

November 13, 2015

Dear Governor Haley,

I'm Kathy Smith, Chair of the Columbia Tea Party. I have been a proud supporter and voter. I wanted to let you know about our concerns of letting our guard down by allowing un-vetted refugees into our country and our state.

Not only are the refugees going to use taxpayer funds that we have paid over many years, but they will change our way of life. We have worked to support our safety and ourselves physically and financially. Now, we're planning on spending our children's money, to support people that we know nothing about, from countries that hate Americans.

My brother-in-law, Stephen Sargunaraj's parents were born in India. He was raised in Canada and is now a proud citizen of the U.S. Are the people that are coming proud of America? What kind of people are they? We don't know.

We give money to the government, churches and also donate to other causes. I sent many packages to Iraq and Afghanistan. I made bags for veterans this week. I'm not trying to brag about what I have done, my point is that we already help people! Our churches go on missions, donate to homeless, hungry, etc. If we want to help, let's make safe refuge havens in a country near the people we want to help. **NOT BRING THEM HERE!**

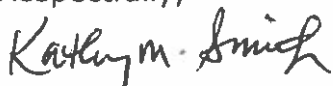
South Carolina is all of us. We should all decide about major changes that affect us.

I am enclosing just a few things that I would like for you to read. Many of us are very concerned about the safety and the financial situation of our state.

We have many homeless, hungry and veterans that we need to take care of BEFORE we try to take care of people in other countries. Our government gives millions to other countries, now they are trying to spend millions of our dollars by giving our money and services away, when we have so many people here who are in need.

Please stop any kind of refugee program in our state. There is a process in place that people need to follow. My brother in law followed it. Many people in many countries would like to come to America. Please don't jeopardize the safety and finances in South Carolina. Please let the people in the state decide on issues that affect all of us.

Respectfully,



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Facts about the Refugee Resettlement Program

Christina Jeffrey, Ph.D.

1. The office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) is in the Administration for Children and Families, within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Established in 1948 to bring 250,000 Europeans displaced by WWII, it coordinated efforts of the U.S. State Department (Reception and Placement Program) to bring people to the United States, in a manner consistent with U.S. foreign policy, local sentiments and humanitarian concerns.
2. The Refugee Act of 1980 incorporated the United Nations' definition of "refugee" and also allowed the U.N. to refer most of the refugees who enter the U.S., thus almost completely eliminating the State Department's former role in selecting particular refugees. The FBI (in DHS) has been tasked with vetting refugees applying for admission; in February, Assistant Director Michael Steinbach told Congress that Syrians cannot be vetted, because it is a "failed state." Nevertheless, 14 U.S. Senators have asked the President to accept 65,000 additional Syrians by the end of 2016.
3. The ORR has become an important agency for transforming America. How, is explained in the White House Report, "Strengthening Communities by Welcoming all Residents: A Strategic Action Plan on Immigrant & Refugee Integration." ¹
4. The ORR uses federal contractors (voluntary agencies called VolAgs). There are nine, most with sectarian religious ties, including Catholic, Episcopal, Lutheran, Hebrew and Evangelical. Two VolAgs operate in SC: World Relief (Evangelical) and Lutheran Social Services. Top salaries for executives can go to a half million dollars. Most income comes from taxpayers. To keep paying staff, the money must keep flowing in, and thus, contractors must keep refugees flowing in. ²
5. After 1991, Congress slashed the budget for the ORR; to keep the program solvent without cutting refugees, the federal government no longer picks up all the costs.
6. Churches play an important role in helping contractors meet the matching requirements for federal grants. In-kind donations from community partners count as matching funds. Some VolAgs raise no cash at all.
7. The State Department does not permit "Spreading the Gospel," or as the State Department's website states: "While some of the agencies (VolAgs) have religious affiliations, they are not allowed to proselytize."³ As federal contractors, they may also be affected by new regulations coming from the White House to require religious

¹ https://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/docs/final_tf_newamericans_report_4-14-15_clean.pdf

² The State Department insists that "cooperative agreements" are not "contracts" so the VolAgs are not "contractors" but it seems a distinction without a difference.

³ <http://www.state.gov/j/prm/ra/receptionplacement/index.htm>

groups receiving federal funds to provide abortions and contraception to female refugees whose vulnerability to rape is huge.⁴

8. Contractors use local leaders to create "Receiving Communities." Mayors like Stephanie Rawlings - Blake in Baltimore and Stephen K. Benjamin in Columbia, who are eager to welcome refugees are honored by the White House. VoLags are seeking places to grow immigrant communities as well as new places to plant seedling communities. But when "Receiving Communities" reach a comfortable capacity, they have found it impossible to stop the flow. See Lewiston, Maine.
9. Resettlement sites get refugees directly from abroad, they also get secondary migration. Refugees are immediately given "protected status," social security cards and after a year, must apply for green cards. In many places they are encouraged to vote.
10. In South Carolina, State Senators Lee Bright, Shane Martin, Harvey Peeler, Tom Corbin, and Katrina Shealy proposed and passed a general proviso to the State budget(117.132), which enhances home rule to require county councils to **approve** a resettlement program before state controlled funds can go to refugees enrolled in that program. While this is now the law in the State of South Carolina, it will not effect refugees who are do not need state funds. South Carolinians can check with their county councils to find out if they are planning to approve a refugee resettlement program. If so, they should ask for a public hearing so all are informed.

⁴ <http://www.state.gov/j/prm/ra/receptionplacement/index.htm>

True?

WND EXCLUSIVE

NIKKI HALEY WELCOMES MUSLIM REFUGEES

Gitmo-shunning governor's statements called 'the height of hypocrisy'

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Some are calling it the "height of hypocrisy," bordering on demagoguery.

Nikki Haley, South Carolina's Republican governor, came out last Thursday and blasted possible White House plans to bring Guantanamo Bay prisoners to her state.

The governor called a news conference and didn't mince words.

"We are absolutely drawing a line that we are not going to allow any terrorist to come into South Carolina," Haley said. "We are not going to allow that kind of threat, we are not going to allow that kind of character to come in.

"My job is to protect the people of this state, and I take that very personally," she continued. "I will take that personally the entire way through, so that the president, the Congress and anyone involved in this decision understands they are not wanted, they are not needed, and we will not accept them in South Carolina."

Yet, at the same time she was drawing a red line against Gitmo terrorists who would stay locked in a brig off the coast of Charleston, Haley was opening her arms wide to welcome "refugees" from jihadist strongholds in the Middle East and Africa.

World Relief, an evangelical aid agency that gets paid by the federal government to resettle refugees in the U.S. from places like Somalia and Syria, hatched plans more than a year ago to add Spartanburg, South Carolina, to the list of more than 190 U.S. cities receiving foreign refugees.

As WND has reported in a series of more than 35 articles over the past year, the refugee program has been fraught with problems. Chief among them has been young men entering the U.S. as refugees and turning out to be terrorists. Some, such as the two Iraqis in Bowling Green, Kentucky, or the Uzbek man resettled in Boise, Idaho, harbored ill intent against America from day one. But others, such as the six Somalis from Minnesota who were arrested after repeatedly trying to join ISIS, or the two brothers who bombed the Boston Marathon, were radicalized after they came to the U.S. as young boys.

According to a document released Aug. 11 by Sen. Jeff Sessions, R-Ala., at least 72 cases have been documented in just the past year of suspected Muslims arrested on terrorist-related charges. Sessions is asking the Obama administration to clarify their immigration status but all are believed to be either immigrants or children of recent immigrants.

So when World Relief's plans were finally made public in March, it set off a wave of grassroots opposition in Spartanburg. Residents were angry they had not been consulted about the new arrivals, nor were they given information on the impact refugees will have on

schools, housing and labor markets. Not to mention the national security risks that almost nobody wanted to talk about.

The resistance movement spreads

Spartanburg's resistance to the secret planting of refugees into their community has since spread to St. Cloud, Minnesota, Twin Falls, Idaho, and Fargo, North Dakota, with uprisings brewing in Ohio and Michigan as well, WND reported earlier this month.

Every state except Wyoming has agreed to participate in the federal government's refugee resettlement program, which gets its authority from the Refugee Act of 1980, signed by President Jimmy Carter.

The State Department works in concert with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees Antonio Guterres to permanently settle refugees in the U.S. The U.N. assigns refugees to various countries and it is the duty of the host country to screen them for criminal activity and ties to terrorist organizations.

Rep. Trey Gowdy, R-S.C., whose district includes Spartanburg, pressured Secretary of State John Kerry for answers to citizens' questions, but wasn't satisfied with the answers he received. If anyone in Congress should be familiar with the program it should be Gowdy, who chairs the House subcommittee in charge of overseeing immigration and refugees.

Kerry dispatches top deputy to South Carolina

Kerry sent one of his top lieutenants to Spartanburg earlier this week to try to quell the uprising.

Assistant Secretary of State Anne Richard arrived Monday for what was designed to be a private meeting with stakeholders, including the mayor, police, housing and school officials. Protesters outside the meeting were allowed in, turning a private meeting semi-public at the last minute, one protester told WND.

"I wanted a public hearing. Trey Gowdy wanted a public meeting. World Relief would not hold a public hearing," the protester said. "So Anne Richard had to come down here to clean up their mess."

Haley has come down on the side of the State Department and the refugees, saying she trusts the vetting process, despite hundreds of arrests and active investigations involving refugees or children of refugees across the U.S. She has chosen to believe the State Department over the FBI, which is responsible for screening the refugees and warned that in some cases it's an impossible task.

'Jihadist pipeline' remains wide open

One of the FBI's top counter-terrorism experts testified to Congress in February that the U.S. lacks the capability to vet refugees from "failed states" like Syria.

The U.S. has no "boots on the ground," in Syria, like it did in Iraq, and therefore has no access to reliable law enforcement data, said Michael Steinbach, deputy director of the FBI's counter-terrorism unit.

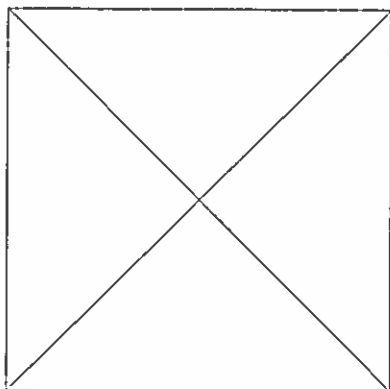
Haley also seems content to ignore the warnings of Rep. Michael McCaul, R-Texas, who chairs the House Homeland Security Committee. McCaul has expressed serious concerns about the Syrian refugees, calling the program a possible "jihadist pipeline" to the U.S.

McCaul has written two letters to President Obama urging him not to proceed with plans to import thousands of Syrian refugees over the next year and a half. Of the more than 1,200 Syrians who have already entered the U.S. as refugees, 95 percent have been Muslim compared to 3.8 percent Christian. Those skewed numbers belie the situation on the ground in Syria, where more than 350,000 Christians have been run out of their homes, fleeing the bloodlust of ISIS radicals.

While Haley has thrown out the welcome mat for potentially thousands of Muslim refugees who will walk the streets of South Carolina cities, she has condemned in the strongest words any plan to allow Gitmo prisoners.

The Pentagon is considering the Charleston Naval brig as a possible destination for the terrorists if Gitmo is ultimately closed down. Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, is also being considered, and Kansas' Republican Gov. Sam Brownback has similarly sounded off against the idea while also welcoming Muslim refugees to his state.

Watch Gov. Nikki Haley's stern denouncement of possible federal plans to bring Gitmo prisoners to Charleston, S.C.



South Carolina activists say they wish Haley would be as willing to go to the mat for citizens' safety when it comes to U.N.-selected refugees as she is with regard to Gitmo prisoners.

"Gov. Haley made a big deal out of saying no to Gitmo. It was an angry Haley on the air, every TV station, angry about the possibility of Gitmo prisoners coming here," said Christina Jeffrey, co-founder of Spartans for Biblical Immigration who has helped lead the grassroots effort against the refugee program in Spartanburg.

"Those Gitmo prisoners, they're going to be locked up, not living next door to anyone, not going to our schools, our stores or anywhere they can do us any harm; they're going to be locked up," Jeffrey said. "The refugees are a much bigger threat to the community and she says she supports that program and trusts the vetting process."

Get informed, get involved, learn how to resist from the woman who wrote the book on it: Pamela Geller's blockbuster "Stop the Islamization of America" is available in the WND Superstore.

Jeffrey gives Haley credit for supporting a proviso added to the state budget this year that allows local councils to reject refugee funding from flowing into their counties. She said she "remains hopeful" that Haley will cancel the agreement with World Relief.

Haley's press secretary did not respond to requests for comment from WND.

49 states receive refugees, but some more than others

South Carolina has historically not been a major destination for foreign refugees.

Since 2002, the federal government has sent only 1,730 refugees to the state. By contrast, Texas, California, New York, Florida, Michigan and Minnesota have each received more than 30,000 refugees since 2002. California has received the most refugees over that period, at 91,050, according to State Department data, followed by Texas at 70,057. North Carolina has also received many more refugees than its neighbor to the south, taking in 25,276 since 2002.

So it's unclear why Haley is agreeing to ramp up the number of refugees coming into her state. Some speculate that she may be angling for a cabinet post in the next administration and wants to prove her commitment to a cause that is near and dear to the GOP establishment's heart.

The refugee program sends hundreds of cheap foreign workers into corporate-owned food processing plants every year. Meatpacking plants in Willmar, Minnesota, Amarillo, Texas, Bowling Green, Kentucky, and a new plant being built near Boise, Idaho, all benefit from large infusions of refugees into nearby cities and towns.

Where is Trey Gowdy on refugees?

Gowdy's role in the refugee uprising remains murky.

He has the power to call a congressional hearing on the program and have it fully investigated but he has settled for writing letters and holding private meetings with State Department officials.

He asked for a public hearing but never got one.

"Is Trey Gowdy a principled man? Yes. But somehow, this issue is tougher for him than Benghazi or Hillary," said Jeffrey, the former historian for the U.S. House of Representatives. "Why? Because the Chamber of Commerce is on board (with the refugee program). But they are wrong! Culture matters; security matters. Our lives and the lives of our children matter."

Also working to support the refugee program are a handful of churches in Spartanburg.

World Relief first made contact with a group of local pastors in 2013, and plans were secretly laid to add Spartanburg to the list of 190 U.S. cities taking in refugees. Word did not leak out to the public until March 2015, shortly before the first refugees were to arrive.

"The questions Trey Gowdy asked of Secretary Kerry in April still haven't been answered," said Jeffrey. "And he asked for a moratorium. I brought that up in the meeting with Anne Richard this week. We need a moratorium. World Relief hasn't told anybody anything."

Apparently the pastors did not consult their congregations. Few who should have been informed have actually been informed. Our mayor wasn't; our police chief wasn't. I know this first hand because I asked them."

Jeffrey said Richard admitted in Monday's meeting that once a state agrees to participate in the federal refugee program, there is little local residents can do to stop it.

Another Spartanburg resident, Lynn Kisler, confronted Richard on the issue of national security.

"Ms. Richard said she experiences terrorist threats whenever she travel overseas, and it was almost like they were already trying to condition us for that, kinda like a terrorist threat is an accepted way of life now, no big deal, and I could not believe my ears," said Kisler. "I told her my house doesn't have armed guards, it doesn't have an 8-foot wall all around it, so for her to compare an embassy abroad to me being in my home among that population, when they want to bring that population here, it made me angry. I interrupted her and I said 'you have armed guards, I don't have armed guards.'"

Refugees just like American pilgrims?

Richard also began "pontificating" about how successful the refugee program has been everywhere it has been put in place, Kisler said. The assistant secretary even compared today's refugees to the early pilgrims who settled America.

"I asked her how do you define success?" Kisler said. "Ask the people of St. Cloud, Minnesota, how successful it's been there. It has destroyed that area."

So many Somalis in Minnesota have been caught engaging in terrorist activity and sending money to overseas terrorists that the U.S. Attorney there, Andrew Luger, admitted in April that, "We have a terror recruitment problem in Minnesota."

But where does that leave Spartanburg, which was in line for an initial batch of 60 refugees this year and potentially hundreds more in succeeding years?

"I think World Relief is going to send as many as they can find jobs for and wait till next year and try to get rid of the state proviso allowing local councils to veto," Jeffrey said. "And you saw the response to the Confederate Flag issue earlier this year (after the Charleston church shooting) so these are not profiles in courage we're talking about (at the state Capitol)."

At least half of the 70,000 refugees resettled in the U.S. annually come from Muslim-dominated, shariah-compliant countries such as Iraq, Iran, Afghanistan, Somalia, Democratic Republic of Congo, and now Syria. Even Buddhist Burma, which wants to get rid of its Muslim minority, has started sending its unwanted Muslims to U.N. refugee camps where they will be destined for the U.S. and other Western countries.

"For the sake of the rest of the country, we need Trey Gowdy, chairman of the subcommittee with oversight in this area to hold hearings on this under-supervised program that has been around since Jimmy Carter created it," Jeffrey said.

True?

23 Jihad Training Camps Are Located Inside America... Obama's FBI Does NOTHING

If the fact that there are 23 jihad training camps within U.S. borders isn't frightening enough, the fact that president Barack Obama has done absolutely nothing about them should be.

According to a document released by the Clarion Project, 23 confirmed terrorist Jihad compounds belonging to Jamaat ul-Fuqra, a Pakistan Muslim Brotherhood and Al Qaeda-related organization, were operating within our own borders.

Jamaat ul-Fuqra is known to be an extremely militant group of international terrorists. The compounds allegedly provide paramilitary training to new recruits for jihad against America.



The document also claimed that Jamaat ul-Fuqra was an "autonomous organization which possesses an infrastructure capable of planning and mounting terrorist campaigns overseas and

This document was obtained in 2007, but still nothing has been done about these compounds or their activities.

If you're wondering why, the answer lies with our very own president and Department of Homeland Security, which refuse to classify Jamaat ul-Fuqra as a foreign terrorist organization — even though plenty of evidence proving they are terrorists reportedly exists.

The fact that Obama has done nothing to stop these groups only reinforces the notion that he chooses to support Muslim interests over American interests, and that is disturbing in every way. What kind of president allows this kind of training to happen in his own backyard?

This is as good a reason as any for Americans to exercise their Second Amendment rights. If our president is more worried about being politically correct than he is the safety of our country, then the people deserve the right to defend themselves.

True?

It has started Finally!

The first countries to ban Islam: See how the world is acting fast on the threat posed by Islam and its barbaric Sharia Law.

Japan has always refused Muslims to live permanent in their country and own any real estate or any type of business, and have banned any worship of Islam. Any Muslim tourist caught spreading the word of Islam will be deported immediately, including all family members.

Cuba rejects plans for first mosque.

The African nation of Angola and several other nations have officially banned Islam.

Record number of Muslims, (over 2,000) deported from Norway as a way of fighting crime. Since these Muslim criminals have been deported, crime has dropped by a staggering 72%. Prison Officials are reporting that nearly half of their jail cells are now vacant, Courtrooms nearly empty, Police now free to attend to other matters, mainly traffic offenses to keep their roads and highways safe and assisting the public in as many ways as they can.

In Germany alone in the last year there were 81 violent attacks targeting mosques.

Austrian police arrested 13 men targeting suspected jihad recruiters.

A Chinese court sends 22 Muslim Imams to jail for 16 to 20 years for spreading Islam hatred, and have executed eighteen Jihadists; China campaigns against Separatism (disallowing islamists to have their own separate state). Muslim prayers banned in government buildings and schools in Xinjiang (Western China). Hundreds of Muslim families prepared to leave China for their own safety and return back to their own Middle Eastern countries.

Muslim refugees beginning to realize that they are not welcome in Christian countries because of their violent ways and the continuing wars in Syria and Iraq whipped up by the hideous ISIS who are murdering young children and using mothers and daughters as sex slaves.

British Home Secretary prepares to introduce 'Anti-social Behavior Order' for extremists and strip dual nationals of their Citizenship.
Deportation laws also being prepared.

The Czech Republic blatantly refuses Islam in their country, regarding it as evil.

Alabama - A new controversial amendment that will ban the recognition of "foreign laws which would include sharia law".

The Polish Defence League issues a warning to Muslims. 16 States Have All Introduced Legislation to Ban Shariah Law.

Many Muslims in Northern Ireland have announced plans to leave the Country to avoid anti-Islamic violence by Irish locals. The announcement comes after an attack on groups of Muslims in the city of Belfast, Groups of Irish locals went berserk and bashed teenage Muslim gangs who were referring to young Irish girls as sluts and should be all gang raped, according to Islam and "Sharia Law".

Even hospital staff were reluctant to treat the battered Muslim patients, the majority were given the Band-Aid treatment and sent home with staff muttering "Good Riddance".

North Carolina bans Islamic "Sharia Law" in the State, regarding it now as a criminal offence.

Dutch MP's call for removal of all mosques in the Netherlands. One Member of the Dutch Parliament said: "We want to clean Netherlands of Islam".

Dutch MP Machiel De Graaf spoke on behalf of the Party for Freedom when he said, "All mosques in the Netherlands should be shut down. Without Islam, the Netherlands would be a wonderful safe country to live in, as it was before the arrival of Muslim refugees".

From an email:

We need to stop it!! A guy spoke last night from Georgia and said that in Dekalb County there are refugees who speak 170 different languages/dialects and that it is killing the School system. The people are uneducated, cannot speak English, and are mostly Muslims. No one knows there criminal past because there are no records on them. Law enforcement could be overwhelmed also. He also stated that Federal Assistance runs out after 9 months which is stated in your link below. After that the State and Counties are on the hook.

Tell me if you think we can train someone to speak English, Educate them , and find them a job in 9 months??

<http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/refugees/outside/arriving-healthcare.asp>

Dear Governor Haley,

We, the undersigned, strongly urge you to reject and deny any type of Refugee Resettlement Program from coming into our state. We are concerned about the safety and financial welfare of our state and our country.

This program is very costly and uses our taxpayer money to bring people into our state that will cost more money to support them indefinitely. If we want to help others, we can help build cities of refuge in their country. South Carolina needs to take care of our own hungry, homeless, elderly and veterans.

The UN is not an authority of the US and we do not agree with the way they are using our sympathy for others to force their programs on us.

Sincerely,

LENORA E. THOMAS

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11/4/2015

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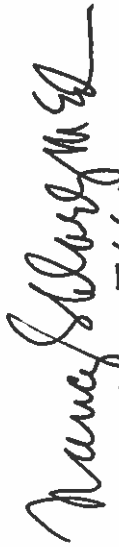
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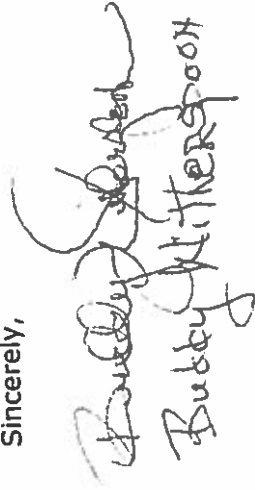
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Connie SAALFRANK

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