Subject: Dissent is the highest form of patriotism? Posted by msgtpain on Wed, 09 Feb 2005 03:35:43 GMT

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From doing a search, it appears the paragraph you quoted was from an interview with Tom Paine; it was his reply to the topic: "Dissent these days seems to be a dirty word. The Bush administration has, at least since September 11th, usually termed any criticism of its policies 'unpatriotic.'

I'm not saying that you didn't see it quoted in a text, but like I said, Google has it quoted 36,300 times.. but not a single one that I can find, has a source other than "Thomas Jefferson"... seems a little odd to me, especially since there isn't a single university or official archive that returns anything with that phrase. hmmm