

# Eye on the World

## Nov. 14, 2020

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**Luke 21:34-36**—“But take heed to yourselves, lest your souls be weighed down with self-indulgence, and drunkenness, or the anxieties of this life, and that day come on you suddenly, like a falling trap; for it will come on all dwellers on the face of the whole earth. But beware of slumbering; and every moment pray that you may be fully strengthened to escape from all these coming evils, and to take your stand in the presence of the Son of Man” (Weymouth New Testament).



An article by Faycal Benhassain titled “France’s Macron Calls on EU Leaders to Work Together to Fight Islamist Terror” was posted at cnsnews.com on Nov. 11, 2020. Following is the article.

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French President Emmanuel Macron hosted a virtual mini-summit on Tuesday in a bid to win broader European support for hardening borders in the wake of several Islamist terror attacks.

While Austrian Chancellor Sebastian Kurz joined him in person in Paris, calling in remotely were German Chancellor Angela Merkel, Dutch Prime Minister Mark Rutte, European Council president Charles Michel and European Commission president Ursula von der Leyen.

Macron told reporters afterwards the leaders pledged to work closely to find solutions to the terror problem. He’s proposing reviewing the Schengen accord that enables visa-free travel among 26 countries, developing common databases of migrants entering Europe from the south or east, and increasing the exchange of information and cooperation among E.U. member-states. The participants also discussed ways of strengthening controls at the bloc’s external borders.

Kurz said there were “thousands of foreign terrorist fighters who either survived the fighting in Syria [or] Iraq and returned, or who were unable to leave and are in prison,” describing such individuals as time bombs.

“In order to protect all of our freedom, we must restrict the freedom of these people,” he added, referring to those who are not already behind bars.

Michel called for exchanges between the national intelligence services, and for “common monitoring strategies to deal with the problem of people returning to Europe after having fought in the jihadist ranks.”

Participants in the mini-summit also stressed the need for full implementation of the passenger name record (PNR) system in the E.U. The database compiles information about airline passengers and makes the data available to national security services.

“It is essential to fully implement this system with databases linked together, because any security breach at the external border or within the member states is a security risk for all member states,” said Macron.

The European Parliament voted in favor of the PNR in 2016, after 12 years of debate. It was implemented later that year, although still needs to be ratified by national parliaments. Concerns about privacy have been a major hurdle.

Macron also spoke of the need to fight terrorist propaganda and hate speech online.

“The Internet is a space of freedom, our social networks too, but this freedom exists only if there is security and if it is not the refuge of those who flout our values or seek to indoctrinate with deadly ideologies,” he said.

Macron, who recently doubled the number of security personnel deployed along France’s borders with Spain and Italy (from 2,400 to 4,800), intends to present proposals on fighting Islamist terror to a meeting of E.U. leaders on December 10.

Merkel said the fight was not between Islam and Christianity, saying there was a “need for a model of democratic society to combat terrorist and anti-democratic behavior.”

In an attack for which the terrorist group ISIS claimed responsibility, a gunman opened fire in the Austrian capital, Vienna, on November 2, killing four people and injuring another 15. Days earlier, a Tunisian man stabbed to death three people in a Catholic church in Nice, France.

Sabine Saurugger, political science professor at the University of Grenoble in southeastern France, said the Nice and Vienna attacks have provided Macron with “a window of opportunity” to press for support from other E.U. member-states for proposals he first announced last year. Those included proposals to strengthen Frontex, the European border and coastguard agency, and to engage in real dialogue with migrants’ countries of origin and transit countries.



An article by John Hayward titled “U.S. Drops Uyghur Group From Terrorist List, Angering China” was posted at [breitbart.com](http://breitbart.com) on Nov. 6, 2020. Following is the article.

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The U.S. State Department announced on Thursday that a group called the East Turkestan Islamic Movement (ETIM) will be delisted as a terrorist organization.

The Chinese government reacted angrily to the announcement, as ETIM's activities were the pretext for China's abuse of the Uyghur Muslims of Xinjiang province and the creation of Xinjiang's vast network of re-education camps.

A State Department official told Radio Free Asia (RFA) in an email on Thursday that ETIM was removed from the list because "for more than a decade, there has been no credible evidence that ETIM continues to exist."

ETIM is (or was) a militant Uyghur separatist group that apparently formed in the late 1990s and was first listed by the United States as a terrorist organization in 2002. Its founder Hasan Mahsum, allegedly trained at terrorist camps in Afghanistan in the 1990s, was charged by China with a spree of robberies and murders in 1999.

Mahsum was killed by Pakistani military forces in 2003, and a similar fate befell his successor Abdul Haq in 2010, at which time Pakistani and Chinese officials claimed to have "broken the back" of ETIM and its "syndicate" of allied militant groups in the mountainous region between China and Pakistan.

ETIM was dedicated to creating an independent "East Turkestan" within China's borders. East Turkestan is the name used by many of Xinjiang's Uyghurs to refer to their ancestral homeland. According to the United Nations, ETIM received support from the Taliban, al-Qaeda, and a similar militant separatist group called the Islamic Movement of Uzbekistan.

The U.N. estimated that ETIM was never very large—about 200 active operatives at its peak—but it had widespread operations, including training camps beyond China's borders. The Chinese police reported confiscating large inventories of guns, grenades, and explosive materials from captured members.

"Among the violent acts committed by ETIM members were the blowing up of the warehouse of the Urumqi Train Station on 23 May 1998, the armed looting of 247,000 RMB Yuan in Urumqi on 4 February 1999, an explosion in Hetian City, Xinjiang, on 25 March 1999 and violent resistance against arrest in Xinhe County, Xinjiang, on 18 June 1999. These incidents resulted in the deaths of 140 people and injuries to 371," the U.N. Security Council said in 2011.

The Chinese government insists the group remains a large, active, and dangerous threat with widespread support in Xinjiang. This was the excuse for the crackdown against Uyghurs that led to the infamous Xinjiang concentration camps.

China tends to dismiss Uyghur activists living abroad as ETIM members. It also accuses ETIM of working closely with another group called the Turkestan Islamic Party (TIP) and sometimes claims the two groups are one and the same, an assertion doubted by outside observers.

"Some Western security officials and experts are skeptical about the cohesiveness and capabilities of ETIM and TIP, and say most Xinjiang-related

unrest is caused by disparate and poorly organized groups of local residents angered by Chinese policies," the Wall Street Journal observed when China launched a high-profile manhunt for suspected ETIM members in 2014.

"In 2009, a federal judge ruled that the U.S. government had failed to present sufficient evidence that ETIM was linked to either Al Qaeda or the Taliban, and while the group remained on the Treasury Department's terror list, there is little to suggest that it had made significant inroads in China, nor that what limited amount of Uyghur radicalization exists in the country presented a significant security risk," RFA noted.

RFA quoted applause for the State Department's delisting of ETIM, including approval from World Uyghur Congress president Dolkun Isa, who said the announcement carried "historic significance."

"Currently China justifies its mass detention of 1 to 3 million Uyghurs in concentration camps as a counter-terror measure. Today's revocation removes any Chinese justification that it is fighting terrorism in East Turkestan. Today's revocation also proves that the Uyghur cause is peaceful and has nothing to do with terrorism as the Chinese government claims," Isa said.

Sean Roberts of George Washington University's International Development Studies Program thought the delisting was long overdue, since "most of the damage" to the Uyghurs has already been done, but said it was still important for the U.S. to "correct past wrongs."

"As far as I'm concerned, there was no group ever called the Eastern Turkistan Islamic Movement and the people who were associated with that label have long stopped existing as any kind of group whatsoever," he said.

"The damage of this designation is done. ETIM as a terrorist organization and specter has already become entrenched in Chinese thinking," lamented Nottingham University senior research fellow Rian Thum, while similarly praising the Trump administration for doing what it can to secure better treatment for the Uyghurs.

The Chinese government was infuriated by the State Department announcement. Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Wang Wenbin accused the U.S. of having "an ugly two-faced approach toward terrorist organizations."

"Terrorism is terrorism. The U.S. should immediately correct its mistake and refrain from 'whitewashing' terrorist organizations, or going backwards in international cooperation on counter-terrorism," Wang said at a press conference on Friday.

Wang insisted ETIM remains a threat to Chinese national security, noting it remains listed as a terrorist organization by the U.N. Security Council. He said the group has been "engaged in terrorist and violent activities for a long time, causing a large number of casualties and property losses, seriously threatening the security and stability of China as well as the international community."



“Eye on the World” comment: The following list of articles consists of headlines of extra articles, which are considered international. The articles were not posted, but the headlines give the essence of the story.

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- An article by Jack Beyrer titled “Malawi Will Be First African Country in Decades to Open Embassy in Jerusalem” was posted at freebeacon.com on Nov. 5, 2020.
  - An article by Patrick Goodenough titled “Amid Pandemic, WHO Assembly Devotes Four Hours to Condemning Israel” was posted at cnsnews.com on Nov. 13, 2020.
  - An article by Isabel Debre titled “UAE Announces Relaxing of Islamic Laws for Personal Freedoms” was posted at apnews.com on Nov. 7, 2020.
  - Pictures and an article by Jack Montgomery titled “Pics: Muslims Denounce Macron As a ‘Satan, Not a Human’ at Thousands-Strong Protest” were posted at Breitbart.com on Nov. 2, 2020.
  - An article by Henry Samuel titled “‘Teflon’ Macron Bounces Back As France Rallies Around Leader in Dark Hour for Nation” was posted at telegraph.co.uk on Nov. 6, 2020.
  - A Reuters article by Tarek Amara titled “Tunisia Will Accept Deportees From France If Judicial Rights Are Guaranteed” was posted at reuters.com on Nov. 6, 2020.
  - An article by Alexander Watson titled “Hundreds of French Lawyers Blast Macron’s Lockdown Measures” was posted at cnsnews.com on Nov. 12, 2020.
  - A Reuters article by Gabriela Baczyńska and John Chalmers titled “Time Is Running Out to Enact Any Trade Deal With UK: EU Lawmakers” was posted at reuters.com on Nov. 6, 2020.
  - An article by Helena Horton titled “Glut of Pheasants Caused by Lockdown Shooting Ban Could Threaten Songbirds [in England], Warn Conservationists” was posted at telegraph.co.uk on Nov. 6, 2020.
  - An article by Karen Mizoguchi titled “Queen Elizabeth Wears a Face Mask for First Time Since Coronavirus Pandemic at Remembrance Day Event” was posted at people.com on Nov. 7, 2020.
  - An article by Edward Malnick titled “Vitamin D to Be Delivered to Millions of Vulnerable People [in England] to Help Protect Them From Covid” was posted at telegraph.co.uk on Nov. 7, 2020.
  - A Reuters article by Deborah Kyvrikosaios titled “Athens’ First Mosque in Nearly 200 Years Opens for Friday Prayers” was posted at reuters.com on Nov. 6, 2020.
  - A Reuters article by Adam Jourdan and Eliana Raszewski titled “Walmart to Sell Operations in Recession-Hit Argentina [to South American Supermarket Chain Owner Grupo De Narvaez], Taking \$1 Billion Hit” was posted at reuters.com on Nov. 6, 2020.

- An article by Ben Kew titled “Japan: Prime Minister Considers Inviting Kim Jong-Un to Olympics” was posted at [breitbart.com](https://www.breitbart.com) on Nov. 6, 2020.
- An article by Susie Neilson titled “The International Space Station Has Housed People for 20 Years, But the \$150 Billion Experiment Will Soon Come to an End” was posted at [businessinsider.com](https://www.businessinsider.com) on Nov. 2, 2020.



“Eye on the World” comment: Following is a letter from an individual who claims that “[President] Trump has succeeded in creating a cult.” This letter probably reflects the opinion of 90 percent of the corporate media and many of the population that voted against President Trump. (For the record—Although the current vote tally has half of the voting population as voting against President Trump, not all of them would go so far as to claim that his supporters are members of a Trump cult.)



A letter to the editor by Reginald Killingley titled “How Sad” was posted at [news-journal.com](https://www.news-journal.com) (Longview, Texas) on Nov. 11, 2020. Following is the letter.

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Trump has succeeded in creating a cult. He has been described by Ted Cruz as a pathological liar, yet his manipulation of social and other media has produced a die-hard core of credulous followers who will believe him regardless of contrary evidence. If Trump says it, it’s true.

Trump hates nothing more than losing. In his mind, he’s always a winner. So, his narrative is that since he’s a winner, ergo, he was going to win. And if he didn’t win, the only possible explanation was that the election was rigged and stolen from him.

He will pursue that narrative to the bitter end and leave office still claiming to have won. In the time he has left, he will sow as much discord as he can—anything not to be a loser. He has denigrated “losers” his whole life, so he can’t possibly be one of them.

Regardless of results, if Trump claims he really won, his followers will keep on believing him.

And since Trump loves being the cynosure and feeling relevant, he will tantalize his supporters with talk of running in 2024. Meantime, any Republican with eyes on the presidency in 2024 knows to avoid upsetting Trump because they’ve seen his vindictiveness play out numerous times. So, they will supinely parrot his lies about a stolen election. How sad for them—and for our country.



“Eye on the World” comment: This publication has for months drawn attention to the fact that mail-in voting was initiated in March—in the early stages of the coronavirus. Following are headlines of three articles from March.



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- Looking back to March, an article by Ella Nilsen titled "Voting by Mail Could Get a Boost During the US Coronavirus Outbreak" was posted at vox.com on March 17, 2020.
  - Looking back to March, an article by Rachel Orey titled "CARES Act Just a First Step in Preparing for November Elections" was posted at bipartisanpolicy.org on March 26, 2020.
  - Looking back to March, an article by Rachel Orey titled "CARES Act Break-down: \$400 Million in Election Funding" was posted at bipartisanpolicy.org on March 26, 2020.



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- Looking back to June, an article by Erica Werner titled "Treasury Sent More Than 1 Million Coronavirus Stimulus Payments to Dead People, Congressional Watchdog [Government Accountability Office] Finds" was posted at washingtonpost.com on June 25, 2020. [Just as dead people receive government checks, dead people can also receive government mail-in ballots.]
  - Looking back to August, an article by Katie Pavlich titled "Fauci: There's No Reason People Can't Vote Safely in Person" was posted at townhall.com on Aug. 14, 2020.
  - Looking back to October, an article titled "New Judicial Watch Study Finds 353 U.S. Counties in 29 States With Voter Registration Rates Exceeding 100%" was posted at judicialwatch.org on Oct. 16, 2020.



"Eye on the World" comment: Many citizens notice that the corporate media began pushing the narrative before the election that President Trump was going to be disruptive by not leaving the White House after losing the election. They are ignoring some basic facts. There is still time for President Trump to explore legal actions against alleged election-cheating. Please note that this publication supports the right of President's Trump legal team to use the U.S. court system to address the alleged election-cheating.

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- Looking back to October, an article by John Aldrich, David A. Lake, Jane C. Mansbridge and Rogers M. Smith titled "Will the US Media Call the Right Winner on Election Night? Don't Count on It" was posted at theguardian.com on Oct. 7, 2020.
  - An article by Matt Hughes titled "The Race Is Over, But the Electoral College Doesn't Vote Until December 14" was posted at journalenterprise.com on Nov. 3, 2020.

- An article by Ilya Shapiro titled “Ballot Counting Is Delayed in These Six States With Legal Battles on the Horizon” was posted at [thefederalist.com](https://thefederalist.com) on Nov. 4, 2020.
- An article by Valerie Richardson titled “Keith Olbermann Wants Trump Arrested, Removed From White House” was posted at [washingtontimes.com](https://washingtontimes.com) on Nov. 5, 2020.
- An article by Marvin Armstrong titled “No, Biden Has Not Won—The Electoral College Votes December 14” was posted at [armstrongeconomics.com](https://armstrongeconomics.com) on Nov. 8, 2020.
- An article by Stacy Fernandez titled “[Texas] Gov. Greg Abbott Doesn’t Acknowledge Joe Biden As President-Elect, Calls for Vote-Counting and Re-counts to Continue” was posted at [texastribune.org](https://texastribune.org) on Nov. 9, 2020.
- An article by Brian Naylor titled “Trump Appointee [Robert MacKichan] Delays Biden Transition Process, Citing Need for ‘Clear’ Winner” was posted at [npr.org](https://npr.org) on Nov. 10, 2020. [“Under the 1963 Presidential Transition Act, it’s up to the General Services Administration, or GSA, to determine or ‘ascertain’ the winner of the presidential election, at least as far as starting the process of turning over the keys to the new administration goes.”]
- Looking back to 2016, an article by Jura Koncius titled “The President-Elect Traditionally Stays Here [Blair House] Before Inauguration” was posted at [washingtonpost.com](https://washingtonpost.com) on Nov. 16, 2016.
- Looking back to 2016, an article by Kelsey Kloss titled “10 Surprising Details About Moving Into the White House [the First Fact Being ‘Move-In Can’t Start Until Noon on Inauguration Day’]” was posted at [elledecor.com](https://elledecor.com) on Nov. 8, 2020.
- An article by Daniel Greenfield titled “The Law Is There’s No Presidential Transition Until Congress Certifies the Election” was posted at [frontpagemag.com](https://frontpagemag.com) on Nov. 13, 2020.



An article by Melanie Arter titled “Former Florida Secretary of State Katherine Harris: ‘We Let Al Gore Take 36 Days’ ” was posted at [cnsnews.com](https://cnsnews.com) on Nov. 11, 2020. Following is the article.

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Former Florida Secretary of State Katherine Harris said Wednesday that the Democrats were given 36 days when former Vice President Al Gore disputed the results of the 2000 election, and they wanted more time in that case, but now they want less time in President Donald Trump’s legal challenges to the 2020 election results.

When asked whether she expects the Justice Department to find any potential instances of fraud besides observers not being allowed to watch the ballot counting process.

“Well, this testimony is critical, and America will watch. We’ll let the process work. We let Al Gore take 36 days. It’s been nine days,” Harris said in an



interview Wednesday with Fox Business's "Mornings with Maria Bartiromo. (It's only been eight days since Election Day.)

"They wanted more time in Al Gore's case, and now they want less. We have to let the process work. That's crucial, but we've been gaslit. The media told us that Trump was going to lose, and it invigorated Democrats and depressed Republicans. That kind of psychological manipulation to tell us that 17% in Wisconsin and 12 in Michigan, the soccer moms, plus the fact we had Russia, Russia, Russia, which invigorated the Democrats and depressed the Republicans," she said.

"So at some point, now we're supposed to listen to those pundits tell us there is no evidence? We'll let the process work. Clearly, there is evidence, and it's Trump's duty to his—to this country, and it's his right to follow the process, and we have to be patient," Harris said.

When asked whether the Trump campaign will be able to prove their case, prosecute and be heard in the allotted time before the end of the year, Harris said, "First of all, exactly after the election occurred, we immediately petitioned the Florida Supreme Court so they would take jurisdiction, since we didn't have a uniform standard or—and ask for a statewide recounted since we didn't have authority to do that. They refused.

"Consequently, Al Gore cherry picked the counties most Democratic to do those votes, so therefore, it went to the U.S. Supreme Court, and they said that it wasn't a uniform standard for voter intent and, therefore, Al Gore lost the case. Had he let me protect his legal rights versus his political viability, there might have been a different outcome," she said.

"So now, we're facing the same situation but on numerous levels. So the issue is—well, think back. We had transparency. Remember the guy with the magnifying glass. Everybody watched as Florida counted the votes. They were surrounded by glass, a Republican and Democrat looked at the disputed ballots and made a decision with a canvassing board there," Harris said.

"You're not seeing that, and that's frightening. That's why the Trump campaign is looking at these lawsuits across the board. We have to have confidence in our voting system," the former Florida secretary of state said.

"The fact that the Trump campaign is saying that, look, we don't have the observers in place to see what's going on. You're not allowing us to view this. Is that enough to put in enough doubt to say, well, maybe these votes are not on the level?" host Maria Bartiromo asked.

"Well, I don't know if that particular one will be enough right now, and they're in the process of discovery, but we're the gold standard. We have transparency. We go to other countries with observers, and if other countries were doing this, we would find it is a very bad thing. They're in discovery. There are 10,000 dead people voting in one state," Harris said.

"They have hundreds of thousands of votes where it's only Joe Biden on the ballot, whereas Trump had all the way down the line. So they're taking a look at that,

but this is what I would say. Number one, we have 50 states. Not one of them have certified the election. Not one of them have seated electors," she said.

"When I was secretary of state, I certified the election. We added up the counties, and that was the answer. So with 50 states never certifying, how can the media be calling the race for Joe Biden? How can they call him president-elect? We don't understand that. There's no office of president-elect. So as the Trump campaign looks at these different issues Then we'll have the opportunity to let the process work, and that's what we need to do," Harris said.



An article by Michelle Malkin titled "No Time for Phony Healing" was posted at creators.com on Nov. 11, 2020. Following is the article.

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We, the 71 million Americans who voted to reelect Donald J. Trump, do not forgive.  
We, the 71 million Americans who voted to reelect Donald J. Trump, do not forget.  
We, the 71 million Americans who voted to reelect Donald J. Trump, do not surrender.

We, the 71 million Americans who voted to reelect Donald J. Trump, resoundingly reject the phony olive branches of former Vice President Joe Biden.

After liberal media operatives prematurely declared Biden the winner of election 2020 this weekend, Biden's handlers carefully trotted him out in front of the cameras to read a script that proclaimed: "It's time to put away the harsh rhetoric, to lower the temperature, to see each other again, to listen to each other again."

■ "Listen"?

Biden's already hatching plans to crack down even harder to silence patriots and dissidents who share their ideas online. Twitter, which ran censorious interference for Biden throughout the campaign, allows thousands of tweets by users wishing to "assassinate Trump," but deplatforms peaceful conservatives and independent investigators exposing voter fraud, covid-19 hypocrisy and left-wing violence.

■ "See each other again"?

Biden and his Silicon Valley cronies want to wipe us all completely off the internet.

■ "Lower the temperature"?

Tell that to the flag-burning, window-breaking, traffic-obstructing lunatics shouting: "All cops are bastards!" "Shut it down!" "No borders; No walls; No USA at all!" Biden has never disavowed them, and for his running mate, Kamala Harris, has helped raise millions of dollars in bail money for them.

■ Biden now says it's "time to heal."

I call bullcrap. This corrupt career politician and his mob-coddling party seek to disarm us, debase us and destroy us.

Biden's celebrants marched onto the streets Saturday with President Trump's bloody head on pikes. One Black Lives Matter bigmouth shrieked that asking them to be peaceful was "white supremacy."

They've torn down statues across the country, pillaged small businesses, invaded residential neighborhoods, and engineered assaults and assassinations of Trump supporters.

They've slapped senior citizens and gunned down retired cops while deifying serial criminals, convicted sex offenders, and home invasion robbers.

They've been threatening to burn down Washington all year.

■ Biden now declares, "To make progress, we must stop treating our opponents as our enemy."

I call plagiarism.

That's right. Biden stole the words from his old boss, Barack Obama, who used the same hollow line 10 years ago after the 2010 elections. Remember that? I do. After labeling "America First" adversaries of his open borders policies as "enemies" who deserve to be "punished," Obama walked back the attack when the 2010 midterm Republican wave hit.

"I probably should have used the word 'opponents' instead of 'enemies' to describe political adversaries," Obama disingenuously admitted. He and Biden spent the next six years wielding their power by spying on journalists who dared to expose his culture of corruption, firing government whistleblowers who challenged his Chicago-on-the-Potomac grift and graft and demonizing conservatives who protested their radical policies at home and abroad.

Same old fake rapprochement. Same old bogus reconciliation. I'll repeat my words from a decade ago: You can take your faux olive branch and shove it.

This is the time for hell-raising, not healing. Every legal vote must be counted, every illegal vote thrown out, every lawsuit heard. Anything less amounts to exactly the kind of "coup" undermining the "peaceful transition of power" that anti-Trump forces falsely accused our president of perpetrating.

We, the 71 million Americans who voted to reelect Donald J. Trump, resist the media-Silicon Valley coronation of Biden-Harris.

We, the 71 million Americans who voted to reelect Donald J. Trump, do not relent.

We, the 71 million Americans who voted to reelect Donald J. Trump, do not yield.

We, the 71 million Americans who voted to reelect Donald J. Trump, do not concede.



An article by black conservative Larry Elder titled "TMZ on 'Systemic' Racism: You're Using Facts, I'm Using Humanity" was posted at townhall.com on Nov. 12, 2020. Following is the article.

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Maybe it was because the presidential election was just a few days away. Or maybe it was because I arrived at the airport a good two hours before my flight and had plenty of time. Or maybe it was because of the combative interview I recently had with the celebrity website TMZ. We will get to that later.

But as I walked through the Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport, I saw a young white man with long black hair, maybe 20 years old, walking toward me. He was wearing a black T-shirt with white letters: "Protect Black Women." It was quite early. The airport wasn't particularly busy, and he and I were alone in a hall corridor.

"Excuse me," I said, "Do you mind if I ask in what way aren't Black women protected?"

He wasn't sure he heard me correctly, as we were both wearing masks, so I repeated the question.

"Oh, they aren't protected in every way," he said.

"In every way?"

"Yes."

"Humor me." I said. "Just give me one way."

"Just look at it. It's everywhere."

"Could you just give me one example, please?" I repeated.

I was smiling underneath the mask so that he would not feel this was a confrontation, but the conversation got increasingly edgy.

"It's all over the country," he said.

"Well, if it's all over the country, it should be easy for you to give me an example of how Black women aren't protected. Can you just give me one?"

He finally said, "Black women are not paid the same as white women."

"For the same work?" I said.

"Yes."

"Why, then, does any white woman have a job?"

"What do you mean?" he said.

"Well, if I am an employer, and I can hire Black women to do the same work as my white female employees have been doing—except I can pay them less money—why wouldn't I fire the white women and hire only Black women?"

"That would be illegal," he said.

"It's been illegal since the 1960s to pay female or Black employees less money for doing the same work as male or white employees. President John

F. Kennedy signed the laws. And, according to the Department of Labor, if you compare apples to apples—a woman with the same education and work experience as a male counterpart—there is virtually no difference in their pay.”

“I’m not sure that’s true,” he said. “I’m not interested in carrying on this conversation anymore. And, by the way, I am Black.”

That surprised me. The man looked as Black as Mitt Romney.

“It doesn’t matter what race you are,” I replied as the young man turned to walk away. “Facts don’t stop being facts if you are Black—and you are wrong. Spreading this kind of disinformation makes things worse—not better, worse. And if you’re not interested in having this kind of conversation, perhaps a different choice of T-shirt next time?”

This brings me to TMZ.

Days earlier, I squared off on television against Harvey Levin, the founder and face of the website TMZ. In an interview TMZ later posted on its website, Levin’s Black co-host, Charles Latibeaudiere, criticized President Donald Trump for denying the existence of police “systemic racism.” When I agreed with Trump, things quickly went south.

“There is no evidence whatsoever of systemic racism.” I said to Levin. “I asked you to prove it.” He then named a few high-profile examples of Blacks killed by cops.

I offered research done by Roland Fryer, a Black Harvard professor whose study found the police were more reluctant to pull the trigger against a Black suspect than a white suspect. I noted studies done by Washington State professors who reached similar conclusions. I pointed out that more unarmed whites are killed by the police every year than unarmed Blacks, but the media, Levin included, “couldn’t care less” when the suspect is an unarmed white man.

After more back-and-forth, I said to Levin, a lawyer who graduated from University of Chicago Law School, that “you ought to be ashamed of yourself” for pushing this dangerous lie.

Levin replied, “You are relying on statistics. And you are not looking at humanity.”

“It’s called facts,” I said.

You are relying on statistics . . . not looking at humanity. Words fail.



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## Deficit

■ An article by Terence P. Jeffrey titled "\$521,769,000,000: Federal Spending Sets Record for First Month of Fiscal Year" was posted at [cnsnews.com](https://www.cnsnews.com) on Nov. 12, 2020.

## News about the media

■ An article by Kareem Abdul-Jabbar titled "We May Be a Divided Nation, But We're United in Not Trusting the News Media" was posted at [latimes.com](https://www.latimes.com) on Nov. 8, 2020.

■ An article by Becket Adams titled "*Washington Post* Claims It's a Right-Wing Talking Point to Say America Is [a Constitutional Federal Republic and] Not a Democracy" was posted at [washingtonexaminer.com](https://www.washingtonexaminer.com) on Nov. 12, 2020.

■ An article by Julio Rosas titled "Even MSNBC [Host Stephanie Ruhle] Called Out Lincoln Project Co-Founder [Steve Schmidt] for Claiming a Trump 'Coup' Is Underway" was posted at [townhall.com](https://www.townhall.com) on Nov. 12, 2020.

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- An article by Katie Pavlich titled “Pennsylvania Judge Rules in Favor of Trump Campaign” was posted at townhall.com on Nov. 12, 2020.
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- An article by Elizabeth Vaughn titled “GOP Now Controls Majority of State Legislatures in Battleground States” was posted at bongino.com on Nov. 13, 2020.

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- An article by Alexander Nieves titled "California Voters Reject Affirmative Action Measure Despite Summer of Activism" was posted at [politico.com](http://politico.com) on Nov. 4, 2020.
- An article by David Rutz titled "MSNBC's Joy Reid Calls Clarence Thomas 'Uncle Clarence' " was posted at [freebeacon.com](http://freebeacon.com) on Nov. 4, 2020.
- An article by Bob McManus titled "NYC Coddles the Privileged, Pain-in-[Derriere] Anarchists Who Spit on Cops" was posted at [nypost.com](http://nypost.com) on Nov. 5, 2020.
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**Isaiah 55:6-11**—"Seek you the LORD while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near. Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, and He will have mercy on him; and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon. 'For My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways,' says the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain comes down, and the snow from heaven, and do not return there, but water the earth, and make it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; it shall not return to Me void, but it shall accomplish what I please, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it."