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▲ Illegal immigrants wait to be transported and processed by Border Patrol agents at the U.S.-Mexico border in El Paso, Texas, on May 12, 2023.

# **US Taxpayers Help Fund the Illegal Immigration Crisis**

By Darlene McCormick Sanchez

The US government gives billions of dollars to the UN, which uses it to help migrants get

to the US illegally

he United States is bankrolling its own "invasion" by funding the United Nations and its partners, which, in turn, give hun-

 $dreds \, of millions \, of \, dollars \, in \, cash \, and$ aid to migrants who eventually cross the U.S. southern border illegally.

While the U.N. has aided migrants for decades, the scope of its operation has dramatically expanded as the number of illegal immigrants-from at least 160 countries-into the United States has surged.

That expansion has been fueled by more than \$1 billion in funding from the U.S. government to the U.N. and other agencies assisting migrants, according to a government spending database.

"We're actually funding our own bor-Continued on A8

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China Expanding **Military in** Africa, **Analysts Warn** 

## A Matured MAGA Movement Prepares for Trump's Return

Trump has a deeper bench in Washington and more mature groundwork, insiders say

#### By Nathan Worcester & Janice Hisle

What would the start of a second Trump term look like-and what sort of opposition would it face?

In search of answers, The Epoch Times interviewed veterans of the first Trump administration, reviewed writings from that time as well as the Trump campaign's Agenda 47, and talked to those helping to provide a 2025 roadmap.

It seems the MAGA movement is now older, wiser, and better situated in Washington.

Preexisting conservative institutions such as The Heritage Foundation have tilted in former President Donald Trump's direction. The for-



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mer president will also have a deeper bench of possible appointees and real experience running the show. A more sympathetic Supreme Court and possible gains in Congress could also help him-and, unlike in 2016, the Republican establishment is consolidating behind his candidacy early in the primary season.

Yet many federal bureaucracies, legacvmedia organs, and other institutions can be counted on to put up resistance.

Additionally, the "sanctuary city" phenomenon-and, on the flip side, Republican states' underreported solidarity with Texas in its battle with federal authorities over the border-offers a foretaste of how Continued on A6

## **As WHO Pandemic Treaty Nears Fruition**, **Critics Raise Red Flags for US Freedoms**

#### **By Kevin Stocklin**

As the May deadline approaches for finalizing negotiations between the World Health Organization (WHO) and its 194 member nations over how much authority they will cede to the WHO once it declares a global health emergency, many health and policy experts are urging the Biden administration not to sign the United States up to the agreement.

In February 2023, WHO member

According to the WHO, the agreement, once signed by members, will be legally binding.

states negotiated the "Zero Draft" of a new treaty, which wasn't identified as a treaty but rather as the "WHO convention, agreement or other international instrument on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response (WHO CA+)."

This WHO CA+, which functions as a treaty, has gone through an opaque process of negotiation and amendments ever since, from which the public has been essentially excluded, Continued on A9

### Mail-In **Ballot Study** Questions 2020 Result

By Tom Ozimek

A new study examining the likely effect that fraudulent mail-in ballots had in the 2020 presidential election concludes that the outcome would "almost certainly" have been different without the massive expansion of voting by mail.

The Heartland Institute study tried Continued on A5

Beijing set to increase its training of African security forces

#### By Darren Taylor

JOHANNESBURG-The People's Liberation Army (PLA) of China is expected to train about 2,000 African military and police officers in 2024 and is considering building a second base in Africa as the United States increases investment and security interest on the continent.

However, analysts and human rights workers are concerned that China is grooming military officers to suppress domestic dissent, and even to lead coups against governments perceived to be "too close to the West."

However, others don't have a problem with China's increased military engagement in Africa.

"Why is it a problem when China trains African security forces, but not a problem when America or the United Kingdom does the same?" Johannesburg-based independent political analyst Lindiwe Makhulu asked.

"The United States has 20 bases across Africa; as far as I know, China has only one."

Washington has had a security presence in Africa for decades, expanding its military stamp significantly after former President George W. Bush declared a "War on Terror" following the 9/11 attacks by al-Qaeda in 2001.

In March 2023, Gen. Michael Continued on All





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