



## Made in America Panel Applauds Trump for Staying Tough with China on IP Theft

The way that the Mueller report has sidetracked policies that could be helping the American people and the economy; the ongoing fantasies espoused by Socialist Democrats; the prediction that free college tuition will destroy the economy and most public colleges; the misfortune that most Americans confuse the caravans at the border with the skilled immigrants coming to this country legally; America wins when it stands up to China and its theft of IP and trade secrets; the danger of surveillance capitalism to our privacy and identity; the hypocrisy of progressives who complain about the rich who give money to charity when they themselves donate almost no money to charitable causes; were among the topics tackled by host Neal Asbury, co-host Dr. Rich Roffman, and a panel of experts on the nationally syndicated "Neal Asbury's Made in America" show on Radio America (aired by almost 100 affiliates and the Armed Forces Network).

Neal and Dr. Roffman began the show by castigating the entire Mueller probe because it distracted Congress from engaging in a political debate and instead turned their attention to proving collusion and obstruction.

"Despite the non-findings of the report Democratic ideologues won't let it go. They are creating a gulf between Americans instead of making America great," proposed Dr. Roffman.

Neal believes that instead of Democrats developing platforms for the 2020 election, they are spending their time investigating Trump. "The Green New Deal is a non-starter, and Bernie Sanders' proposed free tuition-for-all is a recipe for bankrupting America."

The first guest on Made in America was Gary Wolfram, a Hillsdale College Economics professor, who takes exception to several Democratic presidential candidates who have proposed that the government provide free tuition for higher education in the United States. "Free college tuition is likely to result in a misallocation of resources, including the time of young people in the country, and have little if no positive effect on the employability and income of the poor."

"As a result of the government subsidizing college educations, it has caused tuitions to soar while the job prospects for graduates have dimmed. Meanwhile great paying jobs in manufacturing and even truck driving are unfilled, which carry salaries exceeding \$80,000 a year. If free-tuition-for-all becomes a reality, colleges will continue to raise tuitions, even as the government starts setting prices for a college education. Colleges won't be able to pay their teachers and maintain their campus.

They won't be able to stay in business and will just go under," maintained Wolfram.

Dr. Roffman noted that once something is free, people will question the value. If they don't have any stake in the game, demand will soar.

"This is very similar to Obamacare. The government set prices for reimbursement of medical services and impacted which patients are eligible for operations. The result is that doctors began leaving the profession," noted Dr. Roffman.

The discussion turned to immigration, where most Americans can't differentiate between the disaster at the southern border with illegal aliens, and the millions of immigrants who entered this country legally bringing the skills required by American businesses.

The next guest on Made in America was Roslyn Layton, a former member of the Trump transition team who worked for the FCC, and is an international internet policy analyst and visiting scholar at the American Enterprise Institute. She cofounded ChinaTechThreat.com, which seeks to bring to light how Chinese equipment manufacturers like Huawei, ZTE, Lenovo and many others are stealing our intellectual property and compromising our personal safety.

Neal and Dr. Roffman continue to be angry about China's ongoing insidious theft of IP; all abetted by the Chinese government. And they applaud Trump for being a president who finally has stood up to China and has not given them a pass.

"Huawei is blatantly stealing tech secrets from Cisco, Ericsson and others. They are taking their products and reverse engineering them and then exporting them back to America at cheaper prices. The U.S. has finally gone after these companies, most recently, refusing to allow China Mobil to do business in America," according to Layton.

Neal agreed, characterizing the Chinese government as "omnipresent" in China, locating cameras throughout the country, spying on its own citizens. "It's surveillance capitalism. Collecting personal data for nefarious purposes and using it to make money."

Dr. Roffman agreed, adding that if profit drives data collection, it usurps integrity. He compared the Chinese surveillance to George Orwell's book "1984," which saw the government spying on every citizen.

While Neal took Facebook and Google to task for practicing surveillance capitalism, Layton opined that data collection isn't all bad, especially if the data shared can be used to treat illnesses or protect us from terrorism.

"The day of reckoning is coming for China.

Privacy laws are being strengthened and we're seeing the technology gap between the U.S. China narrowing, in America's favor. But Trump needs to stay tough on China during trade negotiations making the IP theft issue a priority," proposed Layton.

Neal and Dr. Roffman turned their attention to Democratic presidential candidates, who this week revealed in their income tax returns that they donated almost no money to charity.

"They are always attacking rich people, but ignoring the fact that rich people donate a lot of money to charitable causes, while few Democratic presidential candidates donated more than \$500 to charities," noted Neal.

Dr. Roffman was amused that Beto O'Rourke proclaimed that he doesn't need to donate money because the nation is rewarded by his "mere presence."

"And we can't ignore companies like Amazon that pay no income tax, or GM, which also pays no taxes, ignoring the fact that they haven't paid back all the billions they received during the government bailout. Yes, they employ thousands of people, but that doesn't give them a pass," suggested Dr. Roffman.

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