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## All About Antifa

**Democrat leadership not only refuse to condemn Antifa though it is a violent group that supports outright communism, they have excused its behavior.**

They call themselves “antifascists” (Antifa for short). They are most notable for wearing masks and dressing all in black (known as Black Bloc) when they engage in violent, criminal activity. They claim to be fighting against fascism, racism, sexism, and capitalism. They claim to be fighting against hate — as they scream hateful profanities and beat their targeted opponents to bloody pulps. They have attached themselves to the Democratic Party and to liberal-left activist groups, none of which seem inclined to disassociate themselves from the violent anarchist/communist terrorists masquerading as defenders of the downtrodden. Indeed, the liberal elites in political circles and the establishment media have embraced the Antifa militants, excusing their examples of “excessive” violence as understandable outbursts of youthful idealism and necessary resorts to force when confronting the evil Nazis, fascists, racists — or Republicans.



In the wake of the deadly Antifa-white nationalist confrontation in Charlottesville, Virginia, on August 12, the Antifa are being heralded as heroes. Professor Cornel West, a radical propagandist for the Revolutionary Communist Party and other extreme-left causes, famously claimed in a statement promoted by much of the national media that in Charlottesville the Antifa anarchists had rescued him and the clergy group he was with and “saved our lives” from the neo-Nazis.

After more than a year of rioting, burning, mass assaults, brutal beatings, and intimidation — aimed primarily at President Donald Trump, Trump supporters, and Republicans in general — Democratic Party leaders have remained inexcusably silent. Barack Obama, Hillary Clinton, Bernie Sanders, Charles Schumer, Dianne Feinstein, Maxine Waters, Al Gore, Al Franken, and other “progressive” Democrats have failed to utter a word of “unequivocal condemnation” concerning the escalating wave of Antifa hate and violence.

On August 29, House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi became the first nationally prominent “progressive”



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Democrat to issue a statement denouncing the violent, masked Antifa thugs stalking our campuses and city streets. “Our democracy has no room for inciting violence or endangering the public, no matter the ideology of those who commit such acts,” Pelosi said in the press statement. “The violent actions of people calling themselves Antifa in Berkeley this weekend deserve unequivocal condemnation, and the perpetrators should be arrested and prosecuted,” she continued. Pelosi, who represents San Francisco, was responding to political heat she was receiving for helping to incite the Antifa violence that had erupted across the bay in Berkeley two days earlier. Two rallies scheduled in the Bay Area — one in San Francisco, the other in Berkeley — by Patriot Prayer, a multi-ethnic, peaceful group, had been falsely denounced by Pelosi and other Bay Area political leaders as “white supremacist” rallies. Due to the vehement hatred and threats incited against them, Patriot Prayer canceled the San Francisco rally, but tried to carry off the Berkeley event as scheduled. However, it turned into a replay of the mayhem that had marked earlier efforts by students in the months before to bring conservative speakers to the University of California campus in Berkeley.

Numerous videos posted on Internet sites show a large mob of aggressive Antifa activists — many wearing masks and armed with clubs and other weapons — cursing, screaming at, and viciously beating, without provocation, Patriot Prayer leader Joey Gibson and a small group of attendees at the rally. Coming under blistering fire from commentators across the spectrum — from Fox’s Tucker Carlson to NPR’s Mara Liasson — and facing a possible lawsuit for her role in promoting the violent melee, Pelosi opted for the denouncement — as a public relations measure, no doubt. In a guest appearance on Fox News, Mara Liasson said denouncing Antifa is a “no brainer.” “People who wear black masks and beat peaceful protesters [should] have no support at all.... Democrats should be racing to the microphones” to condemn Antifa, the liberal NPR pundit declared.

However, there has been no race to the mics, though announced objectives of Antifa activists indicate that they are headed on a trajectory of escalating violence.

## **Antifa: Who, What, Where, Why, How**

Who are the Antifa? Where did they come from? What do they believe? What do they want? Why do they do what they do? How do they operate? To whom are they connected?

*Secrecy and darkness* — There is much that we don’t know about Antifa for the simple reason that they operate in secrecy and concealment. The movement has both above-ground and underground elements. The above-ground activists will engage in public demonstrations with their faces uncovered, and some will publicly identify with Antifa and even give interviews. The most notorious aspect of Antifa, apart from its violence, is its Black Bloc side, the underground members who dress in black, cover their faces, and carry out collective “direct action” (often criminal activities) as coordinated units. Some Antifa activists float between the above-ground and underground, alternately masking up with the Black Bloc or marching openly with allied organizations, depending on the event and the day. Antifa groups are now active in most major American cities. Because they operate as autonomous cells or “affinity groups,” with no known centralized leadership and no general open-to-the-public membership, they have been difficult to penetrate and gather intelligence on. However, the hundreds of arrests of Antifa members over the past year have begun to bear fruit, providing important data on all aspects of their operations.

*“Anti-Fascist” camouflage* — Fascists, neo-Nazis, KKK, and other “white supremacists” are a minuscule,



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politically irrelevant minority with little sympathy and no credible following in the United States. To the extent that they enjoy any traction among young white males can largely be attributed to a reaction against the forced political correctness and anti-white, anti-male propaganda that breeds and feeds resentment. Membership has also surely grown because of Antifa extremists, acting like Mussolini's fascist Black Shirts, screaming anti-fascist slogans and beating peaceful Americans. These Antifa actions have done more to swell the ranks of the white supremacists than all the speeches by Richard Spencer, David Duke, and others of their ilk. That is, undoubtedly, the goal of many who are promoting the Antifa agenda; they need a credible neo-Nazi threat to divert attention and channel emotions onto issues they can exploit.

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**Communist cadres** — Most of the “mainstream” media appear to be content serving as public relations agents for Antifa, generally referring to the black-robed thugs by their preferred “antifascist” label, and rarely challenging them on their ties to violent communist organizations and support for communist dictatorships. It should be no secret that Antifa actions, not only in the United States, but also in Canada, Europe, and elsewhere, are completely intertwined with well-known, longstanding communist parties and organizations. In the United States, Antifa groups are closely allied with notorious communist organizations such as the Revolutionary Communist Party (RCP), the Workers World Party (WWP), the Communist Party USA, By Any Means Necessary (BAMN), Anti-Racist Action, RefuseFascism.org, and the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) — all of which have been engaged in violent and revolutionary activities for decades, and which have long, sordid histories of exploiting class, ethnic, racial, and sexual distinctions to foment discord and social turmoil. Weather Underground terrorist Bill Ayers, SDS activist Clark Kissinger (now with the RCP), BAMN's violent feminists Yvette Felarca and Shanta Driver, and RCP's Carl Dix are but a few of the hardcore Reds actively aiding and participating in Antifa's current “war” against America.

**Communist lawyers** — Whenever and wherever Antifa mobs engage in criminal activity, they know they can rely on lawyers from the National Lawyers Guild (NLG) to defend them should they be arrested. Nearly 100 years old, the NLG was formed in 1925 by the Soviet Comintern (Communist International) as the American branch of International Red Aid. In 1950, the U.S. House Committee on Un-American Activities issued a devastating study entitled *Report on the National Lawyers Guild: Legal Bulwark of the Communist Party*, thoroughly exposing the guild's record as one of the most dangerous communist fronts. That still holds true. Radical NLG attorneys are active at virtually all major Antifa events, acting as “observers” and providing jailhouse legal aid to those arrested for criminal activities. Antifa websites and the websites of their partners — Black Lives Matter (BLM), BAMN, RCP, WWP, etc. — regularly note that NLG lawyers will be on hand to help out should they be arrested. When Antifa mobs disrupted President Trump's inauguration — rioting, setting fires, and attacking inauguration attendees — NLG lawyers were among those arrested. The Antifa event had been billed as DJ-20 (Disrupt January 20) and NLG attorneys were there to facilitate the disruption and chaos. A San Francisco Bay-area Antifa call to action to demonstrate for Antifa members arrested in Berkeley on August 27, for instance, tells activists: “Also, NLG attorneys will be present for these arraignments. (Thanks NLG!).”

On August 11, 2017, the NLG issued a press release entitled “NLG Mobilizes Legal Support Ahead of ‘Unite the Right’ Counter-Protests.” It stated: “The National Lawyers Guild (NLG) is coordinating legal



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support in anticipation of counter-protests to the white supremacist ‘Unite the Right Free Speech Rally’ to take place tomorrow in Charlottesville, VA.” By giving rioters a feeling of immunity and a sense that they can escape the legal consequences of their criminal actions, the NLG emboldens the Antifa street fighters and guarantees a continued escalation of the violence.

*Antifa’s “self-defense” lie* — Following the Charlottesville chaos, Dartmouth College lecturer Dr. Mark Bray, author of *Antifa: The Anti-Fascist Handbook*, became an immediate media celebrity. In one interview after another, he was allowed to go unchallenged in asserting that Antifa only uses violence in “self-defense” and that its violence is primarily directed at property, not people. But putting aside the question of how attacking property could be equated with self-defense, countless videos taken in dozens of cities indisputably show that Antifa thugs initiate violence and that they direct it against people (without regard to age, sex, or physical condition) as well as property. In addition, police reports and eyewitness reports by journalists and bystanders confirm what is manifestly evident from abundant video documentation.

*The “no enemies but fascists” lie* — In an interview with Vox, Bray addressed the “slippery slope” concerns that Antifa might promiscuously apply the fascist label — and its violent tactics — against conservatives or others with whom it disagrees. No chance of that, Bray brazenly lied. “I don’t know of any empirical examples of anti-fascists successfully stopping a neo-Nazi group and then moving on to other groups that are not racist but merely to the right,” Bray claimed. No examples? None? There is no excuse for any real journalist to put up with such blatant lying. It’s too easy to prove that his statements are demonstrably, horrendously false. Antifa terrorists have accused not only President Trump but virtually everyone who voted for him and anyone to the right of Bernie Sanders of being “Racist, Fascist, KKK” — and have viciously, physically attacked thousands of people who are not, and never have been, racist, fascist, or KKK. Scott Crow, another Antifa activist/author consulted by the media, has said, “We don’t believe that Nazis or fascists of any stripe should have a mouthpiece.” The important operative phrase here is “of any stripe,” meaning whatever the Antifa militants choose it to mean.

*Progressive Democrats “own” Antifa* — Not only have top Democrats failed epically to denounce and oppose Antifa, they have helped to mainstream its message, attempting to score political advantage by mimicking Antifa’s charge that President Trump, his supporters, and his policies are racist and fascist. In March of this year Linwood Michael Kaine was arrested as a riot participant in an Antifa disruption of a rally for President Trump in St. Paul, Minnesota. Who is Linwood Michael Kaine? He is the 24-year-old son of Senator Tim Kaine, who most recently served as Hillary Clinton’s vice presidential candidate. In January, Grady Page was one of the masked Antifa activists arrested at the Disrupt J20 Inauguration melee. He is the son of prominent Democrat and Obama pal Clarence Page, newspaper columnist, television pundit, and editorial board member of the *Chicago Tribune*. Naturally, if the sons and daughters of prominent Republicans were caught in similar circumstances, it would remain a lead story day after day; as it is, these and other similar examples have been spiked by the Fake News practitioners posing as journalists.

However, the evidence points to top Democrats doing far worse than failing to condemn Antifa. As we point out in our article on page 10, damning evidence (that continues to mount) indicates that leading Democrats have conspired to weaponize Antifa against their Republican opponents, specifically, in city after city ordering police to stand down and allow Antifa thugs to assault and terrorize fellow





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Americans. This is not merely deplorable, it is criminal.

*The Soros-Antifa rent-a-mob* — Because the Antifa operatives function as a secret, criminal enterprise, it has been difficult to “follow the money” to their funding sources. However, many of the identified Antifa activists have been documented as (or have themselves admitted to being) “community organizers” when not sporting their Zorro outfits for Antifa. In one of its several puff pieces romanticizing the anarchist radicals, the *New York Times* reports: “When not attending what he called ‘big mobilizations’ like the one in Charlottesville, Frank Sabate has done ordinary community organizing, advocating prison reform and distributing anarchist literature at punk rock shows. Others say they do the same in Antifa strongholds such as Philadelphia, the Bay Area of California, and the Pacific Northwest.”

Similarly, Bray says that when not combating the “right-wing extremist threat,” Antifa members “return to what they normally do — organizing unions, doing environmental activism, etc.” Just your typical social-justice warriors, no? Is it merely coincidence that the more “conventional” Democrat activists are increasingly adopting more militant tactics? The activists of Indivisible, who have been disrupting the town hall meetings of congressional Republicans this year, are part of the radical anti-Trump apparatus funded by George Soros and his Democracy Alliance billionaire pals. Indivisible has been moving closer to the militant Antifa model, and Antifa militants (acting in their above-ground mode) are active in the Indivisible ranks, as well as other similar “resistance” groups intent on stopping — and toppling — Trump.

However, as we pointed out earlier this year (“Democracy Alliance,” February 6 issue), Soros and Democracy Alliance have become increasingly cagey with regard to “greenwashing” their funds through various entities, with pass-through accounts, such as the Tides Foundation, serving as one of the principal conduits for transferring activist cash to the revolution. The Soros-funded Tides Foundation is one of the biggest donors to the Alliance for Global Justice, a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization that, in turn, funds RefuseFascism.org, the Antifa front group for the Revolutionary Communist Party. RefuseFascism/RCP activists were in the forefront of many of the violent confrontations over the past year. Similarly, BAMN receives funding through its tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization, United for Equality and Affirmative Action Legal Defense Fund (UEAALDF). The IRS, under President Obama and IRS Commissioner Lois Lerner, refused to grant tax-exempt status to Tea Party groups and other conservative organizations, but it has allowed violent revolutionary communists to benefit from tax-exempt status. Not only should the IRS be investigated for this travesty, but also to force some transparency upon the operations of the large tax-exempt foundations (of which Soros is currently but the most notorious ) that continue to fund subversion year after year, decade upon decade.

*Educators for chaos* — During the 2016 presidential campaign, America’s schools — from elementary schools through college — became a battleground, as teachers, professors, and administrators took militant stands against Donald Trump and organized students to do the same. Many of the most radical of those “educators,” it turns out, are not merely militant Democrats and teacher union stalwarts, but actual Antifa street fighters. The most notorious in that regard is Yvette Felarca, a Berkeley middle-school teacher who has been arrested repeatedly for her BAMN/Antifa activities and has been filmed punching and attacking others in unprovoked assaults. BAMN member Tania Kappner, a teacher at Oakland Technical High School in California, organized a walkout of teachers and students to protest Trump. Detroit teacher Nicole Conaway led a “sickout” that caused six schools to close, affecting nearly



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4,000 students. Incredibly, despite BAMN's record of revolutionary, disruptive, and illegal activities over the past couple decades, both of the nation's major teacher unions, the National Education Association and American Federation of Teachers, have refused to disavow BAMN and boot BAMN members from their rolls.

Eric Clanton, an ethics and philosophy professor at Diablo Valley College in California, was arrested for assault with a deadly weapon in connection with the Antifa riots over a scheduled speech by Milo Yiannopoulos in Berkeley last April. The masked and hooded Clanton was caught on video brutally clobbering another person with a heavy u-shaped steel bike lock. The video, which went viral, helped police identify and arrest the academic "philosopher." Drexel University Professor George Ciccariello-Maher, who achieved instant notoriety with his tweet last Christmas, "All I want for Christmas is white genocide," is an Antifa supporter. So too is retired Harvard Professor Noel Ignatiev, the inventor of the "white privilege" meme that has become dogma for all PC thinkers who toe the Party Line. "If you are a white male," according to Ignatiev, a longtime member of the Communist Party USA, "you don't deserve to live. You are a cancer, you're a disease, white males have never contributed anything positive to the world! They only murder, exploit and oppress non-whites!" Ignatiev's hateful screed is reflected in the angry slogans and online rants of the Antifa faithful — mixed in with their less-than-convincing "Love Trumps Hate" chants. As we note in our article on page 10, Professor Walter Heinecke of the University of Virginia is the "direct action" trainer who set up the Antifa counterdemonstration in Charlottesville on August 12 that resulted in the violent confrontation — and the death of Heather Heyer. We have not even scratched the surface. The heavy presence of "educators" among the Antifa revolutionaries lends credence to the charge that, by and large, our schools and universities have become "enemy occupied territory."

*"The action is in the reaction"* — In his famous *Rules for Radicals* (1971), Marxist community organizer Saul Alinsky (spiritual mentor to Barack Obama, Hillary Clinton, and many other Democrats) gave this as his 10th rule: "The major premise for tactics is the development of operations that will maintain a constant pressure upon the opposition. It is this unceasing pressure that results in the reactions from the opposition that are essential for the success of the campaign. It should be remembered not only that the action is in the reaction but that action is itself the consequence of reaction and of reaction to the reaction, ad infinitum. The pressure produces the reaction, and constant pressure sustains action."

Moreover, he said, "The enemy properly goaded and guided in his reaction will be your major strength." According to Alinsky, abstract issues such as racism, capitalism, and injustice must be "personalized." He advised community organizers to "pick the target, freeze it, personalize it, and polarize it.... The opposition must be singled out as the target and frozen." He recounted to readers that "John L. Lewis, the leader of the radical C.I.O. labor organization in the 1930s, was fully aware of this, and as a consequence the C.I.O. never attacked General Motors, they always attacked its president, Alfred 'Icewater-In-His-Veins' Sloan; they never attacked the Republic Steel Corporation but always its president, 'Bloodied Hands' Tom Girdler, and so with us when we attacked the then-superintendent of the Chicago public school system, Benjamin Willis. Let nothing get you off your target. With this focus comes a polarization."

*Rules for Radicals* is the same book in which Alinsky paid tribute to Lucifer, whom he praised as "the first radical known to man who rebelled against the establishment and did it so effectively that he at least won his own kingdom." Understanding Alinsky's Luciferian logic and tactics makes the



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monomaniacal Democrat/Antifa fixation on polarizing and demonizing Trump much more comprehensible.



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