

“Teddy’s” rea\$on\$: The Bear? No! The despicable person

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“How can you sleep at night?” Jonathan Fortuna wrote, as a simple user of social networks, against Texas’ lawmaker and regrettably, of Cuban origin, Ted Cruz, who tried to justify the irresponsible policy on the sale and possession of fire arms, when after the massacre in an elementary school in Texas, at the quiet neighborhood of Uvalde, and he suggested additional armed officers in schools to solve the problem, while denying that control measures were effective in this regard.

Ted had 311,511 rea\$on\$ to defend the current mismanagement in this regard, when that figure —translated into US dollars— was the contribution of the National Rifle Association (NRA) in 2018, emolument that

has been maintained and increased in recent years, in which he has not yet abandoned his airs of becoming president of the United States and making effective the first decision of his eventual term: break the relations that Barack Obama established with Cuba, although these—in both the Trump era and now in Biden's—are illusory.

The parliamentarian's cynicism heated up even more, when he offered his *"sincere condolences"* to the relatives of the 19 children and two murdered teachers, and assured that, together with his wife, he prayed for the soul of the deceased.

Putting aside the numerous criticisms on his statements, the freeloading and shameless politician offered *"armed law enforcement on campus"* as the only solution.

Cruz is also criticized for his opposition to abortion. That is, he is always linked to the worst causes, which provoked this comment from Democratic representative Rubén Gallego:

"Fuck Ted Cruz. You care about a fetus, but you'll let our children be killed. [...] You suck."

On the other hand, Congresswoman Alejandría Ocaso-Cortez wrote: *"Aren't you slated to headline a speaking gig for the NRA in three days - in Houston, no less (referring to the Kennedy's assassination)? You can do more than pray. Faith without works is dead."*

Governor Greg Abbott, Ted Cruz and former President Donald Trump are scheduled to attend the Houston

meeting this Friday, despite political calls from Democrat Beto O'Rourke not to attend the convention and ask to move it to another site.

It is known by all that this senator is the main recipient of money from the NRA, and he, along with his partners in Texas, has lobbied for the passing of laws to facilitate the acquisition of weapons, such as the AR-15 rifle, used by the young murderer in his elementary school attack.

Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton ruled out enacting firearm restrictions, arguing that shooters would not follow the law anyway. *“I would rather have armed and trained law-abiding citizens who can respond when something like this happens, because it won't be the last time,”* he said.

NONE ARE MORE BLIND THAN THOSE WHO REFUSE TO SEE...

As written and published on this website, on Tuesday night, President Joe Biden addressed the nation after the mass shooting occurred and he called for action in the face of these types of events: *“Don't tell me we can't have an impact on this carnage,”* he stated.

“When, in God's name, are we going to stand up to the gun lobby? When, in the name of God, will we do what we all know has to be done?” said the president, just a few hours after returning from a five-day trip through Asia, where, I emphasize, he met with his main allies to conspire against China and Russia.

Former President Barack Obama, of whom Biden was his vice president, already emphasized during his term on the need to limit access to fire arms, especially for potentially dangerous people, with symbolic speeches like the one he gave, with tears in his eyes, after the massacre at the Sandy Hook school in 2012.

Biden, although controversial in other actions, is in favor of transforming "pain" into "action" to adopt measures that, in his opinion, are "common sense", but he has to decide to face the great "lobby" in favor of the possession of weapons, which protects the NRA, mainly within the Republican Party and was strengthened during the Trump's mandate.

Those who oppose possible restrictions, such as "Teddy," take refuge in the Second Amendment of the Constitution: *"A well-ordered militia being necessary for the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be violated."* To be able to suppress or modify it, it is necessary to comply with some difficult terms to achieve.

Any change in the text approved in 1788 —to which the Second Amendment was included in 1789— requires the support of two-thirds of the members of both houses of Congress, as well as that of three-fourths of the states of the country (38). There is a second option, unprecedented in the history of the United States so far: that two thirds of the states convene a constitutional convention, as it happened in Chile, in order to derogate

or amend the Pinochet Magna Carta; and the one that Pedro Castillo intends to implement in Peru, to restore, among other issues, the considered worst Congress in the world. In truth, the supposedly hyper-democratic Congress of the United States leaves much to be desired.

Take the bull by the horns. Perhaps, just by changing such amendment may the US find a way out of this labyrinth.

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