

Re: Keep the US/Can border open

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"Eric Chomko" <echomko_at_polaris.umuc.edu> wrote in message
news:clmcja\$1ta9\$1@news.ums.edu...

> *JustMe (JustMe@NoSpam.nyet) wrote:*

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> : *"Eric Chomko" <echomko_at_polaris.umuc.edu> wrote in message*

> : *news:clj931\$1k4b\$6@news.ums.edu...*

> : > *JustMe (JustMe@NoSpam.nyet) wrote:*

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> : > : *"Eric Chomko" <echomko_at_polaris.umuc.edu> wrote in message*

> : > : *news:clgpo1\$2594\$2@news.ums.edu...*

> : > : > *JustMe (JustMe@NoSpam.nyet) wrote:*

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> : > : > : *"John Savard" <jsavard@excxn.aNOSPAMb.cdn.invalid> wrote in
message*

> : > : > : *news:417b0751.13094786@news.ecn.ab.ca...*

> : > : > : > *On Fri, 22 Oct 2004 19:09:38 GMT, "Jim Oberg"*

> : > : > : > *<jameseoberg@houston.rr.com> wrote, in part:*

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> : > : > : > *>Keep the border open. In 'Nam, Canada sent us more volunteers*

> : *than*

> : > : > : > *>there were yellow-bellies who ran there for cover, and the*

> : *Canucks*

> : > : > : > *>came south to FIGHT, not FLEE. It was a fair trade. I didn't
want*

> : > : > : > *>any of the flee-ers back, but Peanut-brain Prez pardoned 'em.*

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> : > : > : > *>Of course, since that war was not prosecuted to victory, it
was*

> : *tragic*

> : > : > : > *>and pointless that any American boys were ever sent to Vietnam
to*

> : > : *fight.*

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> : > : > : > *>Their sacrifice was honorable, but their country betrayed
them, by*

> : > : *being*

> : > : > : > *>unwilling to continue to obtain what it was they fought for –*

> : *freedom*
> : > : > : > *for the people of South Vietnam.*
> : > : > : >
> : > : > : > *Surely, therefore, it is the Congressmen who prevented Gerald Ford*
> : > : *from*
> : > : > : > *giving the Republic of Viet–Nam the aid it required, and that*
> : *passed a*
> : > : > : > *law preventing him from sending troops back there in the event, as*
> : > : > : > *transpired, that the Vietnamization strategy proved to be*
> : *premature,*
> : > : *who*
> : > : > : > *are far more to be condemned than any draft–dodgers.*
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> : > : > : *Actually, it was the American people that caused Congress to act*
> : *thusly.*
> : > : > : *Shame on them!*
> : > : >
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> : > : > *Yeah, we the people did it, nothing about North Vietnam having a*
> : *superior*
> : > : > *plan or that they were fight for their own country where we were mere*
> : > : > *proxies. We just needed more troops and more time...*
> : >
> : > : *You must be one of Vince's campfollowers. The only superior plan was to*
> : > : *convince the american sheaple to withdraw support for the Republic of*
> : > : *Vietnam. Try to understand that when Saigon fell in April of 1975,*
> : *American*
> : > : *forces had been gone for 2 years.*
> : >
> : > : *I don't know who Vince is. I am aware that we went back to fighting a*
> : > : *covert war from 1973–75 before Saigon fell. We started covertly (1954),*
> : > : *then went overt (1965), and then back to covert (1973). Your point is?*
We
> : > : *broke our treaty from 1973?*
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> : *My point was there was no superior plan, we defeated ourselves thanks to*
> : *folks like Fonda, Hayden and Kerry. Covert action in Vietnam between 73 and*
> : *75? You must be on some good shit.*
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> : *We tell me what we were doing in S. Vietnam from 1973 (peace accords)*
> : *until we evacuated in 75? It is called "limited hangout" and any fool*
> : *knows this. Covert operation. Easy to figure out.*
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- > *I notice that in your world leftists are the devil. Do you like playing*
- > *the victim of the evil lefties?*
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- > *I won't even claim that all the evil of the world or my problems come from*
- > *righties. I have more personal responsibility than that! How does it feel*
- > *to have a lefty call you out on your supposed higher personal*
- > *characteristics? You should be ashamed! The operative word in your moniker*
- > *being "just", which has nothing to do with justice.*
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- > : > : > *How would Vietnam be different today had we "won"? Anyone have any*
- > : *idea?*
- > : > : >
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- > : > : *Like the Republic of Korea or Republic of China. Now contrast them*
- to
- > : *their*
- > : > : *communist counterparts.*
- > : >
- > : > *North Korea is scary and many folks (younger) in South Korea hate us.*
- > : > *Taiwan is an ally, but we slapped them in the face by making mainland*
- > : > *China most favored nation WRT trade. Just don't try and trade missile*
- > : > *technology to China or you'll be labeled a traitor. All real*
- confusing.
- >
- > : *Not confusing at all. Anyone trading missile tech with China is a*
- traitor.
- >
- > *How so? They are our nation MOST FAVORED WRT trade. Explain how they are*
- > *most favored and yet trading with them can be considered being a traitor*
- > *at the same time.*
- > *It is called "speaking with forked tongue" of which the American Indians*
- > *accused of us a long time ago. It is alive and well in minds like yours.*
- > *And the reason that I mention it is that it was Reagan who made China MFN*
- > *WRT trade.*
- >
- > : *Again you missed the point. The ROK and ROC are successful nations in*
- the
- > : *world community. Their counterparts are not necessarily so. China has an*
- > : *abysmal human rights record and Korea speaks for itself. None of their*
- > : *success has anything to do with whether they like us or not. The U.S. is*
- > : *responsible for setting the stage to that success.*
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- > *Explain this responsibility. Why is it ours? How can you have success in*
- > *a relationship when only one side is responsible? Try that in a*
- > *marriage and see how long it lasts. Try it as a parent and your child is*
- > *doomed.*
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- > *This whole thing smacks of manager theory X and Y.*
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- > : > *Anyway, last I heard is that Vietnam wants to be like South Korea and*

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- > : > *Taiwan WRT trade. They can't be like China due to the lack of a labor*
- > : > *force that large. So, where are we now WRT the far east? Probably in*
the
- > : > *same damn place we would have been without the Vietnam War!!*
- >
- > : *No, actually not. Had we not drawn the line in Vietnam, in all*
likelihood,
- > : *all of South East Asia including Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore and the*
- > : *Philippines would be under the communist thumb.*
- >
- > *There is absolutely no proof that that is true or that the "Domino Theory"*
was anything other than an excuse to have a war in Indochina.
- >
- > *Your we-can-do-no-wrong, God-is-on-our-side spin is showing, and there is*
- > *ALWAYS reason to suspect that type of thinking as being different than*
reality (i.e the truth).
- >
- > : *Instead, they are more*
- > : *examples of successful members of the world community who's people elect*
their government. Note the recent peaceful changing of the guard in
Malaysia
- > : *this month. They too, may not like us but, we are responsible for*
setting
- > : *the stage for that success.*
- >
- > *Yes, you actually believe that we are the cops-of-the-world and that it is*
our duty to spread freedom-and-democracy(TM) around the globe like
Christians spread Christianity.
- >
- > *One minor problem with your lead-by-example theory: WE ARE NOT A DEMOCRACY*
OR A REPUBLIC. WE ARE A PLUTOCRATIC OLIGARCHY.
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- > : > *Thanks for asking.*
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- > : *I didn't ask. Try some Asian history or Asian political science.*
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- > *Who and what do you recommend? I mean if you claim to have some knowledge*
surely you can provide actual references.
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- > *You should read "JFK and Vietnam", by John M. Newman. BTW, Newman is an*
expert in "Asian history or Asian political science".
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- > *Eric*
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Fred was right. Idiot! <plonk>