

I could go on with Agenda 21, the New World Order, The Marxists in the White House – Global Warming, Gun Control, Separation of Church and State, Taxation, Open Borders, and the Pedophile Ring with Hillary, the Hillary scandals (many on my website), but let's just start with a few.

Obama's 50 Lies

List documents fifty lies told by Barack Obama.

CLAIM

A list circulating online contains 50 false statements by President Barack Obama [See Example\(s\)](#)

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ORIGIN

- *Selma Got Me Born – LIAR, your parents felt safe enough to have you in 1961 – Selma had no effect on your birth, as Selma was in 1965.*

This criticism is based on an overly-literal interpretation of Barack Obama's 2007 speech in Selma, Alabama, which we covered in a separate [article](#).

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- *Father Was A Goat Herder – LIAR, he was a privileged, well educated youth, who went on to work with the Kenyan Government.*

These attributes are not mutually exclusive: Barack Obama's (biological) father was all of these things at different times in his life, as Obama described in his book, *Dreams from My Father*:

[My father] was as African, I would learn, a Kenyan of the Luo tribe, born on the shores of Lake Victoria in a place called Alego. The village was poor, but his father — my other grandfather, Hussein Onyango Obama — had been a prominent farmer, an elder of the tribe, a medicine man with healing powers. My father grew up herding his father's goats and attending the local school, set up by the British colonial administration, where he had shown great promise. He eventually won a scholarship to study in Nairobi; and then, on the eve of Kenyan independence, he had been selected by Kenyan leaders and American sponsors to attend a university in the United States.

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- *Father Was A Proud Freedom Fighter – LIAR, he was part of one of the most corrupt and violent governments Kenya has ever had.*

We are unaware of Barack Obama's ever having claimed his father was a "proud freedom fighter." Obama has written (and spoken) at length about his father's returning to Africa from America to work for the Kenyan government, with that country's political turmoil eventually leaving him a "bitter drunk" and "a defeated, lonely bureaucrat."

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- *My Family Has Strong Ties To African Freedom – LIAR, your cousin Raila Odinga has created mass violence in attempting to overturn a legitimate election in 2007, in Kenya. It is the first widespread violence in decades.*

As we discussed in a separate [article](#), Kenyan politician Raila Odinga has recently claimed to be Barack Obama's cousin, but there is no substantive evidence documenting his claim, and the two men share no meaningful familial connection.

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- *My Grandmother Has Always Been A Christian – LIAR, she does her daily Salat prayers at 5am according to her own interviews. According to the New York Times: "I am a strong believer of the Islamic faith," Ms. Obama, 85, said in a recent interview in Kenya.' Not to mention, Christianity wouldn't allow her to have been one of 14 wives to 1 man.*

The author has apparently confused Obama's grandmothers. In the instance cited above, Obama was speaking of his maternal grandmother, [Madelyn Dunham](#), not his paternal grandmother. (In 2007 Obama described his maternal grandparents as "nonpracticing Baptists and Methodists.")

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- *My Name is African Swahili – LIAR, your name is Arabic and 'Baraka' (from which Barack came) means 'blessed' in that language. Hussein is also Arabic and so is Obama.*

Many Swahili words and names are of [Arabic](#) origin (just as many English words originated with other languages). "[Barack](#)" is a Swahili name that entered the language via historical trade and cultural ties with Arabia.

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- *I Never Practiced Islam – LIAR, you practiced it daily at school, where you were registered as a Muslim and kept that faith for 31 years, until your wife made you change, so you could run for office.*

The topic is already covered in our separate article about the (false) claims that Barack Obama is a [Muslim](#).

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- *My School In Indonesia Was Christian – LIAR, you were registered as Muslim there and got in trouble in Koranic Studies for making faces (check your own book).*

Barack Obama attended more than one school in Indonesia, one of which was a public school that included Islamic religious instruction among its curriculum, and one of which was a private Catholic school.

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- *I Was Fluent In Indonesian – LIAR, not one teacher says you could speak the language.*

We are unaware of Barack Obama's ever having claimed he was "fluent" in any Indonesian language (beyond the level of competence that could reasonably be expected of the non-native child speaker he was at the time he lived in that country). He did acquire (and apparently still has) a passable command of Bahasa, as *Time* magazine noted in a 2007 article:

When prominent Indonesians visit the U.S., the first person they want to meet is Obama, says Parnohadiningrat Sudjadnan, the Indonesian ambassador to the U.S. "Back home people think of him as one of us, or at least one who understands us," he says, adding that they are delighted to find that Obama speaks passable Bahasa, the language spoken in Indonesia and Malaysia.

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- *Because I Lived In Indonesia, I Have More Foreign Experience – LIAR, you were there from the ages of 6 to 10, and couldn't even speak the language.*

We have not found any citation for Obama's having claimed that his childhood in Indonesia qualified him as having "more foreign experience" (what the comparative "more" refers to also isn't clear). Barack Obama did live in Indonesia for four years as a child, and he could in fact speak the local language passably well. Whether his time in that country provided him more "foreign experience" is argumentative, but people other than Obama himself have suggested that it might:

Some would argue that his childhood experiences, as well as his mixed heritage (his father was Kenyan, his mother from Kansas), gives him a better inner compass on foreign policy than most Americans. They cite the pioneering work of Ruth Hill Useem, the late sociologist of Michigan State University, who spent her career studying what she called Third Culture Kids — the millions of U.S. children (an estimated 20 million since the advent of mass air travel) who have been carted abroad by their missionary, diplomatic, corporate or military parents. These frequent-flier kids don't spend enough time in their adopted countries to become fully bicultural, but they take pieces and add it to their home values and traditions

— creating millions of “Third Cultures.” Studies have shows that kids who have spent time abroad are more likely to go to college, to relate to one another despite the influences of vastly differing cultures, and to latch on to one aspect of their culture — in Obama’s case African Americanism.

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- *I Am Stronger On Foreign Affairs – LIAR, except for Africa (surprise) and the Middle East (bigger surprise), you have never been anywhere else on the planet and thus have NO experience with our closest allies.*

Barack Obama has lived in, traveled to, or otherwise spent time in countries in Asia, Africa, and the Middle East, including Russia, Ukraine, Azerbaijan, Israel, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, the Palestinian Territories, Afghanistan Chad, Djibouti, Ethiopia, Kenya, and South Africa, as well as serving as a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Whether his experiences make him “stronger on foreign affairs” is argumentative, but again, people other than Obama have suggested that it might:

“Living abroad does give you a wider view of the world,” says Zbigniew Brzezinski, former National Security Adviser under Jimmy Carter, and a Polish-American who spent four years as a child living in Germany with his diplomat father. Obama is “a person with genuine sensitivity of world affairs,” says Brzenzinski, who is supporting Obama. “It’s not the conventional mouthing of culture sensitivities.” Brzezinski points to Obama’s greater willingness to meet leaders of hostile nations and his early resistance to the war in Iraq as examples of his superior intuition on foreign policy.

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- *I Blame My Early Drug Use On Ethnic Confusion – LIAR, you were quite content in high school to be Barry Obama, no mention of Kenya and no mention of struggle to identify – your classmates said you were just fine.*

Obama wrote at length in his two books about his experiences growing up as the child of mixed-race parents and the issues that accompanied that status, and he noted in his first book, *Dreams From My Father* that before entering politics he had used marijuana and cocaine. His drug use, he wrote, was “... something that could push questions of who I was out of my mind, something that could flatten out the landscape of my heart, blur the edges of my memory” and said in a 2006 interview that his drug use was “... reflective of the struggles and confusion of a teenage boy. Teenage boys are frequently confused.”

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- *An Ebony Article Moved Me To Run For Office – LIAR, Ebony has yet to find the article you mention in your book. It doesn’t, and never did, exist.*

We could not find an instance in either of Barack Obama's books (or elsewhere) where he claimed that his decision to run for public office was influenced by an article in *Ebony* magazine.

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- *A Life Magazine Article Changed My Outlook On Life – LIAR, Life has yet to find the article you mention in your book. It doesn't, and never did, exist.*

In *Dreams from My Father*, Barack Obama writes of a childhood experience occurring on a day when his mother dropped him off at a library on her way to work, and he began thumbing through issues of *LIFE* magazine:

Eventually I came across a photograph of an older man in dark glasses and a raincoat walking down an empty road. I couldn't guess what this picture was about; there seemed nothing unusual about the subject. On the next page was another photograph, this one a close-up of the same man's hands. They had a strange, unnatural pallor, as if blood had been drawn from the flesh. Turning back to the first picture, I now saw that the man's crinkly hair, his heavy lips and broad fleshy nose, all had this same uneven, ghostly hue.

He must be terrible sick, I thought. A radiation victim, maybe or an albino — I had seen one of those on the street a few days before, and my mother had explained about such things. Except when I read the words that went with the picture, that wasn't it at all. The man had received a chemical treatment, the article explained, to lighten his complexion. He had paid for it with his own money. He expressed some regret about trying to pass himself off as a white man, was sorry about how badly things had turned out. But the results were irreversible. There were thousands of people like him, black men and women back in America who'd undergone the same treatment in response to advertisements that promised happiness as a white person.

I felt my face and neck get hot. My stomach knotted; the type began to blur on the page. Did my mother know about this? What about her boss — why was he so calm, reading through his reports a few feet down the hall? I had a desperate urge to jump out of my seat, to show them what I had learned, to demand some explanation or assurance. But something held me back. As in a dream, I had no voice for my newfound fear. By the time my mother came to take me home, my face wore a smile and the magazines were back in their proper place. The room, the air, was quiet as before.

As far as we know, no one has yet found any matching article in the pages of *LIFE* magazine. However, that does necessarily not mean Barack Obama saw no such

article; it may simply mean that, writing decades after the fact, he misremembered the title of the magazine he was viewing.

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- *I Won't Run On A National Ticket In '08 – LIAR, here you are, despite saying, live on TV, that you would not have enough experience by then, and you are all about having experience first.*

In 2004, just after winning election to the U.S. Senate, Barack Obama said during a press conference, in response to a question about his possibly running for national office, that:

I am a believer in knowing what you're doing when you apply for a job, and I think that if I were to seriously consider running on a national ticket I would essentially have to start now, before having served a day in the Senate. Now, there are some people who might be comfortable doing that, but I'm not one of them.

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- *Present Votes Are Common In Illinois – LIAR, they are common for YOU, but not many others have 130 NO VOTES.*

A legislative "present" vote (which essentially counts as a "No" vote but does not go on record as such) is, as the *New York Times* observed, "not unusual in Illinois," a tactic often used in concert with other party members and leaders:

An examination of Illinois records shows at least 36 times when Mr. Obama was either the only state senator to vote present or was part of a group of six or fewer to vote that way.

In more than 50 votes, he seemed to be acting in concert with other Democrats as part of a strategy.

In other cases, Mr. Obama's present votes stood out among widespread support as he tried to use them to register legal and other objections to parts of the bills.

In Illinois, political experts say voting present is a relatively common way for lawmakers to express disapproval of a measure. It can at times help avoid running the risks of voting no, they add.

- *Oops, I Misvoted – LIAR, only when caught by church groups and Democrats, did you beg to change your misvote.*

We're unsure what supposed "misvote" this line references.

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- *I Was A Professor Of Law – LIAR, you were a senior lecturer ON LEAVE.*

Barack Obama was indeed a professor at the University of Chicago's Law School, a fact verified by that institution itself:

The Law School has received many media requests about Barack Obama, especially about his status as "Senior Lecturer."

From 1992 until his election to the U.S. Senate in 2004, Barack Obama served as a professor in the Law School. He was a Lecturer from 1992 to 1996. He was a Senior Lecturer from 1996 to 2004, during which time he taught three courses per year. Senior Lecturers are considered to be members of the Law School faculty and are regarded as professors, although not full-time or tenure-track. The title of Senior Lecturer is distinct from the title of Lecturer, which signifies adjunct status. Like Obama, each of the Law School's Senior Lecturers has high-demand careers in politics or public service, which prevent full-time teaching. Several times during his 12 years as a professor in the Law School, Obama was invited to join the faculty in a full-time tenure-track position, but he declined.

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- *I Was A Constitutional Lawyer – LIAR, you were a senior lecturer ON LEAVE.*

Between 1993 and 2002, Barack Obama worked as a civil rights lawyer with the Chicago law firm of Miner, Barnhill & Galland.

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- *Without Me, There Would Be No Ethics Bill – LIAR, you didn't write it, introduce it, change it, or create it.*

It's unclear what ethics bill this statement references. Obama did help pass a major ethics reform bill as an Illinois State Senator, and 110th U.S. Congress passed the Legislative Transparency and Accountability Act, which "closely mirrored and drew key provisions from a bill (S. 230) that Senators Obama and Feingold introduced in January 2007." We could find no reference to document Obama's supposedly having said that neither of those bills would exist if not for him.

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- *The Ethics Bill Was Hard To Pass – LIAR, it took just 14 days from start to finish.*

Again, it's unclear which ethics bill this statement references, nor could we find any reference to document Obama's supposedly having said such a bill was "hard to pass.'

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- *I Wrote A Tough Nuclear Bill – LIAR, your bill was rejected by your own party for its pandering and lack of all regulation – mainly because of your Nuclear Donor, Exelon, from which David Axelrod came.*

As the *New York Times* reported in February 2008:

When residents in Illinois voiced outrage two years ago upon learning that the Exelon Corporation had not disclosed radioactive leaks at one of its nuclear plants, the state's freshman senator, Barack Obama, took up their cause.

Mr. Obama scolded Exelon and federal regulators for inaction and introduced a bill to require all plant owners to notify state and local authorities immediately of even small leaks. He has boasted of it on the campaign trail, telling a crowd in Iowa in December that it was "the only nuclear legislation that I've passed."

"I just did that last year," he said, to murmurs of approval.

A close look at the path his legislation took tells a very different story. While he initially fought to advance his bill, even holding up a presidential nomination to try to force a hearing on it, Mr. Obama eventually rewrote it to reflect changes sought by Senate Republicans, Exelon and nuclear regulators. The new bill removed language mandating prompt reporting and simply offered guidance to regulators, whom it charged with addressing the issue of unreported leaks.

Those revisions propelled the bill through a crucial committee. But, contrary to Mr. Obama's comments in Iowa, it ultimately died amid parliamentary wrangling in the full Senate.

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- *I Have Released My State Records – LIAR, as of March, 2008, state bills you sponsored or voted for have yet to be released, exposing all the special interests pork hidden within.*

We couldn't find a reference for Barack Obama's supposedly claiming that he had "released" his state records, only that he said he "didn't have the resources available to maintain those kinds of records" and that they might not exist. Politico.com noted in October 2008 that:

Obama's Senate files became an issue after he pressed Hillary Rodham Clinton during their nomination battle to release the schedules from her eight years as first lady.

When her campaign demanded Obama release his state Senate files, he told reporters he did not "maintain a file of eight years of work in the state Senate because I didn't have the resources available to maintain those kinds of records." The records "could have been thrown out. I haven't been in the state Senate now for quite some time," he said.

His campaign later said that "files pertinent to ongoing casework" were passed to his successor, but Obama didn't save correspondence with the general public, state associations or lobbyists, or memos on legislation and correspondence with Illinois state agencies. Some of the records that have surfaced have done little to dampen the demand for a more complete accounting.

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- *I Took On The Asbestos Altgeld Gardens Mess – LIAR, you were part of a large group of people who remedied Altgeld Gardens. You failed to mention anyone else but yourself, in your books.*

In Barack Obama's book *Dreams from My Father*, beginning at the start of Chapter 9, he writes in detail about the efforts of community organizers to push a grassroots campaign advocating the removal of asbestos from the Altgeld Gardens housing project in Chicago. Although in his book Obama emphasizes his own role in the effort, many other people who took part in are indeed mentioned as well.

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- *My Economics Bill Will Help America – LIAR, your 111 economic policies were just combined into a proposal which lost 99-0, and even YOU voted against your own bill.*

It is unclear to us what bill or statement is supposedly being referenced here.

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- *I Have Been A Bold Leader In Illinois – LIAR, even your own supporters claim to have not seen BOLD action on your part.*

We couldn't find a reference for Barack Obama's having described himself as a "bold leader in Illinois," but certainly some of his supporters have claimed that of him (just as some of his critics have claimed the opposite).

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- *I Passed 26 Of My Own Bills In One Year – LIAR, they were not YOUR bills, but rather handed to you, after their creation by a fellow Senator, to assist you in a future bid for higher office.*

Barack Obama did pass 26 bills in his final year as an Illinois state senator. We could not find any reference to his claiming that all of them were “my own” bills, but he certainly received a boost in passing them from Illinois Senate President (and fellow Democrat) Emil Jones, who “helped Obama learn the ways of the state legislature and gave Obama the chance to work on the ethics legislation and death penalty reforms that Obama now boasts about in his presidential campaign”:

Emil Jones Jr. helped Obama master the intricacies of the Legislature. When Democrats took control of the state Senate, Jones, though he risked offending colleagues who had toiled futilely on key issues under Republican rule, tapped Obama to take the lead on high-profile legislative initiatives that he now boasts about in his presidential campaign.

And when Obama wanted a promotion to the U.S. Senate, Jones provided critical support that gave the little-known legislator legitimacy, keeping him from being instantly trampled by the front-runners.

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- *No One Contacted Canada About NAFTA – LIAR, the Candian Government issued the names and a memo of the conversation your campaign had with them.*

As FactCheck.org noted in March 2008 about the ‘[NAFTA-Gate](#)’ controversy:

It’s now clear that a Canadian news report that started this flap wasn’t accurate. No evidence has surfaced to show that any Obama “staffer” telephoned the Canadian ambassador in Washington, and all concerned deny that any such conversation took place. But it is equally clear that Obama’s senior economic *adviser* did visit Canada’s consulate in Chicago on Feb. 8, and that NAFTA was one of the several topics discussed.

Exactly what was said is not so clear, however. The memo says Obama’s anti-NAFTA stance was described as just “political maneuvering,” but the adviser says he said no such thing. The campaign says the adviser wasn’t authorized to convey any message from the candidate anyway. No audio recording or verbatim transcript of the disputed conversation is available, and there’s no reason to expect that any exists.

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- *I Am Tough On Terrorism – LIAR, you missed the Iran Resolution vote on terrorism.*

In September 2007, the U.S. Senate voted on a resolution to designate the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps a terrorist organization:

Charged with defending the system put in place after Iran's 1979 Islamic Revolution, the Guards answer to Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei and are revered by many for their defense of the country during the 1980s war with Saddam Hussein's Iraq.

The legislative move to classify Shiite Muslim-dominated Iran's elite Revolutionary Guard force as terrorist would be first such move against a foreign government entity and would freeze any of its assets under U.S. jurisdiction.

It would also allow the U.S. Treasury Department to move against firms subject to U.S. law that do business with the Guard, which have vast commercial interests at home and abroad.

Senator Obama was on the campaign trail at the time and did not return to Washington for the vote.

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- *I Am Not Acting As President Yet – LIAR, after the NAFTA Memo, a dead terrorist in the FARC, in Colombia, was found with a letter stating how you and he were working together on getting FARC recognized officially.*

On March 1, a Columbian Army strike on a FARC (Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia) rebel camp in Columbia killed 24 people, including Raul Reyes, the FARC's foreign minister. Files in a laptop computer seized from the wreckage of the rebel camp included references to U.S. diplomatic overtures which the Associated Press described as "scintillating, if vague":

In a Dec. 11 message to the secretariat, [Ivan] Marquez writes: "If you are in agreement, I can receive Jim and Tucker to hear the proposal of the gringos."

Writing two days before his death, Reyes tells his comrades that "the gringos," working through Ecuador's government, are interested "in talking to us on various issues."

"They say the new president of their country will be (Barack) Obama," he writes, saying Obama rejects both the Bush administration's free trade agreement with Colombia and the current military aid program.

Exactly who the referenced "gringos" were and whether they had any substantive connection to Barack Obama is unknown.

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- *I Didn't Run Ads In Florida – LIAR, you allowed national ads to run 8-12 times per day for two weeks – and you still lost.*

In August 2007, major Democratic candidates signed a pledge to not campaign in Florida because that state had moved its primary election up to 29 January 2008, one week earlier than the Democratic national rules allowed. In January 2008, the Obama campaign launched national television advertisements on CNN and MSNBC that were also shown in Florida. Obama campaign spokesman Bill Burton maintained that they had asked CNN and MSNBC to pull Florida from the ad buy, but those networks said they could not.

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- *I Won Michigan – LIAR, no you didn't.*

Senator Obama didn't seriously claim to have "won" Michigan; during an 8 March 2008 *Today Show* interview he misspoke and inadvertently mentioned Michigan among a list of states which he had won. In accordance with the agreement mentioned in the previous entry, Barack Obama's name didn't even appear on the Michigan ballot.

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- *I won Nevada – LIAR, no you did not.*

Senator Obama didn't claim to have "won" Nevada (a state that holds caucuses rather than direct-election primaries); he noted, correctly, that although Senator Hillary Clinton tallied more overall votes at the Nevada caucuses, he actually picked up more national delegates from that state:

Mitt Romney took Nevada's Republican caucuses, while Democrats debated whether their party had rendered a split decision.

New York Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton won the vote count among those at the caucuses, but Illinois Sen. Barack Obama claimed a slight advantage in national convention delegates on the strength of his showing in rural areas.

Obama said in a statement released by his campaign that he came from 25 points behind and nearly beat Clinton today because he did well across all of Nevada — "including rural areas where Democrats have traditionally struggled."

Obama's campaign said his performance in rural areas of the state helped him win a total of 13 national convention delegates, versus 12 for Clinton.

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- *I Want Americans To Decide – LIAR, you prefer caucuses that limit the vote, confuse the voters, force a public vote, and only operate during small windows of time.*

Senator Obama has no influence or power over the holding of caucuses rather than primary elections; that choice is made by each state individually, and candidates have to abide by whatever is decided.

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- *I passed 900 Bills in the State Senate – LIAR, you passed 26, most of which you didn't write yourself.*

We could not find any reference to document Barack Obama's having claimed he passed "900 bills in the [Illinois] state senate."

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- *My Campaign Was Extorted By A Friend – LIAR, that friend is threatening to sue if you do not stop saying this. Obama has stopped saying this.*

We are unsure what "extortion" claim this statement supposedly references.

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- *I Believe In Fairness, Not Tactics – LIAR, you used tactics to eliminate Alice Palmer from running against you.*

In April 2007, the *Chicago Tribune* wrote of Barack Obama's first campaign for public office:

The day after New Year's 1996, operatives for Barack Obama filed into a barren hearing room of the Chicago Board of Election Commissioners.

There they began the tedious process of challenging hundreds of signatures on the nominating petitions of state Sen. Alice Palmer, the longtime progressive activist from the city's South Side. And they kept challenging petitions until every one of Obama's four Democratic primary rivals was forced off the ballot.

Fresh from his work as a civil rights lawyer and head of a voter registration project that expanded access to the ballot box, Obama launched his first campaign for the Illinois Senate saying he wanted to empower disenfranchised citizens.

But in that initial bid for political office, Obama quickly mastered the bare-knuckled arts of Chicago electoral politics. His overwhelming legal onslaught signaled his

impatience to gain office, even if that meant elbowing aside an elder stateswoman like Palmer.

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- *I Don't Take PAC Money – LIAR, you take loads of it.*

Senator Obama didn't say that has never accepted money from political action committees. (He used PAC money in his previous U.S. Senate and Illinois state Senate races.) He pledged that he would not accept PAC money for his 2008 presidential bid, a pledge that he has upheld.

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- *I don't Have Lobbyists – LIAR, you have over 47 lobbyists, and counting.*

As Politico.com noted in May 2008:

In his campaign for the Democratic presidential nomination, Obama is refusing donations from federally registered lobbyists and excluding them from his official campaign staff. (They can still be advisers and volunteers, and their spouses' checks are certainly welcome.)

The *Wall Street Journal* observed in November 2008 that:

Democratic lobbyists are wondering about their future in an Obama administration. Although Sen. Obama has taken a tough line toward registered lobbyists, he has allowed himself some maneuvering room. Like Sen. McCain, Sen. Obama has banned lobbyists from working on his campaign until after they quit their lobbying jobs.

Senator Obama also said that his administration would not employ federally registered lobbyists, although (as the *New York Times* noted) he has allowed himself some "wiggle room" in that regard:

Turning to campaign promises in which he pledged sweeping ethics restrictions, President-elect Barack Obama will bar lobbyists from helping to pay the costs of his transition to power or working for it in any area in which they have represented clients in the last year, his transition team said.

The new rules do seem to leave some wiggle room. Aides to Mr. Obama, who declared during the campaign that lobbyists would not "find a job in my White House," said the guidelines allowed for lobbyists to work on the transition in areas where they have not done any lobbying.

Further, the rules apply to lobbyists who must register with the federal government; many people who work for lobbying firms or in other areas of the influence business in Washington do not have to register, because they do not personally lobby federal officials on specific issues.

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- *My Campaign Had Nothing To Do With The 1984 Ad – LIAR, your own campaign worker made the ad on his Apple in one afternoon.*

A widely-circulated spoof of Apple Computer's famous 1984 television advertisement for their (then-new) Macintosh computer was not created by an Obama campaign worker. It was, as explained in a statement issued by the managing director of Blue State Digital (a firm contracted to provide technology services to the Obama Campaign), created without authorization by an employee of that company:

Statement from Thomas Gensemer, Managing Director, Blue State Digital

On Wednesday afternoon, March the 21st, an employee at our firm, Phillip de Vellis, received a call from Arianna Huffington of "The Huffington Post" regarding the "1984" video currently circulating online. Initially, de Vellis refused to respond to her requests. He has since acknowledged to Blue State Digital that he was the creator of the video.

Pursuant to company policy regarding outside political work or commentary on behalf of our clients or otherwise, Mr. de Vellis has been terminated from Blue State Digital effective immediately.

Blue State Digital is under contract with the Obama Campaign for technology pursuits including software development and hosting. Additionally, one of our founding partners is on leave from the company to work directly for the campaign at headquarters.

However, Blue State Digital is not currently engaged in any relationship with the Obama Campaign for creative or non-technical services.

Mr. de Vellis created this video on his own time. It was done without the knowledge of management, and was in no way tied to his work at the firm or our formal engagement [on technology pursuits] with the Obama campaign.

I have spoken with David Plouffe, Sen. Obama's campaign manager, to inform him of this action and am appreciative of his understanding and ongoing support of our work.

- *I Have Always Been Against Iraq – LIAR, you weren't in office to vote against it AND you have voted to fund it every single time, unlike Kucinich, who seems to be out gutting you Obama. You also seem to be stepping back from your departure date – AGAIN.*

Senator Obama expressed opposition to the war in Iraq well before he gained a seat in the U.S. Senate in 2004. (The vote that authorized U.S. military action in Iraq was held in 2002.) He has since voted in the Senate to authorize funding for that war, for reasons he defended in a February 2008 Democratic debate:

The two Democrats exchanged pointed words over each other's records on the war in Iraq, which contrast sharply even as economic and domestic concerns become dominant in the race. Clinton voted in 2002 to authorize the invasion, which Obama opposed from the start. After Obama again touted a high-profile antiwar speech he gave in Chicago before the war, Clinton pointed out that he, like her, had subsequently voted for war funding, and that their records on Iraq were similar since he came to the Senate in 2005.

"When it wasn't just a speech, but it was actually action, where is the difference?" she said. "Where is the comparison that would in some way give a real credibility to the speech that he gave against the war?"

Obama shot back: "Once we had driven the bus into the ditch, there were only so many ways we could get out."

- *I Am As Patriotic As Anyone – LIAR, you won't wear a flag pin and you don't put your hand over your heart during the Anthem. There is a Cuban Flag with Che Guevara Displayed at Barack Obama Campaign Office which you allow to be displayed. You voted against making english the official language of the United States. You voted to give illegal aliens social security benefits, which would bankrupt the social security system for Americans legally paying into it.*

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Democrat lies at least 13 times in one commercial.

Actually, in one sentence. This tactic is being used in races all around the country. It's the claim that (INSERT NAME HERE) Republican supported the privatization of social security- and if that plan would have been implemented-retirees would have lost half of their social

security. Patrick Murphy in Pennsylvania has a particularly bad example against his opponent Mike Fitzpatrick. The commercial ends with a rotund elderly gentlewoman looking sadly into the camera and saying something like “Mike Fitzpatrick...I can’t live on half of my social security.” You get the premise—the market has been a nightmare for the past few years. Therefore, if you had a privatized fund, you’d be screwed! This is so completely dishonest it’s hard to list all the ways...but let’s try. (This is pretty long-so, feel free to skip to the end for the one gigantic run on sentence to summarize all of the lies.) 1) If you are in retirement today—it is entirely IMPOSSIBLE for you to have lost ANYTHING if the privatization plan had been implemented. The social security “privatization” plan did not allow anyone under the age of 55 to participate in it when it launched. Even if you wanted to. PERIOD. 2) Let’s ignore that. If you could have joined...then would you have been forced to lose 50%? No...even when implemented, you would have had to volunteer to be enrolled in it. It was optional. You could not have lost money unless you volunteered for the program. 3) Let’s ignore that. If it was mandatory...and you were exactly 5 years before retirement when the plan was implemented 5 years ago, and you were forced into the program-what would have happened? Would you have lost 50%? Nope. “Why not? The market did drop by about half!” True. But, it also bounced back. And you would have been buying it when it was low. In fact, you would have bought the market at an average of about 10,959 over those five years. So, if you emptied the account all at once today, you’d actually STILL be up about 1.3%—even after the worst financial collapse since the great depression. Oops.* 4) Let’s ignore that. Let’s assume that the market can’t rebound. Let’s assume you were forced at gunpoint to sell at the lowest possible market level in the last five years. Would you lose 50% then? Nope. Why? You could only invest \$1,000 per year in the privatized part of the plan. Even including yearly increases that wouldn’t have kicked in back then, the maximum you could have invested in the privatized fund since 2005 would have been about \$1,210 per year. Even in a world where you could only sell your privatized fund at the lowest point in the market-you’d only be down about \$3,600-about 1% of the expected social security payout of someone retiring today. 5) Let’s ignore that. What if the plan was fully implemented-so there weren’t those pesky yearly limits. Could you lose 50% then? Nope. The absolute maximum you could ever invest in the privatized part of the plan would be about 32% of your social security. Meaning that over 68% of the fund would remain the exact same as it is now. Therefore, even if you had invested every penny possible into your privatized plan over a lifetime, and you pulled it out on the day the market dropped to half of the average you bought it at, you still would only lose 16%. 6) Let’s ignore that. 16% is still a lot-right? It sure is, the only problem is-the plan made it essentially IMPOSSIBLE to lose 16% in this situation. Why? Because, even if you were a complete moron who wanted to pull out all of your money on the worst possible day that the market would allow—the rules wouldn’t allow it. As the plan specifically stated: “Personal retirement accounts would not be emptied out all at once, but rather paid out over time, as an addition to traditional Social Security benefits.” So, even if you were the most unlucky person on the planet-the plan would stop you from losing all of that money-because you’d

have to ride it out over time, allowing the market to bounce back. 7) Let's ignore that. Let's say you had no memory of all that we've learned so far. "All of your money is at risk in the market! And if you pull it out at the worst possible time, you'd lose 50%!! PANIC!!" Ooooh...sorry. Actually, the plan would automatically transfer you out of the riskier fund beginning about 18 years before retirement, unless you specifically told them to do otherwise. Cass Sunstein fans celebrate—you'd have to specifically veto the nudge of a less risky plan to be more risky. 8) Let's ignore that. Sure, every other argument of a 50% loss has been completely demolished—but what about if people started taking the funds out early? Oooooops again. If I may quote: "American workers who choose personal retirement accounts would not be allowed to make withdrawals from, take loans from, or borrow against their accounts prior to retirement." 9) Let's say they ignored all of that and went in another direction...(which they have to do when pressed.) Every one of these candidates knows that this "blame the market" approach is complete and utter BS...even in the worst economic times we've experienced in the past 50 years. So, instead, they say Bush wanted to decrease benefits. Wrong. He proposed that benefits be indexed to inflation—essentially guaranteeing that they would never be decreased. 10) Let's ignore that, and instead act like indexing to inflation is a cut. How? Well, they try to stake their claim on the way Bush was indexing the increases in benefits. Bush basically said "index the benefits to inflation"—while they are now indexed to wages. So, because inflation usually rises at a slightly slower rate than wages—the Bush plan is supposedly "cutting" benefits compared to what they would have been if they were indexed to wages. Get it? So, it's not a cut at all, it's only a cut from what benefits would have been if you had indexed them at a higher rate. 11) Let's ignore that. Let's say that they actually believe that indexing something to inflation is completely unfair. Well—then we finally find our 50% cut...right? Wrong. That's actually still not based on the plan Bush supported. His indexing was more of a hybrid, in between the "wages" and "inflation" measures. Bush's inflation-indexing-horror-show would only fake-cut benefits by 28%...not 50%. By the way, all of these "cut" numbers come from the completely objective source of Barack Obama's own economic advisors. 12) Let's ignore that. Even if you disregard all of this—even if you ignored all of the clauses in the law that would stop these disastrous events—could the lady in the ad REALLY see a 50% cut in her benefits?? Sure. But, she would have to live to be 130 years old. You see, these percentages of the fake-cut wouldn't occur until the year 2075—again—according to Obama's own advisors. 13) Let's ignore that. No, we're not done. Because to get that 50% cut, in 2075, you'd have to ignore the long-term gains of the privatization plan. I'm not going to go through the hassle of running the numbers of 65 years of investments, but rest assured you'd be able to beat the 1.2% return of social security by quite a bit. Especially considering the Dow is up over 7,200% in that time. Of course, the actual return on social security isn't 1.2%—it's negative. There's already nothing left—it's all been spent by the government in other places. But, if you're worried that you're going to wind up with nothing unless someone implements a plan like privatization—don't. Ending up with nothing—is actually far better than what we're going to wind up with. We're getting debt. Trillions of dollars worth. We will pray for the

blessing of only receiving nothing. So, now that I've turned one sentence of a commercial into well over 1,000 words—what have we learned about this claim (in one run-on sentence)? As long as you ignore that you had to be less than 55, and that the plan was completely optional, and that you'd still be up if it started in 2005, and that you couldn't invest more than \$1,000 per year, and that you could never invest more than a third in privatization, and that you couldn't empty the fund all at once, and that you'd be transferred out of a risky fund automatically as you neared retirement, and that you couldn't empty the fund early, and that benefits wouldn't be cut, and that Bush didn't support the type of indexing they're referring to, and that they mysteriously doubled the non-existent cuts, and that it would only effect someone today if they lived to 130 years old, and if you ignore the long term track record of the market, and if there was any actual money left in social security, and we could pay for it—then the commercial was completely truthful. Good job democrats! Read more, as if this wasn't long enough, here and here. *(Using the Dow as a simplified tool throughout.)

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he original plan was to compile a list of the national media's Fake News only as needed -- but no more often than once a week. Unfortunately, our MSM has done so much lying in the last 5 days, I started to worry that I could lose track. Simply put, the last few days have been a fire hose of Fake News.

Read everything below, and then try to make an argument that Steve Bannon isn't 100% correct about the national media being the opposition party.

P.S. Here is last week's list.

1. Entire Media Lies About Trump's Refugee Pause Being a "Muslim Ban"

Using 7 countries designated by the Obama administration as failed states crawling with Islamic terrorists, the Trump administration instituted a pause on the admission of foreign nationals coming from those countries for 90 days, and halted the refugee programs from all countries for 120 days to beef up the vetting process. In the 40-plus other Muslim-majority countries throughout the world, immigration continues as usual.

A Muslim ban would ban Muslims. Trump's refugee pause affects all people of all religions and does not at all affect over three dozen other Muslim-majority countries.

Calling this a Muslim Ban is an outright lie.

2. CNN Lies About Tying Fox News In the Ratings On Inauguration Day

The ratings weren't even close. CNN came in a distant second place, a humiliating second place.

3. Time Magazine Blames Misreporting On Trump

Time Magazine's Ryan Teague Beckwith attempted to blame misreporting on Trump's Executive Orders on Trump. This of course is an absurd lie. The Executive Orders might not be released as quickly as Time would like, but that in no way excuses Fake News from left-wing reporters attempting to fill in the blanks to suit their own twisted agenda.

4. Washington Post "Fact Checker" Attempts to Gin Up Dissent Against Trump

Washington Post fact-checker Glenn Kessler, the single most dishonest member of the media I have ever come across, used his Twitter feed to outright manufacture Fake News against Trump. He called on foreign-service officers to sign a dissent memo, which would then become an anti-Trump story.

5. EXTRAORDINARY Lies of Omission About Foreign-Born Threats to America

In their push for a narrative, Fake News oftentimes comes from what the media intentionally fails to report. The lack of context is purposeful in pursuit of their destroy-Trump agenda. Here is what you are not being told about the very real threat of foreign-born terrorists:

US May Have Let 'Dozens' of Terrorists Into Country As Refugees

Between 2001 and 2014, 380 foreign-born terrorists were convicted in America, 40 of those were refugees.

Islamic State finds success infiltrating its terrorists into refugee flows to West

6. AP Reports that Trump's Vote Fraud Expert is Registered in Three States

By reporting non-news as news, the AP's obvious goal is to mislead readers into believing this man is committing vote fraud. Many people are registered in more than one state. I myself am registered in Wisconsin, California, and North Carolina. We are a transient country. Millions have lived and voted and registered in more than one state. This is a non-story.

Imagine if the AP was this concerned about actual illegal voting.

7. The Viral Lie that Dick Cheney Blasted Trump Over His Refugee Pause

Never happened.

8. Media Lies About Trump's Refugee Pause Based On His Business Interests

From NPR, to Fortune magazine, to Reuters, to Vox... The lie that Trump's refugee pause is based on countries his company does not do business with went viral for a full day.

Even the left-wing Washington Post got on board.

As we now know, the seven countries chosen by Trump came from a list the Obama Administration put together, a list of countries riddled with terror and lacking in the infrastructure necessary to adequately vet immigrants and refugees.

9. ABC News Accuses Trump of Not Having Family Photos in the Oval Office

Based on a single photograph that doesn't begin to show what might be in a 800-plus square foot office, ABC News's Terry Moran fired off the Fake News that the lack of family pictures in that particular photograph was meaningful.

Obviously, the MSM chose to learn nothing from the Fake News fiasco involving the bust of Rev. Martin Luther King.

10. The Islamophobic Media Lie That Refugee Pauses Create Terrorists

In their zeal to attack Trump, time and again the media revealed its own Islamophobia by spreading the debunked lie that such actions create more terrorists. Over and over and over again, the media coordinated a narrative that claimed Muslims become terrorists when they do not get their way.

If that's not outright bigotry, if that's not looking at a group of people as scary others, what is?

11. The Lie That Mike Flynn's Son Called the Refugee Pause a 'Muslim Ban'

Based only on a Tweet that included the tag #MuslimBan, Politico's Blake Hounshell and CNN's Jake Tapper spread the lie that this somehow meant Mike Flynn Jr., son of Trump's National Security Advisor, had declared Trump's refugee pause a "Muslim Ban."

Using a tag to get into a top Twitter conversation means absolutely nothing. Everyone knows this, but Tapper and Hounshell still spread what they knew could be a lie.

12. Media Spreads Lies of "Mass Resignations" at State Department

The Washington Post's Josh Rogin spread the flat-out lie that there was a "mass exodus of senior Foreign Service officers" at the State Department. All of it due to Trump.

The truth is that the White House asked for these resignations. Furthermore, the truth is that this is standard operating procedure with a new administration.

13. New York Times' Maggie Haberman Claims Only San Bernardino Shootings Involved 'Non-US-Born Attacker'

Maggie Haberman, who shares the dual-honor of being biased and not very bright, had her Fake News immediately corrected by Twitter users, none of whom enjoy the enormous resources of the leftwing New York Times.

14. Media Falsely Claims Obama Did Not Discriminate Against Christian Refugees

By cherry-picking one year, 2016, and being hyper-literal about Trump's statement that it was "impossible" for Christian refugees to gain entry into America under Obama, the media spread the Fake News that Christians were not discriminated against by Obama.

Here is the truth:

But the numbers tell a different story: The United States has accepted 10,801 Syrian refugees, of whom 56 are Christian. Not 56 percent; 56 total, out of 10,801. That is to say, one-half of 1 percent.

The BBC says that 10 percent of all Syrians are Christian, which would mean 2.2 million Christians. It is quite obvious, and President Barack Obama and Secretary John Kerry have acknowledged it, that Middle Eastern Christians are an especially persecuted group.

So how is it that one-half of 1 percent of the Syrian refugees we've admitted are Christian, or 56, instead of about 1,000 out of 10,801—or far more, given that they certainly meet the legal definition?

15. CNN's Jim Sciutto Spreads Lie That "Refugee Policy Is Not Based On Religion"

Sciutto, a former Obama official, also lied about Christians not being discriminated against.

Sciutto is a lying liar who lies.

16. Media Lies About Trump Installing a Gag Order Against the EPA

Standard operating procedure with a new administration was again turned into Nazi Germany.

17. Media Covered Up and Lied About Obama's 2011 Refugee Ban

Due to the same fears in 2011, then-President Obama instituted a refugee ban from Iraq that lasted six months. Not only did the media cover it up, in order to protect Obama and

their Narrative, the media are now falsely spreading the Fake News that Obama's refugee six-month ban from a Muslim-majority country is somehow different from Trump's.

Yeah, it's not.

18. Washington Post Publishes Partisan Editorial as Straight News Story

Pretty outrageous.

19. NBC's Chuck Todd Falsely Claims Fear of Sexism Contributed to Major Hillary Cover-up

While I appreciate Chuck Todd admitting that he and the rest of the national media covered up the fact that they all knew how despised Hillary was in the Midwest, his excuse is just flat-out wrong. Todd claimed he and the rest of the media covered up a vital truth fearing it would be sexist to tell this truth.

What poppycock.

1) We all know Todd and Company would not have covered this truth up if it were Sarah Palin, as opposed to Hillary.

2) What is sexist about "Hillary for Prison" signs? What is sexist about despising a politician? Nothing. If the signs read, "Women make Lousy Presidents" or "Hillary is a Bitch," that is sexist.

But you can also bet that Todd and company would have gleefully reported on those!

20. Philadelphia Inquirer Contradicts Its Own Reporting to Gotcha Trump

In September of 2016, the Inquirer reported that the murder rate was on the increase. After Trump agreed with them, the same outlet called him a liar.

21. Even MORE Corrections from the Atlantic on Their Fake News Reporting About the Unborn

We reported on this debacle last week. But since then, the Atlantic has had to add even more corrections.

22. Media Spreads Lie That Trump's Chief Advisor Told the Media to "Shut Up"

The national media loves to talk about themselves and feel persecuted, so Steve Bannon's suggestion that the media "should keep its mouth shut and just listen for a while" to the American people, was quickly turned into an act of persecution.

No one lied more about this than CNN's Jake Tapper.

Tapper even won the prize for being the most smug while spreading the lie.

Bannon never said shut up. All he expressed was the same opinion many in the media have after facing the fallout of the 2016 debacle. Meaning, maybe we need to listen more to the voters and less to our own echo chamber.

Nonetheless, CNN put "shut up" in quote marks. That is a lie. That is spreading the fake news that Bannon said something he did not say.

Politico's media reporter did the same.

Even the t-shirts lie.

22. ABC News Memory-Holes Key Part of Trump Interview

During David Muir's interview with Trump, the president criticized the media for always underplaying the massive crowds at the annual March for Life.

That part of the interview was omitted from the network's official transcript.

23. WINTER IS COMING: ABC News Busted Promoting Fake Image of Trump

Trump looking out a window at a cold, foggy blizzard, is much more ominous-looking than the truth...

The weather that day was sunny and 60 degrees.

24. Media Falsely Claim There Is Zero Evidence of Widespread Vote Fraud

After Trump again said that as many as 3 to 5 million illegal votes may have been cast in 2016, the national media went on a Fake News spree claiming that no evidence of any kind exists to back up this claim.

This was fairly typical of the lies spread.

In fact, there is all kinds of evidence about widespread vote fraud.

1. The Media claiming it doesn't exist is excellent reason to believe it does.

2. Despite its widespread popularity even among Democrats, the MSM and Democrats fight tooth and nail against voter ID.

3. There is this study that was published by no less than the Washington Post.

4. There is also this study.

5. And this study.

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This has been this week's edition of OMG LOOK AT ALL THE LIES TOLD BY THE MSM!

Be sure to tune in next week for another edition of OMG LOOK AT ALL THE LIES TOLD BY THE MSM!