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## Narrative: Border Agents Use Whips. Goal: More Democrat Voters

One of the great wonders of our whiz-bang tech world is social media; important news reaches billions within seconds. One of the not-so-great wonders is also social media; a falsehood reaches billions within seconds. Need a bulletin about a missing child to go nationwide in seconds? Forget the milk carton. Tweet it. Need a nonsense narrative about mounted Border Agents using whips to round up illegal aliens? Forget calling the *New York Times*. Tweet it.



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Social media has breathed new life into an old saw from Jonathan Swift: “Falsehood flies, and the Truth comes limping after it.” As fast as the narrative that galloping federal marauders cracked whips at Haitian illegals at the border with Mexico on September 20 spread, people interested in the truth proved the narrative was false. But as Swift said, the truth finished last.

Border agents did not whip the illegals. What lying radical leftists said were whips were reins. Nor did they use the reins as whips, as some claimed and enhanced photos showed.

No matter. The Open Borders Lobby had the images it needed to push the false narrative: We must let the Haitians, tens of thousands of whom were staged at the Rio Grande at Del Rio, Texas, into the country. The Democrats need more voters.

Typical of the claims was one from Sawyer Hackett, a man of whom you were blissfully unaware until now. He worked for leftist Julián Castro, the failed presidential candidate and former secretary of Housing and Urban Development under President Barack Hussein Obama.

Castro is no relation to Fidel Castro. But his man Hackett used the photo like one of Fidel’s expert propagandists. All he needs is a beard and a cigar to complete the picture.

“Border patrol is mounted on horseback rounding up Haitian refugees with whips,” Hackett falsely tweeted. “This is unfathomable cruelty towards people fleeing disaster and political ruin. The administration must stop this.”

The photo showed nothing of the kind. Not whips. Not “unfathomable cruelty.” Federal law-enforcement authorities do not use whips, and in this case, did not use the reins to whip the Haitian illegal alien in question. Enhanced images and those from a different angle clearly showed the agent holding the illegal by his shirtsleeve, with the reins in front of the illegal’s face.



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That didn't stop Haiti Joe Biden, Vice President Kamala Harris, and Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas from denouncing the agents. "There will be consequences," Biden warned. Mayorkas suspended the agents, and Harris said the scene "evoked images of ... behavior ... used against African Americans during times of slavery."

Democrat Henry Cuellar of Texas set the record straight on CNN. "They don't carry whips," he said. "What are they supposed to do ... let everybody come in?"

Why, now that you mention it, that's exactly what they're supposed to do. That's one reason a petition appeared within 24 hours to let the Haitians enter the country. It explains that Americans are deeply indebted to the Haitians trying to get into the country and glom onto the welfare state.

Americans "owe" them because of "the Haitian Revolution that ultimately forced France to sell the Louisiana Territory to the United States in 1803, thus tripling the size of the nation," the petition avers. "And many of Haiti's current problems can arguably be attributed to the US invasion and occupation that lasted from 1915 to 1934, wherein US forces executed dissidents and implemented a system of forced labor, still used to this day, that destroyed the self-determination of Haiti's peasant population."

"Haiti's peasant population" has had 200 years to straighten out the country they took from the French, another nearly 100 years after that American military occupation, and has failed for myriad reasons. "Haiti's current problems" — unemployment rate, 14 percent; illiteracy, 40 percent — are their own, not ours. We "owe" them nothing.

Democrats and the Open Borders Lobby undoubtedly believe we "owe" them admission. But even if we did, that wouldn't be the most important reason they want to turn Haitian illegals loose upon American taxpayers. The Democrats and their Open Borders auxiliary know exactly what they have in the illegal-alien horde that was camped outside Del Rio, more than 12,000 of whom Biden has already let into the country: Thousands of future voters.

Permitting them to enter advances the openly stated Democrat objective of altering the country's demographics by importing a new people whom they know will cast Democrat ballots.

That's why they started the whip narrative. Scenes of border agents on horseback "whipping" black "migrants" provided all the Left needed to resurrect and tweet images of 18th-century slave-catchers.

One way to salve that wound and get more Democrat voters? Let them in.



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