



## Media Backs Acosta in Lie About Disruptive White House Antics

Jim Acosta's nonstop mouth finally got him in trouble.

The [White House finally banned](#) the imperious CNN "reporter" yesterday after a ridiculous performance during a news conference where he refused to shut up, then put his hands on a White House intern who tried to take away his microphone.

Acosta, whose lame questions are undisguised left-wing and Democratic talking points, has lied at least twice about what occurred.

Unsurprisingly, the leftist media is mewling uncontrollably.

### The Exchange

[The exchange](#) was the usual, with Acosta not asking questions but debating with the president about policies leftist Acosta doesn't like (video below):

**Acosta:** Mr. President. I wanted to challenge you on one of the statements that you made in the tail end of the campaign in the midterms, that this —

**Trump:** Here we go.

**Acosta:** Well, if you don't mind, Mr. President —

**Trump:** Let's go. Let's go. Come on.

**Acosta:** That this caravan was an "invasion." As you know, Mr. President —

**Trump:** I consider it to be an invasion.

**Acosta:** The caravan was not an invasion. It's a group of migrants moving up from Central America towards the border with the U.S.

**Trump:** Thank you for telling me that. I appreciate it.

**Acosta:** Why did you characterize it as such? And —

**Trump:** Because I consider it an invasion. You and I have a difference of opinion.

**Acosta:** But do you think that you demonized immigrants in this election —

**Trump:** Not at all. No, not at all.

Then Acosta bemoaned the [now-famous ad that accurately depicts](#) "migrants" storming through border barriers:

**Acosta:** They're not going to be doing that.

**Trump:** They weren't actors. Well, no, it was true ... you know, it happened a few days ago. And —





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**Acosta:** They're hundreds of miles of way though. They're hundreds and hundreds of miles away.

**Trump:** You know what?

**Acosta:** That's not an invasion.

Trump tried to move on, having given Acosta the chance to ask a question. After repeatedly telling Acosta "that's enough" and to put down the microphone, an intern tried to take it from recalcitrant reporter. Acosta refused to yield.

So Trump unloaded: "I'll tell you what: CNN should be ashamed of itself having you working for them. You are a rude, terrible person. You shouldn't be working for CNN. Go ahead."

**Acosta:** I think that's unfair.

**Trump:** You're a very rude person. The way you treat Sarah Huckabee is horrible. And the way you treat other people are horrible. You shouldn't treat people that way.

After the ugly affair, [Sanders tweeted](#) that "we will ... never tolerate a reporter placing his hands on a young woman." Unrepentant, Acosta accused her of lying, [first on Twitter](#), [then on camera](#) with Anderson Cooper, "Obviously, you know, I didn't put my hands on her or touch her as they are alleging."

[The video shows otherwise.](#)

## Media Backs Acosta

Naturally, the media closed ranks around the put-upon prima donna.

A [British woman you've never heard of proposed](#) that the "entire White House press corps should walk out" of Trump's "bizarre, reality-TV show." The media should "deny him coverage. Take him off the air. Cancel his series. Leave him to rage into Twitter's echo chamber, which is all he deserves."

[The New York Times's Peter Baker tweeted](#) that "other presidents did not fear tough questioning," which invites the question of how someone [who answered 68 questions](#), including one from a leftist [who frankly suggested](#) that Trump is a racist, "fears tough questioning."

[The White House Correspondents' Association accused](#) the president of using "the U.S. Secret Service security credentials as a tool to punish a reporter with whom it has a difficult relationship." The reaction was "out of line to the purported offense and is unacceptable."

[The American Civil Liberties Union is probably preparing](#) a lawsuit on behalf of migrant reporters who might be denied access to the press room: "White House correspondents represent the public. Their job is to ask hard questions, not to be polite company. It is unacceptable for the president to expel a reporter, Jim Acosta, for doing his job aggressively. The White House should reverse this decision immediately."

Except that Acosta was rude and out of line, not merely aggressive.

[Former CNN talker Larry King offered](#) the best explanation for the network and its anti-Trump propagandist: "CNN stopped doing news a long time ago."

*Image: screenshot from [YouTube video of press conference](#)*



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