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Obama Calls His Critics "Enemies"

In a last-ditch effort to salvage the Democratic majority, President Obama is encouraging Hispanic voters to remain inspired by stalled immigration "reform" to vote against Republicans on Election Day. More importantly, President Obama is inspiring his constituents to "punish our enemies and reward our friends," encouraging a similar kind of "thugocracy" we have seen with labor unions.

In a radio interview that aired on Univision yesterday, Obama assured Hispanics that immigration overhaul was next on the agenda, despite the lack of Republican support:



If Latinos sit out the election instead of saying, "Were going to punish our enemies and were gonna reward our friends who stand with us on issues that are important to us," if they dont see that kind of upsurge in voting in this election, then I think its going to be harder, and thats why I think its so important that people focus on voting on November 2.

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The *New York Times* reports, The interview was taped Friday in Los Angeles for a show hosted by Eddie "Piolin" Soltero. Mr. Solteros radio show is immensely popular among California Hispanics. At the start of the interview, the Mexican-American comedian gave Mr. Obama "multiple" choices of what to discuss. A.) immigration reform, B.) immigration reform, C.) immigration reform, D.) all of the above. Mr. Obama took D. " Absolutely, the president said.

For the Dems, the outcome of the midterm elections will make all the difference in whether comprehensive immigration reform, a.k.a. amnesty, is passed. They were beginning to make some headway on the issue until Republican Senator Lindsey Graham walked away from the discussion over a dispute regarding energy policy.

Criticizing Republicans, particularly those such as Senator John McCain who have changed their liberal tunes to appear more conservative for the midterm elections, Obama stressed in his interview, Those arent the kinds of folks who represent our core American values.

Obama also took the opportunity to demonize Arizona for the passage of its anti-illegal immigration legislation. The Obama administration continues to hold up the federal governments lawsuit against the state of Arizona for SB 1070 as an example of the White Houses unwillingness to pass on immigration reform.

Comparing his push for immigration reform to the decades-long struggle for civil rights, Obama asserted, Instead of us giving up, we just have to keep working until it gets done.

Continuing to harp on the subject, Obama asserted that Nevada voters would be in a better position to see immigration reform with Senator Harry Reid in office instead of his Republican opponent, Sharron

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Angle. According to the President, Angle is completely opposed to comprehensive immigration reform.

The Blaze views Obamas assertion to punish our enemies and reward our friends as an affront to fellow Americans who dont agree with his liberal policies. This comment by Obama is reminiscent of those subtly threatening remarks made by former Service Employees International Union (SEIU) President Andy Stern on a variety of occasions.

During an interview with Naked Emperor News on June 15, 2007, Stern stated:

Were trying to use the power of persuasion. And if that doesn't work, were going to use the persuasion of power because there are governments and there are opportunities to change laws.

During an interview with Chicago Public Radio, WBEZ, on February 20, 2007, Stern stated: "We took names. We watched how they voted. We know where they live."

President Obama must embrace such thuggery, as he has allied himself with both SEIU and Andy Stern, who is a frequent visitor to the White House. Addressing SEIU members on January 15, 2008 just months before his election, Obama remarked:

Ive been working with SEIU before I was elected to anything. When I was a community organizer, SEIU local 880 and myself, we organized people to make sure that health care workers had the basic right to organize Thats how we built political powers on the south side of Chicago And now the time has come for us to do it all across the country And we are going to paint the nation purple with SEIU.*

And now we find President Obama making statements similar to those of Andy Stern.

News organizations such as the *National Review* and <u>Fox News</u> view Obama's remarks during his Univision interview as polarizing, creating an us vs. them atmosphere.

Worse, Americans see the comments as threatening. According to *Prison Planet*, the statements were astounding new levels of rhetoric from the Great Uniter. *Weasel Zippers* calls it Leftist demagoguery at its finest. *Death By 1000 Papercuts* asked: Why does this presidents rhetoric sound increasingly like its coming from a dictator of some two-bit Marxist hellhole? Maybe its some sort of wish fulfillment.

Perhaps, however, when President Obama elected to label his opponents as enemies, he forgot that old proverb, The enemy of my enemy is my friend that may work against him in the upcoming elections.

*Photo: Democratic presidential candidate Sen. Barack Obama, D-Ill., with Service Employees International Union (SEIU) International Secretary Treasurer Anna Burger, left, takes part in an economic round table discussion that included AFL-CIO President John Sweeney (out of picture), June 19, 2008, in Washington.: AP Images



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