



## Cuba Objects to Arizona Law

The Arizona law requiring that federal immigration laws be enforced has aroused overwhelming support among the American people. Those who oppose the Arizona law embrace a motley group. Cities and states, in violation of the interstate commerce clause, have attempted to impose punitive “tariffs” or “embargos” on Arizona. The President and his cabinet members, none of whom own up to having read the law, still find enforcing the federal law — that is, fulfilling their oath of office — impossible and distasteful.



More troubling is the interference of foreign leaders and governments. President Calderone of Mexico essentially parroted what critics in America had been saying, though Mexican immigration laws are much tougher than the immigration laws of the United States and Mexico enforces those laws against illegal immigrants from Central America. No one suggests that Mexico does not have the right to do this, but moral reciprocity demands that the Mexican government support the enforcement of American laws.

China, which has been notoriously strict in terms of immigration and emigration, also complained of the modest controls under the federal law of the United States. China, which has draconian punishments for immigration and long had even more drastic punishments for emigration from China — the Bamboo Curtin was, in many ways, more ghastly than the Iron Curtain in Europe. Desperate Chinese for decades made dangerous attempts to enter Hong Kong or Macao, risking the lives of their families, as well as their own, not to get into any specific country, but, rather, to get out of China.

Cuba also criticized U.S. policy. Of course, Americans best know the immigration policies of communism from the mass exodus of Cubans from the Marxist paradise of Castro to Florida. The Castro brothers, who reduced the most educated and affluent Hispanic nation on Earth, a nation whose standard of living in 1959 surpassed that of France and Denmark, into a drearily predictable totalitarian regime whose only surplus is misery and slavery.

So, naturally, the Castro brothers and their minions have entered the debate about Arizona’s immigration law, condemning it as “racist and xenophobic” and a “brutal violation of human rights.” Cuban “citizens” (i.e. slaves) are required to carry identification papers at all times, so it is hard to grasp exactly how the less-stringent Arizona law could be offensive. The hypocrisy of communist dictatorships, apparently, has no bounds. The same can be said of their supporters who believe that every national boundary in the world should be sacrosanct — except for the United States of America.

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