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The Alien and Sedition Act

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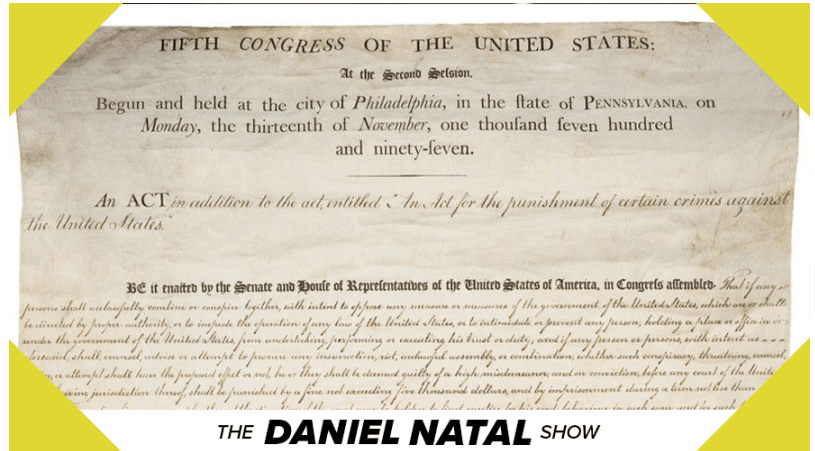
In 1798, the Federalist Party passed 'The Alien and Sedition Act'. The pretext of the act was to go after 'French spies' in America. Instead, it was used by the Federalists to go after Jefferson's Republican Party. Not a single 'French spy' was ever arrested or deported. Instead, one political party used it to declare the other political party 'domestic terrorists' in their bid for a consolidation of power as they arrested their foes. It was a dark stain on America's history. What parallels do we see between this and the Patriot Act, which has since been used to rebrand the Constitutional petition of grievances to the government as 'sedition' and American patriots as 'domestic terrorists'?

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