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Mexicans May be Even More Fed Up With Migration Than Trump Is

"'We've been invaded,' she said, standing outside a restaurant where she works," wrote USA Today earlier this month, quoting a fed up woman. "'I changed my opinion (about them), because I live in a place where we didn't see any of this. But now everywhere there are people who aren't from here.'" Was this a MAGA-hatted America-first zealot in Hazleton, Pennsylvania? Springfield, Ohio? Dearborn, Michigan? Portland, Maine? Actually, the lady is a Mexican.

A real Mexican, that is — living in Mexico. And, yes, she's disgusted with how migrants are changing her community. She's not alone in her sentiment, either, which could be one reason Mexicans are enthusiastically sending migrant caravans our way. And this is another reason why we should build a wall, strong and tall, and deport them all. (And let the immigrationist lobby bawl.)

Adiós, Muchachos!

As for the welcome not so gay down Mexico way, <u>writes</u> USA Today:

Marta Castillo is angry about immigration. There are too many migrants in her town, she said, and they don't speak the language.

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Castillo ... lives in Mexico. Like a growing number of her fellow citizens, she has become increasingly negative about the migrants who have poured into her community — despite living in a country where millions of people have ties to someone who migrated to the United States.

As President-elect Donald Trump prepares to return to the White House, he is demanding Mexico do more to crack down on the tens of thousands of migrants in Mexico who are headed for the U.S. border. He may find support in an unlikely corner — among Mexicans themselves.

... Seven in 10 Mexicans believe migrant flows into their country are "excessive," according to a survey by the nonprofit Oxfam Mexico published in 2023. More than half of respondents

AP Images Migrant caravan in Tapachula, Mexico, near the border with Guatemala







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said they believe migration has a negative or no positive impact on the economy or culture, and 40% say migration in Mexico should be limited or prohibited.

Donaldo Trumpez?

Not surprisingly, many Mexicans complain about migrant crime, too. *USA Today* quotes one of them, 71-year-old Mexico City resident Raul Priviesca Zara, writing:

"There are many Venezuelans and Cubans who come here to steal, to make their mafia," he said as he looked over the day's headlines. "We're giving them asylum and refuge so they can steal from our people. I agree that we should help people, just not those who come to steal or do crime — and the majority come for that."

My, my, as commentator Allan Wall <u>writes</u>, "Wow, if an American said that he'd be branded 'xenophobic'!" But forget the "if." President Trump *did* <u>say essentially that</u> in 2015 — that Mexico was sending criminals to the United States. He was called a racist for it, too.

Hispanic columnist Silvio Canto, Jr. <u>tells us</u> that his Mexican friends' testimonials confirm USA Today's reporting. "I guess that it proves that Mexicans are no different than we are," he writes. "They want order[,] not chaos."

Of course, mass influxes of aliens generally mean that the migration rate will exceed the assimilation rate. This causes balkanization and *dis*order.

In fact, thus has the historical norm been to keep unassimilable elements *out* of your land, not invite them in. This national-character preservation imperative is quite common today, too — beyond the waning West. Just consider a statement the Japanese government issued approximately 25 years ago after expelling a large number of illegal aliens. (I believe they were Koreans and Filipinos.) "Japan is for Japanese," it went (I'm paraphrasing). "Others are welcome to come and visit, but they're expected to go home."

That's how a nation behaves — when it's serious about remaining a nation, as opposed to a hodgepodge of disparate sub-cultures trying to co-exist within the same borders.

Hypocrisy, Thy Name is Mexico?

Americans might become more serious, too, and exhibit bleeding hearts less if they understood how self-serving and hypocritical Mexico has been on the migration issue. Just consider, for example, what the nation's previous president, Andrés Manuel López Obrador, said in 2018. He actually <u>declared</u>, with a straight face, that mass migration to the United States is a "human right."

But Mexico has a long track record of encouraging border jumping — as long as it's our border being jumped. As *National Review* <u>reported</u> in 2017:

In December 2004, the Mexican government distributed 1.5 million copies of a pamphlet titled "Guide for the Mexican Migrant," unabashedly <u>advising its citizens on ways to illegally</u> <u>migrate</u> to the United States.... The literature went as far as recommending what type of clothes to wear when crossing a river, and explaining how to stay hydrated when crossing a desert.

Now, Mexico's ministry of foreign affairs has published "Recommendations in Case of



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Immigration Detention," an infographic video advising illegal immigrants in the United States on ways to avoid deportation when approached by Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents.

Of course, hypocritical Mexico doesn't apply this anything-goes standard to itself. Not only are its immigration laws stricter than ours, but under the Mexican constitution, *a naturalized citizen can never, ever enjoy the full rights of citizenship* — they're reserved for the native-born. My, it's almost as if, you know, they put Mexico first.

Now it may be clearer why President Trump is threatening Mexico with tariffs if it doesn't stop facilitating Invasion U.S.A. Because, yes, criminals, other miscreants, and even some terrorists *are* sneaking across our southern border. And invasions, whether hot or cold, aren't stopped with a limp wrist, but a firm hand.



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