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Is Trump to blame for the violence at his rallies?

First, a couple of comments about the last editorial titled: Do you agree with the democrat statements about the border control in Wednesdays debate?

A quick summary: At the last democrat debate both Clinton and Sanders stated that there is no more fences that need to be built along the border. They declared that the border is now secure, and that republicans should now take up comprehensive immigration reform. They both also said comprehensive immigration reform must include a path to citizenship. They both threatened that if president, if the congress didn’t take up immigration reform, then they would do the same thing as Obama. They would use ILLEGAL executive orders to do it themselves.

Lois provided this comment: “I am sorry but the constitution is not a flexible document! It says what it means and means what it says-----period.”

Harry offered these comments: “If someone does not like the immigration laws, they need to elect the people that will change the laws. If you can’t get enough of the people to elect the people to change the laws, then just maybe, what you want changed, the majority doesn’t want changed. Accept that. What a concept.”

Thanks, folks. Again I state, the border is not secure. Any immigration reform should not be taken up until the entire border is fenced and secure. People that own land on this side of the border are once again allowed to enjoy their land, without being ordered by this administration to just let illegals run all over their land unimpeded or arrested.

Now, on to today’s topic: Is Trump to blame for the violence at his rallies?

After the Friday night appearance cancellation by Trump in Chicago, a skirmish ensued. Protestors started their disturbance. Trump supporters reacted. Things got quite heated and some punches were thrown. There are no serious injuries reported. Trump wasn’t even there yet. However, the liberal media, Clinton and Sanders, and even Trump’s rival candidates offered blame to Trump directly. Well, I disagree. If the protestors had not started the disturbance, there would have been no altercation. It’s that simple.

I’m sure someone will state that a demonstration is within their 1st amendment rights. I have to agree. However, as I have had other editorials in the past stating that one’s persons right, does not trump another person’s right. No pun intended, which means that one person does not have the right to free speech, if they exercise their right, to stop another person’s same right to free speech. No, liberal media offered any blame to [moveon.org](http://moveon.org). They took blame for the disturbance, and said it will continue. In taking blame, they stated the purpose of the disturbance was to shut down Trump’s speech. They say they will continue to do this until Trump stops what they believe is hate speech. Within the protestors were Black Lives Matter people. I have to ask them, why are you mad at Trump? What has he said that is against blacks? Maybe I’ve missed it, but I wish someone would give me an example of something trump has said in this campaign that would infringe on black lives. I mean really, what has he said against blacks? If someone can provide the date and what he said that is against blacks, I will acknowledge it. Within the protestors were people carrying sanders signs. Then, Sanders goes on tv and says he didn’t order anyone to do that demonstration. If people try to stretch the blame to Trump for his words have caused the protest, then there must be something sanders said to encourage those protestors. Right?

Well, not really. Just as Sanders didn’t tell those people to disturb the Trump rally, Trump also wasn’t at that meeting telling anyone to start fighting. People, and the republican establishment need to understand the anger that 65% of the population holds towards this administration. Oops, correction. I just saw in today’s polls that the dissatisfied rate has again gone up to now 67%. So, 67% of the people are very angry where the country has gone over the last seven years, and they are angry that the republican congress hasn’t done more to stop this administration.

I know the liberals are very happy with the last seven years. I understand that, but that doesn’t mean that the other 65% have to accept what has happened. Trump supporters see him as an outsider that has the guts to change things for the better. Of course, liberals don’t see it that way. The republican establishment really doesn’t oppose most of Trump positions. They just oppose him. The way he says things, they think he can’t get elected because of what he says, and how he says it. To the republican establishment, if you had done more to stop Obama and really take him to task for his executive orders, we wouldn’t be so mad. So, yes we are mad. We want a candidate that we believe will do something about it.

While this editorial is about Trump, that doesn’t mean that he is the only answer for our anger. Cruz also shows the desire to take on the administration and Washington politics, but this editorial is focused on Trump because the story is about disturbances at his rallies. He has the same first amendment right to say what he wants, just as much as protestors have the right to offer their protest. One right does not stop the others right. While I do acknowledge Trump’s rhetoric does get people fired up , isn’t that what all the candidates are trying to do.

It’s about connecting with the people. Getting them fired up to support the candidate. Getting them fired up to go out and vote on election day. Not stay home. Every candidate has connected with some segment of the population. Each support their candidate. The object though is to get them fired up enough to vote on election day. To get them fired up enough to try and get others to vote as well. Is Trump to be blamed for the scuffle? Should he be held accountable for people defending their right to peaceful enjoyment of the 1st amendment right to free speech? We all have rights to free speech. The only reason Trump is getting blamed is because he is the front runner. If Cruz was the front runner, and there was a disturbance, he would get blamed too.

For liberals, it’s all about making sure no republican gets elected. For the republican establishment, it’s all about getting the guy elected they want elected. Not who the people want elected.

In conclusion, no Trump is not to blame. Just as sanders is not to blame for sending the protestors. No one has to be blamed. We all need to agree that the 1st amendment applies to everyone, not just to the ones that say things you agree with.

I’m Tom Wiknich, and that’s what I think. I’d like to know what you think. If you have any comments about this editorial, or would like to discuss or recommend a topic, I’d like to hear from you. Please email them to info@kzgn.net.