



Czech President Calls Influx of Refugees to Europe an “Organized Invasion”

In his third annual Christmas message since assuming the presidency of the Czech Republic, Czech president Milo Zeman addressed the subject of the European migrant crisis and called the wave of refugees an “organized invasion.” Speaking from the Lany presidential chateau in central Bohemia on December 26, Zeman said:



I am profoundly convinced that we are facing an organized invasion, and not a spontaneous movement of refugees. Those who defend the immigrants talk of compassion and solidarity. But compassion is possible for the old, infirm, and primarily for children. But a large majority of illegal migrants are young, healthy men without families. I am asking: why don't these men take up arms and battle for the freedom of their country and against Islamic State?

A report in *The Telegraph* (U.K.) noted that, in his address, Zeman drew comparisons between the adult male refugees fleeing the Middle East and Czechs who fled their country when it was under Nazi occupation from 1939-1945, suggesting that in both cases, their countries would have been better served if they had stayed to fight against the occupiers.

The Telegraph also observed that both the Czech Republic and neighboring Slovakia, former communist countries that joined the European Union in 2004, have rejected the EU's system of quotas for distributing refugees who have entered Europe during the current migrant wave.

We reported in our [article posted September 25](#):

At an emergency EU summit held in Brussels on September 22, heads of government from the European Union approved a plan to distribute 120,000 migrants fleeing turmoil in the Middle East across Europe.

The plan partially accommodates a request made by European Commission President Jean-Claude Juncker to the members of the European Parliament meeting in Strasbourg, France, on September 9. Juncker asked EU members to accept 160,000 migrants.

In that article, we noted that Hungary, Romania, the Czech Republic, and Slovakia — which are directly along the major route used by migrants entering Europe — voted against the measure.

In an earlier September 7 article, we reported that Hungarian Prime Minister Viktor Orbán spoke to



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Hungarian diplomats in Budapest that day, criticizing efforts by EU leaders to impose immigration quotas before the continent's borders are made secure. Orban stated:

As long as we can't defend Europe's outer borders, it is not worth talking about how many people we can take in.... The quota system wants to treat the effects before it treats the causes of immigration. The main reason for this is because [the EU] cannot control its outer borders.

Hungary built a 110-mile-long fence along its border with Serbia to help stem the tide of migrants, many of whom are headed for Germany.

The issue of securing a nation's borders against unrestricted entry has been a frequent topic of discussion in the United States as well as Europe. In the United States, critics of unrestricted immigration charge that the U.S. government is encouraging border jumping by refusing to enforce U.S. immigration laws. Senator Jeff Sessions (R-Ala.) posted a statement on his Senate webpage on June 3, 2014 that carried the headline: "President Obama is personally responsible for 'rising crisis' at border." His message began:

The rising crisis at the border is the direct and predictable result of actions taken by President Obama. He and his Administration have announced to the world that they will not enforce America's immigration laws, and have emphasized in particular that foreign youth will be exempted from these laws.

Sessions noted that even the *New York Times* had reported that the Obama administration's lack of enforcement had become widely known throughout Latin America, and that we might as well hang a sign saying "open" across the U.S. border.

Just as Zeman described the wave of refugees into Europe as an "organized invasion," many Americans, including writers for *The New American*, have described our own border crisis the same way. In an article reprinted from [PersonalLiberty.com](#) and posted on our website in June 2014, "[The Illegal Immigration INVASION](#)," journalist Chip Wood wrote:

The Texas Department of Public Safety reports that in only one week, from May 28 to June 4, in just the Rio Grande Valley, the Border Patrol caught more than 8,300 illegal aliens who had made it across the border. Again, that's the count for just one week and in just one part of Texas.

This is an *invasion*, pure and simple. There is simply no other word for it. And unless it is stopped, the America we know and love will cease to exist. [Emphasis in original]

Whether in Europe or the United States, when thousands of aliens ignore a country's borders and enter illegally, that constitutes an invasion. However, Americans still have some tools that are useful in stopping their invasion that Europeans have surrendered to the regional government that the EU forms.

One of the primary barriers to national sovereignty hampering EU nations trying to secure their borders is the Schengen Agreement — a treaty signed in 1985 by five of the 10 member states of what was then called the European Economic Community. In 1990 the agreement was supplemented by the Schengen Convention, which effectively removed internal border controls. The Schengen Area, which consists of 26 countries, has become virtually a single state for international travel purposes. Border controls exist only for travelers entering and exiting the area, but there are no internal border controls.

Fortunately for Americans, our nation has so far rejected efforts to impose something like the Schengen Agreement in North America. One such failed attempt was the rejected Security and Prosperity



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Partnership of North America (SPP), which was founded in Waco, Texas on March 23, 2005, by Canadian Prime Minister Paul Martin, Mexican President Vicente Fox, and U.S. President George W. Bush.

In 2006, CNN anchor Lou Dobbs argued that the SPP was part of a plan to merge the United States, Canada, and Mexico into a North American Union similar to the European Union. Multiple articles published by *The New American* and by its affiliated organization, The John Birch Society, made exactly the same point.

Finally, there is our Constitution. Though recent presidential administrations of both parties have ignored it proscription, the document states in Article IV, Section 4: “The United States shall guarantee to every State in this Union a Republican Form of Government, and shall protect each of them against Invasion.”

When the federal government became derelict in its duty to protect the states from invasion, at least one state decided to take on the job, itself. On July 21, 2014, Texas Governor Rick Perry announced that he would send 1,000 Texas National Guard troops to the Mexican border to deal with the massive wave of illegal immigration by unaccompanied children.

It is fortunate that we do not have a “Schengen Agreement” in our nation or in our continent.

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