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## Swapping Crises for Crises

We have a *crisis* on our southern border, and finally, there seems to be a growing consensus acknowledging this reality. President Donald Trump has been clanging on that bell for the past three years. In fact, it was a signature, if not *the* signature, element of his campaign. However, in the past several months, as the crisis has escalated to a level that made it undeniable, the usual suspects in the Fake News cabal continued to ridicule the president's concerns and their "fact checkers" pretended to show evidence that discredited the crisis claims. In February, when President Trump in his State of the Union address said illegal border crossings are an "urgent national crisis," the *New York Times*' "Fact Check" tweeted: "This is false. Illegal border crossings have been declining for two decades."



Then the border apprehension figures for the month of March rolled in: 103,492 illegals apprehended, more than double the 50,347 of last March, and more than six times the number caught crossing in March 2017. We're on pace to exceed well over one million apprehensions this year. Our holding facilities and processing facilities for this massive influx — including tens of thousands of children — are stretched to the breaking point.

"It should be very clear," said U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner Kevin McAleenan, that such "alarming trends ... present both a border security and a humanitarian crisis." Homeland Security Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen described the desperate border situation by borrowing "Category 5" from meteorological terminology for the highest-level monster hurricanes. On April 2, she called the border crisis a "Cat 5 hurricane disaster."

Her predecessor at Homeland Security, Obama appointee Jeh Johnson, confirmed Nielsen's bleak assessment. "By anyone's definition, by any measure, right now we have a crisis at our southern border," Johnson said, noting that what we are seeing now "is by far a greater number than anything I saw on my watch in my three years as secretary of Homeland Security."

The *Los Angeles Times* reported on April 7 that despite claims that Mexico's President Andrés Manuel López Obrador (also known by his initials, AMLO) is clamping down on the migrant caravans, the latest figures from the Mexican government show that since he assumed office last December, "deportations were down 16% and arrests 7% for December, January and February compared with the same three-month period a year earlier."

Now, finally, even some of the most intransigent skeptics are admitting the obvious. The *New York*



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*Times*, for one, now admits that the border crisis is at a “breaking point.” But please don’t think that the sudden awakening of the *Times*, as well as of House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and her fellow Democrats, on this issue means that they are ready to be sensible. No, they’re blaming President Trump, because he hasn’t adopted “comprehensive immigration reform,” which is their long-standing code for “open borders” — which means, essentially, no borders at all. They want more DACAs, more DAPAs, more Dreamers, more amnesties, more refugees, more asylees, more “temporary” worker visas — in short, more migrants. *Migrants not immigrants.*

The globalists, you see, as we have been reporting for many years, have been laboring earnestly to transform our *immigration* system into a *migration* system, one in which people have a “right” to migrate, and nation states have an obligation to accept them. National sovereignty must be swept aside; nations must no longer be permitted to guard their borders or decide their own immigration policies. Something resembling the European Union is their ultimate desideratum. That is what “experts” such as Doris Meissner of the Migration Policy Institute (MPI) have been promoting for decades. You may recall Meissner as President Bill Clinton’s commissioner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, a position she used to set up much of the present border crisis. Naturally, she’s a member of the world-government-promoting Council on Foreign Relations and works closely with the United Nations to promote migration as a right.

Ironically, President Trump, despite his hardcore immigration rhetoric, risks completely jeopardizing our border security and sovereignty with his United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA), which was negotiated by Meissner’s CFR colleague Robert Lighthizer. Among the many land mines in this 2,325-page treaty are provisions protecting migrant rights and prohibiting numerical quotas on certain foreign workers. Imagine the havoc that U.S. federal judges or judges of USMCA tribunals or World Trade Organization tribunals could inflict with these provisions. If we allow ourselves to be trapped in this treaty, it will prove itself the Mother of all Crises. Call on President Trump, your senators, and representative to oppose the USMCA before this dangerous venture gains any more momentum.

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