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Subject: That stupid "assault weapons" ban finally expired

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Since the US was founded with the notion that the people have the right and the duty to overthrow a corrupt government(it says so very clearly in the Declaration of Independence), it makes perfect sense to give the people- average citizens- the ability to defend themselves against any threat, whether it comes from invaders, a criminal, or their own government. The second amendment to the US Constitution adds to that idea by giving citizens that right- with the only hitch that if ever the country comes upon a crisis so serious that the armed forces(this includes the National Guard) cannot or will not deal with it, the citizens who have exercised their right to bear arms have the duty to form a militia.

IMHO, NO weapon is dangerous if in the hands of a well trained, responsible citizen. Only humans have the ability to use a weapon for evil purposes; the weapon itself could just as easily be used for good. If citizens are allowed to arm themselves, arm themselves they will- and society in general will become less dangerous; criminals will not be so willing to choose their victims at random, not knowing who might be carrying a weapon has been proven to be a powerful deterrent time and time again.

The government(federal or state) oversteps its authority every single time it passes any kind of law that limits the people's right to keep and bear arms OF ANY KIND. End of story.

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