

COORS MISLEADING ATTACK AD AGAINST SALAZAR AND CLW, :30

SCRIPT:

[Narrator]: On terrorism, Ken Salazar stands with John Kerry supporters. Salazar is endorsed and funded by an anti-defense group praising his opposition to a missile defense system, advocating deep cuts in our military budget.

THE FACTS:

- **FACT: Pete Coors is lying about Ken Salazar's position on missile defense. Ken Salazar doesn't oppose a missile defense system, he just opposes deploying it immediately, when its success is unproven.**

Salazar Supports A Missile Defense System, Just Not Immediate Deployment

According to the very same Council for a Livable World questionnaire that the Coors campaign sources in its ad, Salazar said he "would continue a research program designed to develop the technology for a [missile] defense." (Salazar CLW questionnaire, 8/12/04)

Top Pentagon Official Admitted That, In Its Current Form, Missile Defense Would Only Work One Out Of Five Times

According to the Washington Post, "The Pentagon's chief weapons evaluator has calculated that the system may be capable of hitting its targets only about 20 percent of the time." (WP, 9/14/04)

- **FACT: Pete Coors is lying about Ken Salazar's position on the military budget. Ken Salazar doesn't support cutting our military budget. In fact, Ken Salazar supports the \$400B defense budget and supports increasing spending on homeland security.**

Salazar Supports President Bush's \$400B Defense Budget

According to the very same Council for a Livable World questionnaire that the Coors campaign sources in its ad, Salazar said, "I support the Bush Administration's \$400 billion military budget." (Salazar CLW questionnaire, 8/12/04)

- **FACT: CLW has been praised by such respected national security voices as Sen. John McCain (R-AZ) and former top Pentagon officials.**

Sen. John McCain Said He Was “Especially Grateful For The Key Support” Of CLW In Seeking Passage Of Amendment To Add \$5 Billion For Veterans

On August 1, 2001, Sen. John McCain (R-AZ) introduced Amendment 1226 to HR 2620, the VA HUD appropriations FY02. The amendment sought to add \$5 million for veterans claims adjudication. On August 2, 2001 during the debate over amendment 1226 Sen. McCain said "I am pleased to have the support and co-sponsorship of this amendment of Senators Kyl, Smith, and Graham of Florida. I am also especially grateful for the key support of organizations such as the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Disabled American Veterans, AMVETS, Paralyzed Veterans of America, Council for a Livable World and Citizens Against Government Waste. This amendment provides funding for the Secretary of Veterans Affairs – top priority – by adding \$5 million that is desperately needed for veterans claims adjudication and eliminating more than \$5 million in non-veteran related earmarked funds contained in the VA-HUD legislation." (HR2620, CQ Vote 268)

Former Top Military Brass And Others Praised CLW As “A Responsible And Patriotic Organization”

A September 9, 2002 letter signed by former Secretary of the Army Stanley Resor, Former Assistant Secretary of Defense Lawrence J. Korb, and Former Deputy Undersecretary of Defense for Readiness Thomas K. Longstreth and 33 government officials, retired military, scientists, and Nobel laureates noted, "Council for a Livable World is a responsible and patriotic organization." (Council for a Livable World Official Website <http://www.clw.org/election/38support.html>)

- **FACT: In 2000, the group endorsed two GOP Senators. And CLW has provided only \$15K to Ken Salazar, less than Coors' top-four contributors, the people Coors wants to represent in the Senate rather than the interests of the people of Colorado.**

CLW Has Endorsed GOPers Lincoln Chaffee And Jim Jeffords In Senate

According to the Council for a Livable World, the Council endorsed Sen. Lincoln Chaffee (R-RI) in 2000 and Sen. Jim Jeffords (R-VT) in 2000. (www.clw.org)

Coors Has Four Corporate Contributors Over \$20K, Including Two Where He Sits On The Board of Directors – And Coors Is Clearly For Their Policy Interests

According to the Center for Responsive Politics, employees and representatives of the **Adolph Coors Company** have contributed at least \$30,250 to Coors' campaign;

- Coors supports lowering the drinking age to 18. (Coors on KBDI, 7/12/04)

According to the Center for Responsive Politics, employees and representatives of the **Malooof Companies** have contributed at least \$26,000 to Coors' campaign;

- The Malooof Companies own the Sacramento Kings, the Sacrament Monarchs and The Palms Casino and Resort and are led by Colleen, Joe, Gavin, Phil, George Jr and Adrienne. Coors supports \$228B in new tax cuts for millionaires and billionaires. (www.coorsforsenate.com;
www.nba.com/kings/news/Joe_and_Gavin_Malooof_Bio.html)

According to the Center for Responsive Politics, employees and representatives of the **Energy Corporation of America** have contributed at least \$24,000 to Coors' campaign;

- Coors supports passing the Senate energy bill, which contains \$10B in tax breaks for oil and gas drillers. (Coors at CACI debate, 9/30/04; WP, 9/13/03)

According to the Center for Responsive Politics, employees and representatives of **Gallagher Enterprises** have contributed at least \$22,000 to Coors' campaign;

- Coors has said he would vote to cut corporate taxes "every time." (Coors at YRs debate, 5/24/04)

Salazar and Kerry support limiting the investigative tools used by law enforcement to capture terrorists.

➤ **FACT: Ken Salazar does support giving our law enforcement the tools to combat terrorists, and the limited reforms he supports are backed by conservatives such as Sens. Larry Craig (R-ID) and Mike Crapo (R-ID). That's what his record shows, and that's why Colorado's first responders have endorsed his candidacy.**

Salazar's Supports Reforms to PATRIOT Act Backed By GOPers Craig, Crapo, Sununu and Specter

Ken Salazar supports small adjustments to the USA PARTIOT Act, the Security and Freedom Ensured Act of 2003, or SAFE Act. The SAFE Act is sponsored by Sen. Larry Craig (R-ID), and is cosponsored by GOP Sens. Mike Crapo (R-ID), Arlen Specter (R-PA) and John Sununu (R-NH). (S.1709)

Craig, Crapo Rank In The Top 24 Percent Of Most-Conservative Senators

According to the non-partisan analysis by National Journal, Sens. Larry Craig (R-ID) and Mike Crapo (R-ID) both have voting records more conservative than 76 percent of the Senate. Their voting record ranked them both in the top-25 of most-conservative Senators. (www.natinaljournal.com) **NOTE: This is the same publication used by the Bush campaign to claim John Kerry is the most liberal Senator in the Senate.**

CO FOP Called Salazar "The Most Effective Attorney General In Our History"

In its 2004 endorsement of Ken Salazar's US Senate bid, the Colorado Fraternal Order of Police, which represents 4,500 rank-and-file police, sheriff's and detention officers around the state, called Salazar "The most effective Attorney General in our history." (FOP endorsement, 5/7/04; www.coloradofop.org)

CPFF Endorsed Salazar's Bid for US Senate

In its 2004 endorsement of Ken Salazar's US Senate bid, the Colorado Professional Firefighters said, "Your commitment to make Colorado's First Responders the best in our nation has truly been a top priority. We have found you to be straight forward, and truly dedicated to Civil Service. Your personal first hand knowledge of what it takes to keep Colorado safe makes you a clear choice." (CPFF endorsement, 2004)

2002: Salazar and POST Proposed \$1M POST Fund, Died In CO House Committee

In 2002, Salazar and the POST board strongly urged the creation of a \$1 million POST fund through SB 172. The proposal passed overwhelmingly in the CO Senate, but failed by one vote in a committee in the CO House. (OAG press release, 1/21/03)

2003: Salazar Called for \$1M POST Fund, Sought For It To Be Focused On Smaller, Rural Departments

In January 2003, Salazar and a group of police and sheriffs officers again called for passage of SB 103, which would provide funding for a \$1 million annual training fund for Colorado police officers. At a July 2003 press conference on the new \$1 million Peace Officer Standards and Training Board fund, Salazar called for the funds to be focused on small police departments, noting that of Colorado's 324 state police agencies, over 200 are in rural areas with fewer than 15 officers. Later in 2003, Salazar noted the urgency for the fund, pointing out that ranked 48th in the nation for funds provided for peace officer training. (Denver Post, 1/22/03, 7/25/03; Fort Collins Coloradoan, 9/17/03)

CO Has 14K Cops, Half Work For Small or Rural Agencies With Fewer Than 15 Officers

Colorado has 14,000 law enforcement officers, of whom approximately half work for small and rural agencies with fewer than 15 officers. (Fort Collins Coloradoan, 9/17/03)

➤ **POST Approved \$151K CSOC/CACP Grant In January 2004**

On January 30, 2004, the POST Board unanimously approved a \$151,285 training grant for the County Sheriffs of Colorado and the Colorado Association of Chiefs of Police for 58 training presentations through June 2005 in rural areas. Topics were to include officer survival, use of force, ethics and decision shooting. (POST minutes, 1/30/04)

➤ **POST Approved \$112K CDAC Grant In January 2004**

On January 30, 2004, the POST Board unanimously approved a \$112,464 grant to the Colorado District Attorneys Council for 30 classes (20 in rural areas and 10 in metro areas) to provide legal updates, new case law and issues particular to each judicial district's practices. (POST minutes, 1/30/04)

Salazar A Member Of Governor’s Expert Emergency Epidemic Response Committee, Which Advises Owens In The Event Of Bioterror Attack And Is Responsible For A Bioterror Response Plan

As Colorado’s Attorney General, Salazar is a member of the Colorado Governor’s Expert Emergency Epidemic Response Committee, which was created in March 2000. According to the Colorado Dept. of Public Health, the so-called “E3” committee was “established to serve in an advisory capacity to the Governor in the event of an emergency epidemic caused by bioterrorism, pandemic influenza or novel and highly fatal infectious agents or biological toxins.” Among the group’s many responsibilities is “To develop a supplement to the State Disaster Plan for responding to a biological incident.” (Governor’s Expert Emergency Epidemic Response Committee (E3), CO DPH, 11/5/01, 4/12/04)

Salazar Appointed Chief Deputy Renny Fagan As Designee To E3 As Proscribed Under Legislation; Salazar Designee At Every Meeting Of E3 Commission

As provided under HB 1077 (which created E3), Salazar’s membership on the committee is defined as “The Attorney General Or His Or Her Designee.” Consequently, Salazar appointed Deputy AG Renny Fagan to serve as his designee on the committee. Fagan, the Deputy AG who works closest with the state agencies and the Governor’s chief counsel was deemed best suited to interact with the agencies present on the committee, and regularly reports directly to Salazar regarding E3 discussions and actions. At every meeting of the E3 Committee, a designee from Salazar’s office was present. (HB 1077; Office of the Attorney General)

Salazar Met With Key Federal Officials, Including Ashcroft and Ridge

As AG, Salazar has met with President Bush, Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge, U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft, and FBI Director Robert Mueller and urged greater training and additional equipment for the nation's first responders, and greater integration and dissemination of terror intelligence between local, state and federal agencies. (Office of the Attorney General, www.ago.state.co.us)

Salazar Visited Israel To Study Palestinian Conflict, Israeli Homeland Security Tactics and Visit Israeli Trauma Treatment Center

From June 19, 2003 to June 27, 2003, Salazar visited Israel with four other AGs from other Utah, North Dakota, Montana and Nebraska. While in Israel, they planned to visit an Israeli trauma treatment center and meet with Israeli President Moshe Katsav and other elected officials to discuss the Palestinian-Israeli conflict and Israel's response to terrorist acts. The trip was sponsored by the National Association of Attorneys General and the American-Israel Friendship League, and Salazar said that no taxpayer funds would be used during the trip. Salazar said the purpose of the trip was to "learn about how the Israeli government deals with issues of crime, violence and homeland security." (Rocky Mountain News, 6/20/03; AP, 6/16/03)

Pete Coors supports a missile defense system, supports giving law enforcement the tools to hunt down terrorists. Pete Coors he'll stand strong for our troops.

[Coors]: I'm Pete Coors I approve this message.

➤ **FACT: Pete Coors has zero experience keeping Coloradoan's safe and secure, and his 88-word "plan" shows it. Just where is Pete Coors' plan? Ken Salazar has real experience and a real plan to take with him to Washington.**

Coors Plan on National Defense: 88 Words, Zero Proposals; Coors Misleading Attack Ad Against Ken Salazar: 80 Words, Three Misleading Attacks

Pete Coors national defense plan is just 88 words long. In its entirety, it reads: "The number one job of our federal government as outlined in the Constitution is protecting our homeland and keeping us safe from enemies. Today, our nation confronts enemies like we have never seen. Those enemies seek to destroy all we, and those who cherish freedom hold dear. We're blessed by the brave men and women who wear our nation's uniform and safeguard our freedom. I believe we must give our military the resources they need so they can continue to be the best fighting force in the world." In fact, Coors misleading and false negative attack against Ken Salazar is **nearly the same length: 80 words**. (www.coorsforsenate.com)

Keeping America Safe - At Home And Abroad: The Ken Salazar Homeland Security Plan

Under Ken Salazar's homeland security plan to protect American from terrorism and strengthen homeland security (available at www.salazarforcolorado.com):

- Increasing military pay and benefits for those in uniform, their families and veterans, including imminent danger pay;
- Rebuilding the international coalitions to assist with the international war on terror as well as the recovery of Iraq, including honoring our commitment to aid and assist the new Iraqi leadership;
- Enacting all, not just a few pieces, of the bi-partisan 9/11 Commission's report and prioritizing the sharing of information with state and local law enforcement agencies;
- Putting in place the necessary funding for the hiring and training of border patrol officers, customs agents, air and sea cargo inspectors as well as nuclear facility security;
- Increasing funding for Colorado's and America's first responders to ensure they are fully prepared to respond to possible future conventional, radiological, chemical and biological attacks.