

**The Ship that sailed and sunk and got resurrected.** (Or: An iron curtain Mr. Trump? What a novel idea!)

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A full southern border fence was to be installed paid for by the Mexican government. Well, in your end; that wasn't going to happen, not as such. So, the next best thing was to have a government friendly, US-based, firm reap the harvest. A proposal was drawn up and argued over. It read as follows, if you allow me to paraphrase for the sake of expediency:

Proposal

A steel fence to be produced and erected as per Mil spec. \*\*\*.\*\* rev 69 is to be produced by a US company in six month increments for each section, so as to provide for a 100% closing of the Southern Border over the course of the presidential reign. The first schedule proposed intervals of a 10<sup>th</sup> (1/10) of the 1954 mile stretch each, over ten installments, at a cost of 10 Trillion US\$ for each installation. This was unacceptable to Republicans as it was too slow. The next proposal would cover a 20<sup>th</sup> (1/20) of the 1954 mile stretch each, over five intervals, at a cost of 20 Trillion US\$ each, this was deemed fast enough but over the allotted installment budget. A compromise, much appreciated by the Trump-crony-construction firm and deemed reasonable by all concerned, was finally ascended to. A fifteenth (1/15) of the **iron curtain** at a cost of 15 Trillion US\$ for each for six installations was finally agreed upon and accepted. One problem arose however, after seriously doing the math the curtain was found to be 10% short of all expectations and would have still hemorrhaged immigrants. An attempt at deceiving the innumerate immigrants by posting signs on the Mexican side of the border claiming in large friendly letters that "**Mexico starts here**" was ultimately abandoned because the patriotic construction firm, in an effort to secure the lucrative contract, so tightly honed to a cost plus reasonable mark up, agreed to throw the last 10% of the fence into the deal; at no additional cost to the tax payer. There was much rejoicing! The deal suited the Republicans and was passed by house and senate.

Here is a brief summary of the deal:

1/10 of the fence, for 20 Trillion US\$ each	rejected on "too slow" timing grounds
1/20 of the fence, for 10 Trillion US\$ each	rejected on "over yearly budget" grounds
1/15 of the fence, for 15 Trillion US\$ each + 10% free fence	accepted by overwhelming Republican vote on behalf of a grateful innumerate nation.

An thus the empire was reconstituted to "**Great Again** Status!"