Pulling the Race Card

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It would probably be a fair assumption that the majority of Americans are sick and tired of the far left and others pulling the race card on everything they do not agree with.

The "card" was recently pulled again by the "Squad" when Ilhan Omar, one of their members, was removed from the House, Foreign Affairs Committee (FAC).

While Kevin McCarthy and others cited the reason for Omar's ousting was because of her anti-semantic out-bursts on the House floor and in public. In addition to her tirades against Jews and Israel, she has also spoken out abusively and invectively about US-India relations.

According to Wikipedia, the Foreign Affairs Committee oversees "legislation regarding the impact of national security on foreign policy, treaties, executive agreements, military deployments; foreign assistance; arms control; and international economic policy." Clearly to have someone on the committee who is not in concert with the FAC mandate would be detrimental to US security and foreign policy.

Omar and others claim the decision was based on racism and political revenge. Not surprisingly, the White House and the liberal media described the decision as "unjust." But is it really unjust?

While many Democrats believe that Omar's ousting on the FAC is revenge for removing Republicans Marjorie Taylor Greene and Paul Gosar from their committee assignments in 2021, there is a significant difference between their actions and those of Omar. That difference is that Omar's repeated statements and actions are concern for the relationships between the US and foreign countries, while Greene's and Gosar's comments and actions were directed to internal workings of US government and society.

Since becoming a representative Omar has been outspoken and contentious about US relations throughout the world. Just prior to her ousting, Omar stated that she "will continue to speak for the families who are seeking justice around the world." She also stated that she will be the voice of the oppressed around the world. During her speech on the House floor, Omar did not address the reasons for her ousting but instead, vehemently accused Republicans of being anti black and anti Muslim, and threatened

that her "voice" will get louder and stronger, if she is not on the FAC for one term – clearly an attempt to intimidate Republicans.

Hakeem Jeffries, AOC, Bush and other progressive lawmakers opposing Omar's ousting and defended her statements with continued rhetoric over racism, ethnic origin, and religious orientation.

According to CAknowedge," part of a movement to liberate every human being from the 9-6 job", Ilhan Omar has a net worth of \$83 million, a 9 million dollar apartment, and several high-end cars.

Like many of her far left political comrades, Omar uses very little of her own money to support her political ambitions and relies heavily on donations and political action committees (PAC) (https://www.opensecrets.org/members-of-congress/ilhan-omar/summary?cid=N00043581).

By attacking Republicans and playing the race, religious, ethnic, and injustice cards, Omar is using her FAC ousting to bolster her fundraising. According to Yahoo News, donations from users registered with Democratic fundraising giant, ActBlue, will be divided between Omar's reelection campaign and the Progressive Change Campaign Committee. The committee promotes radical progressive politicians.

Whether Omar's ousting from the FAC is the correct call or not, five things are very clear.

- As long as the left continues accusing the right of injustice and racism and religious intolerance there will not be peace among the people nor will there be an integrated America. All of these cards are played by individuals who **DO NOT** take or assume responsibility for their own actions and who have agendas that primarily benefit themselves.
- 2. Politicians will always use other people's money for their own gain.
- 3. Publically traded companies and corporations have no business supporting any political party or involvement in social movements unless such is ingrained in their charters.
- 4. PACs, national non-profits and for profit organizations, international companies and organizations, and companies and corporations with offices outside of their headquarters' state location, should be banned from donating or otherwise

supporting political parties and candidates in other states. Essentially, fundraisers and all donations should only come from within the individual states and used only in that state and not be used to support parties or candidates in other states. The amount of money that PACs can spend during any election period should be limited.

5. The only way to bring sanity back to government is to have term limits, to remove retirement benefits for congressional members, and to limit the amount of money any candidate, including PACs, can spend on campaigning.

As Americans, we need to take back our government! America cannot afford for its citizens to be governed by the will of government and its politicians instead of by the will of the people.