



Human Trafficking Booms Under Biden

The rumor — Chicago Fed national activity index, to be exact — has it that the U.S. economy contracted in February for the first time since the worst phase of the coronavirus pandemic last April, according to the report released on Monday. Half of Americans facing poverty, and 11 million children live in poverty already (that's one in seven kids). But have no fear, Joe Biden to the rescue! He hurries to help out so much that he stumbles, literally. There is a business that booms thanks to his politics and rhetoric: human trafficking.

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It's so egregious that the Mexican cartels should have Joe Biden's official "employee of the month" portrait displayed in their lords' haciendas.

Mexican cartels are exploiting Biden's relaxed immigration stance and the welcoming and hospitable attitude he radiated since his so-called presidential campaign: "You want to flee, and you're fleeing oppression. You should come," he <u>said</u>, as he argued for a more open asylum policy, and harshly criticized Trump's tough immigration policy and practices that didn't tolerate criminals.

As soon as Biden moved to the White House, he tore up hardline Trump policies. At the same time, a migration crisis flared up along the southern border. As the influx of border-crossers spirals out of control, kind Uncle Joe is now changing the tune of his record player: "Yes, I can say quite clearly: Don't come over," Biden said during an ABC interview, — "Don't leave your town or city or community." The Department of Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas, who appeared on almost all of the major political shows Sunday morning, pushed a consistent message: "The border is closed." But the lax policies remain. And there were around 9,300 children at the border in February, which was a 63-percent increase from January, along with an additional 19,000 family members, a 168-percent increase, according to a Pew Research Center report. U.S. Customs and Border Patrol encountered more than 100,000 illegal crossers in February, and the influx continues.

All of these people didn't materialize out of thin air. The Biden administration dismantled working border security. Now it is up to the American people to decide if opening the border was a responsible decision made in the best interests of Americans, amid the widespread economic damage caused by the pandemic and natural disasters in Central America. The intelligence community surely briefed Joe Biden about the consequences of his actions, but Americans don't need to look hard for an answer.

Where there is demand, there will always be a supply: The notorious drug gangs, including the Gulf Cartel and Los Zetas, are seizing upon the reforms to ratchet up human-trafficking operations, as reported by DailyMail.com. The huge burgeoning of the human-trafficking business is on a similar trajectory as that of the big corporations while small businesses were locked down "due to COVID."

Think about it: Criminal organizations trafficking women, children, families, and single adults over the U.S.-Mexico border pulled in a total of \$411.5 million in February by taking people from Mexico and



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Central America to the U.S. border, <u>according to the estimates</u> from Customs and Border Protection. The sum averages out to \$14.7 million for each day in February.

Fees to smuggle people across the border reportedly range from \$2,500 to as much as \$9,000 for one adult, and \$3,200 for a minor. The price varies according to a migrant's country of origin. "Remember that every Mexican citizen that you see crossing the river is worth 2,500 bucks. If they're Venezuelan, Guatemalan or Honduran they paid \$3,000.... If they're Chinese they paid \$5,000. If they're Middle Eastern or Russian, they paid \$9,000. If you're a higher value commodity they make sure you get over at a quieter spot," says Jaeson Jones, a retired captain from the Texas Department of Public Safety, whose Omni Intelligence firm briefs government agencies on the threat of transnational crime. He was the one who obtained a video of masked cartel smugglers ferrying a line of hundreds of immigrants across the Rio Grande that was widely shared by Republican lawmakers last week.

The human-smuggling windfall comes as costs to U.S. taxpayers for the border crisis continue to spike, topping \$5 million a day, based on 2019 figures provided by Health and Human Services that put daily "influx" shelter costs at \$800 per migrant. Additionally, the Biden administration just recently awarded a \$86 million contract for hotel rooms to hold 1,200 migrant families as the numbers exceed ICE holding capacity. As reported by *The New American*, the cost of the liberal immigration policy of the new administration has already surpassed \$100 million. And Biden is spending millions more to stop building the border wall President Trump started, since the contracts must still be paid.

Last but not least, the issue of human trafficking is simply evil. It's monstrous and deeply immoral. We've heard a lot about Trump's policies being "immoral," and about how Biden would reject them in favor of "moral" and "humane" ones. But consider that 75 percent of those victimized by Mexican cartels are women, young girls, and children, trafficked for sexual exploitation. Consider the horrors of violence and brutality they undergo on their way to the false hope of some type of security, believing a deceitful promise of a better life.

There can really be no difference of political opinion about the virtue of dismantling criminal networks that prey upon innocents. Today, even Democratic politicians and lawmakers at the border are starting to <u>speak up</u> against Biden's immigration policy. So is even the <u>corporate media</u>.

The border crisis that we face today was foreseeable and preventable. The human trafficking can be combated, and Americans' will to get the job done is growing exponentially. But it looks like the Biden administration has a different plan for America.





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