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President Trump Receives Endorsement From 235 Senior U.S. Military Leaders

The endorsement of President Trump by 235 active and retired military leaders on Monday is a direct refutation of the canard that emanated at *The Atlantic*, and which is still being circulated by the left-wing media. That canard states that the president referred to Marines who died in World War I as “losers” and “suckers,” an accusation that at least 21 people who were with Trump at the time have refuted, including anti-Trumper John Bolton. Monday’s endorsement should bury the fabrication permanently.



The salient parts of the endorsement included the reminder that each of signers “took an oath to defend the United States from all enemies, foreign and domestic” and a clear message that the signers consider the Democrat Party to be domestic enemies:

At present, our country is now confronted with enemies here and abroad, as well as a once in a century pandemic. As retired military officers, we believe that Donald J. Trump has been tested as few other presidents have and is the proven leader to confront these dangers.

It can be argued that this is the most important election since our country was founded. With the Democratic Party welcoming to socialists and Marxists, our historic way of life is at stake.

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The letter reminded voters that it was the Obama/Biden administration that subjected “America’s armed forces ... to a series of ill-considered and debilitating budget cuts. The Democrats have once again pledged to cut defense spending, undermining our military strength.”

It expanded its attack on Biden and the Democrats:

The Democrats’ opposition to border security, their pledge to return to the disastrous Iran nuclear deal, their antagonism towards the police and planned cuts to military spending will leave the United States more vulnerable to foreign enemies.

President Trump’s resolute stands have deterred our enemies from aggression against us and our allies.

The proposed defense cuts by the Democrats will, in our professional judgment, create a potentially perilous situation for the United States during a time of great external and internal threats to our Nation.

For these reasons, we support Donald Trump’s re-election.

The list of endorsements of the president currently take up more than 60 pages at Wikipedia, raising the question: How much do these endorsements really matter to the average voter? Commentators



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suggest that for the “low-information” voter they mean a great deal. The trust voters place in one or more of those endorsing the president is easily transferred to the president himself, without going through the hard work of personal investigation on their own. They are often a “shortcut” to a decision on whom to vote for in November.

There are political advantages as well. The present endorsement should end further conversation about *The Atlantic* accusations against the president and offset the few endorsements the Biden campaign has received from other military officials. It also serves as a reminder that the Biden camp is not interested in a stronger America but a weaker one.

Come November the average voter is very likely to consider his wallet and his personal safety — from the virus and from the communist insurgents operating through Antifa and BLM who are increasingly threatening their neighborhoods — in deciding for whom he will vote. This endorsement should make that decision easier.

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