

## **As the Government of the United States of America is not in any sense founded on the Christian religion ...**



It has been asserted that Washington did not write the famous words that the United States of America is not in any sense founded on the Christian religion, and that this quote was inserted in the Treaty in Tripoli by the American Ambassador. This assertion, that apparently dates to the 1920s, claims the Tripoli copy of the Treaty does not have the quote at all. Therefore many Freethinkers and Historians do not attribute the quote to Washington, but only state the fact that the Treaty with Tripoli, along with the quote, was Ratified during the Administration of John Adams, thus making the Treaty and the quote a part of our International Treaties.

The insertion claim says that the part of the Treaty where the quote is in the American copy deals with other matters in the Tripoli copy. But this well researched book, published in 1888 tells us that the quote was the "opening words" of the Treaty written by Washington -- see page 156 (file 165). By the very wording it is obvious that the words must have been the opening words if they were in the Treaty at all. So this book of "Omitted Chapters" of American History proves again that George Washington did write the words and that these words were Approved by the Senate before the Treaty was sent to Tripoli, as well as being Ratified by the Senate and by President John Adams during the Adams Administration.

The rape of History for sectarian purposes is a crime against Human Knowledge that must not be tolerated, not even by the followers of the offending religion.

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