



The Traitors Among Us

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When you think of a traitor, several famous names come to mind. Jefferson Davis, President of the Confederacy, who led the South's effort to secede from the United States during the Civil War that cost over 700,000 lives. Julius and Ethel Rosenberg who gave Russia our nuclear plans and other vital secrets enabling the Soviet Union to fight the Cold War. Omar Abdel-Rahman, the blind sheikh, who helped al Qaeda bomb the World Trade Center in 1993. Robert Hanssen and Aldrich Ames who outed U.S. spies resulting in countless deaths of Americans across the globe.

Apparently, you can add one more name to that list: Matt Mayer. Yes, that is me. According to CNN contributor, Sirius Radio host, and left-wing clickbait whore Dean Obeidallah, I am a traitor simply because I criticized this September 10, 2022, tweet:

Terrorists are terrorists – be they Bin Laden's Al Qaeda or Trump's MAGA. Time to hold Trump accountable!!

My criticism was fairly straightforward:

Utterly repugnant...3,000 dead, 250 stories collapsed, Pentagon partially destroyed & entire US domestic/foreign posture totally transformed v. policy positions believed to be best for US & at most riot at Capitol fraction of 2020 riots that caused billions in damages & many dead.

Obeidallah then responded:

Stop defending MAGA terrorism!!! #traitor

So, I am a traitor to America simply because I found Obeidallah's absurd comparison highly offensive—to Republicans, to survivors and families of the victims of the 9/11 terrorist attack, and to the very fabric of America's constitutional protections of free speech, due process, and the right to petition our government.

This equivalence of al Qaeda to Republicans is the Left's new talking point. Shortly before Obeidallah's insane comparison, President Joe Biden made his infamous comment labeling Republicans as "semi-fascists" and, shortly after his comparison, Vice President Kamala Harris made a similar point in response to an historically ignorant Chuck Todd question. Ignorant

because, unlike the 9/11 terrorist attack and the 2020 riots across America, the only person killed on January 6 was protestor Ashley Babbitt and no guns or explosives were found, let alone discharged, by rioters on January 6.

The 9/11 terrorist attack terrorized our entire country. The 2020 riots terrorized entire communities across America. The January 6 riot terrorized Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez who wasn't even at the Capital during the brief riot. The ridiculous comparison doesn't only define terrorism and terrorist downward by enormous and utterly dishonest linguistic stretches, but also grossly politicizes a singular event in American history in a sickening manner. As I wrote in my book, [Homeland Security and Federalism: Protecting America from Outside the Beltway](#):

In the course of two hours and fourteen minutes, they killed 2,973 innocent people, brought down over fifteen and a half million square feet of buildings in New York City, and destroyed large segment of our military headquarters in Arlington, Virginia. That single-day death toll represented the largest number of deaths on American soil since another September morning in 1862 when over 3,000 Americans died at the Battle of Antietam during our Civil War. Such a blow was sure to alter the calculus of America's security posture for many years to come.

Given the tens of thousands on the National Mall that day, to compare the 9/11 terrorist attack to a fairly small number of rioters who mostly trespassed and only delayed the electoral count vote by a few hours is historically moronic and repugnant. Biden's, Harris's, and Obeidallah's slurs, as well as any other mouthpiece on the Left, Liz Cheney, and the Left's media sycophants who makes the comparison, should be condemned by the Right, the honest media, and all Americans of reason.

Are there traitors among us? Most assuredly, but they aren't the misguided January 6 rioters or those of us who criticize the zealousness with which the federal government has pursued them as they do nothing to the 2020 rioters who did far more damage, including an attack on The White House, injured over 1,000 law enforcement officers, and killed many people, including a retired police officer. As Biden, Merrick Garland, and Christopher Wray divert finite federal resources hounding those of us on the Right with threats, subpoenas, and arrests, the traitors and terrorists among us more freely engage in acts that truly undermine and harm America.

The bottomline is Obeidallah is a jackass, but at least we can excuse his jackassery because we know he just wants to grow his Sirius radio program and social media audiences. He is like a teenage girl who does stupid TikTok videos of the latest dare hoping it goes viral. There is really no excuse for Biden, Harris, Cheney, the media, and others on the Left who bastardize the 9/11 terrorist attack for purely political purposes.

They malign Trump for perverting norms at the same time they routinely rip up and warp whatever norms we have left. What comes after labeling political opponents traitors?