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This is Ron Pierre for Community Comment.

Are you willing to bet your life on "political correctness?" Watching the media stories unfold over the last few weeks puts the answer to the "political correctness" question at a personal level for each of us. Over my years of military service and traveling to many international locations, I have a personal awareness level to what is going on around me no matter where I am. I have been in situations, in even here in Eureka, where I profile the people around me and avoid a potential problem. Yes, I said "profile." I said profile because that is what each of us does when we are put in a situation that may jeopardizes our personal safety.

Much of the politically correct progressive elements in our country would have us believe we can "open a dialog and discuss differences. Many idealists believe these delusional discussions will succeed without harming anyone, because they think talking can solve any problem. Moreover, these discussions will ultimately give us world peace.

I think opening a dialog would have done nothing to prevent the terrorist attack at Charlie Hebdo. I, for one, am not willing to bet my backside on some idea of kumbaya with Islamic terrorists, Mexican drug lords, tattoo-covered gang bangers, drugged out panhandlers, pant crotch at their knees young thugs, or an assortment of other people I assess as a threat to my safety. Call that profiling, and you are right! Give me a politically progressive protestor propagandist facing a "life-ending" situation, and I'll show you someone who will change their tune in a heartbeat to stay alive. Maybe the protesting progressive class's new mantra could be "I want to breath."

In addition, if a police officer stops me. I will recognize the authority the law enforcement individual represents, and not get confrontational with the police. Attacks on law enforcement all over this country disgust me. I'll buy a first class one-way ticket to anyone of these progressive nitwits who thinks they can dialog with an Islamic terrorist ideologue. I'll include a self addressed UPS box so your head can be returned once it has been severed from your body.

Instead of attacking police or protesting military actions that keep us safe, we must recognize the war on terror is reality. Failing to recognize that this war hasn't ended is like pouring gas on yourself and lighting a match. We are involved in asymmetric warfare. Asymmetric warfare is not the warfare you see on the history channel. Asymmetrical warfare evolves. It has changed century to century, decade to decade, battle to battle, and situation to situation. Some of our leaders want the public to believe the war on terror is over and we are not at war with Islamic terrorists. The problem with that view is that ^{the} terrorists' ^{is} enemy ~~are~~ still engaged in the fight.

I asked my father once for his take on the World War II phrase...."In for the duration." His response was simple. "We didn't know if we were going to win or lose the war, so we had to fight to survive at all costs." I've thought a lot about those words lately. We are in the asymmetrical war on terror against radical Islamic terrorists for the duration. It ain't over until it's over!..... and I will continue to profile to survive.

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