



# Austria Will Deploy Military if Italy Unleashes 200,000 Migrants on EU

Austria is preparing for military action if Italy follows through on its threat to grant 200,000 'humanitarian' visas to migrants currently being held there. This would enable migrants to legally move deeper into the continent that already is overrun with foreigners. Over 100,000 migrants entered Europe via the Mediterranean in the first six months of 2017. 70% of the migrants are, not war refugees, but economic migrants seeking better living standards and welfare.  
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Austria is prepared to militarily secure its southern border if Italy follows through on a 'nuclear option' to grant 200,000 temporary visas to migrants currently being held in the Mediterranean nation, enabling them to legally move deeper into the besieged continent.

"Italy granting humanitarian visas to migrants is unacceptable," [said](#) Austrian Interior Minister Wolfgang Sobotka during a visit to the border. "In that case, we would immediately introduce controls in Brenner."

"Humanitarian visas are a European issue, not Italian."

Italy has threatened to unleash thousands of migrants who have landed on its shores into the rest of Europe if other nations do not begin accepting their 'fair share' of the catastrophic

burden.

*“In what has been described as a ‘nuclear option,’ Italian government officials have threatened to allow 200,000 migrants who enter the country to travel across Europe by using a Brussels directive,” [reports](#) the Daily Mail. “If Italy does pursue this course of action, support for the Schengen scheme, which allows all EU citizens to travel freely across the Continent, may be in jeopardy.”*

The Austrian government [has already moved](#) 750 troops and four Pandur armored vehicles into the Tyrol region, where they can quickly deploy to the Brenner Pass, the primary connector between Austria and Italy through the Alps, if necessary.

*“We need to prepare for the migration development in Italy, and I expect very promptly that border controls will be activated and assistance requested,” said Austrian Defense Minister Hans Peter Doskozil in [comments to local press](#) earlier this month. ”*

His spokesman said the flood of migrants into Italy is unsustainable, and that riot tanks would have to be deployed.

*“These are not battle tanks,” he said. “These are armoured vehicles without weapons which could block roads. These were already used during the refugee crisis of 2015/16 at the Spielfeld border crossing (with Slovenia).”*

Austria’s military response comes on the heels of a recent meeting between six central European nations seeking to form a new anti-migrant defense coalition, as [Infowars reported last month](#).

*“Defense ministers and officials from Austria, Hungary, Slovakia, Czech Republic, Slovenia, and Croatia met in Prague to discuss the details of the Central European Defence Cooperation (CEDC) that will act as ‘the framework of civil-military cooperation’ between the nations who seek to handle*

*the on-going crisis in a markedly different manner than Brussels and other EU member states, such as Germany, Sweden and Italy.”*

The UN International Organization for Migration has announced that [over 100,000 migrants](#) have entered Europe in the first six months of 2017 via the Mediterranean, with nearly 85% arriving in Italy from Libya alone.

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## **Anti-Poverty, Non-Profit Groups Receive Huge Government Subsidies, Pay Obscene CEO Salaries**

*The Daily Caller* investigated 14 anti-poverty, non-profit groups that received \$900 million in taxpayer funds from federal, state and local government from 2013 through 2015. They paid annual salaries as high as \$900,000, and spent millions on lobbying. These groups include the National Urban League, La Raza, Operation HOPE, NeighborWorks, the National Council On Aging, Unidos, Rural Community Assistance Corporation, and the Housing Partnership Network. –GEG  
Top officials with 14 anti-poverty nonprofits were paid as

much as \$869,900 as their organizations were enriched with \$900 million of taxpayer money, The Daily Caller News Foundation's (TheDCNF) Investigative Group has found.

The activist groups received as much as 85 percent of their revenue from federal, state and local governments and collectively spent millions on lobbying, TheDCNF's analysis found. Also, half of the charities' CEOs made political contributions – nearly all of which was to Democratic candidates.

The groups pursue various activist causes, but each participates in the Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Approved Counseling Agencies program, which pays nonprofits across the country to help people “find housing, make more informed housing choices, or [keep their current homes](#),” according to HUD.

HUD awarded at least \$42 million to 204 such groups in 2016, which was predicted to assist more than 1.4 million households, agency data shows.

The department even has a [step-by-step guide](#) that shows organizations how to become a nonprofit and ultimately a counseling agency. HUD considers the charities' prior performance when vetting their applications for the grants, which includes the number of impacted clients, past budgets and how grant money was spent previously.

At least 14 recipients appear to be national-level activist groups and have raked in \$916 million across government from 2013 through 2015, TheDCNF's analysis found.

Those organizations paid their top leaders more than \$341,000 on average in 2015, according to their IRS Form 990 tax forms, which is nearly 14 times the annual income for a four-person family at the federal government's official poverty line. Meanwhile, almost half of the revenue the groups received came from the government on average between 2013 and 2015.

Six of the nonprofits spent a total of nearly \$3.2 million on lobbying during those three years. Additionally, seven of the charities' CEOs contributed nearly \$44,000 to Democrats since 2008 and only contributed to one Republican candidate during the same time.

National Urban League President and CEO Marc Morial , a former New Orleans mayor, received a higher salary than any other official in the nonprofits, taking home nearly \$870,000 – more than 35 times the poverty line for a four-person family – in 2015.

Morial's "energetic and skilled leadership has expanded the league's work around an [empowerment agenda](#) ... with a renewed emphasis on closing the economic gaps between whites and blacks, as well as rich and poor Americans," according to the Urban League's website.

He also contributed the second most to political candidates – \$10,400, all to Democrats since 2008, according to OpenSecrets.org.

The nonprofit's information page adds: "The mission of the Urban League movement is to enable African-Americans to secure [economic self-reliance](#), parity, power and civil rights."

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# Former UN Ambassador, Samantha Power, Is Central Figure in Obama Unmasking Investigation

Samantha Power, former UN ambassador under Barack Obama, agreed to testify to Congress regarding unmasking Trump and his presidential transition team in classified intelligence reports. Unmasking means revealing to the public the identities of citizens whose names are found in raw data dumps from classified surveillance operations. It is authorized only for national security. In this case, however, it was done for political reasons. –GEG

Former United Nations Ambassador Samantha Power's involvement in the unmasking by former Obama administration officials of sensitive national security information is raising red flags over what insiders view was an attempt by the former administration to undermine President Donald Trump and key figures on his team, according to current and former U.S. officials familiar with the situation.

Power appears to be central to efforts by top Obama administration officials to identify individuals named in classified intelligence community reports related to Trump and his presidential transition team, according to multiple sources.

The names of Trump allies in the raw intelligence reports were leaked to the press in what many in Congress and the current administration claim is an attempt by Obama allies and former officials to damage the White House.

The House Intelligence Committee, which is spearheading the investigation into these efforts, has issued subpoenas for Power and other top Obama administration figures, including

former national security adviser Susan Rice, as part of congressional efforts to determine the source of these leaks.

Power's role in this unmasking effort is believed to be particularly questionable given her position as the U.N. ambassador, a post that does not typically require such sensitive unmasking activities, according to former U.S. officials and other sources familiar with the matter.

"Unmasking is not a regular occurrence—absolutely not a weekly habit. It is rare, even at the National Security Council, and ought to be rarer still for a U.N. ambassador," according to one former senior U.S. official who spoke to the *Washington Free Beacon*.

"It might be defended when the communication in question relates directly to U.N. business, for example an important Security Council vote," explained the former official, who would only discuss the matter on background. "Sometimes it might be done out of other motives than national security, such as sheer curiosity or to defend a bureaucratic position. Or just plain politics."

The Intelligence Committee's focus on Power and other key Obama officials is a prime example of the Obama administration's efforts to spy on those close to Trump, according to sources familiar with the ongoing investigation.

"The subpoena for Power suggests just how pervasive the Obama administration's spying on Americans actually was," said one veteran GOP political operative who has been briefed on the matter by senior Congressional intelligence officials. "The U.N. ambassador has absolutely no business calling for the quantity and quality of the intelligence that Power seems to have been asking for."

The source questioned why Power would need to uncover such classified intelligence information in her role at the U.N.

“That’s just not the sort of thing that she should have been concerned about, unless she was playing the role of political operative with the help of the intelligence community,” the source said. “It gives away what was actually going on: the Obama administration was operating in a pervasive culture of impunity and using the intelligence community against their political opponents.”

Rice was scheduled to speak to House Intelligence Committee this week, but the meeting was reportedly postponed. Some sources speculated this could be a delaying tactic by Rice aimed at pushing the testimony back until after Congress’s summer recess.

Leading members of Congress have begun pushing for the Intelligence Committee and other oversight bodies to investigate former Obama administration officials who they believe are responsible for the leaks.

Rep. Ron DeSantis (R., Fla.), a member of the House Oversight Committee and chair of its National Security Subcommittee, told the *Free Beacon* last week that these leaks appear to have come from former senior officials, potentially including Ben Rhodes, the Obama national security adviser responsible for creating what he described as an in-house “echo chamber” meant to mislead the public and Congress about the landmark Iran nuclear deal.

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