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Frank Gaffney: [00:00:11] Welcome, everyone, to a Victory Coalition briefing on a most momentous day. Well, the eyes of the world are on Alaska at the moment because of the perception that it is a momentous day because President Donald Trump is meeting with Russian President Vladimir Putin at Elmendorf Air Force Base. We're marking another reason for considering this to be perhaps a pivotal day. Nine years ago, President Donald Trump was, of course, not president, but he was the Republican nominee for president In the 2016 [00:01:00] election cycle, he was running against Hillary Clinton, the Democratic nominee. And on this day in the immediate aftermath, I think it's noteworthy of Stephen K Bannon becoming his campaign manager. Then candidate, then nominee. Trump went to Youngstown, Ohio, where he made a most remarkable speech. It was, in substantial measure, a critique and repudiation of Hillary Clinton's appearement of and otherwise well seeming embrace at every turn. Of those I personally believe are best described as Sharia supremacists. Including among [00:02:00] them jihadists. Which is, of course, one of the obligations of Sharia. He articulated on that occasion a plan of action that would contrast sharply with the policies that had been pursued by Hillary Clinton and, of course, Barack Obama and others. To be fair, to some extent, in Republican administrations as well as Democratic ones, he talked importantly about an ideology that we were up against, something that was generally not recognized.

Frank Gaffney: [00:02:42] He called it radical Islam or radical Islamic terrorism. But again, I personally believe that it's actually Sharia, the Islamic operating code, if you will.

He [00:03:00] talked about preventing adherence to that ideology from continuing to come to this country in large numbers. He talked about rolling up one of the worst of the Sharia supremacist jihadist groups, ISIS. But he also talked very, very crucially of Dede. He made a commitment to strip out and actually remove the support networks of radical Islam in this country. That would, of course, be, among others, the Muslim Brotherhood and its myriad front groups, notably the Council on American-Islamic Islamic relations or care. Today we're going to talk about this speech [00:04:00] and its important insights and the policy commitment that it represented. Not fully realized. Partially so, but not fully realized during the first Trump presidency, but evidently back on the front burner. Indeed, this week we had the man who was simultaneously serving as the Secretary of State and the National Security Advisor on an acting basis. Marco Rubio, responding to a question from Sid Rosenberg, a talk show host in New York City, about whether the administration would designate the Muslim Brotherhood and care for what they are terrorist organizations. And Marco Rubio responded by saying all of it is in the works. Of course, the [00:05:00] Muslim Brotherhood has myriad organizations, and each of them has to be designated a terrorist organization.

Frank Gaffney: [00:05:14] With that as backdrop, a most hopeful sign of a new commitment not only to understand the nature of the enemy we face from this particular quarter, but also to take the sorts of steps that are necessary to begin stripping out and removing, one by one the support networks of these Sharia supremacists in the United States. We're going to begin our conversation about where we find ourselves as well a free world, really, by taking stock [00:06:00] with a great friend and valued contributor to much of our work at the Institute for the American Future, of which he is, I believe, a senior fellow. That would be Peter McIlvaine. His insights into what has been happening in his native Great Britain is a very important context, a backdrop, if you will, for today's briefing. Because what we are witnessing in terms of its trajectory and for that matter, most of the rest of Western Europe, is the same trajectory we're on. Not quite as far along to this moment, but closing fast. We're very grateful for Peter McIlvaine, McIlveen, the executive director of Hearts of Oak. Chief of staff to a wonderful member of the House of Lords. Lord Malcolm Pearson and a podcaster [00:07:00] on the Hearts of Oak podcast for bringing his insights from across the pond to this urgent briefing. Peter, welcome back. Over to you.

Peter McIlvenna: [00:07:11] Thank you, Frank, always an honor to join you and to share what is happening here in the UK. I think as a warning. And Lord Pearson of Rannoch, who I've had the privilege of working for 11 years, has been really the only member in the House of Lords ringing the alarm bell on the Islamization of the UK in many shapes and forms, and he has been roundly criticized and mocked and ridiculed, and even parliamentary processes have been changed to try and stop him speaking on that. And I'm going to last speak on the Muslim Brotherhood. The government lasted report on the Muslim Brotherhood in Britain, I think, ten years ago, and had a range of concerns of how secretive it was, how influential it was. But yet, of course, nothing ever happens. [00:08:00] And one thing they did find that the Muslim Brotherhood used London as a base for a lot of their activities, certainly across Europe, and they've been allowed to do that time and time again. But I want to just give you a little snapshot of the UK and where we are. And of course, part of the issue we face is mass immigration in the UK. We've just with our current labor government, far left government. We've had 50,000 have crossed over in those boats, little dinghies from France to England on the that stretch of water, the English Channel, that's possibly the busiest water in the world. And we are having Large groups coming over and they've now the latest boots they have.

Peter McIlvenna: [00:08:49] Have 105 people on them. So they're getting larger and larger, helped by the French. And of course they are coming from predominantly Islamic countries and they are bringing over that [00:09:00] to the UK, and it's called the European migrant crisis. And I know you've had your crisis there in the southern border. We also have our crisis across Europe. And really from 2015, whenever Angela Merkel, the German leader, actually said, welcome to everyone. And the mass immigration has been driven by some complex conflicts in regions such as Syria and Iraq and Afghanistan. And but it's also economic migration. And whenever those individuals from Muslim countries arrive in the UK, they each get a phone, they each get a hotel room, they each get a list of all the benefits they receive and even when they lose their appeal to get thrown out of the country and the government give them the money to fight the government to appeal that decision, to deport them so it can be five, six, seven, eight years on. They often disappear and [00:10:00] they disappear with a strong Islamic ideology. And that's what we are seeing happening in the UK. But some of the demographics in London is about 15% Muslim. This is from the census four years ago. The UK is around 7%. The shocking statistic for you, and I'm sure I've shared this at

other times, is if you look at Brussels, it's 30% Muslim in Brussels, which is the political center, the political heartbeat of Europe.

Peter McIlvenna: [00:10:34] And I remember going there whenever I was offered a job working in the European Parliament. I was shocked at the collapse of areas of Brussels that have come under full Islamic control. I certainly didn't feel happy, and I wouldn't have felt it was safe to bring my family there. And yet that is what our European politicians have accepted in the UK. Figures from the Office of National Statistics [00:11:00] that collects data in terms of population growth, and they have said between 2001 and 2016. So that 15 year we've seen a large increase in the Muslim population. The UK population only went up by 11%, the Muslim population by 111. So we're seeing ten times the increase. And this is exactly what you will face in the US. You're much, much further behind. But I think the lessons that we have seen in the UK are warning signs for you. But of course it would be okay if people integrated. We've had ways of immigration In Britain. In England forever, and often those people have integrated themselves in the communities. But yet there is a specific difference between Islam and other migration waves. We have got a very ghettoized culture now [00:12:00] in London and all the major cities, and in fact it's gone from a ghetto-ization to a takeover in parts of our areas. And when I used to go up to the north of England, it would be it would be the English heartland. It would be what you describe as a postcard picture of England.

Peter McIlvenna: [00:12:22] And now, instead of a church on every street corner with those church bells ringing, you know, you've got a mosque on every street corner in many of the towns in the Midlands and north of England being completely changed. And of course for the last two years, Muhammad has been the number one name in the UK. Very different from Europe. That's not the case across Europe, despite Sweden especially having huge problems with Muslim migration coming into the country and France having huge problems. In Belgium, it's restricted to the capital, to Brussels and. But France and Sweden have faced huge [00:13:00] clashes in their societies, with Islam coming in. Britain have also faced that and so but they have not seen the same birth rate increase. It's been mass immigration, but Mohammed isn't in the top 7 or 8. I don't think boys names in really any other country in Europe, not even France. So they're holding on to their own tradition, their own culture. And of course, we have an issue here in the UK. If you as a Muslim man come to the UK, you may have one life, two wives, three wives, for wives. Of course, in good Islamic tradition, following

Muhammad. And if that marriage has taken place in a country that that is accepted, polygamy is accepted, then the British state will accept that in the UK. So we are actually state sponsored suicide by letting people come into the country and bring four wives, and then suddenly it's not just one person that's [00:14:00] coming into the country, it's a huge family.

Peter McIlvenna: [00:14:03] So that is why we are seeing massive issues with the demographic changes. And sadly, when I go around London, it is a ghettoized community and the women are utterly trapped in those communities. One of the big issues we have, and again, this is a red light to you in the US, is that many of them have zero English. There's no help for them to learn English, and therefore they're imprisoned in their communities, completely segregated. They live in England, but they don't live in England. They actually really live back in seventh century Arabia. And really helping those women speak English will begin to break that ghettoized nation, that isolation. And I think that is one way that we can make sure that this doesn't happen, certainly in the US. So probably one of my big first pleas to you is to really make learning English a priority, paid for by the state, [00:15:00] because I think it will help you and stop a lot of issues further down the line. And we've got 2000 mosques in England. The majority are filled for Friday prayers. And if you go down most high streets, the footpaths are full of men praying, of course, men, because women have their own separate entrance, because you wouldn't want a woman to be in the prayer time because you wouldn't get your prayer according to Islamic doctrine. It's women. Dogs and donkeys are the really key concern for getting your prayers.

Peter McIlvenna: [00:15:31] And that's why women are kept separate again. Should that be allowed? We should have areas of worship where men and women can intermingle. That's how we do it in the UK. That's how we do it in the West, and that's how it has to happen in any more. So I think that's also key not to let that segregation happen. A couple of other just issues. Halal food. Halal food. Huge industry worth nearly \$3 [00:16:00] trillion. And I think the latest stats are within five years it's due to hit 4 trillion. It's growing at over 11% a year. This is economic jihad. We are seeing this. I could on my most of my local high streets and every takeaway shop, every restaurant and every takeaway shop will be halal. And the vast majority of restaurants in many areas will be only halal, because obviously it's easier just to have halal because you have one supplier. One meat preparation area. It makes economics and logistical

sense. Therefore they do it. We also have Sharia courts and we live in a I live in the UK where there's one law of the land and that is the law of England and Wales. Because England, Wales are always grouped together. It's called Northern Ireland or separate. We have the English and Welsh legal system. But yet back in 2007, [00:17:00] I believe we passed a law, Tony Blair, to allow Muslim arbitration tribunal rules and that these are not legally binding, but they are allowed and the state keeps out of it.

Peter McIlvenna: [00:17:11] So we now have, I think, about 70, 75 state sponsored, state sanctioned, not by state sanctioned Sharia courts. And you can imagine how women are treated in those in cases of divorce and in cases of disagreement. Of course, a woman has much fewer rights as a man, and you're going to face the same pressure in the US for Muslim communities to be given access to that. And the lie will be. Don't worry, this is not an actual legal course. It's just to help us with disagreements in our communities. But of course, that's the beginning of the slippery slope. And of course it will get worse and worse. One there are many are Islamophobia. Let me mention this. And this is something certainly [00:18:00] that you will face. I could tell by Sharia finance a huge industry. It's a tiny issue for the US. Here in the UK, we have made ourselves the center, the global center of Sharia financing. In the US, it's still very, very small. I think there are only 15 US financial institutions that offer it. And so it's tiny, but you've only got about 3.5 billion, I think in Sharia compliant products Worldwide, Sharia finance is worth 5 trillion. So you've got 3.5 billion is much smaller, but a warning that it will come to you. But if I can just end off on the issue of Islamophobia we are pushing for this. We have not had a blasphemy law for a long time, and yet we are being pushed on the British people because of our hate crime legislations, a fear of offense because of the concern of Islam and how it treats debate and criticism.

Peter McIlvenna: [00:18:56] We are pushing through an Islamophobia legal [00:19:00] definition, and we do not know how this will actually develop. It's a close group. It's coming up with it. But it seems to be that whenever that is agreed upon, it seems to be that will become law, and you'll not be able to say anything which may be offensive to Islam in any way. And it absolutely will shut down all debate. It will shut down all criticism. And President Trump, whenever he was over in Scotland, heard a little bit about our hate speech legislation. Part of that is the shut down on debate, critique and discussion on Islam. I'll not even get into the grim guide, but let me leave you just with a couple of bullet points in closing. Learning English. It is key. Don't allow only halal food

and don't allow finance to be religiously best. Have integration instead of isolation. I think there's a case for actually making [00:20:00] the burka illegal. How women are treated is horrendous. And make sure that women, whether they're Muslim women or no Muslim women, they have the same rights of equality. So those are a couple of issues. And make sure you refuse all the pressure for Islamophobia legislation. Sorry for overdoing my time, Frank, but I hope that's a benefit to you.

Frank Gaffney: [00:20:21] It's hugely helpful. Thank you so much, Peter, and especially your points about what needs to be done about some of these Sharia induced or amended practices that are certainly incompatible with our values as they are, I think, British values, but also in our country, in many cases illegal and or unconstitutional or perhaps even anti-constitutional. We'll be talking more about that momentarily. In fact, one of [00:21:00] the duty experts in the West on all matters involving Sharia is Robert Spencer, the author of some 31 books, many of them dealing with aspects of Islam, its practice, its precepts, the critical role that Sharia plays in it all. He is the director of Jihad Watch, a wonderful online resource of the David Horowitz Freedom Center, a Shulman Fellow at that organization, and a very important contributor to our Victory Coalition. We are delighted to have him here with us by video as he was unable to join us live. Let's go to Robert Spencer's video now.

Robert Spencer: [00:21:49] It was nine years ago today that then candidate Donald Trump said. Nor can we let the hateful ideology of radical Islam [00:22:00] its oppression of women, gays, children and nonbelievers be allowed to reside or spread within our own countries? Now, nine years later, there is finally an indication that there could be some serious movement in this direction in some intimations from Marco Rubio that the Muslim Brotherhood may be finally designated a terrorist organization, which would have a tremendous impact upon the other groups that are connected to the Brotherhood. By its own admission, in the explanatory memorandum where it listed its allied organizations, including, of course, the notorious Hamas linked Council on American-Islamic relations, the Islamic Society of North America, the Muslim American Society, and, in short, virtually every major Muslim organization in the United States today. Now, [00:23:00] it would be very good if the Trump administration were indeed to designate the Muslim Brotherhood a terrorist organization. It would be even better if it also likewise designated its linked groups. The ones that I've just named. However, that would be only the beginning of what needs to be done. These groups have had

essentially many more than nine years to propagate their ideology among American policymakers and law enforcement officials and intelligence officials, virtually unopposed, because these groups have also very skillfully manipulated those officials into thinking that it would be Islamophobic to get an opposing point of view, or to question what care and Isna and these other groups were telling them. So let me give you just one example. [00:24:00]

Robert Spencer: [00:24:00] Back in 2012, Pamela Geller and I submitted a Freedom of Information Act request requesting all records relating to monthly outreach meetings between these Designated Hamas linked and Muslim Brotherhood linked Muslim groups in the United States and Arab groups in the United States, and the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice. We got back 14,000 pages of records, 14,000 pages. Not only that, but the officials who were fulfilling the Freedom of Information Act request told us that this would just be the first shipment and that other documents would follow, although none ever did. The 14,000 pages of material was actually a mountain [00:25:00] of trivial information, and that in itself was revealing. It was a record of numerous, obviously, sometimes daily, contacts between ISNA, CAIR, the ADC that is the American Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee, and other such groups with the Justice Department regular friendly close contact meetings. Sometimes Eric Treen, who was at that time the special counsel for the Department of Justice Civil Rights Division, would speak to these people as if he was their servant, saying, I'm taking lunch orders for the meeting today. What does everybody want for lunch and things like that. And so the overall impression, although there was nothing particularly revealing in the 14,000 pages of documents, the overall [00:26:00] impression was intensely, immensely revealing, and it was revealing of the fact that not only did these Muslim Brotherhood linked organizations have access to the Justice Department. They had ready an eager access with the willing and friendly aid of Justice Department officials who thought that they were building genuine bridges with the Muslim community and conducting outreach that would be fruitful to neutralize the problem of Islamic terrorism in the United States.

Robert Spencer: [00:26:36] And so the upshot of these meetings was that American policy in numerous areas, domestic and foreign, was essentially guided by these Hamas linked and Muslim Brotherhood linked organizations who advised these officials who had no clue, [00:27:00] of course, about Islam or about who they were dealing with, despite the fact that it was the same Justice Department that had designated care and

ISNA and the others unindicted Coconspirators in the Hamas terror funding case, the Holy Land Foundation trial. Despite that, these guys were still clueless and they would go to these organizations and think that they were reliable. They were dealing with reliable guides to have having fruitful outreach with the Muslim community. In other words, they thought that if they dealt with care and ISNA and the rest, that it would make them less odious in the eyes of the Muslim community in the United States, that it would make the Muslim community not so suspicious of counterterror efforts, that it would ease the way [00:28:00] for these moderate Muslims that they thought they were dealing with to gain the leadership or cement their leadership role within the Muslim community and all sorts of other benefits that go along with all of that. So these people, in other words, were being manipulated on a massive scale by Muslim Brotherhood operatives, and they had no idea that it was happening.

Robert Spencer: [00:28:30] These people, in many cases, are still within the United States government. The president has said he's going to drain the swamp. We all know how much resistance he's gotten from attempts to drain the swamp. We all know how deeply entrenched the swamp is, and many of these people would not even avow if they were given truth serum that they were members of the swamp at all. Now the [00:29:00] swamp, in this sense, what I'm referring to as the swamp, are the government bureaucrats who are diehard leftists who are determined to obstruct President Trump's policy changes in any possible way they can. They were proudly out there on record during his first term. Now they know that he's actually going to remove them if he finds them. And so they're much quieter in his second term. But let's not kid ourselves. They're still there. But quite aside from them, there are other people who, if you ask them, they will tell you no. I'm a dedicated public servant. My boss is the people of the United States of America. And my job is to implement the policies of the United States of America. But they have no idea how compromised they have become, because they don't realize how skillfully they have been manipulated by [00:30:00] the Council on American-Islamic relations, the Islamic Society of North America, and all the rest of them. They think that they are dealing with responsible, honest, good faith actors on the other side and that their gestures of goodwill will be responded to in kind.

Robert Spencer: [00:30:19] They do not have any idea about the Muslim Brotherhood's program for the United States, as delineated so clearly in the explanatory memorandum. They don't have any idea of the level of adherence of the people that

they're dealing with to that program. And if you were to ask them if they've made any inquiries, they would reject that very idea as Islamophobic. And so, in other words, what we've got is practically a whole generation's worth of government officials at all levels who have been manipulated by Muslim Brotherhood operatives. They [00:31:00] have no idea that it's been done. They have no idea how much it's affected their decision making and no idea how much it's affected policies that they've had a hand in formulating and implementing. And yet it has. We know many years ago that the only expert on Islamic law in the entire Pentagon, Major Stephen Coughlin, was dismissed at the behest of Muslim Brotherhood linked officials. That was many years ago. And so since then, you've got to think there's been nobody in the Pentagon telling people the truth, and many people very skillfully telling them lies. So I applaud the president, if he indeed is now going to act in order to not allow the hateful ideology of radical Islam to be allowed to spread within the United States. But the fact is, it's been spreading. It's been spreading for a quarter of a century or more. And that has to be addressed as well. [00:32:00] Thank you.

Frank Gaffney: [00:32:01] Robert Spencer, thank you. This is an extraordinarily important background for the policy choices that are to be made now. As you say, there's a lot of history here, and not much of it is good. And partly that's, I think, a function of some of the predilections that I described earlier of people like former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and others who have embraced, I think not so much under misapprehension about these brothers and like, organizations, but essentially on the principle that they're they are the good guys. Those are the people that we want running things in the Muslim world. Notably the thrust of that was evident in the Arab Spring. We're going to get another perspective on all of this [00:33:00] from a man who has served extensively in the Muslim world. Much of it as an undercover operative of the Central Intelligence Agency. His name is Charles Sam Faddis. He is an extraordinarily formidable and experienced practitioner of national security policy from the perspective of the intelligence services. But he's also very much involved these days in helping to inform and shape policy decisions, notably through a remarkable online resource called End magazine. You can find it at Substack. Com and I strongly encourage you to do so. I had a conversation with Sam on our television show, Securing America earlier today. And with his permission, he agreed to have [00:34:00] much of that very insightful and informative interview run at this point in our program, and we appreciate his enabling us to get a twofer out of it. The program will run this

evening in the Real America's Voice Network. Let's go to the video of my conversation with Sam Faddis for further insights into how we got where we are and the implications of continuing it. Should we do so?

Sam Faddis: [00:34:35] I have to admit that I am puzzled by the way we approach radical Islam. I mean it by that I mean you're talking about something that is inherently evil. And we have confronted ideologies all over the world and just spoken plainly. Right? Totalitarian [00:35:00] regimes and communism and so forth. And yet, for some reason or another, we feel compelled to dance around this issue. And it is it is pure evil. Right. You and you look at the news coming out of Afghanistan now, where we have Sharia, where we have an Islamic emirate, and look at the edicts coming from the government, not from some random guy standing on a street corner, but the official legal position of the government in Kabul. Women are not allowed to leave the house without a male relative and an adult male relative accompanying them. They, of course, must be covered. Apparently. Now even allowing both eyes to be seen is too much. So we have literally edicts [00:36:00] saying you should only. You only need one eye to see where you're going. As absurd as that sounds, it is real and official edicts that say the only thing you need to look at is the ground in front of you as you walk. Again, this sounds so absurd that you're sort of tempted to dismiss it and then you realize, okay, so half the population can't leave a house except for brief excursions in the company of a man. They are also legally prohibited from allowing themselves to be seen, even indoors, from the street. So you, as an adult woman, are in a prison cell for the entire your entire life span.

Sam Faddis: [00:36:48] These are official legal pronouncements of a of an Islamic government. You see the I mean, I've worked. You see the same kind of thing across all [00:37:00] across the Middle East. I mean, I have worked against radical Islamists, jihadists for many, many years, folks who will detonate explosive devices in the middle of a wedding and kill an entire wedding party. This is oppressive evil. What we should say so clearly and stand in opposition to it, and to bring this down to, you know, talk about the Muslim Brotherhood. I mean, look, they are ideologically. Identical to al-Qaida and ISIS and these other groups. In fact, they gave birth to these other these other groups. If you read their precepts and their dogma. You're listening to Osama bin laden, you're listening Sending to Baghdadi. That's. That's what they are espousing. And the idea that you [00:38:00] have a country like ours which insists on equality of genders

and freedom and individual liberty, and we won't take a clear stand against this. I find, well, it's not just puzzling. It's very troubling. It's wrong. Right. You. We should. There shouldn't be any debate about this. I mean, when we had the backbone to stand up and say apartheid in South Africa was wrong, and we will we're not going to dance around that issue and say, well, this is how you run your affairs. So therefore we'll leave it alone. We should absolutely find the backbone to say the same thing here.

Frank Gaffney: [00:38:46] Sam, that was extremely eloquent and Characteristically grounded in an unvarnished understanding of reality. Let me just ask you one further thought. [00:39:00] What we have seen in a lot of places around the world, notably in Western Europe. Most especially, I guess Britain, is what happens when you don't stand against this evil, when you accommodate it, when you appease it, as Hillary Clinton used to do, for example. But when you enable it to metastasize. Could you comment a little bit on what that looks like based on your hard experience with this outfit of Sharia supremacism worldwide?

Sam Faddis: [00:39:44] Well, when you're when you're talking about this, unfortunately, we're talking about really ugly things. I mean, let's just let's just face that we may not want to talk in those terms or think in those terms, but it's really ugly. I mean, Britain is an [00:40:00] example of where you have accommodated this bent over backwards tide yourself and not me. You know, all sorts of justifications and excuses for not taking action. And then you find that this really ugly, oppressive ideology is now taking control of your society, and it is sometimes really, really nasty. I mean, you know, we don't want to think about this, but you have men who are raised with a certain idea that women are in fact, I'm talking now, Muslim men were raised with this idea that, frankly, women are unclean, they are subservient. They are evil. I mean, this is the whole rationale for why a woman must cover herself, right? Because if she is then assaulted by a man because she is not covered, [00:41:00] it's her fault. She brought it on herself. She asked for it. I mean, every ugly, nasty thing that you've ever heard somebody say about a woman who was assaulted and. And how she was dressed. Well, this is this is it on spades. So, yeah, you've got not just women being assaulted, but girls being assaulted. And by assaulted, I mean raped and abused. And when it's all done, it isn't condemnation of the guy, it's condemnation of her. I mean, keep in mind that every time we ever took down a terrorist safe house, when I was in the field, along with the stacks of Qurans and all those sermons and all of this. We also found gigabytes of the most graphic

pornographic material on laptops. Some. Somehow you can stir all [00:42:00] of that together. And that's a really, really, really ugly mix. And people don't want to face this, in my opinion. They just don't want to talk about it. They want to deny reality.

Frank Gaffney: [00:42:11] Sam, that's a snapshot of a piece of a larger reality. And I just would ask you to quickly comment on this if you could. Basically, every major aspect of Sharia, it seems to me, is either morally reprehensible at a minimum, or actually illegal, and in some cases anti-constitutional not just unconstitutional in our Country. Would you agree?

Sam Faddis: [00:42:46] I would agree. Look, it is completely incompatible. Sharia law. This this these principles, their position completely incompatible with our way of life, with the Constitution, with our laws. Good Lord, we have fought all these years [00:43:00] for the equality of women, freedom and individuality and all of this stuff. And now you're going to allow what amounts to sixth century Dark ages. Kind of kind of thinking to. That's madness, actually.

Frank Gaffney: [00:43:15] Madness and with predictable consequences. And look no further than Europe to see what they are. And we still have an opportunity. And I'm thinking in particular in the state of Texas, where this is now playing out in a very dramatic way, to stop it and stop it, we must. And I think this ninth anniversary of an epic speech by now, President Donald J. Trump is a starting point. I hope for making a concerted effort on the part of our government to stand with our Constitution and our rights and our freedoms and our culture and our values for the benefit of our children and our children's children.

Frank Gaffney: [00:44:00] Sam Faddis [00:44:00] - an extraordinary patriot. And again, what he is telling us is born of hard experience, deep behind enemy lines. Watching what happens in these Sharia supremacist societies and what they are by dint of Sharia duty, bound to export to the rest of the world and impose. And we're going to conclude our briefing today, as we often do, with the insights of a man deeply experienced as well in Middle East affairs, a former senior Advisor to people at the highest levels of our government, including an undersecretary of state, a national security advisor and a vice president. His name is Doctor David Wormser. Among other things, he is a retired now naval intelligence officer, having risen to the ranks of lieutenant [00:45:00] commander.

He is, I believe, extraordinarily well equipped to help us understand the importance of seizing the day on this ninth anniversary and going forward to, as I say. Well, more to the point, as Donald Trump has said, strip out and remove one by one. These Sharia supremacist support networks in America. And we've asked him to comment on both that need, but also how that best be done based on his experience with these phenomena elsewhere in the world. Doctor Wormser, welcome back. It's good to have you. Hailing from the center for Security Policy, where you direct its Mideast programs. Welcome back.

David Wurmser: [00:45:54] Thank you. Thank you. Frank. Building on what Peter and Sam and [00:46:00] Robert said. Sharia and the Muslim Brotherhood and the ideology behind it is not only repulsive and evil, but I think we need to start looking at it for what it was intended to be, which is an instrumentalization of structures for colonization. It is a colonization effort. Now, now that I've said that, let me put this in a broader perspective. Why I believe this is now perhaps the greatest ideological threat the United States has faced in many years, perhaps in its history. Three. It comes in a context. First of all, one part of the context is it's not acting alone. There is a nihilistic, destructive forces out there that have nothing to do with Islam, whether it's the CCP in China or the old remnants of the old KGB structures. They've done severe damage to America. [00:47:00] They've made American youth ignorant. They've really left an emptiness in American society, including the destruction in many ways of religion. That leaves America quite vulnerable in a way that they weren't. And by the way, these forces are still at work. China has not gone away. It still does what it does. In fact, it's probably accelerating right now and working in tandem with what is going on with the Muslim Brotherhood and so forth. The KGB structures that we see out there are still very active. They're not. They haven't gone away at all.

David Wurmser: [00:47:36] And we see this in the red green alliance quite, quite seriously. So let me now sort of pull the camera back a little bit a larger aperture. And I think when you look at how the effects of all this have happened, then you see the true, nefarious nature of what we're up against. This is about 20 years, 25 years, almost a quarter [00:48:00] century since Alan Bloom wrote his book, The Closing of the American Mind. And in it he described the destruction that was beginning to take root in American Youth, which wasn't just the ignorance, but it was the closing of curiosity, which meant that once you've made somebody ignorant, you've shut the door on his

scratching his head and saying, but wait, this all doesn't really add up. So there's a curious ness that was in I come from, you know, I was born in another country. I came here when I was ten months old, but I have great experience going abroad. All my relatives, family. There is a uniqueness to American youth and culture that had always been of curiosity. We might not have known more than others, but we were. We were truly one of the most curious nations on earth, and that was one of the most important aspects of American greatness, in my view. And that's what Allan Blum said was dying. [00:49:00] Because once you're ignorant or you don't know if you are not curious anymore, then that is an incorrigible circumstance.

David Wurmser: [00:49:08] The second thing then that started obtaining was the failure of credentialed institutions. We've seen quite a bit of this because of the rise of social media and so forth, but it also began back then as the universities began to become indoctrination structures and were failing their kids in the humanities. Not as much back then. And over the last 25 years in the sciences, but back then, in the humanities, now it's in every aspect because they're bringing the insanity that they've destroyed the humanities with. They're actually bringing it into the sciences as well. But also our media have been destroyed. Nobody listens to CNN as, as with the sort of seriousness that we listen to Walter Cronkite when we were kids in CBS news, know these institutions. The first thing you think [00:50:00] when you watch them is what's their angle? Back then, these were very seriously respected structures. The third area that's been destroyed, unfortunately, is a good bit of the leadership of religious institutions and their effort to avoid having their flocks run away or stop being coming to church or synagogue. Many denominations of Christianity and Judaism essentially chased after sort of what is politically appropriate. Hoping that they can be cool and that they can attract youth. It's been one great failure. It's been a great failure in Judaism. It's been a great failure in Christianity. What it's really done is, is provided a bridge for nihilism and the politicization of religion.

David Wurmser: [00:50:51] So what we see is there's this whole vast, destructive nature to what has been laid over the last 40, [00:51:00] 50 years by the Soviet Union, by the CCP, by the early efforts of the Muslim Brotherhood. And said and the first effort was destruction and to take down all those sources of American society that have the ability to resist an ideological onslaught. And in that way, the onslaught is much more dangerous than what it's been in the past, because in the past, it ran up against these

institutions the Nazis, the Soviets in the 50s. 60s they ran up against our religion. They ran up against American cultural life. They ran up against Hollywood. They ran up against CBS news. They ran up against everything, and they lost. But now they don't run up against those. So where is right now the direction headed with this? Well, there are two areas which show hope, but also great danger. The first, the two areas are youth [00:52:00] in America, those who are under 25. Polls suggest that they are becoming more religious and they're becoming more conservative. They get it. They get that something is really wrong and they're trying to cling to something authentic, something real. So they find religion and they find conservative views which hark back to a different era of America that that they wish to return to. Now, those are good things. However, there's a real danger because when you look at Sharia, this now returns to the Muslim Brotherhood.

David Wurmser: [00:52:32] Again, this is not just a repulsive. The Muslim Brotherhood ideas are not just repulsive and evil. They are meant to be colonizing. And you see that the whole point of colonization is not the way we think of it in West, where you have the conquistadors come into Latin America and they convert and kill. That's not how Sharia works. If you look at the history [00:53:00] of Islamic expansion into non-Islamic areas, it's exactly what we're seeing. You create ghettos, but it's not a ghetto. The way the Jews have ghettos in in various countries partly involuntarily, some voluntarily it is a foothold. It's like a bridgehead. And the ghetto is not meant to isolate itself. The ghetto is meant to be the foundation the bridgehead for an attack on the rest of society. And that's what we're seeing with care. That's what we're seeing with the American Muslim Council. These are bridgeheads for an attack on American society, and to go into the void left by these other nihilistic and destructive ideologies. To go into those areas, and they understand that there's a hunger in America for religion and conservatism. This is inherent to their ideology. So it took their original one of their original thinkers in [00:54:00] the 40s spent time on American money, by the way. It was an education. It was an American Department of Education. Or what was the equivalent back then? He was on an educational scholarship to come to America and study our, our, our education system.

David Wurmser: [00:54:15] And he concluded that Christianity was a method for legitimizing whoring because he went to youth meetings and, you know, young Christian men would meet. Young Christian women. And it would be a socializing structure to

make sure that young Christian men would meet young Christian women and form families and continue the faith. He saw that as boring. So his view of America, his view that he got from being here, was that we are corrupt. We are sexually deviant. We are weak. And we are a tree that is rotted to its core. Waiting for a small breeze to blow it over. So there is this strong sense in the Muslim Brotherhood of the [00:55:00] weakness and emptiness of American society, and the quest for authenticity and the need for religion and the need for conservative values and so forth. So when you see the efforts of the Muslim Brotherhood today, they are out first and foremost to destroy the traditional religion and Muslim and community values. Conservative values of American society. But then they have the aggressive colonization side, which is to offer up and to impose their concept of religion, of values, of conservative views and so forth. So this is a very nefarious internal intrusion. And the Palestinian issue is easy for the left, because that emptiness has been filled by the religion of victimization of the Palestinians and so forth.

David Wurmser: [00:55:56] But in the right, you see a much more sophisticated effort [00:56:00] that is being done by these, by the Muslim Brotherhood to try to infiltrate conservative and religious structures in order to bend them into a self-destructive and a direction that ultimately leads to, even if they don't know it, to essentially the Islamic nation-Ification of conservative structures. Now who's behind it? This takes money. Anybody who's involved with politics in America knows money is critical. And obviously there's huge amounts of money out there. And we have, you know, plenty of philanthropists who are either misguided or nefarious George Soros, for example, and so forth. But the real money is coming from places like Qatar from its allies and so forth. And you can look no further than Washington. You have Georgetown University, I mean yeah, Georgetown University, [00:57:00] the of Qatar was here just recently being awarded and feted by the head of the university because they had contributed a lot of money to Georgetown. Now, one has to remember, Georgetown and its Johns Hopkins equivalent sites are really the feeder schools for our foreign service. So this this is the amount of money that has gone into our universities from Qatar and allied countries in this Muslim Brotherhood effort, are shocking the amount of lobbying money we keep talking about the Jewish lobby, the Israel lobby. The truth is the Israel lobby. First of all, it's like the NRA. It's American citizens lobbying for policies they prefer for their country.

David Wurmser: [00:57:44] It's a legitimate activity. But the amount that that's that you see used by AIPAC and others in the Jewish community in Israel, if it even has any real lobbyists here, is teeny. It's minuscule compared to the amount of money [00:58:00] being spent by Qatar and others like them in promoting Sharia law and the destruction of American society. And I mean that destruction of American society and its colonialist replacement with Islam. So anyway, I think I'll leave it at that. I think I've gone on long enough, but again, I just the main point is in the void being left by the various destructive forces in the West, we are seeing an aggressive colonization effort by Islam, and that is the way Islam has traditionally spread. You can't name too many great battles where frontally Islam assaulted the West and took over Constantinople. It was much more through infiltration, through finding allies on the inside to split the community, bring them in, then have a small ghettoized foothold. That foothold becomes the [00:59:00] structure, the bridgehead to take over society. Then you have the forced conversions. Then you have the jizya, which makes it economic. The taxes that make it economically nonviable to survive financially in a Muslim society as a non-Muslim. Then you have the dhimmi laws that make it miserable to live in those societies. But first you have the bridgehead, and that's the phase we're in in the United States right now.

Frank Gaffney: [00:59:30] David, that was, as ever, an exquisitely crafted presentation. And I one in particular, to thank you for bringing into the mix this idea that there are other elements that are at work here. Dangerous as these Sharia supremacists are in combination with what [01:00:00] you described as, you know, the Chinese Communist Party, the KGB. Both its original elements and those that have you know, come to the fore in its wake, FSB and so on. But also, I would add into this mix the, the globalists, the people who may not, you know, subscribe to one or the other of these ideologies but seek their own world order that they will dominate if they have their way and they are at work as well with the common purpose. Not in the end game, but in the immediate term, namely, taking out the impediment to the realization of their respective agendas. And this is what makes this moment so fraught. But I just want to sort of wrap up by saying that [01:01:00] the emphasis that Donald Trump placed nine years ago today on ideology as a wellspring of what we are confronting. Whichever of these ideologies he properly focused on, what I think has been described rightly, as arguably the most sinister. Certainly one that is at the moment actively seeking. Through these various lines of attack that David and our other speakers have spoken about to take

down our institutions. And the roots of our Judeo-Christian civilization. You know, at the, at the atomic level, one might say families and faith and the confidence in [01:02:00] our vastly preferable values and morality and fundamental goodness. I just want to say, I think that this is a moment when we have to be clearly focused on preserving all of those, and what we will be talking about in future programs of this kind, because it is the object of our victory coalition, is to devise and execute strategies for decisively defeating those who would take us down in these various ways.

Frank Gaffney: [01:02:43] And the people who have spoken in the course of this program are among the leaders in these fights, and I want to say how deeply grateful I am to all of them. Peter McIlvenna, hailing from the United Kingdom, Robert [01:03:00] Spencer from Jihad Watch, Sam Faddis of ANDmagazine.com and of course, David Wurmser of the Center for Security Policy. These are heroes, and I hope that their clarion call for having the promise Donald Trump made nine years ago today be a promise that is kept in his second term with the support of Marco Rubio and the American people more generally, because a failure to do so at this late date, I fear, condemns us to further. I wouldn't call it progress, but unraveling along the trajectory that we've been seeing in Europe, in Britain and elsewhere. So I want [01:04:00] to say thank you to our audience for taking this information. Not only a board, but taking it to heart, making it a call to action. You can find out more about all of this at the Institute for the American Future, which sponsors these several coalitions, including the Victory one. I also encourage you to participate in future briefings of this kind. Many of them we conducted in partnership with our friend Rabbi Pesach Wolicki at Israel 365 Action. And I consider this to be the privilege of my life, to help bring this information to you and to expose you to this incredible talent that we've offered up today. Come back to us again. I hope next time. And then until then, I hope you will go forth and multiply.