

The Honorable Merrick B. Garland, Attorney General c/o The U.S. Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Ave, NW Washington, DC 20530-0001

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

I am writing in hopes of helping to prevent an escalation in the tensions created by a press release from the Department of Justice. But, based on what I'm reading and texts I'm receiving, I think I may be too late. It's already front page news in the main stream media.

The press release to which I refer, of course, addresses the subject matter as: Partnership Among Federal, State, Local, Tribal and Territorial Law Enforcement to Address Threats Against School Administrators, Board Members, Teachers and Staff.

As you are aware, this press release is meant to assist those "who participate in the vital work of running our nation's public schools" and purported "threats of violence or efforts to intimidate individuals based on their views". The press release is summed up in the statement, "Those who dedicate their time and energy to ensuring that our children receive a proper education in a safe environment deserve to be able to do their work without fear for their safety."

However, the portion of the press release that is particularly inflammatory is your apparent buy-in to the NSBA's request to classify protests as "domestic terrorism" by the forming of a "task force. . .to determine how federal law enforcement tools can be used to prosecute these crimes."

To which harassment, intimidation and threats do you refer? And, why have you already determined crimes worthy of prosecution have been committed? Is not a reasonable investigation to take place before prosecution is adjudicated?

Mr. Attorney General, Sir, which is the greater threat:

The school board member who believes it is right and proper to promote Critical Race *Theory* (italicized for emphasis) and Comprehensive Sex Education, that is,

consensual sexual activity among any person or persons at any time, with one or more partners, including adults with minors, but does not want school children 8 years-old and under taught the Pledge of Allegiance because "we should not indoctrinate our children," or the parents who know Critical Race *Theory* is false, mask mandates on school-aged children contradict good science and Comprehensive Sex Education is harmful to children?

What exactly is the *real* agenda here?

Could it be that the real agenda here is wrapped up in the written goals of those anti-Americans who believe it is right and necessary to:

- 1. Do away with all loyalty oaths, including the Pledge of Allegiance?
- 2. Get control of the schools. Use them as transmission belts for socialism and current Communist propaganda. Soften the curriculum. Get control of teacher's associations. *Put the party line in textbooks*. (Emphasis mine.)
- 3. Gain control of all student newspapers.
- 4. Eliminate all laws governing obscenity by calling them "censorship" and a violation of free speech and free press.
- 5. Break down cultural standards of morality.
- 6. Present homosexuality, degeneracy and promiscuity as "normal, natural, healthy".
- 7. Eliminate prayer or any phase of religious expression in the schools on the ground it violates the principle of "separation of church and state."
- 8. Discredit the American Constitution.
- 9. Discredit the American Founding Fathers.
- 10. Belittle all forms of American culture and discourage the teaching of American history.
- 11. Support any socialist movement to give centralized control over any part of the culture education, social agencies, welfare programs, mental health clinics, etc.
- 12. Emphasize the need to raise children away from the negative influence of parents. Attribute prejudices, mental blocks and retarding of children to suppressive influence of parents.
- 13. Discredit the family as an institution
- 14. Promote the U.N. as the only hope for mankind.
- 15. Infiltrate and gain control of more unions.
- 16. Infiltrate and gain control of big business.
- 17. Infiltrate the press.

As you know, these are only 17 of your 45 goals.

Mr. Attorney General, the NSBA's request and your press release have done little more than stir up a hornet's nest. Your "task force" is likely to be a consummate failure unless your ultimate objective is to create a Nazi-like gestapo hellbent on making America's parents the enemies of their children. No, Sir, we will not bend on this.

Therefore, here is what we will continue to do, whether or not you create your "task force of tyranny":

- 1. We will continue to advocate peacefully for parental rights in school choice.
- 2. We will continue to advocate peacefully for the rights of community members to speak up at their school board meetings.
- 3. We will not tolerate or excuse members of our communities from making threats of violence against members of school boards, school districts, teachers or teacher's aides.
- 4. We will promote with great enthusiasm the movement among parents to remove their children from government-run indoctrination centers, more commonly referred to as the public school system, and assist them where possible to place their children in well-run private, charter, church-based, faith-based and home schools so they can focus more on education and less on government propaganda.
- 5. We will work diligently to vote out of office school board members, city council members, county commissioners, and all other state and federal officials who continue to violate parental trust in a so-called education system that seems to exist to destroy our children, families and our nation.

Mr. Attorney General, if you want an effective "task force," why not include parents and other community leaders whose primary concern is for the safety, security and education of America's children, instead of giving in to a socialistic association intent on using you and your office for bullying and intimidation tactics so they can carry out their un-American terroristic agenda? Do you *really* want to investigate "domestic terrorism"? Then, we suggest you investigate the NSBA and the NEA. The criminality you will likely find there will keep you and your task force busier than a one-legged man in a butt-kicking contest. It will also allow America's parents provide the quality education they want for their children and that their children deserve.

Respectfully submitted,

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