

## *The Complete Obama Timeline*

### *September 2015*

On September 1 police officer Charles Joseph Gliniewicz is shot and killed after a traffic stop in Fox Lake, Illinois. Police are seeking one black male and two white males, who were apparently being chased on foot by the officer. [80622, 80625]

The Center for Medical Progress releases its ninth Planned Parenthood undercover video. According to LifeNews.com, “This latest video catches a Planned Parenthood medical director discussing how the abortion company sells fully intact aborted babies—including one who ‘just fell out’ of the womb. The ninth video in the Planned Parenthood baby parts scandal focuses on Advanced Bioscience Resources, Inc. (ABR), the small and secretive company similar to StemExpress that has harvested and sold fetal body parts at Planned Parenthood clinics longer than any other entity.” [80594, 80608, 80615, 80623, 80631]

Although White House press secretary Josh Earnest has not yet bothered to watch the undercover videos of Planned Parenthood practices, the Associated Press reports that the Department of Justice has found the time to file a court action in opposition to Louisiana Governor Bobby Jindal’s decision to deny Medicaid funding in his state to the abortion mill. “Jindal... announced this month he was cutting off funding to the Planned Parenthood clinics, citing hidden-camera videos that accuse the organization of profiting from fetal tissue sales after abortions. Planned Parenthood denies the allegations, saying the videos are heavily edited and misleading. The organization filed a lawsuit seeking to stay in Louisiana’s Medicaid program, saying Jindal’s decision will limit health services in violation of federal law. The Jindal administration has said its authority rests in a provision in state law that allows cancellation of a Medicaid provider agreement with 30-day notice.” Jindal states, “...Obama is so committed to protecting Planned Parenthood’s baby harvesting operation that he sent his lawyers from the Department of Justice all the way to Baton Rouge to sue me and try to stop us from canceling these contracts. ...Obama won’t watch the videos but he’ll take time to file a lawsuit. Well, I’ve got news for him. We are not backing down.” [80639, 80640, 80641]

According to CBS’ Mark Knoller, Obama will call on Congress to approve the construction of more ice breaker vessels. (Al Gore is not available for comment.) [80597]

Investigative reporter Sharyl Attkisson writes, “The newly-released batch of Hillary Clinton emails provides further proof that Freedom of Information (FOI) [Freedom of Information Act, or FOIA] law has been blatantly violated. The documents include material directly responsive to a FOI request I made back in 2012 after the Benghazi terrorist attacks on the U.S. compounds. However, the material was not produced at the time, as required by law. Once again, there appears to be nobody who holds government officials and agencies accountable for their routine violation of this law. So the infractions occur frequently and with impunity. If nobody polices our government

officials and agencies—if they are above the law—then how does a lawful society function?” [80589]

At Breitbart.com Patrick Howley reports, “Hillary Clinton’s secret email network crashed in 2010, and the email help-desk at the State Department dismissed the problem as unimportant because they didn’t know that she used a private email address to run the nation’s foreign policy. Clinton’s private email went down in February 2010, causing confusion for her and her top aide Huma Abedin, according to a new set of highly-redacted Clinton emails released by the State Department Monday night. Clinton received a routine message from a State Department computer staffer who clearly didn’t know that HDR22@clintonemail.com was the Secretary’s email address. The message had told Clinton that some of the HDR22 messages were being flagged with ‘fatal errors.’” [80616]

In the batch of emails is one exchange between Clinton and aide Jacob Sullivan. In the February 2010 email, Clinton writes, “It’s a public statement! Just email it.” Sullivan responds, “Trust me, I share your exasperation. But until ops converts [operations converts?] it to the unclassified email system, there is no physical way for me to email it. I can’t even access it.” (In other words, Clinton is angry that Sullivan is following the rules.) [80620]

DailyCaller.com reports, “The State Department’s August email dump of former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton included numerous communications with close confidante Sid Blumenthal, who often passed along his son Max’s anti-Israel articles.” (Hillary Clinton pretends to be a friend of Israel—in order to collect campaign support and contributions from American Jews—but, in fact, she was one of many anti-Israel officials in the Obama administration. Others include White House aide Valerie Jarrett, National Security Advisor Susan Rice, U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations Samantha Power, CIA Director John Brennan—and, of course, Obama himself.) [80635, 80636]

Interestingly, a number of the emails show Hillary Clinton to be relatively clueless about many issues and heavily dependent on staffers. At Townhall.com Rachel Marsden points out two. In one, Clinton emails aide Huma Abedin: “Pls send me call sheet for (the Ecuadorian call) - I don’t have a clue!” Another asks, “Can you tell me if China has signed this [Law of the Seas] treaty?” (Clinton apparently does not know how to use Internet search engines.) [80643]

HotAir.com’s Ed Morrissey point out what may be a “smoking gun” in the latest Clinton emails. A November 10, 2009 email from Clinton to her friend Sidney Blumenthal read, “Berlin was terrific. Lots of good exchanges w[ith] leaders.” The main body of the message is redacted, meaning it is classified information. It is followed by, “Have you heard anything else?” Blumenthal writes, “FYI. How did it go in Berlin? Looked terrific. What does [German Chancellor Angela] Merkel think of the [British Prime Minister Tony] Blair option? Sid.” Morrissey notes, “There are other classified e-mails in this tranche that originated with Hillary and went to other State Department officials. This e-mail is more notable because of its transmission outside of State’s personnel. Sid

Blumenthal did not work in the Obama administration—Rahm Emanuel expressly forbid him to be hired anywhere in the federal government, especially State [Department]—and thus was out of the need-to-know loop, especially on top-level diplomatic talks. Where was Blumenthal working when this message (and others) went out? *At the Clinton Foundation*. Yet here Hillary is, sending him updates on negotiations with Germany’s Angela Merkel and Tony Blair, which are obviously too sensitive to send out over an unauthorized and unsecure mode of transmission. On top of that, she’s sharing it with someone not cleared for this information even when properly transmitted.” [80659]

Morrissey also points out that the email has two codes that mark it “as dealing with ‘foreign government information’ and ‘foreign relations or foreign activities of the United States, including confidential sources.’ The declassification date is set for November 2024, fifteen years after Hillary created the document. That clearly shows that the data was classified ‘at birth,’ and as Secretary of State, Hillary Clinton had to know that top-level diplomatic discussions would have been too sensitive to share in this manner and with this particular person.” (Even worse, Sidney Blumenthal’s email was once compromised by a hacker.) “...Hillary appears to have originated obviously sensitive material and transmitted it through an unauthorized system to deliver it to someone who was not authorized to access it. That person eventually had his system hacked, which almost certainly exposed that information.” [80659]

DailyCaller.com also reports that Clinton “Hillary Clinton violated numerous State Department rules by using privately owned thumb drives to copy 30,000 of her official emails for her lawyer... In transferring her emails to private thumb drives, Clinton violated a slew of federal regulations, including those of her own State Department. The State Department’s Foreign Affairs manual prohibits the storage of classified material on any external drive, stating, ‘the flash drive may only be used for the transfer of unclassified files.’ Flash and thumb drives are treated inter-changeably by the rules. Further, unclassified material must be on a ‘department owned’ drive, not a personal or private sector drive. If the information on the drive is unclassified, but still sensitive, it ‘must be encrypted to current standards’ for transportation, according to the manual. State Department rules also required that Clinton’s email transfer had to be approved and closely supervised by a department computer security official. Finally, the National Institute for Standards and Technology, which sets minimum government-wide standards for IT security, ordered that thumb drive restrictions be imposed if the contents were ‘high value,’ a lower standard than classified information. Neither Clinton nor Kendall, have ever said they acquired the thumb drives from the State Department. They have also refused to clarify how they were obtained and if they were encrypted.” [80653]

James O’Keefe, of Project Veritas, releases an undercover video of Hillary Clinton campaign workers properly telling a Canadian fan of Clinton that she cannot contribute to her campaign because she is not a U.S. citizen, but then improperly agreeing to accept her contributions after she gives them to an American to submit on her behalf. (Direct *or* indirect contributions from non-Americans violate federal law.) O’Keefe explains that the Canadian was *not* a member of his investigative team; Project Veritas simply happened to be filming undercover when the incident occurred. [80612, 80628, 80657]

As first reported by AtlasShrugs.com in 2008, there is also substantial evidence that the Obama campaign illegally collected considerable contributions from overseas—including donations from Palestinians in Gaza. As noted in volume 1 of this *Timeline*, Obama received substantial amounts of contributions via electronic “gift cards,” which are virtually impossible to trace. Further, Obama campaign records show a number of questionable entries, such as \$19,500 in 786 separate donations from a person named “Pro, Doodad,” from “Nando, New York.” His employer is listed as “Loving” and his occupation as “You.” It is impossible to trace donations submitted over the Internet with such phony information, which enabled Obama to take in illegal contributions from overseas donors. Adding suspicion are the many contributions in unusual amounts, such as \$74.37 or \$42.95, which suggest they were illegal foreign contributions originally made in “even” amounts, which then reflected pennies when converted to U.S. dollars. [166, 167, 353, 2045, 2284, 2513, 19771, 19772, 19786, 19833]

Attorney Dr. Orly Taitz releases a statement: “On October 20, 2015, 9th Circuit court of Appeals will hold a hearing in Grinols et al v Electoral College, US Congress, Obama, Biden, Governor of CA, Secretary of State of CA. The case brought by Attorney Orly Taitz on behalf of multiple plaintiffs. One of the plaintiffs, James Grinols was a GOP elector, another plaintiff, Keith Judd, was a Democratic party Presidential candidate who gained 40% of the vote and came second after Obama in West Virginia Presidential primary in 2012. The courts held this case until now. This is a strong case as the District Court judge, Hon. Morrison England, already found that Judd has standing to proceed with the case and discovery. However, this lower court judge claimed that this is not a justiciable issue, meaning that no court has jurisdiction to rule whether the presidential candidate is eligible. ...If the 3 judges on the panel of the 9th Circuit have one grain of decency and moral values, they will find that this is a justiciable question and should allow Attorney Taitz to go back to the district court and proceed with discovery and subpoena the original Connecticut Social Security application for SSN 042-68-4425, which Obama is fraudulently using and which was issued to Harrison J Bounel, presumed to be deceased without heirs. Taitz would be able to subpoena the originals for other bogus IDs Obama is using.” (The government refuses to release to Taitz as copy of Obama’s application for a Social Security Number. More than a few people believe it is because he never filled out the form, because he used several stolen numbers over the years. There is no need to steal the SSNs of others if you have a legitimate one of your own.) [80618]

Obama, visiting a glacier in Alaska, makes the absurd claim that sea levels are “projected to rise another one to four feet this century.” (An increase of 4-6 inches is a more reasonable expectation. Someone should remind Obama that glaciers recede in August because of something called “summer.” Alaskan scenery looks much different in January.) Obama’s Alaska visit is meant to push his agenda for a United Nations climate agreement in Paris in December. The Heritage Foundation notes that Obama’s “Clean Power Plan, should it survive the serious legal problems with the regulations, promises to create a \$2.5 trillion loss in GDP, hundreds of thousands of jobs lost, and a total income loss of \$7,000 per person by 2030.” Even if Obama’s plans are implemented, even the

Environmental Protection Agency claims it would change the earth's average temperature by "less than 0.002 degrees Celsius." (That would hardly shave a millimeter from ocean levels, even if one were to believe Obama's claim that they will rise by "one to four feet." [80648, 80649, 80650, 80669, 80774])

Former Alaska governor Sarah Palin points out that Obama did not visit the massive Hubbard Glacier, which has been growing for at least a century. Instead, Obama visited Exit Glacier, so named because, notes Susan Stamper Brown at Townhall.com, it "has been in a state of retreat since just after the Little Ice Age. [The] Fact is, the glacier did the majority of its retreating in the 1800's to early 1900's, long before manmade greenhouse gas was a thing. Especially in a sparsely populated and largely undeveloped place like Alaska. Overall, since the Little Ice Age, the Exit Glacier's retreated more than 1.25 miles, possibly trekking on a journey to return Alaska to what it once was. Shhh, don't tell the alarmists, but Alaska was once a tropical paradise. In 2004 an Arctic expedition team, Integrated Ocean Drilling Program, used ice breakers and a drilling rig to core out and remove the first-ever Arctic sediment and samples from the ocean bottom. They discovered that millions of years ago the Arctic Ocean was ice free with a year-round average temperature of 74 degrees—meaning something other than oil drilling, fracking, wood burning, coal mining, or other man-caused greenhouse gas activities heated the Arctic." [80774, 80786, 80862, 80893])

In Kotzebue, Alaska, Obama says, "We are the number one producer of oil and gas. But we're transitioning away from energy that creates the carbon that's warming the planet and threatening our health and our environment, and we're going all in on clean, renewable energy sources like wind and solar. And Alaska has the natural resources to be a global leader in this effort. So we're going to deploy more new clean-energy projects on Native lands, and that's going to reduce dependence on fossil fuels, promote new jobs and new growth in your communities." (CNSNews.com points out that Kotzebue "is one of 15 major communities in Alaska's Far North Region that are located north of the Arctic Circle... The Arctic Circle is the boundary for the 'midnight sun,' a phenomenon caused by the tilt in the Earth's axis in which the sun does not set in the summer or conversely rise in the winter. ...During the 34 days between December 3rd and January 6th, Kotzebue's days are less than six hours long. In Barrow, the northernmost town in Alaska which is located 330 miles north of the Arctic Circle, there are 67 winter days in which the sun does not shine at all, according to Alaska.org." Obama is apparently unaware that solar panels are useless where the sun barely shines for months at a time.) [80760])

CNN announces a change in its debate rules that will likely allow Carly Fiorina to appear onstage with the other "top-tier" Republican candidates on September 16. According to WashingtonTimes.com, the network will now "allow any candidate that [sic; who] is polling in the top 10 in an average of approved polls between Aug. 6 and Sept. 10 to be included in the Sept. 16 debate at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library. ...CNN originally outlined its criteria for the debate in May, saying that it would limit the prime-time event to the top ten candidates based on an average of national polls between July 16

and Sept. 10. ...Sarah Isgur Flores, spokesperson for the Fiorina camp, celebrated the news on Twitter. 'We're so grateful to the thousands of grassroots supporters and conservative actives around the country who weren't afraid to take on the political establishment and challenge the status quote to make this happen.'" [80626, 80627, 80642, 80658]

The Dow Jones Industrial Average closes at 16,058, down 469 (2.84 percent).

At FoxNews.com Catherine Herridge reports, "At least four classified Hillary Clinton emails had their markings changed to a category that shields the content from Congress and the public, Fox News has learned, in what State Department whistleblowers believed to be an effort to hide the true extent of classified information on the former secretary of state's server. The changes, which came to light after the first tranche of 296 Benghazi emails was released in May, was confirmed by two sources—one congressional, the other intelligence. The four emails originally were marked classified after a review by career officials at the State Department. But after a second review by the department's legal office, the designation was switched to 'B5'—also known as 'deliberative process,' which refers to internal deliberations by the Executive Branch. Such discussions are exempt from public release. The B5 coding has the effect, according to a congressional source, of dropping the email content 'down a deep black hole.' The four mails are separate and distinct from another group of emails identified by the Intelligence Community Inspector General as containing two messages with 'Top Secret' information." [80629]

According to a Public Policy Polling national survey, Donald Trump leads with 29 percent, followed by Ben Carson (15), former Florida governor Jeb Bush (9), Carly Fiorina (8), Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) (7), Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) 6, Ohio governor John Kasich (6), former Arkansas governor Mike Huckabee (5), and Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker (5). [80630, 80656]

Also according to the poll, "66% of Trump's supporters believe that Obama is a Muslim to just 12% that grant he's a Christian. 61% think Obama was not born in the United States to only 21% who accept that he was. And 63% want to amend the Constitution to eliminate birthright citizenship, to only 20% who want to keep things the way they are. ...Trump's beliefs represent the consensus among the GOP electorate. 51% overall want to eliminate birthright citizenship. 54% think ...Obama is a Muslim. And only 29% grant that President Obama was born in the United States." (Sloppy writing abounds in the PPP report. Although Trump may want to eliminate birthright, or "anchor baby," citizenship, he has never claimed that Obama is a Muslim or that Obama was not born in the United States. Trump did pressure Obama to release a (forged) birth certificate in April 2011, but he was merely asking questions; he never claimed to know where Obama was born.) [80655, 80656]

The poll asks Republicans, "Who would you prefer as the Republican candidate if you had to choose between just Jeb Bush and Donald Trump?" The results are Bush, 34

percent; Trump, 59 percent; not sure, 7 percent. (Trump may not be the GOP nominee, but unless Bush turns things around soon the donors will begin to desert him and seek an alternative.) [80655, 80656]

The CBS affiliate in Detroit reports, “A Muslim flight attendant has filed a complaint with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission... claiming she was suspended from her job for not serving alcohol—which is against her religious beliefs.” Charee Stanley states, “I don’t think that I should have to choose between practicing my religion properly or earning a living. I shouldn’t have to choose between one or the other, because they’re both important.” (How the EEOC will rule is not known, but if it decides against the airline, the Catholic charity Little Sisters of the Poor may wonder why it has to provide employees with contraceptives and abortifacients, an action which contradicts its religious beliefs, while Muslim flight attendants receive special consideration for their beliefs.) [80632, 80634, 80666]

At JihadWatch.org Robert Spencer writes, “We see it again and again: wherever Islamic law and custom and American law and custom conflict, it is American law and custom that have to give way. Charee Stanley and Hamas-linked CAIR [Council on American-Islamic Relations] talk a great deal here about rights, but what about the rights of the passengers? It is not illegal (yet) to drink alcohol on flights in the U.S. Stanley has no right to be a flight attendant and to force ExpressJet Airlines to change the way it does business in order to accommodate her. She could instead get a job that didn’t require her to serve alcohol. But the objective here isn’t really about her rights or her job at all; it is to reinforce yet again the principle that Muslims must be accommodated at all costs, in all situations, no matter what.” (This *Timeline* believes that CAIR instigates and orchestrates many of these incidents by having Muslims seek jobs they know are incompatible with their religion.) [80633, 80634]

Pamela Geller later asks, “Why would a devout Muslim want to be a flight attendant in the first place, when half your job is serving alcohol?” and writes, “This is reminiscent of Samantha Elauf, the devout Muslima who sued soft porn retailer Abercrombie & Fitch because she wanted to wear the hijab. She won that case and got herself a healthy cash settlement—and Abercrombie and Fitch had to change the way they do business in order to accommodate her demands. That is no doubt part of the objective here as well. There are many such cases. The EEOC is suing Star Transport for rightfully terminating two Muslims who refused to do their job. If these Muslim truck drivers don’t want to deliver alcohol, then they shouldn’t have taken a job in which part of their duties would be to deliver alcohol. It’s that simple. ...Islamic supremacists see that this legal intimidation works, so they keep on resorting to it. A Muslim woman sued Children’s Hospital Boston after being fired for refusing to get a flu shot. If you don’t want to take the necessary steps to work in a hospital and adhere to the rules to insure the health of the public at large, then don’t work in a children’s hospital. ... You’ll notice that it is always big companies that are targeted. Hertz, Heinz, Target, Walmart, Disney, Abercrombie & Fitch, and now ExpressJet Airlines. Why? To set legal precedents they can use in yet more intimidation cases. Muslim lawsuits against Hertz, Walmart, Target, Disney and a

host of other American businesses for special rights, special accommodation have been largely successful creating a special rights for a special class of people—which is an accordance with Islam (in which Muslims are superior to the kuffar).” [80731, 89732]

Commander Charles Kerchner (*Kerchner v. Obama*) and attorney Mario Apuzzo discuss the meaning of the term “natural born citizen” on thewakeupmissionshow.com. (Kerchner and Apuzzo believe, as does this *Timeline*, that the historical meaning of the term is born on U.S. soil to two U.S. citizen parents. That is what the Founding Fathers understood the term to mean when the U.S. Constitution was drafted and ratified. Obama, Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX), Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL), Louisiana Governor Bobby Jindal and former Senator Rick Santorum do *not* satisfy the requirements and are not legally eligible to serve as president of the United States. Over the years the term has incorrectly come to mean simply being born on U.S. soil. Even worse, many absurdly claim that Cruz is a natural born citizen—despite having been born *in Canada* to a *Cuban citizen father*. The Republican Party chose not to make a fuss about Obama’s ineligibility because they had several “rising stars” who were also ineligible. The unstated “deal” was essentially, “We’ll let Obama slide if you let Cruz, Rubio, and Jindal slide. The Republican establishment mistakenly believes it can capture the Hispanic vote simply by having Cruz or Rubio on the ballot—and has placed that belief over adherence to the U.S. Constitution.) [80664, 80674, 80675, 80766, 80842, 81274, 81275, 81276, 81277, 81278, 81279]

On September 2 retiring Senator Barbara Mikulski (D-MD) announces she will vote in support of the Obama-Kerry nuclear agreement with Iran. She becomes the 34th Democrat senator to express support, ensuring that even after the deal is rejected by the Senate, there will not be enough votes to override the Obama veto. (In other words, Iran’s leaders won and most of the rest of the world lost.) Meanwhile, according to a Quinnipiac poll, only 25 percent of Americans support the agreement; 55 percent oppose it; 20 percent are undecided. In Florida, 61 percent of the voters oppose the deal; 58 percent oppose it in Ohio; 61 percent oppose it in Pennsylvania. (Opponents of the agreement still plan on holding what they hope will be a massive rally in protest on September 9 at the Capitol Building in Washington, D.C.) [80644, 80654, 80672, 80680]

PBS NewsHour’s Gwen Ifill tweets, “Take that, Bibi.” (In other words, “Screw you, Israeli Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu! The Obama-Kerry deal will get through the Senate.” Pamela Geller observes, “Gwen Ifill isn’t singular. Her views are no doubt identical to those of most of her colleagues. The mainstream media today doesn’t report the news. It’s a propaganda arm for the most anti-Israel, anti-American administration in our nation’s history.” The anti-Israel, anti-American Ifill should be reminded that, as an employee of the Public Broadcasting System, U.S. taxpayers pay her salary.) [80645, 80667, 80736, 80759]

Outside the New York City office of Senator Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY) an estimated 7,000 demonstrators protest the nuclear deal with Iran. One protester yells, “Impeach Obama now! Obama released \$150 billion to the Iranian terrorist Nazi regime which is



building nuclear gas chambers! How dare he!” Another says, “He’s anti-Smite, because he is trying to destroy the state of Israel.” Protester signs include, “What part of death to America, death to Israel do you not understand?” “Obama=Treason” “Impeach Obama” and “Sen. Gillibrand: Don’t Surrender America! Stand with [Senator] Schumer!” (As noted previously in this *Timeline*, Gillibrand is one of several Democrat senators who have accepted cash from the Iranian American Political Action Committee.) [80393, 80663, 80665, 80672, 80729, 80730]

In an interview with Newsmax.tv, former Vice President Dick Cheney calls Iran the winner in the Obama-Kerry nuclear agreement “in terms of having a path ultimately to develop nuclear weapons, in terms of receiving over \$100 billion, sanctions being lifted, the embargo on ballistic missiles being lifted, the embargo on conventional arms being lifted. They get everything in this deal and the Israelis and the Saudis and the Jordanians, the Egyptians, the Emirates, all of our friends and allies in that part of the world are appalled [by] what happened, but they also feel directly threatened by a nuclear-armed Iran.” Cheney calls the Senate’s failure to demand that the deal be considered a treaty that requires the approval of two-thirds of the Senators “a total neutering . . . of the United States Senate in one of the most important issues that’s likely to come before them in this decade. I do not understand why they’ve allowed that to happen.” [80698]

Meanwhile, Iranian Brigadier General Mohsen Kazzemeini warns that the United States and Israel “should know that the Islamic Revolution will continue enhancing its preparedness until it overthrows Israel and liberates Palestine. And we will continue defending not just our own country, but also all the oppressed people of the world, specifically those countries that are standing on the forefront of confrontation with the Zionists.” While Obama and Secretary of State John Kerry call for Congress to approve their Iranian nuclear agreement, Kazzemeini calls for the “full annihilation and destruction of the Zionist regime” and a continued “armed struggle against Tel Aviv.” (When the Iranians chant, “Death to Israel!” they apparently mean, “Death to Israel!”) [80735, 80761]

Aboard Air Force One as it returns to Washington, D.C. from Alaska, press secretary Josh Earnest tells reporters the list of visitors for the June 13 Prince performance at the White House will not be released. Poltico.com writes, “Reporters had been eagerly awaiting the release of the White House visitor logs from June 13, when the Obamas hosted a party for 500 guests—many of whom happen to be lobbyists, corporate executives and other power players—to 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue for a soiree and performance by the mono-named entertainer.” [80692]

Addressing the recent killings of police officers, Attorney General Loretta Lynch states, “This wide violence against all of us, regardless of what uniform any of us wear, has to end.” (Translation, “All lives matter, but I don’t have the courage to actually use those words.” Lynch does not explain what uniforms other than police uniforms place American civilians at risk of losing their lives.) [80646]

BizPacReview.com reports, “Republican strategist Rory Cooper combed through some of [Hillary Clinton’s recently released emails] and discovered that the former secretary of state told the Obama administration’s special envoy for Middle East peace, George Mitchell, to use her personal email for sensitive communication. The subject line of the July 25, 2010 email read ‘Here’s my personal email,’ and the message inside said ‘Please use this for reply.’ ...Mitchell replied back hours later telling Clinton about a talk he had with Italian Foreign Minister Franco Frattini in which the State Department has redacted all but the first sentence before releasing it, underscoring the point that the information is classified. Coincidentally, July 25, 2010 is the same day Wikileaks posted ‘about 90,000 classified documents about U.S. military actions in the Middle East,’ Cooper noted in a subsequent tweet Tuesday.” [80651]

Dick Morris and Eileen McGann write, “Less than a week after the devastating earthquake in Haiti on January 12, 2010, the Secretary of State [Hillary Clinton]—in charge of America’s response to the devastating earthquakes in Haiti—requested a proposal from her Chief of Staff, Cheryl Mills about teacher training in Haiti. Mills dutifully forwarded a multi-million dollar proposal for rebuilding schools in Port-Au-Prince along with developing and training a ‘Teachers Corps’ with 500 American teachers in Haiti. And guess who the proposal came from? David Domenici, Mills’ husband and the father of her two children. ...In a January 18, 2010 email, Mills noted; ‘...here are the ideas for the Haiti Education Corps that you asked for.’ The following day, Hillary wrote back: ‘Great idea. No surprise. Let’s work toward solid proposal maybe to Red Cross and Clinton Foundation since they have unencumbered \$.’ ...So, didn’t the two top people at the State Department notice the giant conflict of interest they were creating in even considering the Haiti proposal to benefit the family of a top employee and decision maker in Haiti? Through a Foundation that Mills had strong ties to and that was controlled by the Clinton Family? Apparently not, but of course, they never expected us to read about it. Again, thank you Vice News, Judicial Watch, Citizens United, Gawker, AP for your FOI requests.” [80671]

TheDailyBeast.com reports that “within American counterintelligence circles, there’s a mounting sense that the former secretary of state may not be the only Obama administration official in trouble. This is a scandal that has the potential to spread to the White House, as well. ...There’s a widely held belief among American counterspies that foreign intelligence agencies *had* to be reading the emails on Hillary’s private server, particularly since it was wholly unencrypted for months. ‘I’d fire my staff if they weren’t getting all this,’ explained one veteran Department of Defense counterintelligence official, adding: ‘I’d hate to be the guy in Moscow or Beijing right now who had to explain why they didn’t have all of Hillary’s email.’ Given the widespread hacking that has plagued the State Department, the Pentagon, and even the White House during Obama’s presidency, senior counterintelligence officials are assuming the worst about what the Russians and Chinese know.” [80706, 80707]

“...Hillary Clinton was far from the only senior Obama appointee to play fast and loose with classified materials, according to Intelligence Community insiders. While most

counterspies agree that Hillary's practices—especially using her own server and having her staffers place classified information into unclassified emails, in violation of federal law—were especially egregious, any broad-brush investigation into security matters are likely to turn up other suspects, they maintain. 'The whole administration is filled with people who can't shoot straight when it comes to classified,' an Intelligence Community official explained to me this week. Three U.S. officials suggested that Susan Rice, the National Security Adviser, might be at particular risk if a classified information probe goes wide. But it should be noted that Rice has made all sorts of enemies on the security establishment for her prickly demeanor, use of coarse language, and strategic missteps." (Rice has been considered "wildly incompetent" by some Washington insiders, and one critic who has worked with her stated when she served as U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations, "She doesn't know what she doesn't know. And she doesn't tolerate dissenters. To have her head the U.S. mission to the U.N. is a mind-boggling decision. It is frightening.") [356, 360, 568, 569, 590, 628, 670, 1377, 1679, 1680, 1681, 2197, 5476, 10556, 30277, 30315, 80706, 80707]

"... 'Of course they knew what they were doing, it's a clear as day from the emails,' opined one senior official who is close to the investigation. 'I'm a Democrat and this makes me sick. They were fully aware of what they were up to, and the Bureau [the FBI] knows it.' That Hillary and her staff at Foggy Bottom [the State Department] were wittingly involved in a scheme to place classified information into ostensibly unclassified emails to reside on Clinton's personal, private server is the belief of every investigator and counterintelligence official I've spoken with recently, and all were at pains to maintain that this misconduct was felonious. ... 'I'd put talking to him [Patrick Kennedy, Undersecretary for Management at the State Department] near the top of my list,' explained a retired senior FBI official, a career counterintelligence agent. 'Would Kennedy go down for Hillary? Maybe,' he added, 'But will some GS [General Schedule] or FSO [Foreign Service Officer],' meaning a career State Department employee, 'go down for Hillary? I doubt it. The FBI will get someone to talk, we always do.'" [80706, 80707]

According to an August 26-30 Washington Post/ABC News poll, Hillary Clinton's favorable/unfavorable percentages are 45/53; 39 percent have a "strongly unfavorable" opinion of her, while 21 percent have a "strongly favorable" opinion of her. Among women, her favorable/unfavorable numbers are 48/51. Donald Trump is at 37/59 (a vast improvement from 16/71 in May), while Jeb Bush is at 38/55. [80660, 80661]

CNSNews.com reports that the Social Security system will run an \$84 billion deficit in 2015, "according to the 2015 Annual Report of the Board of Trustees." (Since 2010 the system has paid out in benefits more each year than it collected in taxes.) "The report also stated that the Social Security system's 'unfunded obligation through the infinite horizon' is now \$25.8 trillion, up from \$24.9 trillion in 2014. That amount is the difference between all future projected benefits and sources of income, Boston University Economics Professor Laurence Kotlikoff explained in a recent Forbes op-ed [sic; op-ed]. 'It means that the system is 32 percent underfinanced.'" (The "solution" to the problem

will be continued federal borrowing from China and other countries, as well as a continuing expansion of the money supply by the Federal Reserve. That is, money will be created out of thin air, resulting in price inflation.) [80662]

WashingtonTimes.com reports, “Planned Parenthood chapters in Iowa, Missouri and Montana received just over \$1 million in federal grant funding Wednesday to help Obamacare customers sign up for coverage, even as Republicans in Congress battle to strip the women’s health provider of any federal funding at all amid raging controversy over its abortion practice. The chapters were among 100 recipients of \$67 million in so-called ‘navigator’ grants doled out by the Obama administration Wednesday to nonprofits in 34 states that help people get covered under the Affordable Care Act.” [80668]

Judicial Watch calls on the Federal Election Commission to investigate the Democrat National Committee for knowingly hiring an illegal immigrant, Cindy Nava, in violation of federal immigration and election laws. Judicial Watch states, “Ms. Nava is helping the DNC craft its political message and communications to women, Hispanics and others. Her message is being communicated to these people groups in order [to] achieve political success in the 2016 presidential, congressional, gubernatorial and local elections. [T]his is a clear violation of federal law.” [80682]

DailySignal.com reports, “The majority of immigrants in the U.S. receive some form of government welfare, significantly outpacing native-born Americans who use benefit programs, according to a study released Wednesday. The Center for Immigration Studies, a non-profit organization that advocates for decreased immigration, reported that 51 percent of immigrant households used at least one welfare program in 2012 versus 30 percent of native-born households. The 21-point difference marks a far larger gap in those using welfare benefits—including Medicaid, food stamps, and housing programs—than previous census surveys indicated. ...Steven Camarota, the center’s director of research and author of the report, said one of his most surprising findings was the sharp increase in welfare use among households with children. He found that 76 percent of immigrant-led households with children receive welfare, contrasted with 52 percent of native-born.” [80683, 80702, 80981]

WashingtonPost.com reports, “A former State Department staffer who worked on Hillary Rodham Clinton’s private e-mail server tried this week to fend off a subpoena to testify before Congress, saying he would assert his constitutional right not to answer questions to avoid incriminating himself. The move by Bryan Pagliano, who had worked on Clinton’s 2008 presidential campaign before setting up the server in her New York home in 2009, came in a Monday letter from his lawyer to the House panel investigating the 2012 attack on the U.S. consulate in Benghazi, Libya. ...The Senate Judiciary Committee confirmed Wednesday that it sought to ask Pagliano about his work for Clinton. ‘In response to questions... Mr. Pagliano’s legal counsel told the committee yesterday that he would plead the Fifth to any and all questions if he were compelled to testify,’ a spokesperson for committee Chairman Charles E. Grassley (R-IA) said in a statement.” (Supporters of Clinton, who claim she broke no laws and violated nor rules, will be hard-

pressed to explain why Pagliano needs to “plead the Fifth.” If there was no wrongdoing, why can he not respond to questions about the set-up of the Clinton servers? Who is paying Pagliano’s high-priced lawyers at the Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP law firm?) [80673, 80693, 80694, 80700, 80703, 80708, 80712, 80720, 80800]

A Clinton campaign aide tells *The New York Times*, “We had hoped Bryan would also agree to answer any questions from the committee and had recently encouraged him to grant the committee’s request for an interview.” (That statement makes it clear the Clinton team has been in touch with Pagliano, even though he no longer works for the State Department or for Clinton.) Pagliano “has every reason to be transparent about his I.T. assistance” but he doesn’t want to be part of a “political spectacle” or “partisan swirl.” (The statement is laughable. The last thing Hillary Clinton wants is staffers revealing what they know about her email server. To claim that Pagliano wants to avoid a “political spectacle” is also absurd. His avoiding questions by relying on his Fifth Amendment right to remain silent will become the spectacle, as anti-Clinton attack ads run his response in an endless loop. Every time Pagliano says, “Upon the advice of my attorney I refuse to answer that question...” voters will ask themselves, “What exactly is Clinton hiding?”) [80688, 80694, 80700, 80703, 80708, 80712, 80720]

Reuters reports that “Another 57 Clinton email threads contain foreign governments’ information. ...U.S. government regulations examined by Reuters say this sort of information, whether written or spoken, must be classified from the start, and handled through secure, government-controlled channels. ...In all the... email threads examined by Reuters, the State Department has blanked out the confidential information in the public copies, adding the classification code ‘1.4(B)’, denoting foreign government information. This is the only kind of information that presidential executive orders say is ‘presumed’ to likely harm national security if wrongly disclosed. State Department regulations describe it as the ‘most important category of national security information’ its officials encounter. If the State Department’s markings are correct, it appears that Clinton and her senior staff routinely did not follow the regulations in the department’s Foreign Affairs Manual, which tells employees they ‘must’ safeguard foreign government information by treating it as classified.” [80686, 80687]

Monica Crowley writes at *WashingtonTimes.com*, “As [Obama] presses his attack, [Hillary] Clinton has two choices. Option one: fold early and negotiate a mild end to the investigation in exchange for dropping out of the race. But Mr. Obama is not a forgiving sort, and now that he’s drawn blood, he’s likely to go for the kill. That suggests that the Clintons are going with option two: fight him—as part of an elaborate, unspoken negotiation between them over their secrets and futures. That requires a plausible defense. Their go-to strategy has always been to blame others, or inanimate objects such as documents, servers, ‘processes’—and to designate a fall guy (or gal) to take the rap.” The basis of Clinton’s defense: “that some of the documents’ classified markings were removed or changed—without permission—before she saw them. By whom? There are only three people who were close enough to her to have had that kind of access: Chief of Staff Cheryl Mills, Deputy Chief of Staff Jacob Sullivan, and her longtime Gal Friday, Huma Abedin. ...If it’s true that [Sullivan] is cooperating with the FBI, Mrs. Clinton

may try to smear him as a John Dean-style rogue, who either didn't alert her to unmarked classified material or removed the markings himself and is now trying to save his own hide. So: Mrs. Clinton may claim ignorance, blame the documents and her former lieutenant and dare Mr. Obama to charge ahead." [80676]

"...The Clintons must also go on offense, meaning possibly threatening Mr. Obama with her knowledge of any relationship he may have had with the Clinton Foundation donor network, the lies about Benghazi, and so on. Whether or not their side of this high wire negotiation works depends on what leverage they have against him. ...Can the old Clinton nuclear strategy work this time? Her poll numbers are dropping, and she has consistently underestimated her adversaries, Mr. Obama and [Valerie] Jarrett, who have already activated their plan for a Joe Biden (or whomever else Mr. Obama may bless)-Elizabeth Warren ticket—which reportedly has Mr. Clinton 'incensed.' They're not in 1998 anymore. If Mr. Obama holds the meaningful cards in this bloody negotiation, he may greenlight a special prosecutor or indictment of Mrs. Clinton. They are in a political death match, for their own futures, and the future of the party, the Obama revolution and the country. It won't end until one side is destroyed. In this 'Game of Thrones,' it's now 'game on.'" (Warren has refused to comment on whether the topic of her being Joe Biden's running mate in 2016 came up when she met with him on August 22.) [80038, 80120, 80198, 80199, 80209, 80210, 80215, 80231, 80239, 80251, 80265, 80676, 80743]

At WND.com Douglas Ernst reports, "Democratic Party fundraiser and gay activist Terry Bean made sex-abuse allegations with a 17-year-old boy disappear on Tuesday thanks to a \$200,000 settlement offer. Terry Bean, 67, faced child sexual-abuse charges over a September 2013 incident that allegedly occurred at a Eugene, Oregon, hotel with his ex-boyfriend, 25-year-old Kiah Lawson, and the teenager. Lane County Circuit Judge Jay McAlpin dismissed the case when Lane County Chief Deputy District Attorney Erik Hasselman said the teenager declined to testify, the Register Guard reported Wednesday. ...Bean was a donor for ...Obama's 2012 re-election campaign and influential in the creation of the Human Rights Campaign and the Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund..." [80677]

Pamela Geller reports on disorder in Hungary, where thousands of refugees fleeing Syria en route to Germany (also known as "Welfarestan") are stuck because Austria and the Czech Republic refuse to open their borders to allow them to pass through. Geller writes, "EU [European Union] rules mandate that any refugee stays on the EU member state soil where he arrived. BUT like with Obama in the US, the EU's leadership is breaking its own laws and condemns those who seek to enforce them! So Hungary is racist and bigoted for wanting to process them... and not letting them pass (which they can't as Austria blocks them) The EU then condemns Hungary as racist and bigoted for building a fence to stem this tide. Because again, in violation of EU laws the EU provides no extra \$\$ to Hungary to take care of them! France, Austria, the UK (on the Calais port in France) have all built fences! BUT Hungary and the Slovaks and Czechs are called racists! CNN doesn't even mention the other fences! The EU Security Chief and Foreign Affairs director is the Pro Hamas Communist Federica Mogherini who stated openly that ISLAMISM (not just plain Islam) should become part of EU politics! This is similar to

Obama's lawlessness about the US/Mex[ico] border. These EU Marxist Islam appeasers want to change the demographic make up of countries which do not tow their Marxist / Multi Culti [multicultural] line ! They are assisting in the invasion and destruction of these societies." [80678, 80679, 80681, 80709, 80726, 80733, 80778]

According to Reuters, "Hungary is building a 175 km (110-mile) long fence along its border with Serbia to keep out an accelerating flow of migrants entering from the south." In Germany's *Frankfurt Allgemeine Zeitung*, Hungarian Prime Minister Viktor Orban writes, "The people want us to master the situation and protect our borders. Only when we have protected our borders can questions be asked about the numbers of people we can take in, or whether there should be quotas." Orban notes that most of the refugees are Muslims, and states that the issue of quotas "is an important question, because Europe and European culture have Christian roots. Or is it not already and in itself alarming that Europe's Christian culture is barely in a position to uphold Europe's own Christian values?" (Leftists, of course, will condemn Orban as "Islamophobic" for wanting to preserve his nation's culture, just as Americans who oppose unlimited entry of illegal immigrants into the United States are viewed as "racists" by many. Many on the political left do not care about borders or centuries-old culture; they seek global socialism and the destruction of capitalism and property rights, and if eliminating borders and allowing mass migration is a means to that end, those actions have their support.) [80734, 80777]

In August, as many as 100,000 asylum seekers entered Germany—because the refugees know it has liberal asylum laws and benefits. Germany already has about four million Muslims. At JihadWatch.org Robert Spencer writes, "This is not a refugee crisis. This is a hijrah. Hijrah, or jihad by emigration... 800,000 Muslim refugees in one year alone. This will transform Germany forever. No effort is being made, of course, to determine these refugees' adherence to Sharia and desire to bring it to their new land. That would be 'Islamophobic.' Already jihadis have been found among the refugees. There will be many more such discoveries. Why does Europe have to absorb all these refugees? Why not Saudi Arabia? Algeria? Etc. This is Europe's death knell." (Even if it is only Germany that allows refugees, once they have documentation they will be free to travel and relocate to all the European Union nations.) [80678, 80679, 80681, 81009]

It is worth noting that on July 6 IsraelNationalNews.com reported, "ISIS members could infiltrate Europe together with masses of refugees from Libya, Syria, and Iraq—ironically fleeing ISIS terror in their homelands, said Michele Coninx, head of the EU's judicial cooperation agency Eurojust." On February 17 *The Telegraph* reported, "Islamic State militants are planning a takeover of Libya as a 'gateway' to wage war across the whole of southern Europe, letters written by the group's supporters have revealed. The jihadists hope to flood the north African state with militiamen from Syria and Iraq, who will then sail across the Mediterranean posing as migrants on people trafficking vessels, according to plans seen by Quilliam, the British anti-extremist group. The fighters would then run amok in southern European cities and also try to attack maritime shipping." [80727, 80741, 89742]

Meanwhile, frustrated passengers are delayed for hours as (presumably Muslim) migrants climb onto the roofs of London-bound Eurostar trains in Calais, France. The *Daily Mail* reports, “Passengers on board one train stranded near Calais are understood to have threatened to smash the windows after a power outage left the sweltering carriage in total darkness for five hours. ... The power failure also saw those on board left without air conditioning and unable to communicate with Eurostar staff before the stricken train eventually returned to Paris. ... At least four UK-bound trains were delayed ... as police attempted to remove the trespassers from the tops of carriages in Calais. ... Those on board claimed that Eurostar staff were scared [sic; afraid] that... if they opened the doors, the migrants might attempt to board the train—potentially putting the safety of those on board at risk.” [80728]

British actress Emma Thompson tells the BBC, “We have to open our door to more refugees. The idea of 3,000 people in Calais who have been through unspeakable things makes me feel very ashamed. We’re not even missing our quotas [sic]. That’s really shaming. So I think it’s got a lot to do with racism. If these people were white, European, that were coming from some dictatorship in Bosnia. If they were coming I think we would feel quite differently about it. ... There’s 3,000 of them in Calais. That’s nothing. We’ve got plenty of room for them.” (Thompson has more sympathy for refugees climbing on the roof of a train car than for the terrified passengers inside. Additionally, she fails to recognize that allowing 3,000 Muslim refugees to enter England freely is a message to tens of thousands more that they will be welcomed and placed on the welfare rolls. After all, it is not as if thousands of Syrians speaking nothing but Arabic will immediately find good-paying jobs. Mohammed is already the most common name given to newborn males in England, and if the rule of law is superseded by Thompson’s emotions, there will be few girls in London named Emma after a decade or so.) [80737, 80738, 80779]

At WashingtonPost.com Ishaan Tharoor notes, “According to the European Union's border agency, some 340,000 migrants crossed its borders in first seven months of 2015; in July, the figure was on its own an astonishing 107,500 people...” and then goes on to out-do Emma Thompson, calling Europeans who fear an influx of Muslims xenophobes and comparing them to Nazis. He writes, “Some governments in Eastern Europe have even specifically indicated they don't want to accommodate non-Christian refugees, out of supposed fear over the ability of Muslims to integrate into Western society.” (Tharoor does not bother to point out that those fears are well-founded. It is not difficult to find Muslim enclaves in Europe where the immigrants have made almost no effort to assimilate, and where crime rates are considerably higher than non-immigrant areas.) Not surprisingly, neither Thompson nor Tharoor have offered to let Syrian refugees into their own homes. [80739, 80740]

Talk radio host Mark Levin comments on Obama’s Alaskan trip and his climate agenda: “Obama despises capitalism. He’s a Marxist. He’s an Alinskyite [a disciple of Saul Alinsky]. That’s a fact. He’s buddies with [William] Ayers. He’s buddies with [Reverend Jeremiah] Wright. So, he despises free markets. Notice the word ‘free.’ He despises them. He’s a control freak as most egomaniacs are. He wishes to reshuffle society, to socially



engineer it. He's stuck in what was once a constitutional system as he tries to break free from it time and time again, as he usurps it. This isn't about the environment. He's a Degrowther. This is about destroying the American lifestyle, and at the heart of the American lifestyle is the American energy system—fossil fuels. Quote, from page 111 out of the degrowth movement in Europe, which Obama is fully aware of because he's part of it: 'Sustainable degrowth is a downscaling of production and consumption that increases human well-being and enhances ecological conditions and equity on the planet.' ... 'It calls for a future where societies live'—I'm quoting from them—'where societies live within their ecological means, with open, localized economies and resources more equally distributed, through new forms of democratic institutions. It's an essential economic strategy to pursue in overdeveloped countries like the United States for the well-being of the planet of underdeveloped populations, and yes, even of the sick, stressed, overweight consumer populations in overdeveloped countries.' ... This is international redistribution of rights. And what these Marxist leftists believe is, we have too much. We have too much material; we have too much wealth; we have too much energy. It's not about reducing carbon pollution. It's about reducing your lifestyle, your well-being." [80714]

"Black Lives Matter" activist Carlos Anthony Hollins, age 20, is arrested in LaPlata, Maryland and charged with making threats of mass violence for his Twitter message: "IM NOT GONNA STAND FOR THIS NO. MORE. TONIGHT WE PURGE! KILL ALL THE WHITE PPL IN THE TOWN OF LA PLATA [sic]." [80756]

On September 3 CNN.com reports, "Hundreds of thousands of veterans listed in the Department of Veterans Affairs enrollment system died before their applications for care were processed, according to a report issued Wednesday. The VA's inspector general found that out of about 800,000 records stalled in the agency's system for managing health care enrollment, there were more than 307,000 records that belonged to veterans who had died months or years in the past. The inspector general said due to limitations in the system's data, the number of records did not necessarily represent veterans actively seeking enrollment in VA health care." [80684, 80685]

In Rowan County, Kentucky, County Clerk Kim Davis (an elected Democrat) is charged with contempt of court and taken into custody for refusing to issue marriage licenses to homosexual couples. (Media leftists and politicians who assured the public that no such actions would be taken against Christians for refusing to abandon their beliefs were either incredibly naive or lying.) At PJMedia.com Rod Kackley notes that "the ACLU does not want Davis thrown in jail. Rather, they are asking for financial penalties, hoping that will be the straw that breaks her resolve." (In other words, the ACLU wants Davis' life destroyed as a warning to others not to stand in the way of the LGBT agenda.) Kentucky law defines marriage as the union of a man and a woman. *Davis is therefore technically not in violation of any statute*, and will not be unless and until the state passes legislation legalizing same sex marriage in Kentucky. (The judge refused to accept a proposal to resolve the issue by allowing the county to issue licenses to homosexuals without Davis' signature, instead choosing to send her to jail as a warning to Christians that their beliefs will not be tolerated. That also means that all licenses issued by the office in her absence,

without her signature, are invalid.) [80689, 80690, 80691, 80699, 80704, 80713, 80724, 80725, 80773, 80785, 80792, 80807]

Some argue that Davis should resign if she is not willing to do what her job duties require. Americans would be irate if a Muslim employee at the state department of motor vehicles refused to issue drivers licenses to women because he believes they should not drive. If the duties of the job conflict with your beliefs, don't take the job. If you oppose gun violence, don't get a job issuing gun licenses. If your religion prohibits even touching pork or alcohol, don't seek employment at a liquor distribution warehouse or a butcher shop. If the sight of blood makes you faint, don't go to medical school.

On the other hand, Davis is an elected official. As such, she represents the voters of her county—the majority of whom are opposed to homosexual marriages. Davis is acting on behalf of the voters who gave her the job of county clerk and therefore cannot in good conscience act against their wishes—even if she had no personal beliefs that lead her to oppose gay marriage. The problem is *not* Davis. The problem is that the Supreme Court issued a controversial ruling that has no Constitutional basis and which is opposed by the people of Kentucky. The problem is also that the government should not be involved in the issue of marriage in the first place. (Why do people need the government's *permission* to get married? Why is it not sufficient to get married in a church or synagogue and have the union officiated by a minister, priest, or rabbi? Why is it an action that requires a form from a county clerk, let alone Supreme Court intervention?)

If Davis must be jailed for not issuing marriage licenses to homosexuals, should not mayors of sanctuary cities be jailed for defying federal laws? Should not Obama be jailed for failing to enforce existing immigration laws? If a county clerk can be forced to issue marriage licenses to gay couples even though it violates her religious beliefs, why should an airline be forced to accommodate a Muslim flight attendant who refuses to serve alcohol because of her religious beliefs? Why, in 2004, was San Francisco mayor Gavin Newsome not jailed for ordering city clerks to issue same-sex marriage licenses when they were not legal in California? Why were Obama and then-Attorney General Eric Holder not jailed for refusing to enforce the Defense of Marriage Act?

Responding to the issue Kim Davis' arrest, Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) states, "Today, judicial lawlessness crossed into judicial tyranny. Today, for the first time ever, the government arrested a Christian woman for living according to her faith. This is wrong. This is not America. I stand with Kim Davis. Unequivocally. I stand with every American that the Obama Administration is trying to force to choose between honoring his or her faith or complying with a lawless court opinion. In dissent, Chief Justice [John] Roberts rightly observed that the Court's marriage opinion has nothing to do with the Constitution. Justice [Antonin] Scalia observed that the Court's opinion was so contrary to law that state and local officials would choose to defy it. For every politician—Democrat and Republican—who is tut-tutting that Davis must resign, they are defending a hypocritical standard. Where is the call for the mayor of San Francisco to resign for creating a sanctuary city—resulting in the murder of American citizens by criminal

illegal aliens welcomed by his lawlessness? Where is the call for ...Obama to resign for ignoring and defying our immigration laws, our welfare reform laws, and even his own Obamacare? When the mayor of San Francisco and ...Obama resign, then we can talk about Kim Davis. Those who are persecuting Kim Davis believe that Christians should not serve in public office. That is the consequence of their position. Or, if Christians do serve in public office, they must disregard their religious faith—or be sent to jail. Kim Davis should not be in jail. We are a country founded on Judeo-Christian values, founded by those fleeing religious oppression and seeking a land where we could worship God and live according to our faith, without being imprisoned for doing so. I call upon every Believer, every Constitutionalist, every lover of liberty to stand with Kim Davis. Stop the persecution now.” [80753, 80754, 80755, 80758]

It is worth noting that, in a prior decision regarding the Defense of Marriage Act, the Supreme Court ruled that the states have exclusive power over the issue of marriage and that it is not a federal issue. Two years later the Court somehow decided it was a federal issue. [81848]

Donald Trump signs a pledge stating he will not run as a third-party candidate if he does not win the Republican nomination for president. He states, “I see no circumstances in which I would tear up that pledge.” (Translation: “If the GOP establishment screws me, the pledge is meaningless.”) [80695, 80705]

To the surprise of no one, the racist, illegal immigration-endorsing organization La Raza supports Jeb Bush in his battle with Donald Trump—who has criticized Bush for speaking to audiences in Spanish. (To vote in a U.S. election one must be a U.S. citizen. To become a U.S. citizen one must pass an English proficiency test and meet other requirements. Any audience that does not understand English therefore cannot vote for Bush. His speaking to audiences in Spanish is nothing more than pandering. Bush is wasting his time inasmuch as most Hispanics who are U.S. citizens will vote for the Democrat candidate. The Republican establishment is wasting time, energy, and campaign cash with its “Hispandering.” It would be better off trying to enthruse the millions of white voters who stayed home in November 2012 because Mitt Romney said nothing to make them believe he was anything other than a “Democrat-lite” candidate.) [80711]

Radio talk show host Hugh Hewitt asks Donald Trump, “I’m looking for the next commander in chief to know who [Hizbullah leader] Hassan Nasrallah is, and [al-Qaeda leader Ayman al-] Zawahiri, and [al-Nusra Front leader Abu Mohammed] al-Julani, and [ISIS leader Abu Bakr] al-Baghdadi. Do you know the players without a scorecard yet, Donald Trump?” Trump responds, in part, “When you start throwing around names of people and where they live and—you know, ‘Give me their address’—I think it’s ridiculous. The names you just mentioned, they probably won’t even be there in six months or a year.” [80808, 80836, 80837]

At LewRockwell.com Jack Kerwick later writes, “Hewitt is no different from any other neoconservative Republican in wanting Trump around just long enough to boost the ratings of their television and radio programs. His question was indeed a ‘gotcha’ question. ...[T]hough Hewitt is adamant that he wasn’t trying to trap Trump, it certainly says something that figures as politically, professionally, and ideologically disparate as Rand Paul and CNN’s Senior Political Analyst, David Gergen, certainly believed he was.” David Gergen tells CNN’s Anderson Cooper, “...I must say, traditionally ...that when reporters have asked candidates, you know, ‘Who’s the head of this African government or that African government, what’s the difference between Tajikistan and Pakistan?’ ... those are regarded as ‘gotcha’ questions... an old trick... and those are ‘gotcha’ questions.” On Sirius XM radio, Senator Rand Paul (R-KY) comments, “I also do think that running through a list of every different Arabic name and asking somebody to respond to them is maybe a little bit of a game of ‘gotcha.’”) [80808, 80836]

Rush Limbaugh comments, “These questions are never asked of Democrats, by the way. Make note of this: The question that Trump got, Democrats will never get those questions in the normal ebb and flow of things. Hillary will never get them. Clinton will never get ‘em. Never did. ...They are questions that are designed to further the narrative that Republicans are just not bright; they’re just not hip. ...[Ronald] Reagan got questions like this. He was asked to name various obscure heads of state. Reagan’s answer was the best. Reagan said—I’m paraphrasing—he said, ‘It doesn’t matter if I know their names. They need to know mine,’ and that shut it down.” Limbaugh suggests that Trump basically said, “‘I’m gonna [sic] go out and I’m gonna find the wonks, and I’m gonna find the geeks. I’m gonna find the foreign policy experts [who] are gonna tell me all about this. I’m a delegator. I’m gonna tell ‘em to deal with it. We’re gonna deal with it once and for all. Hamas, Hizbullah, what do you need to know? They’re terrorist organizations, and they need to be wiped out. That’s all anybody needs to know,’ and answers like that are gonna resonate. Trump’s inability to name names or identify certain names? It’s not gonna hurt him with his supporters.” [80837]

In a Monmouth University poll, Donald Trump reaches 30 percent. Ben Carson is a distant second at 18 percent; Jeb Bush, 8; Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX), 8; Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL), 5; Carly Fiorina, 4; former Arkansas governor Mike Huckabee, 4; Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker, 3. [80721]

Fox News’ Howard Kurtz reports that former Obama political guru David Axelrod is leaving MSNBC and joining CNN to provide political commentary. [80696]

At BloombergView.com Eli Lake and Josh Rogin report, “The FBI has begun a probe into whether foreign intelligence services compromised Hillary Clinton’s e-mail server during and after her tenure as secretary of state, according to U.S. intelligence and Congressional officials. The damage assessment, which is part of the bureau’s investigation into whether the former secretary and her staff mishandled classified information, will hunt for digital traces of cyber-espionage by foreign governments. Even mundane and unclassified Clinton e-mails could provide important insights into the inner

workings of the U.S. government and the actions of its top officials.” (At HotAir.com Ed Morrissey observes, “This suggests that the FBI has successfully restored at least some of the data off of the server’s hard drives. . . . If the FBI can reconstruct the server records to determine access to the machine from the hard drive, the e-mail records should be easier to restore. They expressed optimism about the ability to recover that data two weeks ago, so perhaps they’ve already done that and moved on to analyzing the records. It would not surprise anyone to find out that Hillary’s team turned out to be just as inept at server wiping as they proved to be with securing records in the first place.”) [80697, 80706]

The *Daily Mail* reports, “A U.S. intelligence agency was aware during the summer that a collection of Hillary Clinton’s emails was available for sale, but never gave its agents permission to obtain them, DailyMail.com can reveal. A well-placed official inside the agency told DailyMail.com about the U.S. government’s interactions with an eastern European man who put them on the market, and said the U.S. could have obtained them. That discussion was spurred by a dubious claim from the gossip website Radar Online that 32,000 messages from Hillary Clinton’s now infamous private email account were for sale with an alleged asking price of \$500,000. ‘I’m not saying we could have gotten her entire email account. I’m not even saying for sure that what has been on the market is genuine,’ the official cautioned. ‘But opportunities were missed. That much is clear.’ The official said intelligence agencies spend money to buy secrets ‘all the time,’ and that the dollar amounts involved would likely have been ‘small.’ It’s unclear whether the collection that was reportedly for sale represented some of the more than 30,000 emails Clinton ordered deleted last year before she turned over the rest to the State Department. It’s also possible that the cache comprises a complete set of emails stolen from longtime Clinton confidant Sidney Blumenthal in 2013 by the notorious Romanian hacker Marcel Lazar Lehel.” [80710, 80717, 80718, 80719, 80722]

Meanwhile, DailyCaller.com reports that Judicial Watch has filed a Freedom of Information Act lawsuit demanding the release of Hillary Clinton’s emails in electronic format. (By having staffers print her emails on paper, Clinton avoided having the electronic “metadata” revealed. Among other things, that metadata would indicate the “bcc” addresses, and it is likely that copies of many of the emails Clinton has deleted still exist at other locations.) [80723]

Remarkably, Hillary Clinton’s press secretary Brian Fallon appears on CNN and—like his boss—plays dumb when asked about the emails that were deleted from her server, saying, “I don’t know what ‘wiped’ means.” [80747, 80748, 80762]

CNSNews.com reports, “On the day . . . Obama secured enough Senate support to uphold his planned veto of a resolution rejecting the Iran nuclear agreement, dozens of security experts, including top nuclear and arms verification specialists, urged him Wednesday not to veto the measure. ‘The signers of this letter have more direct experience in verification matters regarding all areas of arms control and nonproliferation treaties than any existing anywhere in the world,’ commented one of the signatories, former assistant secretary of state for verification and compliance Paula DeSutter. ‘The JCPOA [Joint

Comprehensive Plan of Action] is not verifiable,' DeSutter added. ...The 56 signatories to the letter recalled that Obama has said that 'no deal is better than a bad deal.' 'Guided by our experience with U.S. and foreign nuclear weapons programs—as well as with the history and practice of arms control, nonproliferation, and intelligence matters, we judge the current JCPOA to be a very bad deal indeed,' they wrote." [80715]

Breitbart.com's Ben Shapiro writes, "With ...Obama's despicable Iran deal set for passage this week, with solely Democrat support, the Democratic Party has called the leftist Jewish community's bluff. Leftist Jews have played a sad game with the Democratic Party: They pretend that Israel's safety and security is their top priority, then make excuses as the Democratic Party moves more and more boldly to undermine that safety and security—because, in truth, leftist Jews care less about Israel and Judaism than abortion and redistributionism. Former George H. W. Bush advisor James Baker discounted the Jewish vote by saying, 'F— the Jews, they don't vote for us anyway.' The Obama administration, with the Iran deal, has adopted a similar view: 'F— the Jews, they vote for us anyway.' ...Iran wants nukes in order to use such weapons as a deterrent while pursuing terrorist activity across the world, preventing the rest of the world from leveraging sanctions. But now the rest of the world has accepted Iran's terrorist activities openly. ...Obama's deal guarantees regional power to Iran—and then allows them to go nuclear with no consequences 10 years from now." [80716]

"...The Democratic Party's latest kabuki theater involves allowing supposed pro-Israel allies like Senator Chuck Schumer (D-NY) to vote against the deal, knowing that Obama already has the votes locked up to pass it. Obama acts angry, Schumer gets to look tough, and Israel feels the brunt of ...Obama's Jew-hating displeasure all the same. Meanwhile, leftist Jews get to comfort themselves with the idea that Democrats split over the Iran deal—and maybe, just maybe, ...Obama has Israel's best interests at heart after all. He doesn't. Neither do Democrats, or their leftist Jewish allies. ...Obama's Iran deal will end in blood. And he won't be the only pathetic character in this drama with bloody hands." [80716]

WashingtonTimes.com reports, "Nearly a third of the classified messages released so far from former Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton's emails came from one man: Jake Sullivan, who served as her deputy chief of staff in the department, and is now the top foreign policy adviser to her presidential campaign. Cheryl D. Mills, a longtime top Clinton aide who was chief of staff at the department, ranked second, and Huma Abedin, Mrs. Clinton's close personal assistant who was also a deputy chief of staff, ranked third, with 27 emails sent by her that contain information marked 'confidential' by the government, according to a Washington Times analysis. ...All told, 17 different people sent messages that now have been blacked out at least in part, due to classified information, which has become the focus of interest into the former secretary and current Democratic presidential hopeful's email practices. But it's Mrs. Clinton's inner circle that's beginning to get more scrutiny, with experts saying they should have been aware they were exchanging potentially classified information." [80744]

On September 4 Senator Ben Cardin (D-MD) announces he will vote against the Obama-Kerry nuclear agreement. (Cardin waited until he knew there were enough Democrat votes to sustain an Obama veto if the deal is rejected by the Senate. That is, he knows his vote is now meaningless, so he can safely pander to the Maryland voters who oppose the agreement.) [80745]

In an interview on MSNBC, Andrea Mitchell tries to get Hillary Clinton to say she is sorry for her deceptive and ill-advised email practices. The best Clinton can do is insult Americans: “At the end of the day, I’m sorry this [email scandal] has been confusing to people.” (Translation: “I can’t help it if the average American is too stupid to understand my lies.”) Clinton defends her actions with the excuse, “I was not thinking a lot when I got in [to the State Department]... we had so many problems around the world. I didn’t really stop and think, ‘what kind of email system will there be?’” (Translation: “I was so preoccupied with trying to solve the world’s problems that those itty bitty details about the security of emails didn’t cross my mind.”) Asked by Mitchell if that does not “raise judgment questions,” Clinton replies, “You know, I don’t think so.” [80749, 80750, 80764, 80772, 80780, 80888]

In a national Gallup poll, Hillary Clinton’s favorability rating falls to 41 percent—close to her worst rating ever. Her unfavorable rating climbs to 51 percent. Gallup notes, “Since Clinton emerged as a public figure in 1992, her favorability peaked at 67% in December 1998 after President Clinton was impeached, and waned in the years thereafter—bottoming out at 44 percent after the Clintons left the White House.” [80768, 80769]

DailyCaller.com reports that “Hillary Clinton’s politically appointed State Department information technology manager had no national security experience... [Bryan] Pagliano was hired as a GS-15 even though he had no national security experience or security clearance. He was paid \$140,000 annually at the outset but that was reduced to \$136,000 in 2011 and 2012, according to the Asbury Park Press, which posts federal compensation data. In addition to his government salary, Pagliano also received compensation directly from the Clinton family, but did not list it on his annual financial disclosure forms, according to the Washington Post.” (With this new information revealed, it becomes more clear why Pagliano will refuse to testify before Congress: what he knows will obviously damage Clinton more than the political awkwardness of his pleading the Fifth. The more cynical will assume Clinton will pay him handsomely for his refusal to cooperate.) [80775, 80776, 80781, 80793]

In a September 2-3 national SurveyUSA poll, Donald Trump bests Hillary Clinton 45-40, Senator Bernie Sanders (I-VT) 44-40, Vice President Joe Biden 44-42, and Al Gore 44-41. Not only does Trump lead Clinton by five points, he picks up the support of 25 percent of blacks surveyed. *That* will worry the Democrats. [80771, 80784, 80829, 80894]

According to a September 1-2 YouGov poll, 64 percent of Americans support building a southern border fence. That includes 44 percent of Democrats, 65 percent of independents, 87 percent of Republicans, 67 percent of whites, 55 percent of blacks, *and even 49 percent of Hispanics*. (Those numbers explain why Donald Trump is doing well in the polls. The Democrat and Republican “establishments” are mistaken if they believe the issue will go away.) [80890, 80891]

At the White House, Obama meets with Saudi Arabia’s King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud. (CBS’ Mark Knoller notes that Obama greets him outside, at the car in which the king arrived—something which is very unusual.) [80751, 80770, 80799]

Former Obama advisor Dan Pfeiffer tweets, “I need to hire someone to retweet once a week all the things Mitt Romney said would happen to the economy if Barack Obama was reelected.” (Interestingly, Pfeiffer carefully avoided saying the same thing about foreign policy—because Romney was even more correct on those issues.) [80752]

The Department of Labor reports that an estimated 173,000 jobs were created in August, down from 245,000 in July. Once again, hundreds of thousands of Americans drop out of the workforce altogether and, *because they are no longer being counted in the calculations*, the unemployment rate falls to 5.1 percent. CNSNews.com notes, “A record 94,031,000 Americans were not in the American labor force last month—261,000 more than July—and the labor force participation rate stayed stuck at 62.6 percent, a 38-year low, for a third straight month in August...” [80757, 80763, 80765, 80787]

U.S. District Court Judge Susan Bolton upholds a key provision of Arizona’s SB1070 legislation that allows police to check the immigration status of people they have stopped for non-immigration reasons. [80833, 80834, 81027]

The Muslim Issue blog pokes holes in the story of a Syrian refugee who reportedly is the father of a dead child (whose name was Alan Shenu or Aylan Kurdi) found on a beach in Turkey: “Abdullah Kurdi’s story is made-up. But his lies are now being used and rewarded by the media in full blown propaganda, while pressuring policies to force Europe to take in more economic migrants who have never experienced a war zone. The dead toddler pornography is a dream-come true PR campaign serving ISIS and their overwhelming Muslim supporters. Abdullah was never on that boat to watch his wife and children drown. That’s why he was the only survivor. The first time he learned of their death was from the hospital after the photos of his young son was circulating in the media. This was an attempt to send his wife and children into Europe before his own arrival to apply for refugee status as a lone woman with children, while they never even lived in a war zone.” (The family was not fleeing Syria as it had lived in Turkey for three years.) [80817, 80818, 80819, 80821, 80897, 80898, 81009]

A subsequent report claims that Abdullah Kurdi was smuggling people out of Turkey, was piloting the boat at a high speed, and it capsized when it hit a wave. Breitbart.com



reports, “An Iraqi woman on board the boat, who lost two of her children, made the allegations from Iraq early Friday morning. It was alleged they had paid US\$10,000 for the trip.” [81043, 81120, 81121]

Asked about the jailing of Kim Davis for refusing to issue marriage license to homosexual couples, White House press secretary Josh Earnest replies, “On principle, the success of our democracy depends on the rule of law. And there is no public official that [sic; who] is above the rule of law. Certainly not the President of the United States, but neither is the Rowan County clerk. That’s a principle that is enshrined in our Constitution and in our democracy and it’s one that obviously the courts are seeking to uphold.” (An exact count of laws Obama has broken or refused to enforce has never been calculated, but it is without a doubt far greater than the Kim Davis list.) [80767]

Meanwhile, reports BizPacReview.com, Hamilton County, Tennessee Judge Jeffrey Atherton refuses to grant a divorce to Thomas and Pamela Baumgardner, explaining, “The conclusion reached by this court is that Tennesseans have been deemed by the U.S. Supreme Court [in its June ruling on gay marriage] to be incompetent to define and address such keystone/central institutions as marriage, and, thereby, at minimum, contested divorces.” [80783]

ChristianNews.net reports that U.S. District Judge David Bunning, who ordered country clerk Kim Davis to jail for refusing to issue marriage licenses to homosexual couples, “also once ordered Kentucky students to be re-educated about homosexuality despite their objections. ...[A] number of students objected to being forced to watch a video that asserted that it is wrong to oppose homosexuality and that a person’s sexuality cannot be changed. They discovered that they could not opt-out of the training without being penalized, and contacted the legal organization Alliance Defending Freedom (ADF) for assistance. ADF then sued the Boyd County Board of Education over the matter on behalf of student Timothy Morrison and his parents, who said that the re-education requirement ‘effectively forces the students to speak in agreement with the school district’s view that homosexuality is a safe and healthy lifestyle that cannot be changed.’ But in 2006, Bunning... ruled that the students must watch the video and could not opt-out because of their Christian identity, stating that the education ‘rationally related to a legitimate educational goal, namely to maintain a safe environment.’” CanadaFreePress.com notes, “Bunning’s decision was overturned in October 2007 by the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals. The Court ruled that a Christian student could seek damages from the school district because the training Bunning imposed had ‘chilled’ the student’s ability to express his Christian beliefs about homosexuality to his fellow students.” [80830, 80831, 80832, 80841]

The U.S. embassy in Dushanbe, Tajikistan is temporarily closed in response to the killing of at least eight police officers. [80789, 80790]

Michelle Obama sends a birthday tweet to singer Beyonce Knowles: “Happy birthday to the one and only, Queen! Thank you for being a role model for young girls around the

world.” (The message prompts vehement responses from Americans who note that someone who prances around in revealing outfits, dances provocatively, and sings songs with disgusting lyrics can hardly be considered a “role model for young girls.”) [80788]

On September 5 Obama’s motorcade gets stuck in traffic on the way to a golf outing at the Army-Navy Country Club. [80782]

DailyCaller.com reports, “Former Defense Intelligence Agency Director Gen. Michael T. Flynn says ...Obama should ‘immediately suspend’ Hillary Clinton’s security clearance because she ran a private, unprotected email server from her New York home. Flynn also told the Daily Caller News Foundation in an exclusive interview... that Clinton’s use of a private server for official national security business was ‘unprecedented,’ and he believed Clinton caused ‘untold damage’ to national security. Clinton should also be denied ‘any access to any classified or sensitive information,’ said Flynn, who was appointed by Obama to the DIA job in 2012.” [80801]

WashingtonTimes.com reports, “Democrats will try to mount a filibuster to block the Iran nuclear deal from even having to reach ...Obama’s desk for a veto, Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid signaled Saturday in a statement. He and his party colleagues already have enough committed supporters that they would be able to sustain an Obama veto and allow the Iran deal to proceed, but a filibuster would be an even bigger coup, halting the issue earlier in the process and heading off a protracted—and potentially politically costly—veto fight.” (In other words, the Democrats will try to block the Republicans from even allowing a vote on the Obama-Kerry Iranian agreement. They can then have it both ways, telling their constituents, “I didn’t vote against Israel, I didn’t vote for Iran, and I didn’t vote against Obama.”) [80791]

On September 6 *Washington Post* editorial writer Fred Hiatt excoriates Obama over Syria, writing, “This may be the most surprising of ...Obama’s foreign-policy legacies: not just that he presided over a humanitarian and cultural disaster of epochal proportions, but that he soothed the American people into feeling no responsibility for the tragedy. Today the Islamic State is blowing up precious cultural monuments in Palmyra, and half of all Syrians have been displaced—as if, on a proportional basis, 160 million Americans had been made homeless. More than a quarter-million have been killed. Yet the ‘Save Darfur’ signs have not given way to ‘Save Syria.’ One reason is that Obama—who ran for president on the promise of restoring the United States’ moral stature—has constantly reassured Americans that doing nothing is the smart and moral policy. He has argued, at times, that there was nothing the United States could do, belittling the Syrian opposition as ‘former doctors, farmers, pharmacists and so forth.’ He has argued that we would only make things worse—‘I am more mindful probably than most,’ he told the *New Republic* in 2013, ‘of not only our incredible strengths and capabilities, but also our limitations.’ He has implied that because we can’t solve every problem, maybe we shouldn’t solve any. ‘How do I weigh tens of thousands who’ve been killed in Syria versus the tens of thousands who are currently being killed in the Congo?’ he asked (though at the time thousands were not being killed in Congo). Most critically, inaction was sold not as a

necessary evil but as a notable achievement: The United States at last was leading with the head, not the heart, and with modesty, not arrogance.” [80892, 80957]

NBCNews.com reports that Senator Bernie Sanders (I-VT) “has jumped out to a nine-point lead over front-runner Hillary Clinton in New Hampshire, and he’s gained ground on her among Iowa voters in the Democratic presidential race, according to a pair of brand-new NBC News/Marist polls. In New Hampshire, the Vermont senator gets the support of 41 percent of Democratic voters, Clinton gets 32 percent and Vice President Joe Biden gets 16 percent. No other Democratic candidate receives more than 1 percent. ...In Iowa, Clinton maintains her previous advantage over Sanders—but her lead has declined from 24 points in July (49 percent to 25 percent) to 11 points (38 percent to 27 percent); Biden sits at 20 percent.” [80794, 80795, 80797]

On *Meet the Press* the largely irrelevant former Secretary of State Colin Powell expresses support for the Obama-Kerry nuclear agreement with Iran, calling it a “pretty good deal.” (It is a good deal for Iran, nations that buy its oil, and nations that sell it weapons.) [80798, 80802, 80835]

On CNN’s *State of the Union*, an obviously conflicted Congresswoman Debbie Wasserman Schultz (D-FL) announces she will support the Obama-Kerry agreement. She says, “There’s nothing that’s more important to me, as a Jew, than to ensure Israel’s existence is there throughout our generations... In weighing everything, all the information, I’ve concluded the best thing to do is vote in support of the Iran deal and put Iran years away from being a nuclear state. ...I worry that the vigilance over the life of deal may wane ...that complacency could set in. I worry that the additional resources, no matter how little ...Iran could divert to terrorist activity that could cause harm to Jews and others around the world. I worry that we have to make sure that the monitoring is really as gap-free as possible.” (Wasserman Schultz is worried that the agreement is weak and a danger to Israel—but she is nevertheless supporting it. Some might conclude that she was threatened by Obama: “Support me or you will be replaced as head of the Democrat National Committee.”) [80803, 80815, 80823]

Wasserman Schultz’s constituents oppose the Iranian agreement by a 61-25 margin, according to a Quinnipiac poll. According to Examiner.com, thousands of voters in her district have called for her “immediate resignation for having betrayed the trust of those who voted for her” and for “going against the will of the majority of her constituents.” (No one should be surprised if Wasserman Schultz is challenged in Florida’s 2016 primary election.) [80846, 80920]

On *Face the Nation*, Republican presidential candidate Carly Fiorina warns of the dangers of allowing thousands of Syrian refugees into the country: “I think the United States, honestly, sadly, cannot relax our entrance criteria. We are having to be very careful about who we let enter this country from these war-torn regions to ensure that terrorists are not coming here.” [80806]

While campaigning in Iowa, a testy Hillary Clinton says, “I’m not running for my husband’s third term. I’m not running for ...Obama’s third term. I’m running for my first term. ...I want to be a president who deals with all the big stuff” and who “helps families deal with all the problems that keep you up at night.” [80796]

Attendees at a Clinton event in Cleveland are asked to sign a pledge promising to vote for her before they are allowed inside. The document reads, “I, \_\_\_\_\_, commit to vote for Hillary Clinton,” asks for name, address, phone number, and email address, and asks for campaign volunteer assistance. Of the event, Salena Zito writes, “What looked like a block-long line turned out to be a crowd that could barely fill one-fourth of a football field. And the students in attendance? Well, they weren't exactly there to support the former secretary of State. ‘I am sort of a Bernie (Sanders) fan. I also had nothing else to do at 10 in the morning,’ said Brian Miller, a chemical engineering student from Pittsburgh, waiting with more than a dozen friends for the event to start. David Lituchy of Morgantown, W.Va., was there on the off-chance he’d see a different Clinton: ‘I am here for Bill. He would definitely liven things up here.’ He said he’s leaning toward Sanders, too.” [80838, 80839, 80840]

Matthew Staver, attorney for Rowan, Kentucky County Clerk Kim Davis, tells Newsmax.com, “This woman who hasn’t done any crime at all. She’s being held without bail for an indefinite period of time. In fact, one of the U.S. marshals when they were directed by the judge to take her into custody told her he had never arrested somebody who had not committed a crime.” (Staver is correct; Davis has committed no crime. Despite the Supreme Court ruling, Kentucky laws have not yet changed and still define marriage as between a man and a woman. Davis would therefore have broken Kentucky laws if she *had* issued marriage licenses to homosexual couples.) Harvard Law professor Alan Dershowitz tells Newsmax, “She can get out [of jail] immediately. All she has to do is resign her job.” (Does Dershowitz advise Jews in the Middle East to convert to Islam to avoid being persecuted by Muslims? His “just quit your job” recommendation is tantamount to someone telling Rosa Parks in 1955, “Just walk, don’t take the bus, and avoid a confrontation.”) [80804, 80805]

Breitbart.com reports, “It has taken two years but Norwegian security services have finally confirmed a Norwegian man of Somali descent was one of the terrorists who attacked a Kenyan shopping mall in 2013. On 21 September 2013, a group of terrorists attacked the Westgate Mall, an upmarket [upscale] shopping centre in an affluent part of Nairobi, Kenya. During the ensuing siege the four young gunmen, also armed with grenades, shot indiscriminately at shoppers, staff and security services killing at least 67. ...Ever since the events in September 2013 the identity of one of the gunmen was suspected to be a Norwegian citizen called Hassan Dhuhulow, reports Norwegian newspaper *Aftenposten*. 23 years old at the time of his death, Dhuhulow arrived in Norway aged nine in 1999. ...[O]nly now has the FBI finished its analysis of Dhuhulow dental records. From material gathered at the Westgate Mall his identity has now been confirmed.” [80809, 80810]

Meanwhile, Pope Francis says, “I appeal to the parishes, the religious communities, the monasteries and sanctuaries of all Europe to ...take in one family of refugees.” (He does not explain how the parishes can be certain the families include no jihadists. Nor does he mention that Muslim countries like Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain, and Qatar are refusing to take in Syrian refugees—because of terrorist concerns. Nor does he perhaps recall the incident in Perugia, Italy in which five Muslim immigrants stormed St. Barnabas, smashed a statue of the Virgin Mary, and then urinated on it. [80811, 80816, 80822, 80828])

Although the Saudis are not taking in any refugees, according to the *Frankfurter Allgemeine*, they have offered to build 200 new mosques in Germany. At FrontPageMag.com Daniel Greenfield writes, “The only proper way for Europe to reciprocate would be to send a million soccer hooligans to Saudi Arabia and then offer to build facilities to teach them of the importance of trashing the country and abusing any native they come across. Of course the Saudis aren’t stupid enough to fall for that one. Not even if the soccer hooligans bring along the occasional woman and child to use as emotional human shields while battering their way into a country they hate in every possible way aside from its social services. Only Westerners are stupid enough to fall for that one. Saudi mosques have played a key role in the rise of Islamic terrorism in the West. Just think of the explosive wonders that something short of a million migrants and all the mosques they can Allah Akbar in will accomplish in Germany. Maybe the next Caliph of the Islamic State will even shout Allah Akbar while beheading some local infidel with a German accent. Maybe that Islamic State will even be in Hamburg. Why is it that so few people ask themselves why the Saudis are willing to build 200 mosques for these ‘poor, desperate refugees,’ yet won’t take a single one in? It’s the same answer to the question of why so many Muslims claim to care about ‘Palestinians’ to the point of genocide, yet won’t take them in and give them citizenship. These aren’t refugees. They’re armies.” (It is worth noting that the construction of Christian churches is not permitted in Saudi Arabia and, according to JihadWatch.org, “four separate studies since 1998 have shown that 80% of Saudi-funded mosques in the U.S. teach hatred of Jews and Christians and the necessity to replace the Constitution with Sharia.”) [80991, 80992, 80993, 81001, 81002])

Express.co.uk reports, “An operative working for [the] Islamic State [ISIS] has revealed the terror group has successfully smuggled thousands of covert jihadists into Europe. The Syrian operative claimed more than 4,000 covert ISIS gunmen had been smuggled into western nations—hidden amongst innocent refugees. The ISIS smuggler, who is in his thirties and is described as having a trimmed jet-black beard, revealed the ongoing clandestine operation is a complete success. ‘Just wait,’ he smiled.” (Pamela Geller posts a clip of a news story about the refugees in Hungary in which one of the migrants uses his finger to make a throat-slashing gesture.) [80812, 80813, 80814, 80820])

Donald Trump, whose candidacy is opposed by the Club for Growth, posts a letter from the organization asking him for a \$1 million donation. [80827])

In an Aaron Klein Radio interview, author Monica Crowley observes, “The Clintons have always been the best at Machiavellian, dark politics. We’ve known that for 20 years. However, in Barack Obama they have met their match. And not only met their match. But I think he has surpassed them. I think the Clintons have gravely underestimated Barack Obama and Valerie Jarrett, who is his shadowy hatchet gal. Look, no investigation under Barack Obama goes forward unless Barack Obama wants it to go forward. I think in this political death match I would put my money on Obama, but the Clintons will certainly not go down without a fight. ...Number one, [Obama] is not a Democrat. He is a Marxist revolutionary who has used the Democratic Party as a vehicle to get elected to [make] important his revolution straight into the United States directly from the White House. The other part of that, the logical next step, the extension of that is that Barack Obama therefore sees everything in political terms ...because the revolution has to continue. ...Barack Obama’s No. 1 objective... is to maintain the Obama revolution, what he called the fundamental transformation of the nation back in 2008. He has largely succeeded over the last seven years. He has got to make sure that he has a successor who will continue that revolution. A successor he can control and somebody guaranteed not to investigate the last eight years. That is not Hillary Clinton. He cannot control Bill and Hillary Clinton. ...He cannot control them or rely on them not to reverse some of the things that he has done. Therefore she has got to be side-lined and eliminated from this race. How best to do that? An FBI investigation into her alleged mishandling of classified material.” [80845]

On Labor Day, September 7, Obama signs an executive order requiring paid sick leave for employees of federal contractors. According to TheBlaze.com, “employees working on federal contracts gain the right to a minimum of one hour of paid leave for every 30 hours they work. Stretched out over 12 months, that’s up to seven days per year. The order will allow employees to use the leave to care for sick relatives as well, and will affect contracts starting in 2017—just as Obama leaves office.” [80843, 80915]

Sharyl Attkisson reports, “According to the U.S. government’s Bureau of Labor Statistics, the labor participation rate has hit 62.6 percent. That’s the worst in 38 years, since the dog days of 1977. The ‘labor participation rate’ measures the percentage of people age 16 or older who are working or actively looking for a job. This means more than 37% of America’s potential work force has given up or isn’t even trying to find a job. More than one in three. And *that* means the burden of feeding the payroll tax monster—paying taxes on wages and for social security—is falling upon a shrinking group of people who *do* work. In June, the unemployment rate was at a seven year low: 5.3 percent. In August it fell to 5.1 percent. So how could it also be true that so many people aren’t even trying to work? That’s because of a statistical decision the government made in 1994. It decided that people who aren’t working and haven’t been interested in looking for a job for a long time shouldn’t be counted as unemployed. They are simply removed from the calculation, as if they don’t exist. ...[T]he Bureau of Labor Statistics removed 640,000 Americans from unemployment statistics in June. They joined almost 94 million others who aren’t working and aren’t looking.” [80861]

An Obama appearance in Boston is boycotted by members of a police union. Jerry Flynn, executive director of the New England Police Benevolent Association, tells the *Boston Herald*, “Our members are enraged at [Obama’s] lack of support of law enforcement. It’s clear that he has an agenda, and unfortunately the police are not part of his agenda. Let’s face it, (there have been) eight people killed in a nine-day period, eight police officers, and his silence up until recently has been deafening. And the real sad part of this—and when I went to the White House in the first term with (Vice President) Joe Biden—he said to me that he would be the voice of law enforcement. Well, as much as I love and adore Joe, his voice has been silent as well. So it’s not an Obama problem, it’s an administration problem. This is a horror show, this is an epidemic of lawless people trying to kill police officers for no apparent reasons. Case in point is the lieutenant who was pumping gas in Houston. Over 7,000 people were at that church, and where was he (Obama)? Why wasn’t he there instead of a unity breakfast? ...I mean, he had the opportunity to do things then and he didn’t, and all he’s done is escalated and allowed these people that are hellbent on causing problems to do so. We can’t continue to have people who have no intention to do anything but to be disruptive. These aren’t good citizens. These are thugs who go out and try to cause problems. You can’t continue to have this kind of hatred and animosity and the lawlessness that’s going on in this country at the cost of police officers losing their lives. It’s irresponsible of [Obama] and his administration.” [80847, 80848, 80872, 80877, 80941]

Vice President Joe Biden—certainly acting like a presidential candidate even though he has not yet announced—can addresses an enthusiastic audience in Pittsburgh and says, “I’m mad, I’m angry. Things have become worse for workers over time. The level playing field doesn’t exist. ...It used to be when productivity went up in America, everybody got to share. The people who caused the productivity increase, they got to share. They got a piece of the action. Something is wrong, folks.” (Biden may not be aware that he has been in the Obama administration for more than six years, and was in the Senate between 1973 and 2008.) [80824, 80825, 80826, 80851, 80939]

NYPost.com reports, “Military prosecutors have reached into a section of military law seldom used since World War II in the politically fraught case against Army Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl, the soldier held prisoner for years by the Taliban after leaving his post in Afghanistan. Observers wondered for months if Bergdahl would be charged with desertion after the deal brokered by the US to bring him home. He was—but he was also charged with misbehavior before the enemy, a much rarer offense that carries a stiffer potential penalty in this case. ‘I’ve never seen it charged,’ Walter Huffman, a retired major general who served as the Army’s top lawyer, said of the misbehavior charge. ‘It’s not something you find in common everyday practice in the military.’ Bergdahl could face a life sentence if convicted of the charge, which accuses him of endangering fellow soldiers when he ‘left without authority; and wrongfully caused search and recovery operations.’” (With only a desertion charge, Bergdahl might face only five years in a military jail.) [80844, 80887, 81046, 81229]

At WND.com Myra Adams interviews Roger Stone, author of the upcoming book, *The Clintons' War on Women*. Stone says, "The mainstream media have suppressed the shocking truth about the Clintons and the way they have climbed over the backs of innocent women, men and children in their quest for power and wealth. Most people who read this book will learn shocking facts for the first time. Clinton's apologists will try to dismiss it as 'old news.' News is not 'old' to those who never heard it. The book is not about Whitewater or Monica Lewinsky and Bill Clinton and a cigar. It is the true story of serial rape, intimidation, violence, terror tactics, drugs, lies, greed, cover-up and ambition. It's blunt, ugly and shocking. It's the definitive expose on Bill, Hillary and Chelsea Clinton. Bill and Hillary Clinton are the penicillin-resistant syphilis of our political system. ...Hillary as advocate for women is a joke. The Clintons' activities have not only included Bill's physical rape of women, but also Hillary's degradation and psychological rape of women whom Bill has assaulted. Hillary, it will be seen, authorized the heavy-handed private detectives who terrorize Bill's victims into silence. Behind the scenes, she calls them 'sluts,' 'whores' and 'b-ches,' blaming and shaming them for the unwanted physical attentions and violence of Bill. This is the 'advocate for women and girls?' Hillary's history of paying women less than men and her pocketing millions of dollars from Islamic regimes that oppress women, a convicted sex criminal and a foreign leader known as a pedophile with a dozen underage girls in his harem, all prove Hillary is a fraud when it comes to women. ...The book will rise or fall on its own. The Clinton's goons will attack us as partisans, misogynists and worse. Let the reader decide. ...My book, 'Jeb and the Bush Crime Family,' will be out in January proving that I carry no brief for today's Republican Party and its elites and strongly support [Donald] Trump since he is making the political establishment pee their pants." [80849, 80850, 81896, 81897]

DCWhispers.com writes, "Whispers are now swirling via several D.C. sources regarding a (very) recent 'off the reservation' meeting between Obama White House Counsel staff and representatives of Hillary Clinton's own legal team. The timing of said meeting, given Mrs. Clinton's own increasing legal troubles, is said to be raising more than a few questions among political power brokers. Warren Eggleston is Barack Obama's current White House Counsel, having taken that position in 2014. He is as politically connected as any figure in national politics including considerable involvement in defending the administration of Bill Clinton following President Clinton's last-minute pardon of fugitive financier Mark Rich. Eggleston has a formidable record of successfully pushing back against potential legal challenges for a myriad of powerful politicians. ...Eggleston was among the primary facilitators of former Illinois Governor Rod Blagojevich's prosecution. Mr. Eggleston was at that time the lawyer for then-Obama White House Chief of Staff Rahm Emanuel who himself was a former Clinton administration operative. ...Word is now circulating that members of [Obama's] White House Legal Counsel met (off the record) with staff for both Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell [R-KY] and House Speaker John Boehner [R-OH]." [80852]

NYTimes.com reports, "A special intelligence review of two emails that Hillary Rodham Clinton received as secretary of state on her personal account—including one about North Korea's nuclear weapons program—has endorsed a finding by the inspector



general for the intelligence agencies that the emails contained highly classified information when Mrs. Clinton received them, senior intelligence officials said. Mrs. Clinton's presidential campaign and the State Department disputed the inspector general's finding last month and questioned whether the emails had been overclassified by an arbitrary process. But the special review—by the Central Intelligence Agency and the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency—concluded that the emails were “Top Secret,” the highest classification of government intelligence, when they were sent to Mrs. Clinton in 2009 and 2011. On Monday, the Clinton campaign disagreed with the conclusion of the intelligence review and noted that agencies within the government often have different views of what should be considered classified.” (Clinton continues to insist she never sent or received classified messages. But if she used her private server email account for both personal and work-related emails and none were classified, how *did* she deal with classified information? How could she perform her Secretary of State duties without ever encountering classified information?) [80864, 80865, 80873, 80884, 80902]

On September 8 Pamela Geller reports on the disaster heading toward Europe as tens of thousands of mostly Muslim refugees flees Syria and other Middle East countries. Geller writes, “‘Refugees’ in Europe are young, fit and overwhelmingly male. Here in America, terror-tied CAIR is demanding that ...Obama take in 100,000 of these hostile invaders. Obama is ‘weighing his options.’ His administration is opening the door to the possibility of allowing more Syrian refugees into the United States. We will fight this.” One witness reports, “I saw an elderly Italian woman in a car that was surrounded by the immigrants. They pulled her by the hair out of the car and wanted to use it to go to Germany. They tried to topple the bus I was in. They threw feces at us, banging on the door for the driver to open it, spat on the glass. ... We spent three hours on the border, but failed to get through. The whole group was later transported back to Italy by the police. The bus is butchered, feces smeared, scratched, broken windows. And this is supposed to be an idea for the demographics? These big powerful hordes? ...A car with humanitarian aid came. Food and water. They just toppled it and stole everything.” [80853, 80854, 80855, 80856, 80860]

TheConservativeTreehouse.com: “A Bavarian town decides to house Mid-East ‘refugees’ in the local grade school gymnasium. Then the school sends home letters with the female grade-schoolers, telling the parents to insure their daughters dress appropriately so as not to provoke the sexual inclinations of the Muslim men being housed. ...Apparently this potential new risk is not going over too well with the Bavarian parents. Go figure.” (In France, one legislator wants to force schools to serve nothing but vegetarian meals—as a way to avoid offending Muslim students who object to pork.) TheRightScoop.com posts a video showing hundreds of Muslim refugees at Budapest’s Keleti railway station chanting “allahu akbar” and “fuck you.” (Those may be the only two English words they know.) [80853, 80854, 80857, 80899, 80900, 80901]

Meanwhile, British Prime Minister David Cameron announces that the United Kingdom will take in 20,000 Syrian refugees over five years. (Pamela Geller writes, “As if the UK hasn’t done enough to destroy itself already, this is a crowning blow. The more Europe takes in these colonizers, the more will come... and come... and come. More rape gangs,

more sharia [law demands]... British authorities have no idea how to handle ‘the phenomenon’ of whole families of Muslims leaving Britain to travel to the Islamic State. What will they do with these Muslim men from the Islamic State?” (Cameron’s proposal will not sit well with the average Brit, roughly half of whom would gladly leave the European Union.) [80858, 80859, 80863]

Peter Boogaard, a spokesman for the White House’s National Security Council, tells reporters, “The administration is actively considering a range of approaches to be more responsive to the global refugee crisis, including with regard to refugee resettlement. We are also in regular contact with countries in the Middle East and Europe who have been greatly impacted by the increased refugee flows.” [80869, 80876]

Americans for Tax Reform points out that in 1993 Hillary Clinton expressed support for a 25 percent tax on all gun purchases. [80866, 80867]

At the White House, Obama welcomes NCAA college basketball champions from Duke University. [80868]

In a wrongful death settlement, the city of Baltimore agrees to pay the family of Freddie Gray \$6.4 million. [80870, 80886, 80921]

The *Chicago Tribune* reports that nine people were killed and 46 were wounded in Labor Day weekend shootings in Chicago. [80871]

According to Politico.com, Obama has now secured the votes of 41 Senate Democrats for his Iranian nuclear agreement. That means that, if they choose, they can filibuster the approval process and no Democrat will be forced to vote either for or against the agreement. (This is a clear victory for Obama, and another example of how easily the Republicans are able to turn victory into defeat. The Iran agreement should have been considered a treaty, requiring the approval of two-thirds of the Senate—which Obama would never get. With the assistance of lamebrain Senator Bob Corker (R-TN), the process was turned into a simple up-or-down vote on a “non-treaty.” Although the Senate would reject the agreement, Obama would simply veto the legislation—and the Senate would then need a two-thirds vote to override the veto. Instead of Obama needing 67 votes for approval of his agreement, he would need only 34 to block a veto override. With 41 votes on his side, Senate Democrats can block the Corker legislation from even coming up for a vote.) [80874, 80889, 80903, 80926]

At WashingtonTimes.com Charles Hurt writes, “The most charitable view possible of Mr. Obama’s deal with the devil in Iran is that he simply doesn’t care anymore. He doesn’t care about the Middle East. He certainly doesn’t care about Israel. He has no hope that the Islamofascist networks spreading like cancer throughout the world can be brought to heel to live peaceably among civilized people. The most charitable view possible is that Mr. Obama wants to take the entire squalid mess and hand it all over to the powerful and brutal mullahs of Iran. Let them sort it all out. Give them all the power

they need to once and for all deal with Israel, which they insist they want to see wiped off the map. Let them deal with the civil war in Syria. Let them deal with the Islamic State and all their human roastings. Let the mullahs deal with the slaughtering of Christians and women in North Africa. Let them deal with the child murderers and rapists. In other words, Mr. Obama wants the United States of America to recede from the world stage and allow that vacuum be filled by the Islamic Republic of Iran. That is the MOST charitable explanation for this dastardly deal with one of the most heinous regimes on the planet today. ...Is the man dumb? Is he evil? Or, is he so in love with himself that he cannot see the madness he wreaks? Hard to say. But he is certainly a man who is not capable of more than half answers to very serious problems. Don't like war? Okay, then just pull the troops from Iraq and Afghanistan. See how that work out. The problem with half-answers to perilous problems is that they are like half-bridges over perilous seas. Just a highway to sure suicide." [80930]

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, reports CNSNews.com, for every American employed in the manufacturing sector (about 12,329,000) there are 1.8 employees in local, state, and federal government jobs (about 21,995,000). [80875]

At the leftist Center for American Progress, Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack says he is seeking ways for the federal government to provide children with meals "across the school day, across the school year and across the calendar year." (Whether Vilsack is aware that most children have parents who are responsible for feeding and clothing them is not clear.) Vilsack also wants children to eat more vegetables. To that end, he says, "Sometimes by naming the particular vegetables with cool names you can actually encourage young people to participate and take more of carrots than they would otherwise take, if you tell them that it's 'X-Ray carrots' that they'll have X-Ray vision by eating carrots." [80878, 80927]

In a Sunshine State poll, Donald Trump leads all Republican candidates in Florida—including the state's former governor, Jeb Bush. Trump has 29 percent; Ben Carson, 25; Jeb Bush, 19. All other candidates have six percent or less. [80879]

U.S. District Judge David Bunning lifts his contempt order against Rowan County, Kentucky clerk Kim Davis—allowing her out of jail provided she does not interfere with the issuance of marriage licenses to homosexual couples. (In other words, the issue has not been resolved. Davis will not issue the licenses, but is not allowed to stop her deputy clerks from issuing them. It is assumed she will refuse to sign them, arguably making them invalid even if issued.) [80880, 80881, 80883, 80885]

According to *The Telegraph*, 14 of the 17 Republican presidential candidates own guns. Those who do not are New Jersey Governor Chris Christie, former Florida governor Jeb Bush, and Carly Fiorina (although her husband owns guns). [80882]

WashingtonTimes.com reports, "Two top Senate investigators floated the idea of immunity Tuesday to Bryan Pagliano, the staffer who set up the email server in former Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton's home, in exchange for testimony about her

activities. Mr. Pagliano last week said he would assert his Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination in refusing to answer questions about the matter, but Sens. Chuck Grassley [R-IA] and Ron Johnson [R-WI], the chairmen of two key committees investigating the situation, said they have authority to extend immunity if Mr. Pagliano is willing to talk. They proposed a proffer session, where Mr. Pagliano would let them know what he knows in an off-the-record setting, and all sides could then decide what steps to take.” (Pagliano’s attorneys are with the prestigious law firm Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, which has long and deep ties to the Clintons. The likelihood that Pagliano will accept immunity and reveal everything he knows is close to zero. After all, it is almost a certainty that Clinton is paying Pagliano’s legal fees, either directly or indirectly.) [80895, 80906, 80918]

According to Reuters, “The U.S. State Department plans to move about 50 workers into temporary jobs to bolster the office sifting through Hillary Clinton’s emails and grappling with a vast backlog of other requests for information to be declassified, officials said on Tuesday. The move illustrates the huge administrative burden caused by Clinton’s decision to use a private email address for official communications as secretary of state and a judge’s ruling in a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) lawsuit that they be released.” [80896]

Secretary of State John Kerry announces that Janice Jacobs will be the State Department’s “new Transparency Coordinator. She has [an] impressive record of successfully leading reform efforts.” (According to Judicial Watch, Kerry’s new “email czar” contributed \$2,700 to the Hillary for America campaign fund in June 2015.) [80909, 80910, 80911, 80912, 80919]

On Facebook, Hillary Clinton writes, “I wanted you to hear this directly from me: Yes, I should have used two email addresses, one for personal matters and one for my work at the State Department. Not doing so was a mistake. I’m sorry about it, and I take full responsibility. It’s important for you to know a few key facts. My use of a personal email account was aboveboard and allowed under the State Department’s rules. [Department rules allow a personal email account, but do *not* permit using that account for official business, nor do they allow a private, non-government server for that official business.] Everyone I communicated with in government was aware of it. And nothing I ever sent or received was marked classified at the time. [That a document may not be *marked* classified does not mean it is not classified. Documents and messages are not considered classified because they are marked; they are marked because they are considered classified. Clinton had an obligation to treat classified information as such regardless of its markings.] As this process proceeds, I want to be as transparent as possible. [If Clinton wanted to be transparent she would not have maintained a private server to avoid Freedom of Information Act requests.] That’s why I’ve provided all of my work emails to the government to be released to the public [no one knows whether she has or has not], and why I’ll be testifying in public in front of the Benghazi Committee later next month. I know this is a complex story. I could have—and should have—done a better job answering questions earlier. I’m grateful for your support, and I’m not taking anything

for granted. I understand that you may have more questions, and I am going to work to keep answering them...” [80905, 80917, 80922, 80925]

Clinton also tapes an appearance on Ellen DeGeneres’ television program, which will be aired September 10. Clinton tells a sympathetic Ellen, “Well, I want people to understand this so I am glad you asked. I used a personal email account, I was allowed by the State Department. But I should have used two different accounts. I made a mistake and I am sorry for all the confusion that has ensued. I take responsibility for that. But I am now trying to be as transparent as I can.” (Clinton’s Facebook message, DeGeneres appearance, and several other “I’m sorry” performances have been carefully scripted and are the result of Clinton campaign focus groups. Clinton is not saying what she wants to say; she is merely saying what the campaign learned from the focus groups will quiet down some of the criticism. The problem with Clinton’s half-hearted and carefully scripted apologies is that they come after six months of blaming everyone but herself for her email problems. Many voters will not be swayed.) [80913, 80956, 81020, 81033, 81034]

Politico.com reports, “A new lawsuit [by investigative journalist David Brown] is demanding that the State Department explain how Hillary Clinton’s private attorney, David Kendall, got permission from the State Department to retain copies of Clinton’s emails after the agency determined some of them were classified.” [80924, 80938]

Donald Trump writes CNN president Jeff Zucker and asks that the “massive profits” the network will make from advertising revenue during its coverage of the next Republican debate (September 16) be donated to veterans groups. (According to some reports, CNN is boosting its ad rates from \$5,000 for a 30-second ad to \$200,000.) [80907, 80908]

In Turkey, President Recep Tayyip Erdogan (Obama’s favorite foreign leader) unleashes thugs against opposition newspapers and political opponents of his AKP Party. At PJMedia.com Patrick Poole notes, “In June, Erdogan’s AKP lost seats in the Parliament and could not secure an absolute majority to form a government. Refusing to allow the opposition parties to do so, Erdogan announced new elections in November, as he wages war against Kurdish groups in Turkey, Syria and Iraq. Erdogan presumably hopes his ongoing ‘counter-terror’ campaign will shake enough votes loose from the opposition, or at least suppress their vote enough for AKP to control the Parliament. ...Appropriately, Erdogan’s Kristallnacht is occurring on the week marking the 60th anniversary of the Istanbul pogrom that targeted religious and ethnic minorities in 1955.” [80923]

On September 9 thousands gather in Washington, D.C. to protest the Obama-Kerry nuclear agreement with Iran. Speakers at the event include Donald Trump, former Alaska governor Sarah Palin, Phil “Duck Dynasty” Robertson, author and radio talk show host Mark Levin, Glenn Beck, and Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX). Trump tells the crowd, “I’ve never seen something so incompetently negotiated—and I mean never. We are led by very, very stupid people.” Palin says Obama “doesn’t trust Americans to even change our own light bulb of our own choosing. And yet he’ll trust a death cult.” Cruz says, “It’s worth remembering that if this deal goes through, we know to an absolute certainty,

people will die. Americans will die, Israelis will die, and Europeans will die.” (Cruz should be reminded that he is also to blame, because he voted for the legislation that allowed the Iran deal to be voted on as a mere agreement, rather than a treaty that would require the approval of two-thirds of the Senate. That legislation is what gave Obama his victory.) [80904, 80916, 80936, 80970, 80984]

Knowing that the vast majority of Americans oppose the agreement and expect Iran to cheat, Hillary Clinton says at the Brookings Institute, “I will not hesitate to take military action if Iran attempts to obtain a nuclear weapon.” [80936]

At Macomb Community College in Warren, Michigan, Obama again proposes free community college, calling it “a concrete way to reduce the cost of education for young people, to improve the skills of workers so they get higher paying jobs, and to grow our economy.” (Such schemes do not reduce the cost of education; they merely shift the cost from the students to someone else.) “Free community college for responsible students,” says Obama. “It’s an idea that makes sense.” (It does not make sense. He may as well call for “Free automobiles for good drivers.” Nothing is “free.” The only thing a federal giveaway scheme can do is burden taxpayer X with the benefits given to voter Y.) [81018]

Federal District Court Judge Rosemary Collyer refuses to accede to an Obama administration request to dismiss an ObamaCare lawsuit brought by the U.S. House of Representatives. At DailySignal.com Hans von Spakovsky explains, “The challenge by the House makes two claims against the Obama administration and specifically Sylvia Burwell, the secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services, and Jacob Lew, the secretary of the Treasury. First, that the administration has spent ‘billions of unappropriated dollars to support’ Obamacare. Second, that the administration ‘effectively amended the Affordable Care Act’s employer mandate by delaying its effect and narrowing its scope.’” The ObamaCare legislation calls for payments to insurance companies to offset losses that are “funded and re-funded by annual, current appropriations.” But the Obama administration has been improperly issuing payments to insurers even though Congress never appropriated funds for that purpose. In addition, ObamaCare specifically called for the employer mandate to commence on December 31, 2013 but, for political purposes, the administration postponed that date without the legal authority to do so.” [81524]

Von Spakovsky observes, “The House of Representatives may still lose this lawsuit in the long run. But this decision is a significant defeat for the administration, which had hoped to get the entire case dismissed without a trial. The case will now go forward, to be decided on the merits of whether the administration used unappropriated funds and violated the Constitution.” [81524]

The Associated Press reports, “All train services were halted between Germany and Denmark on Wednesday after Danish police stopped hundreds of migrants arriving by train across the border, Danish railway company DSB said. About 100 migrants who arrived from Germany refused to leave a train in the Danish port city of Roedby, police

spokeswoman Anne Soe said. She said they don't want to be registered in Denmark. ...Under [European Union] rules, people seeking asylum should do so in the first EU country they enter and not travel from one country to another. Many of the migrants say they want to go to Sweden, Norway, or Finland, because they have relatives there or believe that the conditions for asylum-seekers are better. Danish police also closed a highway on the Jutland peninsula after about 300 migrants who had crossed the border from Germany left a school where they had been housed and started heading north on foot." [80942, 80943]

Minnesota U.S. attorney Andrew Luger warns, "Since Al Shabaab began recruiting Minnesota's youth in 2006, the Twin Cities [Minneapolis and St. Paul] have been a focus of overseas terror recruiting by organizations like the Islamic State for Iraq and the Levant [ISIS]. This cycle of terror recruiting has exclusively targeted Minnesota's Somali community." [81069]

Secretary of State John Kerry reportedly meets with members of the House and Senate Judiciary Committees behind closed doors to announce that the Obama administration will allow 75,000 refugees into the United States in 2016. The Associated Press writes, "The officials and the congressional aide spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss the private meeting on the record." [80949, 80950]

According to NBCNews.com, the latest issue of the al-Qaeda magazine *Inspire* is calling for jihadist to attack specific individuals, including "industrialist brothers Charles and David Koch, internet entrepreneur Larry Ellison, and casino magnate Sheldon Adelson. A prominent economist was also on the list but asked that his name be withheld. Federal Reserve chairman Ben Bernanke was named, though not Janet Yellen, who succeeded him. Also pictured was Jim Walton, one of the heirs to the Wal-Mart fortune, although he was misidentified in the caption as his late father, Sam Walton. Several other names on the list were misspelled. ...The article says the 'economic personalities' and 'wealthy entrepreneurs' can get off the list by withdrawing their money from U.S. banks, investing their wealth outside American soil, and denouncing support for Israel." [80944, 80945, 80951]

Brandon Judd, president of the National Border Patrol Council, tells Congress only about 40 percent of the border with Mexico is under "operational control." WashingtonTimes.com explains, "Operational control is deemed to be when agents have a good chance of deterring or catching almost all illegal crossers. The Obama administration canceled use of the yardstick in 2010, but has yet to replace it with another public measure, leaving Congress struggling with how to judge progress." Judd also states that about 20 percent of all illegal immigrants caught at the border have a criminal record. [80976, 80977]

Iran's "Supreme Leader" Ayatollah Ali Khamenei states, "After negotiations, in Zionist regime they said they had no more concern about Iran for next 25 years; I'd say: Firstly, you will not see next 25 years; God willing, there will be nothing as Zionist regime by

next 25 years. Secondly, until then, struggling, heroic and jihadi morale will leave no moment of serenity for Zionists.” (In other words, “Death to Israel.”) [80952, 80978]

At PJMedia.com former prosecutor Andrew C. McCarthy notes that Section 2339A of the federal penal code, Title 18 “provides a jail sentence of up to 15 years—or up to life imprisonment if death results from the offense—for anyone who: ‘...provides material support or resources ...knowing ...that they are to be used in preparation for, or in carrying out, [an act of terrorism] ...or in preparation for, or in carrying out, the concealment of an escape from the commission of any such violation, or attempts or conspires to do such an act[.]’ The statute provides a sweeping definition of ‘material support or resources’: ‘The term ‘material support or resources’ means *any property, tangible or intangible, or service, including currency or monetary instruments or financial securities, financial services, lodging, training, expert advice or assistance, safehouses, false documentation or identification, communications equipment, facilities, weapons, lethal substances, explosives, personnel (1 or more individuals who may be or include oneself), and transportation, except medicine or religious materials[.]’*” Inasmuch as Iran is a recognized state sponsor of terrorism, and “Obama’s Iran deal will provide Iran with over \$100 billion, and opens the door to its acquisition of sophisticated weaponry (wholly apart from Iran’s nuclear development activities)” the Obama-Kerry agreement is “**the most astronomical provision of material support and resources to terrorism**—as that term is defined in federal law (see above)—**in the history of the world.**” [80979]

McCarthy notes that Section 2339B of the penal code “states, ‘Whoever knowingly provides material support or resources to a foreign terrorist organization, or attempts or conspires to do so, shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than 20 years, or both, and, if the death of any person results, shall be imprisoned for any term of years or for life.’ The statute goes on to require proof that an accused person knows: ‘...that the organization is a designated terrorist organization[,] ...that the organization has engaged or engages in terrorist activity[,] ...or that the organization has engaged or engages in terrorism[.]’ It is incontestable that ...Obama, Secretary Kerry, and their subordinates know all three things about Hezbollah and Hamas, even though the statute requires knowledge of only one of them to establish guilt. It bears emphasizing that for all their absurd claims about how the ...Iran deal reins in Iran’s nuclear program, even Obama administration officials feel compelled to admit that Iran will step up its material support to terrorism while it is receiving the windfall from the deal. That is not just unconscionable; it is criminal. How can Obama’s Iran deal conceivably be supported by anyone who claims to oppose international terrorism or support Israel?” [80979]

On Fox News, Shepard Smith reports on the release of Kim Davis from jail, stating her supporters “set this up as a religious play again. This is the same crowd that says, ‘We don’t want Shari’ah law, don’t let them tell us what to do, keep their religion out of our lives and out of our government.’ Well, here we go again.” (Smith would be wise not to encourage the imposition of Islamic Shari’ah law inasmuch as he is a homosexual and runs the risk of being thrown head first off a tall building if radical Muslims have their way in the United States.) Smith continues, “Haters are gonna [sic] hate. We thought



what this woman wanted was an accommodation, which they've granted her, something that worked for everybody. But it's not what they want." (The court did not grant Davis an accommodation for refusing to grant marriage licenses to homosexuals. It granted her a stay in jail. Smith is apparently unable to comprehend the difference between opposing the concept of gay marriage and hate. One can oppose the destruction of centuries-old traditions and religious beliefs without hating anyone.) [80946, 80947, 80948, 80969]

The House Judiciary Committee holds a hearing to discuss Planned Parenthood practices, hearing testimony from several people who survived abortions. Gianna Jessen says, "I was never supposed to hold up my head or walk, but I do. I forgive my biological mother. ...How many baby parts have been sold for our ego, or our promiscuity? How many Lamborghinis were purchased with the blood of innocent children? ...38 years later, if abortion is about women's rights, then what were mine? You continuously use the argument, 'If the baby is disabled, we need to terminate the pregnancy,' as if you can determine the quality of someone's life. Is my life less valuable due to my cerebral palsy?" Congressman John Conyers (D-MI) states, "There is no evidence that Planned Parenthood violated the law," he said. "Surely we in Congress have better things to do than undermine Planned Parenthood." Congressman Steve Cohen (D-TN) says, "For me, Planned Parenthood is part of my DNA. It is one of the finest organizations in this country." [80928, 80955, 80985, 80986, 80987, 80988]

DailySignal.com later reports on the hearing: "James Bopp, general counsel for National Right to Life, said it was clear that Planned Parenthood broke federal law. Priscilla Smith, the director of Yale Law School's Program for the Study of Reproductive Justice, countered that there is 'simply no evidence' of that." "Planned Parenthood officials were present in the audience—wearing pink 'Stand With Planned Parenthood' shirts—but the organization was not represented on the witness stand." "In light of allegations that Planned Parenthood illegally profits off the sale of aborted body parts, Bopp said, 'History shows that when humans are stripped of their right to life, they become a commodity.'" Smith also states, "I believe for a fetus—a pre-viable fetus—yes, a D&E procedure is a very humane procedure..." (The "Dilation and Evacuation" procedure, usually performed in the second trimester of a pregnancy, involves the dilation of the cervix and a surgical evacuation of the contents of the uterus. That is, the baby—which Smith prefers to call a "pre-viable fetus" in order to make it easier for abortion supporters to pretend it is not a baby—is killed as it is sucked out of the uterus by a vacuum device.) [80955, 80983]

LATimes.com's story in the hearing is, "Abortion 'survivors' criticize Planned Parenthood on Capitol Hill." (At Townhall.com Matt Vespa writes, "[T]he quotes around the word survivors in the headline are mystifying. Is the LA Times insinuating that [witnesses Melissa] Ohden and [Gianna] Jessen are not really survivors of abortion attempts? Are they trying to impugn their motives, or be purposefully dismissive of that fact that these women survived an instillation abortion attempt in the 1970s? Do these two women undercut liberal talking points on abortion, and make them come off as a bit insensitive or downright barbaric? Hey, you survived? Cool, but I still support abortion. It's certainly an awkward position.") [81005, 81006]

House conservatives push for a delay of the vote on the Obama-Kerry Iran deal, arguing that the 60-day voting deadline of September 17 is invalid because Congress has yet to have been given the full text of the agreement and its side deals. (The conservatives are wasting their time with meaningless maneuvers inasmuch as the Democrats would like nothing more than to avoid voting on the agreement.) [80929, 80931, 80954]

At IranTruth.org Jeff Dunetz writes, “While John Kerry and Barack Obama deservedly get the ‘credit’ for bowing down to Iran’s Supreme Leader by making concession after concession and ignoring the ‘redlines’ created by the Administration, it was Hillary Clinton who made the first concession to Iran which was allowing them to continue to enrich uranium. That was the concession which allowed the talks to continue, it was also the concession that set the tone for negotiations if Iran insisted, the United States agreed to give them anything they want. According to a report in the Wall Street Journal, In July 2012, Ms. Clinton’s sent her closest foreign-policy aide, Jake Sullivan to a secret meeting with Iranian diplomats in Oman which made no progress: ‘In a string of high-level meetings here over the next six months, the secretary of state and White House concluded that they might have to let Iran continue to enrich uranium at small levels, if the diplomacy had any hope of succeeding.’ That was a beginning of a subtle change in strategy, the objective was no longer to disable and remove Iran’s nuclear weapons program, it became doing what was necessary to make a deal. ...The real problem with that first concession is that if Iran’s nuclear program had nothing to do with creating nuclear weapons, there is no reason for the rogue regime to enrich their own uranium. So their demand to continue enriching was just another hint of their nuclear intentions.” [80940]

At TheDailyBeast.com Shane Harris and Nancy A. Youssef report, “More than 50 intelligence analysts working out of the U.S. military’s Central Command have formally complained that their reports on ISIS and al Qaeda’s branch in Syria were being inappropriately altered by senior officials, The Daily Beast has learned. The complaints spurred the Pentagon’s inspector general to open an investigation into the alleged manipulation of intelligence. The fact that so many people complained suggests there are deep-rooted, systemic problems in how the U.S. military command charged with the war against the self-proclaimed Islamic State assesses intelligence. ‘The cancer was within the senior level of the intelligence command,’ one defense official said. Two senior analysts at CENTCOM signed a written complaint sent to the Defense Department inspector general in July alleging that the reports, some of which were briefed to ...Obama, portrayed the terror groups as weaker than the analysts believe they are. The reports were changed by CENTCOM higher-ups to adhere to the administration’s public line that the U.S. is winning the battle against ISIS and al Nusra, al Qaeda’s branch in Syria, the analysts claim. That complaint was supported by 50 other analysts, some of whom have complained about politicizing of intelligence reports for months. That’s according to 11 individuals who are knowledgeable about the details of the report and who spoke to The Daily Beast on condition of anonymity. The accusations suggest that a large number of people tracking the inner workings of the terror groups think that their

reports are being manipulated to fit a public narrative.” [80959, 80960, 80974, 81004, 81019]

WashingtonTimes.com reports, “Federal investigators formally investigated top Hillary Clinton aide Huma Abedin for the crime of embezzlement after confirming she took a ‘Babymoon’ vacation and maternity time at the State Department without expending her formal leave, resulting in thousands of dollars of pay she wasn’t entitled to receive... The probe also gathered evidence she filed timesheets charging the government for impermissible overtime and excessive hours after she converted from a fulltime federal employer to a State Department contractor. Those timecards were filed during a period of time that remains under investigation over questions about possible conflicts of interest, documents gathered by the State Department inspector general show. Ms. Abedin, who served as a deputy chief of staff to Mrs. Clinton from 2009 thru late 2012, told investigators she hadn’t noticed she had received a \$33,000 lump sum payment—about a third of which investigators determined was improper—when she left the State [Department]. She suggested her husband, the disgraced former congressman Anthony Weiner, failed to let her know. ‘My husband handles all the finances in our household,’ she told investigators during a recorded interview in October 2014.” (Clinton is being careful to keep Weiner as far away from campaign events and fundraisers as possible.) [80932, 80937, 81026, 81031, 81081]

A federal court grants standing to Congress, allowing it to proceed with its lawsuit against ObamaCare. TheHill.com reports, “House Republicans have argued that the Obama administration illegally overstepped its powers when it began paying \$175 billion to insurance companies with money that was requested—but never approved—by Congress. Instead, the administration began making its own payments into a ‘cost-sharing’ program that helps cover insurance companies’ costs of covering the newly insured. ...The Obama administration said it plans to immediately appeal the decision.” [80933]

At a “listening session,” Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY) and Speaker of the House John Boehner (R-OH) receive an earful from Congressional conservatives. According to DailySignal.com, Congressman Tim Huelskamp (R-KS) tells McConnell, “Your predecessor was [Democrat] Harry Reid. You’re no longer Harry Reid; you’re a Republican, Mitch. Stand up. Do your job.” Congressman Mick Mulvaney (R-SC) asks, “How would things have been different if Harry Reid were in charge? The answer is, they wouldn’t be.” Conservatives want the next budget to strip all federal funds from Planned Parenthood, instead giving the same amount of money to women’s health care centers. Mulvaney says, “It’s not about women’s health. Everybody here is for women’s health.” Congressman Jim Jordan (R-OH) says, “[The] Dollar amount is the same. So the question is, Mr. [Obama], why would you veto that? Why would you filibuster that in the Senate? That is as common sense, [as] logical as you can get.” (The GOP leadership fears that Obama would veto the budget and work with the media to portray the Republicans as the “bad guys.” But, of course, if the Republicans are willing to give Obama and the Democrats everything they want in order to “get along” and avoid controversy, there is no point in electing Republicans.) [80953]

At RealClearPolitics.com Charles Lipson writes, “There’s a bigger story hidden inside the New York Times report that ‘a special intelligence review of two emails that Hillary Rodham Clinton received as secretary of state on her personal account—including one about North Korea’s nuclear weapons program— ...contained highly classified information when Mrs. Clinton received them, senior intelligence officials said.’ The review was undertaken by the Central Intelligence Agency and the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, which presumably originated the material. They concluded that the material had originally been given the U.S. government’s highest secrecy classification. Even if one of Clinton’s aides stripped the markings (a felony), Secretary Clinton surely knew satellite intelligence and North Korean nuclear deployments are the U.S. government’s most highly classified information. The media correctly saw the news as political trouble for Hillary, but they missed two other crucial elements of the story. Somebody high up in the intelligence community leaked that story. And Hillary faces far more than political trouble. She’s being fitted for an orange jumpsuit. The NYT story came from anonymous sources. For Camp Clinton, the most ominous words are ‘senior intelligence officials said.’ They signal just how furious the intelligence community is at the gross mishandling of their crown jewels.” [80934]

“Since the intelligence agencies must now sort through everything Hillary has given to the State Department, plus whatever the FBI can scrape from the server, you can expect the leaks to keep on coming. Worse yet for her, the spy agencies must conduct a full-scale damage assessment, based on the high likelihood her server was hacked by foreign governments (and perhaps some 17-year-old in his parents’ basement in Belgrade). ...As the investigation proceeds, Secretary Clinton should also be wondering how loyal her aides are. So far, they have marched in a solid phalanx with her. But whoever removed the classification markings on incoming satellite data faces years in jail. The FBI will be in a strong position to encourage them to speak ‘fully and frankly,’ as they say in the State Department. ...The State Department is still doing its best to protect her, stonewalling and slow-walking requests for materials. To supervise the document releases, they hired Catherine Duval, who moved over from the IRS. Anybody who cannot find Lois Lerner’s emails has the right kind of experience for John Kerry. ...The stonewalling won’t help. The reluctant apologies won’t help. The FBI investigation will keep grinding on, and the intelligence agencies will keep passing out any nuggets they find. If Hillary’s political troubles keep piling up, she won’t make it to the general election. If her legal troubles keep piling up, she’s going to wish the next president was Gerald Ford.” [80934]

FoxNews.com reports, “U.S. officials are expressing growing concern about Russia’s military build-up in [Bashar al-] Assad-controlled Syria, calling it ‘unprecedented’—with one telling Fox News it compares in scope to Vladimir Putin’s incursion into Crimea. ‘It’s beginning to look like Crimymria,’ the official told Fox News. Two U.S. officials who have reviewed the latest intelligence told Fox News that satellite imagery reveals more flights of massive Russian An-124 ‘condor’ military cargo planes landing in Syria. They are offloading troops, including just under 50 Russian marines, and armored vehicles. U.S. officials said the Russian activity in Syria is unlike any they’ve seen since the start

of the Syrian civil war four years ago. ‘This is definitely a build-up straight out of Russia’s military doctrine,’ said one official. The Russian government is not denying the build-up.” [80935, 81044]

According to DailyCaller.com, “Law enforcement agencies are on high alert this week due to violent threats coming from the Black Lives Matter movement. According to several Be On Look Out (BOLO) alerts sent from several law enforcement agencies and exclusively obtained by The Daily Caller, some members of the ‘#blacklivesmatter and #fyf911 [‘fuck you flag 911’] are calling for the murder of more police officers on a site called blog radio.’ One caller on the show says, ‘When those mother f\*\*kers are by themselves, that’s when we should start f\*\*king them up. Like they do us, when a bunch of them ni\*\*ers takin’ one of us out, that’s how we should roll up.’ That caller goes on, ‘Cause we already roll up in gangs anyway. There should be six or seven black mother f\*\*ckers, see that white person, and then lynch their ass. Let’s turn the tables. [sic]” [80971, 80972]

On September 10 White House press secretary Josh Earnest tells reporters the Obama administration will allow 10,000 Syrian refugees into the United States over the next year. Earnest does not explain how the immigrants will be vetted to insure there are no ISIS jihadists among them. (It is assumed the refugees will not be housed near the White House, Obama’s Chicago mansion, or in Hawaii.) Various reports peg the number to be allowed into the United States at 30,000, 65,000, and 100,000. (Meanwhile, the Obama administration is set to deport 15 Chaldean Christians from Iraq who illegally entered the United States via Mexico, and who have been held for about six months.) [80958, 80962, 80989, 81000, 81003, 81023, 81038, 81039, 81057, 81134, 81158]

Congressman Mike McCaul (R-TX) tells Fox News, “We’re a compassionate nation and this is a tragic situation but I also have to be concerned as Chairman of Homeland Security about the safety of Americans in this country and the concern that I have and that the FBI testified to is that we don’t really have the proper databases on these individuals to vet them passed and to assure we’re not allowing terrorists to come into this country and until I have that assurance, I cannot support a program that could potentially bring jihadists into the United States. We don’t know who these people are and I think that’s the bottom line here and until we know who they are, we cannot responsibly bring them into the United States. Both the Department of Homeland Security and the FBI have told me privately that they don’t support bringing in Syrian refugees because of the threat they pose to Americans.” [80989, 81010]

At a conference the day before, James Clapper, Director of National Intelligence, stated, “As they [refugees] descend on Europe, one of the obvious issues that we worry about, and in turn as we bring refugees into this country, is exactly what’s their background? We don’t obviously put it past the likes of ISIL [ISIS] to infiltrate operatives among these refugees. That is a huge concern of ours.” (The *Mirror* later reports, “Lebanese Education Minister Elias Bou Saab said he fears Islamic State radicals make up at least 2% of the 1.1million Syrians living in camps across his country. ... ‘My gut feeling is they [ISIS]

are facilitating such an operation. To go to Europe and other places... From Turkey to Greece,' Mr. Bou Saad said.") [80990, 81023, 81122, 81125]

Meanwhile, *The Telegraph* reports, "An Isil [ISIS] fighter from Syria is hiding in a migrant camp in Calais with the aim of illegally entering Britain to commit 'terror attacks,' according to local French media. French police have been told to locate and arrest the man who left Syria in August and is on a French terror suspect watch list known as 'fiche S,' according to La Voix du Nord, the regional French newspaper. 'His intention is to reach Britain to commit terrorist attacks,' it wrote, without citing sources. The northern French daily said that police believe the man is living among some 3,500 migrants in a makeshift camp known as the 'Jungle,' which the French government has announced will become an official refugee camp with 1,500 places early next year." [80963]

Hungary's army conducts military exercises in order to prepare forces for possible deployment at its Serbian border—to protect the nation against an influx of unwanted Syrian refugees and jihadists. [80998, 80999]

Senator Jeff Sessions (R-AL) releases data showing that 91.4 percent of all Middle Eastern refugees in the United States are receiving food stamp benefits; 73.1 percent receive Medicaid; and 68.3 percent receive some form of cash assistance. [81051, 81052]

In a Quinnipiac poll in Iowa, Senator Bernie Sanders (I-VT) bests Hillary Clinton, 41-40 percent. Vice President Joe Biden, an as-yet unannounced candidate, garners 12 percent. [80961, 80973]

A small crowd attends a Clinton campaign event in Columbus, Ohio. [80967, 81007]

Doing her best to protect Hillary Clinton, Democrat National Committee chairwoman Debbie Wassermann Schultz (D-FL) says, "We're not changing the process. We're having six debates [for the Democrat presidential candidates]. The candidates will be uninvited from subsequent debates if they accept an invitation to anything outside of the six sanctioned debates." (That is, if Clinton's opponents appear at unsanctioned debates, Wasserman Schultz will "uninvite them" from the DNC's scheduled debates.) [80966]

James O'Keefe's Project Veritas releases another undercover video showing Hillary Clinton campaign workers in Nevada violating the law by encouraging support for Clinton while registering new voters. The video includes Christina Gupana, an attorney with "Hillary for America," telling voter registration workers, "Do whatever you can. Whatever you can get away with, just do it, until you get kicked out like totally [sic]." (Breitbart.com later reports, "...Nevada election officials are now investigating the Hillary Clinton campaign to determine if Gupana or other campaign staffers broke the law. ...Gupanalaw.com is no longer active. Gupana bragged on the now-defunct website that she was able to withdraw a conviction for a client whose previous immigration lawyer gave her bad advice. 'Our law firm handles a wide range of situations from

removal or deportation proceedings, asylum hearings, cancellation of removal for permanent residents and undocumented aliens... and even help you come to the United States through consular processing,' the website used to say.") [80994, 81021]

The "Everytown for America" anti-gun organization holds a small rally in front of the Capitol Building to demand gun control legislation. Speaking at the rally is Virginia's Democrat Governor, Terry McAuliffe—who, notes Katie Pavlich, "brought his armed body guard with him." [81011]

The delusional but always entertaining House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) claims the Obama-Kerry deal with Iran is "is one of the greatest diplomatic achievements of the 21st century," and calls it "grand," "visionary," and "about peace." [80964, 80982]

In a closed-door session with the Select Committee on Benghazi, Bryan Pagliano refuses to answer questions about his work in setting up Hillary Clinton's private email server(s), relying on his Fifth Amendment rights. [80965, 80975]

Senate Democrats successfully filibuster the vote on the Obama-Kerry nuclear deal, in a 58-42 vote in which 60 are needed to end debate and proceed. (The 54 Republicans are joined by four Democrats: Charles Schumer (D-NY), Ben Cardin (D-MD), Robert Menendez (D-NJ), and Joe Manchin (D-WV).) WashingtonTimes.com reports, "GOP leaders said they'll hold a revote next week, but barring any changes from public pressure back home over the weekend, the outcome will be the same, and Mr. Obama will be able to lift U.S. sanctions [against Iran] next week [September 17]." Obama calls the successful filibuster "a victory for diplomacy." [80968, 81008, 81025, 81029]

After the United Nations General Assembly votes 119-8 to allow the flying of the Palestinian flag and those of other "non-member observer states" at the New York City headquarters, Israeli ambassador Ron Proser responds, "Time and again, the Palestinians use and abuse the U.N. The sad part is that you—you in this chamber—allow them to get away with it. This assembly would vote to declare that the earth is flat if the Palestinians proposed it." [81030, 81045]

DailyCaller.com writes, "Don't expect new Christmas stamps this year because for the first time in decades the U.S. Postal Service won't issue a new stamp depicting any Christian religious figure or symbol. No baby Jesus. No Mary. And none of the three wise men. Those of other faiths will be disappointed, too. There will be no printing of new stamps for the Jewish holiday of Chanukah, the African-American celebration of Kwanzaa or the Muslim Ramadan holiday of EID, the Daily Caller News Foundation has learned. The Chinese, however, will be cheered to know there will be a new postage stamp for the Chinese New Year. In 45 of the last 50 years, the postal service has printed new images for each Christmas season, including Mary, angels, wise men, Nativity scenes, the Star of David and even Santa Claus. But this year, all of them have been banished from the production presses." [80980]

On September 11 New York Governor Andrew Cuomo warns—on the 14th anniversary of the jihadist attacks that took down the World Trade Center towers—that the threat of terrorism is now greater, and says, “Don’t kid yourself that the threat is gone. ... The threat is not over.” Meanwhile, White House press secretary Josh Earnest declares that the nation is safer. [81013, 81014]

Obama commemorates the anniversary of the terrorist attacks by tweeting a photo of himself, his wife, and a large crowd in front of the White House. [81032]

According to the Associated Press, “A Saudi businessman has donated \$10 million to Yale Law School to establish what school officials hope will become the country’s top center for the study of Islamic law.” [81053]

Astoundingly, according to Pamela Geller, Germany is housing some Muslim refugees at the site of the Buchenwald concentration camp. “Twenty-one male asylum seekers have been moved to the former barracks of the notorious Buchenwald concentration camp, where SS officers killed thousands of prisoners during the Second World War. The migrants, some of whom have been living in the camp for several months, are being given 135 euros (£99) by the government for food and necessities while they wait to be moved. Abdurahman Massa, from northern Eritrea, is housed with Ayaya Tsinat, 21, in room number two while he waits for his refugee application to be accepted. The 20-year-old said he does not mind what the building was before, adding: ‘This is good for me.’” [81037]

Severe weather leads to the collapse of a construction crane at the Grand Mosque in Mecca, Saudi Arabia. At least 100 are killed and more than 200 are injured. [81035]

Hillary Clinton’s support falls to only 37 percent among Democrats in a national CNN/ORC poll. Senator Bernie Sanders (I-VT) has 27 percent; Vice President Joe Biden has 20 percent. Former Maryland governor Martin O’Malley has 3 percent; former Virginia Senator James Webb has 2 percent; former Rhode Island governor Lincoln Chaffee has less than 1 percent support. According to CNN.com, “In the general election matchups, Clinton trails former neurosurgeon Ben Carson by a significant margin (51% Carson to 46% Clinton among registered voters) while running about evenly with both former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush (49% Bush to 47% Clinton) and businessman Donald Trump (48% back each).” [80995, 81022, 81048]

On MSNBC Chuck Todd observes, “Every time you think, okay, when is she at bottom, it feels like there’s a new bottom. A month ago when she was having bad poll numbers, when it was starting to go down, one of the things they [supporters and campaign donors] hung their hat on is, ‘Well, as bad as her numbers may look, she’s still in better shape when matched up against any one Republican.’ Well, that’s not happening anymore, right? This is just pile after pile after pile. ... Suddenly if her electability is in question, then that’s when the handwringing truly begins and when donors start panicking. And I think they are panicking.” [81022, 81024, 81040]



Jon Favreau, former Obama speechwriter, calls for Vice President Joe Biden to challenge Hillary Clinton in the 2016 primaries. At WeeklyStandard.com Shoshanna Weissmann writes, “This... indicates warm feelings about [sic; of] Obama administration officials towards a Joe Biden 2016 run—and cold feelings towards Hillary Clinton.” [81036]

Barack “red line” Obama warns Russia that it’s movement of troops to Syria to support Bashar al-Assad is “doomed to fail.” (How long Russian President Vladimir Putin laughed is not reported.) White House press secretary Josh Earnest tells reporters Russia’s “true intentions” are “unclear,” and the State Department has changed its “Assad must go” policy to “We would have really liked it if Assad had gone.” [81012, 81015]

At BostonGlobe.com Jeff Jacoby calls the Obama-Kerry Iran agreement “a bait and switch.” Jacoby points out that the administration promised “anytime, anywhere” inspections—that are nowhere to be found in the final agreement. Obama also promised that sanctions against Iran would “snap back” if Iran cheated, yet now admits that other nations “certainly are not going to agree to enforce existing sanctions for another 5, 10, 15 years.” Secretary of State John Kerry once declared “there is no right to enrich” uranium in the deal, but the final agreement allows Iran 6,000 centrifuges—whose purpose is, of course, enriching uranium. Obama also routinely claimed that military actions was “on the table,” but Obama now says, “A military solution will not fix it.” [81068]

Baltimore Mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake announces she will not seek reelection, saying, “It was a very difficult decision, but I knew I needed to spend time focused on the city's future, not my own.” (Translation: “I choose to avoid a humiliating election defeat.”) [81016]

Former Texas governor Rick Perry drops out of the presidential race. He states, “We have a tremendous field—the best in a generation—so I step aside knowing our party is in good hands.” [81017, 81041]

Newsmax.com reports, “China is dumping some of its Treasury holdings in a desperate bid to raise cash to support its ailing markets, a move that ‘raises serious questions’ about the country’s ability to finance the U.S. federal deficit, CNN reports. If the Asian country stops supporting U.S. debt, the cost of everything that depends on Treasury rates such as home mortgages could rise. Those pressures may deter the Federal Reserve from raising interest rates when its policymakers meet next week.” (An increase in interest rates will result in winners and losers. Winners will be savers, who will see higher interest earnings. Losers will, of course, be borrowers who will have to pay more for home and auto loans. The biggest losers will be bond owners, whose existing bonds will suddenly be worth less.) [81028]

Breitbart.com reports, “Top Obama administration and White House officials partied away on the night of the anniversary of 9-11 and the Benghazi terror attack. State Department senior communications adviser Marie Harf and White House national security adviser Ben Rhodes joined some friends Friday for a night of partying at the

Blackfinn Saloon blocks from the White House. Harf, who runs point on promoting President Obama's Iran nuclear deal, and Rhodes, a graduate of the New York University creative-writing program who falsely revised the administration's talking points to pin the Benghazi attack on a spontaneous response to a Youtube video, were in good spirits." [81054, 81055, 81059]

On September 12 WashingtonPost.com reports, "The company that managed Hillary Rodham Clinton's private e-mail server said it has 'no knowledge of the server being wiped,' the strongest indication to date that tens of thousands of e-mails that Clinton has said were deleted could be recovered. Clinton and her advisers have said for months that she deleted her personal correspondence from her time as secretary of state, creating the impression that 31,000 e-mails were gone forever. There is a distinction between e-mails being deleted and a server being wiped. If e-mails are deleted or moved from a server, they appear to no longer exist on the device. But experts say, depending on the condition of the server, underlying data can remain on the device and the e-mails can often be restored. To make the information go away permanently, a server must be wiped—a process that includes overwriting the underlying data with gibberish, possibly several times. That process, according to Platte River Networks, the Denver-based firm that has managed the system since 2013, apparently did not happen. 'Platte River has no knowledge of the server being wiped,' company spokesman Andy Boian told The Washington Post. 'All the information we have is that the server wasn't wiped.'" [81042, 81047, 81058]

FoxNews.com reports, "Iran has reportedly found an unexpectedly high reserve of uranium, following assessments that the country is running low on the nuclear raw material and just days after ...Obama essentially secured an international nuclear deal with the country's leaders. The discovery was reported first by Reuters and based on comments made by Iranian nuclear chief Ali Akbar Salehi to the state news agency IRNA. 'I cannot announce (the level of) Iran's uranium mine reserves,' Salehi was quoted as saying. 'The important thing is that before aerial prospecting for uranium ores we were not too optimistic, but the new discoveries have made us confident about our reserves.'" (By "unexpectedly found," Iran means, "We've been developing the uranium mine for years now but waited until we scammed Obama before announcing the discovery.") [81049, 81056, 81060, 81071, 81078]

Pamela Geller reports, "Thousands of people joined anti-migrant protests in three eastern European capitals on Saturday after leaders from the Czech Republic, Poland and Slovakia opposed an EU scheme to fix refugee quotas. In the Polish capital Warsaw, nearly 5,000 people, many chanting anti-Islamic slogans, marched through the city, an AFP correspondent said. 'Islam will be the death of Europe,' one of the banners said. Organisers claimed the demonstration drew 10,000 people but police refused to confirm the figure. 'We're here so that the government hears our voice and abandons any plans to welcome Muslims,' shouted one of the organisers after starting the march with prayers which identified the participants as Roman Catholics. Members of far-right fringe parties and football supporters chanted 'Poles against migrants' and 'Migrants today, terrorists tomorrow.'" [81050]

On September 13 Iran releases a video in which Ayatollah Khamenei states, “We neither welcome nor begin any war. They [the Americans] must know that should any war break out, [the] one who will emerge humiliated out of it... will be [the] invading and criminal America.” [81061, 81062]

TheDaleyGator.com notes the U.S. corporations that have contributed to the campaigns of Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY) and Senator Bob Corker (R-TN) and which will likely gain from the easing of sanctions on Iran under the Obama-Kerry nuclear deal. (McConnell and Corker are most responsible for Obama’s victory with the agreement because they worked to make sure that the agreement was not considered a treaty—which would have required the approval of two-thirds of the Senate.) [81123]

On CNN, Obama’s ambassador to the United Nations, Samantha Power, comments on Russia’s deployment of troops in Syria: “Doubling down on a regime that gasses its people, that barrel bombs its people, that tortures people who it arrests simply for protesting and for claiming their rights—that’s just not going to work. ... Even if you were Machiavelli and all you cared about was ISIL [ISIS], to support a regime like this and to not take account of the views of the vast majority of the Syrian people that [sic; who] want to go in a different direction is not going to either bring peace or actually succeed in defeating terrorism, which is what President [Vladimir] Putin says his priority is.” (Power is mistaken. Putin will succeed in propping up the Bashar al-Assad regime because no one is about to stop him.) Of the refugee situation Power says, “You can’t look at 12 million people being displaced from their homes, and desperate families washing up on shores and be satisfied with where we are. I think the challenge is to find what is the policy tool that’s going to make things better. And that has proven very, very challenging.” (There is no “policy tool.” Either overwhelming military force is used to stop Assad and ISIS or the crisis will continue.) [81094]

In a CBS News/YouGov poll, Senator Bernie Sanders (I-VT) leads Hillary Clinton 43-33 in Iowa. Vice President Joe Biden has 10 percent. In a New Hampshire survey, Sanders leads Clinton by a whopping 20 percent, 52-30; Biden has 9 percent. (It says something about the United States in General and the Democrat Party in particular when a socialist who spent his honeymoon in the Soviet Union can have the support of 52 percent of Democrats in a state whose motto is “Live Free or Die.”) Clinton leads Sanders 46-23 in South Carolina. (Clinton’s higher numbers in South Carolina are the result of its larger black population, but Cornel West, a radical black professor has appeared with Sanders at campaign events.) On the Republican side, Donald Trump leads Ben Carson 29-25 in Iowa, 40-12 in New Hampshire, and 36-21 in South Carolina. [81063, 81064, 81065, 81067, 81077, 81124]

At WND.com Jerome Corsi reports, “After an exhaustive search of all relevant documents available online, Wall Street investor and analyst Charles Ortel has concluded the Clinton Foundation’s solicitation of ‘charitable donations’ to fight HIV/AIDS in Third World countries traces back to a conversation Bill Clinton had with Nelson Mandela in July 2002. However, the Clinton Foundation did not receive IRS tax-exempt

authorization to fight HIV/AIDS until eight years later. ...The lack of approval, Ortel contends, constitutes a serious violation of IRS regulations that require public charities, such as the Clinton Foundation, to apply for and to receive what is known as an 'IRS determination letter.' The letter specifies the precise charitable purpose for which the foundation is allowed to solicit donations on a tax-exempt basis. ...The Form 1023 submitted Dec. 23, 1997, makes clear the only purpose for which the William J. Clinton Presidential Foundation was applying to the IRS for tax-exempt status was for the design, construction and endowment of the Clinton Presidential Library in Little Rock, Arkansas." [81066]

The *Daily Mail* reports, "Germany's open-door policy to refugees appeared to be unravelling [sic; unraveling] tonight following the country's reinstatement of border controls to curb the overwhelming influx of migrants. Europe's top economy halted all trains from Austria and, in an historic move, temporarily suspended the open borders Schengen agreement in response to the arrival of tens of thousands of Syrian refugees in recent days. The decision marks a dramatic shift away from the current abolishment of passport checks throughout Europe's Schengen zone. German Interior Minister Thomas de Maizière said: 'At this moment Germany is temporarily introducing border controls again along [the EU's] internal borders. The focus will be on the border to Austria at first. The aim of these measures is to limit the current inflows to Germany and to return to orderly procedures when people enter the country.' Mr de Maizière added: 'This step has become necessary. The great readiness to help that Germany has shown in recent weeks... must not be overstretched.'" [81070, 81073, 81111]

Meanwhile, Denmark states it is unwilling to accept any of the 160,000 refugees in the European Union resettlement program. DailyCaller.com notes, "n 2014, Denmark took in 15,000 asylum seekers, which according to Eurostat made the small country the 5th largest refuge per-capita in Europe." [81075]

Pamela Geller reports, "The Islamic State and their Muslim supporters have been tweeting out new lists with *photos*, names, addresses of soldiers here in the USA. Why these lists are still up is an indictment of the ineptitude of DHS, FBI and other counter terror agencies. These lists are long... Instead of worrying about mythical 'right-wing extremists,' these clowns [had] better get on the ball... and fast. As fast as these hit lists go up—that's how fast they should come down. And twitter should have a separate division to remove these savage accounts instantly. ...Of course they issue this fatwa on the weekend of 9/11. This is war. Isn't time we started acting like it? Garland, Chattanooga... now this." [81072, 81074]

On September 14 Rowan County Clerk Kim Davis returns to work, stating she will not issue marriage licenses to homosexuals but will also not prevent others in the office from issuing them. (Whether the documents can be considered legal without an authorized signature is an open question.) [81076]

CNSNews.com reports, "The federal government raked in a record of approximately \$2,883,250,000,000 in tax revenues through the first eleven months of fiscal 2015 (Oct.

1, 2014 through the end of August), according to the Monthly Treasury Statement released Friday [September 11]. That equaled approximately \$19,346 for every person in the country who had either a full-time or part-time job in August. It is also up about \$198,425,330,000 in constant 2015 dollars from the \$2,684,824,670,000 in revenue (in inflation-adjusted 2015 dollars) that the Treasury raked in during the first eleven months of fiscal 2014. Despite the record tax revenues of \$2,883,250,000,000 in the first eleven months of this fiscal year, the government spent \$3,413,210,000,000 in those eleven months, and, thus, ran up a deficit of \$529,960,000,000 during the period. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, total seasonally adjusted employment in the United States in August (including both full and part-time workers) was 149,036,000. That means that the federal tax haul so far this fiscal year has equaled \$19,345.99 for every person in the United States with a job.” [81079]

Breitbart.com reports that a “review of State Department and Homeland Security data reveals that the United States already admits more than a quarter of a million Muslim migrants each year. ...Obama intends to add another 10,000 Syrian migrants on top of that. In 2013 alone, 117,423 migrants from Muslim-majority countries were permanently resettled within the United States—having been given lawful permanent resident status. Additionally in 2013, the United States voluntarily admitted an extra 122,921 temporary migrants from Muslim countries as foreign students and foreign workers as well as 39,932 refugees and asylees from Muslim countries.” [81086, 81087]

In Des Moines, Iowa, Obama address an audience of students and rails against Americans who have an “anti-immigrant” sentiment, calling it “un-American.” (Obama intentionally avoids the distinction between legal immigrants and illegal immigrants.) Obama also (again) pushes free community college, claiming, “It’s in my budget. I know how to pay for it.” (He does not know how to pay for it. His budget never balances and has multibillion dollar deficits for decades.) [81101, 81102, 81114]

Pamela Geller posts a photograph of a banner hanging over a highway in Sindelfingen, Germany that reads, “Your Children will Pray to Allah or will all DIE!” [81088, 81089]

The Vatican issues a statement in support of the Obama-Kerry nuclear deal with Iran, claiming “it considers that the way to resolve disputes and difficulties should always be that of dialogue and negotiation.” [81149, 81150, 81151, 81152]

At WND.com Garth Kant reports, “There are gaps totaling five months in the Hillary Clinton emails released by the State Department, the watchdog group Judicial Watch announced [this] morning. The revelation emerged after a court ordered the release of State Department documents as part of Judicial Watch’s effort to obtain Clinton emails under the Freedom of Information Act. Emails sent and received by Clinton on her private server are missing over periods totaling five months, beginning when she took office as secretary of state in 2009. Judicial Watch President Tom Fitton said the gaps indicate Clinton lied under oath when she said all her emails had been turned over, and it suggested government officials had not turned over everything they were required to deliver. Fitton said other State Department officials, including the one in charge of email

production, Patrick Kennedy, previously had been informed of the five-month gap. ...The gap in emails received by Clinton run from Jan. 21, 2009, when she became secretary of state, to March 17, 2009. The gaps in emails sent by Clinton from Jan. 21, 2009, to April 12, 2009, and from Dec. 30, 2012, to Feb. 1, 2013.” [81080, 81082, 81093]

Hillary Clinton is rapidly losing support among women—the voters she assumed would keep her in first place and put her in the White House. In a Washington Post-ABC News poll, “Where 71 percent of Democratic-leaning female voters said in July that they expected to vote for Clinton, only 42 percent do now, a drop of 29 percentage points in eight weeks.” Among Democrat voters, Clinton falls below 50 percent, leading Senator Bernie Sanders (I-VT) 42-24 percent. Vice President Joe Biden has 21 percent. (Biden has not yet officially entered the race, but it has been reported that he recently met with Robert Wolf, former USB Americas CEO, who raised a mountain of cash for Obama in 2008.) On the Republican side, Donald Trump leads with 33 percent, followed by Ben Carson (20 percent), Jeb Bush (8 percent), and Senators Ted Cruz (R-TX) and Marco Rubio (R-FL), each of whom has 7 percent. [81091, 81092, 81103, 81104, 81110, 81112, 81117]

Clinton releases a video in which she says, “I want to send a message to every survivor of sexual assault. Don’t let anyone silence your voice. You have a right to be heard and you have a right to be believed. We’re with you.” (Clinton’s shamelessness is monumental. She never stood up for any of her husband’s victims. In fact, she viciously went after each of them to prevent them from speaking out.) [81097, 81109, 81113]

Political analysts Dick Morris and Eileen McGann write, “The Clinton campaign played some serious hardball last week after Bryan Pagliano invoked his 5th amendment right against self-incrimination and refused to testify before the Benghazi Committee. To do that, a witness must have a reasonable belief that any testimony offered by him would lead to criminal charges. ...Enter the Hillary Clinton ‘Secret Police,’ the Clinton operatives who sent Pagliano a warning about what happens when you cross the Clintons. All of a sudden, confidential information about payments to Pagliano—ostensibly made by the Clintons—was leaked to *The Washington Post*. (Anonymously, of course) The Clinton aides helpfully added that he might not have reported all the payments on his mandatory confidential executive branch financial disclosure form and found a friendly State Dept. spokesman, anonymous of course, to confirm it. ...Did Hillary’s people leak this information implicating Pagliano in the commission of a felony to hold it over his head and keep him quiet? Or were they trying to suggest that the only criminal conduct that Pagliano’s testimony might expose had nothing to do with the server, but rather with his own failure to report the alleged payments? But here’s the really important question: How did Clinton’s ‘secret police’ learn that Pagliano didn’t disclose his payments from Hillary in the first place? (If in fact, the Clintons did really pay him?) Answer: Their usual way. They wrongfully invaded his confidential State Department personnel file, just like they did with Kathleen Willey and Linda Tripp. It’s what they do when they are in a crisis mode. No rules apply to them. ...How the campaign aides suddenly had access to Pagliano’s confidential personnel file was not revealed, of course.” (In other words, the

Clinton team is trying to make it look as though Pagliano is hiding a crime of his own, rather than one or more committed by Hillary Clinton.) [81143]

Bill Kristol, editor of *The Weekly Standard*, tells CNN “I doubt I’d support Donald [Trump]. I doubt I’d support the Democrat. I think I’d support getting someone good on the ballot as a third-party candidate.” Kristol suggests former Vice President Dick Cheney and Senator Tom Cotton (R-AR) as “an excellent independent ticket.” [81118]

DailyCaller.com reports, “Carly Fiorina has taken a hard line against Planned Parenthood as a Republican presidential candidate, but in 2005 she invested in a health care website similar to WebMD that touted abortion benefits and directed users to Planned Parenthood. The Revolution Health Group website assured users abortion is safe and directed them to pro-choice groups including Planned Parenthood for more information, but did not link to any pro-life groups or offer a pro-choice perspective. Fiorina joined RHG as an investor and board member when it was founded in 2005. Her campaign did not respond to requests for comment regarding her knowledge of the issue page and whether she supported its message.” (Fiorina has also flip-flopped on the issue of Hillary Clinton. Fiorina’s recent criticism of Clinton has been fierce, but in 2008 she said, “She was a great candidate. She has helped millions of women all over this country. Women of any political party owe a debt of gratitude to Hillary Clinton and I will bet that every woman up here agrees with me.”) [81206, 81207, 81208, 81281, 81282, 81286]

According to *The Wall Street Journal*, Senator Bernie Sanders’ (I-VT) proposals would cost “at least \$18 trillion in new spending over a decade, ...a sum that alarms conservatives and gives even many Democrats pause. Mr. Sanders sees the money as going to essential government services at a time of increasing strain on the middle class. His agenda includes an estimated \$15 trillion for a government-run health-care program that covers every American, plus large sums to rebuild roads and bridges, expand Social Security and make tuition free at public colleges. To pay for it, Mr. Sanders, a Vermont independent [socialist] running for the Democratic nomination, has so far detailed tax increases that could bring in as much as \$6.5 trillion over 10 years, according to his staff.” (With about 315 million people living in the United States, the \$15 trillion averages about \$48,000 per person. But since fewer than half of all Americans are even working, Sanders’ schemes amount to more than \$100,000 per worker.) [81090]

Donald Trump fills the American Airlines Center in Dallas with about 20,000 supporters. He speaks for about 90 minutes (without a teleprompter) about repealing and replacing ObamaCare, the “sanctuary cities crap,” and various other topics. He says Obama “doesn’t know what the hell he’s doing” and warns that “The biggest threat we have is [an Iranian] nuclear global warming, not global warming.” The *Daily Mail* writes, “Chants of ‘USA! USA! USA!’ rang out even as a small group of immigrants’ rights protesters demonstrated outside. ‘We have to build a wall, folks,’ [Trump] said to a crescendo of cheers. ‘We have to build a wall. And a wall works. All you have to do is go to Israel and say, ‘How does your wall work?’” The crowd ate up every word, offering deafening applause. Near the back of the main section of floor seats, two elderly women—one white and another Hispanic—wept as they applauded. ‘I just never thought

I'd see the day when someone would say the things he's saying,' Katherine Trevino said afterward. 'We've waited too long for this, and after eight years of Obama—that man!—in Washington, it's not a minute too soon.'" [81083, 81084, 81085, 81105, 81106, 81137]

On September 15 another undercover video of Planned Parenthood officials and advisors is released. WashingtonExaminer.com notes that they "expressed deep concern about a public relations disaster should the news get out that some of its clinics provide aborted fetal tissue for medical research, in a 10th undercover video released by an anti-abortion investigator. 'Obviously we would have the potential for a huge PR issue by doing this,' said Carolyn Westhoff, who serves as a senior medical adviser to Planned Parenthood." She notes, "We've just been working with people who want particular tissues, like, you know, they want cardiac, or they want eyes, or they want neural. Certainly, everything we provide—oh, gonads! Oh my God, gonads. Everything we provide is fresh." Deb VanDerhei, national director of the Consortium of Abortion Providers, says in the video, "I have been talking to the executive director of the National Abortion Federation, we're trying to figure this out as an industry, about how we're going to manage remuneration, because the headlines would be a disaster." VanDerhei also remarks, "Well, it's... an issue [selling body parts] you might imagine that we're not that comfortable talking about on email." [81095, 81096, 81099, 81108, 81115, 81116, 81128]

Obama issues an Executive Order, "Using Behavioral Science Insights to Better Serve the American People," that calls on federal departments and agencies to "recruit behavior science experts" to improve government programs. DailyCaller.com writes, "The initiative draws on research from University of Chicago economist Richard Thaler and Harvard law school professor Cass Sunstein, who was also dubbed Obama's regulatory czar. The two behavioral scientists argued in their 2008 book 'Nudge' that government policies can be designed in a way that 'nudges' citizens towards certain behaviors and choices. The desired choices almost always advance the goals of the federal government, though they are often couched as ways to cut overall program spending." [81126, 81127]

White House press secretary Josh Earnest says, "We will not accept North Korea as a nuclear state." (Who will break the news to Earnest that North Korea already is a nuclear state is not known.) Meanwhile, the communist nation announces it has restarted its nuclear reactor at Yongbyon and is prepared to use its nuclear weapons against the United States. [81099, 81107, 81130]

Earnest also addresses Russia's troop presence in Syria: "This would not be the first situation in which President [Vladimir] Putin's true motivations are rather hard to discern. The decision-making process in that country is rather opaque." *The New York Times* writes, "The Obama administration was caught off guard by the Kremlin's move into Syria, and Secretary of State John Kerry spoke on Tuesday with Sergey V. Lavrov, the Russian foreign minister, for the third time in recent days to complain that it was unhelpful. But the Americans were still left trying to fathom Mr. Putin's intentions and wonder whether he could be pressed into being a more constructive player on Syria as they said he was during the Iran negotiations." (The Obama administration may have been caught off guard, but almost no one else was. Putin has supported Syrian President



Bashar al-Assad for a long time, and he has no desire to see Syria fall into the hands of radical jihadists. Putin is smart enough not to repeat the mistakes of Obama, whose wrong-headed decisions led to Iraq essentially being taken over by Iran, Egypt's Hosni Mubarak being replaced by Muslim Brotherhood radicals, and Libya descending into chaos after the ouster of Muammar Gaddafi.) [81132]

CNSNews.com reports that Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY) has “signaled plans for a vote on an amendment requiring Iran to recognize Israel’s right to exist and to release U.S. citizens in its custody. Until Tehran meets those two ‘simple benchmarks,’ McConnell said on the Senate floor, Obama must not be allowed to lift sanctions. He characterized his proposed amendment as a way to test whether Democratic senators really care about Israel and human rights, as they claim to do even while blocking a vote that would let the American people know where their respective senators stand on the nuclear deal.” [81135]

BusinessInsider.com writes that while Obama “was busy twisting congressional arms to prevent repudiation of the agreement, the Iranian regime has been systematically humiliating him. Almost immediately, bulldozers began sanitizing the Parchin nuclear complex, where Iran is suspected to have researched the weaponization of nuclear technology—a final taunt to mark the erasure of the United States’ ‘red line’ demand that Iran account for the ‘possible military dimensions’ of its nuclear program. ...Ten days after the deal was announced, Quds Force commander Qasem Soleimani flew to Moscow (in defiance of a U.N. travel ban) to meet with Russian Defense Minister Sergei Shoigu and President Vladimir Putin. In short order, Iranian and Russian military forces began arriving in Syria, apparently to prop up the faltering regime of President Bashar al-Assad. In addition to tanks and drones, the Russians have sent prefabricated housing and mobile air traffic control systems, all the signs of an extended stay. Several weeks after the deal's announcement, Iran's nuclear chief, Ali Akbar Salehi, revealed that Iran had found unexpectedly generous domestic reserves of uranium, which may come in handy someday. The Iranian military unveiled a new generation of surface-to-surface ballistic missiles. And Iranian leaders continue to deny the legitimacy of all U.N. Security Council restrictions on the importation of weapons. ...The Iranian regime’s motives in all this are evident. The demonstration of U.S. impotence has been a long-term goal of Iranian public diplomacy. Their message to people across the Middle East: The United States won’t be here forever to protect you, so it is a mistake to side with them against us. Iran is effectively announcing that it will be more aggressive in the region after the deal, not less. And it has an increased capacity to do so—flush with cash, released from constraints and basking in new legitimacy.” [81144]

Hillary Clinton tweets, “Events in Ferguson stem from structural inequities. We need to acknowledge and confront them to move forward.” (Actually, the events in Ferguson, Missouri stemmed from a young thug who robbed a convenience store and then attacked a police officer who confronted him, followed by the flames of racism being stoked by Obama, then-Attorney General Eric Holder, and race hustler Al Sharpton.) [81100]

At NYPost.com Emily Smith writes, “Talk in Kennedy circles is that Caroline Kennedy [Schlossberg] is furious over the revelation that a longtime confidant of Hillary Clinton’s secretly sabotaged her bid to become a US senator—and Kennedy may seek her revenge by backing veep Joe Biden if he runs for president. In June, leaked emails revealed that Hillary henchman Sidney Blumenthal had orchestrated news stories undermining Caroline while she was vying to be appointed to Hillary’s Senate seat in 2008.” [81140, 81141]

Author John Rappoport (*The Matrix Revealed*) speculates that Donald Trump is doing well in the polls because support for Hillary Clinton, Jeb Bush, or Joe Biden means “you’ll get more of the high-flying soap-opera brain-eating rhetoric that covers the Globalist agenda and Globalist crimes, that signals the pandering for votes.” Rappoport calls them “hollow people” who issue hollow statements: “There cannot be true democracy unless all citizens are able to participate fully in the lives of their country” (Clinton) and, “I think we need to lift our spirits and have high, lofty expectations for this great country of ours” (Bush). “This is the kind of language we’ve become used to,” writes Rappoport. “Grown in a lab, then left to rot. ... So last night Trump strolls into a hall in Dallas, lays down his ten-gallon hat and his six-guns and talks for an hour or so to an audience of 20,000 without a teleprompter. ... He’s letting it all hang out. He’s thinking as he’s talking. He’s remembering all the things he hates about American politics and politicians and bumbling American negotiators. He cuts himself off while talking about trade deals and abruptly launches into an attack on Obamacare and John Kerry and the Iran deal ... He’s all over the map. He’s going to build a great beautiful Trump Wall at the Mexican border for a few billion dollars and Mexico will pay for it and they’ll be happy to pay for it... In the history of America, no politician has ever made a speech like this. Not in front of 20,000 people, not with his big poll numbers.” [81119]

Trump is “talking the way they [most Americans] would, if they dared to. The jobs have gone away. The money has gone away. For half the country, this is Food Stamp America and Welfare America and NAFTA America and hunger America. And Trump seems to be talking about jobs. Money. Better days. He’s not talking about how the country was founded on racist principles [like Senator Bernie Sanders (I-VT)]. He’s not talking about God. He’s talking about people going back to work. And it’s not just what he’s talking about, but how. He’s slinging mud. He’s mocking his opponents. He’s bragging. He’s angry. He’s enjoying himself. He’s off the cuff. He’s a crazy stream of consciousness in a buttoned-up media-tized America. He could load up on coffee and talk for three days straight and turn out a book. ... He’s looking at the US as a business that’s going down the toilet, and he’s going to take it over and fire all the slackers and fakers and dolts and hangars-on and morons and revamp it and send it into orbit. He’s going to slap around the news anchors and the talk-show hosts and the Eastern establishment journalists with their nasal superiority complexes. ... The hollow candidates have nothing. No matter what they say, they’re excreting android public relations energy. They’re cheap realtors with cardboard houses they need to push. They’re like doctors hustling for patients. They’re holding up X-rays and offering drug prescriptions and making false diagnoses at every turn. They’re rubber-glove-wearing grotesqueries standing in the cold half-light of offices

with anatomy charts on the walls. They're death warmed over and death cooled down and death on wheels preaching living death." [81119, 81129]

According to Breitbart.com, Jeb Bush "huddled in secret with a handful of reporters as he's slipping in the polls ahead of the next debate here on Wednesday evening [September 16]... Bush met in private for an off-the-record meeting on Tuesday with RealClearPolitics' Rebecca Berg, the *Washington Examiner's* Byron York, Fox News' John Roberts and CNN's S.E. Cupp. A Republican political insider told Breitbart News: 'Two reporters complained to me today that their editors and producers forced them to attend an off the record pre-debate meeting with Jeb Bush, who is in single digits in all national and state polls. I was also told that the meeting was so low energy and boring that one reporter described it as a 'snooze siesta.' Jeb wavered for five days on whether to hold the gathering but then decided that it would be a mistake not to try and spin tomorrow's loss which will be both in form and substance. The good news is that Jeb spoke to an audience which doubled his last campaign event.'" [81139]

USAToday.com asks, "If Donald Trump wins, what country would you flee to?" and notes the result of a Twitter analysis that somehow determined that 75,000 people in the United States would move to Mexico, 25,000 to Canada, 11,000 to the United Kingdom, 6,000 to Australia, 5,800 to Alaska, followed by Hawaii, Jamaica, Ireland, Sweden. and Brazil. (Alaska and Hawaii are, of course, part of the United States, and Northern Ireland is part of the United Kingdom.) TheGatewayPundit.com observes, "It's hard to imagine a national news outlet like USA Today asking this question about Obama in 2008, isn't it? That's because it never would have happened. Even today, substitute Trump's name with Hillary in the headline... and you'll hear cries of sexism from the left." [81194, 81195]

On *The O'Reilly Factor*, retired Lieutenant Colonel Ralph Peters tells host Bill O'Reilly, "I think you were much, much too soft on ...Obama and a bit too hard on the EU [European Union]. If America doesn't lead, it doesn't happen. And just look at a map of the Middle East. On the last day, on George W. Bush's last day in office, there was broad peace across the Middle East and North Africa, Iraq was finally convalescing, and as you pointed out—Obama promptly, to please his America-hating base, abandons Iraq, backs the Muslim Brotherhood in Egypt, gets rid of [Libya's Muammar] Gaddafi without a plan for what goes after, threatens [Syrian President Bashar al-] Assad—he's gotta go—and then does nothing, draws red lines, does nothing, doesn't listen to the intelligence community when for years they're warning him about the Islamic State coming—then he tries to blame the intelligence community, [and] launches feckless airstrikes. The combination of his fecklessness and cowardice, his rhetorical bravado, and utter incompetence are responsible. The spectacle you're seeing—those refugees, the hundreds of thousands of refugees, the millions in the camps—they're Obama's refugees. The hundreds of thousands of dead—in Syria, Iraq and elsewhere—they're Obama's dead. ...The **two** thousand years of Christian civilization destroyed on his watch! That's on *Obama*. When America doesn't lead, nothing happens." [81340, 81341]

On September 16 CNBC tweets, “BREAKING: Defense officials tell NBC News that US special ops. forces are on ground in Syria assisting Kurdish forces in fight against ISIS.” [81131]

TheDailyBeast.com reports, “Just ‘four or five’ U.S.-trained anti-ISIS forces are currently in the fight against the so-called Islamic State, a top American military official told Congress Wednesday, despite a program that cost as much as \$500 million. It is a staggeringly low number for a program where the Obama administration had initially planned to train 5,400 fighters a year. At this pace of training, United States Central Command Commander Gen. Lloyd Austin told a Senate committee, the U.S. ‘won’t reach the goal we initially established for ourself [sic].” In testimony before the Senate Armed Services Committee, Austin and Under Secretary of Defense for Policy Christine Wormuth gave a relatively rosy picture of the U.S.-led effort to defeat ISIS, characterizing the Syrian train-and-equip program as merely ‘off to a slow start.’ ‘That’s a joke,’ Sen. Kelly Ayotte told Austin, referring to the ‘four or five’ figure. Congress passed a bill to train and equip the Syrian rebels a year ago. The first class of trainees only contained 54 fighters, most of whom fled earlier this summer from their training camp in Turkey.” White House press secretary Josh Earnest later attempts to defend Obama, by rewriting history and arguing that Obama never wanted to train the rebels in the first place and was forced into doing so. [81133, 81235]

Addressing the Business Roundtable, Obama says, “In the echo chamber that is presidential politics, everything is dark and everything is terrible.” Candidates “don’t seem to offer many solutions for the disasters that they perceive, but they’re quick to tell you who to blame.” (Translation: “Poor me, I’m getting criticized by all the Republicans candidates for problems I had nothing to do with over the last six-plus years.”) “I’m here to say there’s nothing particularly patriotic or American about talking down America, especially when we stand as one of the few sources of economic strength in the world.” (Obama most certainly did not follow his own 2015 advice during his 2008 campaign.) [81136, 81176]

Breitbart.com reports that Obama “will apparently test just how far Pope Francis’ notorious tolerance will go by inviting a rogue’s gallery of people opposed to Catholic teaching to greet the pontiff at the White House during his visit next week. In a stunning show of political indecorum, Obama has invited a series of individuals who publicly flout Catholic teaching, including a pro-abortion religious sister, a transgender woman and the first openly gay Episcopal bishop, along with at least two Catholic gay activists.” (Obama’s audacity is monumental. He knows full well that the Pope will put up with the insult, be offended, and do nothing.) [81138, 81116, 81259]

WND.com reports, “Despite the best efforts of CNN, the BBC and other media giants to paint the European migrant crisis as a spontaneous humanitarian crisis fueled by Syria’s civil war, evidence continues to mount to the contrary. On Wednesday full-fledged riots broke out at Hungary’s border with Serbia, where Hungary had just this week finished work on a razor-wire fence to keep the migrants from pouring into its sovereign territory. About 1,500 migrants broke through the fence and were rioting, chanting ‘Allahu Akbar!’

while throwing rocks and bottles and even food at police. Police responded by using tear gas and water cannons to push back the surging crowd. At least 20 police officers were injured in the rioting, which followed Hungary's declaration of a state of emergency on Tuesday. 'That is a response to a surge by the migrants here, they are throwing stones, bottles, rocks, anything they can use as a projectile at police positions,' CNN's Nic Robertson said. 'I've had to move back out of the way. There are quite a lot of riot police. Tempers are running very, very high.' ...Reuters reported that Serbia has been informed by Hungary that the border crossing will be closed for the next 30 days and patrolled by Hungarian Humvees with mounted guns which are moving toward the Serbian border." [81142, 81146, 81153]

Jihad Watch's Robert Spencer notes, "Hijrah, or jihad by emigration, is, according to Islamic tradition, the migration or journey of Muhammad and his followers from Mecca to Yathrib, later renamed by him to Medina, in the year 622 CE. ...To emigrate in the cause of Allah—that is, to move to a new land in order to bring Islam there, is considered in Islam to be a highly meritorious act." [81153]

In Irving, Texas, Ahmed Mohamed, 14-year-old student at MacArthur High School, is arrested and briefly held after showing his teacher an electronic clock he had assembled at home. Because the device looked more like a bomb than a clock, the teacher took the situation seriously and the school called the police. WFAA.com reports, "According to Irving police, Ahmed's case contained a digital clock that the student had taken apart and rearranged. Police said the student had the briefcase in his English class, where he plugged it into an electrical outlet and it started to make noise. Ahmed told WFAA that his English teacher confiscated his case. A few hours later, the student said the principal and school resource officer pulled him out of class and questioned the high school freshman. Officers said Ahmed was being 'passive aggressive' in his answers to their questions, and didn't have a 'reasonable answer' as to what he was doing with the case. Investigators said the student told them that it was just a clock that he was messing around with. ...Ahmed, his father, and attorneys with CAIR [Council on American-Islamic Relations] said they plan to meet with the principal and the police chief on Wednesday afternoon." [81147, 81154, 81155, 81156, 81164, 81177, 81436]

Pamela Geller writes, "This whole thing smells like a set-up. With ISIS in America, and young moderate Muslims are fleeing to Syria to join the terror group, **the Irving school's response was rational and reasonable.** I run news stories on a weekly basis of American Muslim teens arrested for trying to join ISIS. Just this week, a Philly Muslim teen was arrested for a plot to assassinate the Pope on his US visit. Every day we are warned of new terror threats, increased threat levels. But trying to protect schoolchildren is 'islamophobic.' And ...Obama agrees, of course. Yes, he has weighed in." (Apparently the "If you see something, say something!" rule has gone out the window—at least as far as Muslims go. The rule may, however, still be in effect for children whose Pop Tarts are shaped like guns after a few bites, a junior high student who kisses another student on a dare, or a student who says "God bless you" when another sneezes. Absurdly, Obama invites the student to the White House and congratulates him on his ingenuity—as if taking a clock apart and sticking it inside a case involves genius. This *Timeline* agrees

with Geller that the incident may have been orchestrated—probably by CAIR. Of course, the student will not be able to show Obama his clock at the White House—because the TSA probably won't let him take it on the plane. Geller also notes that the student “has a family with a history of supremacist stunts.” His father, Mohamed Elhassan Mohamed—a former hot dog vendor and shari'ah law activist who calls himself a sheikh—is the founder of the Alsufi Center in Dallas.) [81148, 81154, 81155, 81156, 81178, 81211, 81215, 81216, 81223, 81227, 81284, 81350]

There is speculation that Ahmed Mohamed's uncle is Aldean Mohamed, who is the director of a Texas business with the arguably suspicious name, Twin Towers Transportation Corporation. Ahmed Mohamed's sister Eyman states she had been suspended for three days for saying she wanted to blow up the school—a claim she denies. Ahmed Mohamed reportedly has a reputation for causing trouble, claiming religious discrimination, and getting suspended from school. [81265, 81396, 81397, 81411, 81690]

By the end of the day, more than a few web sites provide evidence that student Ahmed Mohamed did not “make the clock” that he brought to school. It appears he simply disassembled a clock and reassembled it inside a small case. At Blogs.Artvoice.com, engineer Anthony writes, “It only took a minute to locate Ahmed's clock [on eBay.com]. Ahmed's clock was invented, and built, by Micronta, a Radio Shack subsidiary. Catalog number 63 756. ...Ahmed Mohamed did not invent, nor build a clock. He took apart an existing clock, and transplanted the guts into a pencil box, and claimed it was his own creation. It all seems really fishy to me. If we accept the story about ‘inventing’ an alarm clock is made up, ...it's fair to wonder what other parts of the story might be made up, not reported factually by the media, or at least, exaggerated.” (Regardless of the boy's motives, he is not a “genius” at building electronic devices. He may, however, be skilled in the art of manipulation.) [81261, 81262, 81263, 81264, 81266, 81269, 81292]

Meanwhile, a student at Seagoville High School (also in Texas) is suspended for violating the dress code by wearing an American flag T-shirt—which could not even be seen because it was under a hooded sweatshirt. (It is assumed Obama will not invite the patriotic Jaegur Goode—who is also a member of the ROTC—to the White House.) [81179]

Hillary Clinton hatchet man David Brock, head of the leftist Media Matters, tells HuffingtonPost.com, “Well, I think the big question [in the GOP debate] tonight is can Jeb [Bush] stand up to [Donald] Trump. My view is that Jeb Bush is the only viable candidate the Republicans have, but the big story of the last few weeks that's gotten much less coverage than the Trump surge or the falling polls for Hillary is Jeb Bush cratering, 3 percent in Iowa, 7 percent in New Hampshire, 10 percent nationally. So if he doesn't stand up, stand out and have a strong performance, I don't know what the Republican establishment does because I don't think Donald Trump is a viable candidate for them, and the longer nobody stands up effectively, the entire field gets discredited.” (This is, of course, reverse psychology. The Clinton team almost certainly believes Bush to be the Republican easiest to defeat in November 2016. Just as the Democrats—and

media leftists—pushed John McCain in 2008 and Mitt Romney in 2012, they will push Bush in 2016.) [81202]

Eleven Republican presidential candidates debate at the Reagan Library in California. Moderator Jake Tapper does his best to provoke confrontations between the candidates, apparently believing it is more important for CNN to get a ratings boost than for the viewing public to know where the candidates stand on the issues. (More than 40 percent of the questions relate to Trump’s statements.) Before the debate begins, as the candidates gather for a group photograph, Jeb Bush stands on his toes so that he will appear taller than Donald Trump. (Bush later claims he was only trying to see his wife in the audience.) Trump is the clear target during the first 30 minutes or so, with Tapper and the other candidates singling him out for attacks. (Most television pundits later declare Carly Fiorina the victor in the event, but who stands to gain or lose in the polls remains to be seen.) [81159, 81160, 81161, 81162, 81168, 81169, 81172, 81173, 81174, 81175, 81115, 81193, 81196]

Bush chides Trump for his July statement, “If my wife were from Mexico, I think I would have a soft spot for people from Mexico” and asks Trump to apologize to his wife, Columba. Trump refuses to do so, saying he said nothing wrong. (DailyCaller.com later notes, “Despite Bush’s apparent irritation, in the opening lines of his 2013 book, ‘Immigration Wars,’ he admitted that his wife Columba had in fact shaped his views on immigration. ‘Immigration to me is personal. It means my wife and my family,’ Bush wrote in the very first two sentences of the book. Two paragraphs later, Bush explains specifically how his wife influenced him on the issue: ‘Thanks to my wife, I became bicultural and bilingual, and my life is better because of it. For the first time in my life, I learned what the immigrant experience was, and I grew to appreciate her desire to learn English and embrace American values, while still retaining her love for the traditions of Mexico.’”) [81197]

Asked what woman she would have on U.S. currency, Carly Fiorina responds, “I wouldn’t change the \$10 bill or the \$20 bill. I think honestly it’s a gesture. I don’t think it helps to change our history. What I would think is that we ought to recognize women aren’t a special interest group. Women are the majority of this nation. We are half the potential of this nation. And this nation will be better off when every woman has the opportunity to live the life she chooses.” Fiorina also addresses the undercover Planned Parenthood videos, saying, “Anyone who has watched this video tape—I dare Hillary Clinton, Barack Obama to watch these tapes. Watch a fully formed fetus on the table, it’s heart beating, it’s legs kicking, while someone says we have to keep it alive to harvest its brain. This is about the character of our nation. And if we will not stand up and force President Obama to veto this bill [defunding Planned Parenthood], then shame on us.” [81165, 81166, 81167, 81170, 81171, 81190, 81230, 81658]

The next day, Clinton dodges a question from CNN’s Wolf Blitzer on whether she has seen the videos, instead criticizing Republicans for wanting to end federal funding of the abortion mill and shut down the government. (Blitzer does not press her to answer the question.) Asked by Blitzer to name her “number one accomplishment as Secretary of

State,” Clinton responds, “...[I]f anybody is interested—you know there is a long list of what I have done and I’m very proud of it. You can read my book ‘Hard Choices.’ Read about how I negotiated a ceasefire between Israel and Hamas. Read about how I put together the coalition that led to international sanctions against Iran. You can read about what I did as first lady to get the children’s health insurance program or as senator working across the aisle on issues like getting better health care for our veterans. You know, this is just the silly season.” [81230, 81234, 81247]

At [CommentaryMagazine.com](http://CommentaryMagazine.com), Noah Rothman later points out that a substantial number of debate viewers probably first heard of the undercover Planned Parenthood videos when Fiorina addressed the subject: “As of August 31, the major three broadcast networks had played a grand total of 1 minute and 13 seconds of the hours of footage exposing this scandal.” [81191]

Tapper asks former Arkansas governor Mike Huckabee, “You’ve called what happened to Kim Davis, that clerk, ‘an example of the criminalization of Christianity.’ There are several people on the stage who disagree with you.” Huckabee responds, “I am here to fight for somebody who is a county clerk elected under the Kentucky constitution that 75 percent of the people of that state had voted for that said that marriage was between a man and a woman. The Supreme Court in a very, very divided decision decided out of thin air that they were just going to redefine marriage. It’s a decision that the other justices in dissent said they didn’t have and there wasn’t a constitutional shred of capacity for them to do it. I thought that everybody here passed ninth-grade civics. The courts cannot legislate. That’s what [Chief Justice John] Roberts said. But heck, it’s what we learned in civics. The courts can’t make a law. They can interpret one. They can review one. They can’t implement it. They can’t force it. If the court can just make a decision and we just all surrender to it, we have what [Thomas] Jefferson said was judicial tyranny. We made accommodation to the Fort Hood shooter to let him grow a beard [in jail]. We made accommodations to the detainees at Gitmo. I’ve been to Gitmo, and I’ve seen the accommodations that we made to the Muslim detainees who killed Americans. You’re telling me that you cannot make an accommodation for an elected Democrat county clerk from Rowan County, Kentucky? What else is it other than the criminalization of her faith and the exaltation of the faith of everyone else who might be a Fort Hood shooter or a detainee at Gitmo.” [81180]

Tapper tries to discredit Trump with a claim that he has linked vaccines to the rise of autism, but Trump replies, “...I’m in favor of vaccines [but we should administer] them over a longer period of time, same amount, but just in little sections. I think you’re going to have—I think you’re going to see a big impact on autism.” Tapper asks Dr. Ben Carson to comment, believing he will slam Trump. Instead, Carson says, “We are probably giving way too many in too short a period of time...” Senator Rand Paul (R-KY), who is also a doctor, says, “I’m all for vaccines, but I’m also for freedom. I’m concerned about how they’re bunched up... I ought to have the right to spread out the vaccines a little bit...” (At [NaturalNews.com](http://NaturalNews.com), Mike Adams notes, “[A] top CDC [Centers for Disease Control] scientist has publicly confessed to taking part in the CDC’s fraudulent cover-up of data linking vaccines to autism in African-Americans. Both the



CDC and the mainstream media—including CNN—have gone to tremendous lengths to censor this news, bury the truth and pretend that vaccines have no links to autism.”) [81181, 81182, 81250]

A reported 22.9 million viewers watch the debate—a record for CNN, but fewer than watched the first debate on Fox News a few weeks earlier. (Many will argue that Trump was responsible for the high ratings of both the Fox and the CNN debates, and that is certainly partly true. But another factor is that millions of Americans simply cannot stand Hillary Clinton—including Democrats—and they want to get a look at what the Republican Party has to offer. In 2008 and 2012 people assumed the Republican nominee would be from “the establishment,” and therefore paid less attention in the early months of the campaigns. But 2016 voters are paying attention *in 2015*, partly because they are fed up with what both the Democrats and the Republicans have done or not done over the last 15 years, and partly because they sense, “This time, it *might* be different.” They are beginning to believe that perhaps the establishment might not be able to shove Clinton and Jeb Bush down their throats and, as a result, they are paying more attention to the process.) [81163]

At Politico.com Gabriel Debenedetti writes, “In a race that lately has turned on who is the most convincing outsider, Carly Fiorina staked a forceful claim on Wednesday night that a political newcomer need not be full of bluster and loose facts to make a mark. Trailing both Donald Trump and physician Ben Carson, her fellow political neophytes, in the polls, Fiorina cast herself as far better-informed on the issues than Trump and more forceful than Carson. She combined her own brand of Trumpian putdowns with a far more detailed command of policy, crisply detailing her approach to bolstering allies, country by country, in the Middle East.” [81145]

While the Republican candidates debate, Obama’s closest advisor, Valerie Jarrett, meets with Black Lives Matter activists, including Brittney Packnett and DeRay McKesson. According to Breitbart.com, “Packnett has six recorded entries of visiting the [White House] long before the protests in Ferguson [Missouri]. She also was among the select group of Ferguson activists that met with Obama in December 2014.” Packnett helped “turn the Ferguson protests into a nationwide movement, after launching a newsletter of information relevant to the protests, spreading the #blacklivesmatter hashtag and helping the movement draft op-eds and documents.” (McKesson has been seen at various protests and demonstrations.) [81200, 81201]

Donald Trump wins a Drudge Report debate “flash poll” with 60 percent of the 453,744 votes. Behind Trump are Carly Fiorina (16 percent), Ted Cruz (5), Marco Rubio (5), Ben Carson (4), Rand Paul (4), Jeb Bush (1), Chris Christie (1), Mike Huckabee (1), John Kasich (1), and Scott Walker (1). [81203]

On September 17, after months of implying it *would* do so, the Federal Reserve announces it will not increase interest rates. (On one hand, pundits and politicians argue the economy is steadily recovering. On the other, an unwillingness to raise interest rates by even 0.25 percent suggests an incredible lack of confidence in the economy. In fact,

the Fed expects growth in the Gross Domestic Product to be between a pathetic 1.8 and 2.2 percent over the long term. The problem faced by the Obama administration and the Federal Reserve is that it can hardly lower an interest rate that is already at zero. Therefore, if the economy were to fall into another recession, there is little that can be done to soften the blow. In more normal times, a recession can prompt a lowering of interest rates to spur spending in an effort to counteract the economic downslide. But when rates are already at zero, almost nothing can be done to encourage individuals and businesses to spend when they are inclined not to do so—beyond a *negative* interest rate, where depositors are charged to store their money in an effort to get them to instead spend it. Another problem with keeping interest rates artificially low is that savers cannot get a decent return on safe investments, like certificates of deposit. In fact, after factoring in inflation, depositors *lose* money. That encourages people to make risky investments in order to receive a better return.) [81183, 81189, 81209, 81280]

Economist Peter Schiff writes, “As I have maintained continuously, rate hike talk from the Fed is just a bluff to disguise its inability to tighten, as even small increases could be sufficient to prick the biggest bubble it has ever inflated. It is no coincidence that the stunning 170% increase in the Dow Jones, that occurred between March 2009 and the end of 2014, happened while the Fed was stimulating the economy almost continuously with QE [Quantitative Easing, the expansion of the money supply], and that the rally came to an abrupt end when the QE stopped in December 2014. The recent 10% correction on Wall Street confirms to me just how sensitive the markets remain to the prospect of any rates higher than zero. ...[T]he monetary medicine that the Fed has doused over the economy since 2008 has only created a weak and utterly dependent economy. A rate hike is supposed to be a signal that the economy has a clean bill of health. But as the patient fails to recover, another dose of QE will be just what the doctor orders.” (That is, if the economy does not improve—or if it falters—the Federal Reserve will again resort to expanding the money supply, creating dollars out of thin air. That will inflate the bubble even more, and when it finally bursts there will be economic disaster.) [81210]

At HillsdaleCollegian.com Vivian Hughbanks reports, “The federal government recently released a comprehensive guide to colleges and universities in the United States—but Hillsdale College is conspicuously absent. Last week, the White House announced the new database of graduate employment and student loan statistics from every institution of higher education in the country. The ‘College Scorecard’ is designed to help prospective students ‘identify which schools provide the biggest bang for your buck.’ ...Hillsdale College, ranked 17th in Kiplinger’s recent list of Best Value Liberal Arts Colleges, is not listed in the database, which is a project of the U.S. Department of Education in cooperation with the White House. ...Though Hillsdale does not accept federal funding, the college does submit some data to be included in analyses of accredited ranking companies such as U.S. News and World Report, which use data from the federal government to generate rankings. ‘At least under the current [Obama] administration,’ said College President Larry Arnn, ‘they refuse to receive it unless we include data about race of students and other things that we have never collected, that is, we have not collected this data for more than 170 years. ...We may be the first institution of any kind

anywhere to commit in its charter to admit students ‘without regard to race, sex, or national origin.’ Never mind that. The federal government demands that we count our students by the color of their skin.” (Other conservative schools that do not accept federal funding are also conspicuously absent from the College Scorecard list. For the record, Hillsdale College—which was founded in 1844—is one of the finest schools in the nation.) [81270, 81271, 81296]

The White House states that Obama will veto legislation that strips Planned Parenthood of federal funding, as well as the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act—which would impose criminal penalties on doctors who do not try to save a baby who “inadvertently” survives an abortion. (Obama apparently believes that a baby who survives an abortion should be allowed to die in a cold steel pan. At least he is consistent. While serving in the Illinois State Senate, Obama—then the chairman of the Health and Human Services Committee—shelved the Born Alive Infant Protection Act to keep it from even being brought up for a vote. His was also the sole vote against the similar Induced Infant Liability Act. At the time, Obama argued that defining “...a pre-viable fetus” who survives an abortion as a “person” or “child would essentially bar abortions, because the Equal Protection Clause does not allow somebody to kill a child, and if this is a child, then this would be an anti-abortion statute.” Obama was essentially arguing, “We can’t call it a person because then we can’t kill it.”) [91, 272, 346, 412, 413, 2262, 81157, 81204, 81248]

The Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals issues rulings upholding lower court decisions barring the federal government from forcing religiously affiliated employers to provide contraceptives and abortifacients via their insurance plans. (In the past, other appeals courts have ruled that ObamaCare can force those employers to act against their religious beliefs. Newsmax.com writes, “The split in the circuit courts... makes it more likely that the U.S. Supreme Court will take up the issue in its coming term, which begins in October and runs through June.” [81184]

In a new book, *Secretary of Peace*, former secretary of the Nobel Peace Prize Committee Geir Lundestad writes, “Even many of Obama’s supporters thought [giving him] the prize was a mistake. ...[T]he committee did not achieve what it hoped for.” [81187, 81188]

Breitbart.com reports, “In a wide-ranging interview with German daily *Die Welt*, the Hungarian Prime Minister [Viktor Orban] revealed he was considering extending the country’s border fence to cover the Croatian and Romanian borders as the migrants look for new routes through Europe. Orban told the paper it was ‘simple mathematics’ that Muslims will overtake Christians as they place greater emphasis on ‘family, children, [and] community cohesion,’ things that Christians no longer seem to value. When asked whether he agreed with Merkel’s position of welcoming migrants, Orban responded: ‘I like the Chancellor’s previous statement: ‘multiculturalism is dead.’ I agree with that. We do not want to follow the multicultural approach.’ He also denied wanting to keep Hungary ethnically pure, saying his concerns hinge on culture: ‘We look back on a very long history and want to carry on as before.’” [81212, 81213, 81214, 81267]

On the subject of the border fence, Orban said he was “expanding the fence now also along part of the Romanian border.” He said Hungary will also need to extend it across the Croatian border, but the decision will ultimately be determined by the route people smugglers take. ...Orban took the opportunity to slam European leaders for trying to impose mandatory quotas of migrants on countries. ‘European leaders do not understand how people think. If refugees in the Near East hear that Europe [has introduced these quotas], they will understand it as an invitation to come.’” Orban warns, “‘Eventually There Will Be More Muslims Than Christians In Europe.’” (Pamela Geller writes, “Well, that’s the point, isn’t it? Immigration jihad. Migration is part of the doctrine of jihad.”) [81212, 81213, 81214, 81267]

Meanwhile, Sheikh Muhammed Ayed tells followers, “We will breed children with them, because we shall conquer their countries—whether you like it or not, oh Germans, oh Americans, oh French, oh Italians, and all those like you. Take the refugees! We shall soon collect them in the name of the coming Caliphate. We will say to you: These are our sons. Send them, or we will send our armies to you.” [81272, 81273]

At JihadWatch.org, Raymond Ibrahim argues that western nations should only accept Christian refugees: “As refugees from the Middle East flood the West, a number of countries—including Hungary, Bulgaria, Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Cyprus, and Australia—are defying political correctness by wanting to accept Christian refugees only. While more ‘progressive’ voices cry ‘racism,’ the fact remains: there are several objective reasons why the West should give priority, if not exclusivity, to Christian refugees—and some of these are actually to the benefit of European host nations. Consider: Christians are true victims of persecution... Muslim persecution of Christians has been further enabled by Western policies, especially those of the Obama administration... Unlike Muslims, or even Yazidis, Christians are easily assimilated in Western countries, due to the shared Christian heritage...” [81217]

Breitbart.com reports, “Hungary detained 29 migrants last night in the aftermath of rioting at its Serbian border, at least one of whom is an identified terrorist, the Prime Minister’s security advisor has confirmed. ...Extraordinary scenes were witnessed at the Roszke-Horgos border crossing last night as 1500 migrants attempted to break through the country’s border fence. Hungarian police were forced to fire tear gas and water cannon as the rioters hurled missiles, including rocks and concrete, while chanting ‘allahu akbar.’” (Croatia is busing refugees to its border with Hungary and is dumping them there. Croatian Prime Minister Zoran Milanovic doesn’t want his nation to become “migrant hotspot”—but he apparently does not mind if other nations do.) [81218, 81219, 81221]

Meanwhile the *Express* reports that “Refugees from Middle Eastern countries—like war-torn Syria—are demanding they are allowed to go to Sweden or Finland because the terms of asylum are more favourable for them. Asylum seeker Marwen el Mohammed said there are two reasons migrants do not want to go to Denmark. Mohammed claimed the first reason is that ‘the salary [welfare benefits] for refugees decreased about 50 per

cent from 10,000 kroner (£1,000) to about 5,000 (£500).’ The second is that Finland and its neighbouring countries allow migrants’ families to join them within two or three months—but under Denmark’s new laws they have to wait a year before they are able to join their loved ones. ...Danish authorities agreed to cut social benefits for new refugees by 50 per cent while foreign nationals must wait at least five years for a permanent residence permit—and they must be able to speak Danish.” (In 2015, beggars apparently can be choosers.) [81220, 81222]

At NYTimes.com Peter Baker writes, “By any measure, ...Obama’s effort to train a Syrian opposition army to fight the Islamic State on the ground has been an abysmal failure. The military acknowledged this week that just four or five American-trained fighters are actually fighting. But the White House says it is not to blame. The finger, it says, should be pointed not at Mr. Obama but at those who pressed him to attempt training Syrian rebels in the first place—a group that, in addition to congressional Republicans, happened to include former Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton. In effect, Mr. Obama is arguing that he reluctantly went along with those who said it was the way to combat the Islamic State, but that he never wanted to do it and has now has been vindicated in his original judgment. The I-told-you-so argument, of course, assumes that the idea of training rebels itself was flawed and not that it was started too late and executed ineffectively, as critics maintain. Either way, it underscored White House sensitivities about the widening Syrian catastrophe. With more than 200,000 killed in the civil war, a wave of refugees flooding into Europe, and Russia now flying in arms and troops, [Obama] finds himself with a geopolitical and humanitarian mess that will most likely not be settled before he leaves office in 16 months.” [81241, 81318]

Jeb Bush holds a post-debate rally in Summerlin, Nevada that is attended by almost no one. In the evening, a Hillary Clinton town hall meeting in New Hampshire also draws few attendees. (The town hall meeting took place after Clinton failed to show up for a planned event at the Laconia Boys and Girls Club—which left 30-35 children angry, disappointed, and crying.) [81225, 81226, 81251, 81252]

At a town hall event in Manchester, New Hampshire, Donald Trump is addressed by a member of the audience who says, “We have a problem in this country and it’s called muslims. We know our current president is one. You know he’s not even an American, birth certificate man!” Trump replies with a laugh, “We need this question? This is the first question?” The man asks, “But anyway, we have training camps growing where they want to kill us. That’s my question. When can we get rid of them?” Trump responds, “We are going to be looking at a lot of different things. And, you know, people are saying that. And a lot of people are saying that bad things are happening out there. We are going to be looking at that and plenty of other things.” Media leftists immediately attack Trump for not defending Obama and “not correcting” the questioner. (Trump ridiculing the questioner was apparently not good enough for the mainstream media—which wanted him to condemn the young man, even though during the 2008 campaign the same media never demanded that Obama condemn Jeremiah Wright for his outrageous statements.) Greg Gutfeld tweets, “We knew who Joe the Plumber was in 5 minutes. But the anti-Muslim questioner still unidentified? Come on. Someone call Kimmel.” (That is, the

questioner may have been a “plant.” In fact, the questioner seems to identify himself as “Bill, from White Plains,” who is a fictional running-joke character from the Don Imus radio program.) [81231, 81232, 81233, 81244, 81258, 81283, 81285, 81294, 81344, 81345, 81359, 81361]

After Hillary Clinton criticizes Trump for not defending Obama and Muslims, BuzzFeed.com’s Andrew Kaczynski later reminds Clinton, via Twitter, of her 2008 distribution of a photograph of Obama wearing Muslim garb in an effort to associate him with Islam. In addition, in a 2008 interview with ABC News, Clinton was asked if she believed Obama was a Muslim. She replied, “No, no. Why would I? There’s nothing to base that on. As far as I know...” (Obama is probably neither a Muslim nor a Christian. He is likely an atheist or an agnostic. His ideology is Marxism, which has no room for organized religion. He is, of course, far more antagonistic toward Judaism and Christianity than Islam—toward which he has a cultural affinity.) [81244, 81245, 81246, 81253, 81360]

Trump tweets, “Am I morally obligated to defend [Obama] every time somebody says something bad or controversial about him? I don’t think so!” “This is the first time in my life that I have caused controversy by NOT saying something.” “If someone made a nasty or controversial statement about me to [Obama], do you really think he would come to my rescue? No chance!” “If I would have challenged the man, the media would have accused me of interfering with that man’s right of free speech. A no win situation!” “Christians need support in our country (and around the world), their religious liberty is at stake! Obama has been horrible, I will be great.”) [81294]

GodfatherPolitics.com later asks, “Yet out of this whole incident, the thing I find most interesting is not Trump’s non-apology, but the fact that none of the lefty reporters who were on hand sought this guy out before he left the event. If they really wanted to do a ‘gotcha’ piece to show how ‘crazy’ Trump supporters really are, wouldn’t at least one of them interview this guy? The Left is always trying to make anyone on the right look crazy, or find the one loon in a crowd of reasonable conservatives to attempt to paint the whole crowd as such. So why did they just let this guy go instead of trying to corral him before he left the event? Clearly he was not indicative of the crowd. A gentleman who was at the event called into Sean Hannity and said that after the guy said what he said, they all turned to one another and said, ‘Who brought the crazy guy?’ ...Could it be that this guy was a Democrat plant? Or heck, even one from the RNC. He sounded so stereotypically stupid and paranoid. It’s exactly what the Left thinks a right wing nut looks and sounds like. ...I don’t think the guy was a plant. More than likely he was just a loon who was more animated than those around him, so he was chosen to speak. I still think it odd that no one sought him out after the event as further proof of how crazy Trump supporters are, but there is still plenty of time left. Maybe he’ll show up again.” [81345]

Carly Fiorina and Donald Trump both have 22 percent in a post-debate poll by Gravis Marketing for One America News Network, followed by Senator Marco Rubio (15 percent), Ben Carson (12 percent), Senator Ted Cruz (6), Jeb Bush (6), Chris Christie (4),

John Kasich (4), Scott Walker (3), Mike Huckabee (2), Rand Paul (2), Rick Santorum (1), and Jim Gilmore, Bobby Jindal, George Pataki, and Lindsey Graham all with less than one percent. [81238, 81239, 81240]

A Morning Consult poll shows Donald Trump with 36 percent, followed by Ben Carson (12), Carly Fiorina (10), Marco Rubio (9), Ted Cruz (7), Jeb Bush (6), Chris Christie (6). [81255]

At DailySignal.com Dr. Michael Koriwchak warns, “Oct. 1, 2015 is a red letter day that will bring the biggest single change to medical billing in the last 30 years (thanks to Congress). ...The current medical coding system, which has been in place for decades, has had successive updates built on the one before in a logical sequence. But the new coding system, named ICD-10, will be a complete break from the nine versions before it. ...To get paid, a doctor must properly log any work done, along with the reason it was done (the diagnosis) with an assigned code chosen from huge manuals containing tens of thousands of codes. Medical coding is complex and has no room for error... Pick the wrong code and a doctor will not get paid. Pick too many wrong codes over time and a doctor might be investigated by the government. Over the years an entire industry has sprung up dedicated solely to medical coding. The number of codes has increased from about 15,000 to almost 70,000 and no code that appears in ICD-9 is valid in ICD-10. Decades of coding experience will be carelessly tossed out the window, leaving many doctors to spend precious time figuring the new system out, rather than actually treating their patients. ...The supporters of ICD-10 and the big data it [creates] seem to think that once the system is in place and petabytes of data are collected, medical advances will just fall from the sky. I’m not holding my breath. ...A completely new coding system was conceived because bureaucrats and academicians fancy themselves worthy of conscripting the rest of us into uncompensated data collection and IT vendors will make a handsome profit.” [81192]

Secretary of the Interior Sally Jewell refuses to testify before Congress about the investigation of the toxic spill caused by the Environmental Protection Agency at Colorado’s Gold King Mine in August. EPA head Gina McCarthy does show up for the hearing, and incurs the wrath of various Congressmen, such as Jody Hice (R-GA), who says, “In the interest of fairness to the American people who have experienced the wrath of the EPA for much smaller... accidents than this, I think it’s only appropriate that you would resign as a statement of fairness for what Americans have experienced for much smaller incidents. ...There ought to be equal consequences for the EPA as there are for private citizens, and I cannot believe for one minute the EPA would not aggressively go after... a private company who was involved in cleaning up a potential environmental hazard.” (DailyCaller.com notes, “Hice’s call for McCarthy to resign comes after another Republican called for the EPA’s chief’s impeachment, claiming she committed perjury while testifying before Congress this year. ‘Perjury and making false statements to Congress are an affront to the fundamental principles of our republic and the rule of law, and such behavior cannot be tolerated,’ Arizona Rep. Paul Gosar wrote to fellow Republicans looking for support for his resolution.”) [81198, 81342]

According to DailyCaller.com, the State Department still refuses to acknowledge whether Hillary Clinton signed a Classified Information Nondisclosure Agreement (Special Form 312) when she left the department in February 2013. (The form is a declaration that the employee has turned over all classified information in her possession.) [81199]

Politico.com comes to Hillary Clinton's defense, listing 20 of her "greatest accomplishments"—provided by key Democrats. Among them: "Her China speech on women." "Her role in killing Osama bin Laden." "Management of the State Department." Being an "inspirational figure for billions of women around the globe." "Rebuilding America's leadership and prestige overseas after the Bush years." "Crippling sanctions against Iran." (The list does not include "Hosing down bimbo eruptions"—but that is arguably an activity, not an accomplishment.) [81224]

Michelle Obama's office announces that the new White House florist will be Hedieh Ghaffarian, an immigrant from Iran. (NYTimes.com notes, "The previous florist, Laura Dowling, who had been in the position since... 2009, abruptly departed in March. The White House eventually issued a statement praising Ms. Dowling's work, calling it 'always lively and colorful' and saying it reflected 'not only the season but the unique and historic rooms which they graced.' But several news organizations reported that Ms. Dowling had been escorted off the grounds, and people close to the situation reported clashes between Ms. Dowling and others inside the White House residence, where the florist works.") [81205]

NYTimes.com reports, "White House officials announced the start of a nationwide campaign on Thursday to encourage legal immigrants to become American citizens, which could add millions of voters to the electorate in time for the presidential election next year. With about 8.8 million legal residents in the country who are eligible to become citizens, White House officials said they were trying to make it easier to complete the final steps to citizenship. The United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, the federal agency in charge of naturalizations, will offer practice tests on cellphones for the civics exam that immigrants must pass, but which many find daunting, and will hold preparatory workshops in rural areas." (The citizenship test is actually quite easy.) [81228]

Congressman Paul Gosar (R-AZ) announces he will not be present when Pope Francis addresses Congress: "Many believed, like I did, that this was an opportunity for the Pope to be one of the world's great religious advocates and address the current intolerance of religious freedom. An opportunity to urgently challenge governments to properly address the persecution and execution of Christians and religious minorities; to address the heinous and senseless murders committed by ISIS and other terrorist organizations. An opportunity to address the enslavement, belittlement, rape and desecration of Christian women and children; to address the condoned, subsidized, intentionally planned genocide of unborn children by Planned Parenthood and society; and finally, an opportunity for His Holiness to refocus our priorities on right from wrong. Media reports indicate His Holiness instead intends to focus the brunt of his speech on climate change—a climate that has been changing since first created in Genesis. More troubling is the fact that this



climate change talk has adopted all of the socialist talking points, wrapped false science and ideology into ‘climate justice’ and is being presented to guilt people into leftist policies. If the Pope stuck to standard Christian theology, I would be the first in line. If the Pope spoke out with moral authority against violent Islam, I would be there cheering him on. If the Pope urged the Western nations to rescue persecuted Christians in the Middle East, I would back him wholeheartedly. But when the Pope chooses to act and talk like a leftist politician, then he can expect to be treated like one.” [81242]

“...The earth’s climate has been changing since God created it, with or without man. On that, we should all agree. In Pope Francis’ encyclical on the environment (written with the consultation of that great seminary the EPA and its embattled head Gina McCarthy), he condemned anyone skeptical of the link between human activity and climate change and adopted the false science being propagated by the Left. If the Pope wants to devote his life to fighting climate change then he can do so in his personal time. But to promote questionable science as Catholic dogma is ridiculous. ...If the Pope plans to spend the majority of his time advocating for flawed climate change policies, then I will not attend. It is my hope that Pope Francis realizes his time is better spent focusing on matters like religious tolerance and the sanctity of all life. As the leader of the Catholic Church, and as a powerful voice for peace throughout the world, His Holiness has a real opportunity to change the climate of slaughter in the Middle East... not the fool’s errand of climate change.” [81242]

Senate Democrats block an amendment that would require Iran to release four captive Americans and recognize Israel’s right to exist before the Obama-Kerry nuclear agreement would be permitted to proceed. (HotAir.com’s Ed Morrissey observes, “Both parties in this case made errors. Mitch McConnell would have done better to restrict the amendment to the fate of US hostages, whose disregard in these talks is indefensible. Recognition of Israel by the mullahs not only is a poison pill, but who’d believe them if they actually complied? Its inclusion allowed Democrats a political out for blocking it. Strategically, though, the filibuster of this bill will be a disaster for Democrats. Why not have a floor vote? Obama would veto the bill, and Democrats have more than enough votes in both chambers to sustain it. Instead, they made themselves look weak and craven for no difference in outcome in protection of a President whose name is already all over this deal. It’s an incredibly dumb move, one that some Democrats will regret when they stand for re-election.” [81236, 81249]

House Republicans encourage Senate Republicans to change the rules to eliminate the 60-vote threshold to prevent Democrats from filibustering substantive legislation. (The Senate can change its procedural rules; most are not defined in the U.S. Constitution. By eliminating the filibuster, the Senate can force Obama to sign legislation or issue a veto. For more than six years Obama has avoided taking controversial stands because Senate Democrats have kept legislation from reaching his desk. Even though the Democrats have used the “nuclear option” in the past to avoid filibusters, Republicans have lacked the courage to follow suit. But the Republican leaders cannot continue to play the “after the next election” game forever; their having done so for years is precisely why Donald Trump, Ben Carson, and Carly Fiorina are doing well in the polls and Jeb Bush and other

“establishment” candidates are not. If Republicans are afraid to go on the offense *when they have a majority in both the House and the Senate*, they arguably serve very little purpose. Giving Obama what he wants—including a nuclear Iran—without putting up a fight is hardly a way to demonstrate leadership or build support for the next election. Playing not to lose is why the Chicago Cubs have not won a World Series Championship since 1908.) [81237]

The Dow Jones Industrial Average closes at 16,674 (down 65 points, or 0.39 percent).

On September 18 U.S. District Court Judge David Bury rules that the issue of Operation Fast and Furious should not be brought up at the trial of the killer of Border Agent Brian Terry—despite the fact that the weapon was obtained via the absurd “gunwalking” scheme concocted by the Obama administration to gin up support for gun control legislation. [81288]

WashingtonTimes.com reports, “A federal appeals court has struck down as unconstitutional several of the District’s [Washington, D.C.’s] handgun registration laws, including requirements that gun owners reregister firearms every three years and a prohibition on registering more than one pistol per month. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the District ruled 2-1 in the case Friday, upholding six challenged gun registration provisions but striking four others—a victory for Second Amendment advocates who describe the District’s gun laws as the most restrictive in the country.” [81243]

Obama, apparently wanting to push every envelope as much as he can in his last during his remaining months in office, selects an openly gay national security specialist, Eric Fanning, to be Secretary of the Army. Fanning has never serve din the Armed Forces. [81310, 81311]

Donald Trump posts a strong position on the Second Amendment that will please voters who are worried that their gun rights are under threat from Democrats. He states in part, “The Second Amendment to our Constitution is clear. The right of the people to keep and bear Arms shall not be infringed upon. Period. The Second Amendment guarantees a fundamental right that belongs to all law-abiding Americans. The Constitution doesn’t create that right—it ensures that the government can’t take it away. Our Founding Fathers knew, and our Supreme Court has upheld, that the Second Amendment’s purpose is to guarantee our right to defend ourselves and our families. This is about self-defense, plain and simple. ... We need to get serious about prosecuting violent criminals. The Obama administration’s record on that is abysmal. Violent crime in cities like Baltimore, Chicago and many others is out of control. Drug dealers and gang members are given a slap on the wrist and turned loose on the street. This needs to stop.” [81254, 81260, 81305]

CNN’s Suzanne Malveaux asks Hillary Clinton to comment on Donald Trump’s response to a town hall event questioner who suggested Obama is a Muslim. Clinton says, “I was appalled. Not only was it out of bounds, it was untrue. He should have from the beginning corrected that kind of rhetoric, that level of hatefulness.” (Aside from the fact

that Clinton's 2008 campaign was not above dropping hints about Obama's religion and background, Clinton does not explain why it is "hateful" to call someone a Muslim. Clinton apparently believes Muslims should be ashamed of their religion.) [81303, 81304]

The House of Representatives votes 241-187 to defund Planned Parenthood for one year, while Congress investigates its practices. The Born Alive Infant Protection Act is approved by a 248-177 vote. (Obama has promised to veto both bills if they reach his desk. Reverend Franklin Graham states that if Obama vetoes the legislation "it will be at his own peril and the blood of those children who are butchered at Planned Parenthood will be on his hands.") Amazingly, ABC and NBC report on the vote without mentioning the undercover videos that prompted the outrage against Planned Parenthood. [81256, 81338, 81339, 81381]

In a Voter Gravity poll in New Hampshire, Carly Fiorina takes a 22-18 percent lead over Donald Trump. Ben Carson has 10 percent; all other candidates have less than 10 percent. [81257]

Rush Limbaugh suggests the mainstream media is hyping Carly Fiorina in order to oust Donald Trump from the race: "[T]hey want to get rid of Trump. It's not that they like her. This is the mistake people are making. It's not that they like Fiorina. They never liked [John] McCain [either]. They just made him think they did and everybody else. They don't like any Republican. ...Do not mistake this. Look, this is very, very important for everybody to understand. And the reason it's very, very important, is this is how they [in the media] choose our nominees for us. This is how they choose our candidates for us, by making us think they like them. ...After this [debate] performance they're hyping Fiorina, for a whole host of reasons, primarily to get rid of Trump. But the media is not ever going to like any of our [Republican] nominees, and they're never going to support any of them in a presidential election. So it's important to understand when you watch this, it's not that they love Carly Fiorina. They love what supporting her now might enable to them to accomplish, and that is get rid of a Republican who can win. That's what's going on here. Not hard to see." [81293]

At Breitbart.com Frank Gaffney comments on the "clock boy" controversy: "The purported injustice of this story—laced with the implication that it all happened because Ahmed is a Muslim—has made him an instant celebrity, winning fawning treatment from MIT to Stephen Colbert to the White House. The facts, however, suggest this may have been a provocation. For starters, building and bringing to school what sure looked like a trigger for an improvised briefcase bomb would predictably raise an alarm. It appears, the "clock" Mohamed brought to school this week was not the first of his circuit boards to look ominously like an improvised explosive device trigger. In fact, a photograph of one circulated by the *Dallas Morning News* was virtually indistinguishable from a circuit board used in a commercially available device used to train law enforcement and military personnel regarding how to identify IEDs. ...Under the circumstances and in accordance with protocols adopted in Irving—and in school districts across America to protect students and faculty from the sorts of attacks that have resulted in mass murders in

several instances, Ahmed was taken into custody. The photograph of him in handcuffs that has gone viral, however, was not taken as he was escorted from the high school. Rather, it was staged after his father insisted at the police station that the cuffs remain on so his sister could take the picture.” [81268]

“In very short order, the family was under management by the Council on American Islamic Relations (CAIR), an organization established—ironically, in a federal prosecution conducted in nearby Richardson, Texas—to be a Muslim Brotherhood-associated fundraising and political warfare arm for the designated terrorist group, Hamas. Ahmed lawyered up and he and his family were no-shows for scheduled meetings with school officials and with the police chief and Irving Mayor Beth Van Duyne. In fact, at the very hour the latter meeting was supposed to occur, the Mohameds and their Islamic supremacist handlers were instead holding a press conference. In the course of the presser, the family made clear that their beef wasn’t with the Irving school district or the police. It was with the city’s political leadership, starting with Mayor Van Duyne. ...Mayor Van Duyne has been a prime target of the Muslim grievance industry in Texas—a fixture of the Islamists’ large and aggressive operations in the state and elsewhere—ever since last spring when she opposed the establishment of an Islamic tribunal [that is, a Shari’ah law court] in her city.” (Because of Facebook and Twitter threats, Van Duyne is now under police protection.) [81268, 81287]

“...What is clear... is that in the aftermath of the predictable response to Ahmed’s actions, it has turned into an extraordinarily successful campaign of disinformation and political warfare against an American community and its courageous and honorable mayor, the Irving school district and local law enforcement. Either way, this larger campaign must be recognized for what it certainly is, and repudiated, not applauded—not only by protective parents of school-age children, but by patriotic Americans across the country who are opposed to Islamic supremacism and the threat it poses to us all.” [81268]

Speisa.com reports, “A tax-financed luxury living with free housing, sky high welfare benefits and their own ‘blonde beauty’ as a girlfriend. These are some of the promises that immigrants from the Arab world currently are receiving to make a pilgrimage to Sweden, according to a investigative report in Dala-Demokraten. Right now, over a thousand immigrants a day, most of whom are men, are seeking asylum in Sweden.” [81289, 81290, 81291]

On September 19 Reverend Franklin Graham slams Obama’s guest list for the Pope’s coming visit, writing on Facebook, “It’s wise of the Vatican to question ...Obama’s guest list for the Pope’s visit next week—that list should raise a lot of eyebrows! The Wall Street Journal says those invited to the Pope’s welcome celebration include transgender activists, the first openly gay U.S. Episcopal bishop, and an activist nun whose organization supports abortion. This is disgraceful and obviously inappropriate. Is there no end to the lengths [Obama] will go to in order to push his sinful agenda?” (China’s president, Xi Jinping, is also visiting the White House and will be honored with a state

dinner on September 25. It is assumed that Obama has not invited Chinese dissidents—or the Dalai Lama—to the event.) [81295]

Pope Francis visits Cuba, where President Raul Castro praises him for denouncing capitalism. (The Pope is scheduled to arrive in Washington, D.C. on September 22.) [81297]

The *Express* reports that “of the astonishing 213,000 arrivals the EU [European Union] logged between April and June, only 44,000 were fleeing the war-torn state” of Syria. [81298, 81299, 81300]

Meanwhile, an estimated 12,000-13,000 migrants enter Austria—on one day. Croatian Prime Minister Zoran Milanovic states, “We cannot register and accommodate these people any longer. They will get food, water and medical help, and then they can move on. The European Union must know that Croatia will not become a migrant ‘hotspot.’ We have hearts, but we also have heads.” [81323]

On Facebook, former Alaska governor Sarah Palin writes, “Yep, believing that’s a clock in a school pencil box is like believing Barack Obama is ruling over the most transparent administration in history. Right. That’s a clock, and I’m the Queen of England.” Rock legend Ted Nugent tweets, “Obama is a Christian & I’m a gay vegetarian pirate.” [81309, 81312]

WashingtonTimes.com reports, “Former Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton’s top aides have belatedly turned over more than 100,000 pages of emails they had kept on personal email accounts, or accounts tied to Mrs. Clinton’s server, the government told a federal judge late Friday. Huma Abedin turned over an estimated 23,000 pages of emails, Philippe Reines gave back 70,000 pages of messages and Cheryl Mills returned somewhere in the neighborhood of 11,870 pages, the Obama administration told Judge Rudolph Contreras in a court filing.” (Whether the emails were screened by Clinton staffers before they were turned over is not known, but it is certainly likely.) [81301]

Jake Brewer, husband of conservative columnist Mary Katherine Ham, is killed in a bicycling accident while raising money for the fight against cancer. (Obama manages to turn the tragedy into an excuse to mention himself, writing, “I am heartbroken at the tragic loss... I’ve often said that today’s generation is smarter, more determined, and more capable of making a difference that I was as a young man.” [81307, 81308, 81329]

Mark Steyn writes, “As the week ended, Obama's palace guard in the American media were demanding that every other Republican candidate distance himself from Donald Trump’s failure to correct, among thousands of attendees at his events, one who apparently is under the reprehensible illusion that the President is a Muslim. ... Unlike Hillary Clinton’s under-attended ‘rallies,’ a voter doesn’t have to undergo a background check or sign a piece of paper pledging to support her in the election before being permitted into a Republican candidate’s presence. So at our campaign events there are all

kinds of people with all kinds of views—and it goes without saying I won't agree with them all. If you [in the media] find that odd, maybe you've been covering Hillary too long. ...I'll answer your question to me about Donald Trump's gaffe after you ask Bernie Sanders, Martin O'Malley, Lincoln Chafee and Joe Biden about Hillary Clinton's server and how she handled Benghazi. Till then, get lost." [81317]

"As to respect for the office, [Obama] is so respectful of the papacy that his White House reception for Pope Francis will be filled with gay bishops, transgender activists and pro-abortion nuns. Apparently His Holiness is expected to have a thicker skin about dissenting voices than King Barack. ...If I understand you shrill little twerps correctly, I'm supposed to point out to this guy in New Hampshire that [Obama] is not a Muslim but a Christian. Well, his father and step-father were both Muslims, which means, as far as Islam is concerned, he was born a Muslim. Has he renounced it? ...As to whether he's a Christian, have you asked him whether he has attended even semi-regularly any church other than that of Jeremiah ('God damn America') Wright? ...Oh, and one other thing. This kind of super-fake-o lame-ass nothing controversy that you dowager duchesses of the press are having the vapors about is precisely why the political process has fallen into such disrepute and your own industry is bankrupt. No real person cares about this 'scandal.' So, unless you've got a question about the economy or immigration or something real, screw off outta here." [81317]

Obama attends the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation's 45th Annual Legislative Conference Phoenix Awards Dinner, and praises women who "were the foot soldiers. Women strategized boycotts. Women organized marches. Even if they weren't allowed to run the civil rights organizations on paper, behind the scenes they were the thinkers and the doers making things happen each and every day, doing the work that no one else wanted to do. Women made the movement happen. ...[But] we're not here just to celebrate; we're here to keep going, because with the unemployment rate for African Americans still more than double than whites, with millions of families still working hard waiting to feel the recovery in their own lives, we know that the promise of this nation—where every single American regardless of the circumstances in which they were born, regardless of what they look like, where they come from—has the chance to succeed, that promise is not yet fulfilled." (What Obama has done to try to alleviate those problems during his six years in the White House is not clear.) [81506, 81507, 81508]

"If we keep moving forward, hand in hand, God willing," says Obama, "my daughters' children will be able to cross that bridge in an America that's more free, and more just, and more prosperous than the one that we inherited." (Why his daughters or his daughters' children will not experience freedom is not explained.) "And then there are some of the challenges that are harder to see and to talk about, although Michelle, our outstanding beautiful First Lady talks about these struggles. Michelle will tell stories about how when she was younger people telling her she shouldn't aspire to go to the very best universities. And she found herself thinking sometimes maybe they're right. Even after she earned two degrees from some of the best universities in America, she still faced the doubts that are rooted in deep social prejudice and stereotypes." (Michelle Robinson Obama did not suffer from her race; she benefitted from it. She took advantage of

affirmative action programs to attend Princeton—where she penned a racist thesis that clearly demonstrated she lacked the abilities to succeed without such assistance.) Astoundingly, Obama claims, “And those stereotypes—social pressures—still effect our girls.” (His daughters attend an expensive private school, have millionaire parents, will be able to attend any college or university of their choosing, and will have red carpets rolled out for them by thousands of businesses offering jobs—and Obama still finds something to bellyache about.) [81506, 81507, 81508]

On September 20, at Townhall.com, Doug Giles comments on the “clock boy” incident: “This was set up so that the rightful and proper response of the school and police could be used to claim ‘victim-hood’ and ‘Islamophobia’ for this little pawn. This is how Islamists take advantage of the tolerance of Western Civilization. They conduct suspicious acts to see how people will react (on planes, on the street, in schools, in malls) and then cry ‘racism’ and ‘Islamophobia’ if they get in trouble. If they don’t get caught, then they know what they can get away with. If they do get caught, their false cries of bigotry shame those around them into ignoring their suspicious activities—at their own peril. The media coverage of yesterday’s ‘rally’ in support of him shows every element of these tactics. Irving [Texas] has become a ground-zero for Islamism to try to embed themselves. Their self-appointed ‘sharia court’ was rightfully shut down by the city council, and now they’re going to make Irving pay. Thankfully for Irving, they have a mayor and city council with backbone. Let’s hope your city does when the Islamists try to move in. Otherwise, you can look to the Islamic ghettos of Europe to see your future. This little ‘victim’ will end up at a madrasa, paid for by all of the fools who are donating money to him—where he’ll eventually learn to build the real thing.” [81302]

NYTimes.com reports, “Rampant sexual abuse of children has long been a problem in Afghanistan, particularly among armed commanders who dominate much of the rural landscape and can bully the population. The practice is called bacha bazi, literally ‘boy play,’ and American soldiers and Marines have been instructed not to intervene—in some cases, not even when their Afghan allies have abused boys on military bases, according to interviews and court records. ...The policy of instructing soldiers to ignore child sexual abuse by their Afghan allies is coming under new scrutiny, particularly as it emerges that service members... have faced discipline, even career ruin, for disobeying it.” White House press secretary Josh Earnest dodges a question on the issue, telling reporters, “For the rules of engagement and the kind of structure that’s in place to guide the relationship between the United States and Afghan members of the military, I’d refer you to the Department of Defense for that.” (Remarkably, Green Beret Charles Martland was discharged from the Army for confronting an Afghan police commander who repeatedly raped a boy over a period of more than 10 days and beat his mother.) [81354, 81355, 81356, 81369, 81384, 81444, 81581, 81593, 81625, 81883, 82114]

Secretary of State John Kerry announces that the United States will accept 100,000 refugees per year by 2017, up from its current limit of 70,000. Kerry states, “This step is in keeping with America’s best tradition as a land of second chances and a beacon of hope. And it will be accompanied by continued financial contributions to the

humanitarian effort—not only from the U.S. government, but from the American people. The need is enormous, but we are determined to answer the call.” [81306, 81324, 81328]

On *Meet the Press*, Chuck Todd asks Donald Trump if he would “support a Muslim president.” Trump replies, “Would I be comfortable? I don’t know if we have to address it right now. Some people have said it already happened.” (The question is, of course, absurd. With dozens of significant issues in the minds of Americans, program moderator Chuck Todd asks not about job creation but instead tosses out a feeble “gotcha” question that serves no purpose but to suggest to viewers that Obama’s opponents are bigots.) [81313, 81325]

On *This Week*, George Stephanopoulos does his best to make Trump look like a bigot, asking if Muslims “are a problem in this country?” “What is the problem specifically?” and, “So then what specifically is the problem with the Muslims in the United States that you want to address as president?” Trump points out, “[T]here’s a problem with certain militants that obviously you report on every night on your newscasts. But there’s a problem with militancy and it is something that’s going to have to be solved. And I don’t mean a problem here, I mean this is a worldwide problem.” [81316, 81326, 81334]

On *State of the Union*, Jake Tapper also press Trump on the issue of Islam, asking, “You are a leader. You’re the frontrunner in the Republican race. Do you not have a responsibility to call out this hatred?” Trump responds that being politically correct would be wrong, and asks Tapper, “Are you trying to say we don’t have a problem? Because I think everybody would agree... we certainly do have a problem. I mean, you have a problem throughout the world.” Tapper: “What’s the problem?” Trump: “Well, you have radicals that [sic; who] are doing things. I mean, it wasn’t people from Sweden that [sic; who] blew up the World Trade Center, Jake.” [81334]

Also on *Meet the Press*, Chuck Todd pushes the Muslim meme by asking Ben Carson if a Muslim should be president. Carson responds, “I would not advocate that we put a Muslim in charge of this nation. I absolutely would not agree with that.” Carson properly notes that Islam (that is, Islamic Shari’ah law) is not consistent with the U.S. Constitution.” Congressman Keith Ellison (D-MN), a Muslim, issues a statement: “For Ben Carson, Donald Trump, or any other Republican politician to suggest that someone of any faith is unfit for office is out of touch with who we are as a people. It’s unimaginable that the leading GOP presidential candidates are resorting to fear mongering to benefit their campaigns, and every American should be disturbed that these national figures are engaging in and tolerating blatant acts of religious bigotry.” (It was not Trump or Carson, of course, who raised the issue; it was NBC’s Todd and ABC’s Stephanopoulos—in an obviously coordinated effort to portray the GOP candidates as bigots. Ellison’s remark that Trump and Carson are resorting to “fear-mongering” reveals the risk of such media questions, because most voters *agree* with Trump and Carson.) [81319, 81322, 81327, 81349, 81440]

Pamela Geller observes, “Candor about Islam will guarantee you the hot seat at the center of a media firestorm. The GOP is the only one of the two parties that will even discuss



the 800-pound elephant in the room: jihad and Muslim terrorism. Islamic supremacists and their leftist lapdogs in the media are waging their own jihad to silence this debate, and it is critical that we push back and support candidates who dare to speak against the gravest threat to our national security. ...But we (and Mr. Carson) are not talking about the religious component of Islam. Islam is not just a religion. It is a comprehensive system which deals with all aspects of human life and behavior; legal, religious, dietary, political, et al. It is political Islam that poses a threat to our national security.” [81320]

At JihadWatch.org Robert Spencer writes, “In the meantime, what really should be the focus of the public debate is not whether or not there is a ‘problem’ with ‘some Muslims,’ but whether or not Trump is at all equipped to deal with it. After he denounced our free speech event in Garland, Texas, last May, it is not at all clear that he understands the jihad imperative or the war against free speech, or is at all equipped to counter them. But mainstream media reporters are so abjectly clueless and compromised that no one is going to challenge him about that.” [81325]

In a CNN/ORC poll, Donald Trump falls from 32 to 24 percent. Carly Fiorina moves up, with 15 percent, followed by Ben Carson (14), Senator Marco Rubio (11), Jeb Bush (9), Senator Ted Cruz (6), Mike Huckabee (6), Senator Rand Paul (4), Chris Christie (3), Ohio Governor John Kasich (2), Rick Santorum (1). With even less than one percent are Jim Gilmore, Louisiana Governor Bobby Jindal, George Pataki, and Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker. [81314]

On *Face the Nation*, Hillary Clinton is asked softball questions by John Dickerson, including, “Give us three words that is [sic] the real Hillary Clinton.” Clinton replies, “Just three? I can’t possibly do that. I mean look, I am a real person with all the pluses and minuses that go along with being that. And I’ve been in the public eye for so long, that I think—you know it’s like the feature that you see in some magazines sometimes. Real people actually go shopping, you know?” Dickerson also says, “Everybody wants an outsider, and that kind of puts you in a fix... tell us why it doesn’t put you in a fix.” Clinton—who certainly knows that Donald Trump, Ben Carson, and Carly Fiorina are popular because they are not Washington, D.C. insiders—responds, “I can’t imagine anyone being more of an outsider than the first woman president. I mean really. Think about that.” Dickerson quickly collapses—despite her point being absurd—and says, “I agree.” (Dickerson does not ask Clinton if Muslims are a problem or if a Muslim could be president—although those seem to be questions that must be asked of Republican candidates.) [81315, 81330, 81335, 81337]

Clinton tells Dickerson, “I would like to see us move from what is a good start with 10,000 to 65,000 [Syrian refugees] and begin immediately to put into place the mechanisms for vetting the people that we would take in.” (There are no such mechanisms.) [81351]

WND.com reports, “With world attention removed from the rise of ISIS in Afghanistan, there is mounting concern that its capital, Kabul, will fall after U.S. troops leave at the end of 2016, according to a new report in Joseph Farah’s G2 Bulletin. ‘Kabul will fall

within days of us leaving,' declared a U.S. intelligence official in Afghanistan who requested anonymity told G2 Bulletin. In an interview, he said major jihadi groups have now sworn allegiance to ISIS, and the Taliban increasingly shows signs of following suit with the recent discovery that the reclusive Taliban leader, Mohammad Omar, has been dead for two years. There are three main players in Afghanistan, he said, pointing to Hezb-e-Islami Gulbudin, Jallaludin Haqqani and the Taliban. He said al-Qaida has only a 'bit part' in Afghanistan, supplying money, equipment, training and suicide bombers. ... 'I'd say by the end of the year at the earliest, or by the next fighting season (spring), Afghanistan will be a unified 'province' of ISIS,' the U.S. intelligence officer said. 'I don't know how much that means strategically, or what Pakistan is going to do about that, but ISIS has got to keep expanding—and Afghanistan is chock full of gem mines,' he said." (If the intelligence official is correct, Obama's "JayVee team" will become infinitely more dangerous.) [81321]

On September 21 Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker announces he is suspending his presidential campaign. [81331, 81332, 81343, 81346, 81407]

Author Ed Klein writes, "The talk in Democratic Party circles is that Barack Obama has told Joe Biden that he is prepared to endorse him for president if, in return, Biden promises to let Obama have a final say in the choice of his vice presidential running mate. According to these Democratic sources, Biden is mulling over [Obama's] conditional offer of support. In addition, there is speculation among top Democratic sources that Obama has another quid pro quo for his endorsement: he wants Biden to choose an African American as his vice presidential running mate. In this scenario, which Obama has not yet fully explained to Biden, Biden would promise to serve only one term in the White House, after which he would back his vice president to succeed him. As Biden's vice president, Obama is said to favor former Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick, a close Obama ally who is the first and only African American to have served as governor of the Bay State." [81333, 81336]

It is worth noting that Deval Patrick was elected with the help of Obama's political guru David Axelrod. He is largely considered to have been a failed, tax-and-spend governor. Patrick once met with more than 1,000 Muslims and gave in to seven demands they presented, including Islamic "cultural awareness training" for law enforcement agencies and forcing private businesses to accommodate Muslims for their Friday afternoon prayers. Patrick told the Muslims, "Yours is a peaceful faith, and I know that. I know you are worried that others [do not] know that." Patrick, who was the chair of Obama's reelection campaign in 2012, has claimed that opposition to Obama "is almost at the level of sedition." According to DailyCaller.com, Patrick "served two years on the five-member board of ACC Capital Holdings, the parent company of Ameriquest Mortgage. He was paid a \$360,000 annual salary for his efforts, according to 'All The Devils Are Here,' a history of the financial crisis by Bethany McClean and Joe Nocera. Ameriquest had already been the subject of numerous criminal complaints when Patrick joined the board of ACC. But despite its troubles, the mortgage company was the country's 'dominant subprime lender' in the years preceding the housing crisis, according to McClean and Nocera. The company's short-term success had much to do with the fact

that it would loan money to just about anyone, regardless of income. ...Patrick was a former Justice Department official who had spearheaded the prosecution of another shady lender, making him an ideal candidate to help Ameriquest fend off accusations that it engaged in unethical business practices.” (Some have suggested that Patrick has had a “very close” relationship with Obama, à la Larry Sinclair, Donald Young, Kal Penn (aka Kalpen Suresh Modi), and Reggie Love.) [842, p. 315; 11427, 11428, 11429, 11482, 11483, 11488, 11710, 29510, 32225, 32227, 32235, 32245, 32254, 32256, 32259, 32272, 32273, 32300]

Meanwhile, ReverbPress.com points out that a review of Federal Election Commission filings shows that the Senator Ted Cruz’s (R-TX) political action committee “Keep the Promise I” had donated \$500,000 to the “Carly [Fiorina] For America” PAC. (Some might suspect that the contribution was for the purpose of keeping Fiorina in the race as a female “attack dog” to go after Hillary Clinton.) [81379, 81380]

Breitbart.com reports, “A Syrian woman seeking asylum has been accused of using a fake passport to enter the U.S. through the Texas border. Her American citizen brother-in-law has also been charged in connection with the failed smuggling attempt. Officers with U.S. Customs and Border Protection arrested 27-year-old Walaa Alrehawi and her brother-in-law 46-year-old Mohammad Ziad Alzalam last week in the border city of Hidalgo. ...Court records obtained by Breitbart Texas revealed that Ziad travelled to Beirut, Lebanon, to pick up Alrehawi who has been identified as his sister-in-law. She allegedly used the passport belonging to Ziad’s wife to fly to Frankfurt, Germany. From there, the two flew to the Mexican resort town of Cancun. The duo eventually made their way to the Mexican city of Reynosa and subsequently tried to enter the United States through Hidalgo.” [81347, 81348]

WND.com reports, “The Obama administration is just weeks away from imposing a new ozone particulate standard that manufacturers say will cripple jobs and productivity in the U.S. and leave some firms and industries clinging to life. The National Association of Manufacturers released a study suggesting the standard would cost the U.S. 1.4 million jobs and \$1.7 trillion in productivity by 2040 if the standard is lowered from 75 parts per billion to 65 parts per billion. The EPA could bring it as low as 60 parts per billion, which the study projects would be catastrophic.” David Johnson, CEO of Ohio’s Summitville Tiles, observes, “We have 88 counties in this state and under this new ozone standard, all 88 of these counties would be out of compliance, just by the stroke of the pen of this executive order... This is not a bill that’s been passed by Congress, hasn’t been vetted, hasn’t been studied. It’s simply ...Obama and his EPA’s effort to combat what they believe is global warming. So yeah, it would be the most expensive regulation in the history of regulations.” Johnson, whose company already has difficulty competing with Mexican and Chinese manufacturers, says, “This new Pacific trade agreement is a perfect example of another whole new category of countries that will be given preferential treatment to ship product[s] into the United States to undermine and undercut our products. At the same time, we’re being hammered by these new regulations and those will be very costly to comply with.” (The standards are imposed on October 1.) [81378, 81711, 81712, 81750]

MRCtv.org reports, “Hillary Clinton’s long-time aide Huma Abedin used her email account on Hillary Clinton’s unsecured server to discuss sensitive travel arrangements [sic; arrangements] and operation security plans that if hacked would have put the lives of the Secretary of State and other state department officials in danger. The emails obtained and released by Judicial Watch on Monday were all from the clintonemail.com server account of Huma Abedin arguably Ms. Clinton’s closest adviser. And while none of the information in these emails seems to be classified, ‘The emails discuss seemingly sensitive security and foreign affairs issues and raise questions about the handling of classified material during Hillary Clinton’s tenure at the State Department.’” [81387]

On September 22 Townhall.com’s Katie Pavlich reports, “Planned Parenthood CEO Cecile Richards will testify in front of the House Oversight Committee next week as lawmakers investigate how the abortion giant uses more than \$500 million in taxpayer funds each year.” [81352]

Senate Democrats block legislation banning abortion after the 20th week of pregnancy. Three Democrats (Bob Casey, Joe Donnelly, Joe Manchin) vote with the Republicans in favor of the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act; two Republicans (Susan Collins, Mark Kirk) vote with the Democrats. Four Senators do not vote (Barbara Boxer, Barbara Mikulski, Patty Murray, Mark Warner). [81353, 81357, 81367]

The Pentagon announces that Abdul Rahman Shalabi has been released from the detainee center at Guantanamo. Shalabi, who was reportedly one of Osama bin Laden’s bodyguards and was supposed to have been the 20th hijacker on September 11, 2001, has been at GITMO since it opened January, 2002. He was released to Saudi Arabia—reportedly against the advice of national security officials. (The release of Shalabi is unconscionable. Investors.com notes a May 2008 memo from Rear Admiral David M. Thomas recommending continued detention for Shalabi, who he considered “A HIGH risk, as he is likely to pose a threat to the U.S., its interests and allies. A HIGH threat from a detention perspective. Of HIGH intelligence value.” Senator Tom Cotton (R-AR) calls Shalabi’s release “another example of ...Obama playing politics with national security and putting campaign promises ahead of U.S. national security interests.”) [81404, 81405, 81438, 81470, 81471]

Hillary Clinton announces that she opposes construction of the Keystone XL pipeline., At a campaign event in Iowa she says, “I think it is imperative that we look at the Keystone pipeline as what I believe it is, a distraction from important work we have to do on climate change and, unfortunately from my perspective, one that interferes with our ability to move forward with all other issues. Therefore I oppose it.” (Translation: “I am seeking a huge contribution to my political action committee from billionaire leftist Tom Steyer.”) Clinton makes the announcement the day of he Pope’s arrival in the United States—no doubt to keep her statement out of the news as much as possible. [81358, 81366, 81370, 81374, 81391]

According to RadarOnline, Edward Klein’s upcoming book, *Unlikeable—The Problem*

*with Hillary*, alleges that Hillary Clinton has “mounting health issues,” including “blinding headaches,” bouts of insomnia, exhaustion, and depression. Klein also claims that Clinton blew up at Obama during a meeting in which she complained about the email investigations. According to Klein, Clinton told Obama, “What I want for you to do is call off your f–king dogs, Barack!” and Obama allegedly responded, “There is nothing I can do for you one way or another. Things have been set in motion, and I can’t and won’t interfere. Your problems are, frankly, of your own making. If you had been honest...” [81362, 81363, 83164, 81403, 81416, 81417]

In a Morning Consult poll, Donald Trump leads GOP candidates with 32 percent, ahead of Ben Carson (12 percent), Jeb Bush (11), and Carly Fiorina (6). Hillary Clinton falls below 50 percent on the Democrat side, with 49 percent to Senator Bernie Sanders’ 28 percent. [81365]

Pope Francis arrives in Washington, D.C., but not before (according to unnamed government officials) his plane is forced to fly in circles to delay his landing so that Obama (who was running late) could greet him at the airport. (The White House disputes the claim.) Obama, his wife, and daughters meet the Pope at the airport. (Michelle Obama wears a \$2,290 Carolina Herrera dress.) [81368, 81371, 81392, 81494, 81495]

White House press secretary Josh Earnest does his best to convince reporters that Obama is on the same level as the Pope, saying both “have talked, quite publicly, about their commitment to social justice, and both men have dedicated their, not just their careers, but their lives, to that effort. ...And you know, [Obama] actually worked quite closely with other Catholics in that [Chicago] community [as a community organizer], and [he] has talked about that quite a bit ...this has been a value that has animated [Obama’s] career choices since he was a young man. ...And I think that’s why the opportunity to have Pope Francis, somebody who shares those values, here in this building tomorrow, makes for a really special day.” [81390]

DailyCaller.com reports, “The Obama administration has made another potentially incendiary invite for the pope’s visit to the White House Wednesday, inviting a Catholic school teacher who lost her job after marrying her same-sex partner. Her wife will be coming as well. Margie Winters taught at Waldron Mercy Academy until June of this year, when she was fired after parents complained about her same-sex marriage.” [81372]

Politico.com reports, “More previously-undisclosed State Department emails related to Benghazi have surfaced in a federal court filing, offering a public accounting of at least some of the records still being sought by congressional investigators. The filing Monday in a Freedom of Information Act lawsuit brought by the conservative group Citizens United describes about a dozen Benghazi-related emails that were withheld in whole or in part as State responded to one of the group’s requests seeking information about contacts between a top aide to former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and officials with the Clinton Foundation. Most of the documents also appear to have been withheld from the House Select Committee on Benghazi, which is investigating State’s response to the attack. The committee is scheduled to take public testimony from Clinton on Oct. 22. A

panel spokesman said he could not immediately confirm which of the documents had been turned over to the committee, but Citizens United President David Bossie told reporters staffers at the House panel told the group State never produced the records to Congress. ‘To the best of their knowledge, they do not have these documents either, even though they are under subpoena for an extended period of time,’ Bossie told reporters outside U.S. District Court in Washington after a hearing on the suit.” [81375]

Politico.com also reports, “For the first time since he took office, ...Obama will skip an appearance at the Clinton Global Initiative during his annual trip to New York for the United Nations General Assembly next week.” [81376]

Bloomberg.com reports, “The FBI has recovered personal and work-related e-mails from the private computer server used by Hillary Clinton during her time as secretary of state, according to a person familiar with the investigation. ...The exact number of personal e-mails recovered by the FBI could not be learned. Once the e-mails have been extracted, a group of agents has been separating personal correspondence and passing along work-related messages to agents leading the investigation, the person said.” (If agents have been assigned to review work-related correspondence retrieved from the “wiped” server, that means Clinton lied when she said she only deleted personal messages.) [81377, 81389]

Breitbart.com reports, “The company that Hillary Clinton paid to manage her private email network was the victim of a massive international hack during the period in which Clinton was employing it... Hillary Clinton used the company Internap as the internet service provider for her private email account during her tenure as Secretary of State. Internap, based in Atlanta, has a facility in Manhattan, near the physical location of the IP address for clintonemail.com. In March 2011, the security company RSA was hacked. The hackers got into the company’s system through a malware-infested email sent to an employee, then installed a ‘backdoor’ and stole data. RSA called it ‘an extremely sophisticated cyber attack.’ RSA was not the only victim of the attack. A victim list showed that more than 760 other organizations were also “compromised.” Internap appeared five times on the full victim list. ...Internap did not return a request for comment for this report. But Internap was not the only Hillary Clinton email contractor that could have exposed Clinton’s confidential data to hacks. Clinton’s email domain clintonemail.com is managed by a company called Network Solutions, which manages domains and provides a service that Clinton uses to protect the anonymity of the people running her server from mandatory disclosures on databases. In 2010, potentially 500,000 Network Solutions domains hosted malware on their sites as part of a hack involving a Ukranian [sic; Ukrainian] ‘attack server.’” [81402]

Pamela Geller writes at Breitbart.com, “The enemedia is patting itself on the back, congratulating itself with headlines that declare, ‘Ben Carson Walks Back Anti-Muslim Comments With More Anti-Muslim Comments,’ when in fact the subheadline is, ‘I stand by the comments.’ This is the sharia-compliant media at its deadliest. Islamic supremacists and their running dogs in the media have unilaterally adhered to the blasphemy laws under the sharia (Islamic law). Anyone who violates these laws (which

mandate that one must not criticize Islam or Muhammad) will be destroyed. In Muslim countries, you are executed for blasphemy. In the West, for the same ‘blasphemy’ your character and good name are assassinated. ...The right must stop playing by the left’s rules in these war games in the information battlespace. ...The Christian faith is not slaughtering millions in the cause of Jesus. The Christian faith is not subjugating and oppressing and denying basic human rights to non-Christians. The Christian faith has not declared war on the West.” [81382,81383]

“...The Huffington Post snarked: ‘After hearing Carson’s explanation, Hannity boldly declared that ‘the controversy is over.’ Something tells us that won’t be the case.’ Of course it won’t, because the jackals at the Post and every other bootlicking media outlet are going to beat this horse until it’s dead, or at least until Carson’s campaign is. And this is why it is critical that we have his back. We must be vocal. Post this article to Facebook, email it—stand up for truth and freedom. The GOP candidates have got to stop playing the game according to the rules of the enemy. We must break out and stop reacting and start leading. This is a battle for the American agenda. The media monsters mean to dictate what we can and cannot talk about. It is an attack on freedom of thought and freedom of speech. We must fight this battle with every cell of our being. Every American who cares about this country must stand up and defend Carson’s right to speak candidly about an enemy that means to destroy us. ...ISIS has a kill list, and so does the media. Carson is on the top of that hit list now. This is a defining moment in the 2016 presidential campaign.” [81382, 81383]

At Townhall.com Kyle Shideler reports, “Last night, Irving Texas Mayor Beth Van Duyne revealed that the family of Ahmed Mohammed has repeatedly refused to meet with city officials, refused to released records exonerating police conduct, and that ...Obama had tweeted about the case even before pictures of the so-called ‘clock’ were publicly available.” Van Duyne states, “We had tried to reach out to the family a number of times; this was before it ever even hit the papers on Wednesday. ...At the exact same time they were supposed to be meeting with us, they were on their front lawn with a press conference. ...We never even got a call from anybody at the White House asking to verify any of that information. I don’t think the picture of the hoax bomb was even released before he tweeted ‘cool clock kid.’ ...It seems to be an underlying habit that [Obama] is going to second guess police officers without any kind of information.” [81385, 81412]

Robert Spencer writes, “It is increasingly obvious that this was a staged, planned attempt to create an “Islamophobia” event and intimidate people into not reporting suspicious activity by Muslims. Now with this detail, the question must be asked: was Obama in on the plan from the beginning? We may never know for sure, of course, since the mainstream media refuses ever to challenge him on anything.” [81386]

On September 23 Obama meets with the Pope at the White House and says, “We stand with you in defense of religious freedom. You remind us that people are only truly free when they can practice their faith freely.” (HotAir.com writes, “Give me one example of the Obama administration going to the mat to expand religious freedom here or abroad.”

At Townhall.com Katie Pavlich writes, “Except when of course: 1) The Obama administration is suing the nuns of Little Sisters of the Poor and forcing them into contraception mandates, violating their faith and taking away their religious freedom. ...2) Failing to stand for and defend thousands of Christians in Iraq and Syria who have been slaughtered and run out of the regions where their families have been living for centuries. ...On a separate topic, I’m curious to know if the Pope is aware of President Obama’s pro-infanticide, extreme abortion stance, or is he too focused on climate change to notice?” [81388, 81406, 81423]

To a crowd assembled on the White House lawn, Obama and the Pope together push their “climate change” agenda. Obama says, “[Y]ou remind us that we have a sacred obligation to protect our planet—God’s magnificent gift to us. We support your call to all world leaders to support the communities most vulnerable to a changing climate and to come together to preserve our precious world for future generations.” [81393, 81394, 81422]

Pope Francis also interjects himself into the immigration issue, saying he is “the son of an immigrant family” and is happy to be in the United States, “which was largely built by such families.’ (He does not indicate whether his family was legal or illegal.) [81401]

The Pope states that American Catholics are “concerned that efforts to build a just and wisely ordered society respect their deepest concerns and the right to religious liberty. As my brothers, the United States bishops have reminded us, all are called to be vigilant, precisely as good citizens, to preserve and defend that freedom from everything that would threaten or compromise it.” (WashingtonTimes.com writes, “While White House officials said later Wednesday they didn’t believe Pope Francis was criticizing their actions on religious liberty, political analysts say that’s exactly what the pontiff intended to do. The pope didn’t mention Obamacare or gay marriage or any other specific examples of threats to religious liberty in his remarks. But some observers have been urging the pontiff to speak out in defense of religious liberty in light of dozens of court challenges to the government mandate that religious-affiliated employers provide contraceptive coverage through their health insurance plans.”) [81413, 81414]

The Pope also visits the Little Sisters of the Poor in Washington, D.C. to emphasize that he stands with them in their legal fight against ObamaCare’s contraception and abortifacient mandate, and plans to travel to Philadelphia to attend the Eighth World Meeting of Families and “celebrate and support the institutions of marriage and the family at this, a critical moment in the history of our civilization.” [81418, 81421, 81430]

Fox News’ Greg Gutfeld tweets, “Waiting patiently for the media to castigate @Pontifex for holding the same views as the Kentucky clerk [Kim Davis].” (It is later reported that the Pope met in private with Davis, thanked her for her “courage,” told her to “stay strong,” and presented her with two rosaries. On MSNBC, Daily Kos writer Shaun King says, “the Pope meeting with Kim Davis would be like the Pope meeting with George Zimmerman. I mean, it is pretty shocking and for me and for so many of my friends, it was a deep disappointment.” King apparently does not think the Pope should be



supportive of people who share his views. Why King thinks Davis and Zimmerman are in any way connected is not clear.) [81415, 81648, 81656, 81657, 81693, 81790]

In a clearly staged event, a little girl breaks through the security detail during the Pope's motorcade and is allowed to give him a note asking him to save her parents from deportation. (Just as the "clock-boy" incident was probably staged by the Council on American-Islamic relations, the racist pro-illegal immigrant group La Raza may have orchestrated the girl's actions. Both events may have had White House cooperation. Arguably, the little girl may have learned from her parents how to avoid barricades and not follow the laws and rules.) [81419, 81427, 81464, 81479, 81480]

During British Channel 4's coverage of the Pope's visit, Matt Frei says, "In fact, as [Obama] smiled like a split watermelon, [he] may have reflected on the fact that it is his guest [who] now wears the global mantle of hope and change that once belonged to the host." (Frei later apologizes for the watermelon reference.) [81408]

Former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, addressing a U.S. Institute of Peace "Beyond Refugees" event, calls on the United States to take in Syrian refugees. Albright says, "I think in terms of the density... and those of us that fly across this country a lot—there's a lot of space here. I do actually think that the United States needs to—we cannot ask other countries to be taking on a burden if we don't do it ourselves. ...I do think this is what we are about. I think there needs to be more public outcry about the fact that we have to share in responsibility for this." (Albright herself is an immigrant, her family having traveled to the United States from Czechoslovakia in 1948, and her sentiments are certainly understandable. However, the fact that there may be "a lot of space" in Iowa corn fields or Kansas wheat fields does not mean 100,000 Syrian Muslims could readily be dropped there—without considering the logistics of housing and feeding them and providing them with educations and medical care.) [81420]

Stephen Crowder posts a video of a person replicating "clock boy" Ahmed Mohamed's "brilliant" clock creation: it takes about 18 seconds to do what the student did and requires no "genius." [81395, 81398, 81399, 81400]

In a Fox Business Network interview, basketball legend Kareem Abdul-Jabbar (Ferdinand Lewis Alcindor, Jr.) criticizes Ben Carson for saying he would not support a Muslim president: "When they run for office there is no religious component in qualifying for public office in America. That's clearly in the constitution... Mr. Carson says we have to support the Constitution, but he doesn't support the Constitution by denying Muslims the same access to public office as any other person from any other religion. He is clearly distorted and I think a little deranged." Abdul-Jabbar then unknowingly goes on to demonstrate why Carson is correct, saying, "Shari'ah law is for Muslims. So if there is a Muslim majority state then it has to be run by shari'ah law." (That is, Carson must follow the Constitution, but once Muslims become a majority they get to ignore the document and impose shari'ah law on everyone.) [81623]

On September 24 Pope Francis (Jorge Bergoglio) addresses a joint session of Congress,

noting in his remarks Abraham Lincoln, Martin Luther King, Jr., Cistercian monk Thomas Merton, and Dorothy Day (the communist-sympathizing founder of the Catholic Worker Movement who visited the Kremlin, supported Fidel Castro, and was a fan of Ho Chi Minh). He does not mention abortion—despite having claimed that his “unfailing commitment” to the pro-life cause was his “primary reason” for visiting the United States—but finds considerable time to talk about climate change, convicts on death row, and sharing wealth. [81425, 81426, 81481, 81489]

Pushing open borders, the Pope says, “On this continent, too, thousands of persons are led to travel north in search of a better life for themselves and for their loved ones, in search of greater opportunities. Is this not what we want for our own children? We must not be taken aback by their numbers, but rather view them as persons, seeing their faces and listening to their stories, trying to respond as best we can to their situation. Let us remember the golden rule: ‘Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.’ This rule points us in a clear direction. Let us treat others with the same passion and compassion with which we want to be treated. Let us seek for others the same possibilities which we seek for ourselves. Let us help others to grow, as we would like to be helped ourselves. ... We, the people of this continent, are not fearful of foreigners, because most of us were once foreigners.” [81450, 81519]

For the record, Vatican City—the wealthiest sovereign state on the planet—does not have open borders. At PJMedia.com Rick Moran writes, “Perhaps the pope could allow 100,000 Syrians to set up camp in St. Peter’s Square? Nothing like showing ‘compassion’ for the immigrants. Of course, the idea is ridiculous but so is telling us to open our border to allow millions to come in. Will the Vatican send cash to help us take care of them? ... The pope is cashing checks with his heart that the rest of us can’t afford. I would suggest he change his definition of ‘compassion’ when it comes to the mass migration of people.” [81450]

A “Pope Francis Moral Action on Climate Justice Rally” on the National Mall draws about 200 people—a few short of the 200,000 anticipated in the permit application. [81447]

WashingtonPost.com reports that Obama “has not met one-on-one with President Vladimir Putin for more than 15 months but agreed Thursday to sit down with the Russian leader in New York on Monday as part of a broader effort to resolve the conflicts in Syria and Ukraine.” (The White House claims Putin requested the meeting, while the Kremlin claims the Obama administration proposed the meeting.) [81451, 81461]

At PJMedia.com Richard Fernandez writes, “Willing or not, Obama’s been dragged to New York to meet a man he would rather not. The Russians and Syrians for their part, are pushing the story that Obama has already pre-surrendered to Putin and is merely looking for a way to put the best face on it. AFP reports: ‘Russia and the United States have reached a ‘tacit agreement’ on ending Syria’s bloody crisis, a senior adviser to Syrian President Bashar al-Assad has said.’ ... The administration’s line is that [Obama] is doing the manful duty of meeting an unpleasant thug, but nothing has been settled with the

lowbrow bruiser. The Russians are working behind a *fait accompli* [sic; fait accompli] and that is a strong card. Moreover, Moscow is amping up the pressure by sending a fleet for ‘drills’ into the Eastern Mediterranean. The message is: we’re here to stay and you’re not man enough to push us out. Sources told Bloomberg that Putin will go it alone if Obama balks. ‘President Vladimir Putin, determined to strengthen Russia’s only military outpost in the Middle East, is preparing to launch unilateral airstrikes against Islamic State from inside Syria if the U.S. rejects his proposal to join forces, two people familiar with the matter said.’” [81452, 81455]

To the surprise of almost no one, the parents of Ahmed “clock boy” Mohamed file a lawsuit against the school district—for daring to treat like a bomb the device he brought to class that looked like a bomb and expecting him to comply with teachers’ orders that he unplug the beeping “clock” and keep it out of sight. (In fact, Mohamed and his family should be prosecuted for fraud—the intentional commitment of a hoax in order to receive funds.) The lawsuit claims Mohamed was “severely traumatized” by the event. (Whether he has been severely traumatized by the thousands of dollars worth of electronic gadgets given to him by mindless corporate executives is not certain.) [81424, 81441, 81472]

USAToday.com posts an image of a new uniform patch for U.S. soldiers who serve in the fight against ISIS in Iraq: “The Army’s patch features crossed scimitars, a palm wreath and stars. The scimitars, short swords with curved blades, are meant to symbolize the twin goals of the U.S.-led coalition: to defeat the Islamic State, also referred to as ISIL, and to restore stability in the region, according to Army documents.” (Pamela Geller, noting that the patch resembles the symbol of the Muslim Brotherhood, writes, “It would seem that this patch does indeed symbolize US submission. The only thing missing is the shahada [‘There is no god but Allah. Muhammad is the messenger of Allah.’].” [81558, 81559, 81560, 81561, 81565]

Senate Democrats (with the help of some Republicans) block a temporary funding measure that would fund government operations until December 11 and divert \$235 million from Planned Parenthood to community health centers that do not perform abortion. The White House states that Obama would veto the bill even if it had passed, because it would “disproportionately impact low-income individuals” says the White House in statement.” (That is false. The money would simply be given to other facilities that service the poor.) It is only a matter of time before the Republicans cave in, fund the government, and give up on the Planned Parenthood fight. [81428, 81429, 81432, 81443, 81445, 81456]

Hillary Clinton, who has steadfastly avoided interviews in which tough questions might be asked, is interviewed by leftist actress Lena Dunham. Dunham asks, “I think the question on every Lenny [LennyLetter.com] reader’s list, uh, is, ‘Do you consider yourself a feminist?’” Clinton replies, “Yes, absolutely.” Dunham also asks, “Did you see the footage where his [singer Lenny Kravitz’s], like [sic], pants split? I mean, his stuff, like [sic], fell out of his pants.” Clinton replies, “No, I missed that. Do you think I could get that on YouTube? Yeah, I’ll look for that.” [81431, 81433, 81477]

In a CNN/WMUR New Hampshire poll, Donald Trump leads GOP candidates with 26 percent, followed by Carly Fiorina (16), Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) (9), Ben Carson (8), Jeb Bush (7), and Ohio Governor Kohn Kasich (7). Senator Bernie Sanders (I-VT) leads Hillary Clinton 46-30 in the poll. Vice President Joe Biden has 14 percent. [81434, 81449]

WashingtonTimes.com reports that Hillary Clinton “Hillary Rodham Clinton personally signed the controversial deal in 2012 that let her top aide Huma Abedin simultaneously work for the State Department and a private New York firm with deep ties to the Clinton family, according to records made public Thursday. The State Department emails released to select congressional committees and the watchdog group Judicial Watch also show that almost immediately after Ms. Abedin got permission to work in New York for the Teneo Group, she tried to get the federal government to pay the cost of her commuting back and forth to Washington to serve as a senior adviser to Mrs. Clinton, who was then the secretary of state.” (Clinton has falsely claimed, “Well, I was not directly involved in that, but everything that [Abedin] did was approved under the rules as they existed by the State Department.”) [81437, 81454, 81460]

On September 25 Obama meets with Chinese President Xi Jinping at the White House. (Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) quips that the meeting is “between the world’s most powerful communist and the president of China.”) [81525]

House Speaker John Boehner (R-OH) announces he will resign from both his leadership position and his seat in Congress at the end of October. [81435, 81442, 81448, 81453, 81459, 81473]

The audience at the Values Voter Summit stands and applauds when Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) announces that Boehner is leaving Congress. (Of course, conservatives gain nothing if Boehner is replaced by another squishy Congressman who is unwilling to confront Obama.) [81453, 81458]

Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) tells the summit’s audience, “I will say, the early reports are discouraging. If it is correct that the speaker, before he resigns, has cut a deal with [House Minority Leader] Nancy Pelosi [D-CA] to fund the Obama administration for the rest of its tenure, to fund ObamaCare, to fund executive amnesty, to fund Planned Parenthood, to fund implementation of this Iran deal—and then, presumably, to land in a cushy K Street job after joining with the Democrats to implement all of President Obama’s priorities, that is not the behavior one would expect of a Republican speaker of the House.” [81457, 81475, 81476]

Louisiana Governor Bobby Jindal calls on Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY) to resign as well “...if he’s not willing to fight, if he’s not willing to lead. The reality is, the only thing that has been worse than the House is the Senate. McConnell gave up the fight on Planned Parenthood before it even started.” [81487]

Breitbart.com reports that according to its sources, outgoing Boehner and Pelosi “agreed that her Democratic caucus would join Boehner along with a handful of Boehner loyalists and moderate establishment Republicans to continue Planned Parenthood funding, along with a few other budget items ...Obama says were must-haves, in order to avoid a Government shutdown. Boehner resigned because he knew that after he cut that deal, conservatives in his own party would be so furious with him that it would make challenges to his Speakership a certainty, sources say. Even if he survived those challenges, his remaining year and three months in office would be contentious and personally uncomfortable for him. ...Sources also tell Breitbart News that Boehner was inspired by the visit of Pope Francis, and decided it was his duty to resign in order to do what was right for the Congress and the country. The irony in that inspiration, if the rumors are true, is that the Catholic Boehner, inspired by a Catholic pope, both of whom oppose abortion, will be a key player in continuing the public funding of Planned Parenthood, an organization dedicated to performing abortions.” [81475, 81476]

The State Department “finds” another 900+ emails to or from Hillary Clinton that are related to Benghazi and Libya, and will turn them over to the House Select Committee on Benghazi. TheDailyBeast.com notes, “The State Department has said over and over again that it turned over all of Hillary Clinton’s Benghazi-related emails to the committee investigating the 2012 attack. [It] Turns out, that wasn’t quite the case.” [81462, 81463, 81474]

Newsmax.com adds, “The Obama administration has discovered a chain of emails that Hillary Rodham Clinton failed to turn over when she provided what she said was the full record of work-related correspondence as secretary of state, officials said Friday, adding to the growing questions related to the Democratic presidential front-runner’s unusual usage of a private email account and server while in government. The messages were exchanged with retired Gen. David Petraeus when he headed the military’s U.S. Central Command, responsible for running the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. They began before Clinton entered office and continued into her first days at the State Department. They largely pertained to personnel matters and don’t appear to deal with highly classified material, officials said, but their existence challenges Clinton’s claim that she has handed over the entirety of her work emails from the account.” [81488]

The Daily Mail notes a Hillary Clinton “Women for Hillary” ad which features the words, “This is *our* country” and a scene of a woman on a carousel—in Paris. [81484, 81485, 81486]

The mainstream media’s coverage of the Pope’s visit continues and borders on obsessive—which some might find interesting inasmuch as many in the media are atheists and agnostics, and some are fiercely anti-religion. Of course, they are also leftists, and are therefore more than willing to ignore the Pope’s anti-abortion position because he calls Islam a religion of peace, supports open borders and the socialist climate change agenda, and chastises capitalism—even though capitalism has done immeasurably more to lift of millions of people out of poverty than any religion ever has. [81465, 81467, 81478, 81543]

At JihadWatch.org Robert Spencer writes, “[B]ecause Roman Catholics in the U.S. have such an exaggerated and borderline idolatrous awe for the papacy, they go along with all this readily enough: if the Pope is a Leftist multiculturalist who dissembles about the nature of Islam and the jihad threat, well, then, so are they. Even those who realize that this is not only nonsense, but suicidal nonsense, fear to say anything, out of ‘respect’ for the Pope and his office. The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, filled with weak and feckless limousine liberals such as Robert McManus, Kevin Farrell and Jaime Soto, has for years been a mouth organ of the far Left, and so today is eager to go along with Francis’ futile, naive, and wrongheaded commitment to ‘dialogue’ with the Religion of Peace, even at the price of abandoning Middle Eastern Christians to their fate and working actively to silence those who speak out against this persecution.” [81466]

Breitbart.com reports that the five-year-old Hispanic girl who was allowed to approach the Pope’s motorcade to give him a request that her family not be deported was trained by a “Los Angeles-based pro-illegal immigration group. ... The affair was stage-managed by the Full Rights for Immigrants Coalition, which trained Sophie for a full year before the meeting. Juan Jose Gutierrez of the Full Rights for Immigrants Coalition told the Associated Press, ‘We planned to do this from the moment we learned he [the Pope] was coming to the States. We have been working for a while now trying to sensitize the American public that dealing with immigration is not just dealing with the people who came in without proper documents but that we also have...countless children whose parents are undocumented.’ He added, ‘We have been looking for children to make the case that we as adults have been making for years,’ he said.” (Gutierrez insists the little girl, Sophie Cruz, wrote the letter to the Pope herself—an obvious lie inasmuch as the letter includes words such as “galvanized.”) [81490, 81532]

Former Weather Underground terrorist William Ayers tells the *Yale Daily News* he helped get Obama elected in 2008: “That whole narrative blew up because no one could figure out how to run against Barack Obama, and Hillary Clinton started it all by saying we don’t know who this guy is and he has sketchy friends. I like to think that his association with me got him elected. ... Barack Obama is exactly who he said he was when he ran for president. He said, ‘I’m a moderate, middle-of-the-road, pragmatic politician.’ I did know him back then, and his record in Illinois reflects this. The right wing looked at him through 2008 and today as a secret Muslim and secret socialist with black nationalist tendencies, and the left saw him as winking in my direction. He wasn’t, and his record shows that. Many liberals were disappointed, but I’m neither a liberal nor disappointed. I think labels are weak and lazy, and they don’t capture the complexity of what it means to be a First Amendment fundamentalist that [sic; who] is also a socialist, anarchist and communist. But I am all of those things. If you were to insist on labeling me, when it comes to economics, I’m a socialist. When it comes to government, I’m a bit of an anarchist. When it comes to [the] First Amendment I’m a fundamentalist.” [81493]

IsraelNationalNews.com reports, “A veteran German journalist who became the first to gain access as an embedded reporter with Islamic State (ISIS) revealed the jihadist terror group plans to bring nuclear annihilation across the globe.” According to Jurgen

Todenhof, “the West is unprepared for ISIS. He writes that ‘the terrorists plan on killing several hundred million people. The west is drastically underestimating the power of ISIS.’ ISIS intends to get its hands on nuclear weapons, says Todenhof, calling the group a ‘nuclear tsunami preparing the largest religious cleansing in history.’ ...In speaking about the extent of ISIS’s power, he noted, ‘they now control land greater in size than the United Kingdom and are supported by an almost ecstatic enthusiasm the like of which I’ve never encountered before in a war zone. Every day hundreds of willing fighters from all over the world come. They are the most brutal and most dangerous enemy I have ever seen in my life. I don’t see anyone who has a real chance to stop them. Only Arabs can stop IS. I came back very pessimistic.’” [81468, 81469]

Despite China’s record of human rights violations, Obama hosts a State Dinner for President, Xi Jinping. (Portable screens are put up so that Jinping will not have to see protesters outside the White House, apparently demonstrating that Obama is embarrassed by the Constitution’s First Amendment.) [84182, 81483, 81501]

September 26 marks the third anniversary of the imprisonment of Pastor Saeed Abedini by the Iranian government. Bridget Johnson writes at PJMedia.com, “Abedini, 35, is being held at Rajaei Shahr prison west of Tehran. He was convicted in January 2013 of establishing Christian house churches, though he was in the country to set up a government-sanctioned orphanage. Just last week, he was threatened with an arbitrary extension of his eight-year prison sentence—as he also faces fresh torture behind bars.” Abedini’s wife, Naghmeh Abedini, states, “He is a father and a man who broke no law. Yet Iran is treating him like a pawn in a game of chess. [Iranian] President [Hassan] Rouhani’s demand that America release 19 criminals in exchange for his consideration of releasing individuals like my husband, imprisoned solely for his faith, demonstrates that the Iran of today is no different than the Iran who took Americans hostage during the Iranian revolution.” [81588]

Breitbart.com posts a video showing Middle Eastern migrants at a refugee camp in the Netherlands complaining about insufficient food, clothing, not being given enough money to buy cigarettes—and slow Internet service. (The Dutch taxpayers are shelling out more than 870 million euros in asylum assistance for the year.) [81492, 81514]

Obama’s billionaire benefactor George Soros writes, “The European Union needs to accept responsibility for the lack of a common asylum policy, which has transformed this year’s growing influx of refugees from a manageable problem into yet another political crisis. Each member state has selfishly focused on its own interests, often acting against the interests of others. This precipitated panic among asylum seekers, the general public, and the authorities responsible for law and order. Asylum seekers have been the main victims. ...[T]he EU has to accept at least a million asylum-seekers annually for the foreseeable future. And, to do that, it must share the burden fairly... Adequate financing is critical. The EU should provide €15,000 (\$16,800) per asylum-seeker for each of the first two years to help cover housing, health care, and education costs—and to make accepting refugees more appealing to member states. It can raise these funds by issuing long-term bonds using its largely untapped AAA borrowing capacity, which will have the

added benefit of providing a justified fiscal stimulus to the European economy. ...The EU would need to make an annual commitment to frontline countries of at least €8-10 billion, with the balance coming from the United States and the rest of the world. This could be added to the amount of long-term bonds issued to support asylum-seekers in Europe.” (Soros does not say how many refugees he will welcome into his mansion, where the EU will get \$16.8 billion per year for handouts to the refugees, or why the United States should have to contribute.) [82301]

The Stop Islamisation of Europe organization holds a free speech event in Copenhagen, Denmark. (Pamela Geller writes, “Devout Muslims openly called for their ‘brothers’ to slaughter those who attended... But the cowardly monsters didn’t show—and our European allies stood even in the face of these threats. They are standing in the breach and we salute them.”) [81513]

Pro-abortion protesters (some of whom were paid by Planned Parenthood) throw condoms at Republican presidential candidate Carly Fiorina at a campaign appearance in Iowa. DesMoinesRegister.com writes, “Fiorina’s campaign aides were smiling—it means that Democrats think she’s worth targeting and that the attention could help build her popularity with Iowa social conservatives.” [81496, 81499, 81598, 81599]

At the Values Voters Summit, author and talk show host Mark Levin comments on the resignation of House Speaker John Boehner (R-OH). Levin says, “It’s a great day, but here’s the problem: [Establishment Republicans are] like zombies. There’s one after the other, after the other, after the other, and they just sort of replace each other with the next one in line. So it’s good news, but I, and I think you, are concerned about the next step. So who replaces John Boehner? I don’t mean to be offensive, but [California Congressman] Kevin McCarthy? Really? I’m concerned that the Republicans don’t learn their lessons on Capitol Hill. ...And I want [former Congressman] Eric Cantor to know, since he came out of Manhattan over the weekend in order to defend his friend John Boehner, I want you to know something, Mr. Cantor: We fully understand how our government works. We fully understand that you guys just have the House and the Senate, and we fully understand that when the Democrats just have the House and the Senate, and there’s a Republican president, somehow, they know what to do, somehow, they get things done. Your day has passed, get out of the way, and let some energetic conservatives who really mean what they say do what they need to do. ...Don’t tell us that we’re not going to shut down the government. You put those bills on his desk and let him [Obama] shut down the government.” [81549]

Brigitte Gabriel, president of ACT for America, tells the summit audience the United States should not accept any Syrian refugees: “We know ISIS infiltrated them, they were coming here under the disguise of refugees, but they are actually ISIS recruiters and ISIS sympathizers. [They] are making up names—they can tell us anything, and there is nothing we can do to check it. ...We can still do humanitarian work, but we need to make sure we are protected first. ...These people don’t have passports. We don’t even know if the name they give is their real name. ...These refugees can go to any country in the region, where they speak the Arabic language, where their children can assimilate and



continue in their schooling with Arabic schools. Why are they coming to Europe? [It is because] the word got out that if you want a freebie, this is the opportunity to come to Europe and live off the government. ... Saudi Arabia is a very wealthy country and a very big country—they have a lot of space. ... If Saudi Arabia is refusing to accept them because they are a national security threat, why are we accepting them? Are we that dumb? ... I lost my country of birth [Lebanon] to radical Islam—I do not want to lose my adopted country, America.” [81587]

Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) wins the summit’s straw poll with 35 percent of the vote, followed by Ben Carson (18), Mike Huckabee (14), Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) (13), Donald Trump (5). Jeb Bush garners only seven votes, while no one votes for Senator Rand Paul (R-KY) or New Jersey Governor Chris Christie. [81500]

On September 27 Hillary Clinton appears on *Meet the Press* and is faced with a brutal video compilation of her flip-flops on issues over the years. Clinton mocks Chuck Todd when he brings up the email controversy, saying, “Another conspiracy theory?” She claims she has been “as transparent as possible” and “I want these questions to be answered.” Clinton claims she cannot guarantee that all the emails she should have turned over were, in fact, turned over. She tells Todd, “All I can tell you is that when my attorneys conducted this exhaustive process, I did not participate, I didn’t look at them.” (Clinton’s attorneys may not appreciate being blamed for her mistakes, but they probably appreciate their paychecks. Her excuse will not help much if she is indicted. The federal employee is ultimately responsible for her actions, not her attorneys.) [81497, 81498, 81533, 81536]

On the issue of Syria, Clinton says it was “a failure in policy” to have trained only a handful of rebels in Syria. “[I]f we had been able to move in, to help organize and support those people on the ground [who opposed Syrian president Bashar al-Assad] maybe we could’ve made a difference.” (The problem, of course, is knowing who in Syria is “moderate.” Clearly the Obama administration was unable to do so. In fact, Clinton herself once claimed Assad was moderate and a “reformer.” The simple truth is that it would be impossible to reliably assemble an army of Muslims willing to fight Assad and remove him from power with a certainty that his successor would be an improvement—let alone not worse. Obama believes that if Assad is eliminated, ISIS will disband and go away because its reason for existence has been removed. That is utter nonsense. Obama is either incredibly naive or he has an ulterior motive that he dares not reveal.) [81570]

On the abortion issue, Clinton says she can only support “restrictions in the very end of the third trimester.” (At the “very end of the third trimester,” of course, the baby is head-down in the birth canal, close to birth, and can live outside the womb.) Clinton attempts to make her support for late-term abortions sound less unreasonable by stating that restrictions “have to take into account the life and health of the mother,” but the *physical* health of the mother is rarely an issue. (Leftists also demand exceptions for the *mental* health of the mother, which is a way to justify permit late-term abortions simply for claims of depression.) Note that even under the *Roe v. Wade* decision the states have the

right to restrict abortion after the end of the *first* trimester. [81547, 81585, 81586, 81592]

After Clinton's *Meet the Press* appearance, her campaign hacks quickly go to Twitter to announce the email issue is over. At least four Clinton staffers and defenders—proving they know how to use the ctrl + c keys on their keyboards—send the same message: “Questions on @HillaryClinton’s emails on the is morning’s #MTP? Asked and answered. Time to move on.” [81520, 81603]

Bill Clinton appears on CNN and whines to Fareed Zakaria about the treatment of his wife Hillary: “I have never seen so much expended on so little. She said she was sorry that her personal email caused all this confusion, and she’d like to give the election back to the American people. I think it will be all right. But it’s obvious what happened. ... This is just something that has been a regular feature of all of our presidential campaigns, except in 2008 for unique reasons. It always happens. We’re seeing history repeat itself. The other party doesn’t want to run against her. And if they do, they’d like her as mangled up as possible, and they know that if they leak things and say things, that that is catnip to the people who get bored talking about what’s your position on student loan relief or dealing with the shortage of mental health care, or what to do with the epidemic of prescription drugs and heroin out in America.” (That Bill Clinton was brought out to help his wife is a sure sign her campaign is in trouble.) [81491, 81502]

On *Face the Nation*, outgoing House Speaker John Boehner (R-OH) complains about criticism from conservatives that not enough has been accomplished since Republican took over the House and the Senate: “[C]hange comes slowly. And, obviously, too slowly for some. ... Our system of government is not about Hail Mary passes. It’s the Woody Hayes school of football: three yards and a cloud of dust, three yards and a cloud of dust. It’s a slow methodical process.” Boehner says of conservatives, “Absolutely they’re unrealistic. The Bible says beware of false prophets. And there are people out there spreading noise about how much can get done.” (Little can get done because Boehner routinely caves in. As an example, he will most assuredly work to pass a continuing resolution to fund the government—a resolution that *includes* Planned Parenthood funding. He will rely on the votes of House Democrats and establishment Republicans and ignore the conservatives. Boehner could instead seek approval of a bill that excludes Planned Parenthood funding. Yes, it would be vetoed by Obama—but Obama would at least be forced to take a stand in favor of or against an organization that traffics in baby body parts. Boehner is not even willing to make Obama uncomfortable.) [81504, 81505, 81528, 81529]

Boehner may be leaving, but his absence will likely make little difference. The odds-on favorite to replace him as Speaker of the House is compromising Congressman Kevin McCarthy (R-CA), who few would expect to turn into a conservative firebrand eager to battle the White House. Additionally, Senator Mitch McConnell (R-KY) remains the Senate Majority Leader, and he has even less political courage than Boehner. (At NationalReview.com Christian Whiton later notes, “A brand-new poll reveals that 72 percent of Republican primary voters are dissatisfied with McConnell and Boehner. Only 2 percent of those polled were ‘very satisfied’ with the party’s two congressional leaders,

who the majority believe have accomplished essentially nothing. ...Republican rank-and-file members across the country aren't just disappointed, they're incensed. This malaise will only deepen if—as is likely—congressional Republicans lose the debate with Obama over government funding for Planned Parenthood.”) McConnell is not even willing to send bills to Obama for him to veto. (Whiton points out that George W. Bush was forced by the Democrats to veto 44 bills during his first term in office, while Obama has issued only four bills over more than six years.) [81537, 81540]

In an NBC/WSJ poll, Donald Trump leads GOP candidates with 21 percent, but Ben Carson is right behind him with 20. Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) and Carly Fiorina each have 11 percent; Jeb Bush (7); John Kasich (6); Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) (5); Senator Rand Paul (R-KY) (3); New Jersey Governor Chris Christie (3); Mike Huckabee (2). (The poll's sample size is small and the margin of error is large. The results should not be taken too seriously.) [81503]

Both Martha Raddatz (on ABC's *This Week*) and Jake Tapper (on CNN's *State of the Union*) interview Ben Carson and do their best to condemn, ridicule, and badger him for having stated he would not support a Muslim president who believes in Islamic Shari'ah law. (Their questions are absurd. As an example, Raddatz asks, “Do you assume that *all* Muslims embrace Shari'ah law?” Carson has never made that claim. He has merely argued—correctly—that the tenets of Islam are incompatible with the U.S. Constitution.) Raddatz and Tapper may not be aware that a majority of Americans (including Democrats) agree with Carson and would not want a Muslim in the White House. (Whether some are already there is subject to debate.) According to a YouGov poll, 57 percent of voters would not support a Muslim president. [81527, 81535, 81542, 81569, 81583, 81589, 81591]

On *State of the Union*, House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) claims the undercover videos of Planned Parenthood officials discussing the sale of baby body are not “real.” Practicing what she preaches, Pelosi says “you can create any reality you want”—and admits she has not viewed the videos. [81606]

On SiriusXM radio's *Breitbart News Sunday*, political operative and strategist Roger Stone tells Matt Boyle that Hillary Clinton “has been an enabler of rape. She has been the person to enable the serial rape and sexual assaults by her husband Bill Clinton. Some of which are known publicly: Paula Jones, Juanita Broaddrick, and Kathleen Willey [and] many, many others who were not known publicly.” To cover up his actions, the Clintons engaged in intimidation tactics that included, “Pets Killed. Tires slashed. Windshields smashed in and bullets left in the front seat of cars. Late night phone calls: ‘We know where you're children go to school.’ ...This is very sick stuff. It is the psychological abuse of women and Hillary is responsible for it. Women voters need to know her real record.” [81541]

Pamela Geller posts a video report by a European woman who was on a train with Middle East refugees—who were not aware she understood Arabic. She describes “masses of people of Arab appearance” at the train station, “filthy, unwashed and loud, who refused

to let me get across the entrance. They shouted various insults in my direction, they tried to take away my luggage. ...People, without shame, simply defecated right where they stood. The women shouted, they were beaten by their own kind, not by the police who didn't even touch them. ...They were noisy, shouting, and all they could think to do in the heat of the moment was to grab the luggage of passersby and shout obscenities after them. Ninety percent if them were men between 18 and 45, completely healthy men, who grabbed absolutely random children and fought their way forward [to the trains] using the children as a shield." [81509, 81510, 81567]

"Like some dark cloud," says the woman, "a mass of people got on [the train]. There were conflicts, and fights, and other awful things. The situation's climax was when they began talking to each other in a relaxed tone, considering whether or not they should rob us, since that would please Allah because we were infidels. As for me, [they said] it would really be worth raping me because I am not dressed like a proper woman. I haven't got a hijab on my head, that is, I'm not Muslim and so I am bad." When the train stopped, "The four people and I, who had tickets, started battling our way through the migrant mass. At first, they didn't want to let us go, and they talked about using us as hostages, that it would be worth stopping us." After finally exiting the train, the woman realized that station was also "completely under siege. ...They were all shouting one word repeatedly: Money! That is, give us money! They were grabbing at people, trying to tear away some valuables, they were grabbing at luggage and wouldn't let people pass, they shoved and insulted. All those people [who] are migrating only want European welfare, none of them have any intention of learning a trade or being involved in anything. Aside from hatred, absolute ill will, they have nothing to give European people. ...Those people are the same ones that Europe accepted in the name of tolerance. So before we protect these people, I suggest we learn the Arabic language so that we can understand and see that while these people are smiling at us, they are spitting at us behind our backs." (The Obama administration wants the United States to welcome hundreds of thousands of such immigrants.) [81509, 81510, 81567]

Meanwhile, some Germans are being forced out of their apartments in order to provide housing for refugees. According to RT.com, "Bettina Halbey, who lives alone in the small town of Nieheim, received a letter from her landlord and the local municipality at the start of September, Die Welt newspaper reported on Thursday. 'I was completely shocked and I can't even begin to find the words to describe how the city has treated me,' Halbey told the German publication. 'I have had to go through a lot of difficulties recently, and then I get this notice. It was like a kick in the teeth.' Halbey will have until May 2016 to find a new place to live, along with her dog and her cat. The three-story building, where she rented a 90 sq/m flat will now be turned into accommodation for refugees, who are seeking to make Germany their new home." [81515, 81516, 81517]

Also in Germany, authorities are being forced to separate Christian refugees from Muslim refugees to ensure their safety. One Christian migrant tells *Die Welt*, "But I can not openly admit that I am a Christian in my home for asylum seekers. I will be threatened. ...They [Muslim refugees] wake me before dawn during Ramadan and say I should eat before the sun comes up. If I refuse, they say I'm a kuffar, an unbeliever. They

spit at me... They treat me like an animal. And threaten to kill me. ...They are also all Muslims.” Breitbart.com adds, “Simon Jacob of the Central Council of the Eastern Christians said that stories like this no longer surprise him: ‘I know a lot of reports of Christian refugees who are under attack. But that’s just the tip of the iceberg. The number of unreported cases is high. We must expect further conflicts that bring the refugees from their homeland to Germany. Between Christians and Muslims. Between Shiites and Sunnis. Between Kurds and extremists. Between Yazidis and extremists.’” [81551, 81552, 81632]

At a refugee camp in Giessen, Germany, reports of fights, rapes, and child abuse continue. Sue Reid reports in the *Daily Mail*, “Locals in Giessen are appalled by the rape allegations. But many are also increasingly worried about the effect of the migrants—some 6,000 Syrians, Iraqis, Pakistanis, Kurds, Eritreans and others are housed in the camp, which was expanded last year—on their everyday lives. Some complain that the migrants have taken over the town, which is famous for its botanical gardens and dotted with pretty boutiques and flower shops. You cannot miss the new arrivals, wandering the streets in large groups. ...At other camps among the 2,000 that have sprung up in Germany, I hear various lurid complaints about the arrivals, 80 per cent of whom are Muslim, single and male. At a former U.S. military base housing some 2,000 migrants in Bayernkaserne, on the outskirts of Munich, women’s rights groups say there is forced prostitution and rape every day. Men, women and children sleep next to each other in tents and, according to one social worker interviewed on local TV, the camp is ‘the biggest brothel in the city’ where the price for sex with a female migrant is €10 (£7) [about \$11.25].” [81557]

“...In other parts of the country, Germans are being told to adapt their lifestyles when migrants arrive. Police in the Bavarian town of Mering, where a 16-year-old girl was reportedly raped this month, have warned parents not to allow their children outside unaccompanied. ...At Pocking, another well-kept Bavarian town, the headmaster of the grammar school wrote to parents telling them not to let their daughters wear skimpy clothing. This was to avoid ‘misunderstandings’ with 200 migrants who were put up in the school’s gymnasium over the summer, before being moved on this month. ...Astonishingly, police kept silent about [a rape in Detmold], which took place in June. Only this month, after a local newspaper revealed that it had happened—and claimed German authorities are not ‘going public’ about crimes involving migrants because they don’t want to ‘give legitimacy’ to critics of mass migration—did they confirm it had taken place. ...Meanwhile, the migrants keep arriving. Many have deliberately thrown away their passports on their journey through Europe, so they can pretend to be Syrian refugees rather than economic migrants.” [81557]

Of course, many Muslims already in Germany have done a less than admirable job of assimilating. In Darmstadt, Asadullah Khan (who speaks no German) confesses to strangling his daughter for dishonoring his family. (She went out in public without covering her head and had shoplifted condoms so she could have sex with her boyfriend.) According to the *Daily Mail*, after killing his daughter, “Khan and his wife Shazia then dressed dead daughter Lareeb, a dental technician, in her clothes. They then wheeled her

in a wheelchair from their high-rise apartment to the family car, drove to a secluded embankment in their home city of Darmstadt in Germany, and tipped the corpse down it.” (The Khan’s had wanted an arranged marriage in Pakistan for their daughter.) [81561, 81633]

While Europe struggles to deal with the refugees, Obama wants several hundred thousand to be brought to the United States. He tweets: “...Every single one of us... can help refugees find safe haven.” “We’re also increasing the number of Syrian and other refugees we admit to the U.S. to 100,000 per year for the next two years.” “Nearly 12 million people have been displaced by the conflict in Syria. As Americans, we can’t sit idly by. That’s not who we are.” [81552]

Although Obama is eager to welcome Muslim refugees to the United States, he also seems eager to deport Christian refugees. According to JihadWatch.org, “The fate of those Iraqi Christians who had fled from the Islamic State only to be incarcerated in the United States has finally been decided by the Obama administration: they are to be thrown back to the lions, where they will likely be persecuted if not slaughtered like so many Iraqi Christians before them. Fifteen of the 27 Iraqi Christians that have been held at a detention center in Otay Mesa, California, for approximately six months, are set to be deported in the coming weeks. Some have already been deported and others are being charged with immigration fraud. ...Why are Christian minorities, who are the most to suffer from the chaos engulfing the Middle East, the least wanted in the United States? The answer is that the Obama administration defines refugees as people ‘persecuted by their government.’ In other words, the only ‘real’ refugees are those made so due to the actions of [Syrian President] Bashar Assad. As for those who are being raped, slaughtered, and enslaved based on their religious identity by so-called ‘rebel’ forces fighting Assad—including the Islamic State—their status as refugees is evidently considered dubious at best.” [81568]

FoxNews.com reports, “A British soldier was asked to move from a hospital waiting room last week because staff feared his uniform might offend other patients. The family of Royal Air Force Sgt. Mark Prendeville said hospital workers told them ‘they didn’t want to upset people’ and that the hospital has ‘lots of different cultures coming in,’ according to the Guardian. ‘To say I was incensed would put it mildly,’ Prendeville’s father, Jim Prendeville, told the BBC.” (It can be assumed that the hospital would not move hijab-wearing Muslim women out of the way in order that they would not offend non-Muslims.) [81511, 81512]

Russia reaches an agreement with Iraq, Syria, and Iran to share intelligence about ISIS. NYTimes.com writes, “Like Russia’s earlier move to bolster the government of President Bashar al-Assad by deploying warplanes and tanks to a base near Latakia, Syria, the intelligence-sharing arrangement was sealed without notice to the United States. American officials knew that a group of Russian military officers were in Baghdad, but they were clearly surprised when the Iraqi military’s Joint Operations Command announced the intelligence sharing accord on Sunday. ...The effort, which Mr. Putin is expected to underscore in his speech at the United Nations on Monday, not only puts

Moscow in a position to give military support to Mr. Assad, its longtime ally in the Middle East, but could also enable the Kremlin to influence the choice of a successor if Mr. Assad were to eventually leave power.” [81562, 81566]

In Philadelphia, Pope Francis addresses Hispanics in the United States, “Many of you came to this country at great personal cost, but in the hope of building a new life. Do not feel discouraged by all the challenges and hardships you might face. I ask you not to forget that, like those who came here before you, you bring many gifts to this new nation of yours. Please: do not feel ever ashamed of your traditions. Do not forget the lessons you learned from your elders, which can bring an enrichment to life of this American land. You are also called to be responsible citizens. You are called to be responsible citizens and to contribute, like others, with so much resilience before you—to contribute fruitfully to the life of the communities in which you live. Do not forget what happened here over two centuries ago. Do not forget the declaration which said all men and women were created equally—to be equal—that governments exist to protect and defend these rights.” [81518]

In an insufferable *60 Minutes* interview, leftist CBS News anchor Scott Pelley consistently interrupts and badgers Donald Trump—who, despite some of his inconsistent statements, may gain some support only because viewers may be offended by Pelley’s attitude. [81522, 81523, 81526, 81530, 81531]

Obama attends a Democrat National Committee LGBT Gala fundraiser in New York City. He says, “We’ve come a long way in changing hearts and minds so that trans [transsexual] men and women can be who they are—not just on magazine covers, but in workplaces and schools and communities. And to build on that progress, we should support efforts to ban so-called ‘conversion therapy’ for minors. So, we’ve got to keep striving every day to treat each other the way I believe God sees us, as equal in His eyes.” (If your son decides he is a girl, Obama apparently would like to prevent you from allowing him to be seen by a psychiatrist.) [81605]

On September 28 Obama addresses the United Nations General Assembly. In a speech that goes more than double over his allotted time (probably because clichés and bromides typically take more time than simple truths) he says, “If we cannot work together more effectively, we will all suffer the consequences. That is true for the United States, as well, no matter how powerful our military... We understand the United States cannot solve the world’s problems alone. In Iraq, the United States learned the hard lesson.” Yet he also says, “I lead the strongest military the world has ever known. I will never hesitate to protect my country and our allies unilaterally and by force when necessary.” Obama indirectly addresses Russian President Vladimir Putin, saying, “America has few economic interests in Ukraine. We recognize the deep and complex history between Russia and Ukraine. But we cannot stand by when the sovereignty and territorial integrity of a nation is blatantly violated. We want a strong Russia that’s invested in working with us to strengthen the international system as a whole.” (Of course, the United States most certainly did “stand by” and do nothing when Russia invaded Crimea and Ukraine.) [81521, 81534, 81571, 81582, 81597]

Obama also brags about his nuclear agreement with Iran, saying, “For two years, international partners stuck together in complex negotiations. The result is a lasting, comprehensive deal. A potential war is averted. Our world is safer. That is the strength of the international system when it works the way it should.” (Not once does Obama utter the name Israel in his speech.) [81544, 81548]

Obama says, We know that ISIL [ISIS], which emerged out of the chaos of Iraq, and Syria, depends on perpetual war to survive. But we also know that they gain adherence because of a poisonous ideology. And so part of our job, together, is to, is to work to reject such extremism that affects too many of our young people. Part of that effort must be a continued rejection by Muslims of those who distort Islam, to preach intolerance, and promote violence. And it must also involve a rejection by non-Muslims of the ignorance that equates Islam with terror.” (Obama is blaming George W. Bush for the rise of ISIS, and blaming Americans for equating Islam with terrorism—as if they are supposed to ignore the 26,000+ terrorist attacks by Muslims around the world since September 11, 2001.) [81555, 81556, 81563]

Remarkably, Obama says, Chanting ‘Death to America!’ does not create jobs or make Iran more secure.” (Obama is too dim-witted to comprehend that when Iranians chant “Death to America!” they mean nothing more than “Death to America!” *There is no hidden meaning.*) [81545, 81595]

On MSNBC, Chris “tingles” Matthew goes gaga over Obama’s speech, saying, “What I saw there was the post-presidential Obama, the man he wants to become. When he moves to New York where he paid great tribute to the city of New York, is he going to be a post-presidential Nelson Mandela? He is laying down all the values he is going to be spending the rest of his life, I believe, promoting. Today we saw it as an away game. It will soon be a home game for him. He will be a presidential figure who’s become a global leader.” [81597]

At NationalReview.com Elliott Abrams writes that Obama’s speech was “filled with nice lines that unfortunately bear no relationship to his seven years of foreign policy—and in some cases, no relationship to reality. The speech had several strong paragraphs about freedom, human rights, and democracy. ...But his administration has in fact steadily reduced American programs supporting human rights and democracy, and reached out to tyrannies such as Iran and Cuba—delaying the day when they will ‘eventually crumble.’ He spoke of the nuclear non-proliferation regime as one of the “principal achievements” of the United Nations, but of course that regime has been endangered by his awful Iran deal more than by any other development in decades. (And in what sense were nuclear non-proliferation agreements negotiated by the United States an achievement of the U.N., anyway?) Obama spoke harshly of Syria’s Bashar al-Assad, ‘who drops barrel bombs on innocent children’ and uses chemical weapons, and he called for ‘a managed transition away from Assad.’ But it is Barack Obama who has led the way for three years in doing absolutely nothing about Assad’s terror.” [81601]



“...On Libya, [Obama] said: ‘Even as we helped the Libyan people bring an end to the reign of a tyrant, our coalition could have and should have done more to fill a vacuum left behind.’ But why did the coalition not do more? Because Barack Obama rushed for the exits, not because ‘our coalition’ got it wrong. ... Then came Cuba, perhaps the most offensive part of Obama’s speech. ... Nowhere in all of this did he call for democracy in Cuba. Nowhere did he call upon the regime to free political prisoners; instead he said ‘change won’t come overnight,’ as if the regime had not been resisting change through executions and jailings for more than 50 years. His only actual demand was made not to Castro but to the U.S. Congress, to fully end the embargo of Cuba. Now, human-rights conditions in Cuba have actually deteriorated in Cuba since his policy of embracing the regime was announced last year, giving the lie to the claim that ‘we will continue to stand up for human rights.’ In fact, if ... Obama wanted to stand up for human rights in Cuba, today’s address to the United Nations was a perfect opportunity. He blew it.” [81601]

“Some of the tougher language here, like that against the Assad regime, is welcome. But as with the talk about Ukraine, it won’t scare Putin or Assad or the Iranians. They’ve heard it all before and watched as Obama failed to act when American interests were on the line. ... It’s hard to believe they will wince and withdraw after hearing U.N. General Assembly speech number seven from Obama. Obama concluded this speech by saying: ‘We are called upon to offer a different type of leadership. Leadership strong enough to recognize that nations share common interests, and people share a common humanity.’ That’s a nice summation of Obama’s approach, and as we look at the global mess he has created, those words should stick in our minds. Our next president will also have to offer a ‘different kind of leadership,’ one that realizes that the conduct of vicious regimes in China or Russia or Iran or Cuba won’t be affected by warm words about ‘common interests.’ Today was vintage Obama, and one can only be thankful that his next U.N. speech will be his last.” [81601]

In his address to the United Nations, Russian President Vladimir Putin slams others (that is, the United States) for arming Syrian “rebel moderates.” He says, “We believe that any attempts to play games with terrorists, let alone to arm them, are not just short-sighted, but hazardous. This may result in the global terrorist threat increasing dramatically and engulfing new regions. ... Instead of the triumph of democracy and progress, we got violence, poverty and social disaster—and nobody cares a bit about human rights, including the right to life. I cannot help asking those who have forced that situation: Do you realize what you have done? ... No one but President [Bashar al-] Assad’s armed forces and Kurdish militia are truly fighting the Islamic State and other terrorist organizations in Syria.” [81550, 81553, 81554, 81564, 81629]

At WSJ.com Garry Kasparov observes, “Mr. Obama has already decided to continue his policy of disengagement from the Middle East, and his platitudes about cooperation and the rule of law rang hollow in the U.N.’s General Assembly hall. ... Mr. Putin, speaking about an hour later in the same room, included his usual NATO-bashing and obvious lies. ... In other words, Mr. Obama’s speech was routine because he knows he will not act. Mr. Putin’s speech was routine because he knows he will act anyway. ... Mr. Putin didn’t say anything new at the U.N., because he didn’t need to. He knows that he has concrete assets

that are more effective than mere words. He has tanks in Ukraine, jet fighters in Syria, and Barack Obama in the White House.” [81700]

Obama and Putin meet privately for about 90 minutes. CBS News’ Mark Knoller describes the aftermath: “One of shortest POTUS photos ops ever. Walk in, shake hands, walk out. 13½ seconds.” [81546, 81584, 81680]

Argentina’s president, Cristina Fernandez de Kirchner, addresses the United Nations General Assembly and claims that in 2010 former White House Coordinator for Arms Control and Weapons of Mass Destruction Gary Samore tried to persuade her to provide Iran with nuclear fuel. Kirchner states that Samore “came to see us in Argentina with a mission, with an objective: under the control of IAEA, the international organization in the field of weapons control and nuclear regulation, Argentina had supplied in the year 1987, during the first democratic government, the nuclear fuel for the reactor known as ‘Teheran.’ Gary Samore had explained to our Minister of Foreign Affairs, Hector Timerman, that negotiations were underway for the Islamic Republic of Iran to cease with its uranium enrichment activities or to do it to a lesser extent but Iran claimed that it needed to enrich this Teheran nuclear reactor and this was hindering negotiations. They came to ask us, Argentines, to provide the Islamic Republic of Iran with nuclear fuel. Rohani was not in office yet. It was [Mahmoud] Ahmadinejad’s administration and negotiations had already started.” [81816, 81817, 81818, 81819, 81991, 81992]

Mediaite writes, “In this bizarre history of belligerence between Argentina and Iran, it seems peculiar that ...Obama’s chief representative for Arms Control and WMDs would argue on behalf of increasing Iranian nuclear capabilities, even if for only fuel. So what happened? According to Kirchner, when Samore was asked to provide the request in writing, all communication from the United States ceased. Kirchner stated, ‘This message was conveyed and I believe that was the last time, after that communication, that our Minister of Foreign Affairs saw Gary Samore.’ As soon as the essential protocol from the Argentinian government was pushed further—asking for the Iranian fuel transfer request in writing—Samore, she says, disappeared.” (That is, the Obama administration did not want a paper trail so that, in the event the scheme was made public, it could be denied.) [81816, 81817, 81818, 81819]

The New York City Council honors Ethel Rosenberg on what would have been the 100th anniversary of her birth. (Ethel Greenglass Rosenberg and her husband Julius Rosenberg were executed on June 19, 1953 for espionage and passing atomic bomb information to the Soviet Union. According to NYPost.com, the city council claims Rosenberg demonstrated “great bravery” in leading a labor union strike in 1935, and also claims she was “wrongfully” executed for treason. Councilman Daniel Dromm—who is apparently ignorant of the fact that the Rosenberg trial lasted 12 months—claims “we rushed to judgment and they were executed.” Wikipedia.com notes, “In his posthumously published memoirs, Nikita Khrushchev, leader of the Soviet Union from 1953 to 1964, said that he ‘cannot specifically say what kind of help the Rosenbergs provided us’ but that he learned from Joseph Stalin and Vyacheslav M. Molotov that they ‘had provided very significant help in accelerating the production of our atomic bomb.’”) [81697, 81698,

81749, 81837, 81900]

Wisconsin State Representative Scott Allen issues a statement: “Disappointment was my first reaction of the news about GE [General Electric] shutting down its engine manufacturing functions at the Waukesha Power and Water facility. In a press release, and substantiated by my conversation with GE corporate spokesperson, Patrick Theisen, this afternoon, GE wishes to blame the problem on the House of Representatives and that body’s failure to act on the U.S. Export Import Bank. Mr. Theisen was eager to connect me with his public relations department to help me gin up a press release blaming Congress and demanding they act. In the same conversation, practically in the same breath, he told me that the decision on the Waukesha plant was made some time ago and that it was irreversible. I have played a few games of chess and I am familiar with the role of the pawn...” (GE is eliminating 350 jobs in Waukesha, Wisconsin and instead building a \$265 million power plant in Canada. The company is using its actions to gin up support for renewal of the Export-Import Bank, a frivolous federal program that misuses taxpayer funds by giving low-interest loans to large corporations that certainly do not need subsidies. It is the company’s right, of course, to build its facilities wherever it chooses—but it should not be issuing false statements in order to get voters to support ill-advised federal policies and “corporate welfare.”) [81668, 81689]

The Associated Press reports, “The State Department has told Senate investigators that it didn’t provide Hillary Rodham Clinton’s lawyer with a secure-enough method to read now-highly classified material from her homebrew email server because it didn’t anticipate that the messages would be deemed so secret. In July, State Department officials installed a safe at the office of attorney David Kendall after the government determined some of Clinton’s emails may have contained classified information. But it said last week the safe wasn’t suitable for so-called top secret, sensitive compartmented information, known as TS/SCI, which the government has said was found in some messages.” [81575, 81576]

ObamaCare continues to flounder, with DailySignal.com reporting, “New York state and federal regulators ordered the U.S.’s largest nonprofit health insurance provider established under the Affordable Care Act, the Health Republic Insurance of New York, to shut its doors by the end of the year as it continues to trend toward insolvency. The announcement Friday disrupts health coverage for more than 200,000 people. The Health Republic Insurance of New York received more than \$265 million in taxpayer-funded loans, according to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. It is too early to know how much the company will be able to repay. Despite becoming the second largest provider of health coverage on the state’s ACA exchange, Politico reported the insurer lost \$130 million during its first 18 months of operations.” [81611]

Announcing his tax plan at Trump Tower in New York City, Donald Trump says, “There will be a major tax reduction. It’ll simplify the tax code. It’ll grow the American economy at a level that it hasn’t seen for decades, and all of this does not add to our debt or our deficit.” According to the Associated Press, “The plan Trump unveiled proposes eliminating income taxes entirely for millions of single Americans earning less than

\$25,000 and married couples earning less than \$50,000 a year. Individuals would receive a new one-page form to send the IRS saying, ‘I win.’ Wealthier Americans would also see large reductions in their annual tax bill. Under Trump’s four-bracket [0, 10, 20, and 25 percent] plan, the highest marginal tax rate would be cut from the current 39.6 percent to 25 percent. Businesses—from major corporations to mom-and-pop shops—would also see their rates slashed to no more than 15 percent, down from the current corporate tax rate of 35 percent. Trump also said he would eliminate the estate tax. The billionaire real estate mogul said he plans to pay for the tax cuts by eliminating and reducing unspecified deductions and loopholes, both on the ‘very rich’ and corporations. He also wants to eliminate the so-called carried interest loophole that allows managers of hedge funds and private equity firms to pay a lower tax rate than most individuals.” [81538, 81539, 81594, 81600]

Trump’s plan would increase the deficit—*unless* he can persuade Congress to slash spending and he is correct that the tax changes would stimulate the economy, prompt the expansion and creation of businesses, create jobs, and boost the nation’s Gross Domestic Product. A one-time, 10 percent tax on more than \$2 trillion in corporate profits being held overseas would generate significant tax revenue and stimulate job creation in the United States. Trump vows his administration “will be balancing budgets and getting them where they should be.” (Trump’s plan might not succeed, but the plans of his opponents are guaranteed to fail—because they do not address the core problems of profligate government spending.) [81538, 81539, 81594, 81600]

Grover Norquist, head of Americans for Tax Reform, praises Trump’s plan and say it will make the United States “competitive worldwide” and will create “job, jobs, jobs.” (Trump has now released somewhat detailed position papers on immigration, gun rights, and taxes. While his positions are not as Libertarian as some might like, they are conservative enough to attract the support of millions of Republicans, independents, and some “Reagan Democrats.”) [81539]

The Senate votes 77-19 to advance a short-term continuing resolution to fund the government that does not stop taxpayer funding of Planned Parenthood. (The legislation would fund the government through December 11. The Senate will then be eager to kick the can down the road again, as it will want to leave town for its holiday recess and will want to avoid Obama criticizing the GOP for “destroying Christmas for millions of Americans” with demands for spending cuts. In other words, the gutless Republicans are again caving in to Obama and his fellow Democrats—and the GOP wonders why outsiders like Donald Trump, Carly Fiorina, and Ben Carson are doing far better in the polls than Jeb Bush.) [81572, 81635, 81688]

CNN, perhaps eager to see Vice President Joe Biden enter the presidential race (or eager for a ratings boost), states that if he announces his candidacy by October 13 he will be allowed to participate in that evening’s Democrat candidate debate. [81573, 81590]

CNN’s Chris Cuomo criticizes Ben Carson daring to say he would not support a Shari’ah-law-supporting Muslim for president: “The problem is the candidate... seems to

be pandering to a xenophobic religious minority in this country that's anti-Islam.” (According to a YouGov poll, 57 percent of voters would not support a Muslim president. Cuomo apparently considers 57 percent “a xenophobic religious minority.”) Cuomo adds, “I find it hard to believe that a man of Ben Carson’s intelligence—and it is formidable intelligence—would paint any group or faith with the same brush. He’s too smart to do that.” (Of course, Carson did not do that.) [81591, 81596]

With Ahmed “clock boy” Mohamed’s visit to the United Nations, New York City mayor Bill de Blasio declares “Ahmed Day.” De Blasio tells Mohamed, “Keep doing what you’re doing.” *The Dallas Morning News* reports that Mohamed and his family are traveling to Qatar as guests of the Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development. (Pamela Geller comments, “Here’s the message, boys and girls: devise a hoax that looks like a bomb, scare the hell out of everyone in school, and you too will become lauded and saluted the world over. Just one thing: you [had] better be a Muslim, because if you aren’t, you’ll be expelled and ruined.”) [81579, 81604, 81624]

Newsmax.com reports, “The Obama administration plans to close the last remaining American-owned uranium enrichment facility in the United States, even as it moves forward on a controversial nuclear deal with Iran that permits the Islamic Republic to conduct ongoing and significant uranium enrichment. The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) has informed Centrus Energy it will end the American Centrifuge project in Piketon, Ohio, on Sept. 30. Notices have been issued to some 235 workers that their jobs are in jeopardy. ...As recently as 20 years ago, the United States produced nearly 50 percent of the global supply of enriched uranium. Today, however, U.S. production accounts for only about 10 percent of the global supply, with Russia, France, the United Kingdom, Germany, and Holland producing the bulk of the world’s enriched uranium.” Congressman Brad Wenstrup (R-OH) states, “This is beyond belief. While this administration is greenlighting uranium enrichment in Iran and legitimizing 6,000 Iranian centrifuges, they’re shutting down domestic production here in America.” [81580]

On September 29 Jack Perry writes at LewRockwell.com, “Hark! Hearest thou yonder sound? It is the sound of the United States government becoming OBSOLETE in the Middle East! Check out the news. See that? Now IRAQ is going to cooperate with Russia, Syria, and Iran to defeat ISIS over in Syria. HA HA HA! How do ya like THEM apples, Obama!? ...Now here goes Obama saying, ‘Oh, um, well, we want to cooperate with Russia! Seriously! But, Assad still needs to go, you guys!’ Yeah, still trying to save face after all this time, even though there’s egg all over it. Give it up, clowns. You just got outflanked. You lost this chess game for keeps. ...Of course Obama is still sticking to this failed policy of trying to topple Assad even after Putin has thoroughly humiliated him in this chess game. Obama is whining over Assad STILL! You’d think Assad picked on Obama in high school or something! ...Iraq was ‘our guy’ and now they just said they found a better deal with Russia. So underneath all of that probably lies a secret—for right now—military alliance between Russia, Iran, Syria, and Iraq. You can be sure the Saudis are already sweating not bullets, but ballistic missiles... So, hey Obama, there’s your legacy! Please, stop whining. You lost a chess match with Putin. That’s what you get for

listening to people in the Pentagon who thought it was a tiddlywinks tournament. Say, anyone up for a game of chess? The United States government sure wasn't." [81550, 81562]

DailyCaller.com reports, "The Obama administration granted asylum to more than 1,500 foreigners with ties to terrorist organizations last year because they were deemed to have provided support to the groups 'while under duress.' The figures are contained in an annual report that U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) sent to Congress this month. The conservative watchdog group Judicial Watch obtained the report and published it online Tuesday. During fiscal year 2014, USCIS applied exemptions to 1,519 foreigners with ties to terrorist organizations who applied for discretionary relief. Of that total, 806 of the foreigners granted discretionary relief were for refugee applicants while another 614 were applicants for lawful permanent resident status. ...Such applicants would have been rejected prior to Feb. 2014, according to Judicial Watch. That's when the Obama administration announced that DHS could exercise discretion whether to grant asylum to aliens 'who provided limited material support.' 'Before the Obama administration tweaked a federal law last year, these foreign nationals would have been banned from the country for supporting terrorist causes,' Judicial Watch asserts. 'The bottom line is that the U.S. government is allowing them all to stay in the country with rights and benefits afforded to legal residents despite their terrorist connections and associations,' the watchdog argues." [81647, 81651, 81674]

Planned Parenthood president Cecile Richards testifies before the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee to defend her organization from criticism—and the possible loss of federal funds. Committee chairman Jason Chaffetz (R-UT) argues that Planned Parenthood does not need federal subsidies. He notes that Richards makes "nearly \$600,000 a year" heading a non-profit organization that spends roughly \$14,000 per day on travel expenses, much of it on first class travel. (Planned Parenthood also dishes out millions of dollars to support Democrat political campaigns, and spent \$622,706 on themed parties with celebrity supporters.) Richards admits that Planned Parenthood does not perform mammograms (although it seems perfectly willing to let the media to continue to suggest that it does), and that a massive 86 percent of the organization's revenue comes from abortions. [81574, 81577, 81578, 81607, 81608, 81614, 81634, 81650]

Asked what Planned Parenthood does if a baby survives an abortion, Richards replies (unconvincingly to some), "I've never heard of... such a circumstance happening. ...I mean, I certainly, well, I, I can say at Planned Parenthood, I'm aware of no instance where... we don't, we don't provide abortions after, um, viability... so, but, I certainly, it's in my experience at Planned Parenthood, uh, we haven't ever had that kind of circumstance. ...I want to be responsible for Planned Parenthood and what we do there. Certainly in this situation which, again has never occurred, that I know of, of, a, a baby born, um, that baby should, as the mother should, get appropriate medical care from the physician. And would." (Some might argue that Richards means, "We make sure that no baby ever survives an abortion." Others might argue that Richards does not consider an unborn baby to technically be a baby, so she is giving herself some legal wiggle room

with her response. That is, “We don’t kill babies; we only extract and discard fetuses.”) [81643, 81661, 81748]

Richards’ statement is in conflict with what has been revealed by the undercover videos. On August 19 LifeNews.com reported, “This latest video catches the nation’s biggest abortion business harvesting the brain of an aborted baby who was still alive.” On September 1 the Center for Medical Progress released its ninth Planned Parenthood undercover video. LifeNews.com: “This latest video catches a Planned Parenthood medical director discussing how the abortion company sells fully intact aborted babies—including one who ‘just fell out’ of the womb.” [79998, 80031, 80061, 80200, 80594, 80608, 80615, 80623, 80631, 81643]

LifeNews.com reports, “A new forensic analysis of the 10 videos the Center for Medical Progress released exposing the Planned Parenthood abortion business apparently illegally selling aborted babies and their body parts for profit finds ‘no evidence of manipulation’ despite claims from the abortion company and Democrats that they were heavily edited. ...[A] legal group Alliance Defending Freedom has obtained the services of cybersecurity and forensic analysis company Coalfire Systems to examine each of the 10 videos CMP released to determine if they were manipulated in any way. According to a news report, the extensive report finds answer is no and the only edits in the videos consisted of bathroom breaks and time eating meals. ‘This conclusion is supported by the consistency of the video file date and time stamps, the video timecode, as well as the folder and file naming scheme,’ the report states. ‘The uniformity between the footage from Investigator 1’s camera and Investigator 2’s camera also support the evidence that the video recordings are authentic.’ The report also confirms that ‘edits made to the Full Footage videos [for the shorter YouTube videos] were applied to eliminate non-pertinent footage, such as restroom breaks, meals, and other similar periods lacking pertinent conversation.’” [81609, 81610]

Addressing a “Leaders’ Summit on Countering ISIL and Violent Extremism” at the United Nations, Obama says, “Now, I have repeatedly said that our approach will take time. This is not an easy task. We have ISIL taking root in areas that already are suffering from failed governance, in some cases; in some cases, civil war or sectarian strife. And as a consequence of the vacuum that exists in many of these areas, ISIL has been able to dig in. They have shown themselves to be resilient, and they are very effective through social media and have been able to attract adherents not just from the areas in which they operate, but in many of our own countries. ...In Syria, as I said yesterday, defeating ISIL requires, I believe, a new leader and an inclusive government that unites the Syrian people in the fight against terrorist groups. This is going to be a complex process. And as I’ve said before, we are prepared to work with all countries, including Russia and Iran, to find a political mechanism in which it is possible to begin a transition process.” (Pamela Geller comments: “They’re not attracting adherents because they’re effective through social media. That’s just the medium; the message is what attracts adherents. But Obama is bound as a matter of policy to ignore their message, so he has to pretend that the way they package it is what counts. And then he has the audacity to say we must combat their ideology—an ideology he has consistently refused

to acknowledge even exists.”) [81617, 81618, 81630]

Obama continues, “... We recognize we also have to address the political grievances that ISIL exploits. I’ve said this before: when human rights are denied and citizens have no opportunity to redress their grievances peacefully, it feeds terrorist propaganda that justifies violence. Likewise, when political opponents are treated like terrorists and thrown in jail, it can be a self-fulfilling prophecy.” (Geller comments: “So he is going to address their poverty, even while admitting that poverty doesn’t cause terrorism, and their political grievances. In doing these things, he thinks their religious vision will fade away. This is, of course, because he refuses to face it for what it is, has no idea of its strength, and won’t believe it has anything to do with Islam. The result will be that he will shower money on Muslim countries and make political concessions to them, and then, to his dismay, will find that the jihad continues.”) [81617, 81618]

“...Remember,” lectures Obama, “that violent extremism is not unique to any one faith, so no one should be profiled or targeted simply because of their faith. Yet we have to recognize that ISIL is targeting Muslim communities around the world, especially individuals who may be disillusioned or confused or wrestling with their identities. And in all our countries, we have to continue to build true partnerships with Muslim communities, based on trust and cooperation, so that they can help protect their loved ones from becoming radicalized. This cannot just be the work of government. It is up to all of us. We have to commit ourselves to build diverse, tolerant, inclusive societies that reject anti-Muslim and anti-immigrant bigotry that creates the divisions, the fear and the resentments upon which extremists can prey.” (Geller: “[O]f course, no innocent Muslims should suffer any harm or injustice. He seemed to be saying more than that. The idea that it is wrong to fight Islamic jihad by paying attention to Muslim communities more than Baptist or Jewish or Hindu or Amish communities is absurd. Islamic jihad is committed by Muslims. Obama won’t even call it Islamic jihad or admit that it is a specifically Muslim phenomenon, and insofar as he diverts any resources to tracking ‘right-wing extremism’ on the basis of bogus studies, he makes us all less safe.”) [81617, 81618]

British Prime Minister David Cameron also addresses the summit. He states, “Barack, you are quite right, that every religion has its extremists, but we have to be frank that the biggest problem we have today is the Islamist extremist violence that has given birth to ISIL, to Al Shabaab to Al Nusra, Al Qaeda and so many other groups ... These people claim to act in the name of the Islamic religion. They don’t. I can say they don’t over and over again. You can say they don’t, but there is nothing more powerful than, for instance, what the king of Jordan has just said.” (Jordan’s King Abdullah II had said, “First and foremost, this is our fight. Muslims nations have to lead this fight.”) [81642, 81645]

“We need to challenge the extremist worldview right from the start. What does that mean? In Western countries it means we have to root out the extremists preachers that [sic; who] are poisoning the minds of young Muslims in our country. We have to build more integrated societies so young people feel they truly belong. And we have to make sure we don’t allow the incubation of an extremist worldview even before it gets to



justifying violence. We've got to get it out of our schools. Get it out of our prisons. Get it out of our universities. I believe in freedom of speech. But freedom to hate is not the same thing. ...The boy who straps a bomb to his chest and blows up an Iraqi town, the guy that [sic; who] stands in the desert with a knife, having just beheaded a British hostage or whoever, they don't get there from a standing start. They have extremist views and an extremist mindset before they make that final decision to be an extremist terrorist." [81642, 81645]

At JihadWatch.org Robert Spencer later writes, "When you're too politically correct even for a self-deluded and compromised dhimmi such as David Cameron, you've really gone round the bend. ...This is an extraordinary statement, particularly coming from Cameron, who up to now has been an energetic purveyor of the mainstream fantasies. It marks a significant departure from the moral equivalence that otherwise dominates the public discourse today: every religion has its extremists, you see: 25,000 jihad terror attacks worldwide since 9/11 vs... Tim McVeigh! Cameron couldn't keep it up, however: he immediately retreated back into the prevailing unicorn-and-moonbeams fantasy: 'These people claim to act in the name of the Islamic religion...' ...[Cameron] offered no explanation for why the Islamic State's non-Islamic Islam is so compelling that 30,000 Muslims from 100 countries have now traveled to join the Islamic State, and more are trying to do so all the time. He did not explain because he cannot explain: the facts belie his fantasies. But his fantasies hamstring the effort to combat the Islamic State: he has foreclosed upon any honest examination of their motives and goals, and it is an adage as old as warfare that one cannot defeat an enemy that one does not understand. Western leaders—Cameron but not just Cameron—*refuse* to understand the Islamic State." [81747]

On MSNBC, Secretary of State John Kerry is asked, "Is your job made any more difficult by the fact that some question our credibility and our word because we [that is, Obama] drew a red line in Syria regarding the use of chemical weapons by [Bashar al-] Assad on his own people and we didn't follow up?" Kerry claims he is "really glad" the question was asked and says, "[T]here is so much misunderstanding about that and I understand the misunderstanding, but, the fact is, ...look, I accept, I accept that friends of ours [such as Israel] have decided that [Obama's] 'non-strike' has somehow impacted perceptions about us. But I believe they are dead wrong, and I think the critics are dead wrong and here's why: [Obama] made his decision to strike. He announced his decision to strike publicly. And the purpose of the strike was to get the chemical weapons out of Syria. That's the purpose." [81681, 81682]

"Well, while we were in the process, post-announcement... and then, lo and behold, unbeknownst to everybody on the Thursday before the weekend we were going to strike, [British Prime Minister] David Cameron went to the parliament and lost the vote. Now, how in the wake of Britain's parliament deciding no in a democratic fashion, [and] with [U.S.] congressmen screaming, 'you've got to come to us' [for permission under the War Powers Act] can [Obama] decide to stiff democracy in America and say no? We anticipated winning that vote and winning it quickly. But something else happened on the way to the forum. We achieved a deal with the Russians that didn't wind up in 19 days of

strikes that would have sent a quote ‘message’ but would not have removed the weapons, we struck a deal to get all of the declared weapons out of Syria. Never before in a conflict has that ever happened. That during the conflict weapons of mass destruction are taken out of the zone of conflict and thank God we did that, because if we hadn’t done that, today ISIL [ISIS] would have those chemical weapons in large parts of the country.” [81681, 81682]

Kerry’s claim is pure balderdash; he is in over his head. (Like National Security Advisor Susan Rice, Kerry knows far less than he thinks he knows. If they were university professors that would matter little. That they are involved with the security of the United States makes them dangerous.) Kerry and Obama would not have “won the vote” in Congress, and Kerry and Obama struck no deal with Russia. Russia simply told them the chemical weapons would be removed and the United States should stay out of it. That all the chemical weapons were removed from Syria is doubtful. In addition, the United States does not need the permission of the British Parliament to act in its own defense. If Syria was a serious threat to the United States, Obama should have acted—regardless of how the British government feels. Obama’s job is to defend the people of the United States, not worry about the feelings of the British. Kerry claims that “19 days of strikes” would not have removed the chemical weapons but would only have “sent a message.” Why then were the attacks planned in the first place? What was the purpose of Obama’s red line if he had no intention of using enough military force to enforce it? Kerry’s claim that “never before” have weapons of mass destruction been removed during a conflict is also laughable—unless his knowledge of history is so limited that he is unaware that the United States removed nuclear-armed missiles from Turkey and the Soviet Union removed them from Cuba during the Cuban Missile Crisis.

Wall Street icon Carl Icahn endorses Donald Trump for president, saying, “I would say it’s an endorsement. I think at this moment in time, he’s the only candidate that speaks out about the country’s problems. I’m behind Trump. ...Maybe he’s brash, but he’s willing to say what he believes and he’s willing to say, ‘Hey, this is complete bulls—. The middle class guy who’s making \$50,000 a year realizes ‘I’m being taken advantage of.’ He can read, he can understand. You know, in czarist Russia, they had to have a revolution. And then the czars would bring out the machine guns and mow them down. All these guys have to do is vote.” Icahn notes that Trump’s “ego permits him to—where a lot of these other presidents don’t—surround himself with really good people. He needs as many good people as he can get in this environment today. We certainly don’t see that in many of these presidents. ...I want to speak out now because, I know this may sound corny but I grew up in the streets of Queens. I love this country and I feel so strongly about the dysfunction that is going on both in Washington and the boardrooms of corporate America.” [81602]

Anthea Butler, a religious studies professor at the University of Pittsburgh and, according to Breitbart.com, “a frequent MSNBC guest,” tweets, “If only there was a ‘coon of the year’ award...” (Butler is crudely disparaging Ben Carson. Although Butler is also black, she nevertheless uses the disparaging “coon” term. It is almost not worth pointing out that had a white professor made the same statement about Obama, there would be immediate

calls for termination and the mainstream media would pound on the story for days. Leftists in the media come to Butler's defense, absurdly claiming "coon" is a racist slur only when used by whites. Erik Rush later notes at WND.com that Butler "claims that 'America's God' is a white racist" and "called former Ferguson, Missouri, cop Darren Wilson an emissary of 'America's racist god' for shooting 18-year-old Michael Brown to death in August of 2014—just because Brown beat the officer into near-insensibility and attempted to relieve him of his service pistol.") [81918, 81919, 81933, 81947, 82075, 82312]

At WeeklyStandard.com Mark Hemingway reports that "Tyler Drumheller, the former chief of the CIA's clandestine service in Europe who was working directly with [Hillary Clinton pal and confidante Sidney] Blumenthal as a member of Clinton's spy network, was concurrently working as a consultant to CBS News and its venerable news program *60 Minutes*" while Blumenthal was "funneling intelligence about the crisis in Libya directly to" Clinton. According to WEEKLY STANDARD sources, Drumheller was active in shaping the network's Benghazi coverage. His role at the network raises questions about what went wrong with the retracted *60 Minutes* report on Benghazi that aired in October 2013. Despite his former life as a high ranking CIA official, Drumheller was laden with political baggage, making him a curious choice to be consulting with a major news operation—especially so given that he was working directly with Sidney Blumenthal, whose primary occupation appears to be manipulating media coverage on behalf of the Clintons." [81612, 81844]

"...How Drumheller came to work for Blumenthal isn't known, but the longtime Clinton aide has acquired a reputation for both dishonesty and unswerving loyalty to the Clintons. Blumenthal was known for his especially vicious attacks on Monica Lewinsky in the press, and later would play hatchetman in the 2008 Democratic primary. ...Hillary Clinton later tried to hire Blumenthal at the State Department, but his attacks on Obama were considered so out of bounds that top Obama aides Robert Gibbs and David Axelrod balked at the suggestion..." Instead, Blumenthal was hired by the Clinton Foundation, as well as the leftist organizations Media Matters and American Bridge. ...How Drumheller was rewarded for working with Blumenthal is unknown, but emails show he was producing intelligence reports on Libya and other trouble spots that Blumenthal was passing on to Hillary Clinton when she was Secretary of State." (As noted previously in this *Timeline*, CBS News president David Rhodes is the brother of deputy national security advisor Ben Rhodes.) [81612, 81844]

"...Earlier this summer, the House Benghazi committee grilled Blumenthal over his work with organizations with ties to the Clintons. Still, comparatively little is known publicly about Blumenthal, Drumheller and their 'spy network'—a task that is further complicated by Drumheller's death last month. To what extent they may have manipulated media coverage of the Benghazi scandal in order to obscure the truth and discredit critics of Clinton's conduct as Secretary of State is unknown, but Drumheller's role at CBS raises very disturbing questions, starting with how much Hillary Clinton herself knew about what Blumenthal and Drumheller were up to. Finally, CBS News owes viewers a full accounting of the questionable decision making process behind its Benghazi coverage

and whether Drumheller may have been in a position to sway its coverage of this and other politically sensitive issues.” [81612, 81613, 81844]

WashingtonTimes.com reports, “While still working at the State Department, Hillary Rodham Clinton confidant Huma Abedin was paid by the private consulting firm Teneo Holdings to help stage a star-studded reception that included her boss’ husband, Bill Clinton, along with George W. Bush and former British Prime Minister Tony Blair as speakers just days after the Benghazi tragedy... Ms. Abedin’s work on the Sept. 20, 2012, event at the glamorous Essex House in New York City, helped entertain potential Teneo clients, wowing them with access to three former world leaders on a single stage. It was one of the specific projects she worked on with Teneo during a seven-month period in which she earned a \$15,000-a-month consulting fee from the firm while simultaneously receiving pay as a ‘special government employee’ advising Mrs. Clinton at the State Department, according to interviews and documents. ...In all, Ms. Abedin was paid about \$105,000 over seven months to advise Teneo in New York from summer 2012 to early 2013, according to a person familiar with the arrangement. During the same time, she collected \$126,239.80 in pay as a special government employee at the State Department, according to internal department records identifying her pay and leave that were obtained by The Times.” (A question worth asking is, “Which employer got short-changed by Abedin? Teneo or the State Department?”) [81615]

Fox News’ James Rosen reports that the 26-member general executive board of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters met behind closed doors and “decided unanimously [to] withhold a presidential endorsement at this time. Union sources say the move was driven by three motivations. First, as an intentional snub to Democratic front-runner Hillary Clinton, who last week opposed construction of the Keystone pipeline. Second, the Teamsters want to know if Vice President [Joe] Biden will jump into the race. And then union executives told me they want to sit down with Republican candidates, most notably, front-runner Donald Trump, who has collaborated with unionized work forces across his real estate career.” [81616]

The Taliban capture the city of Kunduz in Afghanistan, the nation’s fifth largest city and the capital of the Kunduz province. CNN’s Nic Robertson states, “This is the biggest town they’ve been able to take since 2001. This is a significant target and prize for the Taliban.” [81619, 81620]

The *Daily Mail* reports, “A Yazidi slave girl has claimed the high-ranking ISIS commander who held her prisoner was a white American who directed the terror group’s attacks and received personal letters from its leader. Nada, 19, told MailOnline that US citizen Abu Abdullah al-Amriki (the American), 23, boasted about how beautiful women from all over the world wanted to join him in Syria and that he always kept a vial of poison on him—in case he was captured in battle. She was bought by the ISIS emir—or local leader—at a slave auction in Islamic State’s de-facto capital of Raqqa, Syria, in October. ...The teenager, who is now in America, told her harrowing story to the US government after escaping with her captor’s phone. Her fellow Yazidi hostage, known as ‘Bazi,’ is also in the country—she will give evidence against Abu Abdullah to Congress

and wants the FBI to press charges against him. ...Abu Abdullah, who converted to Islam around four years ago and has many different identities, told Nada that he regularly travels to the United States to see his family, but there is no way to verify his sensational boast.” (Pamela Geller writes, “American Muslim Abu Abdullah al-Amriki is a top Islamic State commander. Should he be President of the United States? Dr. Ben Carson thinks not, but the media and cultural elites disagree.”) [81621, 81622, 81631]

In an MSNBC interview, Secretary of State John Kerry says, “You could end this violence [in Syria] within a very short period of time, have a complete ceasefire—which Iran could control, which Russia could control, which Syria could control, and which we and our coalition friends could control—if one man [President Bashar al-Assad] would merely make it known to the world that he doesn’t have to be part of the long-term future; he’ll help manage Syria out of this mess and then go off into the sunset, as most people do after a period of public life. If he were to do that, then you could stop the violence and quickly move to management. Assad himself could save this whole process by saying, ‘I will engage in a managed transition where we all work together to stabilize the government, save the institutions of government, and turn on ISIL [the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria, or ISIS] and preserve Syria.’” (If Assad were to step down, Syria would quickly be taken over by radical Islamists. Why Kerry does not see that—or why he might believe that is a good idea—is not clear.) [81653]

At FamilySecurityMatters.org Dr. Robin McFee, former chair of the Global Terrorism Council of ASIS International and currently a member of the US Counterterrorism Advisory Team. writes that Russian President Vladimir Putin “has doubled down on Syria in recent days. No news there. He has had bases in that beleaguered nation for years. He is in a good position to weaken ISIS in the process—to a far greater degree than the US has been willing to do. Speaking of which, Obama, not having learned anything from his many foreign policy misadventures in the region, has decided to invest in Syrian ‘rebels’ who somehow have become virtuous patriots—instead of merely another assemblage of Jihadists, former mujahideen, current members of the various Al Qaeda franchises, and to be clear, NOT friends of democracy or freedom fighters. Obama just doesn’t get it. There are no freedom fighters or prodemocracy plays in that region. It is a war of the roses based upon religion, anti-West sensibilities, adherence to Sharia, tribal power skirmishes, and territorial control. The old saw ‘the enemy of my enemy is my friend’ is both tired, misrepresentative of the landscape, and a dangerous game for amateurs to play.” [81679]

“...Putin—spy master, politician, businessman, diplomat, quasi-dictator, martial artist, energy expert, possible assassin, and global force to be reckoned with—recognizes the importance of supporting your allies. We could learn something from him, as we continue to abandon our friends, and give benefits to our enemies. Reputations matter. Consider this... If you had to select a second for a street fight, would you pick Putin or Obama? A sad reality, but who does the world trust more? Not who does the world use more, or misuse more, or abuse more, but trust or fear more. Like Assad or not, he has created a vortex within which ISIS is being drawn in. Al Qaeda is in play there as well. We ought to think of it as an opportunity to let savages kill each other, and their teams

become severely degraded. Instead we are arming, at ridiculous expense, a handful (think meaningless) of jokers to represent our interests over there. Yes Assad is an unsavory fellow, using chemical weapons. He isn't alone. And to his credit—even bad guys have their good points—he has protected Christians far more than any other dictator in the region.” [81679]

“...Like it or not, the world is one big Stratego ® or Risk ® game board. It is winner take all. The good guys can choose to be benevolent victors, and good trade partners, even good neighbors, but at the end of the day it is all about which team controls the natural resources, the transit routes, influences decisions, trade deals, and leads globally with manufacturing and distribution infrastructure that wins the game. We are losing the game, and badly. This is not to be gloom and doom, but to remind that our future, and that of our children depends upon the economic and security future we create and pass along. The two are inextricably intertwined. One cannot separate the economy, energy, immigration, and security issues. Within that construct, the Middle East matters to our economy and security—unfortunately. We blew Iraq—which has been and remains an extremely important nation in the history of the Arab and Middle Eastern world. Located in a strategic crossroads, and a former ally we misread (thank you Barack Obama), and abandoned a vital piece of real estate. Not to mention our feckless behavior has emboldened the behaviors of radical Islamists, including ISIS.” [81679]

“...The vacuum created when Obama placed politics over patriotism and popularity over leadership by removing our military from Iraq, and then added stupidity to idiocy, by reaching out to Iran to help us fight ISIS (tacitly giving Tehran the political cover to enter, and likely capture much of Iraq), and capped it off with a moronic two year diplomacy play that has been a major financial and political coup for Tehran, and completed the process of colossal foreign policy failures by mishandling Syria, betraying Israel, ignoring Egypt as well as Morocco, the Kurds, and screwing up North Africa, has set the stage for a new sheriff to emerge... Putin. All small entities need a big brother. ...Putin recognizes this, and has reached out to most of the countries in the Middle East, and starting with North Africa, establishing or reestablishing affiliations and alliances. Consider for a moment how Putin treats [Israeli Prime Minister Binyamin] Netanyahu and Israel with more concern, and respect than POTUS; a deft, radical departure from prior Russian/Soviet strategy. And Vladimir has, in at least small ways, used his powerful influence to stem some of the attacks from Iran's proxies.” [81679]

“Make no mistake about it—Iran, Syria, Turkey are all critical to Russia's energy, security, and geopolitical strategy. Poking the US in the eye in the process is just a bonus for Putin. Israel offers potential for Russia, too. Keep a watch on that. Obama has surrendered leadership of the Middle East to Russia. Pure and simple! And we should not blame Putin for that. He is doing what the leader of Russia is supposed to do—look out for the interests of his nation. ...If you listen to [White House press secretary] Josh Earnest, the DNC supporting media, Democrats, and the State Department, Russia woke up all of a sudden, and decided to place a powerful military presence into Syria, in defiance, mon Dieu, of ...Obama. How unsporting of them! And Team Obama has a strategy—to chastise, disrespect, and lecture Vladimir Putin. This is madness, and

stupid.” [81679]

“...Energy is the key; it is the lifeblood for every nation—fossil fuels, NOT alternative energies. Whoever controls energy controls the world. Doubt me, why do we kowtow to Saudi Arabia? If Riyadh controlled wheat fields instead of oil fields we would ignore them. Doubt me, why did Europe capitulate to Gazprom/Russia? Because it is cold in the winter without heating fuel. Until the United States fully utilizes our enormous natural resources - fossil fuels - from the Gulf to the Arctic, we will forever be wedded to the Middle East. Held hostage might be a better term for it. The importance of that region geopolitically, strategically, tactically and economically cannot be overstated. Instead of vilifying Putin, we should learn from him. He is in our backyard, and on the doorstep of our allies, vying for position. It is a game we must always play, but have under Obama, surrendered.” [81679]

“...In just seven short years the Middle East now belongs to Russia. Putin has reestablished workable bases—air and sea—in Syria, relationships with Turkey, reestablishing historic ties in spite of Putin’s support of the Kurds, tenuous so it is. Putin has reached out to Israel, long a near exclusive protectorate and partner of the US. Though Israeli sensibilities still better align with the United States, Putin recognizes a need by and opportunity with Netanyahu. Netanyahu will have to be very careful walking the tightrope between a weak leader (Obama) of a longstanding ally, and a strong leader (Putin) of a questionable enterprise. ...What the left seems to overlook—the power grab and battles being fought in the Middle East are not a pillow fight, or debate between academics. ISIS is playing to win. Iran is playing to win. Russia is playing to win. China is playing to win. Israel is playing for survival. Syria and Jordan are playing to win. The only nation/team that is more than happy to cede leadership, and defeat seems to be the United States, poorly led by Barack Obama and his supporters who give each other awards and kudos for illusionary successes when none have been realized in actuality.” [81679]

“...In terms of economics, national security, energy policy, and regional stability, the United States has allowed the Middle East to fall into chaos. And we will pay the price for it in the US in terms of vulnerability to OPEC, bad trade deals, increased vulnerability to ISIS, which clearly is NOT the JV, in energy, and homeland security. ...Putin in Syria is nothing new. And quite frankly had Putin not made another strong move into the region, Obama’s inaction would leave that area up in flames, and continue the refugee crisis. There is no doubt if Syria falls to ISIS, which appears to be Obama’s strategy, Israel will be far more in danger than if Assad remained. Putin knows ISIS is more dangerous to his interests, and ours, than Assad. Putin knows Syria is a strategically important area that cannot be allowed to fall into the growing radical Islamic caliphate, or become part of ISIS control. Putin knows the power of loyalty. And Putin understand the mistakes Obama has made, and will continue to exploit them globally. Syria is merely another place where Putin has planted the Russian flag, and outplays Obama. ...If you want to know where in the world something important is going on, just follow Putin. And until the United States elects a strong, effective leader, we are left with Obama surrendering the Middle East to Russia. It won’t be the last region Russia takes from us.

Stay tuned...” [81679]

On *Special Report*, columnist Charles Krauthammer comments on a bi-partisan report that reveals how ineffective the federal government has been in preventing Americans from going to the Middle East to join ISIS (or from then returning to the United States): “It’s huge, it’s growing, it’s unique, it’s never happened. When you compare it to the al-Qaeda precedent in Afghanistan it is historically unprecedented. But what’s also unprecedented is the utter passivity of the United States. The real story this week, and what happened at the U.N., where [Vladimir] Putin essentially stepped in and took over Syria. He’s now the leader. We had said two weeks ago, I think it was... the Secretary of State, who said that the build-up of the Russians in Syria was doomed to fail. Two weeks later, we have not only accepted it, we welcome it as a fight against ISIS, and we concede essentially that [Bashar al-] Assad will stay, under the protection of the Russians. And the irony is that the Russians aren’t in there to fight ISIS, the Russians are in there to support Assad, establish their predominance in the region, to bring in Iran, and to establish military facilities. They have no interest in fighting Assad. ... That’s what happened even as the [Obama] administration sputtered, because it has no idea what to do.” [81646]

Talk radio’s Mark Levin suggests electing former Florida Congressman Allen West the next Speaker of the House. (Some argue that the Speaker does not have to be a sitting member of Congress. Article 1, Section 2, Clause 5 of the U.S. Constitution reads, “The House of Representatives shall choose their Speaker.” Although the clause does not include the words, “from among its Members,” that limitation is implied. In any event, the House is not about to elect a non-member.) [81669, 82194]

On September 30 Russia begins air strikes on anti-Assad forces in Syria, and asks the United States to clear the air space. The U.S. refuses to do so, increasing the odds that Russian planes might inadvertently shoot down U.S. drones—or even piloted fighter jets. Russia is ostensibly going after ISIS, but some of its initial targets appear to be Syrian rebels, rather than ISIS sites. In fact, Russia is targeting CIA-backed al-Qaeda forces who have been fighting Syrian government forces. (Russia is not so much going after ISIS as it is propping up President Bashar al-Assad—who requested Russia’s assistance. Russian President Vladimir Putin’s actions demonstrate the disaster of Obama’s policies—or lack thereof—in the area. Putin is showing that he will act where Obama will only talk, and that he expects Obama to do nothing to resist Russian moves to prop up Assad.) [81626, 81641, 81644, 81649, 81655, 81670, 81671, 81673, 81789]

Secretary of State John Kerry says, “[W]e have... made clear that we would have grave concerns should Russia strike areas where ISIL [ISIS] and al-Qaeda affiliated targets are not operating. Strikes of that kind would question Russia’s real intentions fighting ISIL or protecting the Assad regime.” (The Obama administration will criticize Russia for targeting non-ISIS targets, but the reality is that it is not easy to differentiate between “good rebels” and “bad rebels.” If it had been easy, the Obama administration would not have ended up with rebels it trained taking their U.S. weapons and joining ISIS.) [81639]

On Fox News, Congressman Adam Kinzinger (R-IL) observes, “Vladimir Putin today is



trying to rebuild the Soviet empire as best he can, and that's going to include a foothold in the Middle East. Bashar al-Assad in his location is very important to Russia having their naval base, now their military presence in the Middle East, and now being able from that to exert influence on Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Iran and everywhere else. [Putin] is in effect pushing us out, or actually just filling the vacuum that we have left. It is imperative for [Obama] to push back on this... They're going to write the rules, if we allow them to do that. ...This is in no way good news, and I hope people go beyond just the one layer of, 'Oh, yeah, they're going to bomb ISIS, that's great,' and find out the real implications this has for our country. It is devastating." [81654]

Secretary of Defense Ashton Carter says, "My problem isn't that I don't understand what [the Russians are] doing. I think my problem is that I think what they're doing is going to backfire and is counterproductive." Carter warns, "The result of this kind of action [by Russia] will inevitably simply be to inflame the civil war in Syria. It's ill-advised to take this kind of action in support of Assad, only without pursuing a political transition." (Whether Carter expressed such concerns when Obama was working to oust Libya's Muammar Gaddafi is not known.) [81663]

Pamela Geller writes, "Obama will do nothing. For years our enemies have been poking, testing, taunting to see what the community organizer would do. Putin was quite confident when he ordered US planes removed from Syrian airspace and then proceeded to bomb our allies. He knew the community organizer would do nothing. Obama's only concern would be how he could spin it. When Kerry stood next to Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov like a lapdog after Russia publicly humiliated Obama on the world stage, that was the coup de grâce. From my perspective, the 'rebels' whom Obama was aiding in Syria were al Qaeda. Or as the Obama administration referred to them, 'moderate al Qaeda.' So I shed no tears. But the fact is that Putin deliberately hit US targets. America is in meltdown." [81670]

At WND.com Douglas Ernst writes, "Secretary of State John Kerry did the diplomatic equivalent of groveling on his hands and knees before his Russian counterpart, Sergey Lavrov, on Wednesday. Faced with reports of Russian warplanes in Syria attacking non-ISIS positions near Homs, Kerry called for 'de-confliction talks' with Russia from the United Nations Security Council in New York. 'We would have grave concerns should Russia strike areas where ISIL and al-Qaida-affiliated targets... are not operating,' Kerry said, Fox News reported. Russian President Vladimir Putin's decision to ramp up Moscow's military presence in Syria to support President Bashar Assad caught the Obama administration flat-footed and complicates its stated goal of simultaneously ousting Assad's regime while degrading and destroying ISIS. 'Russia has played a horrible hand brilliantly. We folded what could have been a pretty good hand,' retired U.S. diplomat Ryan Crocker and Middle East expert told the Washington Post on Tuesday. 'The Russians were able to turn a defensive position into an offensive one because we were so completely absent.'" (Many Europeans will be more than happy with Russia's involvement in Syria. If Russia can help put an end to the fighting there will be fewer refugees flooding into Europe.) [81672]

Senator John McCain (R-AZ) remarks, “What we should be doing and saying to the Russians is that we’re going to fly anywhere, anytime, anyhow we want to in order to stem the flow of ISIS. ...Instead, we’re talking about trying to have some accommodation with Russian aircraft. Again, an incredible sign of weakness. ...Isn’t it clear yet that Putin is going to do what he wants to do because he believes he can do it with impunity? ...John Kerry and his spokesperson said it is not clear what Russia’s intentions are. It was perfectly clear what Russia’s intentions are! ...It did not have to be this way. This is the inevitable consequence of hollow words, red lines crossed ...and a total lack of American leadership. ...This is a very, very, very sad day for America and the world.” [81672, 81733]

White House press secretary Josh Earnest tells reporters, “We are seeing the Russians ramp up their support for [Syrian] President [Bashar al-]Assad. They’ve been supporting him for quite some time, and it’s clear that they’ve made a significant military investment now in further popping him up. The fact that Russia has to take these noteworthy steps to ramp up their support for Assad is an indication of how concerned they are about losing influence in the one-client state that they have in the Middle East.” (Earnest is mistaken. Russia is not worried about losing influence; it is trying to gain additional influence in the Middle East.) [81710]

At the United Nations, Attorney General Loretta Lynch announces a global law enforcement initiative called the “Strong Cities Network.” According to the State Department’s press release, the network would be used to “...Strengthen Community Resilience Against Violent Extremism.” It states that “while many cities and local authorities are developing innovative responses to address this challenge, no systematic efforts are in place to share experiences, pool resources and build a community of cities to inspire local action on a global scale.” [81820, 81821]

At Breitbart.com Pamela Geller later writes, “This amounts to nothing less than the overriding of American laws, up to and including the United States Constitution, in favor of United Nations laws that would henceforth be implemented in the United States itself—without any consultation of Congress at all. The United Nations is a sharia-compliant world body, and Obama, speaking there just days ago, insisted that ‘violent extremism’ is not exclusive to Islam (which it is). Obama is redefining jihad terror to include everyone but the jihadists. So will the UN, driven largely by the sharia-enforcing Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) and the pro-Islamic post-American President Obama, use a ‘global police force’ to crush counter-jihad forces? ...I suspect that... this global police force will be used to impose the blasphemy laws under the sharia (Islamic law), and to silence all criticism of Islam for the President who proclaimed that ‘the future must not belong to those who slander the prophet of Islam.’” [81820, 81821, 81884]

By a vote of 78-20, the Senate passes a continuing resolution to fund the government—at existing levels—through December 11. With Democrat support, the House passes the legislation by a vote of 277-151. It will be quickly signed by Obama. (There are no cuts of Planned Parenthood or ObamaCare spending.) [81659, 81694]

CNSNews.com asks various members of Congress “whether an unborn baby with a human heart and a human liver is a human being.” Congressman Mark Takai (D-HI) responds, “Oh, I don’t want to talk about that.” Congresswoman Niki Tsongas (D-MA): “I will vote against anything that defunds Planned Parenthood.” Congressman Luis Gutierrez (D-IL): “The Supreme Court says that in the first trimester, they’re not.” [81708, 81709]

In Forest Acres, South Carolina, police officer Greg Alia is shot and killed. Suspected killer Jarvis Hall is quickly apprehended. [81636, 81637, 81638]

At the United Nations, Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas declares that the Palestinians will no longer accept the conditions of the Oslo Peace Accords or other agreements with Israel. He states, “[W]e cannot continue to be bound by these signed agreements with Israel and Israel must assume fully all its responsibility as an occupying power.” (Whether Abbas’ comments are bluster or he expects to take some actions remains to be seen. NYTimes.com notes, “Mr. Abbas, 80, who is in the 11th year of a four-year term, because Palestinian disunity has prevented elections, has seen his popularity plummet over the past year. A recent poll showed two-thirds of Palestinians wanted him to resign.”) [81676, 81677, 81678, 81699]

An NBC/WSJ/ Telemundo poll on Latino views towards politicians neglects to include the names of Hispanic Senators Ted Cruz (R-TX) and Mario Rubio (R-FL). (The positive ratings are: Obama (59 percent), Hillary Clinton (53), Democrat Party (48), Joe Biden (43), Bernie Sanders (30), Jeb Bush (29), Republican Party (24), Ben Carson (19), Carly Fiorina (18), and Donald Trump (11). [81640]

According to DailyCaller.com, “The largest Muslim civil rights group in the U.S. may have violated the federal tax code when its executive director last week called on retired pediatric neurosurgeon Ben Carson to drop out of the presidential race because of his comments about Muslims. ...Nihad Awad, the executive director for the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR), responded in a press conference last Monday, calling on Carson to end his bid for the White House. ...But Fox News’ Megyn Kelly reported on Tuesday that Awad’s statement may put CAIR in violation of federal tax law. As Kelly noted, the section of the Internal Revenue Code which sets rules for non-profit—section 501(c)(3)—states that such organizations ‘are absolutely prohibited from directly or indirectly participating in, or intervening in, any political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any candidate for elective public office.’” (Of course, the Obama administration will do nothing about CAIR’s violation of IRS regulations.) [81675]

WashingtonTimes.com reports, “More than 5 percent of the latest batch of emails from former Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton, released Wednesday [September 30], contain classified information—or twice the rate of the previous releases, raising tricky questions about whether the department is finding more secrets or being more thorough in screening the messages. All told, there are at least 400 messages that contain information the government now deems classified, out of nearly 12,000 emails released

so far. But 214 of those messages came in the latest batch of 3,869 messages, for a classification rate of 5.5 percent. None of the messages were marked classified at the time they were sent—usually in 2010 or 2011, for the latest batch—but the government has gone back and determined they contain information that shouldn't be out in public.” [81660, 81662, 81666, 81695, 81702, 81727]

At least two of the secret-level emails relate to talks about the Iranian nuclear program. Other emails show that then-Senator John Kerry (D-MA) communicated with Clinton at her personal email account—indicating that he was aware she was not using a secured server. (Hillary Clinton in August: “I have said repeatedly that, uh, I did not send nor receive classified material, and I'm very confident that when this entire process plays out, uh, that will be, um, understood, um, by everyone, uh, it will prove what I have been saying, and it's, uh, not possible for people to, uh, look back now, some years in the past, and draw different conclusions, uh, than the ones that were, uh, at work at the time.” Clinton is a shameless liar, or a total incompetent who has no idea what information warrants a security classification—or both.) [81660, 81662, 81666, 81695, 81702, 81703, 81705, 81706]

According to DailyCaller.com, “In the latest batch of Hillary Clinton emails released Wednesday, Hillary Clinton sent an email to Cheryl Mills and Jacob Sullivan wondering who made the decision at State to drop the terms ‘mother and father’ [on passport applications] and instead use ‘parent one and two.’ Clinton was worried about the new terminology because she didn't want to face ‘a huge Fox-generated media storm led by [Sarah] Palin et al.’ Clinton indicated, ‘I could live [with] letting people in nontraditional families choose another descriptor [as] long as we retained the presumption of mother and father.’” [81667, 81715]

In a January 24, 2010 email to Clinton, Senator Barbara Mikulski (D-MD) warns (the many grammar and spelling errors are not corrected), “--- this wk in caucus we were avolcano ready to erupt---real frustration with. Pres white house team and tin ear/ thin plans to deal with. Deep. Economic. Anxiety. So. Bernake vote became a way to send a message--- as I move around ( and I am. . Middle class feels their way of life. Slippingaway. And dems. Are only offering spending plans. Not solutions--- his. State of. Union has to be a. Major. Rest button---- we can do this.” Clinton responds, “Oh, Barb, we got trouble w a capital ‘T’ in River City.” [81706]

The Associated Press reports, “Russia-linked hackers tried at least five times to pry into Hillary Rodham Clinton's private email account while she was secretary of state, emails released Wednesday show. It is unclear if she clicked on any attachments and exposed her account. Clinton received the infected emails, disguised as speeding tickets from New York, over four hours early the morning of Aug. 3, 2011. The emails instructed recipients to print the attached tickets. Opening an attachment would have allowed hackers to take over control of a victim's computer. Security researchers who analyzed the malicious software in September 2011 said that infected computers would transmit information from victims to at least three server computers overseas, including one in Russia. That doesn't necessarily mean Russian intelligence or citizens were responsible.” [81683,

81684, 81685, 81696]

Asked how he reassures donors that their money is “not going to waste,” Jeb Bush says, “Just remind them that, uh, this time eight years ago John McCain was traveling through the Atlanta airport—I saw him—and he was, had no aide, no person, by himself, because his campaign was supposed to be ended. He won the Republican primary [sic; nomination] that year.” (The ABC reporter is kind enough not to point out to Bush that McCain lost the general election.) [81664]

The Department of Justice sues the city of Des Plaines, Illinois because it would not change zoning rules to allow a vacant office building to be used as a mosque. [81898, 81899, 81926]

At a campaign appearance in Keane, New Hampshire, Donald Trump says, “Now I hear we want to take in 200,000 Syrians. Right? And they could be, listen, they could be ISIS, I don’t know. Did you ever see a migration like that? And I’ll tell you right now and I’m putting everybody on notice, and hopefully this gets outside of this room... I’m putting people on notice that are coming here from Syria as part of this mass migration, that if I win... they’re going back.” (Trump may be grammatically challenged, but he certainly holds positions that millions of Americans agree with.) [81691]

Trump says of Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) and Jeb Bush, “They hate each other. ...They hate so much. They hate more than anyone in this room hates their neighbor. Anyone. But it’s political bullshit, you understand? It’s true. It’s true.” (Trump appeals to many voters because he pulls no punches and does not play the games of typical politicians. The Obamas and the Clintons hate each other, for example, yet few politicians will ever say that. The voters *know* that Obama and Secretary of State John Kerry got snookered by the Iranians in the nuclear agreement, but only Trump has the chutzpah to say our negotiators are “stupid.” Everyone knows it, yet almost no one will say it. The politicians believe the voters are stupid. In fact, millions of the voters are quite perceptive and have no trouble seeing what is obvious.) [81692]

Mark Levin tells his radio audience (via a CNSNews.com transcription): “Now Israel, the Egyptians, the Saudis, the Jordanians and so forth, they all are gravely concerned, and we should be gravely concerned. And we should be gravely concerned. We should be gravely concerned, not only because of what [Vladimir] Putin is doing, but that we are a people who have a president, a Secretary of State, who are completely out of their league. They’re completely over their heads. We have our fourth Secretary of Defense. The other three couldn’t stand being Secretary of Defense under [Obama]. Our military is frustrated—they’re furious. Putin, China, Iran, all laughing at us. So as I pointed out Monday, Putin is using the refugee issue and ISIS as propaganda, and he was, as propaganda, first to get support from Europe and this administration, to tamp down any concerns, but it was all a fake. It’s a fraud.” [81707]

“If you understand the Russians, if you understand the history of Russia, this isn’t complicated. And China’s next. If you understand China, it’s not complicated. What’s

complicated is we have the wrong people leading this government. What's complicated is you have morons who are surrogates for the enemy, wittingly or unwittingly, making excuses for them, apologizing for them. Now, Putin sent his three star general in Iraq—where they now have, by the way, an intelligence coordination cell in Baghdad, the Russians do, in Baghdad—set up with the Iranians and the Syrians and the so-called Iraqi government and so forth and so on. The three star general, Jennifer Griffin reports, marches into the United States' embassy in Iraq and demands that we end flights in northern Syria. Obama is so focused on destroying this country from within—his radical leftist agenda: phony global warming, nationalizing local police departments, nationalizing our neighborhoods, destroying American sovereignty with illegal immigration and on and on and on—that the enemy is on the march.” [81707]

“I told you the enemy would be on the march. And I told you last year this was the start of World War III, and here we go, slowly but surely. And this fool, and the fools in the Democrat Party and the fools in the Republican Party, surrendering the treaty provision in the Constitution. These fools, these clowns—all of them—have armed up the Iranians. The Iranians will now have \$150 billion. The Russians are already getting a big chunk of that; the Chinese are going to get a big chunk of that, Hezbollah, Hamas. The battle is on. It's not a matter of us going to war. It's not a matter of the Israelis going to war. The forerunner to war has begun, because when you are weak you create provocation. When you are weak the international bullies step up. We still have the strongest military on the face of the earth, despite what Obama has done to it, and yet the Russian military, strong by world standards but not stronger than ours, has free rein. Free rein. Nothing is going to be done to Russia for whatever Russia does. Nothing.” [81707]

“It started in Georgia, and Crimea, Ukraine; threatening Poland; threatening the Czech Republic, threatening Hungary; threatening Latvia and Estonia, Lithuania; sending his fighters off our west coast to harass our bombers; making claim to the resources under Antarctic without any challenge; and now a stronghold, a foothold in Syria. I've heard, one of my friends on the Fox News Channel, a conservative say, 'What are we going to do. Get out of here. It's civil war. Let them fight.' It's not about a civil war. The Chinese are controlling the South China Sea. Putin wants to control the eastern Mediterranean waters. These are choke points. These are choke points. Putin doesn't give a damn about Syria any more than he gives a damn about ISIS. These are military choke points. These are commercial choke points. And while they're at it, they're going to make a fortune with the money that's going to be released, which is why they pushed for this deal, which is why Obama should never have agreed to this deal, which is why the Democrats in Congress should never have agreed to this deal, which is why the Republicans should never have surrendered the treaty power.” [81707]