Liberal Media Spin, Then Censor News of Videos Exposing Planned Parenthood’s Barbaric Harvesting of Aborted Baby Body Parts

The way the liberal media have coldly distorted, buried, and censored news about the undercover videos exposing Planned Parenthood’s harvesting and selling of aborted baby parts is probably the most deceitful and vile example of left-wing media bias the MRC has documented.

It is unbelievable and sinister. The way the liberal media have rushed to defend the Planned Parenthood butchers and then smear the video-investigators as “violent extremists” is outrageous.

Even more surreal is the fact that while this macabre, Mengele-like news is ignored, the liberal media are going ballistic over the shooting of one lion in Africa; urging businesses to drop Donald Trump’s ties; and relentlessly searching for Confederate flags.

The MRC is documenting and exposing this left-wing media bias through all of its divisions: News Analysis, MRCTV, NewsBusters, MRC Business and MRC Culture, CNSNews.com, MRC Latino, MRC Action, on Twitter and Facebook, with press releases, and through talk radio and TV interviews of our expert staff.

The media have a duty to report on Planned Parenthood’s alleged violations of federal law and its morbid atrocities, the likes of which have not been seen since Nazi Germany. We’re holding them accountable. Let’s review some examples.

Since mid-July, four videos were released by the Center for Medical Progress, which did the undercover investigation.

The first video, from July 14, showed Planned Parenthood’s Dr. Deborah Nucatola, chomping on salad and sipping red wine as she casually explained how her office is “very good at getting heart, lung, liver, because we know that — so I’m not going to crush that part [with forceps], I’m going to basically crush below, I’m going to crush above, and I’m going to see if I can get it [the aborted baby’s body] all intact.”

ABC and CBS ignored that story and NBC Today gave it less than 40 seconds of coverage.

In the second video, Planned Parenthood’s Dr. Mary Gatter sat over lunch

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and haggled over the price of baby parts (“specimens”), joking that she wanted to “bump up” prices to get a Lamborghini. CBS ran one story; ABC, NBC, and the PBS <em>NewsHour</em> skipped it.

<em>USA Today</em>, the largest circulated newspaper in the country, did not report on the first two videos. The <em>Los Angeles Times</em> ran a story buried on page A-14 with the headline, “Videos a ‘Smear Campaign.’” The <em>New York Times</em> covered the second video, but focused on the lead investigator, David Daleiden, and his “anti-abortion militancy.”

While the networks were virtually silent on the horrifying revelations, cable news was covering the story to a degree, but with a lot of liberal spin.

CNN’s <em>New Day</em> gave the story 64 words on July 22, stressing the Planned Parenthood talking point that “the video was heavily edited.” CNN never mentioned the complete videos are available online, for the audience to judge.

Seven days later, CNN’s Alisyn Camerota was deflecting, harping on and on about how Planned Parenthood provides “birth control” and “cancer screenings.” In early August, Camerota was grilling the video-investigators as “violent extremists” who want to kill “women’s access to things like birth control.”

CNN’s Wolf Blitzer also deflected, grilling Sen. Rand Paul (R-Ky.) not over the barbarity documented in the videos, but on why the lawmaker wants to “defund Planned Parenthood,” which, he whined, helps “a lot of poor women.” (No comment from Blitzer on the poor female babies dismembered and dumped in glass trays for sorting.)

Over at Fox’s <em>The Five</em>, liberal Geraldo Rivera was arguing that the harvested baby “garbage” parts may provide a “cure for cancer” or “heart disease.” Thank you, Dr. Mengele.

On MSNBC, Andrea Mitchell cheerfully “interviewed” Planned Parenthood President Cecile Richards, and harped that the videos were “edited” and “taken out of context.”

While the gruesome videos were flooding social media, the House of Representatives called a hearing to investigate Planned Parenthood and conservative lawmakers were introducing bills to halt all federal funding of the abortion giant.

Still no real coverage. Why? Here’s why. At the same time, Planned Parenthood hired a crisis PR firm, which quickly sent a letter to the liberal media instructing that the videos “should not be aired.” They complied. In addition, a Milwaukee dentist went to Africa and shot a lion named “Cecil,” which gave the leftist media apoplexia. Soon, CBS and NBC breathlessly declared that Cecil’s demise had sparked “worldwide outrage.”

In the course of only three days, as the MRC documented, ABC, CBS, and NBC spent 43 minutes reporting on Cecil. Yet over the 17 days that the first three baby parts videos were released, those same networks provided a total 18 minutes of coverage.

Then there was Twitter. As researched by the MRC, NBC mentioned poor old Cecil in 19 tweets; Planned Parenthood, 3 tweets. CBS released 17 Cecil tweets and 6 videos tweets. <em>Reuters</em>: 16 Cecil, 4 videos; <em>New York Times</em>: 15 Cecil, 4 videos.

In the fourth video, released Aug. 4, Planned Parenthood’s Melissa Farrell explains how abortion procedures can be modified to ensure “intact, fetal cadavers” are procured. Cadaver by definition means “dead body,” which means the video shows Planned Parenthood admitting that a baby was alive before he or she was killed.

Not one network news outlet reported on that video.

When a lion’s death gets more coverage than four shocking Planned Parenthood videos showing alleged criminal acts, the liberal media’s moral compass isn’t just broken, it’s dead. It’s no wonder the network media have lost the trust of the American people. Their anchors lie, their ratings crater, and yet they continue to censor important news stories that conflict with their worldview.

The liberal media are just as guilty of perpetrating this horror as are the butchers masquerading as health care workers at Planned Parenthood.

We will not sit by and permit this neo-Stalinist “news” machine to hum along unchecked. We will expose their deceit. We will hold them accountable. You can help us in this good fight by making a donation to the MRC today.

Join the battle against the liberal media. Please call us at (571) 267-3500. We look forward to hearing from you. Thank you.

Sincerely,

L. Brent Bozell III
Founder and President
“NewsBusters Rocks!” That’s what Rush Limbaugh had to say one day after the launch of our popular NewsBusters blog site.

The most effective and influential blog fighting against liberal media bias around the clock, NewsBusters, celebrated its 10-year anniversary in August, with special guest Ann Coulter toasting the blog’s success and bestowing the first annual Noel Sheppard Media Blogger of the Year Award.

More than 100 of the best and brightest conservative activists, bloggers, and journalists gathered at the Hamilton Hotel in Washington, D.C. on Aug. 3 to honor NewsBusters, which was created by the MRC and Brent Bozell in 2005.

NewsBusters, with 2.3 million fans on Facebook, is one of the most widely read and influential conservative blogs in the nation. It is regularly cited by Rush, Mark Levin, Sean Hannity, and countless other media outlets.

After a few congratulatory remarks by founder and publisher Brent Bozell at the anniversary celebration, best selling author Ann Coulter spoke about the Noel Sheppard Media Blogger of the Year Award. The award was named in honor of Sheppard, a founding and popular NewsBusters blogger who passed away in 2014.

Coulter explained that the award was being given to “the blogger who best reflects Noel Sheppard’s energetic blog postings in pursuit of exposing the news media’s liberal political agenda” by documenting their distortions “and highlighting facts the public would otherwise not learn.”

Blogger Mollie Hemingway was presented with the award and a $5,000 check because of the outstanding work she has done, as judged by the editors of NewsBusters.

In addition to informing millions of people every day about liberal media bias, NewsBusters has scored some tremendous victories against the leftist press. It was NewsBusters, for example, that debunked Hillary Clinton’s 2008 claim to have arrived in Bosnia “under sniper fire” in 1996. Using a 12-year video clip pulled from the MRC archives, NewsBusters showed how Clinton’s arrival was peaceful, as she and daughter Chelsea calmly greeted children. That blog was widely reported and seriously damaged Clinton’s reputation in the midst of the 2008 presidential primaries.

NewsBusters also exposed Yahoo! News Washington Bureau Chief David Chalian on an open mic declaring that Mitt Romney and the GOP were “happy to have a party with black people drowning.” After NewsBusters exposed Chalian, Yahoo! News promptly fired him.

In another example, NewsBusters caught one of the most esteemed liberal foreign affairs pundits, Fareed Zakaria, in a plagiarism scandal, for which he was subsequently suspended from CNN and Time magazine. There are many, many more success stories at NewsBusters.

NewsBusters has real impact. In 10 years it has established itself as the leader blog in the conservative movement with the sole mission to educate Americans by exposing, documenting, and neutralizing liberal media bias. Here’s to the next 10 years of hard work, sweat, smarts and even more success!
Ronald ‘The Donald’?

In his never-ending attacks on Ronald Reagan and conservatism, MSNBC’s self-described socialist Lawrence O’Donnell trashed “The Gipper” for his criticism of Medicare and compared “the actor” to Donald Trump. On the July 30 edition of The Last Word, O’Donnell praised Medicare’s 50th birthday and whined that, “One of the loudest opponents of Medicare was actor Ronald Reagan, who was then [in 1965] the Donald Trump of his time, a celebrity with no governing experience and very forceful opinions about government.”

After running a clip of Reagan chastising Medicare as socialized medicine, O’Donnell hammered assassinated Sen. Paul Ryan (R-Wisc.) as the “ultra-conservative but practical socialist chairman of the committee” that is celebrating Medicare’s birthday.

O’Donnell didn’t admit that Medicare is a disaster ... just as Reagan predicted. It alone has $90 trillion in unfunded liabilities. It is simply impossible to sustain.

Right Dropouts

While liberals have repeatedly under-performed in the talk radio market, never reaching the audience levels and influence of conservatives Rush Limbaugh or Sean Hannity, the NYT’s Jackie Calmes frets that the “conservative media” are setting the GOP’s agenda and pushing the party to the “far right.” In a 16,000-word diatribe, They Don’t Give a Damn About Governing: Conservative Media’s Influence on the Republican Party, Calmes whines that conservatives in the media are preventing the GOP “from governing” and “from becoming a presidential party.”

Calmes attacks talk radio host Limbaugh as a “college dropout,” and says the same of Steve Deace, adding that he is a “self-described one-time loser” and a “born-again Christian.” Calmes also smears Hannity 20 times but, as disclosed later, she never contacted him to get his side of the story. Calmes, predictably, never even suggests there is a liberal media.

Democrat Socialist

Although not a case of liberal media bias, it was revealing to watch DNC Chairwoman Debbie Wasserman-Schultz squirm and repeatedly fail to answer the basic question, What is the difference between a Democrat and a socialist?

On MSNBC’s Hardball, during a discussion about socialist Sen. Bernie Sanders (Vt.) versus leftist Democrat Hillary Clinton, host Chris Matthews asked, “What is the difference between a Democrat and a socialist?” Wasserman-Schultz looked puzzled and laughed but didn’t answer. Matthews tried again, saying he “used to think there was a big difference,” but “what do you think?”

Wasserman-Schultz then deflected, stammering that what really matters is the difference between a Democrat and a Republican. Matthews pressed again, noting Wasserman-Schultz is the Democratic Party chairwoman and demanding, “Tell me the difference between you and a socialist.” Wasserman-Schultz spun again and never answered the question, and we all know why: Today, there is no difference between a Democrat and a socialist. Credit Matthews for asking.
‘Illegal’ Analyst

MSNBC is so in the tank for illegal immigrants and the violation of federal law that it hosted an illegal alien as an “analyst” to discuss GOP positions on immigration. This is no joke. On the Aug. 8 *Up* show, MSNBC’s Jonathan Capehart hosted Erika Andiola to comment on Republican candidates and immigration but Capehart didn’t mention Andiola’s illegal status in the United States.

Andiola prattled on about how she didn’t expect “to be offended by Donald Trump,” and then she eventually disclosed, “You know, I’m an undocumented Mexican woman, so I couldn’t expect anything else from him.” Candiola then criticized Jeb Bush and Marco Rubio for their opposition to sanctuary cities.

In America today, not only are illegal immigrants—not “undocumented workers”—applauded by the left, they are given a national TV platform on MSNBC from which they can criticize U.S. citizens who support enforcing U.S. immigration law. So much for “living in the shadows.”

Look! It’s a ... Fetal Tissue!

What has arms, legs, eyes and a heart? “Fetal tissue,” if you’re ABC, CBS and NBC.

Since the undercover videos exposing Planned Parenthood’s barbaric abortion practices and selling of aborted baby parts were released, the network news shows have refused to use the word “baby” in describing the murdered children. Instead, ABC, CBS, and NBC refer to “fetal tissue” when they’ve reported — barely reported — on the horrific scandal. NBC and CBS sometimes incorporate “aborted fetuses” and “fetal organs” to euphemistically hide what is really going on. CBS has also used the words “body parts.”

The *CBS Evening News* did quote a tweet by Sen. Marco Rubio who noted “the Planned Parenthood dead babies.” Also, CBS cited two other tweets that mentioned “babies,” a “baby liver,” and a “baby lung.” But the network reporters themselves won’t say “baby.” They have to spin, lie, and distort the truth to hide their bloody agenda.
Jon Stewart, Reagan-Mocking Obama Hack

In November of 2002, Washington Post reporter-editor Bob Woodward unveiled excerpts of his latest book, Bush at War, and created a big stir by revealing that Fox News boss Roger Ailes had sent a “back-channel message” to the Bush White House shortly after 9/11. He had insisted the president talk tough against the terrorists.

The liberal media seized on this report as proof that the Fox News Channel was a tool of George W. Bush (or maybe it was that Bush was a tool of Fox). But all Ailes had done was encourage the president to rally the country after the worst domestic terrorist attack in our history.

Was this press-driven controversy fueled by anti-conservative biases? Consider this: At the same time Ailes was supporting Bush, CBS anchor Dan Rather was breaking down on the Letterman show and declaring “George Bush is the President. He makes the decisions, and, you know, it’s just one American, wherever he wants me to line up, just tell me where.”

In the Obama administration, journalists have sauntered in and out of White House meetings with (not notes sent to) President Obama, with no brow-furrowing and harrumphs from their peers.

Still, it came as a surprise when Politico reported that liberal comedian and The Daily Show host Jon Stewart made two secret visits to the White House, during a shutdown fight in October 2011 and again in January 2014. Controversial? Not on your life. Politico gushed it “speaks volumes about Stewart and his reach” that he would be summoned by the president.

“Top Obama aides David Axelrod and Austan Goolsbee knew Stewart’s voice mattered and made sure to field calls and emails from the host and Daily Show staff,” it continued. “Axelrod, a frequent Stewart guest, kept in touch with the host by phone and e-mail.”

Goolsbee sent messages to his former Yale classmate Steve Bodow, who joined The Daily Show in 2002 and is now an executive producer. “That work-the-umps strategy also involved the president, who used his two Oval Office meetings with Stewart as a chance to sell the administration’s ideas.”

Politico wanted to explain how much Jon Stewart mattered, but ended up painting a picture of Stewart as just another biased and pompous anchorman — a political “umpire” — that needs to be flattered and spun.

In his last interview with Obama on July 21, Stewart obsequiously spoke of the callous media: “Are we focused on the wrong things? Are we demanding too much of you? Are we demanding too much of government? Are we too inflammatory?”

Naturally, on his way out the door at Comedy Central, Stewart tried to turn the whole story into a nasty joke. After playing a series of Fox News clips reporting on the secret meetings, he announced one Obama meeting included Elvis and a space alien and the meeting opened with “the traditional Saul Alinsky prayer” before they “took turns [sexually penetrating] a replica of the Reagan eye socket.” But wait, it gets worse. “The real Reagan eye socket is kept in the Smithsonian, and is only f—ed on Christmas.”

This kind of “comedy” mocking Christian Fox-watching Reagan admirers is his daily dish. This is why liberal journalists adore him. In the Bush years, NBC anchor Tom Brokaw slammed Rush Limbaugh & Co. for leading a “telephonic jihad” and then claimed with a straight face in Time magazine that Stewart exposes political “juvenilia,” that “Jon Stewart was our Athenian, a voice for democratic ideals and the noble place of citizenship.”

Wrong. He’s the juvenile guy in Obama’s pocket who makes ignoble jokes about sex with Reagan’s corpse.
The experts at the Media Research Center are interviewed almost every day on stories of national importance, often reaching millions of Americans daily. They provide analysis and commentary on radio, TV, the Internet, social media, in magazines, books, and in newspapers, always striving to help restore political balance to the major media. Some of the MRC’s latest media appearances include the following:

Television

C-SPAN: Washington Journal, Aug. 10
   Key Capitol Hill Hearings, Aug. 5
FBN: Cavuto Coast to Coast, Jul. 13, 24
   Varney & Co., Jul. 15, Aug. 12
FNC: Fox & Friends, Aug. 1, 4
   The Kelly File, July 29
   The O’Reilly factor, Jul. 23, 30
   Hannity, Jul. 23
   Fox Nation, Jul. 22
THE BLAZE TV: Dana, Jul. 13, 15
NEWSMAX TV:
   Prime with J.D. Hayworth, Aug. 5
   Prime with Rick Blackwell, Jul. 20
ONEAMERICA NEWS NETWORK:
   One America News, Jul. 27
   Prime with J.D. Hayworth
Print

American Spectator, Jul. 15, Aug. 6
   Christian Examiner, Aug. 3
   Duluth News Tribune, Aug. 8
   Investor's Business Daily, Jul. 17, 21
   New York Times, Jul. 22
   Space Coast Task, Aug. 10
   Washington Post, Jul. 22
   Washington Times, Jul. 14, 15, 16, 20, 22
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Internet & Twitter

American Thinker, Jul. 14, Aug. 1
   Baptist Press, Aug. 3
   Breitbart, Jul. 15, 17
   CBN News, Jul. 23
   Cowger Nation, Jul. 10
   Daily Beast, Jul. 12
   Drudge Report, Jul. 21, 31, Aug 7, 12, 13, 17
   Examiner.com, Jul. 14, 15, 17, 18
   FiveThirtyEight, Aug. 6
   FoodWorldNews, Jul. 16
   Fox News, Jul. 15, 16, 17, 22
   Harms Report, Jul. 21, 28
   Hot Air, Jul. 17, Aug. 4
   IJ Review, Jul. 16, Aug. 1, 3
   Inquisitr, Jul. 17
   Legal Insurrection, Aug. 1, 3
   Life News, Jul. 15, 16, 17, 31, Aug. 5, 6, 7
   Mediaite, Jul. 17, 31
   National Right to Life News, Jul. 20, Aug. 7
   Newsmax, Jul. 17
   NRANews, Jul. 24
   One News Now, Jul. 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20, 23, Aug. 3, 6
   RealClearPolitics, Jul. 24
   Sentinel Republic, Jul. 18, Aug. 6
   The Blaze, Jul. 15
   The Daily Caller, Aug. 4, 5
   The Daily Signal, Aug. 5
   The Maine Wire, Jul. 10
   The New American, Jul. 18
   The Patriot Post, Jul. 13, 15
   The Times Herald, Jul. 13
   Topicus, Jul. 19
   Townhall, Jul. 16, Aug. 7
   TVNewser, Jul. 22
   Washington Examiner, Jul. 13, 20, Aug. 3
   Youth Independent News, Jul. 17
   TWITTER

@amelliahammy, 10.2K followers, Jul. 28
@earlyforamerica, 1.7K followers, Aug. 5
@catholicassoc, 1.2K followers, Jul 22
@conproject, 47.4K followers, Aug. 7
@davidvitter, 30.9K followers, Jul 22
@drudge_report, 807K followers, Aug 12
@jillstanek, 18.4K followers, Aug 5
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@ingrahamangle, 556K followers, Aug. 13, 14
@markmerrick, 49.7K followers, Aug. 7
@michellemalkin, 834K followers, Jul. 28, Aug. 7
@monicacrowley, 243K followers, Aug. 5
@nra, 1278K followers, Jul. 24
@nranews, 153K followers, Jul. 24
@nro, 128K followers, Jul. 28
@royblunt, 36.5K followers, Aug. 5
@senjohnbarrasso, 20.8K followers, Aug. 5
@stacyjontheright, 20.3K followers, Aug. 5
@stevebaceshow, 20.5K followers, Jul. 29
@stevedoocy, 126K followers, Jul. 28
@studentslifehq, 17.7K followers, Jul. 21, Aug. 5
   - PARTIAL LISTING

MRC’s Brent Bozell and Fox’s Megyn Kelly eviscerated the media for their double standard in rushing to cover unsubstantiated rape allegations surrounding 2016 GOP presidential candidate Donald Trump but not, among others, the Bill Clinton-Juanita Broderick case.

Twice in one week, FNC’s Bill O’Reilly used statistics from the “very accurate” MRC regarding the major broadcast news coverage of the Planned Parenthood scandal versus the shooting death of Cecil the lion in Zimbabwe.

On Newsmax Prime, MRC Research Director Rich Noyes discussed the findings of the latest MRC study showing the “big three” -- ABC, CBS, and NBC -- have given Donald Trump tremendous coverage in the presidential race so far in comparison to the coverage given to any of the other GOP candidates.

The Media Research Center participates in the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC). MRC’s CFC number is 12489.
Dear Friend,

Everywhere I look, I see our most sacred values are under assault. The Supreme Court tears the Rule of Law to shreds, while politicians in both parties hasten our descent into a socialist abyss.

The left-wing news and entertainment media comprise the central force driving our republic’s decline.

Through their vast reach into all aspects of our culture, the media brainwash Americans into accepting socialism. Today, their singular focus is on rigging the 2016 elections in favor of their favorite liberal candidate.

These will be the most critical elections of our lifetime. Indeed, the fate of our republic hangs in the balance. If the media succeed in destroying conservative candidates and putting a liberal in the White House, the transformation of our free republic into a welfare socialist state that rejects individual liberty as a paramount virtue will be complete.

As a frequent reader of The Watchdog and as a member of the MRC, you are well aware that we are the only organization with the mission to combat the leftist media and the only organization with a track record of success that is unparalleled in our movement.

According to a Quinnipiac University poll, the public no longer trusts the television news media. Their numbers are disastrous. CNN is trusted by only 22%, NBC and CBS by 10%, ABC by an abysmal 8%, and the unmitigated train wreck that is MSNBC, by only 7%. Another poll by Rasmussen found that among likely voters, a whopping 59% believe that the media’s election coverage will be slanted, with most likely voters saying that it will be slanted in favor of Hillary Clinton.

This data proves that we are not only succeeding in educating the public about left-wing media bias, we are also succeeding in convincing the public of the left-wing media’s political agenda in presidential campaigns.

No other organization reaches millions of people every week AND alters how the “news” media are perceived by the American people.

That’s why I’m comfortable asking you today to do something that will make it easier for us to do our job, to plan for the future, and to increase our effectiveness. I ask that you please automate your generous giving to the MRC by becoming a member of the Media Research Center’s vaunted Patriot Fund of loyal monthly givers.

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From the bottom of my heart, thank you.

Sincerely,

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