

Can the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution be repealed?

(Axe représentation de soi et rapport aux autres)

To start with, let's explain what the image of oneself is. It can have a lot of interpretation depending on the situation, but one definition will make things easier. The image of oneself is the one we perceive from our own person and also the image we give to people, citizens, or even countries. The image we give to others can change, depending on the environment, the people we interact with, education, our own personality and so on.

The Second Amendment to the United States Constitution was ratified on 15 December 1791, allowing people to buy, hold, and use weapons. Apparently, it was created to allow the creation of civilian forces that can counteract a tyrannical government. That Second Amendment might sound like a good idea but still provokes tragic consequences such as the 24 May 2022 shooting.

On that day, 19 children and 2 adults were killed when an 18-year-old person opened fire at an elementary school in Texas. The shooting occurred at Robb Elementary School, which serves children under the age of 10 in Uvalde, about 100 miles west of San Antonio. The name of the murderer is Salvador Ramos, who also shot his grandmother.

More than 500 children, nearly 90% of whom are Hispanic, were studying at the school during the 2020-2021 school year. Unfortunately and sadly, it is not the first time a school shooting has happened. President Joe Biden said that "It is time to turn pain into action", which means that he wants to change things. At the sound of it, it looks like he wants to remove this law for

everyone's good sake. He also asked "When, for God's sake, are we going to face the gun lobby?", that is the question that we are asking ourselves as well, but not only that. We were also wondering if it would be possible to remove that law entirely. The answer is yes, and no. It might be repealed because of how ridiculously easy it is to hold a weapon, but also of all the problems around it, such as shooting events. But it might not be removed because this law has existed since 1791, it has been applied for 231 years. Will it be that easy to repeal such an old law? Knowing that people got used to it, and if it is suddenly deleted, it might cause a lot of problems, such as demonstrations, revolts, or even more shootings than before. Why? Because America has, all around the world, a reputation of a very strong country, with a huge military power, without that law, America might lose that "prestigious" image. Some Americans disagree to lose this image, despite the frequent tragic events. They feel strong with weapons and there will always be people to take the law at their advantage for their own benefit. At 18, without being professionals, and without a certificate, people can hold weapons...

