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10/10/2016—I have not looked at the tape and I don't want to. But I did read the quotes and I agree with the Donald that he was talking about celebrity and power influencing women. He thinks it is fun that "they let you." Having said that I don't think he was advocating criminal conduct, this episode indicates what he thinks about women—they are objects for aggressive male advances. This is news? Why didn't it disqualify him from being President in the first place? But now let's talk about Bill Clinton. He is old news. He is not running for President. And no one knows exactly what he did or didn't do in some of these episodes. Let's assume he also never committed sexual assault. So, like Donald, he is not a criminal. But what about Monica Lewinsky? His treatment of her was exactly what Donald was boasting about. He had power and celebrity—much more than Trump. So, he pushed her into performing a sex act. Then he lied about it to the American people. I don't remember Democrats condemning him. In fact, I remember Democrats making fun of Joe Lieberman because Clinton's conduct so bothered him. And, if Donald should not be President because of these remarks, then why were the Republicans wrong to try to impeach and remove Clinton? The answer is that the Republicans didn't care anything about the sex, or even the lying. It was all politics. And you have to be careful about reversing the political judgments of democracy over personal failings. Well, the same is true here. Donald Trump was chosen by his Party. He has as much right as Clinton to run. Bernie Sanders supporters would say more right—though I don't agree Clinton stole the nomination. She won California fair and square and that was it. This tape is a side show. Yes, it shows Trump is too crude to be President, but much more shows that and he still could win the election.