In a recent US Congress hearing, Republican U.S. Congressman Chip Roy (Texas) debated Democrat U.S. Congressman Jerry Nadler (Texas), and gave him a history lesson on the 2nd Amendment. The Transcript follows.

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Chip Roy - I live in Texas. I raised my son and daughter to respect Firearms. We shoot them frequently on our property. We shoot semi-automatic weapons on my property. I teach my children how to use them, how to use them safely. I teach them what they're used for, why we have the ability to have firearms, and uh yes we use it for hunting, My son shot his first deer.

Jerry Nadler - the question for the gentlemen - what do you use semi-automatic weapons for?

Chip Roy - I use semi-automatic automatic weapons to kill Hogs. I use semi-automatic weapons for sport and shooting on our property. But, I also have semi-automatic weapons and I'm getting to the point, thank you, because a semi-automatic weapon is a weapon that you can use for self-defense. It is a semi-automatic weapon that you can use to defend yourself against home Invaders, but also, let's be clear, against tyranny the gentle lady is talking about. The second amendment in the context of hunting, as if my rights are reduced in the Constitution to a 410 or a single shot or Lever Action as if that was what was expressly put forth as how we're supposed to be defending ourselves again.

Roy just gave five fantastic reasons to have a semi-automatic weapon hunting, dealing with feral Hogs which by the way is a huge problem in uh Middle America - then Recreation, self-defense from home invasion and potentially defense against tyranny - those are some fantastic reasons. You could use a semiotic manic weapon to fight tyranny – sure.

Nadler - You mean you'd use it against American troops?

Roy - The very exact - the very existence of the Second Amendment is designed purposefully to empower the people to be able to resist the force of tyranny used against them to step over their natural rights given to them

by God. That is why the Second Amendment exists! - That is very specifically why the Second Amendment exists and let let's be very clear about that. Let's rewind the clock a little, but as I know, at least several justices have written in Supreme Court opinions about what life looked like - looked like in the 19th Century and what the government was doing to remove the ability of either slave owners or importantly freed blacks or importantly whites who even stood up in defense of blacks or against slavery, and the efforts by the south and the efforts by the strong arm of government to remove their ability to have firearms - that is an absolute undeniable documented historic fact in our country.

PolitiBrawl Comentator - Brian ?): Robert (?) veteran in the National Review and I'm happy to submit this to the record. Without objection - He writes: South's campaign against black gun ownership not surprisingly began long before the Civil War. Two slave rebellions in the 1820's stoked White's fears and in response many legislators amended their laws prohibiting slaves from carrying firearms to apply the prohibition to free blacks as well when the government, and he writes further (and I agree with this) when the government has the ability to forbid gun ownership, it has the ability to render groups it dislikes helpless to defend themselves it must be said that Texas has a completely different breed of cattle out there and Chip Roy is definitely proof of that so he lists off great reasons to actually own a firearm and not just a firearm but a semi-automatic one and these reasons will not match all the same ones that you have like say in the city for instance Chicago doesn't have any feral Hogs. I mean it has people like Jesse Smelt going around and lying about being attacked by people but they don't have a feral hog problem, but they do have a home invasion problem, they do have violence on the street - they have that kind of problem. That's why our government is set up the way it is - so that local governments can enact different laws but there is a problem inherent in the system and Chip Roy actually points it out - Congress shall not infringe on these rights - that's the whole point of the Bill of Rights - of our first 10 amendments - Congress shall not is pretty much the goal - however the 10th Amendment says that the states can, and so the states, particularly Democrat held Southern States at the time prevented people from owning firearms because they were afraid of the rebellion and they weren't ? entire I?...when you've been enslaved for a while – yeah you're going to be afraid of rebellion. That's basic history right there and so they infringed upon people's rights as given by the Constitution, and nothing was really done about it and even after the war between the states they still had laws like that on the books. So what Chip is trying to get at here isn't that the Democrats are evil – no - what he's getting at is it's very easy for the government to restrict your rights - it is very easy for the government at any level, unless better measures are put in place that at any level of government your rights are in Jeopardy and folks that is the truth, that is the reality. That's The Grand Point that Chip Roy is trying to make. It's not that Firearms are there for your protection, as they often are, but there's an even bigger Point going on - that government can and often will try to take away your fundamental rights and Chip Roy is one of the people that's going to stand up put - plant himself by the river and say no. You move good for him> What a speech folks.

My name is Brian - hope you enjoyed that. segment here. Link to PolitiBrawl

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