

The “Boycott Mexico !!” Campaign of AMERICANS UNITED TO HALT TOURISM IN MEXICO (AUHTM)

There is an abundance of information available on the hostility of the Mexican government toward the United States over matters of immigration and on the serious problems posed to the U.S. by illegal immigration and by high and economically and environmentally unsustainable levels of legal immigration. This is readily available on the websites of organizations such as: NumbersUSA, Federation for American Immigration Reform, Californians for Population Stabilization, Center for Immigration Studies, Negative Population Growth, and Carrying Capacity Network, to name just a few of the larger or national ones.

The AUHTM Campaign is designed to allow the American people to confront the Mexican government and Mexican people directly on these issues. The incompetence of the White House and U.S. Congress to do their jobs in this area is well known and leaves concerned and well-informed Americans few alternatives.

At least initially, the key element in this campaign is the “Boycott Mexico !!” flyer which is self-explanatory. A pdf of it will be available on increasing numbers of websites that you can use for printing out or sending copies by reference to a url. Here are a few ways this can be used – by computer activists, by street activists, by political activists, by immigration reform organizations, by educational organizations, by environmental groups, and so on.

1. Simply **distribute the flyer** (or a url for it) via email or paper copy to everyone you know – friends, relatives, co-workers, and organizations to which you belong. Across the whole country.

2. If you distribute paper copies, you could **print supplementary information on the back**. This could include excerpts from articles or op-eds on the issue, statistical information, quotes of hostile statements from the Mexican government, lists of websites and other sources of information on the issue. Eventually some such materials, all formatted for such a purpose, will be made available on participating websites.

3. **Stop by several tourist agencies in your area** and leave multiple copies of the flyer at

each one, if they are at all receptive. Tell them that we do not expect them to do anything that would hurt their own business. Just ask them to consider the issue. And, perhaps when they have a client who would be just as happy with a trip to Costa Rica or Puerto Rico – or Arizona or New Mexico! – they could nudge them away from Mexico.

4. Go into the lion’s den and **confront the Mexican consulate**, if there is one in your area. Give the flyer to consular officials, demand the Mexican government back off, demand the consulate stop aiding and abetting illegal immigration by issuing *matriculas consulares*.

5. Get some fellow activists together, **prepare some good signs, and picket the Mexican consulate** on a sidewalk or other public space in its vicinity. Display your signs to passing vehicle and pedestrian traffic. Hand out copies of the flyer to pedestrians; chat them up. The flyer itself could be printed up into large 2 ft x 3 ft signs. Display position is always critical. Other sign possibilities: Don’t Spend Your Tourist Dollars in Mexico; SAY NO to Mexican Lebensraum Movement; Mexico, Bad Neighbor, Aggressor Nation; Boycott Mexico Tourism; Hostile Mexican Consulates Unwelcome; Repatriate Mexican Consuls; John McCain, Lackey of Calderon; SAY NO to the Matricula Mafiosi; Tour Mexico – and Die; Mexican Aggression, ¡Basta!; Close Criminal Mexican Consulates, ¡Si se puede!; etc.

6. **Organize similar demonstrations when Mexican government officials** visit or give public addresses in your area.

7. **Visit or contact the local, state, and federal politicians** who represent you and ask them to take actions appropriate to their position that will help protect the U.S. against Mexican political aggression. Give them and their staff members the flyer and ask them to personally refrain from tourism in Mexico.

8. **Join and/or support a few of the immigration reform organizations** – whether they are members of the AUHTM coalition or not – who are working on your behalf. Stand up for the future of our children and grandchildren!