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# The Truth is, Trump did nothing but downplay this disaster from the beginning

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But here's the real reason for my vitriol. Trump is a straight-up liar. He lies to my American people - my national brethren, of whom I love and adore - with no remorse whatsoever. He is the epitome of selfishness, irresponsibility, and sloth.

Let me be specific. I've watched Trump from the beginning of this **Coronavirus** pandemic. However, over the last several days, starting Sunday, Trump has made the same bogus and erroneous claim during his **recently** daily public addresses of updates on the federal response to this virus.

Trump says he was "**bold**" in imposing a travel **ban** from China when everyone told him not to do it. I don't know who "**everyone**" is, but that's classic Trump. He also states that if it wasn't for him being so "**bold**" that this outbreak would have been much worse; and how he single-handedly saved countless lives. I'm

surprised he hasn't broken his neck slapping himself on the back.

**Speaking of back,** travel back with me over a month ago; well after the virus first hit the national spotlight.

On January, 31, 2020, Health and Human Services Secretary **Alex Azar** declared a public health emergency for the Coronavirus. Azar announced a travel "**restriction**" from China effective February 2, 2020. Later, Trump expanded the travel "restriction" to Iran. It is important to note that these "**restrictions**" are the actions that Trump claims were "**bans**" which saved this country from the worldwide epidemic.

**Forward time** a month ahead. During a March 5, 2020, interview with Fox News' **Sean Hannity**, Trump said he, "closed down the borders to China and to other areas that are very badly affected." Sean Hannity did not correct Trump on this state-

ment. In fact, Hannity allowed Trump to continually lie to the American people. Or more specifically, his base.

**Here's the truth.**

There was no ban from China, Iran or any other "very badly affected" area. It was a travel restriction prohibiting "**non-U.S. citizens, other than the immediate family of U.S. citizens and permanent residents**", who traveled to China within the last two weeks from entering American borders.

Let that sink in for a minute or two. Read it over and over again to let it **resonate throughout your frontal lobe.**

Now imagine during early January 2020, you traveled to-and-throughout China. And during one of your many adventures while touring that beautiful country, you contracted this deadly virus. Let's say you were still infected by late January while now vacationing in Iran. Suddenly, you hear that the borders to your country,



**U.S. President Barack Obama, right, speaks as Ebola coordinator Ron Klain (center) listens during a news conference in the Roosevelt Room of the White House in Washington, D.C., on Tuesday, Nov. 18, 2014. (Drew Angerer/Bloomberg via Getty Images)**

the U.S., are closing due to the outbreak of this virus, of which, you now have. You want to get home. Luckily, the borders are not closed to you because you are immediately related to a permanent resident. You catch a flight, touch down, and you're back home again. Comfy?

Well guess what? You didn't leave the coronavirus abroad. Not only did you not leave it overseas, but you boarded an airplane full of people with a dangerous, deadly, and contagious disease, that is easily transmitted from one person to another without even the slightest touch.

In other words, the coronavirus could have walked across the ocean with more resistance than what Trump claims he put up. **Anybody** traveling from China or Iran could have, and more than likely did, bring that virus over here. Trump did nothing to prevent it. His boast of such a thing is downright criminal.

Furthermore, let me drop this fact on ya! Have you ever heard of **Ron Klain**? If you haven't, that's okay...**for now**...but look him up after reading this. Klain was the White House **Ebola** response coordinator under president Obama's administration. In debunking Trump's travel "ban" claim, Klain stated, "We don't have a travel **Band-Aid**", during a February 5, 2020, House subcommittee hearing about the coronavirus. Moreover, Klain said, "before [Trump's restriction] was imposed, **300,000** people came here from

China in the previous month. So, the horse is out of the barn."

**Let it resonate. Let...It...Res-O-Nate!**

The first case of COVID-19 was recorded in November 2019 in China. The so-called travel "ban" was February 2020. Additionally, that "ban" didn't prevent anything. It only prevented Chinese and Iranian nationals who didn't have the **need**, nor maybe even the **means**, to come to the U.S. in the first place. So, what "**lives were saved**" is Trump boasting about during every single one of these press conferences?

Remember; during

this same time period, Trump was calling **COVID-19** the **Flu**. On Jan. 30, 2020, referring to the coronavirus, Trump said at a Michigan rally, "We have it very well under control. We have very little problem in this country. At this moment — **FIVE!** And those people are all recuperating successfully."

Despite his flawed "it's going to disappear" and "anyone who wants a test can get one" claims, Trump has never taken the responsibility of a leader. In fact, he has given himself and his administration a "**10**" for their handling of COVID-19. What say you? Do you give him a "10", too?

**NOTICE OF COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSALS**  
for  
**District Athletics Renovations**  
in  
**Pflugerville ISD**

Pflugerville ISD will accept Competitive Sealed Proposals from qualified construction firms until **2:00 p.m., April 02, 2020**, in the lobby of the PISD Administration Building. Address all submittals to:

Craig Pruett, Director of Purchasing  
Pflugerville Independent School District  
1401 West Pecan  
Pflugerville, Texas 78660

The anticipated budget for this project is estimated at \$4,700,000. The scope and schedule for this project as currently defined is described in the Proposal Document.

Proposal documents may be obtained by contacting the Pflugerville ISD Purchasing Department by email at [craig.pruett@pfsd.net](mailto:craig.pruett@pfsd.net). Documents can also be downloaded from the district website at: <http://www.pfsd.net/site/Default.aspx?PageID=259>

Pflugerville I.S.D. reserves the right to waive any formalities and to reject any or all Proposals.

**Project Schedule of Events**

- „ Request for Proposals Released March 13, 2020
- „ Pre-proposal Conference March 23, 2020, 9:00 a.m.
- „ Due Date for Proposals April 02, 2020, 2:00 p.m.
- „ Board Approval Expected April 16, 2020
- „ Notify Firm April 17, 2020
- „ Begin Construction May 04, 2020

**ASPLUNDH TREE EXPERT, LLC**

**NAME OF PROJECT: Distribution Line Clearance Street and Nightwatchman Lights**

**BID SOLICITATION: RFP 1100 EAL3011**

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**COMMODITY CODE**

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- Ice 39035**
- Fuel Oil, Diesel 40509**

Alcohol and Drug Testing Services 95207

(Term of this project shall be in effect for an initial term of twenty four (24) months and may be extended thereafter for up to three (3) additional twelve (12) month periods)

Please contact our office for detailed information on the scopes of service to be subcontracted and the relevant terms and conditions of this contract.

Contact: David Robinson or Laura Rodriguez at (361) 289-0052 or via email [lrodriguez@asplundh.com](mailto:lrodriguez@asplundh.com)

All Responses MUST be received no later than Monday, March 23, 2020 4:00 pm

**NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF SAMUEL MILTON LOTT, DECEASED. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Samuel Milton Lott, Deceased, were issued on August 27, 2019, in Cause No. C1-PB-17-002082, pending in the Probate Court No. 1 of Travis County, Texas, to Ella L. Moore. Claims may be presented in care of the attorneys for the Estate addressed as follows: Estate of Samuel Milton Lott, Deceased, c/o Leonard W. Woods, of the law firm Duggins Wren Mann & Romero, LLP, P.O. Box 1149, Austin, TX 78767-1149. All persons having claims against this Estate are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.



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