# HUMAN LIFE INTERNATIONAL'S PRO-LIFE TALKING POINTS

## Planned Parenthood Targets U.S. Hispanics

#### 1. Hispanics: The Fastest Growing Minority in the U.S.

The Hispanic population in the U.S. is estimated at 48.4 million, or about 16% of the total population.<sup>1</sup> Hispanics are the fastest growing minority in the country: Their projected population for 2050 is 132.8 million, at which point they will constitute 30% of the nation's population.<sup>2</sup>

### 2. Brief History of Planned Parenthood Federation of America (PPFA)

Margaret Sanger, PPFA founder, denounced monogamous marriage as "a degenerate institution" and supported "free love." She viewed motherhood as the enslavement of women, and birth control was the means to liberate women from this biological servitude.<sup>3</sup>

Sanger was a convert to racial eugenics. She and her colleagues, such as W.E.B. DuBois, published racist articles in her journal, *The Birth Control Review*: "... the mass of ignorant Negroes still breed carelessly and disastrously, so that the increase among Negroes, even more than the increase among whites, is from that part of the population least intelligent and fit, and least able to rear their children properly."<sup>4</sup>

Sanger considered most U.S. immigrants to be inferior, and believed that eugenics were the answer: "That these foreigners who have come in hordes have brought with them their ignorance of hygiene and modern ways of living and that they are handicapped by religious superstitions is only too true.... I believe that now, immediately, there should be national sterilization for certain dysgenic types of our population who are being encouraged to breed and would die out were the government not feeding them."<sup>5</sup>

To this day, PPFA upholds and promotes Sanger's ideals: "Margaret Sanger, the founder of Planned Parenthood, is one of the movement's great heroes. Sanger's early efforts remain the hallmark of Planned Parenthood's mission". $^{6}$ 

PPFA claims to be "the nation's leading sexual and reproductive health care [abortion and contraception] provider and advocate, with 84 independent local affiliates that operate more than 800 centers throughout the U.S."8 PPFA is a multi-million dollar abortion and contraception empire. It collected \$349.6 million in

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government grants and contracts in 2008, and ended that year with \$85 million in profits.<sup>8</sup>

#### 3. Abortion

Abortion was not legal during Sanger's times, but the idea was on her mind: "The most merciful thing that the large family does to one of its infant members is to kill it."<sup>9</sup>

Today, of the 800 "reproductive healthcare" centers PPFA operates, 321 are abortion facilities.<sup>10</sup> Since the legalization of abortion in 1973, Planned Parenthood has slaughtered over 4 MILLION preborn babies, an average of 5,871 every week. PPFA is responsible for a quarter of all abortions in the U.S.<sup>11</sup>

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#### 4. Contraception and sex "education"

Sanger's birth control ideology was tied to her eugenics mindset: "More children for the fit; fewer for the unfit, this is the essence of birth control'."<sup>14</sup>

Many modern contraceptives have an abortifacient effect, e.g., the Pill and the IUD. They also have harmful side effects on women: breast cancer, increase risk of heart disease.<sup>15</sup>

Planned Parenthood has developed abortion, contraception, and sex "education" programs to target Hispanics, e.g., "La Promesa" ("The Promise") in Palm Beach County, Florida;<sup>16</sup> Hispanic Initiative ("Abriendo Caminos" – "Opening Passageways") in Metropolitan Washington;<sup>17</sup> and an outreach to Hispanics of South Texas.<sup>18</sup>

PPFA sex "education" promotes among teens contraception, abortion, fornication, and homosexuality. This is evident from its website, which includes a section in Spanish that targets Hispanics.<sup>19</sup>

### 5. Importance of Hispanics for the pro-life cause in the U.S.

The majority of Hispanics are Catholic and their culture is pro-life/family. Because of their lack of resources, however, they are easily deceived by Planned Parenthood when they arrive at this country and seek help.

It's time for Hispanics to cease being victims and become collaborators in the fight against the culture of death. Educating our families and communities about pro-life/family issues is crucial if we are going to preserve Hispanics' natural love of family and faith, and build a culture of life.

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