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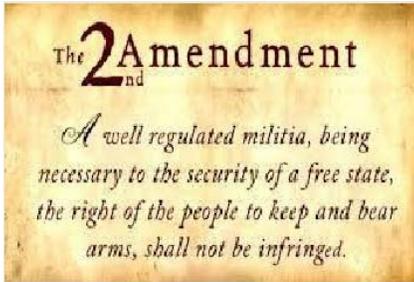
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Minute Men



History

Years ago, people left Europe to come to America in order to escape government oppression. The main reason they came was because they wanted freedom of religion. Many people believe that our founding fathers were not religious and that they did not try to put religion in America. They simply do not understand the concept of religion and Christianity and what it represented in that day.

They didn't come to America so they could be Baptist or Methodist, which didn't exist at that time. They came because the Roman Catholic Church dominated the world and had done so for a very long time. While it is true that not every founding father may have been Christian, but their concept of freedom of religion was to get free from religious control and a government dominated by a religion that would make religious rules the law of the land. They also knew that in order to have a free society you had to have the freedom of speech.

Another reason they came to America was for personal freedom. They wanted to make their own decisions about their life without a dictator, monarchy or corrupt government dictating their every move.

Thirdly, they wanted to get away from debtor's prison. If you couldn't pay your debts, it was a life sentence because the government put you in prison making it impossible for you to work in order to pay your debts.

Even if you were released, it was very hard to get work because you had been in prison and it became a vicious cycle because you would end up back in prison again for not paying your debts. It was the government that created that situation.

Until 1776, America did not have a government. In theory they lived under the rules of England, but the English hadn't enforced it, so the colonists lived in freedom. However, eventually England started sending troops, mayors and governors to the colonies and began enforcing English law on the colonists along with higher taxes. Before long, they were doing the same thing in America that they had done in England and Europe.

The current white house administration believes it is taking the United States forward, but in reality, it is taking us backwards.

The taxes the colonists had to pay were so high that they were no better off in America than when they lived in England. Most people farmed the land or cut lumber or worked in coal mines. It took a few years, but eventually the colonist joined together and formed a resistance while under the rule of English Lords here in America.

Between the late 16th and early 18th centuries, England had the most sophisticated military at that time. The Roman Catholic Church had lost its grip on the world. England was now the most dominant force in the world. The phrase, “the sun never sets on the British Empire” has been used to describe England during the height of their power.

As rumors of a possible revolution increased, England sent over more troops. The colonists were ordinary, every day, working people. They didn't even have their own military. The only weapons they had were farm tools and the muskets or guns they used

for hunting or defending themselves against Indian attacks.

Under cover councils were formed to coordinate the revolution. England would send goods to America for the settlers to buy, but at inflated prices. Even though they had many issues with the English government, what finally pushed the settlers into action was high taxation. England taxed everything from their salary to the things that they bought and sold to the land they lived on.

Tea Party

One day England sent three ships loaded with tea. That evening, the colonists dress up as Indians. They went to the Boston harbor with hatches and axes and sent the tea to the bottom of the harbor. It was a statement that they would no longer accept taxation without representation. That was the beginning of the revolutionary war.

Preparation

In order to fight, they knew they had to prepare themselves. Remember, they were only ordinary people...farmers, store owners, lumber jacks and minors. After work, they practiced fighting with whatever weapons they could get. They trained themselves to be ready in an instant, keeping their weapons with them at all times.

They developed a signal to let the town know when it was time to fight. Paul Revere put a light at the top of the church tower and rode his horse through the streets yelling, ‘The British are coming!’



Even though they weren't trained military men, they had trained to be ready quickly, so in an instant these ordinary men gathered together ready to fight. They were ordinary citizens who had arms.

Minute Men

It was the first night of the revolution when England got a taste of what enraged citizens with a few weapons could do when they are united. Since they had to be ready to fight in an instant, they were given the name Minute Men.

According to Wikipedia.org,

"Minute Men provided a highly mobile, rapidly deployed force that allowed the colonies to respond immediately to war threats, hence the name. The minute men were among the first people to fight in the American Revolution. Their teams constituted about a quarter of the entire militia. Generally younger and more mobile, they served as part of a network for early response.

"Minute men and Sons of Liberty member Paul Revere were among those who spread the news that the British Regulars (soldiers) were coming out from Boston. Revere was captured before completing his mission. The British marched toward the arsenal in Concord to confiscate the weapons and ammunition that were stored there. The term has also been applied to various later United States civilian-based paramilitary forces to recall the success and patriotism of the originals.



Massachusetts

"In the British colony of Massachusetts Bay, all able-bodied men between the ages of 16 and 60 were required to participate in their local militia. As early as 1645 in the Massachusetts Bay Colony, some men were selected from the general ranks of town-based "training-bands" to be ready for rapid deployment. Men so selected were designated as minutemen. They were usually drawn from settlers of each town, and so it was very common for them to be fighting alongside relatives and friends.

"The Concord Minute Man of 1775 statue is depicted on the Massachusetts state quarter.

"Some towns in Massachusetts had a long history of designating a portion of their militia as minutemen, with "minute companies" constituting special units within the militia system whose members underwent additional training and held themselves ready to turn out rapidly ("at a minute's notice") for emergencies, hence their name. Other towns, such as Lexington, preferred to keep their entire militia in a single unit.

Government Control

"In 1774, General Thomas Gage, the new Governor of Massachusetts, tried to enforce the Intolerable Acts, which were designed to remove power from the towns. Samuel Adams pressed for County Conventions to strengthen the revolutionary resistance. Gage tried to seat his own court in Worcester, but the townspeople blocked the court from sitting. Two thousand militiamen marched to intimidate the judges and get them to leave. This was the first time the militia was used by the people to block the king's representatives from acting on royal orders and against popular opinion.

Citizens Who Had Arms

"Most Colonial militia units were provided neither arms nor uniforms, and were required to equip themselves. Many simply wore their own farmers' or workman's clothes, and in some cases they wore cloth hunting frocks. Most used fowling pieces, though rifles were sometimes used where available. Neither fowling pieces nor rifles had bayonets. Some colonies purchased muskets, cartridge boxes, and bayonets from England, and maintained armories within the colony."

Maintain Power

If our government makes it so that we cannot equip ourselves to fight, it is because they want to maintain power over the citizens and prevent a revolution from occurring. However, no one sponsored the Minute Men, they had to equip themselves. They had a hard time obtaining rifles because the government would make a special effort to confiscate them.

Today

We, the citizens of the United States, are all the Minute Men of this era. We must be allowed to arm ourselves with the same weapons that the government has. Perhaps not the same caliber of weapons, but we should have access to guns. We don't need F-15 jets or tanks. **All we need is for the government to leave the second amendment**

alone so we can arm ourselves with decent weaponry because we have something the government does not have. We have unity and a vision to protect ourselves and our fellow citizens.



An Inherent Right and Natural Reaction – 'Self Defense'

The reason we are all Minute Men is because if a foreign government would invade our country **the very First Responders to this invasion would be the citizens that live there. They would be our first line of defense. If we are not allowed to have weapons and guns, we are helpless.** Our country is defenseless in respect to **First Responders.**

Some may say that the military would be the **First Responders.** I disagree. When we were attacked on 9-11, it took the F-15 jets 57 minutes to get from Norfolk, Virginia to New York because during the first 40 minutes, they were flying in the wrong direction. We later found out that the jets were not even armed because leaders were afraid they would actually use them to shoot down a jet. Yet I thought that was the whole point.

If we invade a country, our military is the **First Responders, but if a country attacks us, the citizens are the First Responders because we do not have military bases in every town.** This is not an indictment of our military. They are not supposed to be in every town because they are international defenders. Now that the current administration is cutting our military even more, there are not enough men and women to defend our borders.

Modern Technology

It is true that we don't need as many foot soldiers today when invading another country because of drones and technology, **but that won't help us if we're invaded.** If this administration disarms the American citizen, you will cut off our first line of defense. The second amendment is a national and personal defense issue. There will always be someone who will use a weapon for the wrong reason. That is just an evil we will have to live with, but if the government will enforce the thousands of laws already in existence regarding guns we could decrease the number of those who misuse weapons from committing

horrific crimes. We do not need anymore laws concerning guns.

Disarm Us

If the government takes away our right to own automatic weapons; they are not only infringing on our constitutional rights, they are endangering our country by taking away the weapons our **First Responders** would use to stop an invasion.

If another country invades and they are smart, they're not going to attack our military barracks. They will invade the towns in order to get a foot hold. When it comes to attacks in our country, the military and police are always second responders.

Resistance

If you disarm U.S. citizens, other countries will know it will be easier to invade. Just this week China, Russia and Iran (and many other countries) have condemned the United States for allowing its citizens to own weapons. Wonder why? Any one of those three would land on our shores and invade us if they thought they would have a chance of winning. However, they know that there are nearly 90 million gun owners in the United States. They know that wherever they land on our shores, there will be someone with a gun to stop them or at least slow them down.

But, if they can convince our government leaders to take away our weapons, they know they will have an easier time when that day comes. And that day is coming.

Already the United Nations wants to take away all guns from Americans and instead of an American police force, they want an international police force. History has shown that anytime a dictator wants to take over a country, the first thing he does is take away weapons from the citizens.

The current administration and liberals will say that they don't want to take away our guns, they are just trying to regulate what they call 'assault rifles'. That is their first step. The government is a beast. Once it finishes feeding on one carcass, it must find another. Their true goal is to outlaw all guns, which Piers Morgan on CNN has openly admitted.

Thomas Paine said, *The duty of a patriot is to protect his country from its government.*

Therefore, we are all Minute Men. We need our weapons. We need what the constitution guaranteed us. This is exactly why the second amendment was written. As citizens, we have the right to form a militia. We can do this without the permission of the government. A

militia is a group of people who gather together to train themselves on how to fight.

You Don't Need Guns, They Said...



...Then They Said, Board The Train.

Second Amendment

The second amendment says, *A well regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the People to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed.*

As citizens, we have the right to own guns for our personal safety as well as **First Responders** to defend our country. Our rights are being infringed upon. I realize that they only want to put a ban on 'assault rifles' now, but they have to start somewhere. Remember, Cuba is only 90 miles from the coast of America. It would not be hard for them to land on our shores. We're not asking to have F-15's or tanks, we only want what the constitution says we can have. Let us have our rifles, guns and automatic weapons that's not a threat to the government. If the government leaves us alone, I'm convinced that we could do the same as the original Minute Men.

I believe the President is working for our enemies because he's trying to take away our right to own guns, which is exactly what the Russians, Chinese and Iranians want. He says that he's trying to protect the American people, but we know that's a lie because he wouldn't have cut the military budget if it were true. If he would stop taking 1.5 million dollar trips to Hawaii and donate the money to local police forces it would go a long way to protecting the citizens of the United States. But he's not going to do that because he's only putting on a show.

Those in government, who want the government to have ultimate control, must first disarm its citizens. The first step is providing bad education, which keeps the general public ignorant. This has been accomplished through government controlled public school systems. The second step is to use any kind of issue that supports their agenda to brain wash the uneducated citizen to their view. They use these issues to cover their true agenda. The third step is by increasing taxes leaving each person with less money, or by causing the prices of products to increase dramatically.

Gun Control and the Second Amendment

On February 4, 2013 North Korea released a video showing a US city in flames after a missile attack. The video shows a North Korean man asleep and dreaming about American cities burning and being bombed. In the back ground the Song playing is "We are the World" by the group USA for Africa.

The video is saying that the world hates America. The words "let's start giving" represent the North Koreans giving the United States chaos and destruction.

China, North Korea, Iran and the Muslim Brotherhood around the world are planning to invade and attack America. Outside our borders the Military can act and defend. However, inside America's borders the **FIRST RESPONDERS** would be ordinary citizens with weapons. The military and the police can't be in every community at all times. The ordinary citizen would be responding first until the military can get there.

If the government takes away our right to arm ourselves then we would be **unarmed** if these attacks take place! Wonder why the foreign countries that are against us don't want American citizens to be armed?

During the same week President Obama said, "The government has the right to use Drones to attack American Citizens without due process if it deems it necessary." WOW! Wake up America! Our government wants to keep guns and weapons for itself, but not allow its citizens to have them. President Obama has said, "Guns do not keep people safe." However, he makes this statement while being surrounded by secret service men who carry guns!

Have you ever heard of 'Fast and Furious?' Not the movie. Fast and Furious refers to when President Obama and the government gave thousands of guns to Mexican drug lords and gun runners free of charge. Agenda? Look it up on the internet![]

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