

# America's Curse



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[Mexico is a danger to US. Illegal Emigration from Mexico into US.] Our Society

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In a talk entitled "The Map of the Future" I gave recently in Dallas, I discussed which countries throughout the world were or could become the **greatest threats to America's national security**. At the top of the list, **more dangerous than Iran or North Korea or China, I placed Mexico.**

[Does that surprise you?

What is your reaction?

From where do you believe the author is coming from?]

The bottomless inferiority complex that Mexico feels toward America is summed up in an old saying known to all Mexicans as "Mexico's Curse," the lament that their country is "So far from God, so close to the United States."

The truth, however, is the reverse. Today, Americans lament "**America's Curse**," that their country is so close to Mexico.

The U.S.-Mexico border is unique in the world, a **2,000-mile-long interface between a First World superpower and a Third World poverty pit**. One of the greatest of all politically incorrect jokes is about that border, as it exposes a deeply embarrassing truth.

[Is poverty pit accurate or a little severe?

Will it always be this way?]

Remember first that **Mexico lost Texas in 1836**, and after America's victory in the Mexican War of 1848 (*whence comes the "Halls of Montezuma" line in the Marine Hymn*), Mexico ceded over a half-million square miles (**California, Nevada, Arizona, New Mexico and more**) to the U.S. in the treaty of Guadalupe-Hidalgo.

So the story goes like this. An American is having a beer in a bar in Mexico City. He talks with a Mexican fellow at the bar, and after a few Dos Equis, he asks: "Amigo, I really don't understand something. This is a beautiful country with tremendous natural resources and a hard-working people. So why, then, is Mexico so poor?"

The Mexican looks condescendingly at the American and replies: "That is very simple, Señor. Mexico is so poor because you gringos stole half our land."

The American takes a tug on his beer and responds, "Really?"

To which the Mexican continues, "Yes -- and what is worse, you gringos stole the half with all the paved roads!"

[Hmmm. Where the roads paved in 1848?

Something interesting here. Why is Mexico lagging in development?

Question:

Is weather a factor?

If we look to the northern or southern (South Africa) countries, or just north and south in the US, is industry and development more intense away from the equator?

Does hot weather just take out your ambition sometimes?

Does air conditioning counter for hot weather?]



Try this on as a thought experiment. President James Polk's emissary to negotiate the treaty, Nicholas Trist, could have included both Alta and Baja California, Alta being defined as north of the port area of San Diego. Yet he deleted Baja as a concession. So imagine it wasn't deleted, that Baja California was still American territory -- and ask yourself, "What would be the real estate value of an American Baja's 2,038 miles of coastline?"

The value of an American Baja, under American sovereignty and rule of law, would be orders of magnitude greater than it is now under Mexican sovereignty and law.

[Do you agree?

Would it be more valuable under US rule?

Is the only difference in development just a matter of who ruled?

If the difference is a matter of governance, then what would be some of the differences in governance which would make a difference?

Are you prepared to identify some of these differences as a matter of philosophy?]

An American Baja is not going to happen. But a Mexican California may.

Virulently racist groups espousing a Mexican Nazism are blossoming in California and the Southwest U.S., groups such as La Raza, which literally means "The Race." Its motto is Por La Raza Todo, Fuera de La Raza Nada -- For The Race, Everything; Outside The Race, Nothing.

[Yes, this sounds hostile, but not more hostile than many other cultures have for us, I should think. We also have some citizens who are nearly as hostile.]

La Raza's declaration of racial war against the hated "Anglos" (*white or European Americans*) is contained in its "Aztlan Plan."

The goal is La Reconquista, the Reconquest: to force by whatever means necessary -- from population swamping via illegal immigration to Palestinian-style terrorism -- the return of the entire American Southwest to Mexico. La Raza calls this region Aztlan, the mythic land of Aztec origin.

[Have you ever heard of this before?  
Do you give it any credibility?  
Presuming it were true, what action would you advise?  
Presuming it false, would you recommend some action anyway?]

A group associated with La Raza, La Voz de Aztlan (<http://www.aztlan.net>), refers to Mexican-Americans as "America's Palestinians," who are struggling for independence against an Israel-like tyranny that is the United States.

Mexican Nazis have formed a student organization -- MEChA (*Movimiento Estudiantil de Chicanos de Aztlan -- The Student Movement of Aztlan Chicanos*) officially recognized and supported with U.S. taxpayer dollars at dozens of university campuses throughout the U.S. (<http://www.azteca.net/aztec/mecha/index.shtml>).

Guilt-tortured white liberal faculties are ideologically defenseless against them, thus the campuses are infested with "Chicano/La Raza Studies" programs.

[Well, we've heard about guilt before, haven't we?  
We've also heard of various studies programs.  
What are socially motivated studies programs?  
Is a studies program one of the actions you would have suggested?]

California politicians are equally defenseless against Mexican Nazis. This is a principal reason for California's current \$38 billion debt. The state is broke because illegal immigrants account for one-third or more students in many public school districts, one-third or more inmates in many California prisons, and have gained access to a vast raft of government benefits such as health care.

Yet any attempt to deny government subsidies to Mexican illegals results in riots, protests

and death threats to the politician daring to suggest it.

[What do you think?

Are we dealing with illegals correctly?

How can we know we are dealing with an illegal and not act just like we would if they had said "Hello, I am a thief" or "Hello, I am a smuggler".

Back to the premise, has anything been said so far which makes you think Mexico is our greatest enemy?]

Thus California is becoming transformed into Mexifornia -- which is the title of Victor Davis Hanson's latest book ("*Mexifornia: A State of Becoming*," Encounter Books, 2003).

[Is this a take over, or a changing of their culture?

Will not the Mexicans, illegal and honorable, drown out American culture, or will they watch TV, Movies, and buy our music and be degraded as the rest of America?

Did I just editorialize?]

Such transformation, Hanson argues, is being accomplished with the full support of the Mexican government and ruling elite. For not only do the elite and intelligentsia in Mexico bear the Reconquista grudge, they need a massive outflow of illegal emigration to the U.S. as a safety valve, deflating pressure to reform.

[How is an outflow of illegal emigration helpful to Mexico?]

Corruption is in the bones of Mexican government. Combine this with political control over the economy about to get even worse, and you have little hope for prosperity among the majority of Mexico's poverty-stricken population. The gains made by the socialist PRD party in the mid-term Congress elections on July 6 insure that.

The high hopes for President Vicente Fox, whose free-market PAN party overthrew the PRI monopoly of power, have vanished. Congress will become even more intractable to anti-socialist and anti-corruption reform. The PRD gains mean that its likely candidate, Mexico City Mayor Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador, has an increasingly good chance to be elected president of Mexico in 2006.

A PRD-Lopez Obrador government would mean no chance for the privatization and de-unionization of Mexican industry. The prime example is Pemex, the state-owned Mexican oil monopoly, one of the most corrupt and incompetent companies in the world. It would also mean the illegal emigration safety valve would be open full tilt.

[Is emigration our policy or Mexico's policy?

Does the US guard the borders or does Mexico guard the borders?

How can Mexico turn emigration on or off?

If we are the world's sole super power, how come we can be invaded by peoples who cannot even speak English and who have no resources?

Are there groups in the US who want illegal emigration who are not of Mexican descent?]

Are there solutions to America's Curse? Here are some suggestions:

- \* A federal law forbidding government benefits or services of any kind to illegal aliens.

[Is that not illegal now?  
Why isn't it? What's the problem?]

- \* The federal creation of a **National Benefits Eligibility Card**, issued only to U.S. citizens or legal residents, entitling them to government services. Note that this would **not be a National Identity Card**, as all U.S. citizens and legal residents would not be required to have one, only those who wish to receive government taxpayer-paid services.

[What is wrong with a National ID Card?  
What is wrong with a National Benefits Eligibility card?  
What is wrong with setting any limits into law as to whom is eligible for benefits?]

- \* The repatriation of any and all illegal aliens back to their respective countries.

[Why isn't this happening already?  
Does it seem like there must be more to this than meets the eye?  
Yes if we are all in agreement.  
No if we have various ideas on this.]

- \* No amnesty for illegal aliens.

[Agree or Disagree?  
Why?]

- \* No bilingual education. All U.S. taxpayer-paid public schools should conduct classes exclusively in English.

[Agree or Disagree?  
Why?  
What happens if we teach in Spanish or Vietnamese or Chinese?]

- \* A federal law mandating that the U.S. government communicate with citizens and residents exclusively in English.

[Is this obvious or not?  
Can there be an across the board law?  
Are there state laws like this?  
Where must government be bilingual?  
What follows is the government is always bilingual?  
What are some bad consequences of bilingual?  
What are some good consequences of bilingual?]

Can we draw a line on bilingual and not splinter into 3, 4, 6, 12, or 18 languages?

Think --- Logical Outworkings.

Recent voter laws having to do with language.

Someone must be on hand to translate ballot for you in your language even if you are the ONLY person in the county to speak that language. There is no # of or % of requirements. One is enough]

This is not an exhaustive list, but the most important is the first. Ultimately, however, the solution lies within the Mexican-American community itself.

It is here in an article like this that there has to be the obligatory caveat: that the substantial majority of Mexican-Americans are decent folk who have no intention of participating in a civil war to split America apart. This is unquestionably true.

[This sort of does damage to the premise - Mexico being our biggest danger.]

This makes it even more obligatory that Mexican-Americans denounce and rid their community of the La Raza Nazis in its midst. It makes it obligatory that they demand an end to corruption and socialism in their mother country, an end to the illegal-emigration safety valve.

Mexican-Americans have as much right and justification to be proud of their heritage and culture as so many other sub-cultures in America, from the Irish to Polish to Jewish to on and on (*they have little cause, however, to be proud of the history of the Mexican government*).

They also have as much right as any other ethnic group in America to be proud of their contribution to this country. Just a small example: The first American pilot shot down over North Vietnam during the Vietnam War was named Alvarez.

So it is only they who can heal America's Curse, and in so doing, help transform Mexico into the First World country it can and should be.



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