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Biden Creates White House Office of Gun Violence Prevention, Promises to Ban 'Assault Weapons' if Congress Doesn't

As inexplicable as it sounds for a people whose right to keep and bear arms is expressly protected in their Constitution, the president of the United States has created an office whose purpose is to deny people that very right.

Joe Biden <u>announced</u> that Kamala Harris would head up the White House Office of Gun Violence Prevention, the mission of which will be "to reduce gun violence, which has ravaged communities across the country, and implement and expand upon key executive and legislative action which has been taken to save lives."

In a statement announcing the newest branch of the unelected, unaccountable, unchallengeable bureaucracy, Biden said:

Every time I've met with families impacted by gun violence as they mourn their loved ones, and I've met with so many throughout the country, they all have the same message for their elected officials: "do something." It's why, last year, I signed the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act to keep guns out of dangerous hands, and have taken more executive action than any President in history to keep communities safe.

These statements would be worth deconstructing if they weren't so simplistic and so shot through with holes from the many previous articles refuting the bizarre claim that new "laws" will magically accomplish the healing of the human mind, the genesis of the motive for murder.

Despite their rhetoric, these demagogues know that there is no law, no regulation, no restriction, and no executive order that could ever dissuade someone from committing murder in cold blood, if that person is determined to commit such an atrocity.

The very premise is laughable. Such acts are the result of mental instability and the product of a perversion of purpose inscrutable to most people.

Temperate appeals to right reason will instruct the thoughtful person that a propensity for such an act is not born of opportunity, but of instability.

Moreover, even the most discerning minds in the fields of medicine and psychology are now and likely to remain woefully ignorant of the vortex of abnormalities that combine in one's mind to produce such antisocial behavior.

Again, logic is not the tool of the tyrant, nor is it the domain of the demagogue. Politicians of this sort







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aim solely at the fears of the people, trusting that there will be a proportional increase in fear and pleas for protection from the "dangerous hands" that commit armed violence. If all it takes to contravene direct constitutional prohibitions on federal gun control is to declare an "epidemic of gun violence," then the tyrants will find (or, historically, create) such an epidemic.

One of the specific measures pushed by the president as a remedy for this fatal disease is to declare an unconstitutional prohibition on the purchase of certain weapons.

"I'll continue to urge Congress to take commonsense actions that the majority of Americans support like enacting universal background checks and banning assault weapons and high-capacity magazines," Biden explained.

Mind you, you have to give the devil his due, I suppose. While campaigning for president, Joe Biden promised that, if elected, he would:

enact legislation to once again ban assault weapons. This time, the bans will be designed based on lessons learned from the 1994 bans. For example, the ban on assault weapons will be designed to prevent manufacturers from circumventing the law by making minor changes that don't limit the weapon's lethality.

Not only is he keeping that promise with the creation of the White House Office of Gun Violence Prevention, but he's keeping a similar commitment to usurp the powers of Congress if that body fails to act according to his will:

"While working to pass this legislation, Biden will also use his executive authority to ban the importation of assault weapons," noted his campaign website.

For those of you losing count, in the act of creating this office, Joe Biden has violated Articles I and II of the Constitution, the Second Amendment, and the Tenth Amendment, as well as the oath he swore to God, with his hand upon a Holy Bible, to "preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States."

On second thought, so much for the promise keeping.

Setting aside the fact that restrictions on purchases of this or that weapon have never resulted in a reduction in armed violence (I'm looking at you, Chicago), the bottom line is that, regardless of the fearmongering and concomitant federal tyranny, the people and the states did not grant *any* constitutional authority to the federal government to restrict the purchase of firearms, ammunition, or component parts. In fact, the Second Amendment explicitly proscribes any attempt by the federal government to infringe on the people's right to keep and bear arms.

Let us not dishonor the memory of those murdered by madmen with weapons by allowing pundits, professors, presidents, or progressives to convince lawmakers in state or federal government to infringe *at all* on the right that protects enjoyment of all the other rights: the right to keep and bear arms.

The last word goes to the immeasurably influential Italian jurist Cesare Beccaria, who in 1764 wrote his essay *On Crimes and Punishments*. Please read these wise words, words used by Thomas Jefferson to draft the original penal code for the state of Kentucky:

The laws of this nature, are those which forbid to wear arms, disarming those only who are not disposed to commit the crime which the laws mean to prevent. Can it be supposed, that



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those who have the courage to violate the most sacred laws of humanity, and the most important of the code, will respect the less considerable and arbitrary injunctions, the violation of which is so easy, and of so little comparative importance?

Does not the execution of this law deprive the subject of that personal liberty, so dear to mankind and to the wise legislator; and does it not subject the innocent to all the disagreeable circumstances that should only fall on the guilty?

It certainly makes the situation of the assaulted worse, and the assailants better, and rather encourages than prevents murder, as it requires less courage to attack unarmed than armed persons.



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