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A Note from the Editor

The Campaign against Real Immigration Enforcement

ur immigration laws are intended to safeguard the American people from dangerous foreign nationals entering the country and to protect American workers from unfair competition for jobs here at home. As *TSC* readers are only too well aware, an unholy alliance of Left activists has long seen the masses of immigrants from around the world as recruits against the American middle class and our traditional political order, while corporate businesses want a steady supply of cheap labor. The election of Donald Trump poses a threat to these interests for the first time in generations.

After the new administration issued an Executive Order temporarily freezing the issuance of visas to certain previously designated terror-risk nations, several states went to court seeking a temporary restraining order to block the implementation of these sensible proposals. But as Dale L. Wilcox, executive director of the Immigration Reform Law Institute, points out, "More than a hundred years ago, the U.S. Supreme Court stated, 'The right to exclude or to expel aliens, or any class of aliens, absolutely or upon certain conditions, in war or in peace, is an inherent and inalienable right of every sovereign nation.'" The President's authority is found in 8 U.S. Code, Section 1182(f), which clearly states:

Whenever the President finds that the entry of any aliens or of any class of aliens into the United States would be detrimental to the interests of the United States, he may by proclamation, and for such period as he shall deem necessary, suspend the entry of all aliens or any class of aliens as immigrants or non-immigrants, or impose on the entry of aliens any restrictions he may deem to be appropriate.

The Trump Administration has requested an additional \$6.6 billion spread across twelve appropriation bills to fund the hiring of 10,000 additional Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents and 5,000 new Customs and Border Patrol (CBP) officers. Sen. Charles Schumer (D-NY) has promised to prevent the increases in funding for enhanced border security and interior enforcement. Public opposition is being orchestrated by organizations associated with far-Left Democratic funders, led by international currency manipulator George Soros (cf. Fredreka Schouten, "George Sorosaligned group weighs funding anti-Trump activists," *USA TODAY*, March 20, 2017). And the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) has launched what they call the "Freedom Cities" organizing initiative to increase the number of Sanctuary Cities trying to shield illegal aliens from federal immigration agents.

The campaign against enforcing our immigration laws has just begun. Citizens cannot rest upon last year's election results. We are in the fight for America. ■

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