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Chinese Virus Brings Out More Leftist Trump Hate on Twitter, Facebook

At this writing, around 800,000 Americans have contracted the Chinese Virus. Nearly 45,000 have died. More than 22 million Americans have filed for unemployment.

But none of that is important to the unhinged, crackpot leftists who appear to be enjoying the wreckage and hope it not only brings down the Trump presidency but also kills his supporters.

Recent remarks from the hate-Trump Left illustrated the point: one from a columnist at the *Miami Herald*, one from a highly paid government bureaucrat in Maryland, and a third from Representative Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez of New York.

"Thin the Ranks"

The tweet from the *Miami Herald's* Fabiola Santiago read this way:

"Packed beaches in Florida should work nicely to think the ranks of Trump/DeSantis/Giminez supporters in #Florida who value money over health."

Florida's Republican House Speaker, José Oliva, suggested that Santiago's tweet fortifies the justifiable belief among Trump supporters that the leftist media hate them.

"Fabiola Santiago shed the often thin veil of impartiality long ago," <u>he wrote</u>. "Now, she reduces herself further by openly wishing for the death of those Floridians who don't share her views. It is a stain upon the @MiamiHerald and the actual professionals who work there.... Journalism, like politics, often reinforce[s] the unfortunate stereotypes associated to them."

<u>Tweeted Donald Trump, Ir.</u>, "This tweet from a Miami Herald columnist tells you all you need to know about her, and based on their hiring choices, likely everything you need to know about the Miami Herald as well. Their flagrant bias continues to go on unchecked. Disgusting."

Santiago deleted the imprudent remark, then retracted and apologized because "it didn't accurately convey my sentiment and I want to apologize for the phrase I used that offended many people. Regardless of political differences, I would never wish any harm on anyone."

"In fact, my intent was to sound an alarm about prematurely opening up the country and the state," she continued. "I was trying to open eyes, minds and save lives, not create a controversy about me instead of the issue, which merits discussion."

Santiago's boss, Mindy Margues, the newspaper's executive editor, apologized and said the newspaper "will follow up internally."

"While columnists, unlike reporters, have broad latitude to express their opinions," she tweeted, "the







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comment by @fabiolasantiago earlier today crossed the line of acceptable commentary and does not reflect the views of the @MiamiHerald."

Kill Those Who Don't Obey

Last week, the chief of staff for Maryland Comptroller Pete Franchot <u>posted something</u> even nastier than Santiago's tweet on Facebook.

On April 13, Len Foxwell, a \$181,000-a-year bureaucrat, not only called for the elimination of Trump supporters but also retailed stereotypes that would be the subject of a nationwide moral panic if they came from a Republican:

Let's lure them into a big, big warehouse (we'll call it something real classy to suit their refined sensibilities, like "America MAGA Platinum Palace") with the promise of all the unfiltered Camels they can smoke, all the Salisbury steak and banana moonpies they can eat, washed down by all the Old Crow and Icehouse they can drink. Plus, autographs from Scott Baio and pics with Tawny Kitean, posing all sexy and everything on a sportscar, just like in that old Whitesnake video! Get them in, bar the door and then let Darwin work his magic.

Foxwell claimed the nasty post "had nothing to do with rank-and-file Trump supporters notwithstanding my deep, searing distaste for the president's politics and his catastrophic mismanagement of this crisis."

Rather, he claimed, his target was so-called Patriot movement supporters and, as <u>Baltimore's Sun</u> <u>described them</u>, "far-right elected officials in Idaho calling for rebelling against stay-at-home orders."

Love To See It

For her part, Ocasio-Cortez tried to deep-six a tweet that celebrated the collapse of oil prices yesterday.

Responding to a tweet that said prices had fallen into negative territory, the leftist congressman <u>wrote</u>, "You absolutely love to see it."

Added the woman who claims a degree in economics from Boston University <u>but doesn't understand</u> <u>economics</u>, "This along with record-low interest rates means it's time for a worker-led, mass investment in green infrastructure to save our planet *cough*"

Presumably, the congresswoman would also "absolutely love to see" oil workers lose their jobs.



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