Total Submission: The Islamist Agenda and A Plan to Defeat It Huntsville AL January 26, 2016

Good morning, and thank you for this invitation to join you today. Thank you, Bill, for opening the door for me to speak with this great group. Bill is a mentor of mine, and a good friend. As he mentioned, the topic I will share with you today grows out of my other life as an author, and particularly through my association in 2007-2008 with Oliver North who commissioned me to help him write a novel on Islamic terrorism. That work led me through an intense study of Islam, research of over 40 books, travel to the Middle East, and now 8 years of teaching and speaking on the subject in a variety of forums.

In 2013, I made the rounds in north Alabama with a speech entitled "The War In Syria: The Most Important Issue In the World Today." In that talk, I warned of the rise of al Qaeda in Iraq, a particularly savage and barbaric arm of the famous terror organization, bent on the establishment of a global caliphate. A year and a half after I made those speeches, people who should have known better—like referring to the emerging Islamic State as a "jayvee team."

Why did this happen? Why did our government miss the very clear indicators of the rise of ISIS? Why didn't they read the same things I read, like the *Management of Savagery*, a 2004 Islamic handbook that laid out the ISIS strategy of brutal beheadings, enslavement, rape, and torture? Was it because our government is inept? Or was there some internal agenda for this refusal to acknowledge the threat of Islamic terror? I think it's both. But that's history. We can't change it. What we can do—right now—is to accept that we are under attack, understand our enemy, and formulate a plan to defeat those who seek to tear us apart.

I am here today to warn you about our other enemy—the Islamist. A foe almost none of you know anything about, and probably would not recognize in your own back yard. Our enemy the Islamist feeds on internal division—and our country is full of it. We are drowning in a sea of information, yet very few of us take the time integrate information into knowledge, and few of us seek to gain wisdom through honest and open conversations about the very real evil that imperils our country. That evil is the terror of Islamic jihadists, their quest for a global caliphate, and their deep roots in Islamic law, known as "sharia."

In our divided environment of sound bites and personal attacks, political correctness is a potent fertilizer for this enemy, the Islamist. Political correctness—demonizing others for exercising their First Amendment right to free speech—forces the voices of truth and reason into submission. This will not be a politically correct talk. I will not submit to the demonizing forces of political correctness that attempt to silence us while stupid or evil people force us all into ruin.

Like so many issues in America, the spectrum of opinion about Islamic issues is very polar on what to believe, and how to react, to the carnage of global Islamic terror. This carnage is carried out every day in the name of Islam. Let's be honest about this.

It's not savagery and murder and human rights abuses carried out in the name of "extremism." It's not beheadings, suicide bombings, and the rape of little girls carried out because young Islamic men don't have a job. It's death and destruction carried out in the name of Allah. This evil IS about Islam. But it's certainly not politically correct for us to say so.

To be fair, jihadist carnage is not way of every Muslim. By our government's estimate, jihadists represent only $1/10^{\text{th}}$ of 1% of all Muslims. So, do the math. Out of 1.6 billion Muslims, that's 1.6 million warriors bent on the destruction of the world. $1/10^{\text{th}}$ of 1% sounds like a small number, but it's a force that is one and a half times the size of the entire US Army active duty, National Guard, and Reserves. Granted, not all Muslims are jihadists, but there's still a huge army of them.

While most Muslims are not jihadists, <u>most Muslims ARE Islamists</u>. According to the Pew Research Center's 2013 poll of all Muslim countries, the overwhelming majority of Muslims worldwide want to live under sharia law. 38,000 Muslims, interviewed in 39 countries using over 80 languages, made it abundantly clear: *sharia should be the law of their land.*

In a June 2015 poll in the United States, the Center for Security Policy, found that 51% of Muslims in this country stated that "Muslims in America should have the choice of being governed according to sharia." 20% of American Muslims believe that the "use of violence in the United States is justified in order to make sharia the law of the land." 25% of American Muslims stated that violence is acceptable to punish those who offend Islam. Did you hear that? Over half of America's Muslims believe that sharia should be the law of the land! A fourth of American Muslims condone violence for drawing a cartoon of Muhammad! What has happened to America? We are under attack from within, by the Islamists. This is no accident. It's the result of a deliberate and cunning effort that most Americans are completely unaware of.

An Islamist is a Muslim who supports the establishment of sharia as the law of the land. Jihadists and Islamists share many of the same goals, such as sharia governance, yet they go about their work in very different ways. In America, the jihadist wages war with death and destruction. The Islamist wages war with words, deftly spinning arguments that are meant to intimidate, obfuscate, and confuse. Consider the two faces of current policy debates, and note how one of those faces is consistently twisted to distort the truth. The enemy is hard at work to carefully shape public opinion about Islam.

- 1. Islam is a violent religion that encourages the mistreatment of women, and the harsh punishment of any who violates a tenet of Islamic law. **OR.** Islam is a religion of peace and those who speak against the prophet, peace be upon him, are bigots, racists, and Islamophobes.
- 2. The government of Iran is an existential threat to Israel once the Islamic Republic acquires a nuclear weapon. Its leaders spout hatred of western culture and death threats for all of those who denounce Iran. **OR.** Iran is a proud ancient Persian culture filled with intellectual, western-loving people who will ultimately persuade

their government to become more democratic once the crushing economic sanctions are lifted.

- 3. Radicals have so captured the spirit and intent of Islam that we can no longer call this "Islamic extremism." Violent Islam is "mainstream" with death and destruction all committed in the name of Allah. **OR.** If we will just love the misled extremist, help him find a job, and then show him the benefit of democracy, these violent factions will stop their bickering. All will be well.
- 4. The attacks of September $11^{\rm th}$ occurred because we failed in our foreign policy, turning a blind eye to al Qaeda and a festering anti-American sentiment in the Middle East after the first Gulf War. **OR.** 9-11 was brought on by America's greedy thirst for oil and our historic imperialist tendencies. There was a rationale for these attacks. We got what we deserved.
- 5. Millions of migrants and asylum seekers, fleeing Islamic theocracies, pose a danger because of embedded terrorists and their demographic potential to overwhelm western cultures. **OR**. Most of these Muslim refugees are women and children. The power vacuum that America created through regime change and imperialist actions is the cause of this humanitarian crisis.

These are deep and complex issues. I'm not here today to change your political persuasion or your feelings toward Muslims and Islam. But I <u>am</u> here to paint a realistic and unbiased portrait of the situation that is unfolding today. The world is at war, a war grounded in Islamic ideology.

Jihadists seek the worldwide establishment of a global Islamic theocracy known as the Caliphate. Abu Bakr al Baghdadi, Supreme Caliph of the Islamic State, demands that all Muslims pledge allegiance to him. Those who object—including you and me—are apostates and are worthy of death. Islamists around the globe seek the establishment of sharia law as the law of their land. The devil is on our doorstep. I am here today to share that terrible news, along with a plan to defeat him.

Let's look at some fundamentals to set the stage for understanding the Islamist movement.

First, it's critical to understand that, in an Islamic society, there can be no "free exercise of religion." Elections and man-made laws are inferior to a theocratic form of government and its Islamic law—sharia. You cannot have democracy in a theocratic state. All of attempts at bringing democracy to Islamic nations are in vain.

Second, the Sunni-Shia battle for supremacy will never end, until the day, in their prophecies, when they join forces to fight the Antichrist and Rome, and establish a worldwide Islamic state. This is a sobering truth. It is naïve and dangerous for America to believe that we can end the Sunni-Shi'a conflict through diplomatic or military means.

Third, we must acknowledge that the ultimate goal of the jihadist is the destruction of the western way of life. Their end game is the establishment of a global caliphate. I remind you again that every Muslim does not aspire to be a jihadist, and to destroy civilization. Yet Muslims do not speak out against the savagery of jihadists like

ISIS because they know that speaking out will establish them as apostates, worthy of death. Therefore, they submit in silence, because they believe that silence is safe.

Fourth, we must acknowledge that the actions of a few jihadists can transform entire societies. One man bent on destroying an airplane with explosives in his shoe forced a world of peoples to remove their footwear to board an airplane. A few "radicals" are transforming the lives of the many. Those few have great power over us.

Fifth, it is critical to understand that the jihadist is NOT the greatest long-term threat to America. Consider the Islamist, passionately committed to living in accordance with sharia law. Remember, 51% of American Muslims surveyed believe that sharia should be the law of the land.

So, how are the Islamist and jihadist at work in America to bring us to our knees and to submit to Islamic law?

Meet the Muslim Brotherhood—at the apex of a "civilization jihad."

Founded in 1928, the Muslim Brotherhood is the father or the ideological progenitor of every modern terror movement. They were instrumental in the origin of Hamas, the Iranian-funded terror group that fights from the Gaza Strip today. They were on the ground floor at the founding of al Qaeda, the perpetrators of the 9-11 attacks. al Qaeda in Iraq later became known as ISIS after al Qaeda split from them for their excessively savage approach to jihad. Boko Haram—the rapists of Nigeria—and many more terror groups, all trace their heritage in one way or another to the Muslim Brotherhood.

You may know the Muslim Brotherhood through their ties to the assassination of Egyptian president Anwar Sadat in 1981. Perhaps you know of them as the "moderates" who started the current Syrian civil war, whose armies we have funded and trained to overthrow Bashar Al Assad. Or, if you're paying attention, you know the Muslim Brotherhood as the organization that published a detailed strategy for the overthrow of America and the establishment of a sharia law state in this country.

Yes. This is true.

As part of the FBI's discovery of evidence supporting the Holy Land terrorism trial of 2008, federal agents discovered a document entitled "An Explanatory Memorandum on the General Strategic Goal for the Group in North America." This memorandum outlined an extensive plan to infiltrate and overthrow American society. They state their goal, and I quote, "to establish an effective and stable Islamic Movement led by the Muslim Brotherhood which adopts Muslim's causes domestically and globally... unifying and directing Muslim's efforts, present(ing) Islam as a civilization alternative, and supports the global Islamic State wherever it is." Further, they state on page 7 of the memorandum, "the process of settlement is a 'civilization-jihadist process'. The Muslim Brotherhood must understand that their work in America is a kind of grand jihad in eliminating and destroying the western civilization from within and 'sabotaging' its miserable house by their own hands and the hands of the believers." This, ladies and gentlemen, is the manifesto of the Muslim Brotherhood.

That document also lists "friends" of the Muslim Brotherhood in the accomplishment of this grand *civilization jihad*. That's their term, by the way, not mine. Among their closest allies, the Council on American Islamic Relations, or CAIR; the Islamic Society of North America (ISNA); and the Islamic Circle of North America (ICNA). You may know CAIR as the strident pro-Islamic voice that pops up on the news channels anytime someone focuses a spotlight on Islamic terror in America. You might not know that CAIR was listed by the government of United Arab Emirates last November as one of 81 global terrorist organizations. Many claim that CAIR is simply the voice of Islamic moderation. They are not "moderates." CAIR, like the Muslim Brotherhood, is working shrewdly within our country, and inside our administration, to overthrow all that we hold dear.

The Muslim Brotherhood and their allies have outlined a path to establish an Islamic State in America. First, they seek to create small Muslim enclaves throughout the nation, groups of like-minded Muslims living together yet insulated from full assimilation, using religious liberty to govern under limited sharia. Today, they cluster in Michigan, New Jersey, Georgia, Minnesota, and Tennessee. Just like groups of polygamous Mormons flaunt the law in "pure" communities in the western U.S.

The Muslim Brotherhood denies any association with the Islamist supremacist tenets that it espouses. Just as Yasser Arafat accepted the Nobel Peace Prize in 1994 while speaking English, yet espoused the destruction of Israel in his native Arabic tongue, the Muslim Brotherhood uses the Islamic doctrine of *taqqiya* (Quran 3:28)—lying for the sake of Islam—as a subtly effective and evil means to obfuscate and disguise their intent to overthrow America.

Beyond the deliberate lies to conceal their real strategy, the Muslim Brotherhood and Islamist plan to win using what through what they call "babies and ballots." Consider that, from a national demographic point of view, we are at a birth rate of 2.1 children per couple today. That's replacement rate. Yet, the much higher birthrate of Islamic couples leads to a gradual swelling of pro-sharia Islamic voters. Supported by funding from the Muslim Brotherhood, CAIR, and others, the *civilization-jihadist* quietly infiltrates civic groups, city, county, and state government governments, school boards, and the like. Through careful mentoring by Islamist organizations, these well-meaning Islamic-Americans gradually implement limited Islamic law, seeking food, hygiene, and family governance rules that are consistent with sharia. Just little things. No big deal, right?

After those early adaptations to Muslim needs, there are calls for Islamic school holidays, and for local sharia courts to handle certain family disputes. Then come labor law changes to accommodate Islamic dress codes, prayer times, and work holidays. Through it all, we see limitations on whatever free speech the Islamist may deem to be offensive to Islam. Elected leaders then press for pro-sharia covenants, ordinances, laws, and lower court rulings. Like gradually boiling a frog in a pot as you slowly raise the temperature, sharia insidiously penetrates the fabric of our nation. Anyone who objects is demonized.

You don't believe me? Consider the words of Dr. Waleed al Maneese, senior member of the permanent fatwa committee of the Assembly of Muslim Jurists of America (AMJA). He stated recently that "a Muslim who becomes a judge in America should understand the sharia in such a manner as to be able to rule by it in every case. He must also, in his heart, hate the man-made law."

The Muslim Brotherhood and CAIR have committed themselves to an insidious *civilization-jihad* in America using political and psychological warfare that employs the tools of cultural subversion, co-opting of senior leaders, influence operations, propaganda, and the imperceptible infiltration of sharia into western society. "It is a highly coordinated effort that shames and intimidates opponents while convincing the undecided that sharia and submission to Islam is the correct path." (Glenn Beck, It Is About Islam, 2015) The Muslim Brotherhood is at the apex of a civilization jihad, and they are operating right under your nose.

So—what are we to do?

I'll leave you with a seven-point plan that I believe could be effective in countering the duplicitous efforts of the Muslim Brotherhood. It's also a plan to guide our foreign policy as we respond to the savagery of Islamic jihadists. This plan is represented by the acrostic AMERICA.

First, we must **A—AWAKEN**. Literally, we must wake up and educate everyone about Islam. Educate and inform about Islamic history, the motivations of jihadists and Islamists, and explain their clear linkage to Islam, without apology. Let the violent history of Islam tell its own story.

Second, we must **M—MAINTAIN** our U.S. Constitution. We must oppose any and every attempt to impose elements of sharia law in our country, and must recognize the insidious plot to use our Constitutional freedoms against us as a lever to bring sharia into the mainstream.

Third, we must **E—ELIMINATE** the Islamists' base of funding. We should freeze all assets of the Muslim Brotherhood, oppose the significant role of Islamic states such as Saudi Arabia and Iran in funding terrorist activity, and eliminate the primary source of funding for Islamic terror—oil. Petrodollars fund death all around the world.

Fourth, we must **R—RESIST** the asymmetric warfare of the Islamist and jihadist with an equally strong asymmetric force. You cannot defeat a savage ideology using tanks and planes. We must use Special Forces, cyber warfare, and economic warfare to eliminate this threat. We must build an international coalition. It's a team fight.

Fifth, we must **I—INITIATE** in this battle against evil. Some say "wait for them to bring the battle to us." I have news for you. We're already under attack, by both the Islamist and the jihadist. We must execute our fight with boldness, action, and where necessary, destruction without regret. In the battle with the jihadist, it is kill or be killed.

Sixth, we must **C—COMMIT** to defend Israel without compromise. We must stand in complete solidarity with Israel lest we feed the Islamist appetite to strike at

them without fear of retaliation. We cannot show weakness. As Israel goes, so goes the United States.

Finally, we must **A—AFFIRM** our faith in Jesus Christ and share the good news of the gospel without fear. Every Muslim believes in Jesus, one of the major prophets and mentioned 97 times in the Qur'an. According to Islam, He is in heaven with Allah and will come in the end times to rule and to judge all men. Between 6-8 million Muslims come to a saving faith in Jesus every year, simply through a vivid dream that leads them to ask about Christ. God is at work in the world, and we should be, too.

Awaken... Maintain... Eliminate... Resist... Initiate... Commit... Affirm

AMERICA.

Don't for a minute think that this is someone else's problem. It is <u>our</u> problem. Jihadists wage war with us on <u>our</u> soil. Islamists seek to gut the heart of <u>our</u> nation by working from within, with the complicit support of our politicians who cower when confronted by the domestic mouthpieces of the Muslim Brotherhood.

The story is told (Glenn Beck, *It Is About Islam*, 2015) of "the righteous among the nations," those non-Jewish Germans who came to the aid of the Jewish people during the holocaust. One such woman, Paulina, was once asked "How did you do it? How can I water the seed of righteousness in others today?" She replied "Remember, the righteous didn't suddenly become righteous. The just refused to go over the cliff with everyone else."

I refuse to go over the cliff.

Paraphrasing a fellow writer and brother in this cause, "I want my posterity to tell the story of a righteous family that stood against all odds and said 'I am with Jesus the Nazarene. I am with the Jew, the Yazidi, the homosexual, the adulterer, the atheist, or the Muslim who just wasn't Muslim enough." (Glenn Beck, It Is About Islam, 2015) I refuse to go over the cliff and be intimidated into being quiet. If that makes me a racist or an Islamophobe because I told the truth, then so be it.

I would rather die fighting for freedom and liberty than live under the oppressive tyranny of Islamic law.

I close with the words of a prophet from two thousand years ago, preaching in the Jordan River valley and calling his people to repentance. "The ax is already at the root of the trees," he proclaimed, "and every tree that does not provide good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire."

That prophet was speaking to the people of his day about spiritual renewal, but he could just as easily have been talking to us.

The Islamic ax is at the root of our tree of liberty. Will you produce good fruit? Or will you cower in silence... and go passively into the fire?

Thank you.