





Inside Track

Biden Feminizes Our Military; China Aims to "Cultivate Masculinity"



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Joe Biden is talking about "maternity flight suits" and changing "the culture and habits that cause women to leave the military." Meanwhile, our chief geopolitical adversary, China, is choosing a very different route: It's embracing a program designed to enhance the masculinity of its adolescent boys.

President Biden made comments on International Women's Day (March 8) emphasizing the goal of making the military more accommodating for females. "We're making good progress designing body armor that fits women properly, tailoring combat uniforms for women, creating maternity flight suits, updating requirements for their hairstyles," said Biden. "And some of it's going to take an intensity of purpose and mission to really change the culture and habits that cause women to leave the military."

Unsaid: One of those "habits" causing women's departure is called hanky-panky, with thousands of female sailors on Navy vessels becoming pregnant every year. In fact, women are up to 50 percent more likely than men to leave their positions aboard ships and return to land duty — at great expense to the military. There are even stories of women purposely getting pregnant to avoid deployment.

And as soon as the military prioritizes accommodating women or making them feel more comfortable, it has strayed from its purpose. In fact, if the average woman could ever be too comfortable in the military, it's a red flag.

Meanwhile, according to a February 1 article at the *South China Morning Post*, China has adopted a policy called "Proposal on Preventing the Feminization of Male Adolescents"; it's designed to cultivate masculinity in teen boys, who are described by a top Chinese political advisor as now being "delicate, cowardly and effeminate."

Of course, at least China can still identify who the boys are. Too many of us are confused about that and whether "boy" is a real classification or just a personal-identity choice on a sex-status continuum.







Prominent Conservative Activist Milo Comes Out as "Ex-gay"



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Prominent conservative activist and writer Milo Yiannopoulos was best known for bleached-blond hair, trolling leftists, appearing at college talks dressed in drag, and, most notably, his unabashed homosexuality. But he'll soon, apparently, be better known for something that truly brings scorn today: coming out as "ex-gay."

Describing himself thus and as "sodomy free," Yiannopoulos is now more fully embracing the Catholic faith in which he was raised; in fact, he's even leading a daily online consecration to St. Joseph.

"When I used to kid that I only became gay to torment my mother, I wasn't entirely joking," Yiannopoulos said in a LifeSite interview published March 9. "Of course, I was never wholly at home in the gay lifestyle — Who is? Who could be? — and only leaned heavily into it in public because it drove liberals crazy to see a handsome, charismatic, intelligent gay man riotously celebrating conservative principles."

That Yiannopoulos went straight to Jesus isn't surprising, either. Even while living a life contrary to Catholic teaching, he would sometimes trumpet the faith (he did so at a college event once). And his faith, now flowering, was expressed well in the LifeSite interview.

While Yiannopoulos is now flexing his theological muscle, he still displays the brashness that got him exiled from Twitter (in 2016) even before Big Tech went cancel-culture crazy. For example, "Trannies are demonic," he also told LifeSite, after mentioning the "Terror of transsexuals." "They are the Galli, the castrated priests of Cybele, the Magna mater, whom Augustine saw dancing in the streets of Carthage dressed like women."

Speaking of the Sexual Devolution brings us to Yiannopoulos' future plans. "Over the next decade, I would like to help rehabilitate what the media calls 'conversion therapy'" (which is designed to help people eliminate unwanted same-sex attraction or feelings of sexual-identity confusion), he told LifeSite. "It does work, albeit not for everybody."

Yiannopoulos also stated that he plans to devote himself to combating abortion even more robustly than he did previously.







Majority of Americans Support Ban on Trans Athletes in Female Sports



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Support for banning biological males from competing against biological females in women's athletics remains high, even according to a new poll by *Politico* — a generally left-leaning publication — proving once again that Democratic politicians pushing "trans rights" care more about an agenda than the will of the American people.

"Former President Donald Trump railed against transgender athletes in female sports in his CPAC speech a few weeks ago. Other prominent voices on the right have joined in, calling it an example of political correctness having a real-world impact. Our latest POLITICO/Morning Consult poll shows broad support for the GOP position, extending across gender, age and, to a lesser degree, party," *Politico* reported on May 10. "Overall, 53% of registered voters support banning transgender athletes from competing in women's sports, versus a third who oppose such a ban."

The poll was conducted between March 6 and March 8 among a survey of 1,990 registered voters who were asked more than 60 questions, including this one: "As you may know, Mississippi is moving towards banning transgender athletes from participating on women's sports teams at the state's high schools and universities. Based on what you know, do you support or oppose banning transgender athletes from competing on women's sports teams?"

Politico reported that 56 percent of men support such a ban, while 29 percent of men oppose it, while 46 percent of women support a ban, and 34 percent oppose one. Seventy-four percent of Republicans, 40 percent of Democrats, and 49 percent of Independents support a ban, as do 56 percent of millennials and 50 percent of baby boomers.

Last week, a Harvard/Harris poll showed 55 percent of respondents disapproved of President Joe Biden's executive order to allow "transgender" athletes to participate in sports that align with their gender identity rather than their biological sex, with 45 percent in approval.

Results from a Rasmussen Reports survey, published March 2, found even larger margins, with 54 percent opposing male participation in female sports and 32 percent supporting it.







Spokesman Defends Duterte's Order to "Kill, Kill, Kill" Communists

On March 8, the spokesman for Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte said his boss' order from the previous week, in which he called on the military and police to kill "all" armed communist terrorist forces in the country, is "legal" — amid outcry from the Left.

"The president's 'kill, kill' order is legal because he directed ... [it] at the rebels holding weapons," said Duterte spokesman Harry Roque during a March 8 press briefing.

"Under the IHL [International Humanitarian Law], the president's 'kill, kill, kill' order is right because if there is an armed conflict, when your enemy has a gun and can kill you, you wouldn't wait to get shot and killed," he told journalists, adding, "It is not against the law, the international humanitarian law, when a soldier shoots an armed NPA fighter and kills the NPA fighter," in reference to the New People's Army (NPA), the armed wing of the Communist Party of the Philippines.

The Philippine government officially recognizes the NPA as a terrorist organization, as do the United States and United Nations. The Philippines has been fighting the communists' violent insurgency in the countryside for decades. Over 30,000 lives have reportedly been claimed in the conflict.

"I've told the military and the police, that if they find themselves in an armed encounter with the communist rebels, kill them, make sure you really kill them, and finish them off if they are alive," Duterte said March 5 while addressing the National Task Force to End Local Communist Armed Conflict (NTF-ELCAC), a task force he created to bring an end to the insurgency by the end of his presidency in 2022.

Telling security forces to "just make sure to return their bodies to their respective families," Duterte added, "Forget about human rights. That's my order. I'm willing to go to jail, that's not a problem." The Philippine president has called communist rebels the "number one threat" to national security.







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