MEXICO AS TAKFIRISTAN

Almost 20 years ago to the day TTP warned about the disaster looming on our southern border. It was checked for a while, but now it has reached critical mass. It is not enough, now, to simply choke off the flood -- we must find a way to eject the invaders already here and/or to imbue those Latinos who remain with true American values. The question is twofold: Is it possible? And how?

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The Moslem terrorists who bombed the Madrid trains last month are members of an Islamic movement called *Takfir wal Hijra* (Repentance and Migration). Originally formed in Egypt in the 1970s as part of *Iqwan Muslimi* (The Moslem Brotherhood), it was responsible for the assassination of Anwar Sadat in 1981, and scores of savage atrocities in Algeria. The organizer of the Madrid terrorism, Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, is a Takfir. (See Michael Ledeen's column on Zarqawi in this week's TTP report.)

The Takfiris are now leading a "reorganized" Al Qaeda as the main Islamic threat to the West. For not only do they advocate the most purposefully vicious terrorist acts they can conceive, but also using immigration as a Trojan horse to conduct Jihad inside Western countries.

As a recent Wall Street Journal article (3/29/04, pA16) puts it: Takfiris see immigration as "a key way to extend the radical ideas into Western Europe. One Takfiri scholar, Abu Basir, wrote in 2001 that 'jihad and immigration go together...the one cannot be achieved without the other.'"

Which brings me to Mexico.

The greatest security threat Europeans face today is from Islamic Takfiris. The greatest security threat Americans face today is from Mexican Takfiris.

It often startles people when I tell them in a lecture or speech that the single greatest national security threat to America is not Al Qaeda or China, as lethally grave as those may be, but Mexico. I have discussed this in previous TTP essays, *America's Curse* and *Traitors to Themselves* (July 10 & July 24, 2003, and currently posted in the Classics section).

Every single day now, three to four thousand illegal immigrants from Mexico flood across our border. It is an invasion. It is an invasion purposefully conducted by the government of Mexico as an act of war upon the United States.

You may be familiar with a Harvard Professor named Samuel Huntington. He is famous for writing *The Clash of Civilizations*. Most of his readers focused on the fault line he analyzed between the civilizations of Islam and the West.

To rectify this narrow focus, he has written an extraordinary essay in the current (March-April 2004) issue of Foreign Policy: The Hispanic Challenge . I encourage you to read it in full.

I must warn you it is a depressing read. Here are the highlights:

· The persistent inflow of Hispanic immigrants threatens to divide the United States into two peoples, two cultures, and two languages. Unlike past immigrant groups, Mexicans and other Latinos have not assimilated into mainstream U.S. culture, forming instead their own political and linguistic enclaves—from Los Angeles to Miami—and rejecting the Anglo-Protestant values that built the American dream. The United States ignores this challenge at its peril.

· The single most immediate and most serious challenge to America's traditional identity comes from the immense and continuing immigration from Latin America, especially from Mexico, and the fertility rates of these immigrants compared to black and white American natives.

· The United States is now confronted by a massive influx of people from a poor, contiguous country with more than one third the population of the United States. They come across a 2,000-mile border historically marked simply by a line in the ground and a shallow river. This situation is unique for the United States and the world.

No other First World country has such an extensive land frontier with a Third World country. The significance of the long Mexican-U.S. border is enhanced by the economic differences between the two countries. 'The income gap between the United States and Mexico," Stanford University historian David Kennedy has pointed out, "is the largest between any two contiguous countries in the world.'

Contiguity enables Mexican immigrants to remain in intimate contact with their families, friends, and home localities in Mexico as no other immigrants have been able to do.

· Mexican immigrants constituted 27.6 percent of the total foreign-born U.S. population in 2000. The next largest contingents, Chinese and Filipinos, amounted to only 4.9 percent and 4.3 percent of the foreign-born population.

· Illegal entry into the United States is overwhelmingly a post-1965 and Mexican phenomenon. Apprehensions by the US Border Patrol now approaches 1 million a year. Over 1,000 Mexicans successfully enter the US illegally every single day.

· The schools of Los Angeles are becoming Mexican. By 2002, more than 70 percent of the students in the Los Angeles Unified School District were Hispanic, predominantly Mexican, with the proportion increasing steadily; 10 percent of schoolchildren were non-Hispanic whites. In 2003, for the first time since the 1850s, a majority of newborn children in California were Hispanic.

· Hispanic leaders are actively seeking to transform the United States into a bilingual society. “English is not enough,” argues Osvaldo Soto, president of the Spanish American League Against Discrimination. “We don't want a monolingual society.”

· Rejections of the United States and assertions of Mexican identity are not limited to an extremist minority in the Mexican-American community. Many Mexican immigrants and their offspring simply do not appear to identify primarily with the United States.

A study of children of immigrants in Southern California posed the following question: “How do you identify, that is, what do you call yourself?” None of the children born in Mexico answered “American.” Among Mexican-American children born in the United States, less than 4 percent responded “American,” compared to 28.5 percent to 50 percent of those born in the United States with parents from elsewhere in Latin America.

Whether born in Mexico or in the United States, Mexican children overwhelmingly did not choose “American” as their primary identification.

· No other immigrant group in U.S. history has asserted or could assert a historical claim to U.S. territory. Mexicans and Mexican Americans can and do make that claim. Almost all of Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, California, Nevada, and Utah was part of Mexico until Mexico lost them as a result of the Texan War of Independence in 1835-1836 and the Mexican-American War of 1846-1848.

Mexico is the only country that the United States has invaded, occupied its capital—placing the Marines in the “halls of Montezuma”—and then annexed half its territory. Mexicans do not forget these events. Quite understandably, they feel that they have special rights in these territories.

“Unlike other immigrants,” Boston College political scientist Peter Skerry notes, “Mexicans arrive here from a neighboring nation that has suffered military defeat at the hands of the United States; and they settle predominantly in a region that was once part of their homeland…. Mexican Americans enjoy a sense of being on their own turf that is not shared by other immigrants.”

· Demographically, socially, and culturally, the *reconquista* (re-conquest) of the Southwest United States by Mexican immigrants is well underway. This is being actively pursued by the Mexican government. Since the 1980s, the Mexican government has sought to expand the numbers, wealth, and political power of the Mexican community in the U.S. Southwest and to integrate that population with Mexico.

“The Mexican nation extends beyond the territory enclosed by its borders,” Mexican President Ernesto Zedillo said in the 1990s. His successor, Vicente Fox, called Mexican emigrants “heroes” and describes himself as president of 123 million Mexicans, 100 million in Mexico and 23 million in the United States.

· The cultural division between Hispanics and Anglos could replace the racial division between blacks and whites as the most serious cleavage in U.S. society.

Depressed enough yet? The crux of the problem is that while President Bush has recognized that America is at war with Moslem Terrorism and is fighting to defend America against it, he seems unable to recognize that Mexico is at war with America and thus does not adequately defend America against it.

What would such recognition look like? Two acts.

First, President Bush demanding Mexican President Vicente Fox place Mexican Army troops along their side of the border to stop and apprehend any Mexican attempting to illegally enter the US.

Second, President Bush placing American troops along our side of the border in sufficient numbers to bring a full halt to illegal Mexican immigration.

Until and unless President Bush takes these two actions, we know he is not serious about defending America from Mexico.

Mexico has become Takfiristan. So far, the strategy of Mexican Takfirs has been confined to the Immigration Trojan Horse. If this strategy remains unchecked, there will come a day when the strategy will be accelerated with violence and terrorism.

All Americans need to clearly understand: *The Mexican Government and Power Elite intend to physically break apart the United States, and they are well on their way to achieving their goal.*

The Islamic Takfirs intend to conquer Europe through immigration. The Mexican Takfirs intend the same for America.