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This is Phil Arnott for community comment on K INS radio.

More wonderful information from judicial watch regarding the Obama travel log.

After several freedom of information act requests judicial watch was able to obtain travel records which revealed that the Obama family vacation to Honolulu in 2012 cost over \$560,000 just for security alone. That figure included \$409,000 for secret service lodging. It took judicial watch nine months to obtain the information from a simple expense report. Those expenses for the Secret Service broke down into air and rail at \$68,000, car rentals and over \$88,000 and hotel rooms of almost \$410,000..

According to an article in the Washington times the cost of the Obama's trip to Hawaii was estimated at \$4 million. The Times reported that while the president and his friends pay for their old rental homes, that taxpayers pick up the bill for everything else. Everything else includes the cost of security and accommodations for White House staff who stayed at the luxurious more one at Surfrider Hotel on Waikiki Beach where rooms can cost as much as \$370 per night.

In another vacation trip in 2013 to Martha's Vineyard it cost the taxpayers over \$370,000 and that was in addition to over \$1 million the Obama's had charged in-flight expenses all loan for this extravagant vacation. Again Secret Service expenses were over \$38,000 in air and rail costs, over \$162,000 in car rental costs and \$170,000 for hotel rooms and there were 75 of those rooms.

According to judicial watch it is clear that the Obama's do not care about the cost to the taxpayers of their lavish vacations. Mr. Fitton at judicial watch says keep in mind that this extended vacation took place at a time when the unemployment rate was at 7.3% with more than 11 million Americans out of work.

According to judicial watch the 2013 vacation to Martha's Vineyard was interrupted only once for official business and that was on August 15 when the president read a five-minute statement in response to the escalating violence in Egypt when 278 people were killed. In this brief statement Pres. Obama declared we do not take sides.

I leave you with a point to ponder: don't you think that this administration's failure to take sides is placing the world in a very precarious position?

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And speaking of wasteful spending,
I just read that Congresswoman Nancy
Pelosi will receive \$800,000 a year
as retirement ~~pay~~ benefits!