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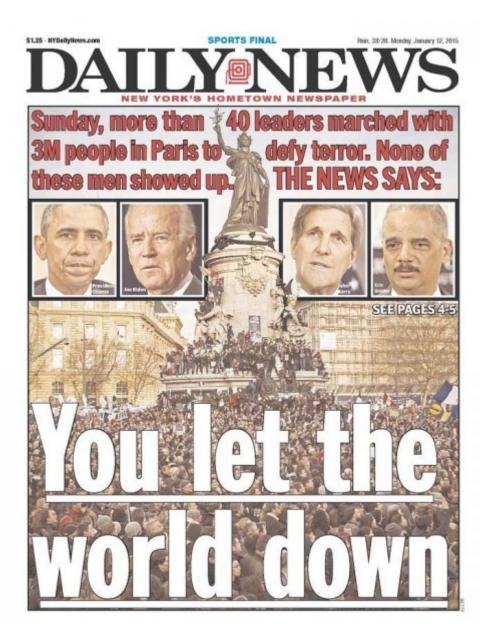
President Obama was a no-show in Paris and he disgraced us all.

Incredibly, President Obama was a no-show in Paris during an historical show of world unity. The streets of Paris were filled with what some said was the largest assembly of people in Paris since its liberation from Nazi Germany in 1944. Others suggested it was the largest mass of humanity in that city's history. Over forty world leaders joined more than two million protesters to express their defiance against the continuing barbaric actions of Islamic terrorists.

There they were—Germany's Prime Minister, the President of France, the brave Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, the King and Queen of Jordan, England's Prime Minister, the President of Mali, the Palestinian President, and over thirty more world leaders marching arm in arm proclaiming "Enough is enough! Evil shall not triumph!"

It was truly remarkable—a unique moment in the history of mankind. Yet it was even more remarkable because the leader of the most powerful nation in the world—the de facto leader of the free world—was a no-show. Yes, it's true, our president, Barack Obama was not there. Millions of Americans felt ashamed by his absence.

The so-called mainstream media, some of the same people who for six years had been Mr. Obama's apologists, expressed their distaste and sense of deep disappointment for his decision to avoid the Paris event. A CNN headline read: "Where was Obama?" The cover of the New York Daily News declared: "You let the world down." On camera, Jake Tapper opined: "I say this as an American — not as a journalist, not as a representative of CNN — but as an American: I was ashamed."



Colonel Allen West's words were representative of the condemnation from the right.

"As I watched the world leaders gathered in Paris yesterday there was a glaring absence. President Obama used Air Force One to fly to Knoxville to announce free Community College education. I guess that policy far outweighs an act of global unity against Islamo-fascism, jihadism, and terrorism. Needless to say this evidences the priorities of B. Hussein Obama. If Obama was too busy, then perhaps the Vice President or Secretary of State could have attended the event, heck Benjamin Netanyahu and Mahmoud Abbas made the trip.

The White House insisted that the President's decision to not attend the rally was based on security issues, yet Ed Henry of Fox News reported that a high official at the Secret Service told him that the Obama Administration had never called them about the matter. Security? Who on this planet is a bigger target than Benjamin Netanyahu? Yet he was there, Mr. President.

As to other more plausible reasons, we can only speculate. Among the most obvious is Barack Obama's close association with Islam in his youth and his apparent determination to not offend the practitioners of that religion. To this day, he and his administration refuse to identify Islamic terrorism as Islamic terrorism. While virtually all other free nations of the world call it what it is and the Islamic terrorists themselves tell us who and what they are, our president will not utter the words "Islamic terrorists."

President Obama said, "I want the people of France to know that the United States stands with you today, stands with you tomorrow." Really? Would it not have been more accurate to say that while the people of the United States stand with you, I stand behind you ... way behind you?