

Final Presidential Debate 2020

The Final 2020 Presidential Debate is over. All the fanfare and hullabaloo lead to a TV Show that was tolerable, somewhat informative and a showcase on why we should not have reporters as moderators. They suck. Welker was much better than Wallace, but she did have the mute button as an assist. She was woefully uninformed, especially for a member of the White House press corps. She constantly cut off the president advising him she had many more questions to ask. As if her questions were more important than letting the two main debaters talk. She did little follow up questions to either candidate.

Trump won the debate this time and gets a half point. If you recall, Biden was awarded the win in the first debate by a half point.

The thought here was Biden neither won or lost, but Trump may have brought back some wandering away from him. Trump gets the half point as Biden blatantly and or stupidly lied twice. Let's stay with the half point for now.

After the last debate it was suggested by the Two Smart Farts, against some peers, that they should muzzle these two while the other was talking. Happily, they had the 2-minute mute button. This actually helped Trump stay focused and not jump at every little or big gaffe of Joe. It also helped Joe not to be interrupted.

On re-watching the debate to flesh out notes for the Opinion Page, it was noted that Joe actually lied a lot more times than noticed on the live TV coverage. Perhaps one is getting immune to political hash speak.

The two lies that originally jumped out was Biden saying that nobody lost their health insurance when Obamacare rolled out. 6 Million people lost their health insurance. Bare face lie. The "keep your insurance, keep your doctor, reduce premiums by \$2500" was labeled the lie of the year by the liberal press!

The second was the "Ban Fracking" statement. He said it loud and clear in the primary debates and several times since. Although while campaigning for the presidency in PA he said "on federal lands". Nobody in western PA believes him and that is why the Boilermaker Unions came out in support of Trump instead of Biden. (That is another lie Biden made. In his town hall, he stated that the union was supporting him. The union came right out and called him a liar in a press conference.)

Now Trump would have been awarded an additional point because of those two lies, but Trump was not able to articulate a solution to Obamacare. Obamacare was declared unconstitutional by the Appellate Court. SCOTUS is supposed to hear the appeal on Nov 10. It is more than probable that SCOTUS will allow ACA to be saved even with the mandate pulled out, the piece that made it unconstitutional. Maybe this is why Trump has not spent a lot of time looking at a full replacement. Congress's action to kill the mandate allowed competitive insurance back in the game. That is how many have been able to purchase health insurance with savings of up to 50% of ACA premiums.

Now onto the lies that were missed or overlooked while watching the debate the first time.

Biden stated that Amy Coney Barrett said that Obamacare was unconstitutional. She never said that, she went out of her way to say repeatedly that she would not offer any opinion on a case that may be presented to her in the future.

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One that got by was his 500 illegal immigrant kids being separated from their parents at the border. This is true but misleading. Homeland Security released a report 2 weeks (?) ago saying they had contacted 485 of the children's parents and they do not want them returned. The parents are in their country of origin. Obviously, they think their children will be better cared for in the US. Many children failed the DNA test to match to the adult that brought them to the U.S.

Biden claimed Trump rejected COVID test kits from WHO. Lie. Even WHO said they never offered kits to the USA because they never had any.

Here are lies that were just ignored as they are viewed as Biden addled chatter.

Trump had a secret bank account in China. Not so secret as even TSF knew it. It was documented in his federal tax statements he filed when running for presidents. The account was in 2013 as a private citizen and closed in 2015. In order to do business in China you must open a bank account in China. Yes, Trump did file his Financial Statements when he ran for office, just not his tax returns.

The USA had a good relationship with Hitler. I do not think the icon of the democratic party, FDR, would support that statement. FDR did not want to go to war against Hitler not because he liked him, but because our military was in poor shape from WWI.

Another lie was Biden stated nobody in the Trump Admin said he did anything wrong in bribing Ukraine to fire their AG. Not necessarily true. Those same people when working for Obama did raise the conflict of interest with the VP Biden office, Secretary of State and Obama. Secretary of State Kerry's stepson quit the company he shared with Hunter Biden as he thought it was a conflict.

Now I give China Joe credit as a 47-year politician when he said he never took money from a foreign government. No, he took it from his son. The email from Hunter Biden to his daughter Naomi, who was looking for more money while in school, is an interesting dad to daughter friendly lecture to watch her spending. He told her that "Pop", her grandfather and Hunter's father, took half his salary.

Joe said that 50 former CIA folks sent a letter saying that Hunter's laptop was a Russian plant was actually funny. First, the 50 letter writers have not seen the evidence and said it "appeared" like Russian disinformation. The FBI has had the laptop for 10 months and is part of a money laundering investigation. Hunter's laptop, is where the letter to his daughter mentioned above, was found, along with a myriad of pictures of Hunter with young girls and smoking his crack pipe. Plus, the mountains of emails outlining the schemes in Burisma, China &, Kazakhstan. Many of which have been vetted with the other people on the email chain.

Joe suffers from the DC power syndrome, where they have the power to influence but are not getting rich like the one's he helped. Under Obama he probably saw an opportunity to cash in and he took it. He doubtless figured Obama was either naïve or dirty and he could get away with it.

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People forget Trump was rich before he ran for office. The Clintons, Obamas and Bidens became rich because of the office. Interesting how rich they became within a year of leaving office.

Presidential Debate history normally reserves the last debate to discuss foreign policy. Not doing so this time was a great disservice to the president. His accomplishments in this area are well worth discussion. Just a quick list includes:

- Deterring war with North Korea (Obama warned Trump of an impending war).

- Destruction of the ISIS caliphate in Iraq.

- Removal of almost all US troops in Syria.

- Significant reduction of troops in Afghanistan.

- Termination of the Iran Nuclear deal.

- Allies increasing their funding of NATO.

- Moving the U.S. Embassy to Jerusalem (approved decades ago but prior presidents failed to act)

- Escaping the Paris Accord on Climate Change – saves U.S. Billions of dollars and we achieved our objectives without paying for others.

- Energy independence removes our dependence on foreign nations.

- Replaced NAFTA with USMCA – even Biden said this was good.

- China Trade Deal – first president to push back on China dumping product and stealing intellectual property.

- Abraham Peace deal in which 4 additional Arab nations recognize Israel as a nation. Took Trump three years to accomplish a goal by the western world for 70 years.

- Trump nominated by four countries for the Nobel Peace Prize. (Hope he shares it with Jared Kushner.)

After considerable thought Trump gets another point for the debate and two more for his foreign policy achievements that the liberal press does not want to recognize.

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