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Unmasking Obama: The Fight to Tell the True Story of a Failed Presidency

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A corollary euphemism is “reproductive rights.” From the beginning, American progressives, led by Planned Parenthood’s eugenicist founding mother Margaret Sanger, did all in their power to discourage women from reproducing. In the early part of this century, that discouragement took the form of state laws denying reproductive rights to women considered “unfit.” In the notorious 1927 Buck v. Bell case, heartily endorsed by Sanger, progressive Supreme Court Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes wrote the majority decision affirming a state’s right to deny certain women the right to reproduce. This has always been a progressive thing. Within five years of Buck v. Bell, the Nazis marched in and left eugenicists with a whole lot of explaining to do. Choosing to switch rather than fight, progressives erased their eugenics past and shifted their energy to the cause of abortion. The more radical among them argued that a woman’s right to terminate a pregnancy extended to the very moment a baby entered the world and, in some cases, even beyond. Obama was one of those radicals. Weak of knee on several fronts, in defense of abortion he was a warrior. In 2008, however, Obama did not want

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Running for president at the time, Hillary Clinton could not afford to be so dismissive. Although her first instinct was to attack the video producers, Clinton herself began to waver as each new video dropped. “I have seen pictures from [the videos] and obviously find them disturbing,” Clinton told the New Hampshire Union Leader late that July. No one knew better than Clinton, however, what overwhelming force Planned Parenthood and its allies in the Democratic-media complex could bring to bear against a pair of citizen journalists.³⁶ For immediate assistance, Planned Parenthood turned to the well-connected fixers at—where else? —Fusion GPS. The beleaguered

organization contracted with Fusion to review the unedited footage Daleiden had posted online. O’Keefe started this practice to counter the inevitable claims that he somehow doctored the videos. O’Keefe’s transparency went largely unappreciated. The journalists who reviewed his footage knew what they wanted to say even without seeing it. The former journalists at Fusion GPS, now in the employ of Planned Parenthood, did not even have to feign objectivity.

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Armed with a ten-page report from Fusion, Richards went on the offensive. Convincing people they did not see what they saw would not be easy, but the networks made the task possible by refusing to show the actual videos. As to the newspapers and online journals, they did their bit by leaving the assessment of the videos to Fusion GPS. Faced with real journalists doing real work, the Obama courtiers reflexively turned stenographer. They welcomed this “forensic study” as heartily as they would Fusion GPS’s notorious “Steele dossier” a year later.

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According to the Washington Post, Fusion’s Glenn Simpson “enlisted experts who analyzed both the short, highly produced videos publicized by the antiabortion group, as well as hours of ‘full’ footage the group posted on YouTube.”³⁷ This took no great effort or skill. Fusion GPS reviewed only the first four videos and supporting footage. The Post could and should have done its own analysis, but by 2015, it did not...

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The Times headlined its story, “Planned Parenthood Videos Were Altered, Analysis Finds.”³⁸ Deep in the copy, Fusion admitted they “found no evidence that CMP inserted dialogue not spoken by Planned Parenthood staff,” but the headline did the damage. To complete the rout, prosecutorial friends of Planned Parenthood, both in Texas and California, brought utterly...

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As the 2016 presidential campaign wound its way to its expected conclusion, Planned Parenthood Action felt confident enough to ridicule CMP for its “fake, criminal videos.”³⁹ Hillary Clinton felt comfortable enough with Planned Parenthood to make her first speech as presumptive nominee at one of its events. Hillary and friends were on a winning streak until, alas, they weren’t....

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Five days after Comey cleared Hillary, Rich was murdered. If he were supplying WikiLeaks with data as Assange suggested, or even if he knew who did, Rich had the potential to subvert the increasingly important Russian collusion theory. The Times later implied as much, describing Assange’s implication of Rich as “an alternative narrative to the cascade of damaging revelations about the Trump administration’s ties to Russian officials who meddled in the presidential election.” Michael Grynbaum and Daniel Victor wrote the above in May 2017 when false collusion reports were cascading from newsrooms like water over Niagara. Nearly a year after the murder, the Times reporters were content to write, “The Washington Metropolitan Police Department is still investigating the death of Mr. Rich.” So locked into their own conspiracy theory were the major media that they demonized any investigator who dared propose “an alternative narrative.” A “botched robbery” was all the explanation journalists needed or wanted.²¹

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Obama’s grounding in Marxist theory is well enough known, as is his weakness for redistributionist policies. Overlooked, however, even by his critics, was the relentless invasiveness and quiet brutality of his regime. Like England’s Henry II, who reportedly said of Thomas Becket, “Will no one rid me of this turbulent priest,” Obama seems to have led by way of suggestion. His henchmen and women did the dirty work. They sent Nakoula Basseley Nakoula to prison for making a video. They watched in silence as Lt. Col. Terry Lakin was dispatched in shackles to Leavenworth. They had James O’Keefe and David Daleiden arrested for undercover reporting. They cyber harassed reporter Sharyl Attkisson. They used search warrants on reporter James Rosen and several Associated Press reporters. They punished whistleblowers. They helped frame George Zimmerman and Officer Darren Wilson. They used the IRS to crush the Tea Party. They turned a blind eye to the New Black

Panther goons. They conspired to clear Hillary Clinton of criminal charges. They discouraged all serious investigation into the death of Seth Rich. And even before the election, they breached Obama's passport file and probably doctored it.

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