
Subject: Dissent is the highest form of patriotism?
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SuperFlyingEngi

You're asking Seale and me to prove the impossible. Whether or not that quote was actually uttered by Jefferson happened such a long time ago that there really are no more reliable sources stating whether or not he ever said this.

If it was spoken by Jefferson, it will be "written down" in an archive, go find it. Unless of course you are stating that it's folklore. If so, nothing else really needs to be said to its validity.

SuperFlyingEngi

Even if it wasn't spoken by Jefferson, that doesn't mean I can't still share an opinion with it. It's really rather unimportant as to whether or not this quote originated with Mr. Jefferson.

Fine, share the opinion all you want.. Just make sure you credit the liberal historian as the source, instead of a Founding Father.. It amazes me that you aren't able to see the enormous difference there (or, maybe just not willing to see it)

If it was stated by Jefferson, it is used as a validation of your dissent, how could anyone argue against a position that one of the Founding Fathers expressed is a vital role in the development of this wonderful nation?

If it was stated by a liberal Historian, it's simply a statement made after the fact in an attempt to justify his public dissention's. read, an excuse.

One makes your dissention argument somewhat valid in the eyes of the opposition, the other just makes them laugh.

So, which way did you intend it to be taken?

SuperFlyingEngi

Oh, and since a lot of you conservatives seem to believe that following the current President through thick and thin is the only patriotic thing to do, I presume that you were all on Clinton's side whenever he made a move?

Did we go to war under Clinton? I supported Bosnia, Somalia, launching missiles at Osama; in fact, I supported most everything he did militarily, except drastic downsizing and vetoing budgets affecting the paychecks of every military serviceman in the country. You're the one that doesn't want this to turn in to another Vietnam, so step up to the plate and ensure it doesn't. Cry foul against Bush all you want, just make sure that when our troops need money, you're all for it, and when they return, meet them at the airport and thank them for serving your country; even if you don't agree with the service they provided. When we're no longer engaged, you can begin your downsizing again and reducing military spending.
