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Prologue

Joe Biden ran for President three times, in 1988, in 2008 and in 2020. In 1988, he was forced to pull out for blatant plagiarism. In 2008, Biden couldn't compete with the charisma of Barack Obama. But his moment was 2020 in the middle of a global Pandemic that allowed his handlers to hide Joe Biden from the public 'for health reasons'. As Biden hid in his 'bunker' in Delaware, his handlers, supported by the media, presented Joe Biden as a moderate, nice guy with years of experience – the perfect person to deal with the chaos from both the Pandemic of 2020 and the vitriolic rhetoric of the left against President Donald Trump. Biden was a grandfatherly person with great experience that would unify the country and bring back prosperity. The image couldn't have been further from the truth. And the media and most politicians knew it. But he was a perfect Trojan horse vehicle for woke progressive ideals designed to change the country. And Biden has tried mightily to live up to the donations made by the woke left.

As Vice President for Barack Obama from 2009-2016, Biden was well versed in Obama policies. And Biden brought in key people from the Obama administration to continue the policies President Barack Obama implemented at home and abroad. Without the flair, deception and alertness that Obama possessed, Biden and his administration continued the progressive policies that President Obama started, with more drastic consequences. Make no mistake – the results of the policies of the Biden administration are not from Biden himself – they are the policies of the democrat party that were most evident under President Obama and continued by Biden and directed by Obama surrogates. It is easy to fault Joe Biden himself as his age, constant gaffes, inability to appear in charge can lead to the conclusion that Biden himself caused the problems. This is not accurate. Biden does have issues with respect to his ability to operate effectively as Chief Executive of the world's most successful country, but the problems with inflation, the economy, open borders, wars abroad, massive regulation, excessive spending and many others clearly come from the domestic and world-view policies that Biden and mostly his administration have implemented for over three years. I have dedicated a section of the introduction to outline the policy similarities between Biden and Obama. I am sure there are others as mostly Obama people appear to be in charge. A good friend of mine pointed out that there is also "the mysterious calling of talking points which surely is coordinated by Obama and his surrogates. Susan Rice? The same exact words and phrases keep popping up in nightly broadcasts across all mainstream channels."

In 2012, I published a book about President Barack Obama's first term, *The Obama Illusion*. This book covers the radical agenda of Obama's first administration despite Obama's claim

to be a moderate democrat, and the consequences of his deception at home and abroad. In 2016, I published a second book about President Obama's second term, *The Obama Illusion Unravels*. This second book chronicles the unraveling of Obama's foreign and domestic policies. Abroad, the US withdrew from global leadership, promoting a policy of appeasement, especially of Iran, Russia and Cuba, and enemies became more aggressive; Russia took over Crimea without a fight; Syria crossed a red line without consequences; ISIS was out of control, beheading non-believers; Iran was on the way to a nuclear weapon; North Korea was launching missiles and threatening the US and neighbors; the US joined the Paris Accord that promised redistribution – to name a few issues. At home, ObamaCare left millions without good medical plans, millions lost their doctors, and health insurance cost more than anticipated; expansive government regulations left the economy in stagnation with limited growth, anemic recovery and a reduction in social mobility; new rules of engagement for the military left the US at a distinct disadvantage; millions of taxpayer dollars went to green energy companies that went out of business; terrorists (who were not to be called terrorists) were tried in civilian trials with US constitutional rights; political correctness became a religion; university students were considered guilty of any charge without legal rights; entitlements were greatly expanded; student loans were taken over by the government; and more. Candidate Obama promised Hope and Change, transparency, bipartisanship, and commitment to the power of government. Expanding the scope of government was the only promise that was kept, with significant negative repercussions. In response to the results of President Obama's policies, Donald Trump was elected President in 2016.

During the campaign as well as during Biden's years as President, it appears that Biden's 'handlers' were correct in attempting to keep him out of the public view as much as possible. What some called 'gaffes' were joined by looks of confusion, continual 'errors' in public speaking, creepy whispering, public requests for deceased people to appear, repetition of the same stories in one speech and numerous signs of age (or something else?). The elephant in the room was 'is Joe Biden mentally capable of being President?'

"Has Biden lost it? He never had it. A year and a half into his term, leading Democrats have suddenly discovered that the man they nominated is too inept for the job. It's not his advanced age that has Democrats worried. It's his advancing unpopularity. The unfortunate reality is that at nearly 80, Mr. Biden is as fit now to be president as he has ever been. Mr. Biden hasn't lost his capacities. He never had them. His presidency's failure rests on a longstanding character flaw: he follows the party wherever it goes." <https://www.wsj.com/articles/has-biden-lost-it-he-never->

[had-it-president-age-mental-acuity-fitness-campaign-inflation-afghanistan-immigration-democratic-party-11658155118](#)

During the 2020 election, it was reported by the New York Post that a laptop from Hunter Biden, Joe Biden's son, had been obtained by the FBI over a year ago by a technician to whom the laptop had been given. The laptop contained information detrimental to Hunter Biden as well as potentially detrimental to Joe Biden. The mainstream media, supported by the FBI and the intelligence community, ignored the laptop to favor Biden's election as it was declared to be 'Russian disinformation' once again. Two years later, the laptop was recognized as a real issue, not a fake Russian ploy, and it became a subject of reluctant investigation by the mainstream media. Emails on the laptop point to money given to 'the big guy', potentially exposing Joe Biden to influence peddling. The silence from the FBI was deafening, especially in contrast to how the FBI treated potential document retention by President Trump. Unequal justice and lack of consequences for lying to the public are points of great concern to the American people in 2022 through 2024. The new House of Representatives, led by republicans, vowed to investigate the Biden family and the possibility of 'pay for play' activities.

By July 2022, continuing into 2024, a vast majority of democrats didn't want Biden to run again. And over 70% of Americans said the country is on the 'wrong track'. Democrats knew what they were getting in 2020. Too bad most of us didn't.

In early February 2024, Special Counsel Robert Hur released a report on Joe Biden's document retention activities when he was a Senator and later Vice-President. The results were catastrophic for Biden even though he wasn't indicted: although Biden "willfully retained and shared classified documents," Hur concluded he shouldn't be prosecuted due to his age and significant "memory loss." Even the mainstream media took notice as Biden's handlers allowed him to answer pointed questions from reporters in a difficult press conference – did democrats decide to 'move on' from Biden?

Joe Biden made one great decision in his presidency: he chose Kamala Harris as Vice-President. She has turned out to be the best insurance that President Biden could have for not being removed.

In early 2022, Ukraine was invaded by Russia, and war broke out in Israel after Hamas viciously attacked Israel on October 7, 2023. Hamas terrorists attacked Israel, focusing on civilian Jews, resulting in war between Israel and Hamas in Gaza to the West and Hezbollah

to the North – both supported by Iran. Biden’s weakness and appeasement abroad as well as his impractical US war on fossil fuels led to both wars – all legacies from Barack Obama.

By the middle of 2023, House republicans’ investigation into Hunter Biden produced enough ‘smoke’ to look into Biden family corruption and influence peddling – the potential for taking money to have access to the ‘Biden brand.’ Republicans promised to continue the investigation as democrats promised there ‘was nothing there.’ Was Joe Biden directly or through his family getting money and/or favors from foreign countries and companies for his ‘brand?’

On August 1, 2023, Fitch downgraded the US long term credit rating from AAA to AA+, due to the “growing debt burden” (a result of the exorbitant spending by the Biden administration), “fiscal deterioration expected over the next three years”, (another result of ‘Bidenomics’), and “erosion of governance relative to AAA rated peers,” (such as the refusal of President Biden to work with the republican Congress for several months – until the very last minute despite requests from Speaker McCarthy - over the debt ceiling). Biden’s stamp was on every point made by Fitch as the cause of the downgrade, despite White House attempts to once again blame former President Trump (out of office for over 2.5 years). President Obama was president when Standard and Poor’s downgraded US credit to AA+ in August 2011.

To say that the Biden administration has been unsuccessful would be an understatement. As bad became worse early in his Presidency, I was committed to tracking the details of what happened. This document follows the actions, policies and outcomes of the Biden Presidency, heavily directed by Obama surrogates and perhaps Obama himself. The world at home and abroad was changed. Judge for yourself.

Note: I have used references from a number of publications and writers in this book, especially in areas in which these writers are well informed. I have also used references to a previous book that I wrote in 2016, ‘The Obama Illusion Unravels.’ Rather than traditional footnotes, I have included the web addresses of the articles that I read and sometimes partially included, or as support for the information presented.

I chose to complete this book on February 10, 2024 – not because Biden’s administration was completed, but I felt it was important to publish as citizens were considering and voting on nominees for the 2024 Presidential election. Clearly more will follow. But it is already apparent what should happen in 2024.

Immigration

Policies reversed

On day 1 of his presidency, Biden reversed the immigration policies of President Trump that were working: keep asylum seekers in Mexico until their court date; agreements with Central American countries to stop the flow of immigrants from their country – coupled with conditions attached to aid; stop ‘Catch and Release’ policy of prior administrations where illegals were released and asked to voluntarily come to their court dates and never came; build the wall and increase technical support actions on the southern border; support ICE and border patrol actions. All of these actions were voided by Biden and the result was an influx of asylum seekers and children causing a major crisis. By 2022, hundreds of thousands of illegal immigrants came through the Southern US border as the Biden administration welcomed them with trips to various parts of the US and only asked for a promise to appear later for a hearing. Most people saw the open Southern US border as a deliberate attempt to bring in illegals. By July 2022, the US Southern border was declared to be the most dangerous part of the world. Drugs flowed into the US from the South as cartels dominated the flow of people and drugs into the US. Border agents called for help and were overwhelmed by the border crisis. Human trafficking and sex slavery increased by unknown amounts. Biden and VP Harris continued to ignore the crisis, saying the Southern US border “was secure,” even as former President Obama called the influx ‘unsustainable.’ Fentanyl was flowing into the US from China through the Southern border in staggering quantities, killing tens of thousands of Americans and creating a real health crisis.

Migrants continually said the US Southern border was open and Biden was the cause of the intense migration. Of those that were known to have entered, the number of illegal immigrants was 1.7 million in 2021 and 2.7 million in fiscal 2022, ending September 30 – shocking numbers. The total number included ‘get-aways’, and that number was unknown. Senator Marco Rubio called the border crisis “a mass migration catastrophe, not immigration.” By 2024, it was estimated that over 8 million illegal immigrants entered under the Biden administration, with an unknown number of ‘get-aways’.

“The perception of an essentially open border is building a political backlash in favor of more restrictionist immigration policies.”

<https://www.wsj.com/articles/bidens-new-border-record-immigration-policy-cuba-venezuela-nicaragua-mexico-asylum-migrants-emergencies-arrivals-new-york-11666562656>

Throughout his presidency, Biden sent migrants crossing illegally to all parts of the US by plane and bus in the dead of night. This activity was largely not covered by the press until Governor Abbott of Texas and Governor DeSantis of Florida started sending illegal immigrants to ‘Sanctuary cities and states’ in 2022 by bus and plane, following Biden’s lead – clearly Sanctuary cities would welcome illegals as they had committed. But the uproar from Washington, DC, Chicago and New York City was loud and clear as they were forced to deal with a small fraction of the illegals that daily crossed into Southern border states. The loudest noise came when Governor DeSantis sent 50 illegal immigrants to Martha’s Vineyard, a city that self-declared a ‘Sanctuary for illegals’ until they actually had to welcome them. Officials in Martha’s Vineyard proved they are ‘Sanctuary in name only, not in practice’ as they relocated these 50 people to a nearby military base in less than 24 hours, declaring there was no room in the large, elite estates owned by the rich and famous.

As Governors Abbott and DeSantis continued to send illegal immigrants to democrat-run sanctuary cities and states, democrat governors from New York and California spoke out publicly against Abbott and DeSantis; Governor Newsom of California even asked for a debate with Governor DeSantis. This debate occurred in late 2023.

“The governor described something he called a ‘Great American Exodus’. In short, he means the recent movement of US population out of California and the North – primarily New York, New Jersey and Illinois – into states in the South and West. Many cities administered for decades by liberal and more recently progressive democrats are hemorrhaging population.” <https://www.wsj.com/articles/the-real-desantis-divide-great-american-exodus-north-south-new-york-miami-economic-opportunity-business-climate-esg-11663791543>

Biden’s open border had let in approximately 7 million illegals by September of 2023; even democrats were taking notice. By August of 2023, both the Mayor of New York City and the Governor of New York were extremely vocal about the negative consequences of the heavy flow of immigrants to New York, in spite of being a ‘Sanctuary City and State.’ Cries of ‘destroy New York’ were blasted by democrats as they dealt with the consequences of being a ‘sanctuary’ for illegal immigrants.

“Texans won’t have much sympathy, but it’s worth paying attention to New York City’s migrant crisis as a lesson in the consequences in a progressive city of failed progressive policies. Mayor Eric Adams explained it Wednesday night in a rant for the ages. The current migrant crisis is on Mr. Biden’s watch. He has abdicated political leadership, and the asylum laws that draw migrants won’t get fixed until Democrats admit they’re broken. That’s the truth, whether or not the Upper West Side wants to hear it, and Mr. Adams is seething because he’s beginning to worry

that if nothing changes his legacy could be rats.” <https://www.wsj.com/articles/eric-adams-migrant-crisis-will-destroy-new-york-city-kathy-hochul-greg-abbott-aba585d>

The number of illegal immigrants entering the US in December, 2023 was over 300,000 – another new record as records continued to be broken. By late 2023, even democrats were concerned about the ‘open southern border,’ and there were calls for changes as polls showed the public was watching and not approving. The republican-run House passed a border bill in 2023 which the Senate refused to take up and Biden said he would veto. But in the last quarter of 2023, the republicans offered changes to border policies that would help address the problem as part of a deal to support aid to Ukraine and Israel. Democrats and Biden ignored the House bill on border policies and worked on another bill with the Senate; House leader Johnson said the Senate bill was ‘dead on arrival.’ In late 2023, President Biden only admitted that there was a ‘problem’ at the southern border after polls showed most of the public was noticing.

“Republicans turn out to be serious about reforming asylum and parole rules. For more than a month, the GOP has made clear that the only trade to be made is real policy change on asylum and parole rules in return for Ukraine dollars. Joe Biden remains terrified of his party’s left, which is why instead of coming to an agreement with the GOP—something that could have happened weeks ago—the White House has been running every play in the book. It tried the anger approach. It tried fear-mongering. It tried the straw-man ruse. (The Senate) tried the bargaining tactic.” <https://www.wsj.com/articles/democrats-border-unreality-congress-ukraine-israel-aid-mexico-migrants-30d38f4e>

Biden welcomed over 8 million illegal immigrants from all over the world by offering food, shelter, education, health care and transportation. “It is hard to think of a better way to destroy the US than Biden’s open border policy” said Victor Davis Hanson on January 13, 2024. Mr. Hanson went on to say the “US is the only multi-racial society in the world that ever worked. We need to drop diversity and get back to unity of this society, focusing on assimilation.”

Sanctuary cities and states continued to complain about the cost of supporting illegal immigrants in late 2023 and 2024. In New York, a high school was closed to house illegal immigrants, causing rage among families that were relegated to online learning once again (knowing it didn’t work). Biden clearly supported illegal immigrants to the detriment of US citizens, to say nothing of the tax burden it placed on citizens.

President Biden finally realized in late 2023 that the border ‘invasion’ was politically unpopular, so he worked with the Senate to enact new legislation that would give him cover for not enforcing existing border laws. House republicans said the President didn’t need a new law to enforce existing law – NO.

Build the wall??

The Biden administration announced they would ‘close several gaps’ in the Yuma section of the Trump border wall in an effort to support democrat candidate Mark Kelly for re-election in November 2022.

Timing was in question as Mayorkas announced that “prior to construction, DHS will engage in standard environmental planning and conduct stakeholder outreach and consultation.” <https://www.foxnews.com/politics/bidens-az-border-wall-move-could-help-one-their-own-win-re-election-border-official-says>

Many considered this an election year gimmick, especially as Biden promised to not build a single additional foot of wall during his campaign for president.

By 2023, Biden’s real intent was clear as he “quietly auctioned off border wall parts to stunt republican efforts to restart construction” as they promised. “The Biden administration reportedly has been selling off millions of dollars’ worth of border wall materials in a race against Republicans who are vying to pass legislation to finish its construction. On the day he was sworn in, President Biden stopped the taxpayer-funded project, denouncing the border wall construction as a ‘waste of money that diverts attention from genuine threats to our homeland security.’ ‘This sale is a wasteful and ludicrous decision by the Biden administration that only serves as further proof they have no shame,’ Wicker (Senate R-Miss) said, condemning it as ‘outrageous, behind - ‘the-scenes maneuvering.’ ‘Leaving the border open to terrorists while selling border security materials at a loss is Bidenomics in a nutshell,’ Sen. Tom Cotton, R-Ark., told the Post.”

<https://www.foxnews.com/politics/biden-quietly-auctions-trump-border-wall-parts-stunt-republican-effort-restart-construction-report>

Continual Flow of illegals

Illegals continued to swarm the southern US border from 2021 to 2024 as Biden’s invitation to come was heard around the world. Illegal immigration soared to a 25 year high by the fall of 2021 and continued to increase in 2022, 2023 and 2024. It was estimated that Biden will

have let in over 8 million illegals by the end of his administration. The Biden administration continued to release illegal immigrants into all parts of the US.

In late September 2021, around 30,000 illegal immigrants supposedly from Haiti massed at the US border in Del Rio, Texas after Biden “invited them”, creating another disaster. These Haitians actually came mostly from Chile and other South American countries where they already had asylum and not directly from Haiti. The Biden administration claimed that ‘most’ were being deported back to Haiti, but the administration refused to say for days how many were released in the US with the ‘hope’ that they would eventually appear before an immigration court on their own recognizance. It was reported that 1400 to 2000 were deported, but it was unclear how many were actually released into the US. Days after many requests, DHS Secretary Mayorkas said that “at least 12,000 illegals were released into the US, and there would be more.” There was no Covid testing of any of these illegals, and releasing them into the US with a real possibility of disease (Covid, measles, malaria, other diseases) was a real threat while the pandemic was surging. Since this situation was widely reported, Biden’s administration tried to clear them out as soon as possible. Biden imposed a vaccine mandate for businesses and federal employees and spoke often against unvaccinated US citizen, but left the illegals out of the equation as he sent them unchecked into the country. Border Patrol agents on horseback, riding western with standard split reins, were falsely accused of hurting Haitian illegals; Biden said these agents “would be punished” prior to an investigation of the situation, causing an uproar in the Border Patrol community. An investigation found these agents did nothing wrong.

- <https://www.texastribune.org/2021/09/17/texas-border-del-rio-migrants/>
- <https://www.wsj.com/articles/del-rio-haitian-migrants-illegal-immigrant-alien-border-crisis-reform-covid-biden-dhs-11632072452>
- <https://www.foxnews.com/politics/border-patrol-union-chief-biden-admin-whip-furor-handling-migrant-crisis>

The invitation by Biden to come to the ‘open’ US border was also extremely dangerous for the illegals coming to the border as trafficking, cartels, human trafficking and drugs were all part of the situation. Many died trying to make the trip.

“A group claiming that President Biden’s border policies allowing record-breaking mass migrations are negatively impacting the environment is presenting a legal challenge that flips the script on the administration, which has pushed environmental justice as its ‘top priority’.” <https://www.foxnews.com/politics/group-blames-biden-border-policies-environmental-destruction-despite-admins-push-enviro-justice>

“Biden demolished the Democratic Party’s moral high ground on immigration. Other than the open hydrant of federal spending, no issue more reflects the complete collapse of responsible government than the migrant mess, which now extends from Texas to Martha’s Vineyard. Democrats in border states may pay politically in November for Mr. Biden’s nonfeasance on the migrant surge. But this tragic mess will remain, with most Americans wondering when their political leaders will resolve it in a way that honors the ideas the crisis is dishonoring—the border, the law, liberty and opportunity.”

<https://www.wsj.com/articles/illegal-undocumented-migrant-immigrant-asylum-seeker-southern-border-biden-harris-nyc-tent-adams-desantis-bus-rule-of-law-11665609797>

In late 2022, Health and Human Services of the Biden administration approved Washington State’s request to offer health insurance to illegal immigrants by changing requirements to the Affordable Care Act, ObamaCare – giving illegal immigrants another reason to flow into the open Southern border. The Affordable Care Act explicitly excludes non-citizens from enrolling in ObamaCare. This is another example of Executive branch agencies changing existing laws passed by Congress – a “fourth branch of government.”

As massive illegal immigration was highlighted by the new republican House in January 2023, Biden finally visited the border in January; Biden visited El Paso with a “watered down version” of the problem, after all encampments and issues were ‘cleaned up’ for his visit.

Even after the horrors of jihad attacks on Israel on October 7 2023, Biden did nothing to close America’s open southern border. Even Biden’s administration admitted that they couldn’t adequately evaluate the millions of illegal immigrants that entered since Biden took office, to say nothing of the ‘get-aways.’ Border Patrol officials reported they apprehended 19 Iranians and 17 Syrians since October 9 (2023) in the Rio Grande Valley area. How many Iranians and Syrians have ‘got away?’ Numbers in the hundreds from enemy countries were counted in Southern border crossings since Biden took office. Were terrorists plotting new attacks in the US? Many were concerned and FBI Director Wray said the danger of an attack was high.

In early 2024, former FBI officials warned Congressional leaders that the US is “being invaded at the southern border. These former FBI officials also said there is an “invasion of military-age illegal immigrant males,” a position that agrees with Texas Governor Abbott who declared that there was an ‘invasion’ into Texas.

New Biden policies

Biden encouraged illegals to come to US during his campaign as well as during his Presidency, and many border patrol agents said “there is no southern US border.” Amidst the growing crisis, in late September 2021 even former President Obama called the border situation “unsustainable” and said that “we’re a nation state. We have borders.”

The Biden administration reinstated ‘Catch and Release’ for illegal immigrants, counting on them to present themselves before an Immigration court at a future date, in many cases years away. History has proved a very small percentage actually appear.

VP Harris ‘Border Czar’

Biden appointed VP Harris to manage the ‘crisis’ but there was no evidence she actually did anything to deal with the crisis.

VP Harris went to Guatemala on June 7, 2021 to discuss migration; the President of Guatemala said that the Biden administration was responsible for the surge of migrants at the border with their message of welcome, and reuniting families: “The very next day (after the inauguration), the coyotes were here organizing groups of children to take them to the United States.”

Harris did visit ‘the border’ one time, on June 25, 2021 – but she went to El Paso which was around 800 miles from the epicenter of the crisis. Harris emphasized that she wanted to deal with the ‘root causes’ of the migrants leaving their countries, but that goal would involve not only money we don’t have but also management of another country - something long condemned by democrats as ‘nation-building’. It was widely thought that Harris was forced to go when former President Trump announced he would be visiting the border days later – Trump’s announcement came before the Harris announcement.

As the illegal entry crisis at the southern border increased, Biden was pressed on why he had not gone to the border to see the crisis first hand – his response was that he was “too busy” although he found plenty of time to go home to Delaware during his first year in office. Biden eventually did visit one time in 2023, but no policy changes occurred as a result of the visit.

By Bus and Plane

Illegal children and families were sent by bus and airplanes to unaware states that did not approve the additional burden of helping these children and families; many areas objected, but none so loudly as Martha’s Vineyard, a self-declared Sanctuary city.

<https://www.foxnews.com/politics/gop-states-ramp-up-legal-battles-against-bidens-immigration-policies>

Trump's 'Remain in Mexico'

By summer 2021, a federal judge reinstated Trump's Remain in Mexico policy; the Supreme Court in August 2021 refused to issue a stay on that ruling.

“The Biden administration has botched immigration policy as badly as it did the Afghanistan withdrawal, and it now may suffer the indignity of re-adopting a Trump-era border policy that candidate Joe Biden denounced as un-American.”

<https://www.wsj.com/articles/return-trump-remain-in-mexico-policy-border-security-asylum-11634501597>

Payouts to illegals

It was reported in November 2021 that illegal immigrants that had filed suit may get significant payouts as part of DOJ agreement; when first confronted with the potential payout of around \$450,000 to illegals, Biden called the story “garbage.” But then Biden reneged and said that it was part of DOJ negotiation. Later, the DOJ reported that they would not be paying illegals that had filed suit.

- https://www.theepochtimes.com/mkt_breakingnews/white-house-illegal-immigrants-could-get-government-payouts
- <https://www.foxnews.com/politics/biden-idea-payments-illegal-immigrants-backs-compensation>

Notices to appear, or not?

In November 2021 it was reported that Biden's administration sent appearance notices to tens of thousands (78,000+) illegal immigrants that had been released in the US without court dates or documents. These illegal immigrants were supposed to appear at their nearest ICE office.

In January 2022 Homeland Security reported that nearly 50,000 illegal immigrants had failed to report between March and August, 2021, disappearing in the US wherever the Biden administration sent them – as predicted by republicans.

In 2022, “tens of thousands of illegal immigrants had their cases thrown out by immigration judges after documents were not filed in time by Department of Homeland Security officials, according to newly released data.”

<https://www.foxnews.com/politics/tens-thousands-migrants-cases-thrown-immigration-court-docs-filed>

ICE arrests

ICE arrests were down sharply in 2021 under the Biden administration's restrictions on arrests of illegal immigrants.

<https://www.foxnews.com/politics/ice-arrests-dropped-fy-2021-biden-admin-restricts-enforcement>

In October 2021, the Biden administration expanded the list of 'sensitive places' where ICE officers could not arrest illegal immigrants (shelters, places where children gather, bus stops instead of churches, hospitals and schools).

Changes to Immigration Agency mission

The USCIS changed its mission to exclude key phrases related to enforcing legal immigration. The old mission stated "administer[ing] the nation's lawful immigration system, safeguarding its integrity and promise by efficiently and fairly adjudicating requests for immigration benefits while protecting Americans, securing the homeland, and honoring our values." The new mission clearly left out key objectives: USCIS "upholds America's promise as a nation of welcome and possibility with fairness, integrity, and respect for all we serve."

<https://www.theepochtimes.com/us-immigration-agency-changes-mission-removes-key-phrases>

End to Title 42

Title 42 was put in place by President Trump to quickly expel illegal immigrants from the US during the Covid Pandemic. By April of 2022, Biden announced an end to Title 42 which would inevitably increase the already overwhelming influx of illegal immigrants at the Southern border. The courts held up the removal of Title 42 against Biden's intention, but eventually allowed it to lapse. In preparation for Title 42 ending in May 2023, the Biden administration tried a new ruling that would release illegal immigrants without a court date, but a promise to appear for getting a court date – a federal judge said NO to this ruling. By early May 2023, just before Title 42 was set to expire, President Biden sent 1500 US troops to the border to potentially 'deal with' the additional illegal crossings when Title 42 expired in May 2023. Unfortunately, the goal of the troops was not to keep out illegals but to 'process' them. The media was unusually silent on Biden's move with troops after "blasting Trump" for doing the same: - the usual one-sided move by the media.

Doing Nothing, but

Border Patrol agents and leaders confirmed that Biden was "doing nothing" to deal with or reduce the overwhelming number of illegal border crossings. In fact, Biden provided bus

and plane trips to other parts of the country for illegals after entering using taxpayer dollars. Border Patrol agents were now ‘processing’ illegal immigrants under Biden versus keeping immigrants from entering illegally.

Why wouldn’t illegals want to come as they received: transportation, housing, health care, phones, and education for children from the Biden administration. When asked, illegal immigrants said they were ‘invited by Biden.’

An internal watchdog report revealed that ICE spent \$17 million of taxpayer money to house migrants in hotels between April and June of 2021, and these hotels went “largely” unused. The cost of housing illegal immigrants became a big issue in 2023 as democrat-run states had to deal with large numbers of illegal immigrants – something border states had been dealing with since Biden came into office.

<https://www.foxnews.com/politics/ice-17m-contract-migrants-hotels-largely-unused-dhs-watchdog>

Governors Abbott and DeSantis send illegals to Sanctuary cities and states

In 2022, Governors of Texas and Florida started sending illegal immigrants to Sanctuary states and cities, run by democrats. This created headlines in September 2022 when Governor DeSantis of Florida sent 50 illegal immigrants to Martha’s Vineyard, a self-declared sanctuary city. Biden had been moving illegal immigrants from the border to states all over the country for months, usually at night to avoid publicity. As border states were overrun with hundreds of thousands of illegal immigrants, governors started to mimic Biden and send these illegal immigrants to democrat run sanctuary cities and states. Finally, the press began to publicize this activity when it was done by republicans.

“Some people are calling the decision by Governor Abbott and DeSantis to send some of these migrants to other places as a stunt. But if so, it's been pretty brilliant politically because look what we're talking about here now. Basically, they've co-opted the other side into helping them popularize and put out there the real burdens that come from this unrestrained flow of migrants.”

<https://www.foxnews.com/media/governors-abbott-desantiss-transportation-migrants-brilliant-politically-strassel>

Taxpayers provide money for illegals to fight deportation

“The Biden administration awarded \$41 million in taxpayer-backed government contracts to a new liberal nonprofit working to help illegal immigrants fight deportation amid the escalating border crisis. The Acacia Center for Justice (new non-profit) has received six ‘legal services’ contracts from the Department of Justice that carried start dates of Sept. 1,

according to records. The multimillion-dollar contracts began just months after the under-the-radar nonprofit received a July 29 determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service, which stated the group's effective date of tax exemption was Dec. 29, 2021.”

<https://www.foxnews.com/politics/biden-admin-awards-41m-contracts-new-left-wing-group-helps-illegal-immigrants-fight-deportations>

Air Marshals to the border

“The executive director of the Air Marshal National Council delivered a clear message to the Biden administration Monday, warning that air travel is becoming less safe as marshals are diverted to the border. Marshals feel ‘torn’ about being at the southern border while not doing the job they were trained to do.”

<https://www.foxnews.com/media/air-marshals-sound-alarm-sent-border-demolishing-chances-stop-another-911>

Direct flights

President Biden initiated a program to fly illegal immigrants from their home town directly to the US on ghost flights on the US taxpayer dollar.

“The Biden administration has unleashed a new program to boost illegal immigration that allows immigrants to fly directly from their hometowns into a U.S. city of their choice, according to newly obtained records. Instead of rushing the Texas border, the program lets immigrants use the administration’s app to pick a destination, buy an airline ticket, and fly in unseen on what amounts to ghost flights. According to the Center for Immigration Studies, which sued the Department of Homeland Security for the documents on the program, over 210,000 have been processed since January. That is a population the size of Rochester, New York, or Des Moines, Iowa.” Washington Examiner, Paul Bedard, September 21, 2023

Consequences

New apprehensions of over 178,000 illegals occurred in April of 2021 versus 17,000 in April, 2020. The numbers continued to grow in each year of the Biden administration, with ever-increasing numbers.

Biden’s immigration policies enriched cartels and human /opioid smugglers

The Presidents of Mexico and Guatemala called it the “Biden Migration” in 2021

<https://thefederalist.com/2021/03/24/mexicos-president-blames-border-crisis-on-bidens-immigration-policies/>

There was insufficient medical testing for illegals coming into all parts of the US; some illegals refused to get the Covid vaccine. Testing for polio, Covid, scabies, the plague, leprosy, other diseases was not done adequately, exposing the American population to a myriad of potential diseases.

July 2021 saw protesters out in force in Cuba against the repressive Cuban dictatorship and Marxism – Biden’s answer was ‘the US will turn you back to Cuba if you try to come’, unlike the message at the Mexican border where all appeared to be welcome

President Biden cut *legal immigration* according to the Washington Post in late July, 2021.

- <https://www.cato.org/commentary/joe-biden-overseeing-one-largest-cuts-legal-immigration-history>
- <https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/2021/07/28/joe-biden-is-overseeing-one-largest-cuts-legal-immigration-history/>

Known Terrorist Crossings

From 2017 until 2022, there were 124 known illegal crossings of known terrorists into the US. In 2023 alone, there were already 164 crossings of known terrorists as of August. Border Patrol agents and former FBI officials were very concerned that significant numbers of military-aged men from all over the world (including US enemies) had crossed the border illegally. In January 2024, former FBI officials sent a letter to House and Senate leaders outlining their concerns about the large numbers of single men of military age that had crossed illegally; these officials were convinced that the possibility of a terrorist attack was extremely high due to this influx under Biden.

Drugs

Drugs flowed into the US with the ‘open’ southern border from 2021 to 2024, causing concern about the effects on US citizens. More people were dying from the use of fentanyl from the open border.

<https://www.foxnews.com/politics/flood-of-opiates-across-border-worst-its-ever-been-and-could-destroy-country-retired-dea-leader-warns>

Texas governor Abbott “sounded the alarm about the large amount of fentanyl coming through the southwest border, warning that there was enough of the deadly drug seized last year to kill hundreds of millions of Americans -- and that President Biden ‘does not care’.”

<https://www.foxnews.com/politics/abbott-says-enough-fentanyl-seized-in-texas-to-kill-222-million-americans-biden-does-not-care>

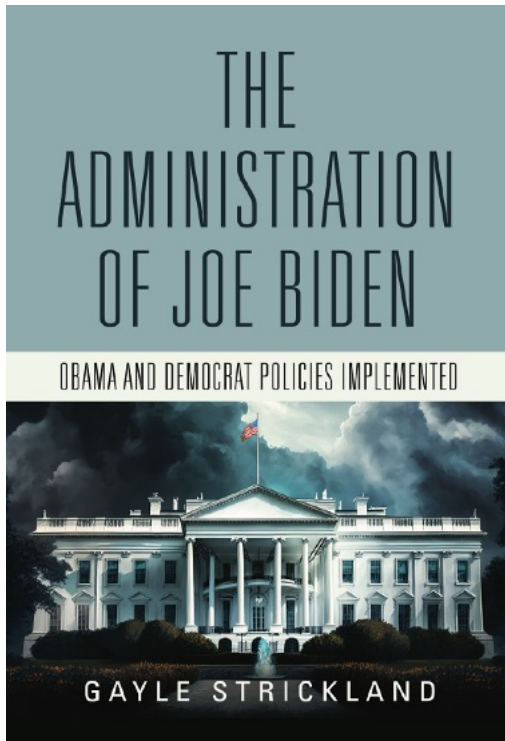
An Invasion: Texas Acts

Texas officials agreed with former FBI officials that the illegal crossings amounted to an ‘invasion.’ Texas acted by putting up razor wire and empty container cars intended to stop the massive flow of illegal immigrants. Biden sued Texas and won when the Supreme Court said that the federal government had the final word on immigration. But federal border patrol agents refused to take down the razor wire that Texas constructed. As a result of border patrol agents refusing to cooperate, would Biden change his position and say that he ‘supported Texas.’

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