



Vicente Fox Meets With Nancy Pelosi, Says He's "a Fan of" Hillary

Former Mexican President Vicente Fox (shown) met with House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.) at the Mexico City airport for 30 minutes on May 1 and said afterwards that he is "becoming a fan of" former Secretary of State and leading Democratic presidential candidate Hillary Clinton. Fox made his statements in an interview with the Washington Examiner on May 6, during which Fox compared Clinton to former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.



It was an unlikely comparison, since Thatcher was a member of the United Kingdom's Conservative Party who cooperated very well during her tenure as Prime Minister with Republican U.S. President Ronald Reagan.

Fox complained during the interview that Mexico buys billions of dollars' worth of goods from the United States, creating 10 million American jobs, yet supporters of presidential candidate Donald Trump still "don't respect us."

The former Mexican president added, "We need to wake up that citizen. We need them to take them away from the TV and drinking beer, to working hard, to getting the skills, to getting knowledge, and they will come along, like everybody else."

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"What I've been saying here, I told [Pelosi]. Count with us, with all Mexicans, to support the Democratic Party because you've done much better with us than the Republican Party," Fox told the *Examiner* reporter.

"We will never convince any Mexican either in the [United] States or in Mexico or any Latin American in the States or Latin America to support this false prophet [Donald Trump]," Fox said.

As we noted in <u>our article for May 6</u>, Fox recently apologized for the vulgar statement he directed at Trump during an interview last February 25. During that interview, Fox said he would not pay for Trump's "f*cking wall" — a reference to Trump's proposal to build a wall along the U.S.-Mexico border and to use economic leverage to get Mexico to pay for the wall.

Fox's statement was made during an interview with Breitbart News, during which he extended an open invitation to Trump "to come to Mexico and to see what Mexico is all about."

Perhaps the defining event of Fox's relationship with the United States during his term as Mexico's president was when he co-founded the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America (SPP) in Waco, Texas, on March 23, 2005 with then-Canadian Prime Minister Paul Martin and then-U.S. President George W. Bush.

Fox was also an important supporter of NAFTA (the North American Free Trade Agreement), which was



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negotiated by President George H.W. Bush, but signed by President Bill Clinton.

During the same Breitbart News interview in which he apologized to Trump and invited the candidate to come to Mexico, Fox was also enthusiastic in his praise for NAFTA:

NAFTA is a good thing. NAFTA is a miracle. It is because it's a partnership of three economies. NAFTA has created the largest trade balance between two economies, which is Mexico and the United States. The largest in the world.

Trump has called NAFTA the worst trade deal "perhaps in the history of the world."

Given that former president Clinton signed the treaty, it is evident that Fox has much in common with the Clintons.

In a March 19 article for *The New American* last March, "Foreign Meddling in U.S. Politics," John F. McManus, president emeritus of The John Birch Society, noted that Fox's own people thought so little of his leadership that millions fled to the United States. He added, "Foreign leaders are certainly entitled to their opinion regarding candidates for office in other countries. But they ought to keep their choices to themselves. In this instance, however, Vicente Fox's openly stated choice of Hillary Clinton and his distaste for Donald Trump will likely help swell support for the real estate mogul in his bid for the U.S. presidency."



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