



Inside Track

ISIS Joining African Militants to Promote Migration to Europe

David Beasley, a former governor of South Carolina who is now the executive director of the UN World Food Programme, said that ISIS commanders fleeing Syria are conspiring with extremist groups in Africa to take control of a new migration wave that will send jihadists to Europe. Beasley made his statement to reporters during an April 24-25 conference in Brussels to discuss aid for people affected by the war in Syria.

Beasley was quoted by the British *Guardian* newspaper: "You are going to face a similar pattern of what took place years ago, except you are going to have more ISIS and extremist groups infiltrating migration."

"What we are picking up is that they are partnering with the extremist groups like Boko Haram and al-Qaida to divvy up territory and resources and to continue to infiltrate and destabilize in the hope of creating migration into Europe where they can infiltrate and cause chaos."

"My comment to the Europeans is that if you think you had a problem resulting from a nation of 20 million people like Syria because of destabilization and conflict resulting in migration, wait until the greater Sahel region of 500 million people is further destabilized. And this is where the European community and international community has got to wake up."

As the head of the UN's food program, Beasley focused on the use of food by displaced ISIS leaders and their allied African terrorist groups as a recruitment tool and a vehicle to push millions of Africans toward Europe.

Britain's *Daily Mail* quoted Beasley's statement that the World Food Programme sees food as "a weapon of peace, as a weapon of reconciliation, as a weapon for sustainable development."

Humanitarian assistance, preferably through private charities, is always commendable. But that aid is unlikely to deter mass migration to Europe, so EU nations must be prepared to secure their borders, as should the United States.

Unemployment Rate at 50-year Low

Unemployment claims for the week ending April 21 fell to new lows, according to the Department of Labor. On April 26 it reported that new claims fell to 209,000, far below forecasters' expectations of 230,000. It also was the 24th week of jobless claims of fewer than 250,000, and the 164th straight week of claims below 300,000.

The last time jobless claims were this low was nearly 50 years ago, when the country's labor force was just 153 million, compared to today's workforce of 162 million. Not only is the latest report from the Labor Department impressive, reflecting a vibrant and dynamic labor market, it's even better when viewed through the lens of a smaller total labor market back then.

At the bottom of the Great Recession, the economy was shedding jobs at such a rate that jobless claims exceeded 650,000 a week in late 2009, with the unemployment rate exceeding 10 percent. Today the unemployment rate is 4.1 percent, and is expected to drop even further.



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The economy has been adding new jobs at more than 200,000 a month this year, compared to 181,000 new jobs last year, the first year of the Trump administration. Optimists expect new jobs growth to continue strongly into his second year and thereafter, thanks largely to deregulation and tax reform.

Despite the robust growth of the economy, there are still 6.5 million people unemployed — people who could work but either don't want to or can't. But at some point, perhaps when welfare checks are linked to work (as in Maine where new rules have more than halved the welfare rolls after the state implemented work requirements to get a check), many of those on the sidelines will decide they can do better working and earning rather than receiving.

For example, if the unemployment rate drops from 4.1 percent to 3.5 percent, as some are predicting, that means that nearly a million new workers are expected to enter the workforce over the next several months.

The latest report from the Labor Department is just about as close as one can get to unblemished good news.

Foreign Affairs Calls Trump Racist, Sexist, and Authoritarian

The May/June 2018 edition of *Foreign Affairs*, the official publication of the globalist Council on Foreign Relations (CFR), featured a series of articles themed "Is Democracy Dying?" While the authors of the articles do not reach any conclusion to their question, they do make it quite clear that they view President Donald Trump as an impediment to the type of society they want for our world.

In the May/June 2018 issue, Walter Russell Mead laments the recent election returns in the United Kingdom (Brexit), Hungary, Poland, and Italy (with rising opposition to uncontrolled immigration and the consolidation of Europe). He also criticizes the Trump administration, which seeks "to take U.S. policy in new directions."

Ronald Inglehurt's article "The Age of Insecurity" is even more blunt: "Over the past decade, many marginally democratic countries have become increasingly authoritarian. And authoritarian, xenophobic populist movements have grown strong enough to threaten democracy's long-term health in several rich, established democracies, including France, Germany, the Netherlands, Sweden, the United Kingdom, and the United States."

While Inglehurt insinuates that anti-immigration politicians in places such as Hungary, France, Italy, and Poland are only a step or two removed from Adolf Hitler, he reserves most of his salvos for Trump, declaring, "In the 2016 U.S. presidential election, the Republican candidate Donald Trump campaigned on a platform of xenophobia and sympathy toward authoritarianism." Inglehurt argues that Trump campaigned as "an openly racist, sexist, authoritarian, and xenophobic candidate," who "ran against Hillary Clinton, a liberal."

What can be done about all this? Inglehurt's solution is more government. "Whether this latest democratic setback proves permanent will depend on whether societies address these problems, which will require government intervention," he asserted.

Foreign Affairs offers readers a steady diet of big government and globalism while it claims to "tolerate wide differences of opinion" and that it "will not represent any consensus of belief." Perhaps in the next issue, it will publish an article warning readers of the dangers of big government, globalism, and



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unchecked immigration. But we sincerely doubt it.

Petition Effort to Admit White South Africans Grows

The recent 241-83 vote by the South African Parliament to simply take land away from white farmers because they are white, without compensation, has awakened many citizens in other countries to the potential genocide facing the white population of South Africa. Petition efforts have begun in Europe and the United States to allow the country's four and a half million white citizens to seek humanitarian asylum.

Not surprisingly, the response of the increasingly totalitarian South African government to such efforts is to charge "racism." Apparently, remarks by Marxist Julius Malema of the Economic Freedom Fighters (EFF) party, who has called white South Africans "criminals," who "stole" the land, and has said that he is "not calling for the slaughter of white people — at least for now," are not racist.

Thus far, more than 12,000 Americans have signed a petition asking President Trump to allow South African whites to emigrate to America. Another petition, asking European Union President Jean-Claude Juncker, German Chancellor Angela Merkel, and British Prime Minister Theresa May to allow white South Africans into Europe, has already garnered almost 17,000 signatures.

The U.S. petition can be accessed online, and it asks Trump to "take the steps necessary to initiate an emergency immigration plan allowing white Boers to come to the United States."

Australian Home Affairs Minister Peter Dutton openly advocated in March that his country allow the Boers to seek asylum in his country. "We want people who want to come here, abide by our laws, integrate into our society, work hard, not lead a life on welfare. And I think these people deserve special attention and we're certainly applying that special attention now."

But because there is some concern that European countries and the United States might not be willing to accept Boers owing to domestic politics (e.g., there is little doubt that an announcement by President Trump that he was going to admit *white* South Africans would precipitate immediate claims of racism), some Boer political leaders have proposed secession as the solution.



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