

Destroy the Cartels

The world has understandably been captivated by Putin's brutal and cruel invasion of Ukraine. Inexcusably, the permanent DC uniparty establishment has squandered several opportunities to broker peace, preferring instead to foment escalation and protraction of the bloody conflict. The Biden regime needs the country to fixate on a war far away to distract from their failings and malfeasance at home: the disastrous COVID response; the Afghanistan debacle; a stolen election; the economy; supply chains; currency collapse; gas prices ... watching in horror as war engulfs a foreign land provides welcome relief from the pressure of accountability for criminal leadership incompetence.

The irony is that there is a real war going on right on our doorstep that holds much more dire consequences for American peace, prosperity, and health: the ongoing Mexican Drug War. That war is being waged by and against some of the most powerful and brutal criminal organizations in the world – the Mexican cartels, whose legendary cruelty makes Putin look like middle-school playground bully. This is an actual war being fought by the Mexican military, not only by civilian police. The cartels employ military weaponry and tactics as well, including drone strikes, IEDs, grenades, mines, snipers, and heavy machine guns.

Like the elites' preferred war in Ukraine, the victims of this war are mostly civilians. Since 2006, more than 300,000 civilians, cartel members and government officials have been killed in various grisly manners including beheadings and public hangings. Many have been buried in mass graves. In addition, more than 70,000 others have disappeared without a trace at the hands of the cartels. Tens of thousands unidentified bodies sit unclaimed in morgues. Each year, the cartels are estimated to gross more than \$50,000,000,000 from the drug trade alone. This is approximately equal to the entire annual budget of the US Departments of State and Interior, combined.

But those are only the deaths caused by direct violence related to the war. Far greater is the toll caused by the Cartels' business interests. Mexican drug cartels are leading suppliers of fentanyl, cocaine, heroin, methamphetamine, and other illicit narcotics to the United States. Hundreds of thousands of Americans have died or been damaged by the drugs smuggled into the US by the cartels. Many more thousands have been brutalized in savage sexual slavery. Cartel activity within the US includes kidnappings, weapons violations, murders, and sex trafficking.

The cartels also control the vast majority of the human trafficking that occurs into the US from around the world. They earn billions more per year by smuggling illegal aliens into the US.

All of the crime, murder, devastation and harm visited on Americans by the cartel activity is facilitated by our open border, the official (and illegal) policy of the corrupt Biden regime. The reality is that the cartels, not Biden's CBP, control the border. Mexico at this point has been transformed by the cartels into a failed narco-state. The Mexican government has been waging this war, allegedly with US assistance but certainly with US tax dollars, for over 15 years, and has failed. The cartels have only gained power. Something doesn't add up.

This begs the obvious question: how much of the vast sums earned by the cartels each year find their way into the pockets of Democrat leaders and policy-makers? What we know for sure is that Democrats want you to believe that Putin's invasion of Ukraine is much, much more important, somehow, to you and your family. This lie is devoured and repeated eagerly by the lap-dog, cowardly and unprofessional

“journalist” class. Politicians have eagerly waged war on Al-Qaeda, Saddam Hussein, Gaddafi, and ISIS, but somehow have been really shy about protecting American interests right here on our own border.

Here's what needs to be done, immediately...

One obvious idea would be to employ the Patriot Act against the cartels instead of against American patriots and Trump supporters. For example:

- Declare the cartels Foreign Terrorist Organizations (FTOs)
 - It is unlawful to provide “material support or resources” to a designated FTO. That means no person in the US can help a cartel business activity, or face criminal penalties.
 - Representatives and members of a designated FTO can't come to the US and those here can be removed.
 - Any U.S. bank that becomes aware that it has FTO funds must report the funds to the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Department of the Treasury.
- Add the cartels to the Terrorist Exclusion List (TEL)
 - Prohibits entry into US of anyone working for or helping cartel activity, and any such foreign national can be removed.
- Deploy US Army Military Police Brigades to secure the border until the wall is complete.
- Instead of the next addition to the \$15 billion of nonexistent US tax dollars sent to Ukraine, one of the world's most corrupt countries, send \$4 billion to complete the wall.
- Congress declares war on the cartels
 - Authorizing the Commander in Chief to degrade and eliminate the cartels anywhere in the world, primarily within Mexico
 - The US can then approach the government with a real offer of military assistance, with the caveat that the assistance will be provided whether or not the offer is accepted.