

Trump Jr. Callously Compares Syrian Migrants To Poisonous Skittles

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Donald Trump Jr. attempted to capture the complexity of the Syrian refugee problem late Monday by likening the millions of refugees fleeing violence and certain death to a bowl of poisoned Skittles.

The Republican presidential candidate's son sent out a Trump-Pence branded meme last night on <u>Twitter</u> which said: "If I had a bowl of skittles and I told you just three would kill you". Would you take a handful?

THEY say the apple doesn't fall far from the tree and that seems to be the case with Donald Trump's son whose Syrian refugee comments have sparked controversy.

The Twitter-verse instantaneously blasted Junior's <u>image</u>.

Thousands more hammered Trump's skittles analogy, making it a trending topic on Twitter (it has more than 89,000 tweets).

The tweet was met with derision by other Twitter users, including Washington Post journalist Drew Harwell, who replied with <u>an image</u> of Omran Daqueesh - a young Syrian boy shown bloodied and dazed after recently being rescued from a bombed building in Aleppo.

A report published last week by the Cato Institute, a Conservative-leaning think tank, found that "the chance of an American being murdered in a terrorist attack caused by a refugee is <u>1 in 3.64 billion per year</u>".

In addition flawed statistics, Junior - like his father before him - also appeared to have snatched inspiration for the image from alt-right trolls.

There you go: Skittles are candy, not refugees, who are people.

Trump Jr.'s disturbing tweet comes mere days after he made an off-the-rails Nazi-reference during an interview with a Philadelphia radio station.