrorism, with one arguing that, 'ISIS has been incubated for two years with an absence of US leadership, and that the United States needs to take the security of its allies more seriously' during MSNBC's coverage of the terrorist attacks in Paris on Saturday. In response to a question about his conversations 'with some French officials here in the United States expressing frustration about perhaps a lack of support from the US, in terms of France's ability to fight this jihad.' Clemons said, 'Well, the discussion I-was with French officials in Paris who were communicating this, and you know, in doing so, on a background basis, and on a personal basis, saying that one of the things that they're facing is why did this happen, why did this happen? A lot of it has looked at their relation with the United States. I got an email this morning saying that's not why, our proximity to Syria and all things Syria is profound and big, but he said the bigger part of this is that, for a variety of reasons, directly and indirectly, ISIS has been incubated for two years with an absence of US leadership, and that the United States needs to take the security of its allies more seriously, and it was a direct implication that we had not done and acted in a way to take action... he recognized in his email that I have a different view of that, that that's not my view, but that-very clearly I sensed in these emails and the exchanges, frustration, tenseness, but also confidence. He said, we will prevail in this, but there was a real frustration and tenseness over that. And a frustration that-not only about what was happening and unfolding on the streets of Paris, but where it had come from, how it had been able to metastasize and to grow over the last two years." [83673]

ISIS releases a video encouraging Muslims in France to kill the French people. Pamela Geller provides the translation: "If you are sincere to Allah in your worship and in your creed and are unable to make Hijra [migration] then operate within France. Terrorize them and do not allow them to sleep due to fear and horror. There are weapons and cars available and targets ready to be hit. Even poison is available so poison the food and water of at least one of the enemies of Allah. Kill them and spit in their faces and run over them with your cars. Do whatever you are able to do in order to humiliate them, for they deserve only this." [83536]

Around the world, Muslims celebrate the carnage in Paris. [83537, 83538, 83550, 83551]

ISIS claims responsibility for the terrorist attacks in Paris and states, "Let France and all nations following its path know that they will continue to be at the top of the target list for the Islamic State and that the scent of death will not leave their nostrils as long as they partake in the crusader campaign, as long as they dare to curse our Prophet (blessings and peace be upon him), and as long as they boast about their war against Islam in France and their strikes against Muslims in the lands of the Caliphate with their jets, which were of no avail to them in the filthy streets and alleys of Paris. Indeed, this is just the beginning. It is also a warning for any who wish to take heed. Allah is the greatest." [83543, 83565, 83579]

An ISIS video warns the French, "As long as you keep bombing you will not live in peace. You will even fear traveling to the market." [83571]

One of the Paris terrorists is identified as a Syrian "refugee." At least one is reportedly French, while others may be from Belgium, Germany and Egypt. [83544, 83546]

French President Francois Hollande states that the nation "will be merciless toward the barbarians of Islamic State group" and "will act by all means anywhere, inside or outside the country. ...I pay homage to the country's defenders who fought the terrorists yesterday. Everyone has given their upmost and will be putting in their best efforts in the day to come. Even if France is wounded, she will rise." [83553]

Israeli Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu states, "Israel stands shoulder to shoulder with President Francois Hollande and with the French people in the joint war against terrorism. I offer the condolences of the people of Israel to the families of those murdered, and wish those wounded a speedy recovery. I have been arguing for years that Islamic terror is attacking Israel and other countries because it simply wants to destroy us. ...[An] attack on any of us needs to be seen as an attack on all of us. ...Terror is a systematic and targeted assault on innocent civilians. Nothing justifies the terrorism. We always need to condemn it, always need to fight it." [83592]

At Gatwick Airport in England, the north terminal is closed for six hours after a man from France places a suspicious item in a garbage can. It is then detonated safely by police. BBC.com reports, "Sussex Police said 'personal items and what appears to be a firearm' were recovered and removed for forensic examination." [83548, 83549, 83569]

An Air France flight is grounded at Amsterdam's Schipol Airport after a bomb threat via Twitter. [83557, 83558]

Poland's minister for European affairs, Konrad Szymanski, states that the government will not accept European Union refugee quotas. [83560, 83561]

IBTimes.com writes, "As world leaders decried the attacks [in Paris] as an 'act of war' and international media trumpeted the arrival of World War III, security experts said Saturday a perfect storm could be brewing for an invocation of the NATO's Article 5, the clause declaring an attack against one ally to be an attack against all. ...NATO Secretary-General Jens Stoltenberg said Friday the alliance would stand with France and remain 'strong and united' against terrorism. Although France hasn't announced whether it will invoke Article 5, Stoltenberg told the Journal NATO's members stand ready to assist. ...The defense clause of NATO's founding treaty stipulates that if invoked, each of the members will assist the party attacked. NATO's military resources include more than 3 million troops under arms, 25,000 aircraft and 800 oceangoing warships, according to Foreign Policy. Economically, the alliance is also an intimidating force, representing more than 50 percent of global GDP. The only time Article 5 has been invoked was after the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks on the New York and Washington, which prompted NATO's participation in the Afghanistan military mission." [83605, 83606]

On MSNBC, the Daily Beast's Christopher Dickey whines that "right-wing politicians in this country [France] are going to do their best to take advantage of [the terrorist attacks] and probably successfully to further divide this country, basically to simplify it between black and white." Program host Tamron Hall worries that a "tsunami of hatred may await Muslims and residents of poor neighborhoods following these deadly attacks." (Dickey and Hall should be informed that Americans were also angry with the Japanese on December 7, 1941. They may want to open a history book and learn why.) [83556, 83619]

At FrontPageMag.com Jihad Watch's Robert Spencer writes, "French and European authorities can't say they weren't warned. Last February, the Islamic State boasted it would soon flood Europe with as many as 500,000 refugees. And the Lebanese Education Minister recently said that there were 20,000 jihadis among the refugees in camps in his country. Meanwhile, 80% of migrants who have recently come to Europe claiming to be fleeing the war in Syria aren't really from Syria at all. ...So war was declared, and acts of war carried out—and the response has been drearily predictable. German Interior Minister Thomas de Maiziere was swift to try to dissociate the Paris attacks from the migrant influx into Europe: 'I would like to make this urgent plea to avoid drawing such swift links to the situation surrounding refugees.' Alas for de Maiziere, there was the inconvenient fact of that Syrian 'refugee' who passed through Greece on his way to jihad in Paris." [83562, 83563, 83566, 83567] "Meanwhile, Barack Obama was true to form, not mentioning Islam or Muslims in his statement on the Paris attacks, and not giving a hint that it was his precipitous and politically motivated withdrawal from Iraq that created the vacuum that allowed for the rise of the Islamic State. Indeed, the Islamic State could end up being the most significant legacy of the Obama Administration. Obviously American troops couldn't have stayed in Iraq forever, and the Iraq project from its beginnings was based on false assumptions about Islam, ignoring its political, supremacist and violent aspects; but Obama's hasty and ill-thought out withdrawal took into account none of the realities on the ground: the Sunni/Shi'ite divide, the Iranian influence in Baghdad, the Sunnis' unwillingness to participate in the Baghdad government and the Shi'ites' refusal to allow them to do so in any significant way, and more. France today is paying the price for the willful ignorance and short-sightedness of Obama and his administration." [83562, 83563]

"The Leftist media is firmly stuck in willful ignorance mode as well. Salon published a piece entitled, 'Our terrorism double standard: After Paris, let's stop blaming Muslims and take a hard look at ourselves,' and another entitled, 'And so the hate speech begins: Let Paris be the end of the right's violent language toward activists.' The Guardian worried that after the Paris jihad murders Friday, 'far-right groups may well fuel more hatred.' Neither Salon nor the Guardian, nor any other mainstream media outlet, published any realistic assessment of the advancing jihad threat in France and the West in general. And so as the Western intelligentsia fell into familiar patterns of response, it only ensured that there would be many, many more attacks, in Europe and the U.S., like the one in Paris Friday. It seems as if no amount of disconfirming evidence will move the establishment Left to remove its blinkers, discard its politically correct fantasies, and face the jihad threat realistically. The Leftists in the corridors of power are today ensuring that there will be much, much more bloodshed." [83562, 83563, 83564]

Dan Kimmel, a Democrat candidate for state representative in Minnesota, tweets, "ISIS isn't necessarily evil. It is made up of people doing what they think is best for their community. Violence is not the answer, though." (After understandable criticism, Kimmel ends his campaign.) [83572, 83628]

At NYPost.com Michael Goodwin writes, "In any time and place, war is fiendishly simple. It is the ultimate zero-sum contest—you win or you lose. That eternal truth is so obvious that it should not need to be said. Yet even after the horrific slaughter in Paris, there remains a distressing doubt about whether America's commander in chief gets it. ...Obama has spent the last seven years trying to avoid the world as it is. He has put his intellect and rhetorical skills into the dishonorable service of assigning blame and fudging failure. If nuances were bombs, Islamic State would have been destroyed years ago. ...Paris is the final straw. Obama's exemption from reality has expired. He must either commit to leading the free world to victory, or step aside so someone else can. There is no more time to avoid the truth of war. America must organize the combined forces of the civilized world before Islamic State makes good on its vow to 'taste' more American blood. As a top intelligence adviser told me yesterday, 'What they did in Paris means they are coming here.' In fact, they already are here. Law-enforcement officials say the FBI has as many as 1,000 investigations open into Islamic State sympathizers inside the US." [83595]

"...The raid that got [Osama] bin Laden marked the high point of Obama's commitment. He turned that achievement into political gold in 2012 and declared the 'tide of war is receding' to justify his decision to withdraw from the field of battle. It was a convenient figment of self-interest, as if his wish would make it true. Instead, the strategic dominos fell quickly as war metastasized. The hard-won gains in Iraq were reversed, Syria descended into hell and Islamic State was born in the vacuum. ...The terrorists smell weakness and have increased the pace of their aggressive expansion. Their aim of global conquest must be taken seriously. ...Yet it remains doubtful if our side is truly committed to winning. The determination and unity the free world showed after 9/11 faded as casualties, mistakes and politics eroded the mission. So we are back to square one again, facing a stronger and more emboldened enemy. The time has run out for half measures and kicking the can down the road. The enemy must be destroyed on the battlefield before there can be any hope of peace. If Obama cannot rise to the challenge of leadership in this historic crisis, then, for the good of humanity, he should resign. Those are the only options and it is his duty to decide." [83595]

Talk radio's Michael Savage writes, "There is a dance of death in the West and actual death in the Middle East, courtesy of the Islamofascists. Meanwhile, the Caesar in the White House entertains himself with a thousand sycophants, partying on behind closed doors as if the Islamofascist hand will not touch him. He thinks he's protected from this new plague, the Black Death of radical Islam. ... The radical Muslims are on the warpath and they are against everyone else. They are against Muslims who are not as fanatical. They are against the members of all other religions. They think they are going to take us back to some pristine religious period in human history that never actually occurred.These 'faith warriors' live lower than the pigs they despise. They kidnap and rape 8-year-old girls and say the Quran authorizes it. They're not purists. They're killers. They're Nazis in head scarfs [sic; headscarves]. They aren't leading a religious revival. They're trying to take us back to a state of barbarism that has been extinct for 1,200 years. This is a barbaric revolution, and we have a man in the White House who denies its existence. But whether he chooses to acknowledge it or not, it's going to continue until someone puts a stop to it." [83586]

"...Why would any government bring in unvetted Muslim immigrants at a time like this? It would seem that only an insane prince would do this to his country. But Obama is not insane. He's stoned. He's stoned on the orthodoxy of the progressive left. Obama and his supporters are drunk on their ideology. They think they're going to create a progressive utopia by continuing their attack on all Western values. This is precisely how great civilizations of the past declined and eventually fell. They rejected the values that made them great and degenerated into narcissism and selfishness. They kept on partying until they were too weak to defend themselves. Then, the unthinkable happened. They fell." [83586]

Meanwhile, Senators Patrick Leahy (D-VT) and Lindsey Graham (R-SC) propose a doubling of spending to resettle Syrian refugees in the United States, and process as many as 100,000 over two years. [83600]

Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) states, "We need to immediately declare a halt to any plans to bring refugees that may have been infiltrated by ISIS to the United States. We need to redouble our efforts to prevent ISIS agents from penetrating our nation by other means." Former Arkansas governor Mike Huckabee states, "During the debate last week, I stated that we should not admit those claiming to be Syrian refugees and was condemned by the left for that position. I was right, and the events in Paris affirm that. Even the far left and politically correct government of France has closed its borders. It's time for a president who will act to protect Americans, not just talk and protect the image of Islam." [83587]

Time Warner Cable reports, "Almost 1000 people took 'A Pledge of Non-Violence' Saturday at Destiny Christian Center in Greensboro [North Carolina]. This was to show their commitment to safety across the Gate City. Gun owners also turned in unwanted firearms and ammunition at the event. Signing the pledge and turning in weapons was spurred, in part, by an increase in gun violence across the city. This year gun violence has increased 68 percent from last year." (HotAir.com points out that while as many as one thousand people may have signed the pledge, only two "weapons" were turned in: a BB gun and a knife.) [84033, 84034, 84153]

The Democrat presidential candidates debate at Drake University. The event is admirably moderated by CBS' John Dickerson. Hillary Clinton is unscathed, as she demonstrates her ability to avoid answering questions directly by tossing out every name, date, and statistic she can to make viewers believe she is knowledgeable and in control-while making them forget what she was asked. Senator Bernie Sanders (I-VT) again encourages the media to forget about Clinton's email scandal, and absurdly claims climate change is a greater security threat than ISIS. (Sanders also says, "Climate change is directly related to the growth of terrorism.") Both Clinton and Sanders insist that the United States should not lead the fight against ISIS and should only participate, while former Maryland governor Martin O'Malley disagrees and says the United States must be the leader. All three are afraid to use the term radical Islam, and Clinton declares, "I don't think we're at war with Islam. I don't think we're at war with all Muslims. ... I don't want us to be painting with too broad a brush." Sanders and O'Malley agree that the terms "Islamic extremist" and "radical Islam" should not be used because they are offensive. (Apparently there are more Muslim voters in the United States than many might believe.) The three candidates offer slightly different vote-buying packages of "free stuff" (free college educations, for example), while avoiding any details on how those giveaways will be paid for. [83519, 83527, 83530, 83575, 83578, 83599, 83623, 83649, 83654, 83656]

Sanders criticizes Clinton for the monumental campaign contributions she has received from Wall Street. He says, "Let's not be naive about it. Why over her political career has Wall Street been the major contributor to her campaign?" She responds, "I represented New York on 9/11. Where were we attacked? We were attacked in downtown Manhattan where Wall Street is. I've had a lot of folks who give me donations from all types of

backgrounds say, 'I don't agree with you on everything but I like what you do, I like how you stand up, I'm going to support you.'" She claims, "I worked closely with New Yorkers after 9/11 for my entire first term." (Even the Democrats watching the debate may be less than thrilled with her response—especially if they realize that Clinton received more than \$1.1 million in Wall Street campaign contributions for her pre-9/11 Senate run. Few will watch the next Democrat debate, which is scheduled for December 20—the Saturday before Christmas.) [83585, 83597, 83630, 83643]

On November 15 Obama attends a G-20 economic summit in Antalya, Turkey. (He arrives late for a planned moment of silence for the victims of the terrorist attacks in Paris.) [83607, 83667, 83726]

Reuters reports, "Iraqi Foreign Minister Ibrahim al-Jaafari has said his country's intelligence services shared information they had which indicated that France, the United States and Iran were among countries being targeted for attack [presumably by ISIS terrorists]. He did not elaborate, but the comments came after 129 people were killed in Paris on Friday by gunmen and suicide bombers in attacks claimed by [the] Islamic State. 'Information has been obtained from Iraqi intelligence sources that the countries to be targeted soon, before it occurred, are Europe in general, specifically France, as well as America and Iran,' Jaafari said from the sidelines of talks in Vienna on ending the war in Syria on Saturday. He said the countries had been informed." [83531]

The *Daily Mail* reports, "Police were today reportedly involved in a car chase after a vehicle containing four 'heavily armed men' stormed through a motorway toll road and headed towards Paris amid fears of further terror attacks. French police were said to be in pursuit of a Citroën Berlingo after it forced its way through a toll on the A10 in the Ablis area of Yvelines in north-west France at lunchtime today. The town is approximately 40 miles from the centre of Paris and the incident comes as police remain on high alert following a string of deadly terror attacks across the French capital last night. Police also confirmed they are currently hunting a black Seat vehicle, registered abroad, which is 'wanted in connection with the attacks.'" [83541, 83542]

The French conduct airstrikes on Raqqa, Syria, where ISIS is headquartered. According to the BBC, the strikes reportedly "hit a command and control centre, a Jihadi recruitment centre, a munitions depot and a training camp." (Some might wonder why the U.S. military had not already attacked those sites.) [83582, 83583, 83604, 83610, 83642, 83644, 83692]

At JihadWatch.org Raymond Ibrahim writes, "The grand lesson is that such attacks must and will continue to multiply in severity. Why? Because Western nations, their leaders and media talking heads continue to be shocked and dismayed. ...What is truly shocking is that so many are still shocked. When someone is shocked, they are essentially saying they have no idea how a specific event, in this case yesterday's Paris attack, came to pass. In turn, this means that all the factors that led up to such terrorist attacks—from an already large Muslim presence further engorged with more Muslim migraters, to an inability to speak honestly about Islam's supremacist and violent teachings—will continue unabated. And that means many more such attacks and worse will continue. Count on it." [83555]

On *This Week*, Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) says he opposes taking in refugees from the Middle East: "The problem is we can't background check them. You can't pick up the phone and call Syria. And that's one of the reasons why I said we won't be able to take more refugees. It's not that we don't want to, it's that we can't. Because there's no way to background check someone that's [sic; who is] coming from Syria. Who do you call [in order to] do a background check on them? The bottom line is that this is not just a threat coming from abroad. What we need to open up to and realize is that we have a threat here at home—home-grown violent extremists. Individuals who perhaps have not even traveled abroad, who had been radicalized online. This has become a multi-faceted threat." [83603]

On *Fox News Sunday*, White House hack and flack Ben Rhodes (whose brother David is head of CBS News) tells Chris Wallace the Obama administration is "still planning to take in Syrian refugees. ... [W]e have very robust vetting procedures for those refugees. It involves our intelligence community, our national counter-terrorism center, extensive interviews, vetting them against all information. [W]hat we need to be able to do frankly is sort out that foreign fighter flow—those who have gone into Syria and come out and want to launch attacks or those who have connections with ISIL in Syria. We need to be able to have the intelligence base to identify and target those people. At the same time we have to recognize they're tragic victims of this conflict, they're women, children, orphans of this war, and I think we need to do our part along with our allies to provide them a safe haven. " (Rhodes' claim is a total fabrication. FBI Director James Comey has told Congress there is almost no vetting because there are no databases of ISIS fighters or even Syrian criminals. here is simply no file against which all the refugee names could be checked—even if none of the refugees lied about their identities, which some most certainly would do.) [83601, 83611, 83632, 83651, 83723, 83819]

Congressman Peter King (R-NY), chairman of the House Subcommittee on Terrorism, tells Wallace, "I was listening to Ben Rhodes, and what he just said about the robust vetting of refugees is untrue. There's virtually no vetting. There are no databases in Syria. There are no government records. We don't know who these people are, and when you meet with the people doing the vetting, they tell us that. They are rolling a dice here and we know that ISIS wants to bring in terrorists with these refugees." With regard to Obama's plan to bring 100,000 or more refugees into the United States, King says, "He should absolutely suspend it unless they can show 100 percent that a person is not involved with ISIS, because right now there's no responsible way to do the vetting. And that's the reality and why people like Ben Rhodes continue to say this is beyond me. To me it's as misguided as [Obama] saying that he's contained ISIS. This is a failure of leadership. And until we get leadership we we're not going to get Arab states standing behind us and we're not going to have confidence from other allies around the world, and [Obama] from the day he started his war against ISIS, 14, 15 months ago, it's been apologetic. He keeps telling us what he's not going to do. We should never tell ISIS what we are not going to do." [83602]

Rhodes also appears on *State of the Union* and insists ISIS has been contained, prompting CNN's Jake Tapper to respond, "If this is what ISIS looks like contained, I shudder to think what ISIS looks like uncontained." [83641, 83651]

Rhodes spews the same drivel on *Meet the Press*, where he claims, "We have very extensive screening procedures for all Syrian refugees who come to the United States. There is a very careful vetting process that including [sic] our terrorism community, our Department of Homeland Security. Let's remember, ...we're also dealing with people who suffer the horrors of war. Women and children, orphans. We can't just shut our doors to those people. We need to do our part to take refugees in need." [83651]

Also appearing on *Meet the Press* is Jeb Bush, who says, "We should declare war, and harness all of the power that the United States can bring to bear, both diplomatic and military, of course, to be able to take out ISIS. ...Declare a no-fly zone over Syria. Directly arm the [Kurdish] Peshmerga forces in Iraq. Re-engage with the Sunni tribal leaders. Embed with the Iraqi military. Be able to create safe zones in Syria. Garner the support of our European allies and the traditional Arab states." [83676]

On *Face the Nation*, Congressman Devin Nunes (R-CA), chairman of the House Intelligence Committee, says, "First off, you have a strategic failure on behalf of the administration on not having a real plan to fight ISIS. Secondly, I really think we should take to heart what FBI Director [James] Comey has been saying over and over and over again, and that is that we are losing the capability to track these terrorists around the globe." Senator Richard Burr (R-NC), chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee, adds, "[Terrorist use of encryption] technology is going to be a tough thing to deal with, but we've got to redouble our efforts to make sure that we're able to get the communications we need to give us lead time to give us a better understanding. [Obama] talked the other morning about [how] ISIL was contained. America learned within 24 hours, it's not contained. It's rampant everywhere in the world that they intend to carry out these horrific acts. It just so happens the United States is a target. But Paris was easier. And if we don't get a strategy, tactics don't make a strategy. So these pinpricks that we've had as far as a tactical effort in—in Syria, really is not a strategy." [83652]

Former CIA deputy director Michael Morrell says, "I think it's now crystal clear to us that our strategy—our policy vis-à-vis ISIS—is not working, and it's time to look at something else." [83730]

At Breitbart.com Pamela Geller writes, "The most basic, primitive honor a nation owes to its dead is to fight to defend itself—to defeat the enemy and win. And yet the West won't. The West is hanging on by a thread and doesn't even know it. We are living off the fumes of the accomplishments of our forefathers and those who fought and died in the cause of freedom and individual rights. But the thread is wearing thin. Time is just about running out. After the murderous jihad attacks in Paris comes the predictable Western response: not resolute self-defense, but weepy candlelight vigils, protestations of unity, and hashtags. After the jihad attacks in Garland, Texas, Chattanooga, the University of California Merced, and scores of arrests of American Muslims working for ISIS (the FBI has 900 ISIS-related investigations currently ongoing), our top priority should be to crush the enemy. Instead, we get pathos and pitiful memes. NBC reported: 'Paris residents were using the hashtag #PorteOuverte—French for 'open door'—on Twitter to offer safe haven to strangers stranded after a string of deadly attacks Friday night.' Everyone is congratulating himself over this hashtag. 'Twitter users in other countries,' NBC added, 'also began using the hashtag to share their delight that social media was being used for a good cause'—colossal stupidity." [83613, 83614]

"...People are crowing about hashtags and blood donations as if this is somehow new. Of course we care. We always care. That is our value system, that is a Western value. The United States of America is the most charitable nation on earth. That is who we are—although when Obama speaks about universal values, G-d only knows which ones he is talking about: those of the West or those of Sharia. What no one is talking about is taking on these savages. That is what is so morally depraved about our response. The idea that we're not allowed to take the appropriate measures to defeat the Islamic State is obscene. The idea that the United States of America cannot defeat the Islamic State or al-Qaeda is absurd, and the whole world knows it. But we choose not to use our strength. We choose to be victims. It's shameful." [83613, 83614]

"...Obama has aligned with the jihad force. In Syria, Egypt and Libya, and worst of all, now Iraq. He has blood on his hands. He has the blood of hundreds of thousands of Christians, the blood of our soldiers. By abandoning Iraq, he takes on his hands the death of every soldier who gave life and limb in Iraq to defend this country. Whether you agreed with the Iraq war or not, we did it. We went in and asked the native population to help us. You cannot just withdraw and abandon those people. Is it proper for us to defend ourselves and to take the appropriate action to defend this country? Of course. One of Obama's historic crimes is that he allowed our superiority to deteriorate. But that doesn't mean our enemies have disappeared, or that we cannot or should not defend ourselves against them. Just hours after Obama insisted that he had contained the 'Junior Varsity team' ISIS, they laid siege to Paris. And this goes unchallenged." [83613, 83614]

"When Muslims attack, the left attacks us. MSNBC, the Guardian, and Salon all ran pieces blaming the 'right-wing' for the Paris attacks. Outrageous, but not surprising. The enemedia is aligned with the jihad force. As the jihad heats up in the West, the media is becoming more clumsy and desperate in its attempts to deflect attention away from the jihad and back to its favorite bogeyman, 'right-wing extremists.' Now, even when the evidence of Islamic jihad responsibility is everywhere, as it is with the Paris attacks, 'journalists' still find ways to put the blame on the 'right-wing' that they hate far more than they do bloodthirsty jihadis, whom they don't dislike at all. ...We need to go to war against the left. We have to get that into our heads. We have to accept that terrible reality. They want to destroy our freedom. They want to destroy our country. They want to steal our children. That's war. There is no one on the right who has the correct philosophy about this. The left demands the right to lie, and they are lying to the American people on a massive scale, even to the extent of making people think there is something wrong with loving and defending our nation." [83613, 83614]

"The idea that the Paris attacks happened on the eve of a global conference not on the gravest threat to freedom, not on the global jihad, but on climate change, speaks to how unreal and sick we are as rational beings. Even worse, as if that weren't bad enough, you have a presidential candidate saying that climate change is responsible for terrorism. And the very serious talking heads in the mainstream media are reporting this with a straight face. The fact is, global jihadists, whether they're ISIS or al-Qaeda or Hamas or Hezbollah, are monstrous aggressors. We don't have to wait for the first sign that they are attacking; they have declared war against us. They must be destroyed. We can't complain about what we should or shouldn't be doing, we have to correct it. This idea of containment, as Obama claimed the other day to have 'contained' ISIS, is absurd—an intermediate state. There is no intermediate state. It's either/or. This is war. We have to fight it." [83613, 83614]

WHDH.com reports, "The FBI says weapons are missing after a break-in at the Army Reserve Center in Worcester [Massachusetts]. The FBI says it is working with State Police and Worcester Police to recover the weapons. 'There is no indication that these missing weapons are connected to any kind of terrorism threat whatsoever. Nevertheless, every effort will be made to recover these weapons immediately,' the FBI said in a statement. The weapons have been entered into a national database, according to the FBI. Federal, state and local law enforcement authorities have been alerted." [83609, 83883]

Michigan Governor Rick Snyder announces his state will not accept any refugees until the Department of Homeland Security fully reviews its vetting procedures. Snyder states, "Michigan is a welcoming state and we are proud of our rich history of immigration, but our first priority is protecting the safety of our residents." Alabama Governor Robert Bentley also says no to refugees, stating, "As your Governor, I will not stand complicit to a policy that places the citizens of Alabama in harm's way. The acts of terror committed over the weekend are a tragic reminder to the world that evil exists and takes the form of terrorists who seek to destroy the basic freedoms we will always fight to preserve." (Other states declare they also do not want refugees: Idaho, Utah, New Mexico, Nebraska, Kansas, Iowa, Missouri, Kentucky, Tennessee, South Carolina, Maryland, New Jersey, North Dakota, Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Ohio, Massachusetts, Indiana, Georgia, New Hampshire, Wisconsin, Illinois, Arizona, Mississippi, Florida, and North Carolina. Obama will not care and will ship refugees to those states anyway and dare anyone to stop him. Meanwhile, 72 House Democrats send a letter to Obama asking him to bring 100,000 Syrians to the United States.) [83626, 83527, 83637, 83663, 83664, 83670, 83671, 83698, 83721, 83775, 83831, 83979, 83980, 84242, 84243]

The Department of Defense announces that five Yemeni detainees (Ali Ahmad Muhammad al-Razihi, Khalid Abd-al-Jabbar Muhammad Uthman al-Qadasi, Adil Said al-Hajj Ubayd al-Busays, Sulayman Awad Bin Uqayl al-Nahdi, and Fahmi Salem Said al-Asani) currently being held at Guantanamo have been released to the United Arab Emirates. (Pamela Geller suggests Obama is "restocking enemy leadership.") [83635, 83636, 83640, 83687, 83688]

On November 16 the Associated Press reports, "France identified a 27-year-old Belgian who once boasted about killing 'infidels' and fought for the Islamic State group in Syria as the mastermind of the Paris attacks, and President Francois Hollande vowed Monday to forge a united coalition capable of defeating the jihadists at home and abroad. ... A French security official said anti-terror intelligence officials had identified Abdelhamid Abaaoud, a Belgian of Moroccan descent, as chief architect of the Friday the 13th attacks on a rock concert, a soccer game and popular nightspots in one of Paris' trendiest districts. The official cited chatter from IS [ISIS] figures that Abaaoud had recommended a concert as an ideal target for inflicting maximum casualties, as well as electronic communications between Abaaoud and one of the Paris attackers who blew himself up. ... French police have used emergency powers to conduct 168 searches since Sunday night that netted 127 arrests and 31 weapons. ...But police have yet to announce the capture of anyone suspected of direct involvement in Friday's slaughter. Seven attackers died—six after detonating suicide belts and a seventh from police gunfire—but Iraqi intelligence officials told The Associated Press that its sources indicated 19 participated in the attack and five others provided hands-on logistical support." Abaaoud was reportedly also behind the attempted train attack in August that was thwarted by several Americans. [83615, 83616, 83683, 83684]

"French police accidentally permitted the suspected driver of one group of gunmen, 26year-old Salah Abdeslam, to avoid arrest at the border Saturday and cross to his native Belgium. On Monday, Belgian police in balaclavas, gas masks and body armor raided Abdeslam's suspected hideout in the Molenbeek district of Brussels but came out emptyhanded. Abdeslam's brother, Brahim, was among the suicide bombers and killed one civilian after blowing himself up outside a restaurant. Police in Molenbeek arrested another brother, Mohamed, but freed him Monday without charge." [83615, 83616]

One of the Paris suicide bombers was 29-year-old Omar Ismail Mostefai, who one French neighbor claims "was a nice guy." Nicolas Liboo says, "I used to talk to him every day. ...I couldn't believe it when I saw on Facebook that [one suicide bomber] was Ismail. I was shocked." (Mostefai had been arrested eight times for various petty crimes, and was reportedly radicalized at a mosque in Chartres.) [83618, 83622, 83701, 83702]

In a bizarre press conference in Turkey, a defensive Obama insists ISIS has nothing to do with Islam, claims his ISIS strategy (whatever it might be) will ultimately work and that ISIS has been contained, slyly blames the Bush administration for the Paris attacks, and states that he *still* plans to bring at least 10,000 Syrian refugees to the United States. Obama is annoyed when reporters dare to question his strategy, his leadership, and his underestimation of the strength and influence of ISIS. He becomes especially angry when he excoriates those who he says suggest that Christians refugees, but not Muslims, should be welcomed into the United States. A sanctimonious Obama also insists there are "rigorous screening and security checks" of refugees—even though FBI Director James Comey insists that is not the case. Over the last year Obama has shown no interest in offering asylum to Christian refugees from the Middle East, who are being exterminated by ISIS fighters. He now says it's "not American" to deny Muslim refugees access to America, and declares, "We don't have religious tests to our compassion"—despite the

fact that he has been doing just that. [83631, 83639, 83645, 83646, 83647, 83648, 83653, 83655, 83657, 83662, 83665, 83668, 83674, 83682, 83706, 83725, 83732, 83777, 83778, 83819, 83828]

Obama says, "I think, on the one hand, non-Muslims cannot stereotype, but I also think the Muslim community has to think about how we make sure that children are not being infected with this twisted notion that somehow they can kill innocent people, uh, and that that is justified." (Interestingly, Obama says *we [Muslims] make sure* rather than *they make sure*. In fact, he even emphasizes the word *we* as he speaks.) [83899]

Obama says it would be a mistake to sent ground troops to Syria: "[L]et's assume that we were to send 50,000 troops into Syria—what happens when there's a terrorist attack generated from Yemen? Do we then send more troops into there? Or Libya perhaps? Or if there's a terrorist network that's operating anywhere else in North Africa or in Southeast Asia?" (Obama is essentially suggesting that if the terrorists cannot be fought everywhere they should not be fought anywhere. The Allied Forces would have lost World War II had Obama been president in the 1940s. Franklin D. Roosevelt did not refuse to order the U.S. Armed Forces to fight Japan after it bombed Pearl Harbor because there was a possibility the United States was also likely to be drawn into the war against the Nazis in Europe. The stupidity of Obama's remarks are astounding.) [83737]

Amazingly, Obama calls the terrorist attacks in Paris a "temporary setback" in the battle against ISIS, but brags, "Even as we grieve with our French friends, however, we can't lose sight that there has been progress being made." (The mourning people of France likely consider the massacre more than a "temporary setback" and, like most Americans, are unaware of much progress being made against the jihadi savages.) Also amazingly, Obama says, "What I'm not interested in doing is posing or pursuing some notion of American leadership, or 'America winning,' or whatever other slogans they come up with, that has no relationship to what actually is going to work to protect the American people. I'm too busy for that." (Barack "hope and change slogan" Obama has no patience for those who want America to win the battle against radical Islam He apparently prefers America losing to America winning—which it may, if the 200,000 refugees he plans to bring into the United States are infiltrated by ISIS terrorists.) [83668, 83675, 83699, 83700, 83726]

Rush Limbaugh responds: "This is arrogant condescension and the whole idea here about winning and victory, intellectuals, in their world, that is blue-collar stuff, that's hayseed, hick stuff, talking about winning and this and that. The intellectuals know there is no winning. There's just containment. There's appeasement, there's cooperation, coalition. Winning? Come on, don't waste my time. We're so beyond winning. In his vaunted world of superior intelligence and being, winning is such a passé thing. Leadership, it's so irrelevant to the real world today. But he wasn't finished. He then lectured everybody on how we have to accept Muslims as well as Christians or we're all just a bunch of bigots. ...The only time [Obama] came alive, the only time Obama got passionate was when what? When he started talking about the migrants. When he started talking about the migrants and how we must keep our doors open. He started condemning people who

think we need to keep Syrian refugees out of here, we need to keep Muslim refugees out of here, we only should let in Christians, he blew up." (WashingtonTimes.com reports, "State Department figures released Monday showed that the current system overwhelmingly favors Muslim refugees. Of the 2,184 Syrian refugees admitted to the United States so far, only 53 are Christians while 2,098 are Muslim, the Christian News Service reported.") [83700, 83732, 83736, 83777]

CNN's Christiane Amanpour, who typically is not particularly critical of Obama, comments, "He said something that is pretty incredible, according to many of the military experts here and around the world who I have spoken to—that our [anti-ISIS] strategy is working. He's saying that ISIS is contained. This is also not actually true. ISIS is not contained because ISIS attacked a Russian plane, attacked Beirut, and has now attacked here. ...They are not contained. They have just slaughtered 129 people in Paris." [83658]

NBC's Chuck Todd comments, "I was struck by how defensive [Obama] was, how much he's paying attention to his political critics. I was surprised by his tone, I was surprised by the defensiveness. He didn't channel what I think a lot of Americans are feeling right now, a little bit of anger, a little bit of resolve and a little bit of resiliency. ...I go back to the tone of this press conference. Extremely defensive and almost not yet realizing that many of the reporters in that room, they're channeling the public in this case." [83709, 83789]

Even *The Washington Post* seems exasperated with Obama, writing, "Pressed about his strategy for fighting the Islamic State, a petulant-sounding ...Obama insisted Monday, as he has before, that his critics have offered no concrete alternatives for action in Syria and Iraq, other than putting 'large numbers of U.S. troops on the ground.' This claim was faulty in two respects. First, few if any White House critics are proposing a U.S. ground operation on the scale of the previous wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. At the same time, military experts both within and outside the administration have proposed more modest measures that could significantly increase the pressure on the Islamic State if the president were to adopt them. ...The United States has not used its leverage to bring about essential political change, including the removal of Syrian President Bashar al-Assad and significant steps by the Shiite-led Iraqi government to reconcile with Sunni leaders. In response to failures, Mr. Obama has tended to escalate U.S. action in small increments unlikely to make a decisive difference—like his recent decision to dispatch fewer than 50 Special Operations troops to Syria." [83714]

Senator Dianne Feinstein (D-CA) tells MSNBC's Andrea Mitchell, "I have never been more concerned. ISIL is not contained. ISIL is expanding. They just put out a video saying it is their intent to attack this country. I think we have to be prepared. ... They are sophisticated. They have apps to communicate on that cannot be pierced even with a court order. So they have a kind of secret way of being able to conduct operations and operational planning. So we should take this very, very seriously. ... We will have to listen very carefully to our military people and ask for the kind of precise military strategy and tactics that might be able to really contain ISIL and defeat it. ... We've got 45 million stolen passports floating around. We've got international travel documents

floating around. We have a Visa waiver program that allows somebody if they come back from Syria to France to come into this country. All of these things have to be explored and changed. It has to be done quickly." [83666, 83669]

On Hugh Hewitt's radio program, Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) comments on Obama's bizarre comments during his press conference in Turkey: "You know, a lot of people are confused. Why would a president not want America to lead? Why would a president not want America to win? ...I have described...Obama as the perfect Harvard Law School president—and I don't mean that as a compliment. Every view of the Obama administration is orthodox wisdom in the Harvard Law School faculty lounge and the view of the elite academy. The view of the elite academy is that America's leadership in the world is fundamentally illegitimate, that it is the product of oppression and hegemony, it is a remnant of an evil imperialism. ...It is an extreme ideological view that American leadership is illegitimate, and that is so contrary to the view of the American people." [83739]

WBRZ's Chris Nakamoto reports that a Syrian refugee in Baton Rouge, Louisiana who was being aided by Catholic Charities has disappeared—and may be headed to Washington, D.C. [83733, 83734, 83735, 83743, 83817, 83964, 83989]

Eight Syrians attempt to enter the United States from Mexico. Breitbart.com later reports, "The federal agents spoke with Breitbart Texas on the condition of anonymity, however, a local president of the National Border Patrol Council (NBPC) confirmed that Laredo Border Patrol agents have been officially contacting the organization with concerns over reports from other federal agents about Syrians illegally entering the country in the Laredo Sector. The reports have caused a stir among the sector's Border Patrol agents. The sources claimed that eight Syrians were apprehended... According to the sources, the Syrians were in two separate 'family units' and were apprehended at the Juarez Lincoln Bridge in Laredo, Texas, also known officially as Port of Entry 1." (Melissa Clouthier tweets, "How are Syrian refugees getting to Mexico? Aren't refugees, by definition, without homes or possessions?") [83851, 83852, 83864, 83867, 83879]

ISIS releases a video that warns, "We say to the states that take part in the crusader campaign that, by Allah, you will have a day, Allah willing, like France's and by Allah, as we struck France in the center of its abode in Paris, then we swear that we will strike America at its center in Washington." A Department of Homeland Security official states, "While we take all threats seriously, we do not have specific credible information of an attack on the U.S. homeland." (Neither did Paris.) "I say to the European countries that we are coming, coming with booby traps and explosives, coming with explosive belts and [gun] silencers and you will be unable to stop us because today we are much stronger than before." [83689, 83690, 83691, 83703]

Sky News reports, "Police have seized a rocket launcher and other weapons as they carried out a series of raids across France, said the country's interior minister Bernard Cazeneuve. The interior ministry said 168 searches had taken place across the country in the wake of the Paris terror attacks. Searches in Lille, Strasbourg, Lyon, Grenoble,

Marseille and Toulouse resulted in the rocket launcher, flak jackets, 15 hand guns and eight other 'weapons of war' being seized, according to Le Figaro. Mr Cazeneuve said that a total of 31 weapons had been seized so far, with 104 suspected jihadists under house arrest and 23 people taken into custody overnight." [83693, 83694]

NYTimes.com reports, "Intensifying pressure on the Islamic State, United States warplanes for the first time [*for the first time*?] attacked hundreds of trucks on Monday that the extremist group has been using to smuggle the crude oil it has been producing in Syria, American officials said. According to an initial assessment, 116 trucks were destroyed in the attack, which took place near Deir al-Zour, an area in eastern Syria that is controlled by the Islamic State. The airstrikes were carried out by four A-10 attack planes and two AC-130 gunships based in Turkey. ...Until Monday, the United States refrained from striking the fleet used to transport oil, believed to include more than 1,000 tanker trucks, because of concerns about causing civilian casualties. As a result, the Islamic State's distribution system for exporting oil had remained largely intact." (Obama's "war strategy" is absurd. One does not win a war by not blocking the enemy's main source of revenue. ISIS' truck drivers are not children or little old ladies. The Allies would have lost World War II had they not engaged in bombing that caused collateral damage. Obama and his closest advisors are, quite simply, morons.) [83697]

According to TheHill.com, a January 26, 2013 email from Hillary Clinton aide Huma Abedin to another aide, Monica Hanley, reads, "Have you been going over calls with her [Clinton] for tomorrow? So she knows [the call with then-Indian Prime Minister Manmohan] singh [Singh] is at 8?" Hanley: "She was in bed for a nap by the time I heard that she had an 8am call. Will go over with her." Abedin: "Very imp[ortant] to do that She's often confused." [83634, 83638, 83660]

Townhall.com's Guy Benson notes, "That email was sent in late January 2013, almost two months after Mrs. Clinton suffered a serious concussion, having fainted and fallen in her home. Her husband has said that the after-effects of this medical incident took half-ayear of 'very serious work' to overcome. For a time, the former Secretary of State wore special glasses to help mitigate symptoms such as blurred vision, headaches and dizziness. So the easy explanation for Clinton's apparently frequent confusion at the time was that she was still in the process of getting over a fairly traumatic event that took a significant but temporary toll on some of her faculties. Some Clinton critics may point to this email as evidence that Clinton is not physically or mentally up for the job, but... that charge won't stick unless voters actually see some evidence of her alleged fragility. ...[It's] Better to accurately portray her as an out-of-touch, polarizing creature of the past than an infirm old lady." [83633, 83705]

Rasmussen reports, "A new RallyPoint/Rasmussen Reports national survey of active and retired military personnel finds that only 15% have a favorable opinion of Clinton, with just three percent (3%) who view the former secretary of State Very Favorably. Clinton is seen unfavorably by 81%, including 69% who share a Very Unfavorable impression of her." (Look for the Democrats to do their best to delay the mailing and counting of military ballots in November 2016.) [83650]

GOP presidential candidate and former Arkansas governor Mike Huckabee states, "It's embarrassing when a left-wing socialist French President shows strength and determination to eradicate animals who are slaughtering innocent civilians while [Obama] lectures us on the moral necessity to open our borders to tens of thousands of un-vetted people from the Middle East. France has closed its borders and all ...Obama wants to do is close Gitmo." The House of Representatives "needs to make it clear that if [Obama] won't stand to protect America from wholesale open borders, then Republicans will. If [House Speaker Paul] Ryan [R-WI] will not lead and reject the importation of those fleeing the Middle East without assurances that we can separate refugees from terrorists, then Speaker Ryan needs to step down today and let someone else lead." [83661, 83685, 83686]

At WashingtonTimes.com Dave Boyer writes, "With his handling of the war on terrorism under fire from all sides, a defensive ...Obama on Monday warned against overreacting to the Islamic State attacks on Paris, but appeared to be the odd man out as the French president called on the U.S. and Russia to form a more powerful coalition to wage war against Islamic extremists and his own CIA chief openly worried that more such strikes are 'in the pipeline.'" [83719]

Congressman Steve King (R-IA) endorses Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) for president. He says, "I do believe that Ted Cruz is the full package, the constitutional conservative that [sic; who] can restore the soul of America. ...We need a president who is pro-life, promarriage, a constitutional originalist, who will make judicial appointments of judges to the Supreme Court and all federal courts who believe the Constitution means what is says and means what it was understood to mean when ratified. ...We need a president who will build a fence, a wall, and a fence to finally secure all of our southern border and who will instill the will in a new administration to enforce laws passed by Congress." [83675]

The Clinton Foundation files four years of amended tax returns (2010 through 2013). (According to DailyCaller.com, "The international law firm that conducted the review of the Clinton Foundation's inaccurate tax returns is a major donor to Hillary Clinton's presidential campaign, records show. DLA Piper has donated \$171,200 to Clinton so far in the 2016 election cycle, making it the fifth largest corporate donor to the Democrat's campaign. DLA Piper employees also gave \$700,530 to Clinton's two Senate campaigns, records from the Center for Responsive Politics show. That's in addition to \$496,700 the firm's employees gave Clinton during her 2008 White House bid.") [83677, 83749]

According to FoxNews.com, "The foundation now reports receiving \$20 million in government funds between 2010 and 2013, most of it from foreign governments. The foundation had neglected to state its government funding separately from other funding sources in its original returns. The foundation also revealed that it raised \$177 million in 2014, the year before Hillary Clinton announced her run for the presidency." [83750, 83751]

Congressman Mike McCaul (R-TX), chairman of the House Homeland Security Committee, writes Obama to ask that he suspend his plan to bring Syrian refugees to the United States: "Leaders from the FBI, National Counterterrorism Center (NCTC), and Department of Homeland Security (DHS) have repeatedly indicated to my Committee that we lack the on-the-ground intelligence necessary to thoroughly vet Syrian refugees seeking to resettle here. I call on you to temporarily suspend the admission of all additional Syrian refugees into the United States pending a full review of the Syrian refugee resettlement program. Our nation has a proud tradition of welcoming refugees into our country, but in this particular case the high-threat environment demands that we move forward with great caution in order to protect the American people and to prevent terrorists from reaching our shores." [83708]

McCaul also announces a November 18 hearing: "We are witnessing the most rapid spread of Islamist terror sanctuaries in history, but still have no viable strategy to combat this national security threat. The brutal Assad regime, with its Iranian support, continues to fuel radicalism. ISIS is using its base in Syria and Iraq to expand globally. And a destabilizing Russia is flexing its military muscle in the region in the absence of American leadership. Meanwhile at home, the FBI is conducting ISIS-related investigations in all 50 states. ISIS alone has inspired or directed 18 terrorist plots in America since 2014 and the group has been linked to more than 60 plots around the globe. This hearing is necessary to examine how instability abroad creates dangerous safe havens for Islamist terrorists to train and recruit, as well as how our lack of a strategy to deal with these ungoverned spaces leads to a greater threat to Americans at home." [83708]

DCClothesline.com reports, "A Bill has just passed the US Senate, mandating that the US Department of Veteran Affairs ensure that all veterans receive immunizations (vaccines) per a draconian schedule. At this juncture, active military must receive over a dozen vaccines. This piece of legislation is therefore an effort to extend the vaccine mandate to those who have previously served their country. Sec. 101 of Senate Bill 1203, named the 21st Century Veterans Benefits Delivery Act, states that the Department of Veterans Affairs will be tasked with the mandate to 'ensure that veterans receiving medical services under chapter 17 of title 38, United States Code, receive each immunization on the recommended adult immunization schedule at the time such immunization is indicated on that schedule.' The schedule referred to above is frankly staggering. Over ninety vaccines are listed. The issues here are legion. First of all, an entire group of individuals, those who at one time were in military service, will lose their inherent right to opt out of receiving what is considered prophylactic treatment. ...It is believed that those who refuse will, under this Bill, lose their medical benefits." [83727, 83728]

On *The O'Reilly Factor*, host Bill O'Reilly asks if Obama is "delusional about ISIS?" Guest Charles Krauthammer, a syndicated columnist and psychiatrist, responds, "Judging from the press conference, there are several explanations for that appalling performance; the *kindest* is that he's delusional. He said on Friday that ISIS was not gaining in strength—even his own [Democrat Senator] Dianne Feinstein [D-CA] said essentially it's a delusion. Of course it's gaining in strength. ...But the reason that 'delusion' is the kindest [explanation], is I think the more likely explanation is, he knows that opposition is weakening, he knows that ISIS is strong and that it's a threat, but in the end, he doesn't think it matters. He's never thought the war on terror was important or existential." O'Reilly: "But how can you say that he doesn't understand that millions of people millions of people—are either dying, being dislocated, being tortured, being wounded... and you still, Charles Krauthammer, say he doesn't care? It doesn't mean anything to him?" Krauthammer: "There's a difference between millions of people suffering and an existential threat to the West, which is what it is, and which is what he denies." [83742]

On *Hannity*, former House Speaker Newt Gingrich says Obama "may be the most dangerous president in national security terms in American history. He lives in a fantasy world. It's a fantasy world about Russia. It's a fantasy world about the Middle East. It's a fantasy world about Libya. It's a fantasy world about bringing unchecked, unverified, unvalidated Syrians in significant numbers to the United States. Hillary Clinton is part of the same fantasy world. She was secretary of state for four years. It is a disaster. And I think it's a great test to the American people whether or not you can watch this horrible show in Paris and learn nothing from what just happened." [83813]

Five Pakistanis and one Afghani entering the United States near Patagonia, Arizona are captured by Border Patrol agents. According to Breitbart.com, "Border Patrol agents were unable to do extensive interviews with the six Middle Eastern men because the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) took over the matter. The aliens were immediately transferred to Tucson where the FBI took custody." [83893]

On November 17 Russia's FSB security service says it is clear that the downing of one of its passenger planes on October 31 was the result of a bomb. FSB head Alexander Bortnikov states, "According to our experts, a homemade explosive device equivalent to 1 kilogram of TNT went off onboard, which caused the plane to break up in the air, which explains why the fuselage was scattered over such a large territory. I can certainly say that this was a terrorist act." Russian President Vladimir Putin states, "We will find them anywhere on the planet and punish them." [83704, 83729, 83731, 83861, 83862]

Putin orders the Russian navy in the Mediterranean to work together with the French in the fight against ISIS. [83738]

According to DailyStar.co.uk, Russian bombers "bombers hit Islamic State positions in Raqqa and Der-ez-Zor. Russia's air force has carried out a huge 2,300 sorties in the last 48 hours, reports say." [83741, 83757]

Louisiana Governor Bobby Jindal drops out of the presidential race. (One despicable blogger named Anil Dash tweets, "The truth is, @bobbyjindal was irrelevant from day one not just because he rejected an Indian American identity, but also our values." Jindal considers himself an American, not a hyphenated rent-seeker looking for special privileges because of his background. Jindal is a stronger supporter of individual liberty and the U.S. Constitution than most of the GOP candidates and all of the Democrat candidates. Dash is ignorant.) [83707, 83716, 83755, 83756, 83822]

The Service Employees International Union endorses Hillary Clinton for president.

FoxNews.com reports, "A second suspect directly involved in the Paris massacre is on the loose four days after the attacks, French officials revealed Tuesday, as German police said a third suspect in custody apparently posed as a refugee. ...Meantime, police said they arrested an Algerian man linked to the attacks, at a refugee center in western Germany, Reuters reports. Police say he apparently told Syrian refugees at the center that fear and terror would be spread in the French capital. Police are looking into whether he's an accomplice or a confidante of the Paris attackers, Reuters adds. At least two other suspects reportedly entered Europe through Greece posing as refugees." [83710, 83711]

The *Daily Mail* reports, "The mother of a Paris suicide bomber says her son 'did not mean to kill anyone'—and claims he may have blown himself up because of stress [as if that somehow excuses his actions], while a third son said his family were 'thinking of the victims.' Ibrahim Abdeslam, 31, launched a solo attack outside the cafe Comptoir Voltaire, close to the scene of the Bataclan concert hall massacre on Friday night. Police missed their chance to bring in his brother, Salah, when he was questioned as he crossed the border to Belgium after the attacks. He is now the object of a massive international manhunt. A third brother, Mohamed was released without charge today by Belgian authorities after being questioned in connection with the atrocity which claimed the lives of 129 people and left more than 300 injured. Today Ibrahim's mother suggested his suicide jacket may have gone off by accident and said he could have carried out the attack because he was 'stressed.'" (She does not claim her son was wearing the explosives-laden vest by accident. Perhaps that was his normal attire.) [83712, 83713, 83768]

Remarkably, terrorist Ibrahim Abdeslam's brother, Mohamed Abdeslam, works for the immigration department. He tells Belgium media, "As far as my brother [Salah, the third brother] is concerned, we don't know where he is right now. He grew up here, studied here, he is a totally normal lad. None of us knew anything. Not us, not our family. They are big boys, they are grown-ups. You don't ask them what they're doing every time they leave the house. We are very shocked about what has happened. We learned about it the same way you did. And we can't believe for a moment that either of my brothers is linked to these attacks. We think of course about the victims, about their families. But you have to understand that we also have a mother, we have a family, and that these remain, despite everything, her children." (The mother insists the detonation of the suicide vest was an accident caused by "stress," and the brother insists his brothers are not linked to terrorism. No one should believe anything the family says.) [83768, 83769]

At WND.com Leo Hohmann posts "a sampling of more than 20 cases of terrorist plots against the U.S. by Muslim immigrants that have received little to no national media coverage over the last two years. All of [these] terrorists and suspected terrorists would have passed through the federal government's vaunted 'vetting' process for refugees, asylum seekers and other types of immigrants." One example: "A Muslim refugee couple from Bosnia, along with their five relatives living in Missouri, Illinois and New York, were charged in February 2015 with sending money, supplies and smuggled arms to ISIS and other terrorist organizations in Syria and Iraq." [82983, 83984]

Baltimore Mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake issues a statement: "Baltimore, Maryland and the United States have proud traditions of welcoming refugees seeking assistance from crises around the world. There are few among us who can claim that their ancestors were indigenous to the United States. Welcoming immigrants and New Americans is a critical part of my strategy to grow Baltimore [sic], and I hope that refugees from Syria will look to our city as a potential place to call home." [83715]

Jeb Bush tells Bloomberg Politics, "I think people are legitimately concerned about the efficiency, the competency of the Obama administration, as it relates to screening processes [for refugees]. But we have systems in place—if there is any kind of concern, we shouldn't allow people in. But I don't think we should eliminate support for refugees. It's been a noble tradition in our country for many years. ...The answer to this ...is not to ban people from coming. The answer is to lead to resolve the problem in Syria. That's the ultimate answer and that's my focus." (Bush should make up his mind. "We have systems in place" but they are neither "efficient" nor "competent." Statements like that are why Bush is doing poorly in the polls: he manages to anger and annoy people on both sides of an issue at the same time.) [83869]

Parents in Huntington Beach, California are outraged when they learn their children are being taught a song about Islam at Spring View Middle School. "This Is Our Fight Song" lyrics include:

"Like a sandstorm in the desert, sending camels into motion, like how a single faith can make a heart open, they might only have one god, but they can make an explosion.

All those things they have to say, Islam... Allahu's on the way. They will preach them loud tonight. Can you hear the voice this time? This is their fight song. Spread Islam now song. Prove that they're right song."

The local CBS affiliate reports, "The [Oceanview School Board] released a statement of apology, and says it is looking into the matter." [83897, 83898, 83907]

In Manningham, England, Muslims brutally beat a man named Nissar Hussain because he converted from Islam to Christianity in 1996. [83990, 83991]

At the U.S. Embassy in Paris, Secretary of State John Kerry makes the despicable and remarkably ignorant statement, "There's something different about what happened from [sic] *Charlie Hebdo*, and I think everybody would feel that. There was a sort of particularized focus and perhaps even a legitimacy in terms of—not a legitimacy, but a rationale that you could attach yourself to somehow and say, okay, they're really angry

because of this and that. This Friday was absolutely indiscriminate. [It was not.] It wasn't to aggrieve one particular sense of wrong. [It was to aggrieve more than one.] It was to terrorize people. [That too.] It was to attack everything we stand for. [Not really.] That's not even an exaggeration. [Yes it is.]" [83717, 83718, 83744, 83781, 83794, 83820]

That Kerry first said "legitimacy" is meaningful, because it suggests that is what he believes. He—and probably Obama—believe the horrifying attack on the newspaper was justified because it had printed cartoons of the Islamic prophet Mohammed. That made the Muslims "really angry," providing them with a "rationale" for their murderous rampage. Kerry is wrong. The attack was neither justified nor legitimate and there was no rationale acceptable to the *civilized* world—although the *Charlie Hebdo* attackers certainly had what *they* considered a rationale, conveniently provided by Obama at the United Nations on September 25, 2012: "The future must not belong to those who slander the prophet of Islam." Kerry is also wrong about the Friday night massacre. The November 13 attacks in Paris were certainly *not* indiscriminate. They were well-planned and the targets were carefully chosen. Kerry is a dunce who should never have been allowed in the U.S. Senate, let alone be appointed Secretary of State. Some might argue that he should think before he opens his mouth, but he lacks the ability to properly think. [83795]

At NationalReview.com Charles C. W. Cooke writes, "I thought that Kerry had likely been misquoted. Alas, he had not. In fact, his words are *even worse* in context. ...Forget Kerry's brief flirtation with the word 'legitimacy' and assume that he said 'rationale' from the start. That changes precisely *nothing*. The top diplomat in the United States just publicly argued that because the victims at *Charlie Hebdo* had spoken risqué words but the victims at the Bataclan had not, the violence against the former was more comprehensible than the violence against the latter. Has he lost his mind?" [83796]

Even if Kerry's assumptions were all correct, the moral problem here would be obvious. We hear a great deal about 'blaming the victim' in our domestic debates, especially as it relates to sexual assault. Does this not apply to other realms? In essence, the American Secretary of State just announced before the world that he could grasp why the woman in the short skirt was raped but that he had been left scratching his head by the attack on the woman in the pantsuit and the overcoat. 'Sure,' he said, 'I get why they knocked off the *hate speakers*, but why would they go after progressive kids at a concert? Now things are *really* serious.' ...[T]here are only two choices here: Option 1) That John Kerry believes that killing people for speaking rudely is more understandable than killing them for being secular; or Option 2) That John Kerry doesn't actually know what the most recent attackers used as their justification (and also doesn't remember that at the same time as the Charlie Hebdo assassinations, associated gunmen targeted a market simply because its owners were Jews). Despicable." [83796]

Pamela Geller writes, "What a nightmare. The US Secretary of State announced to the whole world that the wholesale slaughter of the editorial staff of a magazine was understandable, justified even. The 'rationale?' They refused to submit to Islamic law. Did Kerry convert to Islam? Murdering journalists because they violate arcane and

barbaric sharia law is 'understandable?' Kerry relates to this? Is clitordectomies [sic; Are clitorectimies] understandable? Forced marriage? If he sanctions murder of the press, what will he acquiesce to next? Kerry has lost his seat at the table of humanity. Is it any wonder that the savages are winning? Every American should appalled by this kept savage. In a rational world, he would be forced to resign his cabinet position. But the reality is that Obama is one of them and viciously adheres to the sharia. One week after the jihad slaughter of our Ambassador and military attaches in Benghazi, Obama announced to the world, 'the future must not belong to those who insult the prophet of Islam.' They are destroying America and freedom." [83767]

New Jersey Governor Chris Christie observes, "He [John Kerry] needs to get some sleep and shut up. ...That's disgraceful, for the Secretary of State of the United States to stand up and say that there's some rationale for what happening [at *Charlie Hebdo*] in January? These are the kind of weak, mixed signals that this administration sends that helps to really ...make the American people think that there's no one watching the store. And there isn't. This is the same president who's sitting around saying that somehow it's everyone else's fault. He's the guy who drew the red line in Syria and didn't enforce it, didn't set up a no-fly zone, or these refugees wouldn't have to be leaving their own country." [83797]

In a University of Massachusetts poll, Donald Trump leads all other GOP candidates with 31 percent, followed by Ben Carson (22), Ted Cruz (13), Marco Rubio (9), Carly Fiorina (4) and John Kasich (4). In a Morning Consult poll, Trump leads with 38 percent, followed by Carson (19). In a Reuters poll, Trump has 36 percent, followed by Carson (14.6), Rubio (11.5), Cruz (7.8), Jeb Bush (6.8). [83740, 83760, 83788]

Although Obama ranked only third on *Forbes* "World's Most Powerful Person" list (behind Vladimir Putin and Angela Merkel), he manages to make the cover of GQ magazine's "Men of the Year" issue. In a fawning interview with Bill Simmons, Obama tells the magazine he hopes to make gun control his main focus in his final year in office—which will probably result in increased gun purchases by Americans who take his threat seriously. [83097, 83098, 83099, 83106, 83745, 83746, 83798]

The *Daily Mail* reveals some of the contents of *GQ*'s interview of Barack "it's all about me" Obama: He "talked about losing the attention of his daughters, 17-year-old Malia and 14-year-old Sasha, ...saying his two girls 'have no interest' in him and have become so busy that there's little room for father-daughter time. 'It's not an active disdain for you. It's just their calendars start filling up and they've got all these friends who are much more interesting,' [Obama] said. Obama says he yearns for the days around the beginning of his presidency, when his girls were younger and still considered him one of their buddies." Obama "also spoke about his dream of owning an NBA team, how he relieves stress on the White House's virtual golf course and how he would have loved campaigning against Donald Trump. ... When talking about possibilities for his post-presidency life, Obama, a former law professor [sic; Obama was a mere part-time law lecturer, not a professor], says he doesn't have the temperament to be a Supreme Court justice but thinks he's 'suited' to be commissioner of the NBA and would 'absolutely'

love to own his own team. As for wife Michelle, Obama said he wouldn't be opposed to her having her own talk time show." [83843, 83844, 83891, 83905]

WashingtonTimes.com reports that a soccer game between Germany and the Netherlands "was canceled at short notice because of the serious threat of an attack at the [Hannover, Germany] stadium—and local media report police found an explosive-laden ambulance nearby. 'We had concrete evidence that someone wanted to set off an explosive device in the stadium,' Hannover police chief Volker Kluwe told German TV. Referring to another bomb threat about an hour beforehand that turned out to be a false alarm, Kluwe said, 'After the first object turned out to be harmless, we got a tip that had to be taken seriously that an attack was being planned.'" (German Chancellor Angela Merkel had planned to attend the game. According to *The Jerusalem Post*, "Israel provided the crucial information" that led to the cancellation of the soccer game. Pamela Geller observes, "Jews saving Germans. That speaks volumes. Israel, the pariah of the world (because of jihad propaganda pumped out by the 'Palestinians' and accepted uncritically by the UN and the West), is more free, more conscientious and more magnanimous than most other countries.") [83747, 83770, 83773, 83774, 83779, 84019, 84020, 84198, 84199]

At NYPost.com, retired Lieutenant Colonel Ralph Peters writes, "The Obama administration has tried to spin its timidity and ineptitude in the face of Islamist terrorism as a clever policy of 'strategic patience.' With eyes closed and fingers crossed, the president hoped that, miraculously, the mortal threat from ISIS would wither away. You might as well hope that malignant tumors will cure themselves. ... Obama's approach of delayed and diluted action-ever doing the minimum demanded by domestic politicshas allowed ISIS not only to survive but to expand its appeal, its numbers, its territory and its global impact. Starbucks took 30 years to reach five continents. ISIS did it in two. In his press conference in Turkey on Monday, Obama continued to insist that there was no need to change his Syria policy, that success merely 'will take time.' Yet it's precisely because of our unwillingness to take the threat seriously and then to respond forcefully that ISIS now has a deep bench of seasoned 'middle managers' ready to replace the leaders we kill; it has tens of thousands of combat-veteran jihadis; it's made the caliphate real in the city of Raqqa; and it's had the leisure to learn how to cope with our weapons (human shields work every time). ... Obama wouldn't go to Raqqa. So the jihadis went to Paris." [83748]

"...What can be done? The answer is easy to mouth—and unwelcome to those who conduct foreign policy by platitudes (such as 'there's no military solution'). The base line is that you can't win by playing defense. You must take the war to the enemy—without restraint. If you're not determined to win at any cost, you'll lose. Our military has the resources to shatter ISIS, but political correctness has penetrated so deep into the Pentagon that, even should a president issue the one-word order, 'Win!,' our initial actions would be cautious and halting. We've bred a generation of military leaders afraid of being prosecuted by their own government for the kind of errors inevitable in wartime. Instead of 'leaning forward in the foxhole,' our leaders lean on lawyers. If lawyers had had to approve our World War II target lists, we couldn't have won. War is never clean or easy, and the strictures imposed on our military today just protect our enemies.

Collateral damage and civilian casualties are part of combat and always will be. The most humane approach is to pile on fast and win decisively—which results in far less suffering than the sort of protracted agony we see in Syria." [83748]

"The generals who won World War II would start by leveling Raqqa, the ISIS caliphate's capital. Civilians would die, but those remaining in Raqqa have embraced ISIS, as Germans did Hitler. The jihadis must be crushed. Start with their 'Berlin.' Kill ten thousand, save a million. Unthinkable? Fine. We lose. And the jihadis? They'll always have Paris." [83748]

Muslims attending a soccer game between Greek and Turkish teams at a stadium in Istanbul whistle, boo, and yell "Allahu Akbar" after a call for a moment of silence for the victims of the terrorist attacks in Paris. [83752, 83753, 83765, 83766]

WashingtonTimes.com reports, "A woman wearing an explosive suicide vest blew herself up as French commandos raided an apartment in Saint-Denis as part of the hunt for Paris terror attacks suspects, including alleged mastermind Abdelhamid Abaaoud. Two are dead and seven were arrested. French authorities declared the raid over, but the fate of the mastermind wasn't clear, The Associated Press said. CNN said the raid happened at the right time because the suspects were 'about to move on some kind of operation.'" (It is later reported that the Paris attack mastermind, 28-year-old Belgian Abdelhamid Abaaoud, was killed in the seven-hour siege in Saint-Denis. The bombdetonating woman, Hasna Ait Boulahcen, is a cousin of Abaaoud. The explosion severs her head and expels it through the apartment window.) [83761, 83764, 83793, 83815, 83830, 83845, 83846, 83847, 83884, 83911, 82912]

The *Daily Mail* later reports that Boulahcen "was a party animal with a string of boyfriends who had shown no interest in religion... Just a day after her death, family and acquaintances gave extraordinary accounts of a young woman with a 'bad reputation' who was known for her love of alcohol and cigarettes rather than devotion to Islam. Her brother Youssouf Ait Boulahcen said that she had had no interest in religion, never read the Koran and had only started wearing a Muslim veil a month ago. A photograph has also emerged of Ait Boulahcen posing for a selfie in the bath. Her face is covered in heavy make-up and she wears nothing but jewelry. ...[F]riend Mattius Jacques, 24, said: 'She was normal she wore Western clothes, she never wore hijab. She didn't go to mosque or pray. She never spoke about news or Palestine or anything. She wasn't religious at all. She was like you and me, she went out, she lived a free life, always out partying." [83912]

Some will argue that Hasna Ait Boulahcen's partying, drinking, smoking, and lack of interest in religion "proves" that Islam has nothing to do with terrorism. Others will argue that it is cause for alarm when an ideology can so quickly and readily turn someone into a jihadist suicide. Jihad Watch's Robert Spencer suggests that Boulahcen may have "started wearing the veil because she either had a change of heart and had forsaken her wild lifestyle for Islam, or because she was forced to by her family, on pain of honor killing. Women who have carried out jihad suicide attacks in the past have sometimes

been given the option of killing themselves and taking out some Infidels in the process rather than being publicly shamed and possibly even killed for their un-Islamic behavior." (In other words, Boulahcen may have been forced to wear the explosive vest and it was perhaps not she who triggered the detonation.) [83958]

Breitbart.com reports, "An Algerian 'refugee' staying in a German asylum centre has reportedly been arrested in relation to the Paris terror attacks. If confirmed, he would be the third terrorist implicated in the mass murder to have taken advantage of Europe's open borders by masquerading as a refugee. The man has been detained in the town of Arnsberg in western Germany. The investigation is centered on claims that he told several Syrian migrants in the accommodation that fear and terror would be spread in the French capital... He also allegedly spoke about a bomb." [83849, 83850]

The Senate votes 52-46 in opposition to Obama's job-killing, utility-rate-increasing Clean Power Plan regulations. (Obama will, of course, veto the measure.) [83755]

Attorney General Loretta Lynch tells the House Judiciary Committee, "The law currently does not allow for that [the transfer of terrorist detainees at Guantanamo to be transferred to the United States]. And that is not, as I am aware of, going to be contemplated given the legal proscriptions." (Although Lynch is correct, her statement does not please the White House and the Department of Justice late issues a "clarification": "The Attorney General is aware that the administration is working diligently to finalize the plan to safely and responsibly close the detention facility at Guantanamo Bay, which will be delivered to Congress when complete. Given the White House focus on this, her comments were intended to prevent speculation on outcomes of that process." Translation: "Obama told Lynch to shut up and ignore the law.") [83791, 83792, 83814]

Bomb threats cause two Air France flights from the United States to Paris to be diverted. According to WashingtonTimes,.com, "Flight 65, an Airbus A380 jumbo jet, was diverted in its flight from Los Angeles to Charles de Gaulle Airport 'because of a security incident,' Allen Kenitzer of the FAA told CNN on Tuesday evening. It landed on the ground in Salt Lake City, Utah, at 9:15 p.m. EST and, according to an FBI statement, security protocols were under way on the plane and investigators were trying to track the source of the threat. Also Tuesday night, another Air France flight to Paris—Flight 55 from Washington Dulles International Airport—was diverted to Halifax, Nova Scotia, also officially the result of a 'security incident.' But CNN reported, citing an unnamed government source, that both incidents were bomb threats, with at least the Los Angeles flight having been the result of a communication with Air France." (The planes land safely.) [83758]

A Spirit Airlines flight from Baltimore to Chicago returns to the gate for the removal of three men and one woman of "middle eastern descent" who had been acting suspiciously. [83784, 83785, 83812]

FoxNews.com reports, "An unclassified May 2015 intelligence assessment published by the Department of Homeland Security's Intelligence & Analysis directorate warns of

ISIS' potential for carrying out complex attacks against Western targets and even singles out the man believed to be the mastermind behind last week's terror attacks in Paris. The assessment... was done in partnership with the FBI and the National Counterterrorism Center and titled 'Future ISIL Operations in West Could Resemble Disrupted Belgian Plot.' It studied the foiled January 2015 ISIS plot in Belgium that planned a massive assault aimed at the public and Belgian law enforcement. ...The DHS report singled out Abdelhamid Abaaoud as ISIS' ringleader in Belgium. Abaaoud is now widely believed to be the mastermind behind the coordinated assault in Paris last Friday that left some129 dead around the city. In assessing the foiled January 2015 Belgian plot, the report cites Belgian media reports stating that Abaaoud 'directed the operation from a safe house in Athens, Greece using a cell phone, while other group members operated in several other European countries.''' [83759]

The White House launches a "#RefugeesWelcome" hashtag, stating, "Even as we intensify our efforts in coordination with our partners to take out ISIL, we cannot turn our backs on those most threatened by the terrorist group." (The White House apparently has children on the payroll.) [83800]

Five Syrians traveling from Honduras to the United States (with stolen Greek passports) are detained. [83801, 83802, 83837, 83865]

On *The Kelly File*, ex-terrorist Mortem Storm says, "I believe that within the next two weeks, we [the United States] will have [a terrorist] attack. ... The people who are on the run at the moment from ISIS in Europe are very desperate, and they know their time's up, and they will need to do as much damage as possible. And I also believe that copycats in America will do their best to do what their brothers have done in Europe." [83827, 83892]

On November 18, on *Fox & Friends*, smug White House press secretary Josh Earnest gets pummeled by Elisabeth Hasselbeck when he condescendingly "mansplains" Obama's statement that the terrorist attacks in Paris were a mere "setback" in the fight against ISIS. Earnest lectures, "I think what I would encourage you to do is spend, uh, just as much time focusing on [Obama's] actions as you do his words." Hasselbeck: "His words matter, Josh, I have to stop you there. Josh, I will stop you there. The President of the United States' words matter. …not just to me, not just to the American people, but to those around the globe who are very concerned right now. Our president's words matter. He called this a 'setback.' Why?" [83799, 83806, 83826]

Obama, speaking in Manila at the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation summit, says, "I cannot think of a more potent recruitment tool for ISIL [ISIS] than some of the rhetoric coming out of here [from the Republicans] in the course of this debate [about terrorism and refugees]." (Obama is not very intelligent if he cannot think of even one ISIS recruitment tool more potent than GOP rhetoric.) ISIS, declares Obama, "seeks to exploit the idea that there's war between Islam and the West, and when you start seeing individuals in position of responsibility suggesting Christians are more worthy of protection than Muslims are in a war-torn land that feeds the ISIL narrative." (Arguably,

one of the greatest recruitment tools ISIS has is the sense that it is winning—and that belief is in large part the result of Obama's failure to do anything significant to stop ISIS.) [83782]

At TheFederalist.com David Harsanyi responds to Obama's ridiculous claim: "The idea that a nation would wage war or not because its enemy is trying to elicit a certain kind of reaction is absurd. *ISIS wants war, you say? Well, it doesn't matter how many civilians it beheads or how many mass graves it fills or how many Western cities they terrorize, we're not going to give into those bastards! Because when we annihilate the terrorists, we're doing exactly what they want.* What ISIS wants is to kill infidels and build a caliphate. And perhaps ISIS has wishes that it will one day sincerely regret? There are innumerable instances throughout history when groups or nations initiated wars that they would disastrously lose. Maybe if terrorists target civilians because they want to be martyrs, we should help them achieve that life goal. Call it a 'win-win' if you like." [83783]

"But the 'that's-what-the-terrorists-want' canard tells us something else about how progressives view this issue. For example, when they misrepresent or misunderstand what ISIS desires because they are often unwilling to concede the most obvious motivation of terrorism: faith. And they misrepresent what conservatives believe for political reasons. ...If Americans want to [be] more vigilant—or even stop the influx of refugees from Syria and Libya completely—it doesn't mean that people 'hate' anyone. We'll see what polling says on this topic, but a majority of Americans are already rightfully concerned about how well Islam comports to American society. This is not a condemnation of liberal ideals; it is a concern driven by a desire to preserve those ideals, and that is exactly what ISIS doesn't want." (Leftists apparently believe everyone should keep their doors unlocked at night because to do otherwise would be offensive to burglars.) [83783]

With his community activist/agitator training kicking into full gear, Obama also childishly mocks Republicans, saying, "Apparently they're scared [sic; afraid] of widows and orphans coming in to the United States of America as part of our tradition of compassion. At first they were worried about the press being too tough on 'em [sic] during debates. Now they're worried about three-year-old orphans. That doesn't sound very tough to me. They've been playing on fear in order to try to score political points or to advance their campaigns. And it's irresponsible. And it's contrary to who we are. And it needs to stop, because the world is watching." (Obama certainly seems to be looking for a fight, not just with Republicans but with the majority of the American people—who do not want Syrian refugees flooding the country. Obama is also apparently unaware that ISIS has been urging widows of fighters to become suicide bombers.) [83803, 83816, 83819, 83842, 83881]

Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) responds to Obama's remark: "Come back [from the Philippines] and insult me to my face." [83804, 83868, 83967]

Rush Limbaugh later comments, "What is this three-year-old orphan stuff? Folks, you know, this is childish. This is a petulant, childish man-child who's having trouble getting his way without opposition. Opposition offends him. How dare anybody oppose him? There are real concerns and we see them on television every day. We're living daily fear. The media. If there is no terror attack during the day, the media's got everybody in crisis mode on something else. Every day, everybody keyed up, there's a crisis of something happening that is threatening our health, our lives, our existence some way. Every day in the news. And here comes a real-life terror event, which is predictable, there will be more, and Obama impugns those who react to them. ...Men make up 72 percent of the refugees fleeing the Middle East by crossing the Mediterranean Sea into Europe. [Those are] United Nations numbers. Seventy-two percent are men, military age, able-bodied men. Not three-year-old orphans. And of course [at] the debate, Republicans weren't afraid of anybody. They were fed up [with foolish questions] and finally took the debate moderators out, [it was] long overdue." [83842]

Limbaugh, noting a PBS *Frontline* program that shows little children being shown violent ISIS propaganda videos, says, "You mean they're teaching these young three-year-old orphans and five-year-old kids jihad? Yes, ladies and gentlemen. PBS *Frontline* inadvertently did it. I'm sure they didn't mean to undercut dear Obama. ISIS in Afghanistan shows how to raise young children into jihad, right on the heels of Obama saying, 'You know, those Republicans fear three-year-old orphans? Ha-ha! Man, really tough! They embarrass me, afraid of three-year-old orphans.' ...[Y]oung children are taught to engage in jihad. They are taught to practice beheading, killing, suicide bomber techniques, how to kill infidels. These are young children watching videos, rehearsing, copying, practicing what they've seen. You know, the Tsarnaev family were refugees, a mother and her children. Look what they did [the Boston Marathon bombing]." [83842]

While Obama says no one need fear refugees from the Middle East, his administration refuses to provide refugee resettlement information to the nation's governors (even the Democrat governors). The White House states that several governors "expressed their appreciation for the opportunity to better understand the process and have their issues addressed." [83805]

Obama threatens to veto legislation to increase screening of Syrian refugees. (Even Senator Charles Schumer (D-NY) says "a pause [in bringing in refugees] may be necessary.") According to Newsmax.com, the legislation "would block Syrian refugees from entering the country unless four top U.S. law-enforcement and national security officials affirm to Congress that none of them is a security threat. The FBI director also would have to certify that background checks were completed for all refugees." Department of Homeland Security Secretary "Jihadi" Jeh Johnson whines that the requirements of the legislation are "hugely cumbersome." (He apparently wants to usher refugees into the United States with as little work as possible.) [83807, 83808, 83809, 83810, 83811, 83823, 83832, 83839, 83863]

While Obama lectures Republicans for daring to suggest that a refugee's religion should be taken into consideration before granting asylum, Andrew C. McCarthy points out at

NationalReview.com, "Under federal law, the executive branch *is expressly required to take religion into account* in determining who is granted asylum. Under the provision governing asylum (section 1158 of Title 8, U.S. Code), an alien applying for admission 'must establish that …religion [among other things] …was or will be at least one central reason for persecuting the applicant.' Moreover, to qualify for asylum in the United States, the applicant must be a 'refugee' as defined by federal law. That definition (set forth in Section 1101(a)(42)(A) of Title , U.S. Code) also requires the executive branch to take account of the alien's religion: 'The term 'refugee' means (A) any person who is outside any country of such person's nationality …and who is unable or unwilling to return to …that country because of persecution or a well-founded fear of persecution on account of …religion [among other things]…' The law requires a 'religious test.' …There is no right to emigrate to the United States. And the fact that one comes from a country or territory ravaged by war does not, by itself, make one an asylum candidate." [83840, 83842, 83973]

"...In the case of this war, the Islamic State is undeniably persecuting Christians. It is doing so, moreover, as a matter of doctrine. Even those Christians the Islamic State does not kill, it otherwise persecutes as called for by its construction of sharia (observe, for example, the ongoing rape jihad and sexual slavery). ...[I]t is downright dishonest [for Obama] to claim that taking such religious distinctions into account is 'not American,' let alone 'shameful.' How can something American law requires be 'not American?' And how can a national expression of compassion expressly aimed at alleviating persecution be 'shameful?'" [83840, 83842, 83973]

FoxNews.com adds, "Immigration experts give ...Obama Pinocchios for his claim that the U.S. has never used 'religious tests' to determine which refugees get passage to America. Russian and Ethiopian Jews, Armenians Christians and Catholics from Vietnam have all been moved to the front of the line in previous eras based on their faith, according to historians. And giving one religious group preference is tantamount to sending others to the back of the lines, noted immigration experts. 'Clearly, there have been policies that said we will consider certain people from certain religions,' said Ira Mehlman, spokesman for Federation for American Immigration Reform (FAIR)." (Of course, after World War II the U.S. government was careful to screen Germans who sought asylum in the United States, in order to prevent former Nazis from entering the country.) [83841, 84013]

At TheFederalist.com Sean Davis reports, "Although the Obama administration currently refuses to temporarily pause its Syrian refugee resettlement program in the United States, the State Department in 2011 stopped processing Iraq refugee requests for six months after the Federal Bureau of Investigation uncovered evidence that several dozen terrorists from Iraq had infiltrated the United States via the refugee program. ...After two terrorists were discovered in Bowling Green, Kentucky, in 2009, the FBI began reviewing reams of evidence taken from improvised explosive devices (IEDs) that had been used against American troops in Iraq. Federal investigators then tried to match fingerprints from those bombs to the fingerprints of individuals who had recently entered the United States as refugees. ...The terrorists were not taken into custody until 2011. Shortly thereafter, the

U.S. State Department stopped processing refugee requests from Iraqis for six months in order to review and revamp security screening procedures. ...According to a 2013 report from ABC News, at least one of the Kentucky terrorists passed background and fingerprint checks conducted by the Department of Homeland Security prior to being allowed to enter the United States." (In the most recent 18 months at least 66 men and women in the United States—Americans and foreigners—have been charged with ISIS-related terrorist plots.) [83913, 83914, 83915, 83916, 83917]

Syrian President Bashar al-Assad blames ISIS on the United States. In an Italian media interview, he first says of the terrorist attacks in Paris, "We can start by saying it's a horrible crime, and at the same time it's a sad event when you hear about innocents being killed without any reason and for nothing, and we understand in Syria the meaning of losing a dear member of a family or a dear friend, or anyone you know, in such a horrible crime. We've been suffering from that for the last five years. We feel for the French as we feel for the Lebanese a few days before that, and for the Russians regarding the airplane that's been shot down over Sinai, and for the Yemenis, maybe. But does the world, especially the West, feel for those people, or only for the French? Do they feel for the Syrians that [sic; who] have been suffering for five years from the same kind of terrorism? We cannot politicize feeling, feeling is not about the nationality, it is about the human in general." [83906]

"If you want to talk about the strength of Daesh [ISIS], the first thing you have to ask is how much incubator, real incubator, natural incubator, you have in a certain society. ... First of all, if you don't have the incubator you shouldn't worry, but second, they can be strong as long as they have strong support from different states, whether Middle Eastern states or Western states. ...[A]ccording to what some American officials said, including Hillary Clinton, al-Qaeda was created by the Americans with the help of Saudi Wahabi money and ideology, and of course, many other officials said the same in the United States. And ISIS and al-Nusra, they are offshoots of al-Qaeda. Regarding ISIS, it started in Iraq, it was established in Iraq in 2006 and the leader was [Abu Musab] al-Zarqawi, who was killed by the American forces then, so it was established under the American supervision in Iraq. And the leader of ISIS today, who is called Abu Bakr-al-Baghdadi, he was in the American prisons, and he was put in New York in their prisons, and he was released by them. So it wasn't Syria, it didn't start in Syria, it started in Iraq, and it started before that in Afghanistan according to what they said, and [former British Prime Minister] Tony Blair recently said that yes, the Iraq war helped create ISIS, so their confession is the most important evidence regarding your question [about the rise of ISIS]." [83906]

In a Florida Atlantic University poll, Hillary Clinton leads Bernie Sanders 66-22 percent. Clinton trails Donald Trump (49-41) and Ben Carson (50-41). Among Republican candidates, Trump leads Marco Rubio 36-18, followed by Ben Carson (15), Ted Cruz (10) and Jeb Bush (9). [83825]

In a Quinnipiac poll in Colorado, Marco Rubio leads Hillary Clinton 52-36; Ben Carson leads Clinton 52-38; Ted Cruz leads Clinton 51-38, and Donald Trump 48-37. (In 2012

Obama beat Mitt Romney in Colorado 51-46.) Bernie Sanders does marginally better than Clinton in the state, but still trails those four GOP candidates. Clinton's favorable/unfavorable ratings in Colorado are 33/61, and 67 percent of the voters say she cannot be trusted. [83887]

Rush Limbaugh tells his radio audience, "I'm telling you, Obama has become dangerous. Where do you think the modern-day, 19, 20-year-old terrorist comes from, Mr. President? We can't take [in] the world here. There is no right to immigrate. We just can't accept every human being suffering in this world in the United States. ... You [listening Americans] are not even close to what [Obama] or the media or any of his other allies are attempting to accuse you of. There is precedent for every instinctive attitude you've got. Our instinct is right on the money with all this. We know this [welcoming of refugees] isn't right. We know this isn't sensible. We are not a nation of racists, sexists, bigots, homophobes or what have you. As far as Barack Obama is concerned, you and me and every other Republican conservative is a bigger reprobate and a bigger threat than ISIS. And that, sadly, is not even arguable. ... Everything you're watching ... is political in nature and is being reported to you because of the political opportunity the issue has. Why is it so many Democrats don't even want to ask questions, [and] don't even care to find out who they [the refugees] are? They just want them here. The answer is political. It's not humanitarian. It's not rooted in compassion. The answer is politics." If the Republican candidate wins the White House in November 2016, "The media's gonna say, 'I wonder why the Democrats lost so big?' and they're gonna go back and maybe consider this." [83829]

French President Francois Hollande, who for a few days showed a spark of common sense, now states he will still welcome 30,000 Syrian refugees to France. Hollande states, "Life should resume fully. What would France be without its museums, without its terraces, its concerts, its sports competitions? France should remain as it is. Our duty is to carry on our lives." (It Hollande wants France to remain as it is, he should not welcome tens of thousands of Muslim refugees who will show no more desire to assimilate than have many of the 5-6 million Muslims already in the country.) [83833, 83834, 83854, 83855]

At PamelaGeller.com author Nonie Darwish, "an ex-Muslim who grew up in Gaza and experienced jihad and Jew-hatred firsthand and repudiated both," writes, "Obama, as the leader of the free world, had the perfect opportunity to speak again to the Muslim world from Antalya, Turkey, during the G-20 summit. But this time, instead of appeasing, he could have talked business to a Muslim world entrenched in self-deception, self-pity, blame, misery, hatred and terror. He could have finally done what many needed him to do; to demand from Islamic religious and political leadership to change course to end the glorification of the jihad culture, hate education and take responsibility for creating a culture of terror. He could have demanded an end to the paranoia against the West and the centuries long breeding of millions of Muslim young men believing that honor, glory and love of country means dying for the sake of Allah in martyrdom operations against perceived enemies of Islam." [83858]

"...But after the Paris terror attack, Obama chose to yet again defend Islam and shame anyone who dares link Islam with terror. He never even hinted at time for an Islamic reformation movement. Obama's missed opportunity to demand an Islamic reformation, might have upset many Muslims, but would have started a worldwide discussion among Muslims to be open with self-criticism and looking within instead of attacking the outside for solutions. Obama instead provided Muslims with yet more excuses for Islamic terror, when he insisted that we couldn't stereotype and judge. ...It is time for Western citizens to stand firm to demand better from their leaders and say enough with Western leaders appeasing a constantly offended Muslim world; enough with Western leaders speaking from a position of weakness before a terrorized and neglected Western population who are constantly blamed for Islamic discontent; enough with claims that 'Islam is a religion of peace' and 'Islam has nothing to do with terror' business, because it is no longer a valid argument by anyone, let alone Obama, whose job qualification is, first and foremost, to protect American citizens." [83858]

"...It is unbecoming for the president of the US to keep defending Islam and lecturing his citizens on tolerance of the intolerant. It is infuriating for Americans, and rightfully so, after acts of Islamic terror on US soil with chants of Allahu Akbar, for the president of the USA to call them 'work place violence.' It is redundant and useless to keep perpetuating the argument that terrorism has nothing to do with Islam, because it is no longer working. ...Obama is inappropriately becoming the number one defender of Islam, among world leaders today. Obama's bizarre and constant defense of Islam after every Muslim terror attack on American soil is not only drawing the attention and raising eyebrows of American citizens, but also promoting distrust among Egyptian reformists who are fed up with Islamic terrorism and the Muslim Brotherhood. The distrust of Obama is publicly expressed in Egypt in a front-page article in Egyptian newspaper—Al-Wafd—that recently and specifically accuses Obama of being a member of the international organization of the Muslim Brotherhood." [83858]

At CommentaryMagazine.com Peter Wehner writes, "We all know people of towering arrogance and we all know people of staggering incompetence, but Barack Obama is quite possibly the perfect package. No one on the scene today combines these two qualities in quite the same way as Mr. Obama. On the incompetence side, and sticking just with the president's policies and record in the greater Middle East, there is Mr. Obama's mishandling of the rise of the Islamic State, which just last year he referred to as the 'jayvee team' and just last week declared was 'contained.' Recall his threat to Syrian President Assad that if Assad used chemical weapons on his own people it would constitute crossing a 'red line' (Assad did and Obama did nothing), and his stop-start-stop support for opposition forces in Syria. Then there is [Obama's] decision to pull out all American troops from Iraq, which had disastrous consequences; his failures in Afghanistan (including announcing a withdrawal date even as he was announcing a surge in troops); his bungled relations with Egypt; his failure to support the Green Revolution in Iran in 2009 and his nuclear deal with Iran in 2015..." [83873]

"Now most of us, with this almost unblemished record of ineptness, might feel some embarrassment. We might show a touch of self-reflection. And we would at least resist the temptation to lecture others. But not Mr. Obama. In his press conference in Turkey earlier this week, [Obama] was prickly, petulant, condescending and small-minded. ...If only the president could summon up this much passion and anger against oh, say, the Islamic State. Or the malevolent regimes of Iran and Syria. But no; it's the *Republicans* for whom Mr. Obama has special antipathy. ...By now it's all quite predictable and quite tiresome. Even [Obama's] own peculiar psychological habits—his tendency to project, his narcissism and seething resentment in reaction to criticisms, his inability to see reality when reality conflicts with his rigid and dogmatic views—are tedious because they are so commonly on display. Watching Mr. Obama deal with his manifold and multiplying failures is to watch a man grow more bitter and graceless by the day. It's a long, long way from hope and change." [83873]

ISIS releases a video threatening an attack on New York City's Times Square. [83853, 83872]

Agence France Presse reports, "Turkish police detained eight suspected members of the ISIS extremist group, state media said Wednesday, adding they were planning to sneak into Europe posing as refugees. Counter-terror police detained the suspects in Istanbul's Ataturk Airport after they flew in from the Moroccan city of Casablanca Tuesday [November 17], the official Anatolia news agency reported." [83859, 83860, 83866]

Reuters reports, "Iran's stockpile of low-enriched uranium had increased by 460.2 kg in the past three months to 8,305.6 kg... Under the deal with major powers, that stockpile must be slashed to no more than 300 kg." [83875, 83876, 83922]

Judicial Watch reports, "In what appears to be a first for a serious presidential contender, Hillary Clinton's campaign is going after five comedians who made fun of the former Secretary of State in standup skits at a popular Hollywood comedy club. A video of the short performance, which is less than three minutes, is posted on the website of the renowned club, Laugh Factory, and the Clinton campaign has tried to censor it. Besides demanding that the video be taken down, the Clinton campaign has demanded the personal contact information of the performers that appear in the recording. This is no laughing matter for club owner Jamie Masada, a comedy guru who opened Laugh Factory more than three decades ago and has been instrumental in launching the careers of many famous comics. 'They threatened me,' Masada told Judicial Watch. 'I have received complaints before but never a call like this, threatening to put me out of business if I don't cut the video.'" [83835, 83836, 83903]

"...The five short performances that Clinton wants eliminated include some profanity and portions could be considered crass, but some of the lines are funny and that's what the Laugh Factory is all about. The video features the individual acts of five comedians, four men and a woman. The skits make fun of Clinton's wardrobe, her age, sexual orientation, the Monica Lewinsky scandal and the former First Lady's relationship with her famous husband. The Laugh Factory has appropriately titled it 'Hillary vs. The First Amendment.' Masada told Judicial Watch that, as soon as the video got posted on the Laugh Factory website, he received a phone call from a 'prominent' person inside

Clinton's campaign. 'He said the video was disgusting and asked who put me up to this,' Masada said. The Clinton staffer, who Masada did not want to identify, also demanded to know the names and phone numbers of the comedians that appear in the video. Masada refused and hung up." [83835, 83836, 83903]

Black Lives Matter activists take over the president's office at Princeton University and demand that Woodrow Wilson's name be removed from campus buildings because he was a racist. [83838, 83894]

On November 19 investigative journalist Sharyl Attkisson tells Newsmaxt.tv's Steve Malzberg, "I have talked to people who have worked in the Obama administration who firmly believe [Obama has] made up his mind, I would say closed his mind, they say, to their intelligence that they've tried to bring him about various groups that he does not consider terrorists even if they are on the U.S. list of designated terrorists. He has his own ideas, and there are those who've known him a long time who say this goes back to law school. ...You may think this is a good trait, you may think it's a bad trait. He does not necessarily listen to the people with whom he disagrees. He seems to dig in. ...So he is facing formidable opposition on this particular point. ...I don't know the reasoning for it. I've only been told by those who have allegedly attempted to present him or been in the circle that have attempted to present him with certain intelligence that they said he doesn't want it, he said he doesn't want it or he won't read it in some instances." (Obama is mentally disturbed, delusional, and dangerous. He should be removed from office before he gets tens of thousands of Americans killed.) [83870, 83871, 83896, 83930, 83952]

At ForeignPolicy.com Dan De Luce reports, "Lawmakers are probing whether senior U.S. military officers skewed intelligence reports about Afghanistan, raising new questions about whether policymakers can trust the accuracy of the Pentagon's assessments of the nation's wars. The investigation... adds a new dimension to the politically explosive scandal hanging over the military's Central Command [Centcom], where top officers stand accused of deliberately skewing their analysis of the campaign against the Islamic State to exaggerate successes while downplaying serious setbacks. The allegations of the Pentagon cooking the books about both Afghanistan and the Islamic State will be at the center of a new congressional probe led by the leaders of three of the most powerful committees on Capitol Hill. Rep. Devin Nunes of California, the Republican head of the House Intelligence Committee, told Foreign Policy that he and the chairmen of the House Armed Services Committee and Defense Appropriations Subcommittee are forming a task force 'to investigate numerous allegations of the manipulation of intelligence by Centcom officials." [84021, 84022, 84023, 84046]

"...The new probe comes just months after the senior intelligence analyst on Iraq at Centcom, Gregory Hooker, backed up by dozens of equally disgruntled analysts, told the Defense Department's inspector general that intelligence assessments about the Islamic State were being distorted and watered down by top officials and officers. The analysts went to the inspector general after trying and failing to resolve the problem within the command. Now, according to people familiar with the matter, there is mounting concern that intelligence reports about Afghanistan were also deliberately slanted. The Pentagon's annual assessments of Afghanistan, mandated by Congress, have consistently been far more optimistic about the state of the war effort against the Taliban than the classified reports produced by the CIA, according to people familiar with both sets of reports." (Whoever ordered the watering down of intelligence reports should be fired and prosecuted. If the directive came from Obama, he should be impeached and tried for treason.) [84021, 84022, 84023, 84046]

On *Morning Joe*, Secretary of Defense Ashton Carter says, "We have to defeat ISIL [ISIS]. It is something that must be defeated. ...We are fighting every day. We have 3,500 people on the ground in Iraq... we're flying air sorties [that are] very intense, very effective. We're starting [to] hit the fuel convoys now. ISIL uses the oil infrastructure to raise money." (Many Americans might ask, "Why are we only now going after ISIS' source of income?") [83904]

The Associated Press reports, "The Islamic State group is aggressively pursuing development of chemical weapons, setting up a branch dedicated to research and experiments with the help of scientists from Iraq, Syria and elsewhere in the region, according to Iraqi and U.S. intelligence officials. ...On Thursday [November 19], French Prime Minister Manuel Valls warned that Islamic extremists might at some point use chemical or biological weapons." [83874, 83921]

CNN's Deirdre Walsh tweets, "WH chief of staff [Denis] McDonough+ DHS Secy [Jeh] Johnson got beat up by House DEMOCRATS on refugee bill/lack of message at closed door mtg." (House Democrats are apparently not quite as stupid as Obama believes the voters to be.) [83877, 83961]

The House then votes 289-137 (all but two Republicans are joined by 47 Democrats) to approve legislation "pausing" the resettlement of Syrian refugees in the United States unless federal agencies can certify their "non-terrorist" credentials. (One Democrat who originally opposed the legislation but then supported it, comments, "If the White House hadn't royally fucked this up they'd have lost maybe 20 Democrats [rather than 47].") The vote is more than enough to override an Obama veto in the House, but in the Senate, Minority Leader Harry Reid (D-NV) will try to block the legislation. He tells reporters, "The problem is not with refugees. I don't think we'll be dealing with it over here. ...Don't worry, it won't get passed. Next question?" [83878, 83900, 83901, 83919, 83920, 83961, 83962, 83971]

The legislation will not prevent Syrian refugees from entering the United States. It would merely require FBI certification that they pose no security threat. It is essentially a "show vote," to make Americans believe Congress is "doing something." But that prompts the question, "Why would Obama threaten to veto what is essentially a meaningless bill?" The answer is that a preening Obama will be able to continue to claim he is morally superior to the Republicans because "he cares" about the refugees while they are heartless. (The veto threat is also a "hammer" to use against Senate Democrats: "Dare to defy Obama and incur the wrath of Harry Reid." Obama knows there are not enough

Senate Democrats willing to vote to override a veto, but he can use the veto threat to "keep the troops in line." It is a shameless demonstration of political force.) [83961]

Obama tells reporters that "overwhelming numbers" of Syrian refugees trying to enter the United States "are children, women, families-themselves victims of terrorism" who are subject to thorough vetting by U.S. security officials. "The idea that somehow they pose a more significant threat than all the tourists who pour into the United States every single day just doesn't jive with reality. So my expectation is after the initial spasm of rhetoric, the people will settle down, take a look at the facts, and we'll be able to proceed. ... In the aftermath of Paris, I think that there is just a very strong tendency for us to get worked up around issues that don't actually make us safer but make for good political soundbites, whether it's refugees or Guantanamo, those are handy answer [sic; answers], particularly for folks who aren't interested in engaging in a more serious debate about how we invest in the long, hard slog of dealing with terrorism. ... We can keep the American people safe while shutting down that [Guantanamo] operation. We have reduced that population further, and I expect that early by next year we may even have fewer than a hundred people at Guantanamo. We are going to go through, meticulously, with Congress, what our options are, why we think this should be closed. I guarantee you there will be strong resistance." [83882]

Congressman Trey Gowdy (R-SC) remarks, "[Obama] says we're scared of widows and orphans. With all due respect to him, what I'm really afraid of is a foreign policy that creates more widows and orphans, so where maybe he ought to start ...is a foreign policy in the Middle East, including Syria, where people can go back to their homelands, which is their preference, go back to their homelands." [83889]

GodfatherPolitics.com asks, "But really, what's a vetting? Nadal Hassan [sic; Nidal Malik Hasan], the Fort Hood shooter, was a major in the Army. Who among us has gone through a more thorough vetting than those in the military? Yet Hassan somehow escaped the scrutiny of military vetting. That being said, who believes the vetting procedure of these Syrian refugees will be more stringent than that of [Hasan]? How well was Juan Francisco Lopez-Sanchez vetted? Remember him, the illegal alien monster who gunned down Kate Steinle in cold blood, in broad daylight, in front of her father? He was deported five times and had used 30 aliases. I guess the vetting process really broke down in his case. The fact is, we don't vet illegals. We can't vet illegals. What kind of electronic 'biometric' trail will you find on some destitute itinerant farm hand from nowhere Guatemala? Of course, not a single thing. And the same will go for most of the 'refugees' from Syria. We are to take the word of the refugee and the United Nations. ... The UNHCR [United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees] collects data on each refugee. You know this is a lie. There are not enough U.N. personnel on the planet to do that job for hundreds of thousands of them. And even if there were, does anyone think the U.N. gives a flying crap who gets into America?" [83908]

FreeBeacon.com reports, "For their first five years in the United States, each Middle Eastern refugee costs taxpayers \$64,370 to resettle them here, according to a report from the Center for Immigration Studies. ... The cost to resettle them in the United States is 12

times the cost of resettling them in a neighboring Middle Eastern country. Instead of resettling them here, the report explains that 12 refugees can be helped in the Middle East for five years or 61 refugees could be helped for a year. ...Because refugees are eligible for all welfare programs they have very high rates of participation in government assistance programs. The report finds that 91.4 percent of refugees receive food stamps, 73.1 percent are on Medicaid, 68 percent receive cash assistance, 36.7 percent receive Temporary Assistance to Needy Families, 32.1 percent receive Supplemental Security Income, and 18.7 percent live in public housing." [84386, 84387]

A delusional and/or pandering Hillary Clinton insists, "Let's be clear: Islam is not our adversary. Muslims are peaceful and tolerant people and have nothing whatsoever to do with terrorism." [83923, 83932]

Clinton's campaign chairman John Podesta tweets, "Hillary's strategy to defeat Isis: ~Defeat Isis in Syria & Iraq ~Disrupt & dismantle terrorist infrastructure ~Harden our defenses." (The "strategy for defeating ISIS is to defeat ISIS" might seem to reasonable people to not be a strategy at all. Clinton's three points are not a strategy; they are a wish list.) [83929, 83941]

WashingtonPost.com notes that the Clinton campaign is no longer referring to the candidate as "Hillary Rodham Clinton." Instead—after including her maiden name for about 10 years—she is now only "Hillary Clinton." (It is assumed she believes the change will get her a few more votes. She may need to try "Mrs. Bill Clinton" to be successful.) On November 30 *The New York Times* announces it will stop using the name Rodham in its references to the former Secretary of State. [84038, 84039, 84344]

CNSNews.com reports that since October 1, according to State Department Refugee Processing Center data, "the United States has admitted 351 refugees from Syria... Of those 351 Syrian refugees, 346 (98.6 percent) have been Sunni Muslims. Only 5 (1.4 percent) have been Christians. The Christians included three Catholics, one Orthodox and one of unspecified denomination. The majority of the 351 Syrian refugees (191) have been male, the minority female (160.) 64 (or 18 percent of the total of 351) have been men between the ages of 14 and 40, according to the State Department data." [83888]

According to a November 4-8 Gallup poll (conducted before the November 13 terrorist attacks in Paris), 64 percent of Americans disapprove of Obama's handling of the ISIS situation. [83890]

At AmericanThinker.com Sierra Rayne reports, "A new poll by the Pew Research Center reveals significant levels of support for ISIS within the Muslim world. In 11 representative nation-states, up to 14 percent of the population has a favorable opinion of ISIS, and upwards of 62 percent 'don't know' whether or not they have a favorable opinion of the Islamist group. ...Despite only minorities in each nation surveyed holding clear support for ISIS, the large total population of the region translates into a massive number of ISIS supporters. For these 11 nation-states alone, the favorability ratings for ISIS reported by the Pew poll are indicative of at least 63 million ISIS supporters—and

potentially upwards of 287 million if the undecided are included in the calculation. These numbers suggest there are, at a minimum, hundreds of millions of ISIS supporters worldwide." (That only 8 percent of Turks have a favorable view of ISIS may not seem significant, until one considers that 8 percent of 75 million people is 6 million ISIS supporters—in one nation alone.) [83910]

FoxNews.com reports, "An 18-year-old American man from the Boston area was among those shot and killed by a Palestinian terrorist Thursday in the West Bank... The Israeli Government Press Office said Ezra Schwartz from Sharon, Mass., died in the attack on Thursday." [83902, 83909]

RealClimateScience.com reports that the government is making new false claims about global warming as Obama prepares to head to Paris for a November 30 climate summit. "They claim that October had the highest temperature anomaly ever recorded for any month. ...Somehow, they managed to calculate Earth's temperature within 0.01 degrees—even though they had no temperature data for about half of the land surface, including none in Greenland and very little in Africa or Antarctica. ...By tampering with the [Siberia] station baseline, they created the large anomalies. Then they double down their fraud by smearing their bogus anomalies across 1200 km of missing data. This is needed to create their required fraudulent record temperature claims ahead of Paris." [83931]

More problems with ObamaCare surface, as Courant.com reports, "UnitedHealth Group, the nation's largest health insurer, told investors Thursday that losses from its 550,000 customers on Obamacare exchanges are expected to hit \$650 million this year and next. As a result, CEO Stephen Hemsley said that UnitedHealth is pulling back from the exchanges and considering exiting them entirely in 2017. 'We cannot sustain these losses,' he said flatly. ...Kathy Hempstead, director of coverage for the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, a health care think tank, said UnitedHealth's announcement came as a surprise, though all the carriers have said the newly insured have been more intensive users of health care than they expected—and priced for. 'I think there are some problems here with finding a sweet spot in where we can make a product that's affordable for people, and also a product that carriers are able to sell and not able to lose their shirts, frankly,' she said. 'And that's something that still needs to be worked out." [83951]

Congresswoman Mia Love (R-UT), a Tea Party favorite, endorses Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) for president. [83934]

On November 20 Secretary of State John Kerry says, "We always said it will take time. We began our fight against al-Qaeda in 2001, and it took us quite a few years before we were able to eliminate Osama bin Laden and the top leadership and neutralize them as an effective force." [83944, 83954]

A few hours after Kerry's statement, al-Qaeda-linked terrorists with guns and grenades take almost 2300 hostages at the Radisson Blu hotel in Bamako, Mali. At least three people are killed at the start of the attack. WashingtonTimes.com reports, "Malian special

forces were freeing hostages 'floor by floor,' Malian army commander Modibo Nama Traore told The Associated Press. Still, Rezidor Hotel group put out a new statement saying 125 guests and 13 employees were still in the hotel. Traore said at least one guest reported that the attackers instructed him to recite verses from the Koran before he was allowed to leave the hotel. ...Traore said 10 gunmen had stormed the hotel shouting 'Allahu Akbar,' or 'God is great,' in Arabic before firing on the guards. A staffer at the hotel who gave his name as Tamba Diarra said over the phone that the attackers used grenades in the assault." [83918, 83924, 83925, 83927, 83933, 83935, 83948, 83953, 83957]

Amazingly, while the terrorist attack is still going on—and the terrorists are killing non-Muslims and releasing Muslims—State Department spokesman John Kirby tweets, "We are aware U.S. citizens might be present Radisson Hotel in Bamako, #Mali. @USEmbassyMali working to verify this information #MaliAttacks." (Whether the terrorists are monitoring Twitter is not known.) By late afternoon the death toll reaches at least 21, and all remaining hostages are released. [83936, 83937]

It is later reported that six Americans survive the ordeal, and one American—Anita Ashok Datar—is killed. [83937, 83972]

It is worth noting that Mitt Romney was ridiculed after twice mentioning Mali as a potential trouble spot during an October 2012 debate with Obama. Romney was right—just as he was right when he said that Russia was the United States' greatest geopolitical enemy. [83963, 83987]

Convicted spy Jonathan Pollard is released from prison after almost 30 years. [83926]

Hillary Clinton names former Congressman Earl Hilliard, a black Democrat from Alabama, to her leadership team. AmericanActionNews.com points out that Hilliard "blamed his [2002] re-election loss on a supposed Jewish conspiracy to control money and the media. 'The only thing I know for sure, that I saw in black and white, is \$1,098,000 that [opponent Artur Davis] reported. You can't take money from corporations, so that came from Jews and Republicans. There's no question where that money came from,' he claimed in a July 16, 2002 interview with 'Black Commentator' magazine. Hilliard also claimed Jews control the media and were out to get him. 'Remember, the Jewish media. They started putting word out, they wanted everybody to know, because ...obviously they felt that the money they had, that they put in, that they were going to beat me,' he said." [84491, 84492, 84403]

The Obama administration releases 2,224 pages of new federal regulations. (The number of jobs those regulations will destroy is not known.) [84047]

Charles Krauthammer writes, "...Barack Obama, titular head of the free world, has responded to Paris with weariness and annoyance. His news conference in Turkey was marked by a stunning tone of passivity, detachment and lassitude, compounded by impatience and irritability at the very suggestion that his Syria strategy might be failing. The only time he showed any passion was in denouncing Republicans for hardheartedness toward Muslim refugees. One hundred and twenty-nine innocents lie dead but it takes the GOP to kindle Obama's ire. The rest was mere petulance, dismissing criticisms of his Syria policy as popping off. ...Obama defended his policy by listing its multifaceted elements. Such as, 'I hosted at the United Nations an entire discussion of counterterrorism strategies and curbing the flow of foreign fighters.' An 'entire' discussion, mind you. Not a partial one. They tremble in Raqqa. And 'We have mobilised 65 countries to go after Isil [ISIL or ISIL].' Yes, and what would we do without Luxembourg?" [83956]

"Obama complained of being criticised for not being bellicose enough. But the complaint is not about an absence of bellicosity but about an absence of passion, of urgency and of commitment to the fight. The air campaign over Syria averages seven strikes a day. Seven. In Operation Desert Storm, we flew 1,100 sorties a day. Even in the Kosovo campaign, we averaged 138. Obama is doing just enough in Syria to give the appearance of motion, yet not nearly enough to have any chance of success. Obama's priorities lie elsewhere. For example, climate change, which he considers the greatest 'threat to our future.' And, of course, closing Guantánamo. Obama actually released five detainees on the day after the Paris massacre. He is passionate about Guantánamo. Obama's other passion is protecting Islam from any possible association with 'violent extremism.' The Islamic State is nothing but 'killers with fantasies of glory.' Obama can never bring himself to acknowledge why these people kill and willingly die: to advance a radical Islamist millenarianism that is purposeful, indeed eschatological—and appealing enough to have created the largest, most dangerous terrorist movement on earth." [83956]

Adam Kredo reports at FreeBeacon.com, "U.S. military pilots who have returned from the fight against the Islamic State in Iraq are confirming that they were blocked from dropping 75 percent of their ordnance on terror targets because they could not get clearance to launch a strike, according to a leading member of Congress. Strikes against the Islamic State (also known as ISIS or ISIL) targets are often blocked due to an Obama administration policy to prevent civilian deaths and collateral damage, according to Rep. Ed Royce (R-CA), chair of the House Foreign Affairs Committee. The policy is being blamed for allowing Islamic State militants to gain strength across Iraq and continue waging terrorist strikes throughout the region and beyond, according to Royce and former military leaders who spoke Wednesday about flaws in the U.S. campaign to combat the Islamic State. 'You went 12 full months while ISIS was on the march without the U.S. using that air power and now as the pilots come back to talk to us they say three-quarters of our ordnance we can't drop, we can't get clearance even when we have a clear target in front of us,' Royce said. 'I don't understand this strategy at all because this is what has allowed ISIS the advantage and ability to recruit." [83928, 83940, 83947, 83955, 83982, 84012]

"...Jack Keane, a retired four-star U.S. general, agreed with Royce's assessment of the administration's policy and blamed ...Obama for issuing orders that severely constrain the U.S. military from combatting terror forces. 'This has been an absurdity from the

beginning,' Keane said in response to questions from Royce. '[Obama] personally made a statement that has driven air power from the inception.' 'When we agreed we were going to do airpower and the military said, this is how it would work, he [Obama] said, 'No, I do not want any civilian casualties,' Keane explained. 'And the response was, 'But there's always some civilian casualties. We have the best capability in the world to protect from civilians casualties.' However, Obama's response was, 'No, you don't understand. I want no civilian casualties. Zero,' Keane continued. 'So that has driven our so-called rules of engagement to a degree we have never had in any previous air campaign from desert storm to the present.' ... 'Believe me,' Keane added, 'the French are in there not using the restrictions we have imposed on our pilots.' And the same goes for Russians, he said, adding, 'They don't care at all about civilians.''' (Because Obama fears the occasional killing of civilians, he leaves ISIS targets alone. But that increases civilian deaths because ISIS is more free to commit its acts of terror.) [83928, 83940, 83947, 83955, 83982]

DCWhispers.com describes a meeting between Obama and Russian President Vladimir Putin at the G-20 summit in Turkey: "It was a much-publicized 40-minute sit down at the G-20 Summit between ...Putin and ...Obama that the media indicated might have been an important improvement in cooperation between the two world leaders. In actuality it was Putin sitting down, staring into the eyes of Barack Obama, and pushing a collection of images at Mr. Obama that outlined ISIS-controlled oil fields and oil transportation routes the U.S. military had for over a year inexplicably left intact. Putin gave Mr. Obama a thin smile and then told the American president the oil fields would soon be decimated by Russian air attacks with or without ...Obama's approval. Vladimir Putin was said to be incredulous that American military forces had allowed ISIS to continue making tens of millions of dollars off of oil sales—money that is then being used to recruit more terrorists and initiate terrorist attacks throughout the world." [83938]

"Mr. Obama's jaw tightened as he listened to the interpreter finish giving him Vladimir Putin's directive as the Russian president leaned even closer to him from across the small table that separated the two world leaders. The former KGB operative's eyes remained fixated upon Barack Obama's, complimented by a thin smile that spoke to the Russian's absolute determination to leave that table in complete control of his nation's interests regarding the ongoing ISIS conflict. After several tense seconds, ...Obama looked away and then began speaking. Putin awaited his own interpreter and with each word from Mr. Obama, his smirk became more pronounced. Barack Obama spoke of the need for cooperation, of dealing with Assad, of an international approach to ensure fairness to everyone involved. Mr. Putin jabbed a finger at the ISIS oil fields photographs and declared them gone. He then rose up from his chair, smiled warmly for the media cameras watching the exchange, and then later gave the now infamous comments that made clear his feelings toward the American president: 'He's a child...he's a child.'" [83938, 83939]

"Vladimir Putin completely dominated Barack Obama during that brief but critically important exchange between them. Within hours of that meeting, U.S. forces began bombing ISIS oil transport trucks. The Obama White House moved quickly to push the American media to detail those attacks as a show of Barack Obama's determination to defeat ISIS in an attempt to minimize Putin's growing influence as the dominant world leader in the war on ISIS. What the White House didn't disclose (but disgruntled military operatives then leaked) was that it ordered leaflets to be dropped prior to the bombing campaign to allow 'innocents' time to escape. The Obama administration proudly claimed it destroyed 116 ISIS oil transport vehicles. Russian military then proceeded to decimate over 500 hundred ISIS transport trucks—and did so without prior warning. Statistically, the Putin-directed response to ISIS is 500% greater than that overseen by Barack Obama which would appear to only reinforce Mr. Putin's claims of Barack Obama's childlike approach to dealing with Muslim terrorists." [83938]

At an event in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, Obama lectures, "It is very important to avoid any political system where money overwhelms ideas. And the United States' politics [sic; political] process has become so expensive and it lasts so long, and even though I was successful at it, we spend hundreds of millions of dollars in television advertising and in all the things that go into a U.S. presidential campaign. When politicians have to raise so much money all the time, then they start listening a little bit more to the people who have money, as opposed to ordinary people." Obama also says that politics "increasingly is defined by personal attacks and saying very sensational things in the media," and suggests that leaders should "debate people you disagree with, without saying that they're a terrible person." (This would be the same Obama who has spent the last seven years attacking the motives and morality of anyone who opposes his policies and ideology, and who almost universally refuses to listen to the ideas of others.) [83959, 84004, 84043, 84061]

"...[I]n the United States, there is a growing inequality that I think is a real problem not just for the United States but around the world. And when people feel economic stress and inequality, then I think politics become harder because people are afraid for their futures and sometimes politics can become much more divided than it used to be. When there's more inequality, the people who are powerful can influence the political system to further reinforce their privilege, and it makes it harder for ordinary people to feel that they have influence on the political process. And so people become cynical. Now, these are all problems that can be solved, and I'm confident we will eventually solve them. But right now, our political system does not work as well as it should." [83959, 84004, 84043, 84061]

Obama also warns about global warming, claiming, "[I]f we don't stop the amount of carbon that we send up, and we don't find new ways of creating energy, then you'll see the oceans rise, more extreme weather events, more drought, more flooding, bigger hurricanes, typhoons. And it could have a devastating effect on countries all around the world. And probably the biggest effect will be on poorer countries who don't have as much infrastructure to protect themselves." (If Obama is really worried about global warming, he can keep Air Force One on the ground and deliver his speeches via Skype. In addition, he should be informed that no Category 3 or higher hurricane has struck the U.S. mainland since October 2005.) [84045, 84112]

Congresswoman Tulsi Gabbard (D-HI) tells CNN's Jake Tapper, "ISIS, our enemy, would not be as strong as they are today if those actions were not taken to overthrow those secular dictators [Saddam Hussein in Iraq and Muammar Gaddafi in Libya]. ...Look at the state of these countries today. They have been overrun and are filled with chaos. And ISIS and Islamist extremist groups have only grown stronger in these countries and terrorizing the people there." [83968, 83970]

Democrats and media leftists (and some Republicans) criticize Donald Trump, claiming he wants a "Muslim database" to help keep the nation safe; at the same time they brag there is a robust Muslim database which is being used to thoroughly vet incoming refugees. (Trump was asked by a Hillary Clinton-supporting reporter, "Should there be a database or system that tracks Muslims in this country?" Trump replied, "There should be a lot of systems. Beyond databases. I mean, we should have a lot of systems. And today you can do it. But right now we have to have a border, we have to have strength, we have to have a wall, and we cannot let what's happening in this country happen any longer." The reporter asks, "Is that something your White House would like to implement?" Trump replies, "I would certainly implement that [a border wall]. Absolutely." Trump later explains, "I want a watch list for the Syrian refugees that Obama's going to let in if we don't stop him…") [83942, 83943, 83945, 83946, 83965, 83966, 83978]

The Internal Revenue Service proposes that charities, churches, and non-profit organizations report to the agency the Social Security numbers of any donors who have contributed more than \$250 during the year. Mark Fitzgibbons, president of corporate affairs at American Target Advertising, tells FoxNews.com, "I don't know any charity that would adopt this, but those who do will certainly be scaring their donors." Fox notes, "As it stands, these nonprofits are required to send any contributor of \$250 or more a 'contemporaneous written acknowledgement (CWA)' that includes the amount of the donation and any services or gifts received in return. This document is used by the donor when filing for deductions from their income taxes." Charities do not collect or retain donor Social Security numbers. (If donors have to give up their Social Security numbers, many will simply stop donating—because they do not want yet another way for their personal information to be stolen or abused. Of course, the IRS likely has an ulterior motive: the ability to go after political enemies. A Democrat in the White House, for example, might be tempted to place under special tax scrutiny anyone who donated a large amount to a tax-exempt conservative organization.) [83949, 84400]

In a Reuters poll, Donald Trump leads other GOP candidates with 38.8 percent. He is followed by Ben Carson (14.7), Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) (10.3), Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) (7.1), and Jeb Bush (5.5). All other candidates are under 5 percent. [83960]

Hillary Clinton campaigns in Memphis, Tennessee, where she uses her fake southern accent. [83981]

On November 21 FoxNews.com reports, "Amid Washington's raging debate over refugees and religion, more than two dozen Iraqi Christians who crossed into the U.S. from Mexico in hopes of joining their friends and families are being deported after their

bids for religious asylum were rejected. A total of 27 Chaldean Christians, driven from their homeland by Al Qaeda and ISIS, entered the country in April and May, hoping to join the thriving Iraqi Christian community in and around San Diego. But the door to America is being slammed on the 17 men and 10 women over what their supporters say are technicalities. ... The Chaldeans are among tens and possibly hundreds of thousands of Christians from Iraq and Syria who have been displaced by fighting and persecuted by Al Qaeda, ISIS and even the Iraqi government. But because some had first gone to Germany before making their way to the border, and in some cases were deemed to not have been forthcoming about it on their applications for religious asylum, they were held at the Otay Detention Center in San Diego since entering the U.S. while their applications were considered. So far, 22 have been ordered out of the U.S. and the other five are awaiting a likely similar ruling." [83950, 83996]

Congresswoman Tulsi Gabbard (D-HI) and Congressman Austin Scott (R-GA) introduce legislation calling for an end to efforts to overthrow Syrian President Bashar al-Assad. Gabbard states, "The U.S. is waging two wars in Syria. The first is the war against ISIS and other Islamic extremists, which Congress authorized after the terrorist attack on 9/11. The second war is the illegal war to overthrow the Syrian government of Assad." Scott adds, "Working to remove Assad at this stage is counter-productive to what I believe our primary mission should be." [84040, 84059]

Blogger Devvy Kidd observes, "There is the key word: illegally. Something the criminal impostor in the White House and hundreds of Republicans and Democrats in Congress don't seem to give a damn about. In the case of Barry Soetoro aka Barack Obama, he does what his handlers tell him to do while ignoring any input from high ranking military who are actually in the theater of operations. The brain dead in the U.S. Congress continue to sit back and allow we the people to be raped in more massive unpayable debt to play geopolitical games in pursuit of world government through brute force." [84041]

Pamela Geller reports, "A 72-year-old woman was raped in her own backyard in Traiskirchen, Austria. The suspect was arrested, and is a 17-year-old Afghan asylum seeker." [83989]

Brussels, Belgium shuts down its train, bus, and subway system and goes on high alert under the threat of a "serious and immediate" terrorist attack. According to FoxNews.com, "The U.S. Embassy in Brussels also ordered American citizens to remain at home as the city was placed on lockdown in response to the terrorist threat. The national crisis center raised its terrorism alert Saturday to its highest level as Belgian police continued to search for a suspect in the Paris attacks that killed 130 people. In a statement on its website Saturday the embassy informed Americans that 'if you must go out, avoid large crowds.' The warning also urged U.S. citizens to 'exercise caution in public transportation systems, sporting events, residential areas, business offices, shopping malls and other tourist destinations.'" [83974, 83993, 83994]

Meanwhile, an apple core tossed over the fence prompts a White House lockdown. NBCNews.com reports, "Parts of the avenue in front of the White House were cleared after the incident shortly before 4:30 p.m. Saturday. The White House was briefly placed into lockdown, which is standard practice any time there is a security concern. The lockdown was lifted after about five minutes." (Richard Grenell quips, "It would be cruel to send him back over the fence. He made it over. He should get to live there now.") [84002, 84314]

A massive crowd greets Donald Trump at a campaign rally in Birmingham, Alabama where his supporters are less than patient with a "black lives matter" protester/heckler. (CNN shamelessly lies about the incident, falsely claiming the man was "shoved, tackled, punched and kicked" and that "all of the attendees who were involved in the physical altercation with the protester were white..." The video clearly shows at least one black person helping to remove the man from the event, and shows no punching or kicking.) [83975, 83976, 84001, 84005, 84009, 84011, 84028, 84030, 84307]

Jim Goad later reports at TakiMag.com that when the heckler, Mercutio Southall, Jr., "wasn't a full-time shit-disturber, [he] had attended police academy but was too goddamned fat to pass the physical test. Since then he has been repeatedly arrested for making a public nuisance of himself. He estimates he has been Tasered 30 times as a result of his 'activism.' He says his mom was married to a 'crackhead,' but for some reason he still seems to find white police more of a threat to his four younger sisters than the fact that his mom was married to a crackhead. Southall had previously been involved in a two-hour armed standoff with police on July 4, 2014. Since then he has been arrested for public disturbances last December, this past April, and in October. Apparently he thinks taunting police with guns is the best way to keep his four younger sisters safe. ...Despite Southall's clear record of being a gleefully full-throttle agitator, a Birmingham police official was deemed a Jim Crow-era tobacco-chawin' bigot for referring to him as an 'agitator.'" [84307]

Former House Speaker Newt Gingrich tells Fox News' Uma Pemmaraju that Obama heads "the most dangerous national security administration in American history. They're totally wrong about the war on terror and they lie about what is going on. Secretary [of State John] Kerry suggested that there was justification for the attack on Charlie Hebdo. He said al-Qaeda has been degraded, which is not true. [Obama] has called ISIS the junior varsity. He said just last week that they have been contained. This administration is out of touch with reality. ...I don't understand ...Obama's thinking or his understanding of reality. He was joking the other day about Republicans being afraid of orphans and pregnant women. Well, a couple days ago, a young woman was radicalized, blew herself up in Europe trying to kill several policemen. [Obama] doesn't seem to have any understanding of the reality of what we're facing or the fact that it doesn't take many people. Eight people in Paris killed 129 and wounded 350. It was 10 people in Mali who took control of a hotel. You can do a lot of damage with a small number of terrorists." [84029]

Plagued by a prostitution scandal, Senator David Vitter (R-LA) loses the Louisiana gubernatorial election to moderate (pro-gun, anti-abortion) Democrat John Bel Edwards. The result reflects voter dislike of Vitter, not a voter embrace of Edwards. (The

Republican candidate for Lieutenant Governor defeats the Democrat by 10 points. In addition, Vitter had already announced that he would not run for reelection to the Senate in 2016.) [84000, 84010, 84032]

WashingtonTimes.com reports, "Hacking collective Anonymous said the Islamic State terrorist group is planning to launch more attacks in Paris, the U.S., Indonesia, Italy and Lebanon on Sunday. OpParisIntel, the Anonymous campaign against the Islamic State online, released a statement Saturday saying it had uncovered information regarding new terror plots 'on Paris and the world' scheduled for Sunday Nov. 22. The group also warned the Islamic State may be planning an attack at the WWE Survivor Series event set to take place in the Philips Area in Atlanta on Sunday night. In a statement Saturday, the FBI said it was aware of the alleged threat and was taking the matter seriously." (More than 14,000 fans attend the wrestling event.) [83977, 83985, 83986, 83988, 83995, 84006, 84111]

After the Democrat National Committee releases an ad criticizing Republicans for daring to equate terrorism with radical Islam, former Arkansas governor Mike Huckabee tells Breitbart.com, "Democrats seem determined to defend Islam more than America. No one in the GOP blames *all* Muslims but no one in the DNC blames *any* Muslims, even the ones who shout Allahu Akbar just before cutting off the head of a person who professes being a Christian." [84016, 84017, 84018, 84026]

On November 22 Donald Trump appears on *This Week*. ABC's George Stephanopoulos asks, "You did stir up a controversy with those comments over the database. Let's try to clear that up. Are you unequivocally now ruling out a database on all Muslims?" Trump responds, "No, not at all. I want a database for the refugees that—if they come into the country. We have no idea who these people are. When the Syrian refugees are going to start pouring into this country, we don't know if they're ISIS, we don't know if it's a Trojan horse. And I definitely want a database and other checks and balances. We want to go with watch lists. We want to go with databases. And we have no choice. We have no idea who's being sent in here. This could be the—it's probably not, but it could be the great Trojan horse of all time, where they come in. When I look at those migration—when I look at the migration and the lines and I see all strong, very powerful looking men, they're men and I see very few women, I see very few children, there's something strange going on. And if you look at what's happened in Europe, a lot of bad things are happening in Europe. Just ask the folks that live in Germany, George. A lot of bad things are happening." [83998]

"...We want to—hey, George, we want to be vigilant. We have to be vigilant and we have to call it radical—you know, we have to just say it. It's radical Islamic terrorism, and that's what it is. And we have a president that won't even issue the term. But when these Syrians come in, or wherever they are, because we're not even sure that they're coming in from Syria, if they're going to come in, we have to be very, very vigilant. And a database would be fine for them and a watch list is fine. We have to watch and see what we're doing. They should not come in, by the way. They should not be allowed to come in. ...Well, we have to be strong. You know, they don't use waterboarding over there;

they use chopping off people's heads. They use drowning people. I don't know if you've seen with the cages, where they put people in cages and they drown them in the ocean and they lift out the cage. And we're [only] talking about waterboarding. We have to be tough... I would bring it back, yes. I would bring it back. I think waterboarding is peanuts compared to what they'd do to us, what they're doing to us, what they did to James Foley when they chopped off his head. That's a whole different level and I would absolutely bring back interrogation and strong interrogation. [83998]

Stephanopoulos ridicules Trump for suggesting that Muslims in Jersey City, New Jersey celebrated the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. Trump insists they did just that. Trump is most certainly correct—although the celebrants possibly did not number in the thousands as he claims. (There were likely thousands of celebrating Muslims in the New York City area but, of course, they were not all in the same place for a group photograph.) On September 18, 2001 The Washington Post reported, "In Jersey City, within hours of two jetliners' plowing into the World Trade Center, law enforcement authorities detained and questioned a number of people who were allegedly seen celebrating the attacks and holding tailgate-style parties on rooftops while they watched the devastation on the other side of the river." On October 28, 2001 The New York Times reported, "Within hours of the terror attacks, F.B.I. agents hurriedly intercepted telephone calls in which suspected associates of Al Qaeda in the United States were overheard celebrating the attacks. In the following days, agents swept in and arrested them." Around the world, of course, millions of Muslims celebrated the 9/11 attacks.) [84048, 84053, 84055, 84056, 84099, 84115, 84116, 84133, 84138, 84175, 84193, 84323, 84375, 84377, 84383, 84384, 84430, 84478, 845761

Truck driver John D. Lewis later posts his driver log from September 11, 2001, on which he had written, "Can't work anymore today. Big accidents at W.T.C. People jumping off Tower. People dancing on rooftops. UNREAL." [84219]

Former New York City mayor Rudy Giuliani later says on CNN's *New Day*, "We did have some celebrating," but calls them "pockets of celebration, some in Queens, some in Brooklyn." [84404]

On September 14, 2001 the *New York Post* wrote in an editorial, "Here in New York, it was easy to get angry listening to Egyptians, Palestinians and the Arabs of nearby Paterson, N.J., celebrate as they received word of the murderous attack in New York and Washington. But Mayor Giuliani (who has been tireless and magnificent in this crisis) rightly warned New Yorker that it would be wrong to take their anger out on the city's Arab and Muslim residents. Attacks on Arab-Americans in Paterson or elsewhere are utterly indefensible." [84375]

A televised report on September 16, 2001 noted a Jersey City apartment building, "one that an investigator told me, quote, was 'swarming with suspects,' suspects who I'm told were cheering on the roof when they saw the planes slam into the [World] Trade Center. Police were called to the building by other neighbors and found eight men celebrating, six of them tenants in the building. The F.B.I. and other terrorist task force agencies

arrived, and the older investigators on the task force recalled that they had been to this building before, eight years ago, when the first World Trade Center attack [in 1993] led them to Sheik Omar Abdel-Rahman, whose Jersey City mosque lies between the two buildings getting attention today. And the older investigators remember that the suspects that eventually got convicted for the first Trade Center case ...lived in the building where these same eight men were celebrating the destruction that they saw from the roof. Calling this a hot address, the task force investigators ordered everyone detained." [84406]

On September 17, 2001 then-CBS News anchor Dan Rather appeared David Letterman's late night program and said, "Oh, absolutely, they're [Muslims in the United States are] celebrating. There's one report, I—this has not been confirmed but there's [sic] several eyewitness reports that there was a cell, one of these cells, across the Hudson River, and they got in the—this is the report, I emphasize I don't know this for a fact but there's [sic] several witnesses who say this happened—they got on the roof of the building to look across, they knew what was gonna [sic] happen, they were waiting for it to happen, and when it [the attack on the World Trade Center towers] happened they celebrated. They, they jumped for joy to see this happen, it was a great triumph." (Not only did Muslims in New Jersey celebrate the downing of the towers, some apparently knew in advance that it was going to take place.) [84384]

Stephanopoulos also interviews Martin O'Malley, and does his best to defend Hillary Clinton against criticisms made by Democrat presidential candidate O'Malley. (It is unconscionable that ABC allows Stephanopoulos to do any political "reporting" at all, when his loyalties clearly lie with the Clintons.) [84015]

On *Face the Nation*, Senator Dianne Feinstein (D-CA) observes, "I don't think the [Obama administration] approach [to defeating ISIS] is sufficient to the job. I think there are general principles, and the general principles in terms of the administration strategy, too, but I'm concerned that we don't have the time, and we don't have years. We need to be aggressive now, because ISIL [ISIS] is a quasi-state. ISIL has 30,000 fighters. It's got a civil infrastructure. It's got funding. It's spreading in other countries. And it's a big, big problem. And now what you see, I think, in other places is a competition developing from other terrorist organizations. But ISIL is something apart. It's enormously strong. And it has to be dealt with in a very strong manner." [84079, 84082, 84109]

"...[T]his has gone on too long now. And it has not gotten better. It's gotten worse. There may be some land held by ISIL in Iraq and Syria that's been taken back, but, for all of that, there's much more they have gained in other countries, two attacks in Tunisia, four centers, Libya takeover, the Sinai, and it goes on and on. [That is, Obama is mistaken when he claims ISIS has been 'contained.'] So, I think we need a specific larger special operations plan. One—a group of 50 [advisors in Syria] is fine for what they're doing so far, but it's not going to solve the problem. And I think getting at the [ISIS] government in Raqqa in a way that one is not only able to get at the government, but change it, move ISIL out, that's where the head of the snake, so to speak, has to be cut off. That's Raqqa. But it's in many other places, too. And we don't have a lot of time. There are needless

deaths. We have over a million people that [sic; who] are refugees that [sic; who] are trying to save their families, trying to run from it. And we find it in Paris, and we find it in Belgium. And that's where they're running to. So, it makes no sense." [84079, 84082, 84109]

On *Meet the Press*, former Secretary of Defense Leon Panetta says, "Well, obviously there's a lot of concern about whether or not we've deployed the resources to be able to accomplish the mission that [Obama] described. I think the mission that he said is the right mission, which is to disrupt, dismantle and destroy ISIS, that's the right mission. But I think that the resources applied to that mission, frankly, have not been sufficient to confront that. And for that reason, I think we have got to be much more aggressive and much more unified in the effort to take on ISIS. ...Look, if we're going to confront ISIS and, you know, clearly, we've been through acts of war these last few weeks that make it very clear that they are a clear and present danger, not only to Europe, but to this country, as well, then we're going to have to take some very specific steps here." [84079]

"One is to unify this effort. As Richard Engel [NBC foreign reporter] pointed out, this effort is not coordinated, people are not working together, everybody's kind of doing their own thing on different targets. We need to unify the command, we need to set a Joint Command Center where all of these countries are together on their objective. And secondly, we need to increase our effort there, we need to increase the tempo of our air strikes, we need to organize ground forces, particularly, the Sunnis and the Kurds and arm them so that they can take territory back from ISIS. And frankly, we need to increase Special Forces and our intelligence advisors, not only to guide these forces, but to go with them in order to ensure that we are successful in this effort." (Translation: "Everyone knows Obama's strategy is not working—except for people in the White House.") [84079]

Also appearing on *Meet the Press* is Dalia Mogahed—a hijab-wearing Egyptian-American Muslim and senior executive director of the Gallup Center for Muslim Studies who Obama appointed to his Advisory Council on Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships. On British television Mogahed once absurdly claimed, "The majority of women around the world associate gender justice, or justice for women, with shari'ah compliance," and said her job is "to convey ... to [Obama] and other public officials what it is Muslims want." Mogahed tells NBC's Chuck Todd, "Now when you look at the majority of terrorist attacks in the United States, according to the FBI, the majority of domestic terrorist attacks are actually committed by white, male Christians. Now that's [sic] just the facts." (Mogahed is lying; the FBI has never made that claim. It comes from the leftist New America Foundation, which conveniently did not count the deaths of September 11, 2001 in its statistical review. She is not challenged by Todd.) The shari'ah-law-defending Mogahed says, "...I think we should take a step back and ask a different question, which is, 'Is it justified to demand that Muslims condemn terrorism?' Now, that, that might sound a little, a little radical just even asking it." [2736, 5263, 5281, 5393, 5485, 13743, 13751, 25853, 25854, 25855, 25904, 26069, 26566, 84229, 84378, 84379]

"...The reason I say that is this, condoning the killing of civilians is, to me, about the most monstrous thing you can to do. And to be suspected of doing something so monstrous, simply because of your faith, seems very unfair." Mogahed is essentially saying, "That Muslims do not condemn terrorism does not mean we condone it." Arguably, of course, it does. But Todd does not point that out. Nor does Todd bother to ask Mogahed what criteria Muslims use to place people in the "innocent civilian" category. The jihadists consider non-Muslims be guilty, simply by virtue of not following Islam. They consider all Israeli women to be targets because women serve in the Israeli Defense Forces. That a Muslim opposes the killing of innocents is meaningless unless one understands what the term innocent means to that Muslim. [84229]

Although Todd does not challenge Mogahed on any of her statements, he does give her an opportunity to criticize Donald Trump, asking her, "If you could say one thing to Donald Trump, what would you say to him?" She responds, "I would say, 'You don't understand the Constitution, and you are wrecking freedom in America." (Mogahed supports shari'ah law, which is far less consistent with the U.S. Constitution than anything Trump has ever stated.) [84229]

WashingtonTimes.com reports, "The Southwest border has broken open in recent weeks, with non-Mexicans—and illegal immigrant children in particular—crossing at a record rate in October, according to Border Patrol statistics that suggest the administration's victory lap earlier this year was premature. Nearly 5,000 unaccompanied children were caught in October, and nearly 3,000 more had been caught in the first half of November—a record pace for those months—and it signals just how closely smuggling cartels and would-be illegal immigrants themselves are paying attention to lax enforcement in the U.S. Worse yet, the increases are borderwide, with every one of the nine Southwest border sectors showing spikes in what the Border Patrol dubs OTMs, or 'other than Mexicans.'" [84024]

The CBC reports that Canada's Syrian refugee program "will limit those accepted... to women, children and families only... Sources tell CBC News that to deal with some ongoing concerns around security, unaccompanied men seeking asylum will not be part of the program." [84081]

Juanita Broaddrick, one of Bill "you better get some ice on that" Clinton's sexual assault victims, appears on Aaron Klein Investigative Radio. Broaddrick, who was raped by Clinton in 1978, says of Hillary Clinton, "I think she has always known everything about him. I think they have this evil compact between the two of them that they each know what the other does and overlook it. And go right on. And cover one for the other. ...I hope that someday these two people, these people that I feel... are so evil, will be brought to justice. You know, if I can help in that, I will. But these are not good people for America. ...The only thing that made me consider coming forward again at this time at my age is when I saw her on that Benghazi hearing, which was really hard to look at. I always turn the channel when either one of them are on TV. But when I saw that look on her face. It was the very same look back in 1978. That lying look." [83992, 83997]

Obama claims that Republican running for president and in Congress are doing what the terrorists want them to do. He argues, "[I]n addition to hunting down terrorists, in addition to effective intelligence, and in addition to missile strikes, and in addition to cutting off financing and all the other things that we're doing, the most powerful tool we have to fight ISIL is to say that we're not afraid; to not elevate them; to somehow buy into their fantasy that they're doing something important. ...I want to be very clear about this. I am not afraid that ISIL [ISIS] will beat us because of their operations. When I see a headline that says this individual who designed this plot in Paris is a mastermind—he's not a mastermind. He found a few other vicious people, got hands on some fairly conventional weapons, and, sadly, it turns out that if you're willing to die, you can kill a lot of people." (The relatives of the 129 victims in Paris will find little comfort in learning that Obama does not consider the terrorist leader a mastermind." [83999, 84004, 84044]

"...I just want to say—during the course of this week, a very difficult week, it is understandable that this has been a primary focus. But one of the things that has to happen is how we report on this has to maintain perspective, and not empower in any way these terrorist organizations or elevate them in ways that make it easier for them to recruit or make them stronger." (Obama apparently wants the media to not report terrorist attacks because it makes innocent people nervous and makes terrorists feel victorious.) "They're a bunch of killers with good social media. And they are dangerous, and they've caused great hardship to people. But the overwhelming majority of people who go about their business every day, the Americans who are building things, and making things, and teaching, and saving lives as firefighters and as police officers—they're stronger. Our way of life is stronger. We have more to offer—we represent 99.9 percent of humanity. And that's why we should be confident that we'll win." (Franklin D. Roosevelt: "We have nothing to fear but fear itself." Obama: "We have nothing to fear but killers with good social media.") [83999, 84004, 84044]

Belgium remains on high alert for a terrorist attack. Justice Minister Koen Geens complains, "It's no longer synagogues or the Jewish museums or police stations, it's mass gatherings and public places." (He would apparently be happy if the terrorists limited their attacks to Jews and the police.) [84027]

Breitbart.com reports, "ISIS jihadist and Paris massacre mastermind Abdelhamid Abaaoud planted multiple sleeper cells 'with all kind of weapons' in order to carry out future attacks in "the countries of the infidels," according to an ISIS communication obtained by *Breitbart Jerusalem*. The alarming message was issued by Mosul-based Abu Aisha, a leading member of ISIS's central media bureau. It was transmitted to other jihadists via a closed group on Telegram, an encrypted instant message service that has been used by terrorist groups in the past. ...The full message... reads: 'What Belgium is witnessing right now is only a very small part. Our brother, Abu Omar [Abaaoud], was preparing coordinated attacks in all the countries of the infidels and he had prepared for this purpose many sleeper cells with all kind of weapons.' The Gazan jihadist who provided the intercept said he was in touch with Abu Aisha and further claimed that Abaaoud was preparing attacks inside Belgium and other parts of Europe since the beginning of the year. The jihadist also claimed ISIS 'will surprise Europe and will use different weapons.'" [84042]

According to a November 17-18 Rasmussen poll, "A staggering 92% of all voters now regard radical Islamic terrorism as a serious threat to the United States." In addition, 63 percent of voters oppose Obama's plane to bring Syrian refugees into the United States. [84003, 84008]

Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) moves into second place, ahead of Ben Carson, in a CBS News poll. Donald Trump leads with 30 percent, followed by Cruz (21), Carson (19), Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) (11), Jeb Bush (5), and Carly Fiorina (4). [84014]

In a national Fox News poll, Hillary Clinton trails Marco Rubio (42-50), Jeb Bush (39-45), Ben Carson (42-47), and Donald Trump (41-46). Clinton is "underwater" on the issue of "honest and trustworthy" (38/58). A whopping 82 percent of those polled believe jihadists will attempt an attack on U.S. soil; 66 percent believe the nation is at war with radical Islam; 65 percent believe Obama is not aggressive enough toward ISIS; 67 percent disapprove of Obama's Syria policy (whatever that may be); and 73 percent oppose Obama defying Congress and closing the detainee center at Guantanamo. Obama's approval/disapproval ratings are 40/54. [84025, 84026, 84031]

Hillary Clinton tweets, "Every survivor of sexual assault deserves to be heard, believed, and supported." (Twitter users respond immediately. Examples: "Cough * Juanita Broaddrick * cough." "Except for those who survived your husband?") [84035, 84036]

DailyCaller.com reports, "Members of a secretive Turkish Islamic movement that is at the center of a congressional ethics committee investigation have donated hundreds of thousands of dollars to Hillary Clinton's presidential campaign and to her family's charity, a Daily Caller investigation has found. The largest donation from a leader of the Gulen movement, which is operated from Pennsylvania's Pocono Mountains by a moderate Muslim cleric named Fethullah Gulen, came from Recep Ozkan. A former president of the Gulen-linked Turkish Cultural Center, Ozkan gave between \$500,001 and \$1,000,000 to the Clinton Foundation in recent months, the charity's website shows. He also served as a national finance co-chair last year for a pro-Clinton political action committee called Ready PAC." [84037]

The *Express* reports that Great Britain's intelligence agency, MI5, "has intercepted internet "chatter" between the terrorists who brought carnage to the French capital, British militants and Islamic State commanders in Syria. They suspect the explosive vests, loaded with hundreds of ball bearings and described by French authorities as the most sophisticated they have seen, were constructed using UK technical know-how. Details of the British links come as concerns grow that sleeper cells are already in place here and it is a case of when, not if, they strike. ...British spies believe Abdelhamid Abaaoud, the Belgian mastermind behind the Paris attacks who was killed by police last week, worked closely with terrorists from London, Birmingham and Bradford while in Syria." [84071]

According to a Survation poll published by the *Sun*, one in five of the more than 2.5 million Muslims in Great Britain sympathize with Brits who leave the country to join ISIS. Among Muslims aged 18-34 the support is one in four. (Pamela Geller writes, "Bear in mind, these are only the Muslims who would admit it to the pollster; imagine the number who silently support these pious savages. I expect that terror-tied Muslim leaders like CAIR will spring into spin, lashing us with claims that this poll will lead to 'islamofauxobia' and create more terrorists.") [84127, 84128]

CNN reporter Martin Savidge tells program host Don Lemon, "I think what really has shaken the people of Paris, they've grown accustomed to the idea that of course the city is a target. But this particular assault, aside from the sheer numbers of people that were killed or wounded, it was the neighborhoods that were struck. It was the fact that this time no one was spared. It wasn't that a person was picked out because of their faith. It wasn't because a person was picked out because of their jobs such as Charlie Hebdo. This was just people—any kind of person. And that has really shaken the people of Paris. This time you could not explain it away as somebody else's threat." (In other words, "Parisians could live with terrorism as long as the victims were limited to cartoonists who mocked Mohammed and customers in Jewish grocery stores, but they draw the line at the killing of 'innocent' people.") Neither Savidge nor Lemon probably have any idea how offensive the remark is. [84072]

The for-some-reason celebrated novelist Joyce Carol Oates tweets, "All we hear of ISIS is puritanical & punitive; is there nothing celebratory & joyous? Or is query naive?" (Why Oates finds it necessary to seek a silver lining in the dark cloud of ISIS is not clear. Perhaps she also seeks ways to rehabilitate Charles Manson.) [84073]

In Argentina, pro-business, pro-American candidate Mauricio Macri is elected president, defeating Daniel Sciolo. WashingtonPost.com writes, "The stunning opposition victory marks a major shift in Latin American politics, ending a dozen years of leftist rule, first by Nestor Kirchner and then his wife, Cristina Fernández de Kirchner, a tenure marked by increasingly fiery anti-American rhetoric and protectionist policies that isolated Argentina and diminished its influence in the hemisphere. Macri, a 56-year-old engineer raised in a prominent business family, was given little chance to win before the first round of voting last month, as many assumed Fernández's Peronist party, with its heavy spending on social welfare programs, had an iron grip on power. But he tapped into the widespread anger about corruption in the ruling party, as well as rampant inflation and anemic growth, with his proposals to reform the state-run economy to attract foreign investment and soothe disputes with the United States and the rest of the world." [84106, 84107]

On *60 Minutes*, Washington, D.C. police chief Cathy Lanier is asked what people should do if confronted by a gun-wielding terrorist. She replies, "Your options are run, hide or fight. I always say if you can get out, getting out is your best option. If you're in a position to try and take the gunman down, to take the gunman out, it's the best option for saving lives before police can get there." (Lanier is apparently unaware that her city's

gun laws are among the toughest in the nation. "Taking a gunman down" is a difficult task when one does not have a gun.) [84212, 84213]

On November 23 Secretary of State John Kerry appears on the *Today* program and advises, "What we need to do is not succumb to fear. People need to not panic. There is a strategy in place growing by the day, and I have no doubt whatsoever that with the help of all the nations that are united against Daesh[ISIS], they are going to be defeated, and we're going to do everything in our power to hasten that journey." He also warns, "[T]here is always... the threat of some [terrorist] actor, some lone wolf person, someone who slipped through. That's the world we're living in today and we understand that. Ever since 9/11, many experts across the United States, without regard to political party or to elections, have consistently said to us it's probably not a question of if; it's a question of when." NBC's Savannah Guthrie opts not to ask Kerry about his controversial comment that the attack on the *Charlie Hebdo* magazine staff had a "rationale." [83717, 83718, 83744, 83781, 83794, 83820, 84078, 84102]

At the daily White House press briefing, press secretary Josh Earnest says, "The intelligence reports that [Obama has] received about ISIL [ISIS] and the impact they've had on Syria and Iraq in particular, have been troubling and that is part of what has prompted the kind of aggressive and sustained commitment to degrading and ultimately destroying that organization that you've seen put forward... [Obama] has made quite clear to military leaders and to intelligence officials that he's looking for the best, most accurate assessment of what's actually happening, that he can possibly get, because that's only going to improve his ability to make decisions about policy to address the situation on the ground." Earnest insists Obama has "a clear-eyed assessment of his view of what's happening." [84049]

Earnest also suggests that American families discuss gun control on Thanksgiving: "As people are sitting around the Thanksgiving table, talking about these issues, as they should, and as I'm sure they will, all across the country, I hope that's a question that will be raised, and asked by members around the table—that if we're going to have a serious discussion in this country about national security, let's talk about some pretty obvious things that Congress can do." [84052, 84147]

Colonel Steve Warren, a spokesman for the Pentagon, tells reporters that warning leaflets were dropped by pilots over ISIS targets before they were bombed: "In Al-Bukamal, we destroyed 116 tanker trucks, which we believe will reduce ISIL's ability to transport its stolen oil products. This is our first strike against tanker trucks, and to minimize risks to civilians, we conducted a leaflet drop prior to the strike. And so, these are the leaflets that we dropped—about 45 minutes before the airstrikes actually began. Again, we combine these leaflet drops with very low altitude passes of some of our attack aviation, which sends a very powerful message." (Warren's statement prompts at least two questions: Why did the Obama administration wait more than 12 months before striking ISIS oil convoys? How can a war be won if the enemy is warned of air strikes in advance?) [84129, 84130, 84253]

Fox4News.com reports that "the family of the world's most famous clockmaker, Ahmed Mohamed," is demanding \$15 million from the city of Irving, Texas and the Irving school district. "The city and district were each sent letters on Monday demanding money or else a lawsuit would be filed. The family wants \$10 million from the City of Irving and \$5 million from Irving ISD for damages it claims Ahmed and the family suffered after the teen was arrested. The family also wants an apology from the two entities. ... The letter gives both the city and the district 60 days to pay up or else face a lawsuit." (If a lawsuit is filed, that will likely enable the school district and police department to release information about the 14-year-old's conduct during the bomb scare incident—which reportedly was less than cooperative.) [84050, 84051, 84070, 84075, 84110, 84120]

James O'Keefe's Project Veritas posts undercover video of Hillary Clinton aid Huma Abedin advocating for the acceptance of Syrian refugees into the United States. [84054]

At WeeklyStandard.com Geoffrey Norman writes, "[Obama] lost his cool, in public, after the terrorist attack in Paris, at a press conference where he answered questions about his strategy in coping with ISIS impatiently and sarcastically. He was plainly flustered. And angry. ...This press conference, however, showed more pique than Obama had previously displayed. It was not so much out of character as a distillation of it. Pure Obama. Perhaps he was stressed by a sense that his legacy was slipping out of his control. That events were in the saddle and he was in for a hard ride. ...To be losing a war through ineptitude and losing it to an ad hoc nation you have labeled the 'jayvee' ...this recalls the way Lyndon Johnson was humiliated by what he called a 'damn little pissant country.' He knew the war in Vietnam was ruining his legacy as heir to [Franklin D.] Roosevelt, his Great Society continuing what the FDR's New Deal had begun. But people would not remember Lyndon Johnson for that. His legacy would be a war that came apart in his last year in office." [84057]

"...The U.S. campaign against ISIS is doing no better than the Johnson war against North Vietnam and the Viet Cong, and Paris might well be Obama's Tet. No better than Truman's war in Korea before or after he fired General MacArthur who may have deserved it but the buck did not stop with him, as his boss liked to say. Right now, it appears that the Obama legacy may well be ruined by a failed war against an enemy that most Americans believe could have been defeated had it not been for a failure at the top. The *very* top. ...Obama might be able to turn it around but this would mean conceding that he was wrong and his political opponents were, in large part, right. Not something he has shown much skill for doing." [84057]

The State Department issues a worldwide travel alert for Americans: "Authorities believe the likelihood of terror attacks will continue as members of ISIL/Da'esh [ISIS] return from Syria and Iraq. ...Additionally, there is a continuing threat from unaffiliated persons planning attacks inspired by major terrorist organizations but conducted on an individual basis. ...U.S. citizens should exercise vigilance when in public places or using transportation. Be aware of immediate surroundings and avoid large crowds or crowded places. Exercise particular caution during the holiday season and at holiday festivals or events." (While Obama downplays the terrorist threat, calling the jihadists nothing more

than "a bunch of killers with good social media," the State Department is warning Americans everywhere to avoid crowded places, like theaters, shopping malls and sporting events.) [84058, 84060]

At FoxNews.com Catherine Herridge reports, "Analysts at U.S. Central Command [Centcom] were pressured to ease off negative assessments about the Islamic State threat and were even told in an email to 'cut it out,' Fox News has learned—as an investigation expands into whether intelligence reports were altered to present a more positive picture. Fox News is told by a source close to the CENTCOM analysts that the pressure on them included at least two emails saying they needed to 'cut it out' and 'toe the line.' Separately, a former Pentagon official told Fox News there apparently was an attempt to destroy the communications. The Pentagon official said the email warnings were 'not well received' by the analysts. Those emails, among others, are now in the possession of the Pentagon inspector general. The IG's probe is expanding into whether intelligence assessments were changed to give a more positive picture of the anti-ISIS campaign." [84104, 84105]

"The former Pentagon official said there were 'multiple assessments' from military intelligence and the CIA regarding the 'rapid rise' of ISIS in Iraq and North Africa in the year leading up to the group's territory grab in 2014. Similar intelligence was included in the President's Daily Brief, or PDB—the intelligence community's most authoritative product—during the same time period. Yet the official, who was part of the White House discussions, said the administration kept 'kicking the can down the road.' The official said there was no discussion of the military involvement needed to make a difference. The IG probe started earlier this year amid complaints that information was changed to make ISIS look more degraded than it really was." (The identity of the person who authored the "cut it out" and "toe the line" email has not yet been revealed.) [84104, 84105]

The American Freedom Defense Initiative's Pamela Geller receives an email from Bahar Mustafa that reads, "You deserve to be raped in every hole by hordes of Muslims, slapping and choking you, spitting in your mouth and pissing in ya [sic] face." (Until recently, Mustafa was the "Welfare and Diversity Officer"—aka "white male guilt enforcer"—for the students' union at Goldsmiths, University of London. In May 2015 Mustafa caused a stir with a Facebook post about a meeting, "If you've been invited and you're a man and/or white PLEASE DON'T COME just cos [sic; because] I invited a bunch of people and hope you will be responsible enough to respect this is a BME [Black and Minority Ethnic] Women and non-binary event only." She has also used the hashtag #killallwhitemen on Twitter. Not surprisingly, her degree is in "gender and media studies." The university claims Mustafa did not send the email to Geller.) [84062, 84063, 84064, 84065, 84066, 84134, 84135]

At PamelaGeller.com Nonie Darwish writes, "One of the reasons that the so-called "moderate Muslims" have become irrelevant and incapable of helping themselves or the West against Islamic terrorism is that over the centuries they have become tolerant of Islamic terrorism and considered it as part of normal life. Average Muslims have been led

to believe that they are victims of the outside world and not Islam, and that is why many are either silent or sympathize with jihadists and even terrorists as having a legitimate cause... After 9/11, many moderate Muslim friends of mine from inside the Middle East told me with bizarre logic in Arabic: 'Let the West get a taste of the terror we live in daily. Why only us?' What struck me was the way they viewed terrorism; to them it felt like a natural disaster or part of life that must be tolerated and dealt slowly with. To them, they must never openly reject or upset the terrorist." [84069]

"Like the moderate Muslims, ...Obama appears to have an approach of denial and tolerance of Islamic terrorism and is encouraging Americans and the media to do the same. He is advocating ignoring the threat of Islamic terror and denying it exists by not even calling the threat by its true name, 'Islamic terrorism.' Obama puts on an air of being wise and honorable for doing that, and anyone one who does not agree is called racist and bigot. But this approach of forcing the victims of Islamic terrorism to tolerate terrorism as part of life is exactly what Islam wants from the West. It is Islam's preferred technique to conquer and enslave. ...Islam to this day uses its favorite tool, terrorism, to conquer and enslave, and that tool is working today on the last bastion of freedom, Western civilization. Terrorism works on both individuals and nations who become paralyzed like a lobster slowly cooking in heating water." [84069]

"...Obama, like moderate Muslims, want us to tolerate Islamic terrorism instead of fighting and rejecting it, as Israel has done. That is perhaps why Obama hates [Israeli Prime Minister] Benjamin Netanyahu, not because of a personality clash, but because Netanyahu symbolizes the rejection of living as a slave under Islamic terror. Obama is obviously not on the side of Israel, because Israel will not tolerate Islamic terror and look the other way, as Obama is doing. Obama is most passionate when he defends Islam and ignores terrorism. He wears it as a badge of honor. To Obama, ISIS is contained, is no big deal, we can live with it and we must be cautious not [to] fall into stereotyping Muslims. With no shame, he constantly lectures American citizens, especially Christians, not to judge Islam and Muslims. But worse than just denial, Obama is forcing Homeland Security and Americans to regard obvious Islamic terrorism on American soil as just normal acts of workplace violence, or crime on the streets that can be handled by the courts. That is the same attitude that moderate Muslims want to force on us, to convince us that Islam has nothing to do with terrorists, that the Islamic State has nothing to do with Islam, while in their hearts they say that it is America's turn to suffer terror as well; why only us?" [84069]

Dick Morris, former political strategist to Bill Clinton, tells *Newsmax Prime*, "The Democratic Party is in the process of committing suicide because by putting themselves on the other side of the boots on the ground against ISIS and the Syrian refugees coming into the United States, by putting them against the first and for the second, they're really leaving the American people behind. It's going to recreate really what we had in 1972 when [Democrat nominee George] McGovern was way, way to the left of the American people. The Democrats are about to fall off a cliff on this one. ...These guys [ISIS terrorists] aren't going out of business. If you think [Paris] was the last attack before Election Day, you're obviously wrong." Of Clinton's email scandal, Morris observes,

"Everybody assumes that because she's not in handcuffs and on her way in a perp walk that she's gotten away with everything, but she hasn't. The cost in public opinion as trustworthy or honest on Hillary has been enormous." [84098]

According to a CBS poll, only 23 percent of Americans believe Obama has a clear plan for dealing with ISIS. [84108]

At Townhall.com Leah Barkoukis writes, "Obamacare's menu labeling regulation promises to be a disaster for the food and restaurant industries, as its implementation is both costly and extremely onerous. While its deleterious effects on the pizza, restaurant, and grocery industries have been most well known, it also has the potential to shutter an industry near and dear to Americans' hearts: craft beer. Since beer has a few too many calories for bureaucrats, the health law dictates that all brewers include a detailed [and expensive to calculate] calorie count on every type of beer produced. Failure to do so, according to Americans for Tax Reform, 'means craft brewers will not be able to sell their beer in any restaurant chain with over 20 locations.' ... The most ridiculous part about the entire regulation is that menu labeling has little to no effect on consumers' purchasing choices, and studies demonstrating that menu labeling is linked to a reduction in obesity rates, the supposed benefit the FDA used to justify the regulation in the first place, doesn't exist." [84080]

On November 24 two Turkish F-16s shoot down a Russian Soukhoi 24 fighter jet in northwestern Syria. One of the pilots who ejected from the plane is reportedly killed and the other is captured by U.S.-backed, anti-Assad, Free Syrian Army forces after parachuting to the ground. Turkey claims the Russians violated Turkish air space, while Russia claims it was over Syrian air space. (The fact that the pilots ejected over Syrian territory is worth noting.) Obama comments, "Turkey has a right to defend its territory and its airspace. I do think that this points to an ongoing problem with the Russian operations. In the sense that they are operating very close to a Turkish border, and they are going after moderate opposition that are supported by not only Turkey but a wide range of countries." (Obama's closest friend among foreign leaders is Turkey's Islamist president, Recep Tayyip Erdogan-despite the fact that Turkey has been not-sosurreptitiously been supporting ISIS. Erdogan is not pleased that Russia is defending Syrian President Bashar al-Assad, and even less pleased that Russia is attacking ISIS. Erdogan can tolerate the U.S. military's pin-prick attacks against ISIS because they are just that, pin pricks, and because he knows Obama is not serious about defeating ISIS.) [84076, 84077, 84083, 84100, 84101, 84103, 84113, 84114, 84119, 84124, 84125, 84126, 84137, 84434]

Russian President Vladimir Putin states, "Our pilots and jet posed no threat to the Turkish Republic. This is obvious. They were conducting an operation against ISIL. The Russian bomber was shot down over Syria by an air-to-air surface fired from a Turkish F-16 plane when the bomber was at an altitude of 6,000 meters at a distance of one kilometer from the Turkish bomber. ...Today's loss is linked with a stab in our back delivered by terrorism accomplices. I can't characterize otherwise what has happened today. ...We will certainly carefully analyse what has happened and today's tragic event will have

serious consequences to Russian-Turkish relations." (The Turkish fighters should have escorted the Russian plane back to Syrian air space if they were in fact in Turkey. There was no need to shoot it down. The Turks claim the Russian fighter was in its airspace for about 17 seconds. But the Turkish planes that went after and shot down the fighter over Syria certainly had to be in Syrian airspace longer than that.) [84097, 84101, 84157, 84382]

Airspace violations are not uncommon at all, and Turkey's action appears to be totally unjustified. Legal expert Anatoly Kapustin states, "Even if the Russian plane flew into Turkish airspace and returned to Syria, it needs to be taken into account that the Russian air force is taking part in an armed conflict in Syrian territory, on the side of the central government. ...That Turkey, as is being said, used a weapon, that is quite strange, even in the context of an armed conflict—to shoot a plane above your territory, which has not taken any threatening actions, is a very harsh measure to stop an airspace violation." (The reality is that the downing of the Russian fighter is a warning from Erdogan: "Lay off ISIS." The only question is whether Erdogan reacted with Obama's knowledge and approval.) [84131, 84132, 84157]

DCWhispers.com writes, "ISIS has been using Turkey to bring its oil to market and in doing so, has developed a mutually beneficial financial arrangement with the Turkish government—namely Recep Tayyip Erdogan who is potentially making millions of dollars on the side via that arrangement. Erdogan, perhaps the single most powerful Muslim Brotherhood leader in the world, is of course also very close to Barack Obama. The Russian fighters were attacking ISIS oil routes that led into Turkey, thus endangering the multi-million dollar agreement between ISIS and the Erdogan regime. Turkey was allowed to shoot down a Russian jet fighter with the assurance it would have the quick support (and thus military backing) of the Obama White House after doing so. That is exactly what just transpired." [84148, 84194, 84200, 84434]

Erdogan, who hates Syrian President Bashar al-Assad, is angry that Russia is propping up his regime. But while Russia is protecting Assad, Erdogan is assisting ISIS, likely because he would be more than happy to see a restoration of the Ottoman Empire—with him as its caliph. Whether Obama is cooperating unwittingly or knowingly is subject to dispute. One of Erdogan's sons, Necmettin Bilal Erdogan, owns several maritime companies. According to ZeroHedge.com's Tyler Durden, Bilal "has allegedly signed contracts with European operating companies to carry Iraqi stolen oil to different Asian countries. The Turkish government buys Iraqi plundered oil which is being produced from the Iraqi seized oil wells. Bilal Erdogan's maritime companies own special wharfs in Beirut and Ceyhan, ports that are transporting ISIS' smuggled crude oil in Japan-bound oil tankers." (It is worth noting also that Erdogan appointed his son-in-law to the position of energy minister.) [84148, 84194, 84200, 84201, 84202, 84221, 84434]

"...In addition to son Bilal's illegal and lucrative oil trading for ISIS, Sümeyye Erdogan, the daughter of the Turkish President, apparently runs a secret hospital camp inside Turkey just over the Syrian border where Turkish army trucks daily [bring] in scores of wounded ISIS Jihadists to be patched up and sent back to wage the bloody Jihad in Syria, according to the testimony of a nurse who was recruited to work there until it was discovered she was a member of the Alawite branch of Islam, the same as Syrian President Bashar al-Assad who Erdogan seems hell-bent on toppling." [84201, 84202, 84434]

RT.com reports, "Moscow plans to suspend military cooperation with Ankara after the downing of a Russian bomber by Turkish air forces, Russian General Staff representatives said on Tuesday. Further measures to beef up Russian air base security in Syria will also be taken." [84149, 84174]

Russia deploys a missile cruiser off the coast of Syria. [84163]

At PJMedia.com Patrick Poole reports that Saadiq Long, "who just two years ago was the poster boy for the far-Left media's attacks against the U.S. government's no-fly list for 'unfairly' targeting Muslims, finds himself and several family members sitting in a Turkish prison—arrested earlier this month near the Turkey-Syria border as members of an ISIS cell." [84067, 84068, 84074, 84181]

French President Francois Hollande meets with Obama at the White House. At a joint press conference with Hollande, Obama makes predictable and largely useless statements (France is our ally; we love the French; Michelle and I had our photo taken in France before my hair turned gray; terrorism is wrong; accepting refugees is good; etc.) Once again Obama misquotes the inscription on the Statue of Liberty. (The tired, poor, huddled masses yearn to "*breathe* free," not "*be* free." His error would be less annoying had he not called them "the words we know so well.") Remarkably, a perhaps mentally disturbed Obama claims the upcoming climate change in Paris will demonstrate to ISIS the West's real values and proper priorities: "What a powerful rebuke to the terrorists it will be when the world stands as one and shows that we will not be deterred from building a better future for our children." (Why Obama believes a war on coal, rather than a war on radical Islamists, will frighten ISIS fighters is not clear.) Obama insists that Syrian President Bashar al-Assad must go. (Assad will likely remain in office long after Obama leaves the White House.) [12549, 12558, 12559, 12611, 84085, 84086, 84118, 84121, 84158, 84164, 84286]

Obama says, "With respect to [Syrian President Bashar al-] Assad, I think we've got to let the Vienna [peace] process play itself out. It is our best opportunity. And so the notion that there would be an immediate date in advance of us getting a broad agreement on that political process and the details I think doesn't make sense. As soon as we have a framework for a political transition—potentially, a new constitution, elections—I think it's in that context that we can start looking at Mr. Assad choosing not to run and potentially seeing a new Syria emerge." (This would be the same Obama who has for years—along with John Kerry, Hillary Clinton, Susan Rice, Marie Harf, and Jay Carney—repeatedly stated, "Assad must go." The likelihood is that Assad will remain in office beyond the date Obama leaves his.) [84155, 84156, 84164] NBC's Lester Holt later complains, "And the incident with that Russian jet managed to overshadow a crucial meeting at the White House today. French President Hollande came to Washington before going onto Moscow to push for a united response against ISIS for the attacks in Paris, but... his mission did not go as planned." (Why the meeting is considered crucial is not clear. Neither Hollande nor Obama announce any new strategies or changes in policy with regard to ISIS; they merely engage in tougher rhetoric.) [84162]

Armed men take hostages in the French town of Roubaix, near the Belgian border. [84084]

Reuters reports, "Hungarian anti-terrorist police last week detained four people heading to the capital with explosives in their car, and found a bomb-making laboratory set up for a mass killing, the unit's chief said on Tuesday, declining to rule out a link to Islamist militants." [84122, 84140]

France24.com reports, "Tunisia declared a nationwide state of emergency and a curfew in the capital Tunis on Tuesday after at least 12 people were killed in a bomb attack on a presidential guard bus in the third major attack claimed by the Islamic State group this year. ...The blast struck as presidential guards were boarding the bus on the capital's Mohamed V Avenue to be taken to the presidential palace on the outskirts of the city, security sources said. ...A government official said initial investigations showed the attack was carried out by a suicide bomber wearing a backpack who blew himself as he got onto the bus. ...It is the third major attack to strike Tunisia this year after a militant killed 38 foreigners at a beach hotel in June and gunmen killed 21 tourists at the Bardo Museum in Tunis in March. The Islamic State group claimed responsibility for both attacks." [84123, 84136]

Al-Qaeda operative Abid Naseer is sentenced to 40 years in prison for plotting (thwarted) terrorist attacks in 2009 on a British shopping mall and the New York City subway. [84139]

Joel Gehrke reports at NationalReview.com that Obama "didn't require Iranian leaders to sign the nuclear deal that his team negotiated with the regime, and the deal is not 'legally binding,' his administration acknowledged in a letter to Representative Mike Pompeo (R-KS)..." The November 19 letter from State Department assistant secretary for legislative affairs Julia Frifield states, "The Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) is not a treaty or an executive agreement, and is not a signed document. ... The success of the JCPOA will depend not on whether it is legally binding or signed, but rather on the extensive verification measures we have put in place, as well as Iran's understanding that we have the capacity to re-impose—and ramp up—our sanctions if Iran does not meet its commitments." (In other words, Obama's agreement with Iran is meaningless.) [84143, 84144, 84293]

Gawker.com reports on newly released emails between Politico.com's Mike Allen and Philippe Reines. "Among Reines' more frequent correspondents, it turns out, is Mike

Allen. In an email dated January 10, 2013 and addressed to Reines, then serving as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, Allen floated the idea of interviewing Clinton's adult daughter, Chelsea, during an upcoming brunch hosted by Politico. Attempting to secure an interview with the daughter of a likely presidential candidate is, of course, far from unheard of. What makes Allen's ask unusual is that he appears to assure Reines that he'll produce totally positive coverage of Chelsea Clinton: 'This would be a way to send a message during inaugural week: No one besides me would ask her a question, and you and I would agree on them precisely in advance. This would be a relaxed conversation, and our innovative format... always gets heavy social-media pickup. The interview would be 'no-surprises': I would work with you on topics, and would start with anything she wants to cover or make news on. Quicker than a network hit, and reaching an audience you care about with no risk." (This is another example of why Americans hate the mainstream media: "journalists" sucking up to people to get interviews and promising to ask only softball, pre-cleared questions. The Washington Post downplays the story, calling it "a ready-made 'liberal media' conspiracy theory." Allen says, "I don't remember this e-mail.") [84141, 84142, 84185, 84190, 84206, 84299]

The new batch of State Department emails also show Reines advising CNN global affairs reporter Elise Labott on messages she should send via Twitter, including attacks on Senator Rand Paul (R-KY). (Labott eagerly complied.) The Paul campaign's Doug Stafford states, "The liberal media has taken their Clinton sycophancy to a new low. CNN needs to address this bias and lack of journalistic integrity. This email revelation should give Republicans pause as to their coverage and possibility of fair treatment towards Sen. Paul during the next debate. All eyes will be on CNN's response to their employee colluding with Hillary Clinton in order to attack a prominent U.S. senator on their dime." [84145, 84146, 84159, 84160, 84161, 84190]

A pandering Hillary Clinton apologizes for having used the term "illegal immigrants." She states, "That was a poor choice of words. As I've said throughout this campaign, the people at the heart of this issue are children, parents, families, DREAMers. They have names, and hopes and dreams that deserve to be respected. I've talked about undocumented immigrants hundreds of times and fought for years for comprehensive immigration reform. And I will continue to do so. We are a country built by immigrants and our diversity makes us stronger as a nation—it's something to be proud of, celebrate, and defend." [84188]

In Chicago, demonstrators protest the shooting of a black youth by a Chicago police officer—on October 20, 2014. The police dashcam video of the shooting, released earlier in the day as a result of a lawsuit, shows the knife-wielding 17-year-old, Laquan McDonald, being shot multiple times by officer Jason Van Dyke. Van Dyke has been charged with first degree murder. (This *Timeline* believes the indictment and the release of the video had been delayed to help Mayor Rahm Emanuel—former Obama chief of staff—get reelected. On December 1 Emanuel tries to save his own hide by firing police chief Garry McCarthy. Just days earlier McCarthy had said, "The mayor has made it very clear that he has my back.") [84146, 84150, 84151, 84152, 84154, 84209, 84237, 84336, 84362, 84376, 84398, 84408]

On November 25 Obama states, "Right now, we know of no specific and credible intelligence indicating a plot on the homeland. We continue to do everything possible to prevent attacks at home and abroad. ...If you see something suspicious, say something. But otherwise, Americans should go about their usual Thanksgiving weekend activities, spending time with family and friends and celebrating our blessings. ...In the event of a specific, credible threat, the public will be informed. While the threat of terrorism is a troubling reality of our age, we are both equipped to prevent attacks and we are resilient in the face of those who would try to do us harm. And that's something we can all be thankful for." [84165, 84169, 84182]

At WND.com Leo Hohmann writes, "The U.S. issued 680,000 green cards to migrants from Muslim-majority countries in the five-year period encompassing 2009 through 2013, according to Department of Homeland Security data. This Islamic 'invasion,' as some are calling it, occurred on the Obama administration's watch, with plans for 10,000 Syrian Muslims grabbing much of the headlines. But the actual number is many times higher with a refugee program that is rooted in the 1980s and has the support of both parties. The U.S. has brought in more than 1.5 million Muslims through the refugee program since the passage of the Refugee Act of 1980. They have been coming from Islamic states with active jihadist movements such as Somalia, Bangladesh, Burma, Iraq, Iran, Afghanistan, Bosnia and the Democratic Republic of Congo. To put this five-year tally—680,000—in context, it surpasses the total population of Washington, D.C., which is 660,000. Yet, the Gang of Eight immigration 'reform' bill co-sponsored by GOP presidential candidate Marco Rubio would have tripled the number of green cards being issued." [84166, 84180]

Hohmann also notes a 20-page report from the Threat Knowledge Group, headed by Department of Defense advisor Sebastian Gorka, that suggests, "Based on the evidence available, the number of ISIS supporters in the United States measures in the thousands, rather than hundreds. ...[I]t is clear that the United States is a primary target for ISIS and that ISIS has the necessary supporters in place and the financial means to carry out such an attack. The challenges of screening incoming refugees may further exacerbate the problem. While accepting those who flee from persecution and violence is a valued component of the American tradition, we must acknowledge that ISIS and other terrorist groups may use the refugee track as a way to gain access to the United States with the purpose of carrying out an attack." [84173]

Investors.com writes that Baileys Crossroads, Virginia "is teeming with Islamic radicals just as hostile to the U.S. government as their counterparts in London. Baileys Crossroads is the heart of the Wahhabi corridor, which includes the safe houses where the [9/11] hijackers stayed and the mosque where they and dozens of other terrorists have worshipped. Another area mosque preached to members of the Virginia Jihad Network, who plotted to kill American soldiers after 9/11 and praised the space shuttle Columbia disaster as a 'good omen' for Islam. The area also includes two luxury apartment high-rises that erupted into cheers when the World Trade Center fell on 9/11. Law enforcement has dubbed them the 'Taliban Towers.' Investigators routinely find posters

and computer screen savers celebrating Osama bin Laden as a hero. Down the street is a Saudi charitable front for al-Qaida once run by bin Laden's nephew. The U.S. branch of the dangerous Muslim Brotherhood is in the same office park. Farther down in Alexandria is the Saudi madrassa that's graduated several terrorists, including the al-Qaida operative who plotted to assassinate President [George W.] Bush." [84178]

"...Assimilation? Hardly. In Baileys Crossroads, skinned goats are delivered daily to several halal butcher shops located in shopping centers where all the signs are in Arabic. Women shop in head-to-toe black abayas. You'd never know this is a suburb of the nation's capital. Concerned longtime residents have seen it turn into 'Northern Virginiastan.' The pundits who mouth pleasant platitudes about American Muslims being more 'integrated' have never spent much time in Northern Virginia, or for that matter, in Bridgeview, Ill.; or Jersey City, N.J.; or Dearborn, Mich., where residents are routinely subjected to rallies and marches for Hezbollah and other terror groups, along with calls to pray blasted over mosque loudspeakers five times a day. These places look and sound more like little Cairos than any American city, and they provide perfect cover for Muslim terrorists and their supporters. Terror experts say there are hundreds if not thousands of potential suicide bombers already established inside the Muslim communities in America. They need to be ferreted out." [84178]

On *Democracy Now!* Muslim Congressman Keith Ellison (D-MN) says legislation to end the resettlement of refugees from Iraq and Syria in the United States is "motivated by fear, motivated by xenophobia, motivated by irrationality. Look, we've had 750,000 refugees come into this country since the year 2001. None of them—not one—has been engaged in terrorism. At all... Why then, are we going to revamp our whole refugee resettlement program, which is incredibly rigorous in terms of the vetting process..." (Whether the vetting process is "incredibly rigorous" is subject to dispute, but Ellison's claim that none of the refugees since 2001 have engaged in terrorism is demonstrably false.) [84244, 84245]

Russian President Vladimir Putin states, "The problem is not the tragedy we witnessed yesterday [the downing of a Russian fighter by Turkey]. The problem is much deeper. We see—and not only we, I assure you that the entire world sees that—that the current leadership of Turkey has been for a number of years pursuing a purposeful policy of support and the Islamization of the country." (Putin is correct. With the eager assistance of President Recep Tayyip Erdogan, Turkey has been moving from a somewhat secular and tolerant society to an intolerant radical Islamist society—and Erdogan has the full support of Obama.) [84195, 84196, 84203, 84221]

Obama signs the National Defense Authorization Act into law, but attaches a "signing statement" indicating he disagrees with (and will likely ignore) it's requirement that no terrorist detainees ar Guantanamo be relocated to U.S. prisons. [84183, 84184, 84186]

WashingtonExaminer.com reports, "Hundreds of Democrats from 32 states are aligning against the centerpiece of ...Obama's climate change agenda, the Clean Power Plan, which they say will cause unnecessary economic harm from increased reliance on

renewable energy. 'As Democrats committed to a prosperous America and a healthy environment, we believe the United States has a unique opportunity to lead the world in addressing the global climate challenge, and yet do so, as we must, without unduly burdening the American economy or the American people,' the Democratic coalition called CoalBlue said in a letter sent Tuesday [November 24] to Obama.'' [84167, 84168]

Leftist singer Barbra Streisand is for some reason awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom. Breitbart.com posts the strange "interview" she has with ABC's Jonathan Karl, who asks, "So I got [sic] to ask you, you're in the midst of one of the craziest presidential elections-" Streisand: "I was thinking, what if that was Donald Trump up there? I couldn't help thinking what would he say? This president is so eloquent, so dignified, so smart. And I thought—" Karl: "What would it have been like if Donald Trump was the one putting the Medal of Freedom around you?" Streisand: "I probably would've choked It's terrifyingly scary, but it's funny. But scary," Karl: "What do you make of what's going on?" Streisand: "I want Hillary Clinton to be president. We need a woman president. We need compassion. We need to have a person who comes from the heart and the brain [sic], and experience. Experience counts." Karl: "What would it look like if Hillary Clinton were running against Donald Trump?" Streisand: "I mean, it would be like one of the greatest moments in television history. I mean, everybody would watch." Karl "The debates?" Streisand: "I can't even imagine. I mean, I'm not worried about her." (Karl, of course, knew Streisand would lambaste Trump and praise Clinton.) [84207]

The Trump campaign announces that the candidate will soon be endorsed by a coalition of 100 African-American pastors and religious leaders. [84171, 84228]

Donald Trump reaches 38 percent in Reuters' rolling 5-day tracking poll. Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) and Ben Carson follow with 12 percent. Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) has 8 percent. [84170]

Retired FBI agent Jim Burkett substantiates Donald Trump's claim that thousands of Muslims in the United States celebrated the destruction of the World Trade Center towers on September 11, 2001. WKRG.com reports that Burkett "was an assistant special agent in charge with the FBI's office in Boston during 9-11 and afterward. He says during that time the office received tons of phone calls from people who feared more attacks and others reporting suspicious activity. Many of those calls, said Burkett, came from concerned and angry Americans reporting Muslim's celebrating over the destruction of the twin towers and damage to the Pentagon. The calls were logged, reports were made and there were 'stacks and stacks' of them, he said. Burkett says somebody in the office began labeling them 'Happy Muslim Calls.' Most of the calls he said were deemed unimportant and the agency didn't see fit to initiate investigations. But the retired agent says even though video of celebrations following 9-11 is hard to find, he says it means Trump's claims are highly plausible." [84175]

At ThePostEmail.com attorney Mario Apuzzo (*Kerchner v. Obama*) reports, "Christopher Booth of Concord, New Hampshire, Cameron Elliott of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and

Robert Laity of Tonawanda, New York, filed ballot access challenges in New Hampshire against presidential contenders Senator Ted Cruz and Senator Marco Rubio, arguing that neither of them is an Article II natural born citizen. The challengers are correct. Still, the New Hampshire Ballot Law Commission refused to rule on the question of whether the senators are natural born citizens because, chairman Brad Cook said, the issues were not under the panel's purview. 'Our precedents say we don't go there,' Cook said. 'Personally, would I like the U.S. Supreme Court to decide these issues so we know what is, so it doesn't keep coming up? Absolutely. Are we the vehicle to start that discussion? No, we're not.'" (The natural vehicle was *Kerchner v. Obama*, which the cowardly Supreme Court refused to hear—because the Justices knew they would have to rule against Obama if they properly followed the law and historical precedent.) On November 27 Laity sends a copy of his filing to the Donald Trump campaign. [84187, 84218, 84252]

On November 26 Obama issues a Thanksgiving message—and is unable to avoid politics: "Nearly four centuries after the Mayflower set sail, the world is still full of pilgrims—men and women who want nothing more than the chance for a safer, better future for themselves and their families. What makes America America is that we offer that chance." (Some might be confused by Obama's statement because leftists have long argued that the early settlers were evil people who brought death and disease to the natives, but Obama is now arguing that Muslim refugees are like the Pilgrims. Scott Greer writes at DailyCaller.com, "If it wasn't for the Syrian refugee debate, sites like HuffPo, Salon and others would be running their usual 'Happy Genocide Day' coverage and dumping vitriol on the poor settlers who forged this nation.") [84172, 84189]

A man jumps the fence at the North Lawn of the White House and is quickly caught by Secret Service agents. [84191, 84204]

At WND.com Cheryl Chumley reports that Congressman Alan Grayson (D-FL), who is "seeking to move into Marco Rubio's U.S. senate seat—and who's earned a reputation as one of the Democratic Party's loudest pit bulls against Republicans-said he'll challenge Sen. Ted Cruz's citizenship via a formal lawsuit if the Texan wins the GOP nomination for the White House." Grayson tells Fox News Radio's Alan Colmes that Cruz is "not even an American." Colmes: "Well, his mother was born here so I guess [he is] like Obama, though it's interesting to me the people who had a problem with ... Obama's birth certificate don't have a problem with Ted Cruz, who literally was born in another country and renounced his Canadian citizenry." Grayson: "I don't know ... the Constitution says natural-born Americans, so now we're counting Canadians as naturalborn Americans? How does that work? I'm waiting for the moment that he gets the nomination and then I will file that beautiful lawsuit saying that he's unqualified for the job because he's ineligible ... Absolutely [I'll file]. Call me crazy but I think the president of America should be an American." (Colmes is mistaken. Those who argue that Obama is not a natural born citizen also argue that Cruz is also not eligible to serve as president. Grayson is correct that Cruz is not a natural born citizen, but incorrect in his belief that Obama is.) [84177, 84241, 84275]

It is worth noting that in 1916 the argument was rightly made that Republican presidential candidate Charles Evans Hughes (who narrowly lost to Woodrow Wilson) was not a natural born citizen because, although he was born in the United States, he was born to two British citizen parents. Hughes was a native born citizen, but not a natural born citizen—and was therefore ineligible to serve as president. As noted many times in several volumes of this *Timeline*, there is considerable evidence that the historical meaning of the term natural born citizen is birth on U.S. soil to two U.S. citizen parents. Regrettably, members of both major political parties have seen fit to ignore history and the U.S. Constitution when doing so suits their power purposes. Although the "birthers" have been called racists and partisans for (properly) arguing that Obama is ineligible to serve as president, they would, in fact, welcome a legal challenge against Cruz brought by Grayson. The "birthers" will argue against Cruz just as they have argued against Obama (and Marco Rubio, Rick Santorum, and Bobby Jindal). A lawsuit challenging Cruz's eligibility to serve as president will force the political establishment to either admit that Obama is also ineligible, or once again demonstrate their anti-Constitutional colors by coming up with a convoluted argument to support Cruz. (The latter can be expected.) [84275]

Attorney Mario Apuzzo (Kerchner v. Obama), among others, has noted that during the drafting of the U.S. Constitution John Jay (who later became the nation's first Supreme Court Justice) wrote to George Washington (then the president of the Constitutional Convention): "Permit me to hint, whether it would not be wise & seasonable to provide a strong check to the admission of Foreigners into the administration of our national Government; and to declare expressly that the Command in chief of the american army shall not be given to, nor devolve on, any but a natural born Citizen." Apuzzo writes, "Jay demanded that there be a 'strong check' on foreign influence infiltrating the national government in general and the Office of Commander in Chief of the Military specifically. A 'natural born subject,' as defined by the English common law, which permitted dual and conflicting allegiance at birth, would not have provided that strong check on foreign influence for which Jay was looking. ... On September 4, 1787, about 6 weeks after Jay's letter and just 2 days after Washington wrote back to Jay, the 'natural born citizen' requirement appeared in the draft of the Constitution." The supporters of Obama, Cruz, et al need to explain why a special effort was made to change the "born citizen" requirement to a "natural born citizen" requirement. If the terms meant the same thing, the former would not have been replaced by the latter in the Constitution. Clearly, the Founding Fathers understood the difference between the two terms. [84276]

Those who think they understand the issue should take a moment to read the actual presidential eligibility rule. Article II, Section 1, Clause 5 of the U.S. Constitution reads:

"No Person except a natural born Citizen, *or a Citizen of the United States, at the time of the Adoption of this Constitution* [italics added], shall be eligible to the Office of President; neither shall any Person be eligible to that Office who shall not have attained to the Age of thirty five Years, and been fourteen Years a Resident within the United States." Note the italicized "grandfather clause." That text was made necessary after the

term "born citizen" was changed to read "natural born citizen." An *earlier* draft of the document read as follows:

"No Person except a Born Citizen shall be eligible to the Office of President; neither shall any Person be eligible to that Office who shall not have attained to the Age of thirty five Years, and been fourteen Years a Resident within the United States."

"Born Citizen" simply means born on U.S. soil—*without* regard to the citizenship of one's parents. John Jay then wrote George Washington and asked that all presidents be required to be *natural born* citizens—that is, born on U.S. soil to two U.S. citizen parents. But simply making that change ("born" to "natural born") would have been inadequate:

"No Person except a natural born Citizen shall be eligible to the Office of President; neither shall any Person be eligible to that Office who shall not have attained to the Age of thirty five Years, and been fourteen Years a Resident within the United States."

Why would that text be insufficient? The problem with that text was that neither George Washington nor John Adams (nor anyone else) was a natural born citizen! Those potential presidents age 35 or older who were born on U.S. soil (such as George Washington, who was born in Virginia) obviously could not have had U.S. citizen parents at the time of their births—because the nation did not yet exist. (Washington's parents were citizens of Great Britain, as were the majority of the residents of the 13 colonies). In other words, it would be 35 years before anyone could serve as president! To allow for that problem, the *final* version read:

"No Person except a natural born Citizen, *or a Citizen of the United States, at the time of the Adoption of this Constitution* [italics added], shall be eligible to the Office of President; neither shall any Person be eligible to that Office who shall not have attained to the Age of thirty five Years, and been fourteen Years a Resident within the United States."

The italicized "grandfather clause" is essentially a "loophole" that means, "We can't go without a president for decades while we wait for natural born citizens to reach age 35, so we will *temporarily* allow individuals who are *not* natural born citizens to serve as president, as long as they were present here in the colonies and became U.S. citizens in 1776 when the nation was founded." Considering all of the above, it is clear that the U.S. Constitution prohibits Obama, former Senator Rick Santorum (R-PA), Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL), Louisiana Governor Bobby Jindal, South Carolina Governor Nikki Haley, and Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) from serving as president. The proper "birther" response to Congressman Alan Grayson is therefore, "Bring it on!"

Russian President Vladimir Putin comments on the shootdown of one if its fighter jets over Syria: "The American side, which leads the coalition that Turkey belongs to, knew about the location and time of our planes' flights, and we were hit exactly there and at that time. ...Why did we pass this information to the Americans? Either they were not controlling what their allies were doing, or they are leaking this information all over the place. ...They [our planes] have identification signs and these are well visible. Instead of ... ensuring this never happens again, we are hearing unintelligible explanations and statements that there is nothing to apologize about." Putin also says, "We see from the sky where these [ISIS] vehicles [carrying oil] are going. They are going to Turkey day and night. These barrels are not only carrying oil but also the blood of our citizens because with this money terrorists buy weapons and ammunition and then organize bloody attacks." (Turkey is playing with fire. The majority of its natural gas comes from Russia.) [84192, 84205, 84221]

Former Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Economic Policy Paul Craig Roberts claims Turkey is lying. He writes, "...Turkey's claim that [Russia's] SU-24 was in Turkey's airspace for 17 seconds but only traveled 1.15 miles means that the SU-24 was flying at stall speed! The entire Western media was too incompetent to do the basic math! ...[A]ssuming Turkey's claim of a 17 second airspace violation is true, 17 seconds is not long enough for a Turkish pilot to get clearance for such a serious and reckless act as shooting down a Russian military aircraft. If the SU-24 was flying at a normal speed rather than one that would be unable to keep the aircraft aloft, the alleged airspace violation would not have been long enough to be noticed. A shootdown had to have been pre-arranged. The Turks, knowing that the Russians were foolishly trusting to the agreement that there be no air to air encounters, told pilots to look for an opportunity." [84210]

Roberts also writes, "A friend, George Abert, suggested a reason why the Turks shot down the Russian fighter-bomber over Syria. The Russians have a technology that they recently demonstrated against the newest US missile cruiser and Israel's US jet fighters. The technology shuts down the communication systems of hostile forces, leaving them blind. He wonders if the Russian aircraft was shot down in order to encourage the Russians to use its unknown technology whenever Russian aircraft are in the vicinity of NATO and Israeli aircraft. He bets that the US has sent every Raven and ELINT specialist to the area in hopes that Russia's use of the technology will allow them to learn enough about the system to duplicate it or learn how to block it. Turkey's unprovoked shoot-down of a Russian military aircraft over Syria raises interesting questions. It seems unlikely that the Turkish government would commit an act of war against a much more powerful neighbor unless Washington had cleared the attack. Turkey's government is not very competent, but even the incompetent know better than to put themselves into a position of facing Russia alone. If the attack was cleared with Washington, was Obama bypassed by the neocons who control his government, or is Obama himself complicit? Clearly the neoconservatives are disturbed by the French president's call for unity with Russia against ISIL [ISIS] and easily could have used their connections to Turkey to stage an event that Washington can use to prevent cooperation with Russia." [84211]

Catherine Herridge reports, "With as many as 1,000 active cases, Fox News has learned at least 48 ISIS suspects are considered so high risk that the FBI is using its elite tracking squads known as the mobile surveillance teams or MST to track them domestically.

...These elite FBI teams are reserved for espionage, mob violence and high-priority terrorism cases... With at least a dozen agents assigned to each case, providing 24/7 coverage, this high level of surveillance reflects the severe risk associated with suspects most likely to attempt copycat attacks after Paris." [84197, 84220]

In Denmark, a Syrian asylum seeker is sentenced to nine months in prison for the attempted rape of an 8-year-old girl. [84282, 84283]

On November 27 Sweden's *The Local* reports that of 21,748 immigrants ordered deported by nation's Migration Agency, "14,140 are registered by police as 'departed' or 'wanted.' Some are believed to still be at unknown locations in Sweden while others are thought to have left the country. 'We simply don't know where they are,' Patrik Engström, head of the national border police, told the newspaper." [84246, 84247]

Meanwhile, school children in Tärnsjö, Sweden need police escorts to protect them from Muslim refugees who have been terrorizing the town. (At GatestoneInstitute.org Ingrid Carlquist writes, "The Swedes see the welfare systems failing them. Swedes have had to get used to the government prioritizing refugees and migrants above native Swedes. ... The week after the double murder at IKEA in Västerås, where a man from Eritrea who had been denied asylum grabbed some knives and stabbed Carola and [her son] Emil Herlin to death, letters and emails poured into the offices of Swedish Prime Minister (PM) Stefan Löfven. Angry, despondent and desperate Swedes have pled with the Social Democratic PM to stop filling the country with criminal migrants from the Third World or, they write, there is a serious risk of hatred running rampant in Sweden. One woman suggested that because the Swedish media will not address these issues, Löfven should start reading foreign newspapers, and wake up to the fact that Sweden is sinking fast. ...[I]n 2013 the government decided that people staying in the country illegally have a right to virtually free health and dental care. So while the destitute Swedish senior citizen must choose between paying 100,000 kronor (\$12,000) to get new teeth or [be] toothless, a person who does not even have the right to stay in Sweden can get his teeth fixed for 50 kronor (\$6).") [84250, 84251, 84277, 84324, 84325]

In Macedonia, police fire tear gas and stun grenades at protesting refugees in tent camps who are demanding passage to Europe. [84284, 84285]

In the West Bank, two Israeli soldiers are injured after being run into by a car driven by a Palestinian. The attacker is shot dead. (Reuters' intentionally misleading headline: "Palestinian dies in ramming attack.") [84298, 84303]

In Columbia, Missouri, Youssif Zaghwani Omar is arrested for felony child abuse after grabbing a 14-year-old girl by her hair and pulling her down a flight of stairs because she was not wearing a Muslim headscarf. (Omar, who is from Benghazi, Libya, had been a graduate teaching assistant at the University of Missouri. The teenager is his niece.) [84278, 84279, 84287, 84288, 84302, 84365]

The Obama administration calls on Turkey to seal its 550-mile border with Syria. An official states, "The game has changed. Enough is enough. The border needs to be sealed. This is an international threat, and it's all coming out of Syria and it's coming through Turkish territory." A Turkish official responds by pointing out the porous U.S.-Mexico border and says, "Turkey is determined to clean Daesh [ISIS] from the 98 kilometers of border between Kilis and Jarabulus. There is no need to receive any kind of warning or advice from anyone, including our U.S. partners." [84319, 84320]

Black Lives Matter activists shut down shopping at some stores on Chicago's Michigan Avenue. Protesters chant, "No justice, no way, you ain't shoppin' today." [84215, 84233]

In a Reuters/Ipsos poll, Donald Trump remains in first place among GOP candidates, but falls to 31 points (down from 43 percent in the prior poll). Ben Carson has 14.9 percent, Ted Cruz and Marco Rubio each have 8.4, and Jeb Bush has 6.5 percent. All other candidates fall under 5 percent. [84223, 84224, 84226, 84236]

An armed man takes hostages at a Planned Parenthood facility in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Two civilians and one police officer—44-year-old Garrett Swasey—are reportedly killed; nine others are wounded. By mid-evening the shooter, 57-year-old Robert Lewis Dear, Jr., surrenders to police. Black Lives Matter activists later complain that the police taking Dear into custody rather than shooting him is an indication of racism—because the killer is white. NBCNews.com reports, "In one statement, made after the suspect was taken in for questioning, Dear said 'no more baby parts' in reference to Planned Parenthood, two law enforcement sources with knowledge of the case told NBC News." (Dear's voter registration in Park County, Colorado shows Dear to have no political party affiliation.) [84214, 84216, 84217, 84222, 84225, 84227, 84232, 84234, 84240, 84256, 84258, 84259, 84260, 84261, 84262, 84266, 84300, 84412]

On November 28 a line five blocks long greets people waiting to enter an arena in Sarasota, Florida for a Donald Trump rally. About 12,000 attend the rally. [84235, 84267]

In an interview with the CBC, United Nations Secretary General Ban Ki-moon, promoting the upcoming global warming conference in Paris, says, "When we do not address climate change properly it may also affect many people who are frustrated and who are impacted, then there is some possibility that these young people who [are] jobless and frustrated may join these foreign terrorist fighters. There is a concern whether it may overshadow the climate change agreement and I think we have to move on this climate change agreement." (He does not explain why global warming prompts Muslims to become terrorists while not having the same effect on Christians, Jews, Hindus, Buddhists, atheists, or agnostics.) [84248, 84249]

Obama issues a statement in response to the shootings in Colorado Springs: "The last thing Americans should have to do, over the holidays or any day, is comfort the families of people killed by gun violence. ...If we truly care about this—if we're going to offer up our thoughts and prayers again, for God knows how many times, with a truly clean

conscience—then we have to do something about the easy accessibility of weapons of war on our streets to people who have no business wielding them. Period. Enough is enough." [84254, 84255, 84263]

Republican presidential candidate Ben Carson visits a refugee camp in Jordan and then tells the Associated Press, "I did not detect any great desire for [the refugees] to come to the United States. You've got these refugee camps that aren't completely full. And all you need is the resources to be able to run them. Why do you need to create something else?" [84264, 84265, 84268]

On November 29 CBS' Mark Knoller tweets, "...Obama says he looks to the Paris summit to establish a new long-term framework of verifiable emission reductions by each nation." (Whether any ISIS fighters laid down their weapons in response to Obama's statement is not known.) [84257]

NYPost.com reports, "The security passes of 86,000 workers at Charles de Gaulle Airport in Paris will be reviewed after it was found that 57 employees with access to airliners were on a terror watch list... Security badges were taken away from dozens of workers at the airport after terror attacks in Paris in January—but others continued working, the Sunday Times of London reported. Police official Philippe Riffault told the paper that the review of airport passes will begin with 5,000 security personnel. ...Belgium, where several of the Paris attackers had lived, also has pulled security badges from several airport workers after discovering that some had links to jihadis who had traveled to Syria." In addition, "...Arabic graffiti was spray-painted on four planes belonging to the British carrier EasyJet and a plane from the Spanish airline Vueling at two French airports. Three defaced planes were found in Lyon and two at Charles de Gaulle, AFP reported." [84280, 84281, 84289, 84290]

Hundreds of Muslims engage in a huge brawl at a refugee center in Germany. Reuters writes, "Although violent incidents in such centres are frequent, the chaos in the shelter at Berlin's disused Tempelhof airport, which erupted as lunch was being served, was worse than normal. ...Michael Elias, who is in charge of the shelter, said that 830 people were housed at the facility and that between 20 and 30 started the disruption. 'It's the simple fact that there are a lot of young men travelling alone here. We withdrewbecause the situation simply exploded. It was a complete blow-out.' Earlier on Sunday morning, police were called to another shelter in Berlin, where similar violence forced 500 inhabitants to flee the building." (While Obama claims Republicans are afraid of "widows and orphans" in the refugee population, Germans are quickly learning who they should fear.) [84297]

On *Face the Nation* Jeb Bush is asked why he would support Donald Trump if he is the Republican Party nominee. Bush replies, "Because anybody is better than Hillary Clinton, let me just be clear about that. But I have great doubts about Donald Trump's ability to be commander in chief. I really do. I wanted to give him the benefit of the doubt to see how the campaign unfolded but you listen to him talk, it's kind of scary to be honest with you because he's not a serious candidate. He doesn't talk about the issues at

hand that are of national security importance for our country to keep us safe is the first priority of the president. And he's all over the map. Misinformed at best and preying on people's fear at worst." [84271]

On *Meet the Press*, Trump says of the Colorado killer, "I think he is a sick person. And I think he was probably a person ready to go [over the edge]. We don't even know the purpose [his motive]. I mean, he hasn't come out to the best of my knowledge with a statement as to why it happened to be at that location. ...Well, I think it's terrible, I mean terrible. I think it's more of the same and I think it's a terrible thing and he's a maniac." [84272]

NBC's Andrea Mitchell says of Trump's claim that Muslims celebrated the downing of the World Trade Center towers on September 11, 2001, "It's not only that that didn't happen. Two-hundred thousand Syrian refugees are coming. It's not only that the facts are wrong, it's that what [Trump] is saying is so emotionally and politically powerful. He is lighting fires. He is turning people against people. He is misstating the facts of what's happening domestically, what's happening with Muslims. The kinds of facts he is misstating are so much ...incendiary. But the fact is that Trump is posing that he can take care of people and raising people's fears... is incendiary. I think that the fact of truthfulness doesn't matter." (Trump is not turning "people against people." He is merely stating that refugees should not be allowed into the United States if they cannot be properly vetted—and that Americans cannot afford another 200,000 people on welfare. It is the media misstating the facts when it claims refugees pose no security risk and are fully vetted. Mitchell has, of course, not called out Obama on his seven years of divisive tactics.) [84274]

David Limbaugh later comments on Mitchell's "selective concerns on divisiveness." He writes, "Divisiveness and incendiary rhetoric don't seem to bother Mitchell much when coming from Obama. She is so blinded by her adoration that she described his gauche selfie with two foreign heads of state during Nelson Mandela's memorial service in South Africa as 'great' and a 'human moment.' She was visibly stunned when former New Hampshire Gov. John Sununu called Obama 'lazy' and 'disengaged,' and she asked him whether he wanted to apologize for his remarks. This double standard from Mitchell and most of the rest of the liberal media is palpable. Obama's penchant for partisanship and polarization was apparent from the beginning, yet Mitchell and her cohorts not only ignored it but also actively protected him. After Obama had been in office for only a few months, the Pew Research Center reported that 'for all of his hopes about bipartisanship, Barack Obama has the most polarized early job approval ratings of any president in the past four decades.' ... [H]as Andrea Mitchell ever pointed out, much less complained about, Obama's intentional divisiveness? Of course not, because divisiveness is just fine with liberals if it advances their shared leftist agenda. To call them hypocritical would be far too mild." [84332]

On *Fox News Sunday*, GOP candidate Carly Fiorina comments on the Colorado shootings: "This is a tragedy. It's obviously a tragedy... Nothing justifies this, and presumably this man who appears deranged, if nothing else, will be tried for murder as he

should be..." Host Chris Wallace says, "You have been one of the toughest critics... of Planned Parenthood's alleged harvesting of body parts, selling them for fetal research. Some of the pro-choice advocates are saying language like yours, not specifically singling you out, but language like yours, has incited violence." Fiorina responds, "First, it is not alleged. Planned Parenthood acknowledged several weeks ago they would no longer take compensation for body parts, which sounds like an admission they were doing so. Secondly, this is so typical of the Left to immediately begin demonizing the messenger because they don't agree with the message. The vast majority of Americans agree, what Planned Parenthood is doing is wrong. And that's why the vast majority of Americans are prepared not only to defund Planned Parenthood, but also to stop abortion for any reason at all after five months. So what I would say to anyone who tries to link this terrible tragedy to anyone who opposes abortion or opposes the sale of body parts is, this is typical left-wing tactics. ...Any protesters should always be peaceful, whether it's Black Lives Matter or pro-life protesters, protesters should always be peaceful and respectful." [84270, 84294]

Express.co.uk reports, "A team of European researchers have unveiled a scientific model showing that the Earth is likely to experience a 'mini ice age' from 2030 to 2040 as a result of decreased solar activity. Their findings will infuriate environmental campaigners who argue by 2030 we could be facing increased sea levels and flooding due to glacial melt at the poles. However, at the National Astronomy Meeting in Wales, Northumbria University professor Valentina Zharkova said fluctuations [in] an 11-year cycle of solar activity the sun goes through would be responsible for a freeze, the like of which has not been experienced since the 1600s. From 1645 to 1715 global temperatures dropped due to low solar activity so much that the planet experienced a 70-year ice age known as Maunder Minimum which saw the River Thames in London completely frozen." [84273]

According to PopularLiberty.com, a Russian airstrike has demolished a "bakery" in Syria that was actually an arms depot for ISIS fighters. The facility was reportedly run by the Turkish "Humanitarian Relief Foundation," a suspected front group for terrorists. [84316, 84317, 84318]

In Paris, global warming activists destroy a memorial to the terrorist victims, stomping on flower bouquets and picking up candles to throw at the police. (The activists are apparently upset that more attention is paid to the victims of Muslim terrorists than to their demands for windmills and more bicycle paths.) [84312]

On November 30 the State Department warns, "U.S. Embassy Kabul has received credible reports of an imminent attack in Kabul City, Kabul Province, Afghanistan within the next 48 hours. During this period of heightened threat, the U.S. Embassy strongly urges U.S. citizens to exercise extreme caution if moving around the city. There were no further details regarding the targets, timing, or method of the planned attack." [84313]

Using the decidedly "non-green," five-gallons-per-mile Air Force One, Obama heads to Paris for a United Nations Climate Summit (also called 2015 Paris Climate Conference and Conference of Parties 21, or COP21). The White House releases a video of Obama's "climate advisor," Paul Bodnar, lecturing Americans on climate change—while traveling aboard Air Force One. [84292, 84295]

Obama states, "We have come to Paris to show our resolve. We salute the people of Paris for insisting this crucial conference go on. ...Nothing will deter us from building the future we want for our children." He warns that global warming will result in "submerged countries, abandoned cities, fields that no longer grow, political disruptions that trigger new conflict..." Obama says his goal is for the summit to "establish a new long-term framework of verifiable emission reductions by each nation." (Obama has more manpower verifying U.S. power plant emissions than he'll ever have verifying Iran's nuclear weapons program.) [84296]

Obama apologizes for America's prosperity, industry, wealth, and hard work, saying, "I've come here personally as the leader of the world's largest economy and the second largest [carbon dioxide] emitter to say that the United States of America not only recognizes our role in creating this problem, we embrace our responsibility to do something about it. ...Over the last seven years, we've made ambitious investments in clean energy and ambitious reductions in our carbon emissions. We've multiplied wind power three-fold, solar power more than twenty-fold, helping create parts of America where these clean power sources are finally cheaper than dirtier conventional power. We've invested in energy efficiency in every way imaginable. We've said no to infrastructure that would pull high carbon fossil fuels from the ground and we've said yes to the first-ever set of national standards limiting the amount of carbon pollution our power plants can release into the sky. ...The advances we've made helped drive our economic output to all-time highs and drive our carbon pollution to its lowest levels in nearly two decades." [84304, 84308, 84309, 84343]

Obama claims that global warming "could define the contours of this century more dramatically than any other. ...What greater rejection of those who would tear down our world [terrorists] than marshaling our best efforts to save it." Obama warns that if global warming is not addressed the world will see "Submerged countries. Abandoned cities. Fields that no longer grow. Political disruptions that trigger new conflict, and even more floods of desperate peoples seeking the sanctuary of nations not their own. ...One of the enemies that we will be fighting during this conference is cynicism... If we act here, if we act now, if we place our own short-term interests behind the air that our young people will breathe, and the food that they will eat, and the water that they will drink, and the hopes and dreams that sustain their lives, then we won't be too late for them. ...I believe in the words of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. that there is such a thing as being too late and when it comes to climate change—that hour is almost upon us." (King never said anything about climate change.) [84326, 84333, 84356]

When the long-winded Obama runs over his allotted time to speak (conference attendees come from 147 nations), he is given a "three-beep warning" to stop talking. According to NBCNews.com, "The beeps continued every 30 seconds, but [Obama] plowed on." (Given three minutes to speak, Obama takes 14—with a 1,700-word speech.) [84308, 84350]

IndependentSentinel.com recently noted, "It's not wind and solar that are reducing gas emissions-they're hardly a blip. It's fracking of natural gas! Research by Oren Cass of The Manhattan Institute revealed the real force behind reducing US greenhouse gas emissions and it is Fracking! Solar represents less than 1% of US electricity generation. Wind and solar power combined generated less electricity in the first half of 2015 than in 2014 and the investment in the industry has been flat for five years domestically and internationally according to the Institute. US greenhouse gas emissions have fallen a great deal since they peaked in 2007 but the biggest cause is the fracking-led natural gas boom. While solar reduced CO_2 emissions by 1%, natural gas reduced it by 20%. Growth in wind and solar power has consistently fallen since 2008. Global investment has declined as well. For every ton of carbon dioxide cut by solar power, fracking has cut 13 tons. ... Formal assessments from the Department of Energy have shown that the transition from coal to natural gas for electricity generation has been the single largest contributor to decline in US CO₂ emissions. Hydraulic fracturing of shale gas is creating an incredible amount of new natural gas production, making the United States the world's largest and fastest growing producer of natural gas. It saved Obama's economy." [84305]

FreeBeacon.com posts a video showing the (at least) 46 times Obama has, over the years, said "that's not who we are." (Obama may not know what America is, but he certainly knows what he believes it should not be.) [84310]

Pamela Geller writes, "It's official: Obama is evil and mentally defective. No matter how high the pile of bodies in the cause of Allah, Obama sees no Islam, hears no Islam, speaks no Islam. Obama's cold-blooded comedy in Paris is a step too far. Climate change is an industry started when I was just a kid. Then it was called ecology. The modern equal to the emperor's new clothes. It has made the left rich and enabled the government to control more and more of our lives. But to use this fairy tale to duck real life and death issues is malevolent. Fact is, the climate changes. It has for millions of years, with or without man. The idea that it is man's fault is the height of hubris. ISIS doesn't give a fig about the weather. They are planning their next conquest, their next country, their next wholesale slaughter." [84328]

At the climate conference, Russian President Vladimir Putin says, "At the moment we have received additional information confirming that that oil from the deposits controlled by Islamic State militants enters Turkish territory on industrial scale. We have every reason to believe that the decision to down our plane was guided by a desire to ensure security of this oil's delivery routes to ports where they are shipped in tankers." [84327]

RT.com reports, "The Russian Prosecutor General's Office has recognized [Obama pal] George Soros's Open Society Institute and another affiliated organization as undesirable groups, banning Russian citizens and organizations from participation in any of their projects. In a statement released on Monday, prosecutors said the activities of the Open Society Institute and the Open Society Institute Assistance Foundation were a threat to the foundations of Russia's Constitutional order and national security. They added that the Justice Ministry would be duly informed about these conclusions and would add the two groups to Russia's list of undesirable foreign organizations." (The U.S. State Department says it is "deeply troubled" by the action.) [84329, 84373, 84374]

The University of Chicago cancels classes after a threat from 21-year-old electrical engineering student Jabari Dean, who wrote at WorldStarHipHop.com, "This is my only warning. At 10 a.m. on Monday morning [sic] I am going to the campus quad at the University of Chicago. I will be armed with a [sic; an] M-4 Carbine and 2 Desert Eagles all fully loaded. I will execute aproximately [sic] 16 white male students and or staff, which is the same number of time [sic; times] Mcdonald [Laquan McDonald] was killed [sic; shot by Chicago police officer Jason Van Dyke]. I then will die killing any number of white policemen that I can in the process. This is not a joke. I am to do my part to rid the world of the white devils. I expect you to do the same..." [84370, 84371, 84372, 84407]

The State Department releases still more Hillary Clinton emails, of which 328 contain classified information—bringing the total of classified messages kept on her unsecured, private server to 999. (*Each* of those 999 messages could conceivably be a felony count and a prison sentence if she is indicted and convicted.) Republican National Committee chairman Reince Priebus states, "With the number of emails containing classified information now numbering nearly one thousand, this latest court-ordered release underscores the degree to which Hillary Clinton jeopardized our national security and has tried to mislead the American people." [84322, 84335, 84354, 84391]

WashingtonExaminer.com reports, "Hundreds of pages of records from Hillary Clinton's time as secretary of state revealed unexplained discrepancies between her official calendar and her personal planner, suggesting Clinton omitted the details of meetings she took at the State Department. The documents, obtained by the Associated Press through a Freedom of Information Act lawsuit, indicated Clinton met with nearly 100 corporate executives who have also donated extensively to her campaign and to her family's foundation. ...While the previously undisclosed calendars do not indicate Clinton did anything illegal, the records show she used her diplomatic perch to maintain close ties with her vast donor network." (Translation: "Clinton spent a lot of time meeting with donors, corporate executives, lobbyists, party loyalists, and fundraisers—when she was supposed to be working for the American people, not herself.) [84301, 84311, 84315]

One of the newly-released emails, dated December 18, 2011, has the subject line, "Re: 6 soldiers among dead; Syria weighing observers (A)." Ignoring the subject, a callous Hillary Clinton writes back to aide Huma Abedin, "Is Dalton Brody off Conn or Wisconsin?" (That is, "Is the high-end D.C. home furnishings store off Connecticut Avenue or Wisconsin Avenue?" Why Clinton needed to know that is not clear. In any event, the store is on Idaho Avenue in Washington, D.C.) BizPacReview.com writes, "Don't bother me with reports of soldiers being killed—I need a new ottoman!" (The email was sent at 3:13 p.m.—a time when Clinton and Abedin were supposed to be working. Instead, they were using their taxpayer-paid time to discuss shopping.) [84345, 84346, 84347]

In a February 2012 email, Clinton told Massachusetts state representative Harold Naughton, "When I switched blackberries last week, I lost a bunch of emails, including yours." (According to DailyCaller.com, Clinton appointed Naughton to the State Department's International Security Advisory Board in 2011.") [84363]

In a September 29, 2012 email Clinton congratulates State Department legal advisor Harold Koh for working to get terrorist Omar Khadr transferred from the detainee center at Guantanamo to a Canadian prison. DailyCaller.com notes, "Khadr was accused of throwing a grenade that killed Sgt. First Class Christopher Speer, a member of a U.S. Army Special Forces Unit. [Just two weeks before he was killed by Khadr, combat medic Speer was awarded a medal for risking his life to save two Afghan children who were trapped in a mine field.] In an Oct. 2010 plea deal—reportedly pushed by Clinton— Khadr was given an eight year prison sentence after he admitted to murdering Speer and to planting improvised explosive devices and training with al-Qaeda. He has since repudiated his claim that he killed Speer, saying now that he only confessed in order to get out of Gitmo, where he claims he was tortured. ...Khadr became a cause celebre of human rights groups as well as some within the Obama administration—a list which apparently included Clinton and Koh. 'So glad we got this done,' Koh responded to Clinton's email. 'After spending the last 10 years on GTMO, at least this young man finally has another chance."" (Whether Koh meant Khadr would get another chance to kill Americans is not clear.) [84364]

As noted previously in this *Timeline*, Koh is a "transnationalist," who advocates international law superseding U.S. laws. (As an example, if the United Nations opposes the death penalty, Koh argues that the United States should oppose it as well.) Koh also believes that Islamic Shari'ah law should be allowed into U.S. courts, and believes the war on terror is "obsessive." With regard to Omar Khadr, Obama administration officials were eager to transfer him to Canada—even though Canada did not want him. Obama officials Samantha Power, Michael Posner, and Koh pushed for the "easiest way out" for Khadr, and worked to get Canadian officials to ask for his return in order to provide political cover for Obama. One of the lawyers representing Khadr was Jennifer Daskal, a leftist who tried to get the United Nations Human Rights Committee to condemn the United States for even waging a war on terror, torturing detainees, and holding Americans in supermax prisons. In defending Khadr, Daskal stated, "The blame clearly here is on the U.S. government." The America-hating Daskal was then rewarded by Attorney General Eric Holder with a job in the Department of Justice's National Security Division. [3618, 3619, 3620, 9470, 9471, 9627, 9628]

Terrorist Omar Khadr was eventually released from prison in Canada, albeit with restrictions on his movement and speech. Although the military sentenced Khadr to 40 years in prison, it was reduced by the Obama administration to eight years. Khadr's father, Ahmed Said Khadr, was a senior lieutenant of Osama bin Laden. The Khadr family moved back and forth between Canada and Pakistan. Khadr's sister is the ex-wife of Canadian Joshua Boyle who, with his second wife, American Caitlin Coleman, was held by the Taliban. They were captured when "hiking" in an unsafe area. Khadr once bragged that the proudest moment of his life was constructing and planting explosive devices to kill Americans. [9470, 9471, 9627, 9628, 10998, 11092, 11093, 15618, 31475, 31476, 31477, 37756, 37757, 37758, 59817, 59942, 75417, 75418, 75434, 75462]

In 2011 Koh told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee that Obama did not need Congressional approval for his "kinetic military action" in Libya, but it should be given to him anyway. Koh argued that the War Powers Act did not apply to Obama's action because the law refers to "hostilities," and the United States military was not engaged in "hostilities" in Libya—only bombing raids with no troops on the ground. Koh gave Americans another reason to hate attorneys, stating, "Hostilities is an ambiguous term of art." [21866]

FoxNews.com reports, "The cost of Hillary Clinton's campaign promises has topped \$1 trillion—a spending 'binge' that would require middle-class tax hikes to pay for it, Republicans say. Clinton critics say she hit the \$1 trillion mark over the weekend, when she unveiled a \$275 billion infrastructure plan. ... Though the Democratic candidate is vowing to cut taxes for the middle class, Republicans say that's just not possible considering the magnitude of her spending proposals. 'With Hillary Clinton's spending binge already at a trillion dollars and counting, it's clear she wants to treat Americans' tax dollars like every day is Black Friday with no plan to pay the bill,' Republican National Committee spokesman Michael Short said in a statement. 'The real reason Hillary Clinton isn't saying how she'll pay for her trillion-dollar spending increase is because she knows it means raising taxes on the middle class.' ... Other proposed Clinton policies include universal pre-K, combating substance abuse and expanding family leave, projected to add hundreds of billions of dollars more to the price tag of her plans. The RNC estimates that before the infrastructure proposal was announced, her campaign already had proposed at least \$745 billion in new commitments over 10 years." [84306, 84405]

A *Washington Post* editorial concludes, "There is simply no way that the federal government can meet its current fiscal commitments, plus the increased demands of an aging population, *and* provide the new forms of middle-class relief and business tax relief Ms. Clinton promises, while tapping only the top 3 percent of earners." [84306]

Hillary Clinton pal Sheldon Silver, a former New York state representative, is found guilty on seven counts of fraud, extortion, and money laundering. According to DailyCaller.com, "In 2000, Silver played a key roll in Clinton's senatorial campaign where he helped lobby members of the Assembly for their support of Clinton. The New York Times reported that in 2000 Clinton used Silver's law offices to lobby Assemblyman Dov Hikind in what was described as 'an emotional two-hour session.' In 2013, a New York ethics report criticized Silver for covering up accusations of sexual harassment against Assemblyman Vito J. Lopez. ...In 2008, Clinton at the Democratic National Convention New York Delegation Breakfast praised Silver during his introduction for being a 'stalwart voice on behalf of the needs of New Yorkers.'" [84352, 84355]

Donald Trump meets with a number of black pastors at Trump Tower in New York City. Afterward, Dr. Darrell Scott, pastor of New Spirit Revival Center in Cleveland Heights, Ohio, states, "I didn't have concerns [with Trump] because I was already convinced, but there were concerns that the liberal media has put out portraying Mr. Trump in a light that I know he's not the type of person he was depicted to be. So what we were able to do today was allow to see his heart for themselves and to make up their own minds about him. And they find out that he's not the person that the media has depicted him to be. We had a very productive, constructive meeting. We made history today because we had had meaningful dialogue from Mr. Donald Trump and we voiced concerns that were sensitive to the African-American community. And we asked questions that were answered and we were satisfied with the answers and we're a unified front right here. We had a wonderful time, a wonderful dialogue, wonderful fellowship, wonderful interaction. It was a great day. I support Donald Trump and everybody knows that. Everybody knows that." Not every person in attendance endorses Trump, but Scott says, "They want to hear his voice, they are going to pray to God about it as ministers do. But nobody in this meeting came out with a negative reaction in any kind of way. Everybody came out positive. It's a great atmosphere and spirit in the room. And everybody in that room likes Donald Trump." Trump says, "I saw love in that room." [84321, 84348]

Hillary Clinton says it is "probably predictable for me to say this but there's a lot we can learn from Latin America's success in electing women presidents." (For the record, Brazil's socialist president—a former terrorist—Dilma Rousseff, has been destroying her country with recession, inflation, and corruption. Her approval rating is in *single digits* and millions of citizens have demanded that she be impeached. In Argentina, outgoing President Christina Fernandez de Kirchner is also leaving behind a record of corruption and inflation. Costa Rica, under President Laura Chinchilla, has record high unemployment. Her approval rating is also in single digits. In Chile, President Michelle Bachelet's approval/disapproval ratings are a dismal 24/72.) [84334]

Interviewed by talk radio's Hugh Hewitt, Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) says he has never met "any pro-life activist who was in favor of violence of any sort." The Colorado Springs shooting, says Cruz, "has really displayed the ugly underbelly of the media. You know, every time you have some sort of violent crime or mass killing, you can almost see the media salivating, hoping, hoping, desperately that the murderer happens to be a Republican so they can use it to try to paint their political enemies. Now listen, here's the simple and undeniable fact. The overwhelming majority of violent criminals are Democrats. The media doesn't report that. What they report, and there's a reason why the Democrats for years have been viewed as soft on crime because they go in and they appoint to the bench judges who release violent criminals, they go in and they do what Barack Obama tried to do, which is appoint a lawyer who voluntarily represented for free, a cop killer to a senior Justice Department position. [Democrats] go in and fight to give the right to vote to convicted felons. Why? Because the Democrats know that convicted felons tend to vote Democrat." (The mainstream media will lambaste Cruz for his statement—even though it is undeniably accurate.) [84349, 84351, 84359] Obama, Secretary of State John Kerry, and others dine at the L'Ambroisie restaurant in Marais, France, where the going rate is at least \$275 per person. (No information on the restaurant's carbon footprint is reported.) [84356, 84361]

While Democrats and the mainstream media excoriate Donald Trump for stating there should be a database against which Muslim refugees should be checked, MRCtv.org reports that "approximately one out of four Democrats support forcing Jews and Christians to register with the government. A recent [November 20-23] YouGov poll asked 1,000 individuals if they would support a national registry requiring members of various groups to provide the government with their home addresses. The poll found 27 percent of self-identified Democrats either 'strongly support' (18 percent) or 'somewhat support' (9 percent) a national registry for Jews. ...The poll also found 27 percent of self-identified Democrats either 'strongly support' (17 percent) or 'somewhat support' (10 percent) a national registry for Christians. ... On the topic of registering Muslims, Democrats were nearly split on their support for a national registry. The poll found 41 percent of Democrats support a national registry for Muslims (25 percent 'strongly support,' 16 percent 'somewhat support') while 47 percent oppose the registry (40 percent 'strongly oppose,' 7 percent 'somewhat oppose')." [84403]

ABC airs the 1965 cartoon, *A Charlie Brown* Christmas, for which Obama and his wife Michelle recorded an "homage." Michelle Obama says, "For half a century, people of all ages have gathered around the tv to watch Charlie Brown, Lucy, Linus and the rest of the gang teach us the true meaning of Christmas." Barack Obama: "They teach us that tiny trees just need a little love, and that on this holiday we celebrate peace on Earth and goodwill toward all." Michelle Obama: "Because as Linus knows, that's what Christmas is all about." (No, the true meaning of Christmas is not that "tiny trees just need a little love.") [84455, 84456, 84575]