## Obama Declares War On 'Extremism' – Are You An 'Extremist' According To His Definition?

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Do you know what an "extremist" is? In the wake of the horrible terror attacks on the offices of Charlie Hebdo in France, Barack Obama is speaking very boldly about the need to win the war against "extremists", and he has announced plans to host a major global summit on "extremism" next month. And on the surface that sounds great. But precisely how are we supposed to determine whether someone is an "extremist" or not? What criteria should we use?

As you will see below, your definition of an "extremist" may be far, far different from the definition that Barack Obama is using. When you do a Google search, you will find that an "extremist" is defined as "a person who holds extreme or fanatical political or religious views, especially one who resorts to or advocates extreme action." According to Wikipedia, "extremism" is "an ideology (particularly in politics or religion), considered to be far outside the mainstream attitudes of a society or to violate common moral standards.

Extremism can take many forms, including political, religious and economic." Please notice that neither of those definitions uses the word violence. In this day and age, you can be considered an "extremist" simply based on what you believe, and as you will see later in this article there are now tens of millions of Americans that are considered to be "extremists" and "potential terrorists" according to official U.S. government documents. When you use the word "extremist", you may have in your mind a picture of ISIS fighters or the terrorists from the Charlie Hebdo massacre.

But for elitists such as Barack Obama, the word "extremist" has a much broader meaning. In recent years, it has become a code word for those that do not have an "enlightened" view of the world. If your views on politics, religion or social issues are extremely different from the liberal, progressive views of "the mainstream" (as defined by the mainstream media and by "mainstream" politicians such as Barack Obama), then they consider you to be an extremist.

Early in the presidency of George W. Bush, we were told that Islamic terrorists were the enemy. And so most of the country got behind the idea of the War on Terrorism. But over the years that has morphed into a War on Extremism. In fact, the Obama administration has gone so far as to remove almost all references to Islam from government terror training materials...

Deputy U.S. Attorney General James Cole confirmed on Wednesday that the Obama administration was pulling back all training materials used for the law enforcement and national security communities, in order to eliminate all references to Islam that some Muslim groups have claimed are offensive. "I recently directed all components of the Department of Justice to re-evaluate their training efforts in a range of areas, from community outreach to national security," Cole told a panel at the George Washington University law school.

Now, much of the focus in law enforcement training materials is on "domestic extremists". We are being told that "domestic extremism" is just as great a threat to our national security as terror groups overseas are.

But exactly who are these "domestic extremists"? Well, the truth is that you may be one of them. I want to share with you a list that I have shared in a couple of previous articles. It is a list of 72 types of Americans that are considered to be "extremists" or "potential terrorists" in official U.S. government documents. This list will really give you a good idea of what Barack Obama means when he uses the word "extremist". As you can see, this list potentially includes most of the country...

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