

Potential for preferential treatment provides additional justification for Congressional hearings on President's Executive Amnesty for Illegal Aliens

Washington, D.C.- Congressman Steve King (R-IA) released the following statement in response to [news reports](#) that President Obama's "Uncle Omar", Omar Onyango Obama, has been arrested and detained as an illegal immigrant subject to an outstanding deportation order to Kenya. "Uncle Omar" Obama was detained after local police discovered the deportation order following Obama's August 24 arrest in Massachusetts for nearly hitting a police car while driving under the influence of alcohol.

"On August 18, the Obama administration announced that it would be ignoring Congressionally mandated deportations, and now it appears one of the first beneficiaries of this decision could be the President's recently arrested uncle, Omar Onyango Obama," said King. "With an existing deportation order, it is not surprising to learn that 'Uncle Omar' Obama told police officers that his first call would be to his nephew in the White House. Now that the executive branch has gotten into the business of undermining the Rule of Law, there is little question that anyone who is connected to the President, politically or otherwise, will have an advantage, just like President Obama's Aunt Zeituni Onyango, when it comes time to determine who is granted amnesty. This raises a troubling list of questions about the potential for preferential treatment, and is yet another reason Congress should hold hearings to expose Obama's executive amnesty program."

Last year, another of President Obama's relatives, Aunt Zeituni Onyango, was granted asylum after an immigration judge overruled an earlier judicial determination ordering her deportation to Kenya. At that time, [questions were raised](#) as to whether the reversal was politically motivated due to Ms. Obama's close connection to her nephew, President Barack Obama. Neither Ms. Onyango, nor her attorney, Ms. Margaret Wong, [were willing to testify publicly about her case](#) when the House Judiciary Committee held hearings into the Executive Office for Immigration Review last year. It has been reported that Ms. Wong has now been retained by Mr. Onyango Obama to represent him in his deportation battle. Like Aunt Zeituni Onyango, Uncle Omar is referenced in President Obama's memoir, *Dreams from My Father*.

Congressman King has called for [Congressional hearings](#) into the Obama administration's attempt to circumvent the Rule of Law by granting executive amnesty to illegal aliens. With today's statement, Congressman King reaffirms the need for hearings to be held when

King: Will President's Executive Amnesty Benefit His Illegal Alien Uncle?

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