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The Bush Family's Bad Latin Real Estate Investment

Submitted by [dlindorff](#) on Fri, 2008-05-02 19:34. [General Discussion](#)

By *Dave Lindorff*

Back in late 2006, it was widely reported in the Latin American media that President Bush, or perhaps his old man, had bought a 100,000-acre farm in a remote area of Paraguay.

What struck people at the time was the choice of country. Paraguay, of course, has gained a certain Club Med status among the world's villains and criminal elements as the place to go when the law's on your tail. The country, ruled for six decades by the dictatorial and fascist Colorado Party of Gen. Alfredo Stroesser, an almost cartoon caricature of a Latin American dictator, has no extradition treaty with any nation.

That's why it has long harbored aging Nazis, bank robbers, and a string of ousted or retired Latin American dictators and their assistants over the years.

Given that President Bush, once he leaves office on January 20, 2009, will no longer have the diplomatic immunity conferred upon heads of state, or the Constitutional protection against indictment by domestic prosecutors, it makes sense that he would be looking for a safe haven from the long arm of the law.

After all, they guy is guilty of a huge laundry list of international crimes, from the Crime Against Peace and Conspiracy against Peace in the UN Charter, to Geneva Convention violations like approval of torture of prisoners, collective punishment of civilians, the killing of children and child soldiers, the failure to protect occupied citizens, the use of banned weapons, etc., etc., and also of domestic crimes, ranging from political use of government employees, conspiracy, treason, lying to federal officials, defrauding Congress, etc.

No wonder he wants to do what Klaus Barbie, Josef Mengele and Adolf Eichmann did, and hole up in Paraguay.

Only trouble is, Paraguay may not be such a safe haven for long.

Last month, a former Roman Catholic Bishop with leftist, populist tendencies, Fernando Lugo, surprised almost everyone in Paraguay, and no doubt President Bush, by winning the national presidential election, ousting the Colorado Party for the first time in 61 years. There is talk that among other things, Lugo is thinking of returning Paraguay to the community of nations, by signing some of

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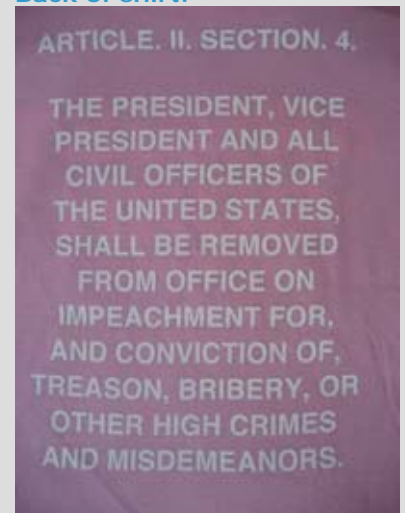
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those extradition agreements.

If he does that Bush may be stuck having to hide behind his rump squad of Secret Service agents down at the Crawford Ranch, hoping they can keep the process servers from Brattleboro and Marlboro, VT, with their war crimes arrest warrants, at bay.

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Karma's a bitch for war criminals, huh?

Submitted by John Perry on Fri, 2008-05-02 23:52.

I can see it now...

The entire Bush administration and all their worthless and complicit hangers on will move to Crawford, wall off the ranch (kind of like they're walling off Sadr City), and try to declare themselves an independent sovereign country with no extradition treaty.

Sounds crazy, I know, but no more crazy than these idiots thinking they could get away with torture by getting a note from some DOJ ass-kissing flunkie,

or...

their apparent belief that videotape of them telling lie after lie after lie self-destructs after a few seconds like those tapes used to on the old Mission Impossible TV show,

or...

the idea that the Pretender-in-Chief would be taken seriously by anybody with a clue when he said recently that our economy was slow "because we built too many houses,"

or...

(feel free to add any examples of true Bushco insanity you can come up with - there's plenty to choose from)

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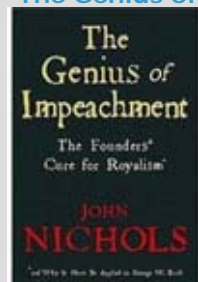
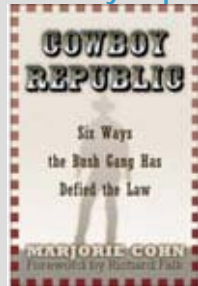
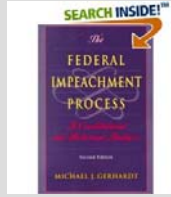
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"United States v. George W. Bush et al.," by Elizabeth de la Vega, an indictment, a presentation to a grand jury charging Bush and gang with fraud -- very well argued and documented, even entertaining.

"The Genius of Impeachment: The Founders' Cure for Royalism," by John Nichols, a masterpiece that should be required reading in every high school and college in the United States, a history and portrait of the practice of impeachment.

"Articles of Impeachment Against George W. Bush," by the Center for Constitutional Rights, a short book that lists and explains four (multi-part) articles of impeachment.



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Hehe , that one tickled me old funny bone John ; -D

Submitted by yankhadenuf on Sat, 2008-05-03 19:03.

If poor Bush still has a mortgage in Paraguay, ... maybe he'll have to foreclose while he's payin' off the weddin' in Crawford. Even if he paid it off, not many buyers these days... Yep, Karma's a bitch! :-D

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Who's Wall Is It...?

Submitted by Robert Noval on Sun, 2008-05-04 05:05.

Why wall himself in, when he can just stay where he is and wall in the rest of us?

"bush's Third Term"

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---The Bikemessenger

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truth is stranger than fiction

Submitted by earlywine on Sat, 2008-05-03 00:28.

I just wonder how low can we go? Our elected officials are letting us down, big time. This is a charade. God or no God this crap has just got to stop!

Get a life! America!

EW

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Paraguay - War Criminals Not Welcome

Submitted by LanceCiepiela on Sat, 2008-05-03 16:26.

Perhaps their new President, while considering those extradition treaties, might also announce, far and wide, that war criminals are not welcome in Paraguay.

At that moment the "For Sale-Cheap" signs would sprout up on that 100,000 acre Bush Ranch.

No place left to hide, the Hague would make an announcement, "he's welcome here".

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