

" THE SYNTHESIS " 9-1-2011: UNVEILING THE 2011-2012 TEA PARTY ELECTION BATTLE PLAN "TAKE BACK AMERICA" CAMPAIGN – SLAYING THE BEAST OF BIG GOVERNMENT...

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"Let us NOT seek the Republican answer or the Democratic answer, but the right answer. Let us accept our own responsibility for the future."

-- John F. Kennedy



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each month will have a theme or goal for the Tea Party:

****September 2011** - research your nominees thoroughly and present them at meetings

****October 2011** - last month for last minute entry into the race/announce tickets of President/VP WORK ON SUBSTANTIAL BUDGET CUTS, lobby Congress

****November 2011** - thank your Congress and local representatives who work so hard for you and deliver the pink slips to those we elect out for 2012

****December 2011** - lobby 250 replacements for Congress, those who we want to stay, and use goods or services, not money: think food, clothing, simple or sentimental items

****January 2012** - work on legislation, small closed groups

****February 2012** - lobby your representatives on legislation/write letters

****March 2012** - prepare for Tea Party events, Tea Party begins 3/30/2012 ends 4/20/2012 for major gatherings

****May 2012** - lobby Congress for cut, cap, and balance -- balanced budget amendment, and if we can't get passage, let us work toward those goals with the budget regardless

**June 2012 - attend campaign meetings, listen to speeches, register to vote
**July 2012 - primary voting and come to a consensus about Executive leadership, register others to vote and participate in primaries
**August 2012 - support and rally for candidates
**September - early voting registration
**October - lobby others to vote without using money -- food, goods, services
*November - 11-6-12 TAKE BACK AMERICA



**** **ALSO HEREBY KNOWN AS "THE TEA PARTY RECORDER"**

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OFFICIAL INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM VOLUNTEER FOR THE BLACK RIBBON OFFENSIVE CAMPAIGN AGAINST MEDIA BIAS AND
FORMER 2009-2010 GA LOBBYIST FOR "LIFE AND LIBERTY"

OBAMA DOESN'T HAVE A PLAN FOR JOB CREATION AFTER 3 YEARS, BUT THE TEA PARTY DOES....

REDUCE GOVERNMENT SIZE TO ITS ORIGINAL 4 UMBRELLAS OF PROTECTION FOR TAXPAYERS:

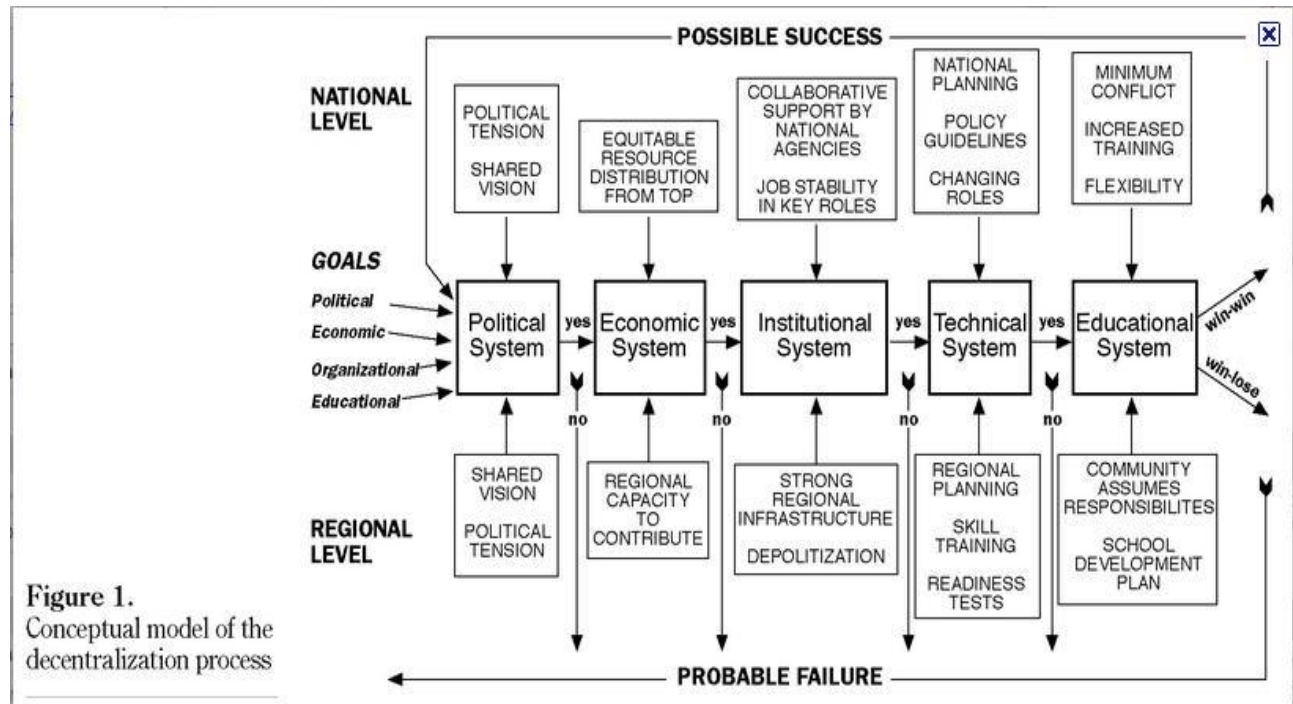
- 1. UMBRELLA #1 NATIONAL SECURITY - SAFETY FIRST**
- 2. UMBRELLA #2 JUDICIARY - RULE OF LAW**
- 3. UMBRELLA #3 INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS - ASSISTANCE/DEFENSE - MAINTAINING ORDER**
- 4. UMBRELLA #4 PATENTS©RIGHTS - UNDERTAKE PATENT REFORM - GOVERNING APPROPRIATELY**

I HAVE A 21 POINT PLAN ON DECENTRALIZATION OF GOVERNMENT, AND I WILL BE ADDING PROGRAMS TO THE CUT LIST THAT DO NOT FALL UNDER THOSE 4 UMBRELLAS. WE WILL ALSO CUT GRANT PROGRAMS OR UNION CONTRACTS. GRANTS WILL BE TAKEN AWAY FROM THOSE 250 SEATS, RESPECTIVE OF THEIR COMMITTEE POWER, LOBBYING&SPECIAL INTEREST, AND AUDITS WILL BE CONDUCTED ON THEM AND CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION TIED TO MARKETPLACE PILLAGING.

THEY WILL NOT BE RESTORED UNTIL WE AGREE TO CUT, CAP&BALANCE OR THE BALANCED BUDGET AMENDMENT. THIS IS LIKE GOING TO THE JUGULAR VEIN OF BIG GOVERNMENT. REMOVE THE ABILITY FOR THE GREEDY ONES IN CONGRESS TO ACQUIRE TAXPAYER MONEY, AND WE HAVE

MONEY TO CREATE JOBS. THEY WILL GO HOME DEFEATED, WITH RACIST REMARKS MEANING LITTLE IN LIGHT OF OUR FISCAL TAKEOVER TO ADVANCE THE PRIVATE SECTOR.

21 PT. DECENTRALIZATION AND REDUCTION OF GOVERNMENT TO CREATE PRIVATE SECTOR JOBS:



IF YOU WANT TO STOP THE BLEEDING, STOP STABBING THE BODY OF TAXPAYERS AND BLEEDING US TO DEATH !!!

DECENTRALIZATION CREATES:

1) INNOVATION

A) JOHNSON&JOHNSON - 76 YRS. OF SALES INCREASES, 25 YRS. OF ADJUSTED INCOME EARNING INCREASES, 47 YRS. DIVIDEND INCREASES

B) IBM STOCK PRICES WENT UP BY A FACTOR OF 10

2) FREEDOM - LIBERTY EXPANDS AS CENTRALIZATION CONTRACTS

A) TECHNOLOGY

3) IMPROVED PERFORMANCE

4) GREATER POTENTIAL REWARDS

5) EMPOWERMENT OF THE INDIVIDUAL

6) A BASIS OF STRATEGY DERIVED FROM THE CONSTITUTION AND THE 10TH AMENDMENT TO LIMIT FEDERAL POWER

7) ACCOUNTABILITY IS PROBLEM-SPECIFIC TO SOLUTION; NOT A GENERALIZED BAND-AID

TOUGH RULE: THE POWERS NOT DELEGATED TO THE UNITED STATES BY THE CONSTITUTION, NOR PROHIBITED BY IT TO THE UNITED STATES, ARE RESERVED TO THE STATES RESPECTIVELY, OR TO THE PEOPLE.

8) WINNING OVER THE WAR/NOT JUST FIGHTING BUT WINNING “WARS ARE NOT WON FROM CENTRAL COMMAND; THEY’RE WON BY SOLDIERS ON THE FIELD.”

9) LESS OVERALL GOVERNMENT SPENDING

10) A CLEAR DEFINITION OF ACCOUNTABILITY

11) DISPELS THE ILLUSION OF FREE MONEY

12) THE NEED TO REDUCE GRANTS, PROGRAMS, LOBBYING/SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

(NO GRANTS OR PROGRAMS PAST REGULARLY BUDGETED ITEMS W/O MAKING CUTS TO JUSTIFY EACH ONE)

13) A DECREASE OF BUREAUCRACY/INCREASE PRIVATE SECTOR BUSINESSES, WHICH INCREASES:

14) TAX REVENUE BY DEFAULT WHEN SHRINKING THE SIZE OF GOVERNMENT

15) AN IMPASSE OF PREDATORY GOVT. LENDING AND ENGINEERED CRISES

16) COMPETITION AND BUSINESSES THAT COMPETE FOR CUSTOMERS

17) DECREASE IN PRICE AND INCREASE IN QUALITY

18) PROPERLY DEFINES THE TASKS OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

-NATIONAL SECURITY

-JUDICIARY

-INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

-PATENTS©RIGHTS

19) PROPER POWER VESTED BY THE CONSTITUTION TO THE STATES AND PEOPLE

20) ADEQUATE REPRESENTATION FOR THE BURDEN OF TAXATION.

-50% DON’T PAY IN

-10% PAY IN 70% OF THE REVENUE

21) LESS RELIANCE ON FEDERAL AID/INCREASES SELF RELIANCE AND COMMUNITY INTEGRATION

SLAYING THE BEAST OF BIG GOVERNMENT:

Revelation 12-13 (Good News Translation)

Revelation 12-13

Good News Translation (GNT)

Revelation 12

The Woman and the Dragon

¹ Then a great and mysterious sight appeared in the sky. There was a woman, whose dress was the sun and who had the moon under her feet and a crown of twelve stars on her head.² She was soon to give birth, and the pains and suffering of childbirth made her cry out.

³ Another mysterious sight appeared in the sky. There was a huge red dragon with seven heads and ten horns and a crown on each of his heads.⁴ With his tail he dragged a third of the stars out of the sky and threw them down to the earth. He stood in front of the woman, in order to eat her child as soon as it was born.⁵ Then she gave birth to a son, who will rule over all nations with an iron rod. But the child was snatched away and taken to God and his throne.⁶ The woman fled to the desert, to a place God had prepared for her, where she will be taken care of for 1, 260 days.

⁷ Then war broke out in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, who fought back with his angels;⁸ but the dragon was defeated, and he and his angels were not allowed to stay in heaven any longer.⁹ The huge dragon was thrown outâthat ancient serpent, named the Devil, or Satan, that deceived the whole world. He was thrown down to earth, and all his angels with him.

¹⁰ Then I heard a loud voice in heaven saying,

Now God's salvation has come! Now God has shown his power as King! Now his Messiah has shown his authority! For the one who stood before our God and accused believers day and night has been thrown out of heaven.¹¹ They won the victory over him by the blood of the Lamb and by the truth which they proclaimed; and they were willing to give up their lives and die.¹² And so be glad, you heavens, and all you that live there! But how terrible for the earth and the sea! For the Devil has come down to you, and he is filled with rage, because he knows that he has only a little time left.

¹³ When the dragon realized that he had been thrown down to the earth, he began to pursue the woman who had given birth to the boy.¹⁴ She was given the two wings of a large eagle in order to fly to her place in the desert, where she will be taken care of for three and a half years, safe from the dragon's attack.¹⁵ And then from his mouth the dragon poured out a flood of water after the woman, so that it would carry her away.¹⁶ But the earth helped the woman; it opened its mouth and swallowed the water that had

come from the dragon's mouth.¹⁷ The dragon was furious with the woman and went off to fight against the rest of her descendants, all those who obey God's commandments and are faithful to the truth revealed by Jesus.¹⁸ And the dragon stood^[a] on the seashore.

Revelation 13

The Two Beasts

¹ Then I saw a beast coming up out of the sea. It had ten horns and seven heads; on each of its horns there was a crown, and on each of its heads there was a name that was insulting to God.² The beast looked like a leopard, with feet like a bear's feet and a mouth like a lion's mouth. The dragon gave the beast his own power, his throne, and his vast authority.³ One of the heads of the beast seemed to have been fatally wounded, but the wound had healed. The whole earth was amazed and followed the beast.⁴ Everyone worshiped the dragon because he had given his authority to the beast. They worshiped the beast also, saying,

Who is like the beast? Who can fight against it?

⁵ The beast was allowed to make proud claims which were insulting to God, and it was permitted to have authority for forty-two months.⁶ It began to curse God, his name, the place where he lives, and all those who live in heaven.⁷ It was allowed to fight against God's people and to defeat them, and it was given authority over every tribe, nation, language, and race.⁸ All people living on earth will worship it, except those whose names were written before the creation of the world in the book of the living which belongs to the Lamb that was killed.

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Listen, then, if you have ears!¹⁰ Whoever is meant to be captured will surely be captured; whoever is meant to be killed by the sword will surely be killed by the sword. This calls for endurance and faith on the part of God's people.

¹¹ Then I saw another beast, which came up out of the earth. It had two horns like a lamb's horns, and it spoke like a dragon.¹² It used the vast authority of the first beast in its presence. It forced the earth and all who live on it to worship the first beast, whose wound had healed.¹³ This second beast performed great miracles; it made fire come down out of heaven to earth in the sight of everyone.¹⁴ And it deceived all the people living on earth by means of the miracles which it was allowed to perform in the

presence of the first beast. The beast told them to build an image in honor of the beast that had been wounded by the sword and yet lived.¹⁵ The second beast was allowed to breathe life into the image of the first beast, so that the image could talk and put to death all those who would not worship it.¹⁶ The beast forced all the people, small and great, rich and poor, slave and free, to have a mark placed on their right hands or on their foreheads.¹⁷ No one could buy or sell without this mark, that is, the beast's name or the number that stands for the name.

¹⁸ This calls for wisdom. Whoever is intelligent can figure out the meaning of the number of the beast, because the number stands for the name of someone. Its number is 666.

Footnotes:

1. **Revelation 12:18** And the dragon stood; some manuscripts have And I stood, connecting this verse with what follows.

NOW YOU MAY WONDER WHY THIS PASSAGE OF THE BIBLE STRUCK ME AS A RELEVANT METAPHOR FOR GOVERNMENT REDUCTION....

THE RED DRAGON - CHINA - 7 HEADS - 10 HORNS - SATANIC GOVERNMENT WHICH FIGHTS AGAINST THE DESCENDANTS OF ISRAEL, FROM THE WOMAN WITH THE CROWN OF 12 STARS, OF THOSE WHO BELIEVE THE TRUTH OF JESUS. THE 12 EUROPEAN NATIONS ARE THE CHILDREN OF THE PROMISE, OF COUNTRIES FROM THE EUROPEAN UNION:

- 1) **EUROPEAN COMMISSION**
- 2) **THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION**
- 3) **EUROPEAN COUNCIL**
- 4) **COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION**
- 5) **THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK**
- 6) **EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT**
- 7) **EUROZONE - MONETARY UNION**
- 8) **UN**
- 9) **WTO**
- 10) **G8**
- 11) **G-20**
- 12) **EEC/ECSC**



BEAST OF THE SEA - BIG AMERICAN GOVERNMENT -10 HORNS - 7 HEADS - 10 CROWNS

THE BEAST GOBBLES PEOPLE UP (FINANCIALLY) RIPS THEM APART (IMPRISONMENT), ROARS LIKE A LION (DOMINATES THROUGH MEDIA)

**7 HEADS: AXELROD, PELOSI, SHULZ, REID, WATERS, KERRY, WILSON
THERE IS A PERVERSIVE SPIRIT OF WORSHIPING GOVERNMENT, WHICH IS THE SPIRIT OF THE ANTI-CHRIST, THAT GOVERNMENT OR GOVERNMENT LEADERS CAN SOLVE ALL OF OUR PROBLEMS.**

10 CZARS - TAKE YOUR PICK

“WHO IS LIKE THE BEAST (GOVERNMENT)? WHO CAN FIGHT AGAINST IT (GOVERNMENT)?”

THIS IS THE SPIRIT OF THE ANTI-CHRIST IN ONE STATEMENT.

THE BEAST (GOVERNMENT) INSULTED GOD 42 MONTHS = 3.5 YEARS, DURING OBAMA’S CRIMINAL OCCUPATION OF THE WHITE HOUSE, IT BEGAN TO CURSE GOD. THE GOVERNMENT WORKS AGAINST GOD’S WILL.

TWO HORNS LIKE A LAMB, SPOKE LIKE A DRAGON.

THIS IS OBAMA-BIDEN, WITH OBAMA LOBBYING CHINA AND BIDEN CONDONING CHINA’S “ONE CHILD OR ABORTION” POLICY.

OBAMA-BIDEN HAD VAST AUTHORITY OVER THE FIRST BEAST (GOVERNMENT), FORCING WORSHIP OF THE GOVERNMENT, WHOSE WOUND WAS HEALED, BEING “FINANCIAL RECOVERY”. THEY BUILT AN IMAGE (MEDIA) OF THE BEAST (GOVERNMENT) WOUNDED BY THE SWORD (WAR).

THIS BEAST, OBAMA-BIDEN GOVERNMENT (BEAST), DID “MIRACLES” - STIMULUS, BAILOUTS, FOOD STAMPS... IN THE PRESENCE OF BIG GOVERNMENT, AND THEY TALKED AND PUT TO DEATH (SILENCED) THOSE WHO WOULD NOT WORSHIP THIS IMAGE OF THE BIG BEAST (MEDIA OF THE GOVERNMENT).

THE BEAST (GOVERNMENT) FORCED THE MARK (MONEY, DEBT, NUMBERS, TECHNOLOGY, SERIAL NUMBERS, COMPUTERS) ON THEIR RIGHT HANDS/FOREHEADS (WHAT YOU DO AND WHAT YOU THINK).

NO ONE COULD BUY OR SELL WITHOUT THAT MARK (MONEY, DEBT, NUMBERS, TECHNOLOGY, SERIAL NUMBERS, COMPUTERS).

THE BEAST’S NAME (GOVERNMENT) OR THE NUMBER THAT STANDS FOR

THAT NAME.

THE MEANING OF THE NAME IS THE NUMBER, THAT IS A NAME 666, OR FFF IN ENGLISH; WHICH IS THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

**F
FEDERAL TROOPS**

**/ F
GOVERNANCE**

**/ F
FEDERAL RESERVE**

Revelation 13: China and North Korea -- the Red Dragon in the Book of Revelation -- A Bible prophecy and New Age analysis

Here I will show why a series of events called the End Time events, described in the Bible's Book of Revelation are now occurring, and why an evil dictator called the Antichrist will likely rise to power in Russia, and that this Russian dictator will I think enter into an evil alliance against the West with the Red Dragon, China, and also [Iran](#).

We will consider here Biblical prophecy, in particular the new testament Book of Revelation, and the old testament Book of Daniel. The Book of Revelation has prophecies of future world events, in particular the rise to power of an evil dictator called the Beast or the Antichrist, he is in Revelation Chapter 13. I believe the Antichrist will come out of [Russia](#), and may be Russian Prime Minister Putin.

Note that the Antichrist is described in Revelation 13:2 (King James Version):

"And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority."

I believe the Feet of a Bear is referring to Russia, and the Dragon refers to Satan himself, who is the dragon in Biblical terminology, but also I believe the dragon is referring to Red China. This would imply a Russia-China military alliance. This would also imply that Russia will gain a great deal of military power from China's huge armed forces. And the "seat" may be referring to Russia geographically sitting on top of China.

The Old Testament Book of Daniel's prophecies help explain the Book of

Revelation's prophecies in Revelation 13. In chapter 7 of the Book of Daniel, [Daniel](#) saw a vision of 4 beasts rising out of the sea, representing future empires to come. The first beast was like a lion, and had a man's heart. The second beast was a bear with three ribs in its mouth. The third beast was a leopard with wings and 4 heads. The fourth beast had iron teeth and 10 horns, one of which was a man that spoke great things. These are believed to represent the Babylonian empire (the lion), Medo-Persian empire (the bear), and Greek empire of Alexander (the leopard-- Alexander had the speed of a leopard during military conquest), and the Roman empire (with iron teeth). It is also believed that the final empire may be talking about the Antichrist -- the man who speaks great things. Note that these beasts are combined into the 10-horned beast of Revelation 13, which has the mouth of a lion, feet of a bear, the speed of a leopard, and 10 horns representing a confederation of 10 states. This could be Russia and the Commonwealth of Independent States, evolving into this angry beast, or the SCO military organization consisting of Russia, China, and four Central Asian countries, that Iran could join in the future. This may mean that there will be an increasingly close military alliance between Russia and China, because the beast gets its power from the dragon, which would be Red China. Note that Russia is selling some of its best military weapons to China, including ships, submarines, radar systems, and jet planes, and Russia is also selling nuclear power plants and missiles to [Iran](#).

And in Revelation 16, the River Euphrates in Iraq is dried up so that the army of the King of the East (China?) can cross it to the Battle of Armageddon. It is interesting that a severe drought was drying up the River Euphrates in 1999, this was the worst drought in Iraq in his century, and also Turkey is building dams upstream which could dry up this river, so this is another sign that Armageddon is approaching.

Revelation 16:12 "And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared."

Also referring to the dragon is Revelation 12:3:

"And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon..."
12:9 "And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent...he was cast out into earth, and his angels were cast out with him."

In Revelation 12 the red dragon is referring to Satan, but may also be referring to

China, North Korea, and/or Russia. Also see the page on [SARS](#) disease, which started in China; I relate SARS to the Red Dragon. SARS would be a demon coming out of the mouth of the dragon China, described in Revelation 16, where the dragon and the two beasts send out demons.

Note that China's first leader, (and most blood-thirsty leader, the present tyrants in charge of Red China are mild compared to Mao), Chairman Mao Zedong, was born on Dec. 26, 1893, the day after Christmas. His being born at Christmas is an indication of Mao being a type of evil Antichrist. Mao's periods of greatest blood-thirstiness and terror were during China's Cultural Revolution from 1966-1976, when Mao encouraged China's youth to put on trial much of China's older adult population, to purge the country of "non-revolutionary" influences, and also when Mao exterminated Tibetan Buddhism by terror and murder, after his Chinese invasion of Tibet. Of the worst tyrants and murderers of the 20th century, only Stalin and Hitler can surpass Mao for evil. Note that Mao's death on Sept. 9, 1976, ended a 31 year period of 17 666 day cycles, as I discuss on the [666 day intervals page](#). If we consider Mao's birthplace in China, at Shao-shan, Hunan province, China, at [geographic coordinates](#) 27.9 N 112.6 E, we will consider the coordinates as related to Bible passage numbers, in particular the Book of Revelation, which is the main topic of this web site. Mao being born at 28 degrees N we will relate to Revelation 12:8 where the angry red dragon is cast down to earth, Revelation 12:7-9:

"And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,

And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.

And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him."

Here the Red Dragon represents Satan, but I think a second meaning is that the Red Dragon is China and Russia, and Chairman Mao in particular. Mao's birth was the casting of the red dragon to earth. And the red dragon, Red China, is growing stronger.

Recent events in China and North Korea:

Oct. 10, 2005. A South Korean woman visiting North Korea had her baby on Oct. 10 in North Korea, and was called in North Korea a "Unification baby". This was said to be the first person born in North Korea as a South Korean citizen, and was called in North Korea a "sign" that a North-South unification could be near.

Jan. 1, 2006. North Korea accused the U.S. of wanting to start a new Korean War.

June 17, 2006. A close approach in the sky of Mars and Saturn (within .5 degree). Note that there was talk then of North Korea preparing for a long range missile test, where the missile could reach the U.S.. This would be the Taepodong-2 missile, its longest range missile that could reach California. In August 1998 a test firing of this missile went over Japan.

Oct. 9, 2006. The first North Korea atomic bomb test.

"Revelation 13", includes a discussion of the whether the events described in the Book of Revelation are occurring now. See the rest of this "Revelation 13:

Also see [this](#) King James Bible Code page.

<http://revelation13.net/China.html>

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WHERE DOES THIS PUT US TO SELECT CANDIDATES FROM THE NOMINATION PROCESS WHO WILL IMPLEMENT REDUCTION OF GOVERNMENT???

THIS IS THE PROGRESSION, CLOSE TO WEEK-TO-WEEK DEVELOPMENTS IN THE PRESIDENTIAL RACE, GOING BACK TO 5-14-2011:

IN PREPARATION FOR 2012, WE WANT TO COMPOSE WINNING TICKETS THAT WILL BE THE BEST FOR OUR COUNTRY. WE WANT CANDIDATES OF EITHER PARTIES TO MAKE THIS A GREAT RACE TO RESTORE OUR COUNTRY TO GREATNESS....

WE WANT CANDIDATES WITH THE FOLLOWING TO DO LIST/AGENDA:

1) REPEAL H.R. 4872 AS UNCONSTITUTIONAL AND DEFUND IT ENTIRELY.

2) IMPEACH OBAMA BY SEPTEMBER 2011, AS HE HAS NO RIGHT TO BE IN OFFICE ANYWAY AND CHEATED US OF A FAIR ELECTION IN 2008.

3) CONSIDER AND APPLY BAREBONES BUDGET CUTS TO OBAMA'S 2010 BUDGET AS PROPOSED TO THE GANG OF 6 BY TEA PARTY GROUPS.

4) CANDIDATES WHO REPRESENT FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY NOT POLITICAL SHOWMANSHIP AND GAMES.

5) CANDIDATES WHO ARE ACTIVELY TEARING DOWN THE OBAMA AGENDA NOW AND NOT USING IT AS CAMPAIGN PROMISE OR PLEDGE, BUT ACTIVELY PURSUING ITS ERADICATION, AS WE SPEAK.

6) CANDIDATES WHO VOTE AGAINST RAISING THE DEBT CEILING.

#4, #5, #6 CANDIDATES WHO PROMOTE FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY, NOT POLITICAL SHOWMANSHIP AND GAMES:

**“86 OBAMA
MATCH-UPS”**

FROM MAY 14TH

EDITION:

GOP

Newt Gingrich - Pres.

Paul Ryan - VP

Newt Gingrich - Pres.

Michelle Bachmann - VP

Paul Ryan - Pres.

Michelle Bachmann - VP

Marco Rubio - Pres.

Paul Ryan - VP

INDEPENDENT

Donald Trump - Pres.

Sarah Palin - VP

Ron Paul - Pres.

Sarah Palin - VP

Marco Rubio - Pres.

Sarah Palin - VP

John Boehner - Pres.

Sarah Palin - VP

DEMOCRAT

John Kerry - Pres.

Blanche Lincoln - VP

Kent Conrad - Pres.

Joe Manchin - VP

Mark Udall - Pres.

Kent Conrad - VP

Mark Udall - Pres.

Mark Pryor - VP

JULY 14TH "86 OBAMA MATCH-UPS":

WE NEED TO FIRE GEITHNER AND MAKE PAUL RYAN TREASURER.

SARAH WOULD BE BEST SUITED TO BE PAIRED UP WITH NEWT GRINGRICH. THIS MEANS THAT BACHMANN AND SANTORUM SHOULD RUN INDEPENDENT TICKET TOGETHER.

GOP

INDEPENDENT

DEMOCRAT

Newt Gingrich - Pres.

[REDACTED]

John Kerry - Pres.

Paul Ryan - VP-TREASURER

Herman Cain - Pres.

Blanche Lincoln - VP

Sarah Palin - VP

Sarah Palin -VP

[REDACTED]

Rick Santorum -Pres.

Kent Conrad - Pres.

Michelle Bachmann - VP

Joe Manchin - VP

Marco Rubio - Pres.

Michelle Bachmann - VP

***Michelle Bachmann**

is the wild card matchup

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Mark Udall - Pres.

Michelle Bachmann - Pres.

[REDACTED]

Kent Conrad - VP

Tim Pawlenty - VP

John Boehner - Pres.

Ron Paul - Pres.

Mark Udall - Pres.

[REDACTED]

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Mark Pryor - VP

Rick Perry - VP

John Boehner - VP

**A RECAP SINCE MID MAY 2011:
WHY WE'RE NOT SUPPORTING**

NEWT GINGRICH IN RELATION TO HIS TIES TO GA GOP CORRUPTION

– TO READ THE WHOLE DOCUMENT, GO TO

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1PREXKHVpl_c_RRWPJXABLz6olvwtSY2B0ImVYx_Wic4/edit?hl=en_US

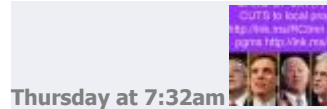
JULY 17TH “86 OBAMA MATCH-UPS”:

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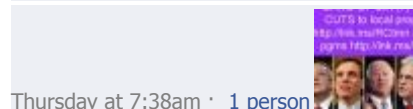
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GIVING ME A MIGRAINE!!)**



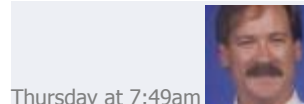
SUBSEQUENT TO MICHELE BACHMANN SIGNING THE CUT, CAP, AND BALANCE PLEDGE, SHE RENEGES AND VOTES AGAINST HR 2560, THUS KNOCKING HER OUT AS THE INDEPENDENT WILD CARD AND RUNNING FOR GOP NOMINEE CONTENTION !!



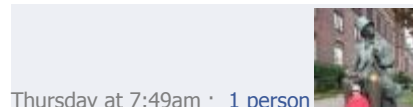
Aja Brooks Why did you not vote for cut, cap, and balance? You really let us down -- just how do you suppose to call yourself Tea Party when you're really a Republican? You're masquerading in a Tea Party hat as a costume for political support. You must make cuts and get them on paper, that was the whole point of the pledge you signed. I can no longer support your nomination.



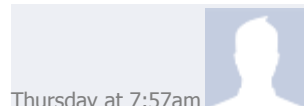
Aja Brooks Repugnant and cowardly that you would capitalize your campaign and go against your own word.



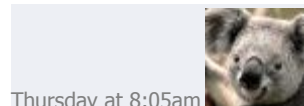
Robert Jensen But, why did you vote against Cut, Cap, and Balance? You just dropped a few notches on my vote list.



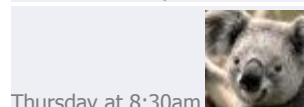
Jeff Smulyan Aja & Robert: You shouldn't vote for her because she's not the brightest bulb in the room...and she's a racist.



Mark Mexner Vote for Bachmann 2012 at [pollvote: Michele Bachmann](#)



Mike Ward @Aja: Just like I told you. She's a HYPOCRITE!!!!



Mike Ward @ Robert J: Yes, like I said she's a HYPOCRITE!!!!

Thursday at 8:31am

KERRY HAD THE BEST POSITION AGAINST OBAMA'S LACK OF FOREIGN POLICY, BUT HE VOTED FOR OBAMACARE/H.R. 4872, HE IS STRUCK FROM THE LIST, UDALL AND CONRAD DID TOO, SO THE 5 DEMOCRATS WHO VOTED TO SUPPORT THE BALANCED BUDGET AMENDMENT WILL BE ADDED AS POTENTIAL NOMINEES.

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GOP

INDEPENDENT

DEMOCRAT

Newt Gingrich - Pres.

[REDACTED]

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Paul Ryan - VP-TREASURER

Herman Cain - Pres.

Dan Boren - Pres.

Sarah Palin - VP

Sarah Palin -VP

Blanche Lincoln - VP

Jim Cooper - Pres.

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Rick Santorum -Pres.

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Sarah Palin - VP

Joe Manchin - VP

Marco Rubio - Pres.

Sarah Palin - VP

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Jim Matheson - Pres.

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Mike McIntyre - VP

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Saxby Chambliss - Pres.

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Tim Pawlenty - VP

John Boehner - Pres.

Ron Paul - Pres.

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Heath Schuler - Pres.

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Mark Pryor - VP

Rick Perry - VP

John Boehner - VP

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2012 OUST LIST/BLACKLISTED POLITICIANS:

1. BEN NELSON - (D) NEBRASKA

Remember, Ben Nelson provided the final and deciding vote Democrats needed to pass Obamacare.

In exchange for his vote, Nelson took \$45 million in taxpayer-funded Medicare subsidies – the "Cornhusker Kickback" – embarrassing every hard working man and woman in Nebraska.

Americans simply can't afford for Ben Nelson to be re-elected.

That's why I'm reaching out to you today. In order to take back this seat next year, we need the early support of conservatives around the country.

As the state Attorney General since 2003, I made sure Nebraska was one of the first states to join the lawsuit challenging the constitutionality of President Obama's – and Ben Nelson's – health care law.

I firmly believe Obamacare tramples on individual liberty, is unconstitutional, and unfairly burdens states with a massive new entitlement program.

While serving as Attorney General, I helped create a self-funding Medicaid Fraud Unit, which has recovered more than \$33 million for state taxpayers. Throughout my career, I have worked to reduce the size and reach of the Federal government. I'll do the same in the United States Senate.

2. RAHN MAYO - (D-91) GEORGIA

- poorly represents my district's values of Constitutionally-limited government and fiscal responsibility
- idolizes Obama, thinks himself as Obama on state level
- participated in racially-tinged arguments on Facebook, teaming up with Ralph Long, lobbying solely for what only their choice black constituents want, those who pay to keep them up/not what the majority of Georgia taxpayers have asked and required of them
- honestly one of the most racist mixed people I've ever met! I say this as being a mix of Native American and 3 European lineages myself: he's Obama's right-hand stooge in the South.

3. RALPH LONG - (D-61) GEORGIA

- poorly represents my district's values of Constitutionally-limited government and fiscal responsibility
- while he doesn't idolize Obama, he will call you 'unpatriotic' if your opinion disagrees with his opinion or Obama's
- participated in racially-tinged arguments on Facebook, teaming up with Rahn Mayo, lobbying solely for what only their choice black constituents want, those who pay to keep them up/not what the majority of Georgia taxpayers have asked and required of them
- while I believe Ralph Long's intentions is to aspire to be like MLK JR, or Mandela, and he handles debate better than the giggling and Ebonics-speaking Mayo, Long is being judged by the company that he keeps: Rahn Mayo is his cohort, along with several other black legislators, as in: "if you aren't black, they're on the attack, from their blackberries that is..."

4. ALISHA MORGAN - (D-39) GEORGIA

- doesn't embody the kind of communication skills that we as taxpayers demand and expect from those who ride on our tax dollars... she asked to be removed from SYNTHESIS discussion, so it is quite clear that she doesn't want to hear what the majority has to say
- she doesn't seem pro-Obama, but more akin to black church mafia
- while I don't believe that she intends to come across this way, she aligns herself with the same legislators who accommodate black bias, lobbying solely for what only their choice black constituents want, those who pay to keep them up/not what the majority of Georgia taxpayers have asked and required of them

5. HUGH FLOYD - (D-99) GEORGIA

- poorly represents my district's values of Constitutionally-limited government and fiscal responsibility
- this guy acts like he's a rock star: he'll reject your email, ignore your documents, and tell you that you're not 'his' constituent, though you're paying for him to ignore your pleas
- to boot: this guy is a Methodist, not just lackluster for Jesus, but wants everyone to know that his methodology and contrived way of neglecting you in his district goes further than just ego/it's a religious prerogative for him.

the message is that while you may have escaped the first round of Tea Party cuts, you won't make it past 2012. I deleted 25 email addresses, struck them from the Assembly roll today for email contacts, and only one member went onto to run for Congress! Not only that, but Tea Party platform succeeding in regaining House leadership, to repeal H.R. 4872, and we will now defund in the Senate. Please contact me with your state's blacklist.

6. FREDDIE SIMS (D-12) GEORGIA SENATE

- poorly represents the constituents of the North GA area
- continues to support Obama just because he is black, even though he's wasted \$9 trillion in less than 3yrs.
- refuses to accept emails from concerned GA taxpayers or do her job to assist you, if you disagree with her position on Obama

7. DEE DAWKINS-HAIGLER (D-93) GEORGIA HOUSE

- poorly represents the constituents of the Lithonia area
- continues to support Obama just because he is black, even though he's wasted \$9 trillion in less than 3yrs.
- refuses to accept emails from concerned GA taxpayers or do her job to assist you, if you disagree with her position on Obama
- her assistant is one of the dumbest Ebonics speaking people who works for the GA Capitol

THOSE WHO HAVE USED LANGUAGE TO DESCRIBE THE TEA PARTY AS "TERRORISTS" OR WHO HAVE SAID THAT THE TEA PARTY HAS HELD THEM OR THE COUNTRY HOSTAGE, WHEN NO ONE HAS HELD THEM AT GUN POINT TO MAKE CUTS OR DO THEIR JOB. THEY CAN'T HANDLE EMAILS, LOSING THEIR POLITICAL POWER, OWN THEIR MISTAKES, OR DO ANYTHING BUT BLAME THE TEA PARTY WHEN IT WAS OBAMA WHO WASTED \$9 TRILLION IN LESS THAN 3YRS. ON THEIR UNFUNDED PROGRAMS AND MANDATES:

JOHN KERRY, DAVID AXELROD, MAXINE WATERS, JOE BIDEN, OR DEBBIE WASSERMAN-SCHULTZ

THESE ARE THE SENATE MEMBERS WHO DESPITE THE MAJORITY OF AMERICANS POLLED, A HOUSE MAJORITY WHO VOTED FOR REPEAL, AND TWO PEOPLE NOT VOTING, ALL SENATE DEMOCRATS AREN'T REPRESENTING THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, TO REPEAL H.R. 4872, WHO HAVE NOW BEEN BLACKLISTED:

NAYs ---51

Akaka (D-HI)

Baucus (D-MT)
Begich (D-AK)
Bennet (D-CO)
Bingaman (D-NM)
Blumenthal (D-CT)
Boxer (D-CA)
Brown (D-OH)
Cantwell (D-WA)
Cardin (D-MD)
Carper (D-DE)
Casey (D-PA)
Conrad (D-ND)
Coons (D-DE)
Durbin (D-IL)
Feinstein (D-CA)
Franken (D-MN)
Gillibrand (D-NY)
Hagan (D-NC)
Harkin (D-IA)
Inouye (D-HI)
Johnson (D-SD)
Kerry (D-MA)
Klobuchar (D-MN)
Kohl (D-WI)
Landrieu (D-LA)
Lautenberg (D-NJ)
Leahy (D-VT)
Levin (D-MI)
Manchin (D-WV)
McCaskill (D-MO)
Menendez (D-NJ)
Merkley (D-OR)
Mikulski (D-MD)
Murray (D-WA)
Nelson (D-FL)
Nelson (D-NE)
Pryor (D-AR)
Reed (D-RI)
Reid (D-NV)
Rockefeller (D-WV)
Sanders (I-VT)
Schumer (D-NY)
Shaheen (D-NH)
Stabenow (D-MI)
Tester (D-MT)
Udall (D-CO)
Udall (D-NM)
Webb (D-VA)
Whitehouse (D-RI)
Wyden (D-OR)

Not Voting - 2

Lieberman (ID-CT)
Warner (D-VA)

We will now move to defunding H.R. 4872 through Senate Committees, as the mandate is unconstitutional. We don't have to pay for legislation, just because they say so.

6. CLAIRE MCCASKILL:

White there were no indications of illegality or ethics violations in terms of the flights and McCaskill has said she'd repay more than \$88,000 to the U.S. Treasury, a realization of how toxic the story is in the current political climate.

But on Monday the story got even more poisonous for her political future. Politico reported that she and her husband failed to pay \$287,273 in personal property taxes on the airplane.

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Ackerman

Altmire

Andrews

Baca

Bachmann

Baldwin

Barrow

Bass (CA)

Becerra

Berkley

Berman

Bishop (GA)

Bishop (NY)

Boswell

Brady (PA)

Braley (IA)

Broun (GA)

Brown (FL)

Butterfield

Canseco

Capps

Cardoza

Carnahan

Carney

Carson (IN)

Chandler

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Cicilline

Clarke (MI)

Clarke (NY)

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Clyburn

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Connolly (VA)

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Davis (CA)
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DesJarlais
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Dicks
Dingell
Doggett
Donnelly (IN)
Doyle
Edwards
Eshoo
Farr
Fattah
Filner
Frank (MA)
Fudge
Garamendi
Gonzalez
Green, Al
Green, Gene
Griffith (VA)
Grijalva
Gutierrez
Hahn
Hanabusa
Hastings (FL)
Heinrich
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Himes
Hinojosa
Hirono
Hochul
Holden
Holt
Honda
Hoyer
Inslee
Israel
Jackson (IL)
Jackson Lee (TX)
Johnson (GA)
Johnson, E. B.
Jones
Kaptur
Keating
Kildee

Kind
Kissell
Kucinich
Langevin
Larsen (WA)
Larson (CT)
Lee (CA)
Levin
Lewis (GA)
Lipinski
Loeb sack
Lofgren, Zoe
Lowey
Luján
Lynch
Mack
Maloney
Markey
Matsui
McCarthy (NY)
McCollum
McDermott
McGovern
McNerney
Meeks
Michaud
Miller (NC)
Miller, George
Moore
Moran
Murphy (CT)
Nadler
Napolitano
Neal
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Pallone
Pascrell
Pastor (AZ)
Paul
Payne
Pelosi
Perlmutter
Peters
Peterson
Pingree (ME)
Polis
Price (NC)
Quigley
Rahall
Rangel
Reyes
Richardson
Richmond
Rohrabacher
Ross (AR)
Rothman (NJ)

Roybal-Allard
Ruppersberger
Rush
Ryan (OH)
Sánchez, Linda T.
Sanchez, Loretta
Sarbanes
Schakowsky
Schiff
Schrader
Schwartz
Scott (VA)
Scott, David
Serrano
Sewell
Sherman
Sires
Slaughter
Smith (WA)
Speier
Stark
Sutton
Thompson (CA)
Thompson (MS)
Tierney
Tonko
Townsend
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Van Hollen
Velázquez
Visclosky
Walz (MN)
Wasserman Schultz
Waters
Watt
Waxman
Welch
Wilson (FL)
Woolsey
Wu
Yarmuth

---- NOT VOTING 8 ---

Blumenauer
Capuano
Castor (FL)
Ellison
Engel
Giffords
Hinchey
Young (AK)



Aja Brooks

Gerry Emery January 31 at 3:37pm Reply • Report

I'm asking each recipient to forward this email to a minimum of twenty people on your address list; in turn ask each of those to do likewise. In three days, most people in The United States of America will have the message. This is one idea that really should be passed around.

Congressional Reform Act of 2011.

THIS IS HOW TO FIX CONGRESS!!!!

1. Term Limits.

12 years only, one of the possible options below..

A. Two Six-year Senate terms

B. Six Two-year House terms

C. One Six-year Senate term and three Two-Year House terms

2. No Tenure / No Pension.

A Congressman will collect a salary while in office and receives no pay when they are out of office.

3. Congress (past, present & future) participates in Social Security.

All funds in the Congressional retirement fund move to the Social Security system immediately. All future funds flow into the Social Security system, and Congress participates with the American people.

4. Congress can purchase their own retirement plan, just as all Americans do.

5. Congress will no longer vote themselves a pay raise.

Congressional pay will rise by the lower of CPI or 3%.

6. Congress loses their current health care system and participates in the same health care system as the American people.

7. Congress must equally abide by all laws they impose on the American people.

8. All contracts with past and present Congressmen are void effective 1/1/11.

The American people did not make this contract with Congressmen. Congressmen made all these contracts for themselves.

Serving in Congress is an honor, not a career. The Founding Fathers envisioned citizen legislators, so ours should serve their term(s), then go home and back to work.

If each person contacts a minimum of twenty people then it will only take three days for most people (in the U.S.) to receive the message. Maybe it is time!

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February 1 at 1:47am · [Like](#)

IN SHORT, THERE ARE 250 SEATS TO REPLACE BETWEEN NOW AND NEXT YEAR, OR WE CAN JUST REDUCE THE SIZE OF GOVERNMENT AND INVEST IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR.

THE AGGRAVATION WE HAVE FACED IN A JOBLESS ECONOMY SHOWS WE AREN'T NOT GETTING REPRESENTED BY POPULATION, NO MATTER WHAT DEMOGRAPHIC YOU ARE!!

EVEN DEMOCRATS KNOW OBAMA IS KILLING OUR ECONOMY !!!!



The 70-Million-Check Constituency

- Posted by [Admin II-Rev. Larry Wallenmeyer](#) on July 21, 2011 at 10:51pm in [Patriot Action Alerts](#)
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O.k., this is not good news...yet it is as REAL as all the GOOD was. And Conservatives face Reality...and with Constitutional Principles build up the good and correct the bad...and this IS bad.

July 21, 2011

The 70-Million-Check Constituency

By [Michael Filozof](#)

Obama and the left have a massive constituency of tens of millions who do not comprehend the true meaning of money, only caring that the government check is in the mail.

In an interview with CBS anchor Scott Pelley last week, President Obama was asked if he could guarantee that Social Security checks would go out in August if House Republicans refused to raise the national debt ceiling.

Obama replied, "Well, this is not just a matter of Social Security checks. These are veterans' checks; these are folks on disability and their checks. There are about 70 million checks that go out... I cannot guarantee that those checks go out on August 3rd, if we haven't resolved this issue."

***Seventy million* government checks! In a population of 309 million, *almost 23%* of the population is receiving some kind of check from the federal government.**

I have bad news for conservatives who think Obama is leading the nation down the path to socialism: the barn door is open and the cows are long gone. Obama is not leading the nation to socialism; we *are* a socialist nation and have been for some time. Conservatives who think Obama is a Marxist and an anti-capitalist radical are surely correct, but what is also surely correct is that he represents an actual constituency of tens of millions who care about nothing other than the fact that the government check is in the mail. This is a serious problem for conservative Republicans and Tea Partiers seeking to cut the federal budget and restore fiscal sanity.

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WHY IF DEMOCRATS KNOW THIS DID THEY VOTE TO TABLE CUT, CAP, AND BALANCE, WHEN FAILING TO PASS IT MAKES US DEFAULT AUTOMATICALLY?

July 19, 2011

One Obama Presser, 36 Obama Lies and Deceptions

By [Charlie P Brannan](#)

Obama held a press conference last Friday, July 15 which turned out to be a purely partisan effort to increase taxes and increase the American debt. His speech and the answers he gave to cherry picked questions from the press was fundamentally dishonest: in all I counted three dozen lies, deceptions and misleading statements.

Deception 1. "make sure that the United States does not default on our obligations, and that the full faith and credit of the United States is preserved."

There is zero risk of a default to the creditors of US debt. The federal [government](#) takes in about \$170 billion each month in revenues, but pays less than \$29 billion each month in interest on the debt. The [Bipartisan Policy Center has laid out a plan](#) where the Treasury could pay: all debt interest, all Social Security obligations, all Medicare and Medicaid obligations, all Defense contractor bills, all Veterans payments, all active duty troops; and still have almost \$7 billion left over every month for other items.

Obama is using pure political scare tactics to deceive uneducated voters into supporting his position. There is no risk to "the full faith and credit of the United States" unless Treasury chooses to default. Not raising the debt limit will cause a limited government shutdown, not a default, as Obama insinuates.

Deception 2. "I think we should not even be this close to a deadline on this issue; this should have been taken care of earlier."

The Obama administration created the present crisis with the introduction of his 2012 budget on Feb. 14, 2011. Obama's budget had a \$1.1 Trillion deficit and was defeated by a vote of 97 to 0 in the United States Senate. Obama's own failure to submit a budget which could gain even a single vote directly caused the entire crisis.

Deception 3. "These are obligations that the United States has taken on in the past. [Congress](#) has run up the credit card, and we now have an obligation to pay our bills."

There is plenty of government revenue to cover the obligations the US government has taken on in the past. The entire issue is the obligations the [US government](#) will take on in the future. Republicans in Congress want to reduce those obligations -- they want to stop running up the credit card -- and Obama is saying "No, continue to spend."

Deception 4. "We could end up with a situation, for example, where interest rates rise for everybody all throughout the country, effectively a tax increase on everybody."

Obama is painting a fundamentally dishonest scenario. His strategy to continue debt spending will saddle future generations of Americans with more and more debt which will eventually result in higher taxes in the future. He is advocating increased borrowing which in reality is "a tax increase on everybody."

People globally invest in US debt because the United States of America is by far the strongest most vibrant and innovative economy on earth. The world economy is suffering and the result is demand for US debt, not a reluctance to lend. As long as Treasury chooses not to default on the US debt there will be little or no rise in interest rate. If anything, refusing to raise the limit debt would demonstrate to the world that we as a nation are finally serious about managing government spending and from a long term macroeconomic perspective the USA will be a much stronger nation.

Deception 5. "businesses that are trying to make payroll, all of them could end up being impacted as a consequence of a default."

Obama is arguing that a default will cause increased interest rates, which will have "adverse consequences." Putting aside the fact that failing to increase the debt limit will not result in a default unless Obama chooses to default, even a default and the increased interest rates will have little if any effect on most "businesses that are trying to make payroll." Unlike the US government, the vast majority of businesses do not borrow money to pay their employees. Even if interest rates did rise, payroll payments for most businesses would stay the same.

Lie 6. "We have a chance to stabilize America's finances for a decade, for 15 years, or 20 years, if we're willing to seize the moment."

At present the national debt amounts to US\$14.12 Trillion: 100% of the US GDP. Deficit spending in 2011 will exceed \$1.48 Trillion; over ten years spending at that rate would amount to \$14.8 Trillion, doubling the US debt.

Obama's budget proposal would reduce deficit spending to \$1.1 Trillion per year through a combination of spending cuts and tax increases. Fourteen years at this rate would still double our national debt with \$15.4 Trillion of new deficit spending.

Either scenario will put the USA in the same scenario Greece is in today. Obama is lying when he insinuates he has made an effort to stabilize America's financial future.

Lie 7. "let's still try to at least get a down payment on deficit reduction."

The notion of getting "a down payment on deficit reduction" is a lie. What is a "down payment"? It is an initial payment which by definition must be followed by more payments. If Obama wants to get a "down payment on deficit reduction" then he *must* plan for follow on payments. Normally, when you make a down payment, if you are unable to make the follow on payments you lose your down payment! Obama's attempt to change a single reduction into a "down payment" is a lie. Language only a lawyer could twist.

Deception 8. (continued from Lie 7) "And that we can actually accomplish without huge changes in revenue or significant changes in entitlements,"

Except that according to his own deficit commission (Bowles-Simpson) significant changes in both revenue and entitlements are required in order to reduce the deficit. Obama's insinuation that continued deficit reduction because a down payment implies future payments) can happen without "significant changes in entitlements" is another deception: his own experts are telling him otherwise.

Deception 9. (continued from Deception 8) "but we could still send a signal that we are serious about this problem."

The "down payment" Obama talks about in Lie 7 is a \$2 Trillion reduction in deficit spending over ten years. His proposal will still double the national debt in less than 15 years putting us where Greece is today. In no way could this single reduction demonstrate that the US government is serious about this problem.

Deception 10. "And I think it's important for everybody to understand that all of us believe that we need to get to a point where eventually we can balance the budget."

Nobody who has the audacity to submit a budget with \$1.1 Trillion in deficit spending can be trusted when they say they "eventually" want to balance the budget.

Deception 11. "We don't need a constitutional amendment to do that; what we need to do is to do our jobs."

Obama submitted the 2012 budget on Feb. 14, 2011 with a \$1.1 Trillion deficit, \$3.73 Trillion in spending and revenues of \$2.63 Trillion. George W Bush's 2008 budget had a \$240 Billion deficit on \$2.8 Trillion in spending. Spending increases account for 75% of the increase in Obama's 2012 deficit. Clearly Obama finds it impossible to do his job.

Deception 12. "And we have to do it the same way a family would do it. A family, if they get over-extended and their credit card is too high, they don't just stop paying their bills. What

they do is they say, how do we start cutting our monthly costs? We keep on making payments, but we start cutting out the things that aren't necessary."

Actually, Mr. President, those drastic measures you just outlined are exactly what families do. They keep making payments, but they don't "*start cutting our monthly costs*", they don't "*start cutting out the things that are necessary*", they *immediately* curtail spending so they won't have to continue borrowing money because they have used up their entire credit limit. What world do you live in?

Deception 13. (continued from Deception 12) "And we do it in a way that maintains our credit rating. We do it in a way that's responsible" Another Obama deception. He is implying that Republicans want to damage the USA credit rating. As we demonstrated in Deception 1, there is no danger to the USA credit rating if Congress refuses to increase the debt limit: the Treasury will be forced to make tough choices to pay what he is able and a limited government shutdown will ensue.

Deception 14. "I think that American consumers and American businesses would benefit from a continuation of that tax cut next year." Obama is advocating the increase of taxes for "the rich" and in the same speech advocating extending subsidies to the unemployed. What happened to a "balanced approach"? How does he plan to pay for these subsidies if not with deficit spending? This statement reveals Obama's hypocritical ethos. He knows that tax cuts for the rich create jobs for the middle class. He knows that extended welfare subsidies foster sloth. But Obama is not about doing what is best for America, Obama is all about taking from the rich and giving to the poor and using federal dollars to bribe his constituents to make sure he is elected again in 2012.

Lie 15. "... we can, as I said before, fix this thing probably for a decade or more"

Obama restates Lie 6. in a different light, implying that Congress will not have to increase the debt limit again "for a decade or more." People who didn't listen carefully will think 'Obama's plan will solve this debt limit problem for ten years!'. In reality the present proposed \$2.4 Trillion debt limit increase will only last until 2013, conveniently after the 2012 election. Its all politics.

Lie 16. "I think this notion that things got ugly is just not true."

When the President of the United States verbally threatens a member of Congress saying "Eric, don't call my bluff. I'm going to the American people on this," and then schedule a press conference specifically "to take it to the American people", that is ugly, by definition.

Deception 17. "Bowles-Simpson ... was originally bipartisan legislation that some of the Republican supporters of decided to vote against when I said I supported it"

Notwithstanding what Obama may or may not have said, in reality Obama never supported the Bowles-Simpson budget, in whole or in part. Obama's 2012 Budget with a \$1.1 Trillion deficit included none of the spending reductions from Bowles-Simpson commission. Here Obama is trying to deceive the American public into believing he supported Bowles-Simpson when his actions tell otherwise.

Lie 18. "a lot of the components of Bowles-Simpson we are willing to embrace -- for example, the domestic spending cuts that they recommend we've basically taken."

Obama's 2012 Budget proposal with a \$1.1 Trillion deficit is evidence of this lie.

Lie 19. "... you have 80 percent of the American people who support a balanced approach. Eighty percent of the American people support an approach that includes revenues and includes cuts."

From a July 7-10 Gallup poll. 69% of the people support spending cuts together with new taxes:

Only/Mostly with spending cuts: 20%

Mostly with spending cuts: 30%

Equal with spending cuts and taxes: 32%

Mostly with tax increases: 7%

Only with tax increases: 4%

Undecided: 7%

The more subtle part of this deception is **what Obama fails to mention regarding the same Gallup poll.** The American public by a margin of nearly 2:1 do not want to increase the debt limit. Perhaps this is because most Americans don't believe Congress *will* lower the deficit enough to make a difference.

Deception 20. "It turns out that our problem is we cut taxes without paying for them over

the last decade"

Obama implies that the deficits we have now have been going on for the last ten years, insinuating it is an ongoing problem from the Bush administration. The reality is that deficit spending in Obama's first three years in office is more than double the entire deficit spending of the George W Bush administration. Deficits for the last ten years:

2011 \$1,500 Billion

2010 \$1,300 Billion

2009 \$1,400 Billion

2008 \$240 Billion

2007 \$161 Billion

2006 \$248 Billion

2005 \$319 Billion

2004 \$412 Billion

2003 \$374 Billion

2002 \$159 Billion

US budget deficits ballooned when Obama took office. Increased spending accounts for 3/4 of the new deficit spending; reduced tax revenue accounts for 1/4. More fundamentally instead of restoring investor confidence Obama's deficit spending, a key component in Obama's failed economic policy, has resulted in a double dip recession and stagnant growth with no end in sight.

Deception 21. "what's required is that we roll back those tax cuts ... clean up our tax code ... cut programs that we don't need, and we invest in those things that are going to help us grow. And every commission that's been out there has said the same thing and basically taken the same approach, within the margin of error."

Bowles-Simpson, a commission which Obama organized outlined far more reaching cuts in entitlements (above and beyond cutting "programs that we don't need") which Obama

ignores, again deceiving the American public.

Lie 22. "And they don't require "job-killing tax cuts.""

Study upon study have shown that in the short term tax cuts increase jobs for the middle class.

Deception 23. "They require us to make some modest adjustments to get our house in order, and we should do it now."

The bipartisan Bowles-Simpson commission organized by Obama suggested much more drastic measures are required to resolve the present government budget woes. Not "some modest". Obama ignores his own research and deceives America.

Deception 24. "let's at least avert Armageddon."

Another typical liberal Obama lie / scare tactic. As explained in Deception 1 there is zero risk of Armageddon or default in debt payments by the US government unless Obama chooses to default. There will be a government shutdown, but a default will only occur if Obama intentionally decides to default.

Deception 25. "I'd like to solve that second problem."

Maybe he would like to quit smoking as well but he won't. Obama was given the opportunity to solve the second problem when he submitted his budget to Congress. He ignored almost all of the recommendations from his own deficit commission. Even with increased tax revenues the deficit in his budget remained at \$1.1 Trillion.

Deception 26. "... a balanced approach that includes some revenue is the right thing to do. The majority of Republican voters say that approach is the right thing to do."

Obama ignores the polling data he is citing. Only 11% of Republicans support a debt increase; 60% are against. Obama is deceiving the public when he implies that Republicans support his "balanced approach" to increase the debt limit. In fact Americans as a whole are against increasing the debt limit by nearly a 2 to 1 margin.

There is support for a balanced approach to reducing the deficit, but twice before during the Reagan and Bush Sr. administrations Democrats offered conservatives the same deal except that the spending cuts never came. Obama says he is willing to accept \$3 Trillion in cuts for \$1 Trillion in taxes, but is he willing to accept \$8.25 Trillion in cuts for \$2.75

Trillion in new taxes? This is where Congress should call Obama's bluff.

Deception 27. "The question is going to be whether at any given moment we're willing to set politics aside, at least briefly, in order to get something done."

Obama misleadingly implies that he is above the fray while the other side is playing politics. In reality both sides are playing politics. In fact his entire press conference is just another example of his playing politics by "going to the American people on this." Except that it is not 2008 any longer. People already realize that when it comes to playing politics Obama is just as guilty as the next politician.

Deception 28. "I've got an infrastructure bank bill that would start putting construction workers back to work rebuilding our roads and bridges."

This statement belies Obama's ability to compromise. Just how does he expect to pay for these infrastructure bills if not with more deficit spending? This statement summarizes the distrust conservatives have for everything Obama says and does.

Deception 29. "I've got three trade deals ... being held up because some folks don't want to provide trade adjustment assistance to people ... displaced as a consequence of trade."

Again, how does Obama plan to pay for this trade adjustment assistance if not with deficit spending? Another example of Obama's bad faith in the ongoing negotiations. In this press conference he admitted that as soon as the debt limit is increased he will find at least three new ways to increase spending. This is why Republicans are reluctant to increase tax revenue: because they know the more they feed the beast the more Obama will think of new ways to spend money.

Lie 30. "I'm going to keep on trying"

This implies that Obama started trying. Deception 2 established clearly that Obama has not been trying. If anything he has been trying to cause this crisis to win political points with his constituents.

Deception 31. "American people are going to say ... if a party or a politician is constantly taking the position 'my way or the highway,' constantly being locked into ideologically rigid positions, that we're going to remember at the polls."

Classic Obama obfuscation. Is he genuinely trying to tell the voting public to throw him out in 2012? Obama began saying my way or the highway on January 24, 2009 when he reminded the Republicans after four days in office: "I won." Last week he stormed out of a

meeting with Rep. Eric Cantor in the middle of negotiations when he didn't get his way. His entire press conference was his attempt to go "to the American people on this."

Deception 32. "... what the American people are paying attention to is who seems to be trying to get something done, and who seems to be just posturing and trying to score political points. And I think it's going to be in the interests of everybody who wants to continue to serve in this town to make sure that they are on the right side of that impression."

Obama is again using deception by raising an issue to imply that he above "just posturing and trying to score political points." Except the entire press conference is nothing more than political posturing by Obama! He is doing exactly what he is criticizing others of doing! A case of projection. Obama has no plan and has not submitted any revised budget since February 14. To Obama it is not important whether he is on the right side as long as he is "on the right side of that impression."

Deception 33. "I said the American people do not want to see a bunch of posturing; they don't want to hear a bunch of sound bites. What they want is for us to solve problems, and we all have to remember that. That's why we were sent here."

This statement by itself is nothing more than a sound bite. Until July Obama did almost nothing personally to try and resolve the debt limit problem. Republicans have said over and over again: "He has no plan!" But he has a silver tongue and the skill to effortlessly shift blame on to others.

Deception 34. "... we know how we can create a package that solves the deficits and debt for a significant period of time."

In Lie 6 and Lie 15 Obama previously talked about stabilizing finances for "a decade, for 15 years, or 20 years." Now Obama mentions "a significant period of time." Nothing Obama has discussed with any Republican went offered a resolution which would raise the debt limit and lower spending beyond 2014. His definition of "a significant period of time" in context with language implying a solution lasting over a decade is patently dishonest.

Lie 35. "... if you are a progressive, you should be concerned about debt and deficit ... because if the only thing we're talking about over the next year, two years, five years, is debt and deficits, then it's very hard to start talking about how do we make investments in community colleges ... how do we actually rebuild \$2 trillion worth of crumbling infrastructure."

This statement exemplifies the chasm between Obama and conservatives. The Tea Party does not want to increase the debt limit because they do not trust the government to control spending. Deception 14, Deception 28 and Deception 29 all mentioned new spending initiatives Obama has with plans ready to launch. And yet he has no revised budget plan? Everything he has said about cutting the deficit and controlling spending is a lie.

Deception 36. "It would be very helpful for us to be able to say to the American people, our fiscal house is in order. And so now the question is what should we be doing to win the future and make ourselves more competitive and create more jobs, and what aspects of what government is doing are a waste and we should eliminate."

Which is a great sound bite and a wonderful note to end the bully pulpit press conference on except that Obama just finished saying he has plans to spend over a trillion dollars to finance Deception 14, Deception 28 and Deception 29. Moreover Obama made plans for more deficit spending while the fiscal house was not in order. Obama has no plan specifically outlining how to put the fiscal house in order. Pure (misleading smoke and mirror) politics.

These deceptions, lies and misleading statements define why Obama cannot be trusted to tell the truth. They also define why Congress *must* vote against raising the debt limit.

Senate rejects 'Cut, Cap, Balance'

- Posted by [Asst Natl Dir Mellie B](#) on July 22, 2011 at 11:03am in [Patriot Action Alerts](#)
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By [SCOTT WONG](#) | 7/22/11 10:52 AM EDT

The Democratic-controlled Senate on Friday narrowly voted to block a Republican measure that would force Congress to pass a stringent balanced budget amendment and cap spending before increasing the debt ceiling.

The legislation, a conservative priority, never had a chance of passing, but the strictly partisan 51-46 vote to table the "Cut, Cap and Balance" bill highlighted the partisan divide in Washington over how to tackle spending and raise the nation's \$14.3 trillion debt limit. Before the vote Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nev.) again called the plan "radical" and "one of the worst pieces of legislation to ever be

placed on the floor of the United States Senate.”

The vote handed conservatives a chance to showcase their strategy for restricting future spending in Washington, but it faced a veto from President Barack Obama, so it was more of a symbolic vote for Republicans to put their mark on deficit reduction.

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WE ONLY HAD A WEEK LEFT TO GET OTHER LEGISLATION READY THAT WOULD CUT \$4.3 TRILLION, AND DEMOCRATS CAN NOT EVEN COME UP WITH \$.4 TRILLION MORE IN CUTS WITH THE BIDEN COMMISSION'S \$1.3 TRILLION TO AVOID THE DEBT SUPERCYCLE VACUUM OF \$1.7 TRILLION.

SO INSTEAD OF VOTING TO BALANCE THE BUDGET, THEY ARE FORCING A MARKET COLLAPSE IN ORDER TO BORROW MORE MONEY (I.E. PRINT MORE MONEY AGAINST THE DOLLAR THAT IS ONLY WORTH HALF), INSTEAD OF AGREEING TO COMPROMISE!

U.S. Senate Roll Call Votes 112th Congress - 1st Session

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Vote Summary

Question: On the Motion to Table (Motion to Table the Motion to Proceed to Consider H.R. 2560)			
Vote Number:	116	Vote Date:	July 22, 2011, 10:05 AM
Required For Majority:	1/2	Vote	Motion to Table

		Result:	Agreed to
Measure Number:	<u>H.R. 2560</u> (Cut, Cap, and Balance Act of 2011)		
Measure Title:	A bill to cut, cap, and balance the Federal budget.		

Vote Counts:	YEAs	51
	NAYs	46
	Not Voting	3

Grouped By Vote Position

YEAs ---51		
Akaka (D-HI) Baucus (D-MT) Begich (D-AK) Bennet (D-CO) Bingaman (D-NM) Blumenthal (D-CT) Boxer (D-CA) Brown (D-OH) Cantwell (D-WA) Cardin (D-MD) Carper (D-DE) Casey (D-PA) Conrad (D-ND) Coons (D-DE) Durbin (D-IL) Feinstein (D-CA) Franken (D-MN)	Hagan (D-NC) Harkin (D-IA) Inouye (D-HI) Johnson (D-SD) Klobuchar (D-MN) Kohl (D-WI) Landrieu (D-LA) Lautenberg (D-NJ) Leahy (D-VT) Levin (D-MI) Lieberman (ID-CT) Manchin (D-WV) McCaskill (D-MO) Menendez (D-NJ) Merkley (D-OR) Mikulski (D-MD) Murray (D-WA)	Nelson (D-FL) Nelson (D-NE) Pryor (D-AR) Reed (D-RI) Reid (D-NV) Rockefeller (D-WV) Sanders (I-VT) Schumer (D-NY) Shaheen (D-NH) Stabenow (D-MI) Tester (D-MT) Udall (D-CO) Udall (D-NM) Warner (D-VA) Webb (D-VA) Whitehouse (D-RI) Wyden (D-OR)

NAYs ---46		
Alexander (R-TN) Ayotte (R-NH) Barrasso (R-WY) Blunt (R-MO)	Enzi (R-WY) Graham (R-SC) Grassley (R-IA) Hatch (R-UT)	Moran (R-KS) Murkowski (R-AK) Paul (R-KY) Portman (R-OH)

Boozman (R-AR) Brown (R-MA) Burr (R-NC) Chambliss (R-GA) Coats (R-IN) Coburn (R-OK) Cochran (R-MS) Collins (R-ME) Corker (R-TN) Cornyn (R-TX) Crapo (R-ID) DeMint (R-SC)	Heller (R-NV) Hoeven (R-ND) Hutchison (R-TX) Inhofe (R-OK) Isakson (R-GA) Johanns (R-NE) Johnson (R-WI) Kirk (R-IL) Kyl (R-AZ) Lee (R-UT) Lugar (R-IN) McConnell (R-KY)	Risch (R-ID) Roberts (R-KS) Rubio (R-FL) Sessions (R-AL) Shelby (R-AL) Snowe (R-ME) Thune (R-SD) Toomey (R-PA) Vitter (R-LA) Wicker (R-MS)
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Not Voting - 3		
Gillibrand (D-NY)	Kerry (D-MA)	McCain (R-AZ)

OKAY NOW SEVERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE, SINCE AFTER THE 8-2-11 DEBT CEILING DEBATE, DEBACLE, AND THE IOWA STRAW POLL 8-13-2011 THAT HAVE RESHAPED THE RACE...

- 1) PAWLENTY PASSED ON THE RACE/**
- 2) PERRY ENTERED THE RACE**
- 3) BACHMANN WON THE STRAW POLL, BUT HAS GOTTEN LESS SUPPORT IN POLLS, AND PAUL HAS TAKEN HER STANDING**
- 4) RUBIO AND RYAN HAVE ANNOUNCED THAT THEY WILL NOT RUN.**
- 5) WHILE THIS MEANS PAWLENTY, RUBIO, AND RYAN COULD BE TAPPED FOR VP, THEY ARE NOT ALL-IN, BUT ARE CONTENT TO WORK BEHIND THE SCENES FOR CONSERVATIVE LEADERSHIP, WHICH WE NEED.**

THREE PROBLEMS WITH THE 2012 PRESIDENTIAL RACE:

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Santorum: Same-Sex Marriage Helped Destroy The Economy

Submitted by Brian Tashman on August 17, 2011 - 1:35pm

Yesterday, Republican presidential candidate Rick Santorum appeared on *Today's Issues* on *American Family Radio*, along with the Family Research Council's Tony Perkins and the American Family Association's Tim Wildmon, to discuss the Ames Straw Poll. After celebrating his **fourth place finish in the straw poll**, Santorum told Perkins and Wildmon that marriage equality, or what he calls the "redefinition of marriage," secular government and legal abortion are responsible for the country's economic collapse and created "a society that's broken":

Santorum: Letting the family break down and in fact encouraging it and inciting more breakdown through this whole redefinition of marriage debate, and not supporting strong nuclear families and not supporting and standing up for the dignity of human life. Those lead to a society that's broken.

...

If you think that we can be a society that kills our own, and that disregards the family and the important role it plays, and doesn't teach moral values and the important role of faith in the public square, and then expect people to be good, decent and moral when they behave economically, if you look at the root cause of the economic problems that we're dealing with on Wall Street and Main Street I might add, from 2008, they were huge moral failings. And you can't say that we're gonna take morality out of the public square, morality out of our schools, God out of our schools, and then expect people to behave decently in a country that requires, capitalism requires some strong modicum of moral consciousness if it's gonna be successful.

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- 1) EGO - EVERYONE WANTS TO PRESIDENT, IT SEEMS, AND THEY ARE NOT ENGAGING THE PUBLIC WITH A RUNNING MATE, HOLDING SMALLER TOWN HALLS AND INSTEAD OPTING FOR BIG VENUES**
- 2) JOHN HUNTSMAN AND MITT ROMNEY ARE NOT VIABLE CONTENDERS FOR THE GOP OR INDEPENDENT PARTY. HUNTSMAN HAS TOO MANY TRAPPINGS WITH OBAMA TO LEAD THE PARTY, KNOWN AS OBAMA'S WAX ON-WAX OFF MAN, AND MITT ROMNEY IMPLEMENTED HIS OWN VERSION OF OBAMACARE IN HIS STATE THAT FAILED. THEY NEED TO RUN ON A TICKET TOGETHER AS **DEMOCRATS.**
- 3) THE DEMOCRATS HAVE PUT ALL THEIR EGGS IN ONE BASKET; OBAMA IS FACING IMPEACHMENT 9-14-11, THE COURT DATE FOR HAWAII DEPT. OF HEALTH NOT PRODUCING HIS BIRTH CERTIFICATE, CRIMINAL/CORRUPTION CHARGES, AND THEY HAVE NOT CAMPAIGNED IN ANY WAY TO ENGAGE THE PUBLIC FOR THEIR**

NOMINEES.

PICKET: Obama's illegal uncle arrested; 'Uncle Omar' almost hits cop car, tries to call White House

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By [Kerry Picket](#)

Published on August 28, 2011, 11:40AM

UPDATE:

[The Australian](#) is reporting that Onyango Obama has retained Cleveland lawyer Margaret Wong. This is the same immigration attorney who successfully represented Mr. Obama's sister Zeituni, when she managed to avoid deportation to Kenya. Mr. Obama pleaded not guilty at his remand hearing.

***Clarification:** Onyango Obama nearly hit the police car. He did not actually hit it, according to police reports.

A number of [media outlets](#) have already reported that an illegal immigrant from Kenya by the name of Onyango Obama, 67, **was arrested** last week on Wednesday after he nearly rammed his SUV into a police car in Framingham, Massachusetts.

He was later charged with DUI among other violations. I spoke to Framingham Public Information Officer Lieutenant Delaney who told me that when Onyango Obama was asked at booking if he wanted to make a telephone call to arrange for bail, the Kenyan immigrant replied: "I think I will call the White House."

It should be noted that the [Times of London](#), highlighted an Onyango Obama during the 2008 presidential campaign, when the British daily found President Barack Obama's "Aunt Zeituni" living in Boston illegally.:

Dreams From My Father was first published in 1995, and the story of how Mr Obama returned to Kenya in 1988 to trace his roots has become the cornerstone of his political biography. Yet the US media appears to have overlooked the passage indicating that at least one relative of Mr Obama's had moved to America and might still be there.

Two thirds of the way through the book Mr Obama's half-sister talked about Africans who had emigrated to the West and were never heard of again, "like our Uncle Omar, in Boston . . . They've been lost, you see".

A few pages later Mr Obama meets his step-grandmother, Sarah, for the first time in the village of Kogelo. On the walls of her hut are photographs of Omar, "the uncle who had left for America 25 years ago and never came back". Touchingly, she asks the future presidential candidate if he has any news of Omar, her son and Mr Obama's half-uncle.

The article continues:

This triggered a six-week search, one that would lead eventually to Boston and to Aunt

Zeituni. Public record searches found traces of O. Onyango Obama, Uncle Omar's real name, in Boston. A friend and a former landlady said that he now uses the name Obama Onyango.

In the course of searching for Uncle Omar The Times found a Zeituni Onyango, who also played a prominent part in Mr Obama's book.

In the memoir Auntie Zeituni, Uncle Omar's sister, explained the family's complex family tree to the future presidential candidate, introduced him to other relatives and fed him a herbal remedy for an upset stomach.

Also, a [wikipedia](#) page about the president's family that has not been edited since August 2 mentions Uncle Omar:

Omar ObamaHalf-uncle of Barack Obama,[126] born on June 3, 1944 in Nyang'oma Kogelo. Oldest son of Onyango and Sarah Obama, resides in Boston, Massachusetts.

The [daily log](#) from the Framingham Police Department shows the Onyango Obama that was arrested last week in Framingham, a Boston suburb, has the birth date of June 3, 1944.

[Metrowest Daily](#) first reported Onyango Obama's arrest:

After the near crash, Onyango Obama, 67, told Officer Val Krishtal that Krishtal should have yielded to his Mitsubishi SUV, according to a report filed yesterday in Framingham District Court. Krishtal said he and another driver had to slam on their brakes to avoid hitting the SUV, which rolled through a stop sign and took a quick left turn.

Obama said he doubted the officer slammed on his brakes because he did not hear the tires squeal, the report says.

Krishtal said he was on Waverly Street headed toward South Street when his police car was cut off. Krishtal pulled the SUV over around 7:10 p.m.

Obama failed several field sobriety tests and was arrested. At the police station, Obama failed a Breathalyzer test, registering .14. The state legal limit is .08.

Obama was charged with driving under the influence of liquor and driving to endanger. He was also cited for not using a turn signal.

According to article, federal Immigration and Customs Enforcement has warrant for his arrest and ICE previously ordered him to be deported back to Kenya. In the meantime, a judge has not set bail on the driving charges but ordered that he be held on the ICE warrant.

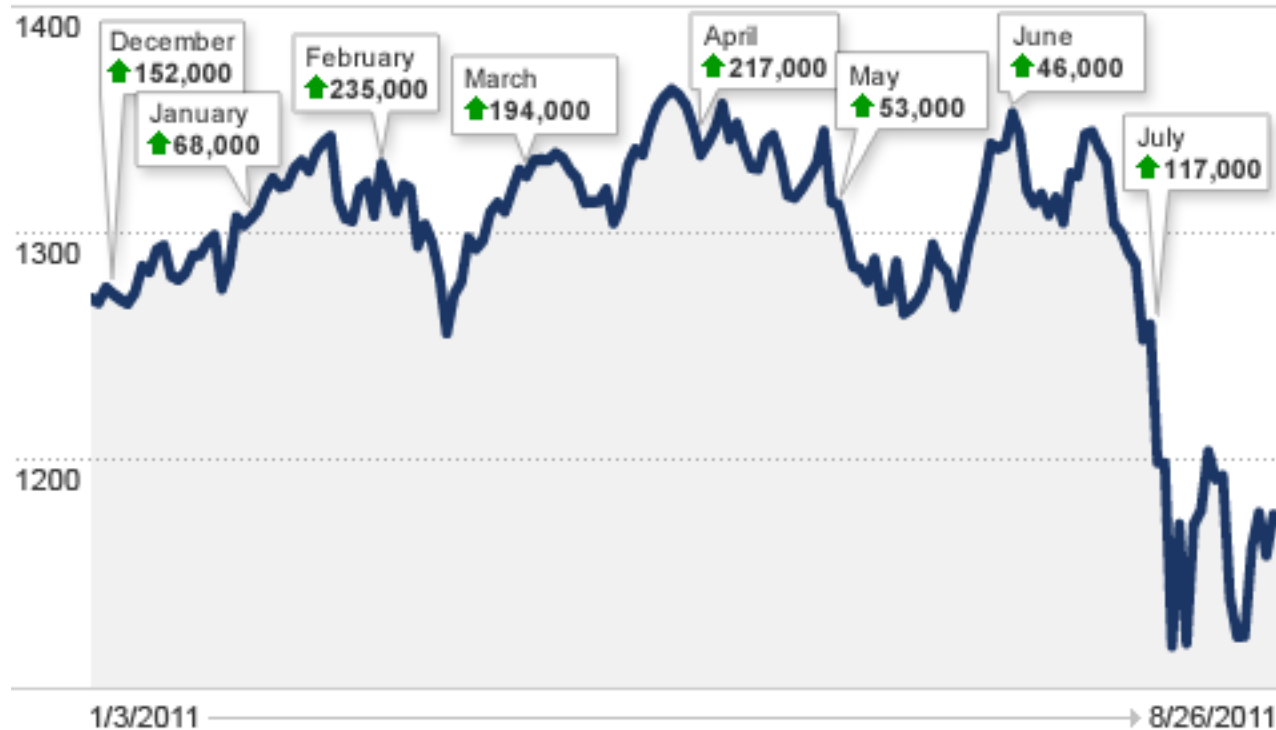
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Stocks: Hurricane Irene, jobs and Europe dominate

By Maureen Farrell August 28, 2011: 2:38 PM ET

S&P 500 AND JOBS



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NEW YORK (CNMoney) -- With no disruption in trading expected from Hurricane Irene, investors will quickly turn their attention to the state of the labor market, with the key government report due out Friday.

Lingering concerns about the after-effects of Hurricane Irene may keep trading volume light on Monday. There are 4 million people without power and in New York City, commuting will be made more difficult by flooded roadways and rail systems.

But the New York Stock Exchange, Nasdaq and CME (Nymex) all say they plan to open for "business as usual." Insurance stocks could grab some early attention as firms, such as Chubb Corp (**CB**, **Fortune 500**), Allstate Corp. (**ALL**, **Fortune 500**) and MetLife (**MET**, **Fortune 500**) work to assess Irene's damage.

Beyond the storm's aftermath, investors will be focused on Europe's ongoing debt problems, while bracing for the all important jobs report.

Any worsening of the nation's job woes could be yet another signal of an impending recession, yet investors retain some hope that such signals may still induce Fed chairman Ben Bernanke to take some action.

During his **Jackson Hole** speech Friday, Bernanke didn't give any hints about another round of economic stimulus, but he did say the central bank would do all it could to help boost the recovery. At the same time, he cautioned that the Fed's powers were limited.

"The story is not yet finished about the impact of Bernanke's speech," said Komal Sri-Kumar, chief global strategist at the investment firm TCW.

Sri-Kumar said the market eventually rallied after Bernanke's speech because investors are

holding onto hopes that the Fed will announce more stimulus in the next 45 days. The central bank will hold a two-day policy meeting next month.

"Bernanke really indicated that the central bank has a lot more tools and weapons at its disposal to stimulate the economy," said Jesse Cole, the head of Merlin Institutional Group, Merlin Securities' institutional sales group.

The Dow and the S&P gained more than 4% last week, and the Nasdaq climbed 5.7%.

Europe will also remain a central focus for investors, especially as Greece's finance minister has taken a hard line with European banks over the country's rescue plan.

Evangelos Venizelos has indicated that Greece might only accept a redoing of its original rescue package if 90% of banks who have extended \$195 billion in loans are willing to participate in a swap. The swap would change the repayment terms to 30 from 3.

"Once again the European debt crisis could quickly take on a new form," says Sri-Kumar. "It could quickly deteriorate."

Hurricane Irene may cause gas price spike

With so much uncertainty on the agenda, investors can at least make a plea to Mother Nature to help ensure that Deutsche Bank's executives get to ring the opening bell Monday morning.

On the docket

Monday: Investors will get the July numbers on personal income and spending ahead of the market open. Economists expect both figures to rise 0.4% and 0.5% respectively, according to Briefing.com.

Pending home sales figures for June are slated to come in after the open and are expected to fall 1.4%, despite rising 1.4% the prior month.

Tuesday: The Case-Shiller 20-city Index will release its June numbers ahead of the opening bell. The index is expected to fall 4.7% for June after dropping 4.51% the previous month.

Retailers Barnes & Noble (**BKS**, **Fortune 500**) and Dollar General (**DG**, **Fortune 500**) will report quarterly results before the opening bell.

America's most dangerous jobs

Wednesday: Investors will get the ADP private employment report at 8:15 a.m. ET. Economists expect the private sector hired 100,000 fresh workers in August, down from the 114,000 the sector hired in the prior month.

In other economic data, the Commerce Department will release June factory orders data and the Institute for Supply Management's will put out its service sector index at 10 a.m. ET.

Economists are looking for factory orders to fall 1% and the ISM's service sector index to fall to a reading of 53.1. T

Thursday: The Labor Department's closely-watched weekly initial jobless claims data comes out at 8:30 a.m. ET, with economists expecting claims to drop slightly to a reading of 408,000 claims from last week's 417,000 claims.

Economy: 'Slowdown is here to stay'

Wall Street will get the Institute for Supply Management's August manufacturing index, as well as construction spending figures from the Commerce Department.

Economists expect the August ISM index will fall to a reading of 47 from last month's 48.5, while construction spending figures are expected to increase 0.1%, down slightly from last month's 0.2% increase.

Friday: The week culminates with the Labor Department's August jobs report, which will be released at 8:30 a.m. ET. Economists expect unemployment to stay steady at 9.1%. Payrolls are forecast to grow by 75,000 jobs in August below last month's 117,000.

Analyst will also keep an eye out for Campbell Soup (**CPB**, **Fortune 500**), which reports quarterly results before the open. ■

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GOP

Rick Perry - Pres.

Ron Paul - VP

Saxby Chambliss - Pres.

Tim Pawlenty - VP

Rick Perry - Pres.

~~Marc Rubio - Pres.~~

Sarah Palin - VP

John Boehner - Pres.

Rick Perry - VP

INDEPENDENT

Herman Cain - Pres.

Sarah Palin -VP

Rick Santorum -Pres.

Sarah Palin - VP

Ron Paul - Pres.

John Boehner - VP

Ron Paul - Pres.

Rick Perry - VP

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Perry puts out call to action in 'Fed Up!'

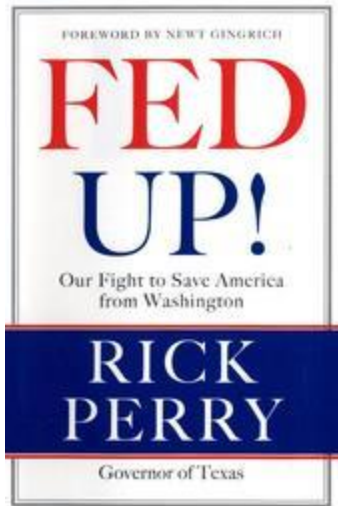
In book, governor lauds tea party and criticizes George W. Bush.



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In his new book, Rick Perry touts Texas' economic success, saying 'Washington could learn a thing or two from Texas.' The book was on sale Tuesday at Perry's election night party in Creedmore ahead of its Nov. 15 release.



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In his new book about states' rights, GOP Gov. Rick Perry celebrates the spirit of tea party activists and others who, in the name of the Constitution, he says, are mounting a revolution to save America from grave and imminent danger.

He blames what he sees as the invasive and corrosive nature of the federal government on everyone from President Barack Obama to Republicans who "capitulate" through compromise, including George W. Bush.

The "winds of change" that are blowing through the country are not just directed at Democrats, Perry argues, but also at Republicans who have not resisted efforts to expand federal power. The book, "Fed Up! Our Fight to Save America from Washington," is an unabashed call to action by the Texas governor, who was decisively re-elected Tuesday.

"The American people have never sat idle when liberty's trumpet sounds the call to battle — and today that battle is for the soul of America," Perry writes.

The book's release date is Nov. 15, but it was on sale Tuesday at Perry's election night victory party, and by Wednesday it will be available online and in at least one Austin book store.

Perry kicks off his national book tour in New York today on the "Today" show and "Fox & Friends," followed by several other national television and radio appearances, according to a campaign spokeswoman.

On Monday, Perry will discuss his book on Jon Stewart's "The Daily Show," said the spokeswoman, Catherine Frazier.

Next week, he'll attend Texas book events, including one in the Austin area, scheduled for Nov. 11 at 6 p.m. at the Dell Diamond. And Perry plans to have book events in San Diego when he's there later this month for the Republican Governors Association convention, Frazier said.

Perry is quick to pre-empt criticism that he's using the book tour to test the waters for a White House bid.

"Cynics will say that I decided to write this book because I seek higher office," Perry writes.

"They are wrong: I already have the best job in America."

He does, however, echo the tone of a favorite Republican president — Ronald Reagan — to argue that the country's best days could be ahead of it. But only if the states stand up to the "tyranny of an expansive and meddlesome federal government."

And Perry addresses those "who want to paint me as a backwards southern governor" by assuming that his support of states' rights implies that he doesn't think the Civil Rights Act should have been passed. "Wrong," he writes.

Perry tempers his criticism of Bush by saying his predecessor as Texas governor is a great American patriot and leader.

But he excoriates "compassionate conservatism," the signature of Bush's presidential campaign in 2000. It sent the wrong signal that unqualified conservatism was "somehow flawed and had to be rebranded," he writes.

He also chides Bush for presiding over an expansion of federal authority with unprecedented education mandates and the creation of a prescription drug benefit for elderly people.

Much of the book echoes some of Perry's central campaign themes: border security, the ineptitude of the federal government and the superiority of the Texas economic model. "Washington could learn a thing or two from Texas," Perry writes, such as adopting a two-year budget process and setting constitutional spending limits on the federal budget. Perry glosses over much of Texas' impending budget trouble, not mentioning that legislators could face a budget shortfall of more than \$24 billion when they return to Austin in January. As for fixing the federal government, Perry's No. 1 answer is to repeal health care reform legislation, which he says "represents the closest this country has ever come to outright socialism."

Health care should be paid for by the individual — through work, savings, charity and private insurance — not the federal government, he argues.

"The future of America depends on reversing this law," Perry writes.

He also recommends a series of amendments to the U.S. Constitution, including eliminating the income tax; setting limits on the lifetime appointment of federal judges, including Supreme Court justices, who "rule over us with no accountability;" and clarifying certain amendments that he says the courts have distorted.

States play a key role in the resistance and should stop accepting some federal money that is used to "bribe and coerce us" into doing the federal government's bidding, Perry writes.

"Our fight is to save America from Washington," Perry concludes. "We just need a few good patriots who are fed up with the status quo, armed with the Constitution, and fueled with courage."

In the acknowledgments section of the book, Perry thanks people who assisted him in writing, researching and editing the book, including Chip Roy, a former adviser to U.S. Sen. John Cornyn who "resigned his position as Special Assistant United States Attorney to devote himself full-time to the completion of the original manuscript." Frazier said Perry wrote the book, which has a forward by former U.S. House Speaker Newt Gingrich and was published by Little, Brown and Co.

This is Perry's second book. His first, "On My Honor, Why the American Values of the Boy Scouts are Worth Fighting For," was released in 2008.

Proceeds from the new book go to the Center for Tenth Amendment Studies at the Texas Public Policy Foundation, a conservative think tank in Austin.

Excerpts from 'Fed Up! Our Fight to Save America from Washington' by Rick Perry

Texans "elect folks like me. You know the type, the kind of guy who goes jogging in the morning, packing a Ruger .380 with laser sights and loaded with hollow-point bullets, and shoots a coyote that is threatening his daughter's dog."

"I do think George (W. Bush) is basically a conservative man who believes in God, in the greatness of America, in the protection of life, and in protecting our nation from our enemies ... (but) he turned a blind eye to undisciplined domestic spending while he focused on ensuring funding for a very important war against the perpetrators of terror."

"It seems Texans have a different view of the world than do the nine oligarchs in robes," referring to the U.S. Supreme Court.

"If you don't support the death penalty and citizens packing a pistol, don't come to Texas. If you don't like medicinal marijuana and gay marriage, don't move to California."

"We are fed up with being overtaxed and overregulated. We are tired of being told how much salt we can put on our food, what windows we can buy for our house, what kinds of cars we can drive, what kinds of guns we can own, what kinds of prayers we are allowed to say and where we can say them, what political speech we are allowed to use to elect candidates, what kind of energy we can use, what kind of food we can grow, what doctor we can see, and countless other restrictions on our right to live as we see fit."

"America is great. Yet for some in our nation, to make such a statement is considered arrogant, close-minded, or jingoistic — the kind of thing said by cowboys, as if it is a bad thing to be a cowboy."

"Aren't you wondering about the Social Security Trust Fund you've heard so much about? Well, it must be somewhere in Al Gore's lockbox, right next to his notes from inventing the Internet and that global cooling data he doesn't want anyone to see."

"If Republicans don't get it right this time, I am afraid we will go the way of the Whigs, because the American people are looking for leaders who will stand athwart history, and fight."

"Democrats aren't close to representing the beliefs and values of most Americans, but Washington Republicans haven't been willing to stand up and fight. And that's what the people are fed up with."

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Rick Perry, the Republicans' Messiah?

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Rick Perry's rapid lead over previous Republican front-runner Mitt Romney was

predictable. But it is not a good sign for Republicans hoping to reclaim the White House and further highlights the crucial battle within GOP circles: Who is the godliest of us all? That's the mirror-mirror question for Republicans. Forget charisma, charm, intelligence, knowledge and that nuisance, "foreign policy experience." The race of the moment concerns which candidate is the truest believer.

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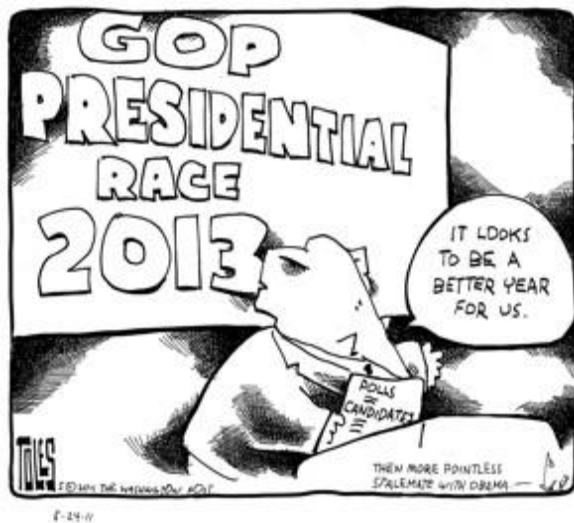
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Rick Perry's meltdown on global warming

This was always a tough hurdle for Romney, whose Mormonism is reflexively distrusted by Southern evangelicals. Even so, in the absence of a better candidate, Romney had a fighting chance to win his party's support. Then came Perry.

Talk about a perfect-storm, composite candidate. Combine Elmer Gantry's nose for converts, Ronald Reagan's folksy confidence and Sarah Palin's disdain for the elites — and that dog hunts.

Perry doesn't just believe, he evangelizes. He summons prayer meetings. He reads scripture while callers are on hold. Not incidentally, he's a successful governor. Perhaps most important, he's a wall-scaling fundraiser whose instincts make him a force of nature in the political landscape.

If you're Romney, Perry is a nightmare that's still there in the morning. If you're Barack Obama, maybe not so much?

Perry's political instincts were in evidence when he timed his entrance into the race just as everybody else was trying to grab straws in the Iowa poll. If life is high school in adult relief, Perry is the guy who shows up in a truck with a winch and pulls the car out of the ditch while those other guys are looking for a jack.

Whether you like his politics or not, he emits a pheromonal can-do-ness. Apparently, plenty of Republicans do like his politics, which has much to do with the very devil-may-care attitude that eventually will become Perry's cross to bear. Gallup's recent polling shows him not just passing Romney, but dusting him. Among Republican voters, 29 percent now swear their allegiance to the Texas governor, almost double the 17 percent for Romney.

Huddled around the exhaust pipe are, you got it, the jack handlers: Ron Paul (13 percent) and Michele Bachmann (10 percent), followed by Herman Cain, Newt Gingrich, Rick Santorum and Jon Huntsman in the single digits.

Perry's campaign strategy is to talk only about jobs-jobs-jobs, no matter what the question. That's both smart and necessary, but jobs-jobs-jobs isn't the money trinity with his base. Perry already hit that station with his prayer rally and various dog whistles to the congregation: He's not sure anyone knows how old Earth is, evolution is just a "theory" and global warming isn't man-made.

That we are yet again debating evolutionary theory and Earth's origins — and that candidates now have to declare where they stand on established science — should be a signal that we are slip-sliding toward governance by emotion rather than reason. But it's important to understand what's undergirding the debate. It has little to do with a given candidate's policy and everything to do with whether he or she believes in God.

If we are descended of some blend of apes, then we can't have been created in God's image. If we establish Earth's age at 4.5 billion years, then we contradict the biblical view that God created the world just 6,500 years ago. And finally, if we say that climate

change is partly the result of man's actions, then God can't be the One who punishes man's sins with floods, droughts, earthquakes and hurricanes. If He wants the climate to change, then He will so ordain, and we'll pray more.

Perry knows he has to make clear that God is his wingman. And this conviction seems not only to be sincere, but also to be relatively noncontroversial in the GOP's church — and perhaps beyond. He understands that his base cares more that the president is clear on his ranking in the planetary order than whether he can schmooze with European leaders or, heaven forbid, the media. And this is why Perry could easily steal the nomination from Romney.

And also why he probably can't win a national election, in which large swaths of the electorate would prefer that their president keep his religion close and be respectful of knowledge that has evolved from thousands of years of human struggle against superstition and the kind of literal-mindedness that leads straight to the dark ages.

Faith and reason are not mutually exclusive, but Perry makes you think they are.

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@GovernorPerry YOU NEED TO DO: FED UP 2012 -- use it to sell your book, and it would be great on a button. I'll make some if I choose you.

27 Aug



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@SenJohnMcCain @GovernorPerry we both know that McCain is entitled to be in Office and it is a travesty it took 3yrs. to get that subpoena.

27 Aug



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@SenJohnMcCain @GovernorPerry if y'all had run 2008 on a ticket, our country would not be in the financial shambles it is in.

27 Aug



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@GovernorPerry we are so ready for Obama to resign, be impeached or finally get charged with criminally wrongdoing so we can reclaim America

27 Aug



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@GovernorPerry I like your wife's background and education, that would suit us much better as a First Lady than Michelle Obama's quack diets

27 Aug



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@GovernorPerry I agree with you supporting Giuliani and McCain, the only reason I did not support Giuliani was abortion views.

27 Aug



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@GovernorPerry Social Security was "a crumbling monument to the failure of the New Deal." I agree and want to read "Fed Up!"

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@GovernorPerry I believe we are over-populated and kinetic energy is what contributes to global warming&weather, or electromagnetic weapons.

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@GovernorPerry I love how Wikipedia tries to discredit your Christian faith and by saying that God did not answer your prayers for rain lol

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@StephanopoulosG <doesn't give a fook about Obama being Obama, in case the majority of the country hasn't show y'all that>

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what is great is you will respect the 10th amendment as President because you upheld it as Governor so well

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@cholorecords the Catholic vote does comprise Hispanic voters, who now despise Obama's lies. Black Conservatives will vote for you also.

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Perry gets: Catholic vote, evangelical vote, Conservative Women vote, NRA and military, white male aged 30-80, Tea Party and GOP voters.

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@GovernorPerry I had been blocked from posting to my other blog, and I created that

one as a backup to get the word out and chose that date!

27 Aug



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@GovernorPerry we had both chosen that date specifically because the Lord led us to and as Obama was losing his power I had to use that blog

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@GovernorPerry I am past teasing you about fasting for one day: the confirmation from the Lord, is that my teaparty662011@gmail.com BLOG !!

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@GovernorPerry at 19 I felt the Holy Spirit, knew I was saved, but at 27 I knew God called me for a specific purpose #naturopathy #ministry

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@GovernorPerry thank you for being a true advocate for sanctity of life /sparing our tax dollars to be used as blood money on the unborn.

27 Aug



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@GovernorPerry while Wikipedia paints you as backscratching, it seems to me you know who does their job and who does it well = #rewards

27 Aug



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@GovernorPerry let us do grants for job creation only, with **#clawback** clause, not bailouts, not unemployment, only grants for job creation.

27 Aug



cholorecords CHOLA

@GovernorPerry I agree with the pole tax, it does not violate free speech or expression, the adult industry costs taxpayers **#sexaddiction**

26 Aug



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@GovernorPerry your fiscal policy is the toughest to compete against, as you have pioneered it for everyone else.

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@GovernorPerry you are a **#fiscalconservative** in theory and practice from reading your resume and seeing your merits.

26 Aug



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@GovernorPerry anti-union laws are better than lower wages and higher population, along with less regulation to spur economic growth.

26 Aug



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@GovernorPerry health insurance and wages will be an issue with your campaign, with gas going up \$1 since 2006.

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@GovernorPerry I am all for lack of income tax, and I considered moving to FL for the same reason.

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@GovernorPerry TORT REFORM = creates jobs for health care industry, as doctors bring staff with them, 4872 kills jobs with it's malfeasance.

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@GovernorPerry 4872 is not real reform and yes tort reform is, and other measures

26 Aug



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@GovernorPerry Perry has also supported tort reform to limit malpractice lawsuits against doctors, limit class action lawsuits **#GOOD**

26 Aug



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@GovernorPerry I see = your only choice was Al Gore or Jesse Jackson...

26 Aug



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@GovernorPerry I think Al Gore is a nut... why did you choose to work with him and support him then?

26 Aug



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Perry was part of the "Pit Bulls", a group of Appropriations members ... who pushed for austere state budgets during the 1980s.

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Rick Perry - proud enough to serve in the military, humble enough to pick his own cotton.

26 Aug



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@cholorecords @GovernorPerry while #Gardasil does not have the incidence like factor of autism, any vaccine does pose an allergic reaction

26 Aug



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@GovernorPerry while I have heard retraction about the vaccine, cervical cancer is silently killing women, and I thank you for your concern.

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@GovernorPerry I had abnormal cells at 19 and the vaccine was developed after my ordeal of 2-3yrs. of tests and surgery.

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@GovernorPerry I am studying your Governorship; I am a cervical cancer survivor. The \$6,000 Merck lobbied you for #Gardasil was well spent.

26 Aug



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How about I pray about it: the Super Congress of 12 already knows how to cut 1.3 trillion, we are looking to cut more than that #dontpanic

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Republican National Preference by Support for Tea Party Movement
Based on Republican and Republican-leaning independents

	Support Tea Party movement	Do not support Tea Party movement
Rick Perry	75	25
Mitt Romney	55	45
Michele Bachmann	38	62
Paul Ryan	32	68
Chris Christie	6	94
Scott Walker	5	95
Tim Wirth	3	97
Jon Huntsman	4	96
Others	8	92
No preference	9	91

Survey: Aug. 17-22, 2011
Data: 50% of Republican and Republican-leaning independents in support of the Tea Party movement and 49% in opposition.
Margin of error: +/- 3.5 percentage points.

FLORIAN

Rick Perry's candidacy has attracted strong initial support from Republicans who identify themselves as supporters of the Tea Party movement. Perry leads by 21 percentage points over the closest contenders among this group, Mitt Romney and Michele Bachmann. Among Republicans who say they do not support the Tea Party movement, Romney and Perry are

essentially tied.

These results are based on an Aug. 17-21 Gallup poll, which showed Perry overtaking Romney as the front-runner for the 2012 GOP presidential nomination among all Republicans nationwide.

The poll finds that 58% of Republicans and Republican-leaning independents identify themselves as supporters of the Tea Party movement, with 36% saying they do not consider themselves supporters. Included among the group of Tea Party supporters is a smaller group — representing 12% of Republicans — who say they are “strong” supporters of the movement. Among this smaller group, Perry’s lead is even greater, 46% to 16%, over Bachmann, with all other candidates in single digits.

[Post Continues on www.gallup.com](http://www.gallup.com)

WHILE OUR DREAM TICKETS WOULD BE TO HAVE THE LEADERSHIP OF CAIN-PALIN 2012 OR PAUL-PERRY 2012, WE ARE CONCERNED THAT THESE CANDIDATES ARE NOT WILLING TO TAKE A SUPPORTING ROLE TO EACH OTHER, THOUGH WE COULD DESPERATELY USE THEM IN COMBINATION TO FIX OUR GOVERNMENT’S PROBLEMS FROM THE TOP DOWN.

WE ARE CONCERNED THAT SENIORITY OR POLITICAL SHINE CONTESTS WOULD DETRACT FROM THE SELECTION PROCESS, IN THAT CANDIDATES ARE NOT WILLING TO BEND TO EACH OTHER. ONE THING IS FOR SURE, DEMOCRATS: HAVE NO LEADERSHIP, NO PLANS, AND NO STAKE IN THE 2012 RACE, WHICH MAKES VOTERS NERVOUS AND ANXIOUS.

THEY DON’T LIKE WHAT DEMOCRATS BROUGHT TO THE TABLE:

- 1) DEBT**
- 2)OBAMACARE**
- 3) NO JOB CREATION**

SO WHEN THEY DON’T ENGAGE THE PUBLIC OUT OF THE BOX FOR THE 2012 RACE, VOTERS BEGIN TO THINK THAT THEY ARE NOT GETTING CLEAR CHOICES REGARDING WHO THEY WOULD BE VOTING

AGAINST, AND THIS CREATES FURTHER ANXIETY.

DEMOCRATS ARE IN A TAILSPIN; WHEN IT COMES TO THE 2012 RACE, THEY HAVE NOT KNOWN THEIR @SS FROM A HOLE IN THE GROUND SINCE MAY. VOTERS ARE WILLING TO SUPPORT REPUBLICAN LEADERSHIP OR THE TEA PARTY IN A HEART BEAT, RATHER THAN DEAL WITH UNCERTAINTY.

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My fellow Americans, President Barack Obama has openly and defiantly announced to America and the rest of the world that he refuses to uphold the US immigration laws. This goes against his sworn oath of office when he swore to “preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States.”

At least one politician has decided to call for a congressional investigation into the legality of Obama’s action. Republican Iowa Rep. Steve King, who also happens to be

vice chairman of the House Judiciary subcommittee on immigration and policy enforcement, called for the hearing.

In an interview, Rep. King said “The President is on the verge of being lawless himself. It’s politically motivated because they think this will get them the Hispanic vote.”

The only evidence they need is to replay Obama’s statement on his administrative amnesty. His own words should be enough to convict him of his crime.

I’ve written before that President Obama is breaking the law and defying the US Constitution and that he has no intention of protecting US citizens and businesses.

What I don’t understand is why no other politician has asked for a congressional hearing before now.

Read more: [Is It Too Late to Impeach Obama? | Godfather Politics](http://godfatherpolitics.com/724/is-it-too-late-to-impeach-obama/#ixzz1WPSHzzzz)

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To the concerned House Committee Members:

The Tea Party dutifully submits the following areas of concern, in regards to Obama's unethical election activity and subsequent unethical behavior in Office regarding the following areas, concerning formal impeachment filed against him:

I WANT TO DISCUSS WITH YOU WHY OBAMA BEING A NON-CITIZEN IMPACTS EVERYTHING HE DOES, AND WHY THIS HAS ENSURED HIS FAILED PRESIDENCY:

FIRST WE HAD A FAILED STIMULUS PROGRAM. THIS WAS FOLLOWED BY THE FAILURE TO REVERSE UNEMPLOYMENT NUMBERS, GIVEN THE FACT WE HAVE MILLIONS OUT OF WORK STILL, OR THOSE WHO ARE ONLY ABLE TO FIND WORK FOR 5-6 MONTHS OUT OF THE YEAR.

THEN WE HAVE THE CORE BASE OF THIS ADMINISTRATION'S POLICIES THAT HAVE FAILED:

-FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC POLICY (has been speculative not conservative)

-ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY (global warming is only a factor, not the issue: kinetic

energy drives storms and weather patterns which is due to overpopulation and technology increases. Driving up the cost of gas to say you created 2,500 jobs in Detroit so Obama can recoup the money that he invested in electric cars or green technology is not paying for itself.)

-FAILED SOCIAL POLICIES (requiring people pay for insurance when they're not caring for their bodies is the government's way of taxation on your health as a commodity, which is unconstitutional. Abortion has bankrupted the Congressional purse, Obama insists we offer these services, and continue doing more of them. Welfare and unemployment have drained us financially. Food stamps are the biggest issue of government waste, 37 states indicate fraud, though this Administration continues to lie and say that most people use them correctly. How many states does it take, or how many per population group to admit this is throwing away money into an abyss fueling societal decay and the drug wars, the very financing mechanism of the Taliban??)

-FAILED NUCLEAR POLICY INITIATIVES/DIPLOMATIC POLICY(we are stretched too thin. When Saddam's head rolled, we should have left Iraq. Instead Bush Jr. engaged us in an unconstitutional stay longer than 2yrs., and Obama did not immediately withdraw. We have been slaughtered in Afghanistan's mountains, instead of decimating strongholds, we have been engaging in a tedious ground war, and we have entered into supplying military action in Egypt and Libya, rather than getting NATO to act in accord, they have put it off on us. We have failed to deal with policy that has jeopardized our security, including accusing the entire country of Pakistan for harboring Bin Laden, when he may have long ago been dead in 2007, the hideout set up as if he was still there carrying out operations as a propaganda headquarters. This is what the Nazi's would have done, if Hitler would not have been killed openly, and we have failed in showing the whole world that we will not tolerate injustice by perpetuating it with pseudo-New World Order type philosophy.)

-FAILURE TO UPHOLD EXISTING LAWS/THE CONSTITUTION: (deprivation of fair election, non-citizen status, DOMA, violation of freedom of religion and internet free speech violations/other free speech violations.)

The Tea Party declares that these 5 areas are not just impeachable offenses, as previously defined and submitted to Congress, Obama has betrayed the public trust and CONTINUES to do so. He has refused to sufficiently dispel his non-citizen status by waving around a forged copy, he has done this by delaying the court's ruling until his 3rd year, unraveling the fabric of our country in the process by systematically tearing it apart from the inside. The Tea Party does not find any of his chicanery amusing, we are tired of being placated and slapped in the face; for Obama to remain in office as an internal traitor spits upon the very blood that was shed for this hallowed land.

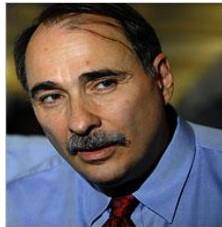
We will no longer sit back, content for him to be elected out, we want him removed from Office now!

As undersigned on behalf of the Tea Party,

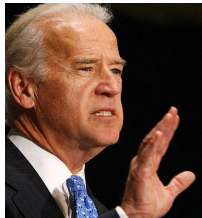
GA Tea Party Chief, Ms. Aja Brooks

NOW WE WILL MOVE ON WITH CONGRESS. Elected to a two-year term, each representative serves the people of a specific congressional district by introducing bills and serving on committees, among other duties.

A 2011 BUDGET NEVER WRITTEN AND NOT APPROVED BY CONGRESS.... AND THE DEMOCRATS ARE TO BLAME.....



David Axelrod
Obama Fluffer #1



Joe Biden
Obama Fluffer VP



John Kerry
Obama Fluffer #3



Maxine Waters
Obama Fluffer #4



Debbie Wasserman-Schultz
Obamacare Advocate



Harry Reid
**Majority Fluffer/
Obamacare
battering rammer**



Nancy Pelosi
**Former Interrupter/Obamacare debate squasher
Former Green Jobs Czar**



WE HAVE TO OF THESE SEVEN HEADS WHO ARE MILLSTONING THE WHOLE DEMOCRATIC PARTY; THEY ARE NOT MODERATES: THEY HAVE SHOWN THEMSELVES TO BE LOONY LEFT FRINGE!! WITH THEIR FISCAL INSANITY, UNCONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION, AND RACIST AND UNCIVIL PROVOCATION.

WE ALSO NEED TO GET RID OF THESE TOO:

THESE ARE THOSE WHO VOTED FOR OBAMACARE, THE ONES STRUCK THROUGH WE REMOVED IN 2010, THE REST, WE WILL INVESTIGATE THEIR ACTIVITIES AND REMOVE THEIR COMMITTEE POWER IN 2012. THE ONLY WAY TO STOP OBAMA'S CORRUPT GOVERNMENT MACHINE IS TO REMOVE THE TRIBUTARIES. THIS IS HOW OBAMA IS MOVING MONEY AROUND IN THE GOVERNMENT, AND NOT GETTING ANYTHING DONE. KEEP IN MIND WE ALSO NEED TO FIND REPLACEMENTS FOR SEATS AND COMMITTEES. THESE ARE STATES/DISTRICTS TO INFILTRATE WITH PRESENCE, AND THESE ELECTED PERSONNEL ARE PINK SLIPPED:

JOIN US BY PUTTING THEM ON NOTICE, THEY HAVE TO FIND ANOTHER JOB, NOT SERVING YOU IN CONGRESS !!!

1) Ackerman, Gary GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	New York 5th District	D	2111 RHOB	202-225-2601	Financial Services Foreign Affairs
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2) Andrews, Robert E. GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	New Jersey 1st District	D	2265 RHOB	202-225-650 1	Armed Services Education and the Workforce
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3) Baca, Joe GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 43rd District	D	2366 RHOB	202-225-6161	Agriculture Financial Services
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4) Baird

5) Baldwin, Tammy GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Wisconsin 2nd District	D	2446 RHOB	202-225-2906	Energy and Commerce
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6) Bean

7) Becerra, Xavier GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 31st District	D	1226 LHOB	202-225-6235	Ways and Means
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8) Berkley, Shelley GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	Nevada 1st District	D	405 CHOB	202-225-5965	Ways and Means
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9) Berman, Howard GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 28th District	D	2221 RHOB	202-225-4695	Foreign Affairs Judiciary
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10) Bishop Jr., Sanford D. GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Georgia 2nd District	D	2429 RHOB	202-225-3631	Appropriations
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11) Bishop, Timothy GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	New York 1st District	D	306 CHOB	202-225-3826	Education and the Workforce Transportation and Infrastructure
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12) Blumenauer, Earl	Oregon 3rd District	D	1502 LHOB	202-225-4811	Budget Ways and Means
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13) Boccieri

14) Boswell, Leonard GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	Iowa 3rd District	D	1026 LHOB	202-225-3806	Agriculture Transportation and Infrastructure
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15) Boyd

16) Brady, Robert GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	Pennsylvania 1st District	D	102 CHOB	202-225-4731	Armed Services House Administration
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17) Braley, Bruce L. GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	Iowa 1st District	D	1727 LHOB	202-225-2911	Oversight and Government Reform Veterans' Affairs
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18) Brown, Corrine GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	Florida 3rd District	D	2336 RHOB	202-225-0123	Transportation and Infrastructure Veterans' Affairs
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19) Butterfield, G.K. GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	North Carolina 1st District	D	2305 RHOB	202-225-3101	Energy and Commerce
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20) Capps, Lois GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 23rd District	D	2231 RHOB	202-225-3601	Energy and Commerce
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21) Capuano, Michael E.	Massachusetts 8th District	D	1414 LHOB	202-225-51 11	Financial Services Transportation and Infrastructure
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22) Cardoza, Dennis GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 18th District	D	2437 RHOB	202-225-6131	Agriculture Foreign Affairs
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23) Carnahan, Russ GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Missouri 3rd District	D	1710 LHOB	202-225-267 1	Foreign Affairs Transportation and Infrastructure Veterans' Affairs
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24) Carney, John GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Delaware At-Large	D	1429 LHOB	202-225-4165	Financial Services
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~~25) Garson -(FL)~~

26) Castor, Kathy GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Florida 11th District	D	137 CHOB	202-225-3376	Budget Energy and Commerce
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27) Chu, Judy GOTTA GO- VOTED NO	California 32nd District	D	1520 LHOB	202-225-5464	Judiciary Small Business
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28) Clarke, Yvette D. GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	New York 11th District	D	1029 LHOB	202-225-6231	Homeland Security Small Business
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29) Clay Jr., William "Lacy" GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Missouri 1st District	D	2418 RHOB	202-225-2406	Financial Services Oversight and Government Reform
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30) Cleaver, Emanuel GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Missouri 5th District	D	1433 LHOB	202-225-4535	Financial Services
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31) Clyburn, James E. GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	South Carolina 6th District	D	2135 RHOB	202-225-3315	Assistant Democratic Leader
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32) Connolly, Gerald E. "Gerry" GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Virginia 11th District	D	424 CHOB	202-225-1492	Foreign Affairs Oversight and Government Reform
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33) Conyers Jr., John GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Michigan 14th District	D	2426 RHOB	202-225-5126	Judiciary
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34) Cooper, Jim	Tennessee 5th District	D	1536 LHOB	202-225-431 1	Armed Services Oversight and Government Reform
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35) Costa, Jim GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 20th District	D	1314 LHOB	202-225-3341	Agriculture Natural Resources
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36) Costello, Jerry GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Illinois 12th District	D	2408 RHOB	202-225-566 1	Science, Space, and Technology Transportation and Infrastructure
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37) Courtney, Joe GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Connecticut 2nd District	D	215 CHOB	202-225-2076	Agriculture Armed Services Ethics
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38) Crowley, Joseph GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	New York 7th District	D	2404 RHOB	202-225-3965	Ways and Means
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39) Cuellar, Henry GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Texas 28th District	D	2463 RHOB	202-225-1640	Agriculture Homeland Security
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40) Cummings, Elijah GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO	Maryland 7th District	D	2235 RHOB	202-225-47 41	Oversight and Government Reform Transportation and Infrastructure
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41) Dahlkemper

42) Davis, Susan GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 53rd District	D	1526 LHOB	202-225-204 0	Armed Services Education and the Workforce
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43) Davis, Danny K. GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Illinois 7th District	D	2159 RHOB	202-225-500 6	Homeland Security Oversight and Government Reform
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44) DeFazio, Peter GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Oregon 4th District	D	2134 RHOB	202-225-641 6	Natural Resources Transportation and Infrastructure
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45) DeGette, Diana GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Colorado 1st District	D	2335 RHOB	202-225-4431	Energy and Commerce
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46) Delahunt

47) DeLauro, Rosa L. GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Connecticut 3rd District	D	2413 RHOB	202-225-3661	Appropriations
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48) Dicks, Norman D.	Washington 6th District	D	2467 RHOB	202-225-5916	Appropriations
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49) Dingell, John GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Michigan 15th District	D	2328 RHOB	202-225-4071	Energy and Commerce
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50) Doggett, Lloyd GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Texas 25th District	D	201 CHOB	202-225-4865	Budget Ways and Means
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51) Donnelly, Joe GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Indiana 2nd District	D	1530 LHOB	202-225-3915	Financial Services Veterans' Affairs
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52) Doyle, Mike GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Pennsylvania 14th District	D	401 CHOB	202-225-2135	Energy and Commerce
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53) Driehas

54. Edwards, Donna F. GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Maryland 4th District	D	318 CHOB	202-225-869 9	Ethics Science, Space, and Technology Transportation and Infrastructure
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55. Ellison,	Minnesota 5th District	D	1027 LHOB	202-225-4755	Financial Services
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56. Ellsworth

57. Engel, Eliot	New York 17th District	D	2161 RHOB	202-225-2464	Energy and Commerce Foreign Affairs
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58. Eshoo, Anna G. GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 14th District	D	205 CHOB	202-225-8104	Energy and Commerce
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59. Etheridge

60. Farr, Sam GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 17th District	D	1126 LHOB	202-225-2861	Appropriations
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61. Fattah, Chaka GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	Pennsylvania 2nd District	D	2301 RHOB	202-225-4001	Appropriations
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62. Filner, Bob GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 51st District	D	2428 RHOB	202-225-8045	Transportation and Infrastructure Veterans' Affairs
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63. Foster

64. Frank, Barney GOTTA GO-VOTED NO	Massachusetts 4th District	D	2252 RHOB	202-225-5931	Financial Services
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65. Fudge, Marcia L. GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	Ohio 11th District	D	1019 LHOB	202-225-7032	Agriculture Science, Space, and Technology
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66. Garamendi, John GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 10th District	D	228 CHOB	202-225-1880	Armed Services Natural Resources
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67. Gonzalez, Charlie A.	Texas 20th District	D	1436 LHOB	202-225-3236	Energy and Commerce House Administration
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68. Gordon -- (TN)

69. Grayson

70. Green, Al GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	Texas 9th District	D	2201 RHOB	202-225-7508	Financial Services
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71. Green, Gene GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	Texas 29th District	D	2470 RHOB	202-225-1688	Energy and Commerce
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72. Grijalva, Raul	Arizona 7th District	D	1511 LHOB	202-225-2435	Education and the Workforce
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73. Gutierrez, Luis GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Illinois 4th District	D	2266 RHOB	202-225-82 03	Financial Services Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
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74. Hall --(NY)

75. Halverson

76. Hare

77. Harman

78. Hastings, Alcee L. GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Florida 23rd District	D	2353 RHOB	202-225-1313	Rules
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79. Heinrich, Martin T. GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	New Mexico 1st District	D	336 CHOB	202-225-631 6	Armed Services Natural Resources
80. Heller, Dean -- Vacancy	Nevada 2nd District	R	125 CHOB	202-225-615 5	

81. Higgins, Brian GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	New York 27th District	D	2459 RHOB	202-225-3306	Foreign Affairs Homeland Security
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82. Hill

83. Himes, Jim GOTTA GO-	Connecticut 4th District	D	119 CHOB	202-225-5541	Financial Services
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84. Hinchey, Maurice	New York 22nd District	D	2431 RHOB	202-225-6335	Appropriations
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85. Hinojosa, Rubén GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Texas 15th District	D	2262 RHOB	202-225-253 1	Education and the Workforce Financial Services
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86. Hirono, Mazie K. GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Hawaii 2nd District	D	1410 LHOB	202-225-490 6	Education and the Workforce Transportation and Infrastructure
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87. Hodes

88. Holt, Rush GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	New Jersey 12th District	D	1214 LHOB	202-225-5801	Education and the Workforce Natural Resources
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89. Honda, Mike GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 15th District	D	1713 LHOB	202-225-2631	Appropriations Budget
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90. Hoyer, Steny H. GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Maryland 5th District	D	1705 LHOB	202-225-4131	Democratic Whip
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91. Inslee, Jay GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Washington 1st District	D	2329 RHOB	202-225-6311	Energy and Commerce
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92. Israel, Steve GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	New York 2nd District	D	2457 RHOB	202-225-3335	
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93. Jackson Jr., Jesse L. GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Illinois 2nd District	D	2419 RHOB	202-225-0773	Appropriations
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94. Jackson Lee, Sheila GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Texas 18th District	D	2160 RHOB	202-225-3816	Homeland Security Judiciary
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95. Johnson, Henry C. "Hank" Jr. GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Georgia 4th District	D	1427 LHOB	202-225-160 5	Armed Services Judiciary
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96. Johnson, Eddie Bernice GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Texas 30th District	D	2468 RHOB	202-225-88 85	Science, Space, and Technology Transportation and Infrastructure
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97. Kagen

98. Kanjorski

99. Kaptur, Marcy GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	Ohio 9th District	D	2186 RHOB	202-225-4146	Appropriations Budget
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99. Kennedy

100. Kildee, Dale GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	Michigan 5th District	D	2107 RHOB	202-225-3611	Education and the Workforce Natural Resources
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101. Kilpatrick -- (MI)

102. Klein -- (FL)

103. Kosmas

104. Kucinich, Dennis J. GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	Ohio 10th District	D	2445 RHOB	202-225-5871	Education and the Workforce Oversight and Government Reform
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105. Langevin, Jim GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	Rhode Island 2nd District	D	109 CHOB	202-225-2735	Armed Services Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
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106. Larsen, Rick GOTTA GO-VOTED NO	Washington 2nd District	D	108 CHOB	202-225-2605	Armed Services Transportation and Infrastructure
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107. Larson, John B. GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	Connecticut 1st District	D	1501 LHOB	202-225-2265	Ways and Means
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108. Lee, Barbara GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 9th District	D	2267 RHOB	202-225-2661	Appropriations
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109. Levin, Sander GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	Michigan 12th District	D	1236 LHOB	202-225-4961	Ways and Means
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110. Lewis, John GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	Georgia 5th District	D	343 CHOB	202-225-3801	Ways and Means
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111. Loeb sack, David GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	Iowa 2nd District	D	1527 LHOB	202-225-6576	Armed Services Education and the Workforce
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112. Lofgren, Zoe GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 16th District	D	1401 LHOB	202-225-3072	House Administration Judiciary Science, Space, and Technology
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113. Lowey, Nita GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	New York 18th District	D	2365 RHOB	202-225-6506	Appropriations
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114. Lujan, Ben R. GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	New Mexico 3rd District	D	330 CHOB	202-225-6190	Natural Resources Science, Space, and Technology
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~~115. Maffei~~

116. Maloney, Carolyn GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	New York 14th District	D	2332 RHOB	202-225-7944	Financial Services Oversight and Government Reform
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117. Markey, E GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	Massachusetts 7th District	D	2108 RHOB	202-225-2836	Energy and Commerce Natural Resources
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~~118. Markey -- (CO)~~

119. Matsui, Doris O. GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 5th District	D	222 CHOB	202-225-7163	Energy and Commerce
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120. McCarthy, Carolyn GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	New York 4th District	D	2346 RHOB	202-225-5516	Education and the Workforce Financial Services
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121. McCollum, Betty	Minnesota 4th District	D	1714 LHOB	202-225-6631	Appropriations Budget
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122. McDermott, Jim GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Washington 7th District	D	1035 LHOB	202-225-3106	Ways and Means
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123. McGovern, James GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Massachusetts 3rd District	D	438 CHOB	202-225-6101	Agriculture Rules
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124. McNerney, Jerry GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 11th District	D	1210 LHOB	202-225-194 7	Science, Space, and Technology Veterans' Affairs
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125. Meek --(FL)

126. Meeks, Gregory W. GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	New York 6th District	D	2234 RHOB	202-225-3461	Financial Services Foreign Affairs
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127. Michaud, Michael GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Maine 2nd District	D	1724 LHOB	202-225-630 6	Transportation and Infrastructure Veterans' Affairs
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128. Miller,	North Carolina 13th District	D	1127 LHOB	202-225-303 2	Financial Services Science, Space, and
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Brad GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB					Technology
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129. Miller, George GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 7th District	D	2205 RHOB	202-225-2095	Education and the Workforce
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130. Mitchell

131. Mollenhan

132. Moore -- (KS)

133. Moore, Gwen GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Wisconsin 4th District	D	2245 RHOB	202-225-4572	Budget Financial Services
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134. Moran, James GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Virginia 8th District	D	2239 RHOB	202-225-4376	Appropriations
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135. Murphy, Christopher S. GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Connecticut 5th District	D	412 CHOB	202-225-4476	Foreign Affairs Oversight and Government Reform
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136. Murphy -- (NY)

137. Murhpy, Patrick

138. Napolitano, Grace GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 38th District	D	1610 LHOB	202-225-5256	Natural Resources Transportation and Infrastructure
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139. Neal, Richard E. GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Massachusetts 2nd District	D	2208 RHOB	202-225-5601	Ways and Means
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140. Oberstar

141. Obey

142. Olver, John GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Massachusetts 1st District	D	1111 LHOB	202-225-5335	Appropriations
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142. Ortiz

143. Owens, Bill GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	New York 23rd District	D	431 CHOB	202-225-4611	Agriculture Armed Services Small Business
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144. Pallone Jr., Frank GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	New Jersey 6th District	D	237 CHOB	202-225-4671	Energy and Commerce Natural Resources
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145. Pascrell Jr., Bill GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	New Jersey 8th District	D	2370 RHOB	202-225-5751	Budget Ways and Means
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146. Pastor, Ed GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Arizona 4th District	D	2465 RHOB	202-225-4065	Appropriations
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147. Payne, Donald M. GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	New Jersey 10th District	D	2310 RHOB	202-225-3436	Education and the Workforce Foreign Affairs
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148. Pelosi, Nancy GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 8th District	D	235 CHOB	202-225-4965	Democratic Leader
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149. Perlmutter, Ed GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	Colorado 7th District	D	1221 LHOB	202-225-2645	Financial Services
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150. Perriello

151. Peters, Gary GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	Michigan 9th District	D	1609 LHOB	202-225-5802	Financial Services Small Business
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152. Pingree, Chellie GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	Maine 1st District	D	1318 LHOB	202-225-6116	Agriculture Armed Services
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153. Polis, Jared GOTTA GO-VOTED NO TO #CCB	Colorado 2nd District	D	501 CHOB	202-225-2161	Rules
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154. Pomeroy

155. Price, David GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	North Carolina 4th District	D	2162 RHOB	202-225-1784	Appropriations
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156. Quigley, Mike GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Illinois 5th District	D	1124 LHOB	202-225-4061	Judiciary Oversight and Government Reform
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157. Rahall, Nick GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	West Virginia 3rd District	D	2307 RHOB	202-225-3452	Transportation and Infrastructure
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158. Rangel, Charles B. GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	New York 15th District	D	2354 RHOB	202-225-4365	Ways and Means
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159. Reyes, Silvestre GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Texas 16th District	D	2210 RHOB	202-225-4831	Armed Services Veterans' Affairs
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160. Richardson, Laura GOTTA GO-	California 37th District	D	1330 LHOB	202-225-7924	Homeland Security Transportation and Infrastructure
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161. Rodriguez

162. Rothman, StevenGOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	New Jersey 9th District	D	2303 RHOB	202-225-5061	Appropriations
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163. Roybal-Allard, LucilleGOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 34th District	D	2330 RHOB	202-225-1766	Appropriations
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164. Ruppersberger, DutchGOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Maryland 2nd District	D	2453 RHOB	202-225-3 061	Armed Services Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
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165. Rush, Bobby L.GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Illinois 1st District	D	2268 RHOB	202-225-4372	Energy and Commerce
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166. Ryan, TimGOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Ohio 17th District	D	1421 LHOB	202-225-5261	Armed Services Budget
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167. Salazar

168. Sanchez, LindaGOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 39th District	D	2423 RHOB	202-225-6676	Ethics Judiciary Veterans' Affairs
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169. Sanchez,	California 47th	D	1114 LHOB	202-225-2965	Armed Services
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Loretta GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	District				Homeland Security
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170. Sarbanes, John P. GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Maryland 3rd District	D	2444 RHOB	202-225-401 6	Natural Resources Science, Space, and Technology
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171. Schakow sky, Jan GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Illinois 9th District	D	2367 RHOB	202-225-21 11	Energy and Commerce Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
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172. Schauer

173. Schiff, Adam GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 29th District	D	2411 RHOB	202-225-41 76	Appropriations Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
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174. Schrader, Kurt GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Oregon 5th District	D	314 CHOB	202-225-5711	Agriculture Small Business
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175. Schwartz, Allyson Y. GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Pennsylvania 13th District	D	1227 LHOB	202-225-6111	Budget Foreign Affairs
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176. Scott, David GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Georgia 13th District	D	225 CHOB	202-225-2939	Agriculture Financial Services
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177. Scott, Robert C. GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Virginia 3rd District	D	1201 LHOB	202-225-835 1	Education and the Workforce Judiciary
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178. Serrano, José E. GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	New York 16th District	D	2227 RHOB	202-225-4361	Appropriations
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179. Sestak

180. Shea-Porter

181. Sherman, Brad GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 27th District	D	2242 RHOB	202-225-5911	Financial Services Foreign Affairs
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182. Sires, Albio GOT TA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	New Jersey 13th District	D	2342 RHOB	202-225-791 9	Foreign Affairs Transportation and Infrastructure
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183. Slaughter, Louise GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	New York 28th District	D	2469 RHOB	202-225-3615	Rules
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184. Smith, Adam GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Washington 9th District	D	2402 RHOB	202-225-8901	Armed Services
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185. Snyder

186. Speier,	California 12th	D	211	202-225-353	Homeland Security
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187. Spratt

188. Stark, Fortney PeteGOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 13th District	D	239 CHOB	202-225-5065	Ways and Means
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189. Stupak

190. Sutton, BettyGOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Ohio 13th District	D	1519 LHOB	202-225-3401	Armed Services Natural Resources
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191. Thompson — (GA)

192. Thompson, Bennie G.GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Mississippi 2nd District	D	2466 RHOB	202-225-587 6	Homeland Security
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193. Tierney, JohnGOTT A GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Massachusetts 6th District	D	2238 RHOB	202-225-80 20	Education and the Workforce Oversight and Government Reform
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194. Titus

195. Tonko, Paul D.GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	New York 21st District	D	422 CHOB	202-225-507 6	Budget Science, Space, and Technology
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196. Towns, Edolphus GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	New York 10th District	D	2232 RHOB	202-225-5936	Energy and Commerce Oversight and Government Reform
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197. Tsongas, Niki GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Massachusetts 5th District	D	1607 LHOB	202-225-3411	Armed Services Natural Resources
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198. Van Hollen, Chris GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Maryland 8th District	D	1707 LHOB	202-225-5341	Budget
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199. Velázquez, Nydia M. GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	New York 12th District	D	2302 RHOB	202-225-2361	Financial Services Small Business
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200. Visclosky, Peter GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Indiana 1st District	D	2256 RHOB	202-225-2461	Appropriations
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201. Walz, Timothy J. GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Minnesota 1st District	D	1722 LHOB	202-225-2472	Agriculture Transportation and Infrastructure Veterans' Affairs
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202. Wasserman Schultz, Debbie GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Florida 20th District	D	118 CHOB	202-225-7931	Budget Judiciary
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203. Waters, Maxine GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 35th District	D	2344 RHOB	202-225-2201	Financial Services Judiciary
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204. Watson

205. Watt, Mel GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	North Carolina 12th District	D	2304 RHOB	202-225-1510	Financial Services Judiciary
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206. Waxman, Henry GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 30th District	D	2204 RHOB	202-225-3976	Energy and Commerce
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207. Weiner, Anthony -- Vacancy	New York 9th District	D	2104 RHOB	202-225-6616
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208. Wilson -- (OH)

209. Woolsey, Lynn GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	California 6th District	D	2263 RHOB	202-225-5161	Education and the Workforce Science, Space, and Technology
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210. Wu, David -- Vacancy GOTTA GO- VOTED NO TO #CCB	Oregon 1st District	D	2338 RHOB	202-225-0855
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211. Yarmuth, John A.	Kentucky 3rd District	D	435 CHOB	202-225-5401	Budget Ethics
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OBAMA FOOTHOLDS AND STRONGHOLDS BY STATE: CALIFORNIA, KENTUCKY, OREGON, NEW YORK, NORTH CAROLINA, FLORIDA, MINNESOTA, INDIANA, MARYLAND, MASSACHUSETTS, MISSISSIPPI, OHIO, WASHINGTON, NEW JERSEY, VIRGINIA, GEORGIA, PENNSYLVANIA, ILLINOIS, TEXAS, WEST VIRGINIA, NORTH CAROLINA, COLORADO, MAINE, MICHIGAN, ARIZONA, CONNECTICUT, VIRGINIA, WISCONSIN, NEW MEXICO, RHODE ISLAND, NEVADA, SOUTH CAROLINA, MISSOURI, DELAWARE, IOWA.

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DELAWARE -1- #24

FLORIDA -4- #18, #26, #78, #202

GEORGIA -4- #10, #95, #110, #176

HAWAII -1- #86

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PENNSYLVANIA -4- #16, #52, #61, #165

RHODE ISLAND -1- #105

SOUTH CAROLINA -1- #31

TENNESEE -1- #34

****** SOUTH TEXAS -9- #39, #50, #67, #70, #71, #85, #94, #96, #159**

VIRGINIA -3- #32, #134, #177

WASHINGTON -5- #48, #91, #106, #122, #184

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**SENATE DEMOCRATS TO REPLACE WHO VOTED AGAINST REPEALING
OBAMACARE IN ITS ENTIRETY:**

Akaka (D-HI)

Baucus (D-MT)

Begich (D-AK)

Bennet (D-CO)

Bingaman (D-NM)

Blumenthal (D-CT)

Boxer (D-CA)

Brown (D-OH)

Cantwell (D-WA)

Cardin (D-MD)

Carper (D-DE)

Casey (D-PA)

Conrad (D-ND)

Coons (D-DE)

Durbin (D-IL)

Feinstein (D-CA)

Franken (D-MN)

Gillibrand (D-NY)

Hagan (D-NC)

Harkin (D-IA)

Inouye (D-HI)

Johnson (D-SD)

Kerry (D-MA)

Klobuchar (D-MN)
Kohl (D-WI)
Landrieu (D-LA)
Lautenberg (D-NJ)
Leahy (D-VT)
Levin (D-MI)
Manchin (D-WV)
McCaskill (D-MO)
Menendez (D-NJ)
Merkley (D-OR)
Mikulski (D-MD)
Murray (D-WA)
Nelson (D-FL)
Nelson (D-NE)
Pryor (D-AR)
Reed (D-RI)
Reid (D-NV)
Rockefeller (D-WV)
Sanders (I-VT)
Schumer (D-NY)
Shaheen (D-NH)
Stabenow (D-MI)
Tester (D-MT)
Udall (D-CO)
Udall (D-NM)
Webb (D-VA)
Whitehouse (D-RI)
Wyden (D-OR)

SENATE DEMOCRATS WHO TABLED CUT, CAP, AND BALANCE AFTER NOT WRITING A BUDGET THIS YEAR:

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Cardin (D-MD)	Levin (D-MI)	Stabenow
Carper (D-DE)	Lieberman	(D-MI)
Casey (D-PA)	(ID-CT)	Tester (D-MT)
Conrad (D-ND)	Manchin	Udall (D-CO)
Coons (D-DE)	(D-WV)	Udall (D-NM)
Durbin (D-IL)	McCaskill	Warner (D-VA)
Feinstein	(D-MO)	Webb (D-VA)
(D-CA)	Menendez	Whitehouse
Franken	(D-NJ)	(D-RI)
(D-MN)	Merkley (D-OR)	Wyden (D-OR)
	Mikulski	
	(D-MD)	
	Murray (D-WA)	

AS YOU CAN SEE, THE DEMOCRATS HAVE TRIED TO CONTROL THE 4 WINDS OF THE UNITED STATES.

THOSE HAVE THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF REPLACEMENTS.

THEIR PENETRATION HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH REPRESENTING THE MAJORITY OF TAXPAYERS; THIS ELECTION SATURATION IN HIGHLY-POPULATED STATES IS TO ADVANCE THE OBAMA AGENDA, NOTHING MORE, NOTHING LESS!

Several Democrats attack State. Dept. pipeline finding

By Ben Geman

- 08/27/11 05:15 PM ET

Capitol Hill opponents of the proposed Keystone XL oil sands pipeline are attacking the State Department's finding that the proposed project will cause minimal environmental harm if managed properly.

The State Department's **conclusion in an environmental analysis released Friday** is a crucial step toward final federal approval of the 1,700-mile pipeline, which would bring crude from Alberta's oil sands projects to Gulf Coast refineries.

But the finding isn't sitting well with Rep. Steve Cohen (D-Tenn.), who called the analysis flawed, alleging the State Department failed to "adequately asses the real environmental impact." The pipeline would run through Montana, South Dakota, Nebraska and other states.

"Natural resources like the Ogallala Aquifer which Keystone XL would run through are invaluable and we should not put a dangerous, dirty tar sands pipeline through the heart of it," he said in a statement Friday afternoon.

The administration's step closer to approval of the pipeline also drew attacks from Sen. Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.), and Reps. Peter Welch (D-Vt.) and Ed Markey (D-Mass.).

"Everyone who understands global warming understands that using tar sands oil means much more than the limited environmental impacts the State Department outlined,"

Sanders said in a news release. Vermont's other senator, Democrat Patrick Leahy, is **upset with the department's finding too.**

The Obama administration plans to make a final decision by the end of the year.

The State Department sought to emphasize Friday that the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) does not mean the die is cast to approve the \$7 billion project that TransCanada Corp. is seeking to build.

“It should not be seen as a lean in any direction either for or against this pipeline,” Kerri-Ann Jones, an assistant secretary at the State Department, told reporters Friday. But the study nonetheless drew praise from advocates of the project, including Canadian Natural Resources Minister Joe Oliver. “The EIS is a key step in the United States’ approval process for the Keystone XL Project,” he said in a statement Friday. “The Government of Canada will continue to cooperate with the United States to ensure reliable and secure fuel supply between our two countries and is firmly committed to the development of the oil sands in an environmentally and socially responsible manner,” he said.

Republican backers of the project are now urging the Obama administration to provide final approval. “Time to move forward for jobs and energy security,” said Rep. John Shimkus (R-Ill.), a senior member of the Energy and Commerce Committee, in a tweet Saturday.

Committee Chairman Fred Upton (R-Mich.) called for final approval Friday, **warning the U.S. must act quickly** due to a separate proposal to build a pipeline from the oil sands to ports on Canada’s west coast.

But major environmental groups have **united in opposition** to the project and say approval could **discourage mobilization of President Obama's environmental base** in the 2012 election. Some activists are **casting it as a referendum** on Obama’s commitment to fighting global warming.

Environmentalists led by 350.org founder Bill McKibben will continue demonstrations and civil disobedience near the White House Monday. Hundreds of activists, including McKibben, have been arrested in the demonstrations that began August 20.

This post was updated at 3:15 p.m. on August 28.

Comments (48)

35 STATES, IN WHICH DEMOCRATS' POLITICAL POWER IS ON DECLINE, EXCEPT FOR (CALIFORNIA, NEW YORK, ILLINOIS, AND TEXAS). THESE ARE THE AREAS WE NEED TO FOCUS ON UPROOTING THE STRONGHOLDS. THE REST OF THE STATES ARE FOOTHOLDS, SUBSTANTIALLY WEAKENED, AND WILL BE STATES WON BY ELECTORATE.

THE GOP AND TEA PARTY OWN 15 STATES IN ENTIRETY; DEMOCRATS ONLY OWN THE MOST 4 POPULATED STATES, ON THE 4 WINDS OF THE DIRECTIONAL MAPS. THAT IS WHY THEY ARE NOT REPRESENTING THE MAJORITY OF TAXPAYERS.

WORST ATTENDANCE RECORDS WILL BE INCLUDED AS TO THOSE BEING

**CONSIDERED FOR REPLACEMENT:
SENATE: KIRK, ISAACSON, ROCKEFELLER**

**HOUSE: BARRETT, HOEKSTRA, RADANOVICH, WAMP, STARK, YOUNG,
FALLIN, DELAHUNT, SULLIVAN, SANCHEZ, GUTIERRIEZ, BLOUNT, LEWIS,
BUYER, CONYERS, MILLER, CAPUANO, KIRK**

BROKEST: RICHARDS, VELAZQUEZ, GOHMERT, MEEKS

Wisconsin progressives attack charter school.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tHnbtbkgfM&feature=player_embedded

Posted by Moe Lane (Profile)

Sunday, August 28th at 1:00PM EDT

No Comments

Yup, 'attacked.' Those locks didn't vandalize themselves, and they weren't vandalized by the Scott Walker administration. That leaves a pretty small list of suspects from which to choose. Anyway, I'm just putting this video about the [protests at Messmer Preparatory Catholic School](#) (via [Hot Air](#)) up, without any of the (scathing) editorial comments that I had originally written.

But see if you can guess what the major difference was between the 'choice' school kids being protested at, and the screaming vandals doing the protesting. Hint: if you know anything about [the DC school choice saga](#) then you already know what I'm talking about – which is also true if you're a typical progressive activist. The only difference there is, you'd rather gargle razor blades then admit that you **do** know what I'm talking about*.

Moe Lane ([crosspost](#))

*Which last is actually not entirely a bad thing, from a certain perspective: better denial fueled by shame and hypocrisy rather than a smug delusion that you're **actually** out and about doing the Lord's work, and never mind what that does to kids that don't look like you...

Well. Maybe you *won't* have to guess the difference, at that.

Man sent to hospital after being shot 4 times

Posted: 10:25 am EDT August 28, 2011 Updated: 10:32 am EDT August 28, 2011

ATLANTA -- Atlanta police said a man was shot four times, including once in the groin, Sunday.

The shooting happened on Martin Luther King Jr. Drive at about 8:45 a.m.

Investigators said the victim is a man in his 30s. They said he is expected to live.

The man was taken to the hospital for his injuries.

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REPLACEMENT CONGRESSIONAL PERSONNEL:

******ANY VETERAN SHOULD CONSIDER RUNNING FOR THE HOUSE OR SENATE.**

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Steve Jobs Resigns After Realizing Technology Has Gone As Far As It Can

Congress bets the farm on one last big bill, publicists agree that the nation's celebrities are in dire need of more fame, and Jesus Christ informs Tim Tebow that he isn't talented enough to start in the NFL. It's the week of August 22nd, 2011.

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- A:

•	• Multitouch technology
•	• Digital projection
•	• Printers
•	• Teleportation

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Evidence Emerging of Chinese

Planning Internet Attacks

Dean Cheng

August 26, 2011 at 1:49 pm

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The much-delayed 2011 Department of Defense (DOD) [report](#) on Chinese military and security developments highlights the growing Chinese emphasis on cyber security and cyberwarfare. As the report notes, “PRC military writings highlight the seizure of electromagnetic dominance in the early phases of a campaign.”

Coinciding with the release of the DOD report, media coverage has emerged of a China Central Television (CCTV) video clip of Chinese cyber activities aimed at dissident organizations. The clip, shown on CCTV-7, the official military channel of the state-run CCTV network, included screenshots of a computer program intended to allow a distributed denial of service (DDOS) attack against a religious dissident group (Falun Gong). A DDOS attack often takes down an organization’s website, and such attacks have been used against Estonia and Georgia in recent tensions. The clip would seem to confirm that Chinese government entities are testing the means to seize electromagnetic dominance. Strikingly, the six-second video clip indicates that the program can also mask itself by substituting a different electronic address, so that the attack, if traced, would be ascribed to third parties (in this case, reportedly the University of Alabama at Birmingham).

While the specific clip is undated and may be several years old, the program itself would seem to belie the Chinese claim that Beijing has no hand in the various cyber intrusions and activities that are regularly traced to Chinese Internet addresses. It also suggests that attacks traced to third parties may actually originate in China.

The program shown on the Chinese video underscores the problem with the Obama Administration’s assumption that the solution to growing U.S.–Chinese security tension is greater dialogue. The 2011 DOD [report asserts](#) that “the fundamental purpose for two countries to conduct military-to-military relations is to gain a better understanding of how each side thinks about the role and use of military power in achieving political and strategic objectives.” This assumes that the Chinese side wants what the U.S. side wants, “contacts at all levels that can help reduce miscommunication, misunderstanding, and the risks of miscalculation.” In short, it hopes that the Chinese are as eager as President Obama to extend an “open hand.”

But the creation of programs designed to mask IP addresses and mislead cyber-forensic specialists about the origin of DDOS attacks and other cyber activities is not a means of reducing miscommunications and misunderstanding, much less facilitating “common approaches to challenges... [and building] more productive working relationships.” Rather, it suggests a policy of seeking military advantage—something that the DOD report recognizes, but the Administration apparently does not.

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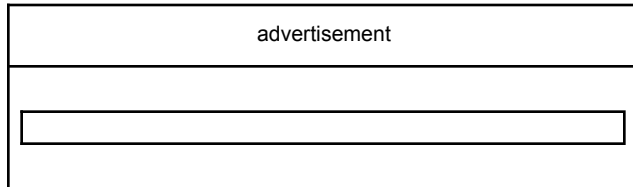
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A Decade After The Sept. 11 Attacks, Federal And State Governments Are Doling Out About \$75 Billion A Year On Domestic Security. Whether The Spending Spree Has Been Worth It Is The Subject Of Increasing Debate.

By Kim Murphy, Los Angeles Times

August 28, 2011

Reporting from Ogallala, Neb.



On the edge of the Nebraska sand hills is Lake McConaughy, a 22-mile-long reservoir that in summer becomes a magnet for Winnebagos, fishermen and kite sailors. But officials here in Keith County, population 8,370, imagined this scene: an Al Qaeda sleeper cell hitching explosives onto a ski boat and plowing into the dam at the head of the lake.

The federal Department of Homeland Security gave the county \$42,000 to buy state-of-the-art dive gear, including full-face masks, underwater lights and radios, and a Zodiac boat with side-scan sonar capable of mapping wide areas of the lake floor.

Up on the lonely prairie, Cherry County, population 6,148, got thousands of federal dollars for cattle nose leads, halters and electric prods -- in case terrorists decided to mount biological warfare against cows.

In the Los Angeles suburb of Glendale, where police fear militants might be eyeing DreamWorks Animation or the Disney creative campus, a \$205,000 Homeland Security grant bought a 9-ton BearCat armored vehicle, complete with turret. More than 300 BearCats — many acquired with federal money — are now deployed by police across the country; the arrests of methamphetamine dealers and bank robbers these days often look much like a tactical assault on insurgents in Baghdad.

A decade after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, federal and state governments are spending about \$75 billion a year on domestic security, setting up sophisticated radio networks, upgrading emergency medical response equipment, installing

surveillance cameras and bombproof walls, and outfitting airport screeners to detect an ever-evolving list of mobile explosives.

But how effective has that 10-year spending spree been?

"The number of people worldwide who are killed by Muslim-type terrorists, Al Qaeda wannabes, is maybe a few hundred outside of war zones. It's basically the same number of people who die drowning in the bathtub each year," said John Mueller, an Ohio State University professor who has written extensively about the balance between threat and expenditures in fighting terrorism.

"So if your chance of being killed by a terrorist in the United States is 1 in 3.5 million, the question is, how much do you want to spend to get that down to 1 in 4.5 million?" he said.

One effect is certain: Homeland Security spending has been a pump-primer for local governments starved by the recession, and has dramatically improved emergency response networks across the country.

An entire industry has sprung up to sell an array of products, including high-tech motion sensors and fully outfitted emergency operations trailers. The market is expected to grow to \$31 billion by 2014.

Like the military-industrial complex that became a permanent and powerful part of the American landscape during the Cold War, the vast network of Homeland Security spyware, concrete barricades and high-tech identity screening is here to stay. The Department of Homeland Security, a collection of agencies ranging from border control to airport security sewn quickly together after Sept. 11, is the third-largest Cabinet department and — with almost no lawmaker willing to render the U.S. less prepared for a terrorist attack — one of those least to fall victim to budget cuts.

The expensive and time-consuming screening now routine for passengers at airport boarding gates has detected plenty of knives, loaded guns and other contraband, but it has never identified a terrorist who was about to board a plane. Only 14 Americans have died in about three dozen instances of Islamic extremist terrorist plots targeted at the U.S. outside war zones since 2001 — most of them involving one or two home-grown plotters.

Homeland Security officials say there is no way to compute how many lives might have been lost had the nation's massive security apparatus not been put into place — had the would-be bombers not been arrested before they struck, or deterred from getting on a plane because it was too hard.

"We know that they study our security measures, we know they're continuously looking for ways to get around them, and that's a disincentive for someone to carry out an attack," said John Cohen, the department's deputy counter-terrorism coordinator.

"Another way of asking the question is: Has there been a U.S. airplane that has exploded?"

State and local emergency responders have undergone a dramatic transformation with the aid of \$32 billion that has been dispensed in Homeland Security grants since 2002, much of it in the early years spent on Hollywood-style tactical gear, often with little connection between risk and outlay.

"After 9/11, it was literally like my mother running out the door with the charge card," said Al Berndt, assistant director of the Emergency Management Agency in Nebraska, which has received \$163.7 million in federal anti-terrorism and emergency aid grants. "What we really needed to be doing is saying, 'Let's identify the threat, identify the capability and capacity you already have, and say, OK, what's the shortfall now, and how do we meet it?' "

The spending has been rife with dubious expenditures, including the \$557,400 in rescue and communications gear that went to the 1,500 residents of North Pole, Alaska, and a \$750,000 anti-terrorism fence — fashioned with 8-foot-high ram-proof wrought iron reinforced with concrete footers — built around a Veterans Affairs hospital in the pastoral hills outside Asheville, N.C.

West Virginia got \$3,000 worth of lapel pins and billed the federal government for thousands of dollars in cellphone charges, according to the Center for Investigative Reporting, which compiled a state-by-state accounting of Homeland Security spending. In New York, \$3 million was spent on automated public health records to help identify bioterrorism threats, but investigators for the department's inspector general in 2008 found that employees who used the program weren't even aware of its potential bioterrorism applications.

In some cases, hundreds of millions were spent on ill-fated projects, such as when Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano earlier this year pulled the plug on the Secure Border Initiative, a Boeing Co. contract that was to set up an ambitious network of surveillance cameras, radar and sensors as a 2,000-mile-long "virtual" barrier across the U.S.-Mexico border. Originally intended to be in place by 2009, the endeavor was plagued with cost overruns and missed deadlines and wound up costing \$1 billion before it was canceled.

Large sums of Homeland Security money, critics complain, have been propelled by pork barrel politics into the backyards of the congressionally connected. Yet the spending has also acted as a cash-rich economic stimulus program for many states at a time when other industries are foundering.

Utah is getting a \$1.5-billion National Security Agency cyber-security center that will generate up to 10,000 jobs in the state. The Pentagon in July launched bidding for a \$500-million U.S. Strategic Command headquarters at Offutt Air Force Base in Nebraska, which likes to point out that former President George W. Bush flew here for shelter after the Sept. 11 attacks.

Officials in Nebraska have insisted that no one is immune. A virus dropped at a cattle feed lot could wipe out a big part of the nation's food supply, they point out, while an attack on the dam at Lake McConaughy would cut off the main interstate linking New York and San Francisco and the biggest rail switching yard in the country.

"It would take out Kearney, Grand Island, the power grid, stuff like that. It could definitely do a lot of damage in what I call homeland America, and that's where these guys want to hit," said Ralph Moul, chief of the nearby Keystone-Lemoyne fire department.

Officials here say Nebraska and other places in Middle America not necessarily in Al Qaeda's gun sights have been able to improve traditional emergency response agencies that in many cases were under-equipped and whose workers were poorly trained — a benefit of Homeland Security grants that have required the money to be spent on responses to all kinds of emergencies, not just terrorist attacks.

"I think it's important to understand the homeland security equipment wasn't bought to be tucked away for the day there would be some terrorism event," said Harold Peterson, Keith County's emergency management director in Ogallala.

The Lake McConaughy dive team is so well-equipped it has been called out on several drownings around the state. A radio network built with Homeland Security funding paid off during widespread grass fires earlier this year by allowing departments from around the state to easily communicate with each other. And when a massive tornado struck Joplin, Mo., in May, the city was able to get its phones running with the aid of an emergency communications trailer bought with some of the region's \$3.1 million in department grants.

Glendale, likewise, has not left the BearCat in the garage. They haven't caught any terrorists,

but last fall, police rolled it out for a pre-dawn assault on an apartment in Echo Park where a suspected armed robber and others were thought to be hiding. Instead of having to pound on the door — risking officers' safety — they were able to park on the lawn and call for surrender on loudspeakers.

"The neighbors may remember it, but the bottom line is, the neighborhood didn't get shot up in a police action, dangerous suspects were taken into custody without incident, and we ensured the safety of those suspects and the officers involved," department spokesman Tom Lorenz said.

Berndt, the emergency official in Nebraska, said he had kept detailed records of every dollar spent and was convinced the state was safer for it.

"For me to sit here and say all this money was spent wisely is for me to sit here and lie to you," he said. "Could we have done better? Yes. Have we done all that bad? Probably not all that bad, in the overall scheme of things."

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Analysis: Death of deputy chief deals heavy blow to al Qaeda



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(Reuters) - The killing of al Qaeda's number two leader deprives the group of a multi-talented manager who helped it spawn offshoots around the world and survive a U.S. counter-terrorism campaign in [Pakistan](#), security analysts say.

U.S. officials said on Saturday that Atiyah abd al-Rahman, a Libyan, was killed earlier this week in Pakistan. One official said he was killed in a strike by an unmanned drone on August 22. The killing is likely to be particularly highly prized by Washington as U.S. strategists would have been concerned about Rahman's potential influence in Libya's turmoil following the overthrow of Muammar Gaddafi, analysts say.

Rahman, in his 40s and from the coastal Libyan town of Misrata, built a reputation in al Qaeda as a thinker, organiser and trusted emissary of the Pakistan-based central leadership to its offshoots.

In particular he played a key role in managing ties between the core leadership and al Qaeda in

Iraq and helped negotiate the formation in 2007 of al Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb (AQIM) with a group of Algerian Islamist guerrillas.

He was also one of the first al Qaeda leaders to provide a response to the uprisings in the Arab world, urging the group's supporters to cooperate with the revolts even if the rebellions were not Islamist-inspired.

"It's immensely important that he's been killed," said Anna Murison, who monitors Islamist violence for Exclusive Analysis, a London-based risk consultancy.

She said he was widely trusted throughout the organization and Islamists from very varied backgrounds listened to him.

QAEDA LOOKS "FINISHED"

"Al Qaeda as an idea will live on, but al Qaeda core as an organization looks pretty much finished as there are so few people who can now move up into those senior ranks," she said.

She said he was one of only four people in al Qaeda's leadership with a global profile in the small but passionate transnational community of violent Islamist militants.

She rates these as al Qaeda's current leader Ayman al-Zawahri, Egyptian plotter Saif al-Adl, and the other Libyan in al Qaeda's central leadership, the theologian Abu Yahya al-Libi.

Rahman rose to the number two spot when al-Zawahri took the reins of al Qaeda after Osama bin Laden was killed in May in a U.S. raid in Pakistan.

Noman Benotman, a former Libyan Islamist and now an analyst at Britain's Quilliam think tank, said his death was a heavy blow to al Qaeda as he was its main organiser and manager.

"This was the one man al Qaeda could not afford to lose," Benotman said. "He was the CEO of al Qaeda who was at the heart of the management process of al Qaeda worldwide.

Benotman said that in the last two years he "more or less single-handedly" kept al Qaeda together.

"He was a strong decision maker, an excellent debater and a skilled peacemaker between various Islamist groups."

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Benotman said Rahman, whose real name was Jamal Ibrahim Ishtawi, was a graduate of the engineering department of Misrata University and left Libya to go to [Afghanistan](#) in 1988 and join the Islamist groups then fighting Soviet occupation.

He said Rahman was a personal acquaintance of his but was never a member of the Libyan Islamic Fighting Group, an Islamist guerrilla organization that waged a failed insurgency to topple Gaddafi in the 1990s and of which Benotman was a leader.

Rahman was one of al Qaeda's earliest members and worked for the anti-Western militant group in Algeria and Mauritania as well as Afghanistan, Benotman said.

In a statement posted on militant online forums on February 23, Rahman acknowledged that the revolutions in Egypt and [Tunisia](#) were not the "perfections for which we hoped," but they were happy occasions nonetheless.

He dismissed the notion that al-Qaeda has a "magic wand" to gather large armies and lead the charge to overturn governments and rescue besieged Muslims, according to a translation by the Site Intelligence Group, a U.S. monitoring company.

Rather, he wrote, "al Qaeda is a simple part of the efforts of the jihadi Ummah (nation), so do not think of them to be more than they are. We all should know our abilities and to try to

cooperate in goodness, piety and jihad in the Cause of Allah; everyone in his place and with whatever they can and what is suitable to them."

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200 rotting corpses found at abandoned Tripoli hospital

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More than 200 decomposing bodies have been found at a Tripoli hospital that doctors and nurses abandoned because of fierce fighting between Libyan rebels and loyalists of Moammar Gadhafi, according to eyewitness reports.

A [BBC correspondent found corpses](#) of men, women and children on beds, in gurneys in the corridors and outside of the Abu Salim hospital, in a district of the capital mostly loyal to Gadhafi. His forces had occupied the facility last Saturday and snipers held rebels and medical staff at bay until Thursday, AFP says.

Some of the dead were civilians and some were fighters, including some that appeared to be African mercenaries, the BBC says. According to residents, some were already dead when brought to the hospital and others were badly wounded.

AFP reports that [17 patients were found alive](#), including a child, and that the Red Cross evacuated them. AFP earlier estimated the number of corpses at 80.

Some residents alleged that Gadhafi's forces murdered some of the patients, but that has not been confirmed.

A correspondent for Britain's Channel 4 provides [graphic descriptions and video footage of "the horror,"](#) writing, "There is no language for the stench. You fear even to breathe in here."

Rebel forces are encountering strong resistance as they advance on Sirte, Gadhafi's birthplace and the town regarded as his last stronghold.

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Rebel Government Struggles to Restore Water and Power in Tripoli



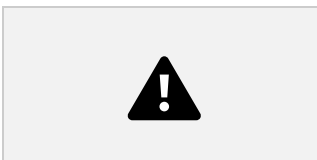
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Rebel fighters on Saturday climbed a ladder from a network of tunnels under the Tripoli compound of Col. Muammar el-Qaddafi, the ousted leader whose whereabouts remained unknown. [More Photos »](#)

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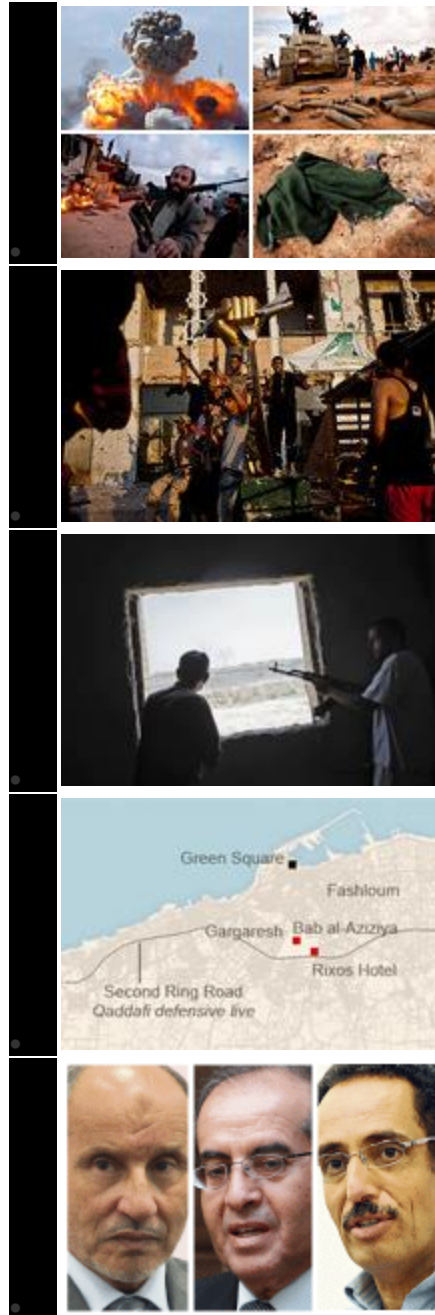
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TRIPOLI, Libya — More evidence of massacres by forces loyal to Col. [Muammar el-Qaddafi](#) during his final hours in power came to light on Saturday, pointing to the killing of scores of prisoners in at least five mass executions.

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Meanwhile, the provisional government formed by rebels was struggling to restore running water, electrical power and adequate medical supplies to the two million residents of the Libyan capital, as shortages became critical. The leaders of the rebellion that ousted him have acknowledged that the legitimacy of their new government will depend on its ability to provide basic services and security while holding in check the appetite for revenge among the victims of Colonel Qaddafi's repression.

Taken together, the killings, dysfunction and shortages suggested how intensely Colonel Qaddafi's chaotic and bloody legacy continues to challenge the fledgling transitional government even though he himself is out of sight and on the run. The latest sign of the ugly end of Colonel Qaddafi's rule was a group of about 50 badly charred bodies heaped and strewn around a corrugated metal warehouse his soldiers had used as a prison. Five other bodies lay outside: one draped in military fatigues, one with his feet bound in green rope, and another in a small box marked "fragile." Two survivors said that soldiers in the Khamis brigade — a private militia controlled by Colonel Qaddafi's son Khamis — had carried out the executions Tuesday evening, the night rebels breached the walls of the colonel's compound.

Abdul Hadi Abu Shahayna, a Tripoli judge who said he was held at the facility, said the other prisoners included lawyers, other judges and engineers — opposition figures, but also regular people caught up in a post-uprising sweep. Judge Abu Shahayna said he was arrested on May 25 and held until July 10 with a group that fluctuated in size between

70 and 100 people.

Two blocks away, the badly decomposed bodies of at least 15 other men were found rotting in a wooded gully. One of the men had his hands tied behind his back with plastic flex cuffs, and a rebel commando said seven other bodies had already been carted away.

The advocacy group Human Rights Watch said it had documented three other mass executions as well. In the first case, at least 17 detainees' bodies were found in a Libyan internal security building in the neighborhood of Gargur on Monday as the rebels prepared their assault on his compound nearby.

In the second case, another 18 bodies were found decaying in a dry riverbed between the internal security building and Colonel Qaddafi's compound; witnesses and relatives told Human Rights Watch that the victims had died three to five days ago, before rebels took the area on Friday morning. Among the 18, two were found with hands bound behind them, and two others wore green medical scrubs.

The third case was more ambiguous. Another 29 bodies were found in and around a makeshift field clinic outside Bab al-Aziziya, Colonel Qaddafi's main residence compound. Researchers for Human Rights Watch said they found four on hospital beds, several others on cushions in military tents, one with an apparent execution-style gunshot to the head, and another with wrists tied behind his back. A volunteer removing the bodies said at least three others were bound as well. But others were in uniform and wore Qaddafi belt buckles, or green ribbons on their wrists.

The rebels who unseated Colonel Qaddafi were still fighting his loyalists Saturday in areas around the airport road south of the city, and rebel leaders gave unconfirmed reports of still other massacres.

The leadership of the transitional government, meanwhile, was increasingly focused on meeting the most basic needs of Tripoli's residents. Government officials acknowledged that most of the city lacked running water or electrical power for a second day as temperatures hovered around 90 degrees. Hospitals, overcrowded with patients wounded in the fighting, were running short on crucial medicine. Gas shortages have driven the price of filling a tank as high as \$150. And many residents said they were increasingly worried about how the provisional government might regain control of the weapons stockpile that was looted from Qaddafi armories.

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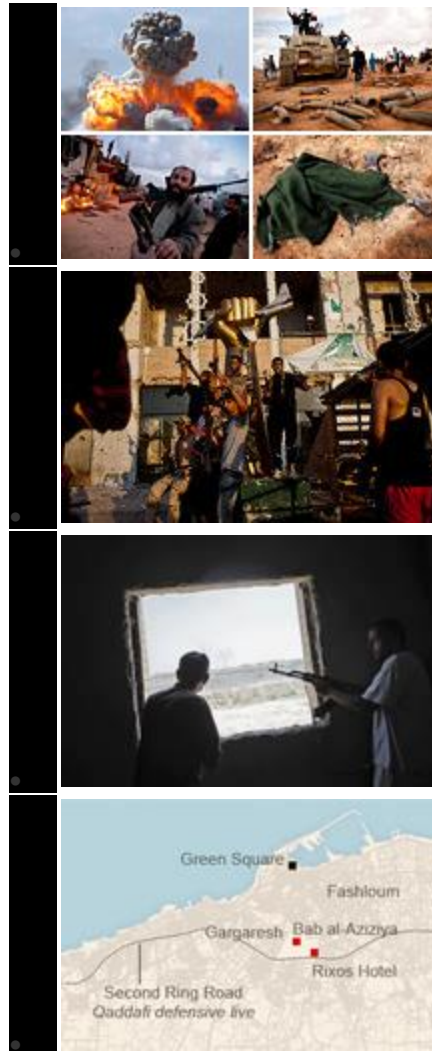
To many, though, the lack of running water was an especially pressing concern. Libya is

a desert country without a river, and Tripoli residents get their water from desert wells through a vast system of reservoirs and ducts known as the Great Man-Made River. Its operation requires electrical power, and the electrical power relies on fuel, so both problems may be related to the fuel shortages from the civil war and NATO blockade.

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Rebel leaders, however, sought to link the shortages to fears about sniper fire and sabotage from retreating Qaddafi loyalists. Farage Sayeh, minister for capacity building in the rebels' Transitional National Council, said in an interview that the rebels had turned off the city's water supply because of concerns that Qaddafi loyalists had poisoned it.

"Water is the priority No. 1 for us," Mr. Sayeh said. "The first meeting this morning was about providing a fresh water supply to the people." He acknowledged that the concerns about poison amounted to "rumors."

The problem with the electrical power supply, he said, is that technicians approaching a central control room had come under gunfire. "We are hoping that within 48 hours it will be back," he said.

In other ways, however, the rebel leadership appeared to be making progress.

Rebels said they had taken control of the main coastal border crossing into Tunisia, reopening the main supply lines into Tripoli.

But security remained tenuous on Saturday. At one of the two main hotels housing foreign journalists, a gunshot wounded a television correspondent broadcasting from the roof. It was unclear whether the shot had come from a gunman firing deliberately or a rebel cleaning his gun.

Rebel leaders also acknowledged that they had little intelligence on the whereabouts of Colonel Qaddafi. Mr. Sayeh said that apprehending him was an issue for the world, not just Libya. "This is a humanitarian issue," he said. "For the sake of justice, not revenge."

Exacerbating the 'Perception Problem': Center for American Progress Chronicles the American Right's Decade of Baseless Aggression Against Islam

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The far-left Center for American Progress (CAP) today released a [report](#) on the "Islamophobia network" it claims is responsible for the "genesis of anti-Muslim propaganda" in America, which [coincidentally](#) began, the report claims, ten years ago ("[S]even foundations over the past decade have helped fan the flames of anti-Muslim hate in America," writes Faiz Shakir [at the CAP's ThinkProgress blog](#)).

It's both typically ironic and sadly predictable that CAP lays blame for the instigation of the last decade of skepticism

about Islam and its adherents' aims in the west and around the world at the feet of a Vast Right Wing Conspiracy while almost entirely ignoring another, far more responsible and relevant event that took place ten years ago: the hijacking of four airliners by radical Islamist terrorists and the murdering of 1,629 Americans in New York, Washington, DC, and Pennsylvania. September 11, 2001 is mentioned only twice in the 130 page CAP report, and both times it is entirely in passing (pp. 42 and 75, with both mentions using 9/11 only as a reference point for supposedly extremist commentary by members of the "Islamophobia network" CAP seeks to unmask). Additionally, blame is laid at the feet of this "Islamophobia network" for the actions of Anders Breivik, the Norwegian extremist who murdered nearly seventy people in a bombing and shooting spree in July, while also blaming the "network" for the speculation that abounded while Breivik's attacks were ongoing that the perpetrator(s) might be Islamist extremists (bear in mind that credit for the attacks was claimed on a jihadi message board while they were ongoing). That unsubstantiated attacks on Muslims exist is undeniable. Unfortunately, the Center for American Progress's predictably hyper-partisan "scholarship" and presentation only serves to further exacerbate the extreme rhetoric and factually-challenged talking points that characterize our important national discussion about the nature of Islam, Islamism, and violent jihad, and how it should best be dealt with and, when necessary, combated. An example of the grievances aired by the CAP writers can be seen on pp. 94-95, where the authors take the Middle East Media Research Institute (MEMRI) to task for translating and disseminating the words of international Muslims and Islamists. Such selective outrage, which blames "Islamophobia" on those who translate and publicize what Islamists themselves are saying (within a document that seeks to lay the blame for *initiating* a decade of Islamic skepticism at the feet of right-wing Westerners), is not only utterly useless in terms of furthering our national discussion of these important issues, but only further widens the divide between the involved parties.

This is unfortunate, because this *is* an important topic, and one which deserves clear-eyed, fact-based discussion. Even more unfortunate is the fact that efforts like this to execute smear campaigns while avoiding the simplest of facts – like the role of the 9/11 attacks in initiating the last decade of increased skepticism of Islam and Islamism – further add to the Perception Problem that Islam currently faces in the West.

[I've briefly discussed this Perception Problem before](#), and though there is limited space with which to address it here, it is a serious problem for both American and international Muslims which (a) should be properly addressed, and (b) is only further exacerbated by hyper-partisan hit jobs like CAP's divisive, selectively-researched "study." The core of the Perception Problem is made up of two western views of many Muslims, which are directed in varying ratios depending on the object. These views are (a) most Muslims are at best tacit acceptors (if not supporters) of violent jihadi activities, some of whom are persuadable to violent action against the greater population; and (b) most Muslims support (if they are not actively engaged in) the establishment of Shari'a law in the West.

Neither of these statements is entirely true; further, the perception that first and more serious of the two is (or even that it may be) accurate is significantly reinforced in three ways:

(1) First, and most obviously, is the attempting and carrying out of terrorist attacks by Muslim actors, which was not a new development ten years ago, but which forcefully entered the awareness of Americans who had been willing and able to largely ignore them up to that point. It bears repeating that all terrorists are not Muslims, and all Muslims are not terrorists (far from it in both cases, though particularly in the latter); however, from the 9/11 attacks, to the 7/7/2005 London bombings, to the Sports Drink Suicide bombing attempt, to the Bali bombings, the Times Square bombing attempt, the FedEx printer cartridge bombs, and the 2009 attack on Mumbai, the majority of high-profile terrorist attacks and attempted attacks on the West have been the work of violent jihadis.

Where the attempts and attacks themselves have not caught the attention of the American people, the massive, costly, and intrusive security "enhancements" implemented in their wake have been, from the forced removal of shoes and ban on liquids and gels greater than one ounce at airports in the aftermath of "shoe bomber" Richard Reid and the Sports Drink Suicide plot, to the full-body scans and invasive TSA pat-downs that have escalated in the wake of the failed underwear bombing of Christmas 2009. Each of these has been attempted or carried out by an individual or group conducting violent jihad in the name of Islam, and each of these actions further damages the West's perception of this religion and its adherents, be they members of the peaceful majority or among the minority of violent actors. The negative impact of these activities on the western perception of Islam and Muslims is exponentially increased when Americans are involved in such attempts and attacks, particularly on American soil. Exhibits A and B of this (of several) are Nidal Hasan, the Army officer who murdered fourteen at Fort Hood in 2009, and Naser Abdo, the private

arrested last month for plotting to blow up a Killeen, TX restaurant just months after being heralded by major news media outlets like ABC as a vocal proponent of peaceful, non-violent Islam.

(2) Second, the perceived silence of the significant Muslim population on the subject of violent jihad and Islamist terrorism continues to add to the perception that a far greater percentage of Muslims support terrorism (even tacitly) than actually do. Though inaccurate (and unfair), and though certainly helped along by [shrill voices](#) on the right who [see creeping Shari'a under their beds at night](#), this conclusion has been unfortunately and firmly drawn by many western observers. This is partly a result of the celebrations seen around the Islamic world in response to attacks on the West, and partly a result of the virulent and preemptive accusations made by self-appointed defenders of Islam in the aftermath of such actions (see #3 below for more on this). Though neither right nor fair, the reality of the matter that the onus is currently on the Muslim majority that values peace and continued integration into society (to say “coexistence” would portray westerners practicing Islam as outsiders, which in many cases is grossly incorrect) to be vocal in their disavowal of the terrorist activities carried out by those who act in the name of their shared religion. While the vast majority personally oppose such actions, the perception exists – and is widespread – that this majority is unwilling to speak out against those who pervert Islam, which in turn causes the horrific actions of a few to stain a great many through mere association.

(3) Finally, and in my view most importantly at this time, is the preemptively offensive orientation of many of those who claim to represent Muslims or to study “Islamophobia” in the West. Rather than condemning the actions of violent jihadis and distancing themselves and those they represent from people who carry out such attacks in the name of Islam, the response to attempted or successful terrorist attacks by groups like CAIR and other Muslim-interest and left-wing organizations is often to go on the offensive, preemptively accusing Americans of Islamophobia and warning them against associating the action – carried out by Islamists in the name of Islam – with Islam in any way. This is further exacerbated by media reports of such incidents which are laughably absurd in their refusal to acknowledge the Islamic orientation of violent jihadis, and their purported [confusion](#) about the motives of those who kill in the name of Islam.

This unwillingness to identify Islamists’ successful and unsuccessful terrorist attacks on western targets with the religion in whose name they are being carried out, combined with Islamic and left-wing groups’ first reactions to terrorist attacks being not a condemnation of the act but a warning to the greater public not to accuse or discriminate against Muslims, has greatly worsened the Perception Problem faced by western adherents to Islam. Efforts like this CAP report to place the blame for Islamic skepticism on a right-wing “Islamophobia network” while refraining almost entirely from mentioning the actions that ignited that skepticism in the first place only widen the chasm between the perception of Muslims and far more benign reality.

Unfortunately, the more that organizations which seek to defend Muslims engage in preemptive and offensive verbal and communication warfare, the more they hurt their cause, as such offensive volleys engender both ill will and increasingly greater pushback. Additionally, the overreaching inherent in such advocates’ effort to disassociate Islam from the actions of Islamist radicals has its own rebound effect, as attempts to protect everyday Muslims through a proactive defense of radicals against religious association or religiously-based criticism, while the insinuation that criticism of, or attacks on, violent jihadis equates to criticism of, or attacks on, all Muslims (and Islam as a whole) only further *associates* the radical Islamist fringe with everyday Muslims in the minds of the public at large.

The spiral inherent in this system of preemptive strike and further entrenchment is obvious, as should be the damage it causes as both sides further dig in, causing in turn an important conversation and problem to migrate from the domain of rational discourse toward spectral extremes. This situation only makes the Perception Problem faced by western Muslims far greater, and exponentially increases the amount of work which must be done to overcome it, for the good of the vast majority of Muslims who are peaceful members of society, and for our society as a whole.

DOJ Keeping Islamic Bank Settlement Secret

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"Unfortunately, we're unable to provide anything in connection with this matter," DOJ spokesman Charles Miller wrote in response to a query Aug. 16. He did not contest the existence of the settlement with the Islamic Investment Company of the Gulf (IICG). Repeated attempts to obtain the settlement, or at least a clear explanation of why it cannot be released when most government settlements are a part of the public record, have been unsuccessful.

"We will have no further comment," Miller said Wednesday.

Reports of a grand jury investigation into an IICG domestic affiliate called Overland Capital surfaced early in 2007. Though the grand jury was convened in Boston in September 2006, a terror-financing prosecutor from DOJ was leading the tax evasion probe into the bank, the *Wall Street Journal* reported. Overland Capital allegedly was controlled by the Dar al-Maal al-Islami Trust (DMI), an Islamic financial institution founded by Saudi Prince Mohamed al-Faisal and which had at least two influential Muslim Brotherhood figures on its board, the *Journal* reported.

It described DMI as "the hub of a network of banks and investment funds across Europe and the Middle East that cater to Muslims interested in strictly following Quranic principles, such as a ban on collecting interest." It cited records showing DMI held "an indirect 60 percent" share in Overland Capital.

The IICG, meanwhile, is a "wholly owned subsidiary" of DMI Trust, according to the Faysal Asset Management Limited website. IICG has operations on four continents and managed \$1.6 billion in funds in December 2007. Saudi Prince Mohamed al-Faisal founded DMI Trust nearly 30 years ago, the *Journal* reported. He remains on its board, along with serving on the boards of Faisal Islamic banks in Sudan and Egypt.

The Faisal Private Bank reportedly was investigated during the 1990s for possible terror financing links. The *Journal* story notes that it was mentioned in a Hamas financing case involving transfers to the group and its current deputy political director, Mousa Abu Marzook.

DMI has had ties to the Muslim Brotherhood, with at least two of the movement's contemporary figures serving on its board. Sudanese Brotherhood figure Hassan al-Turabi spent 10 years as a DMI director during the 1980s and early 90s, the *New York Times* reported in August 2007. During the same time he was a director, Turabi urged Osama bin Laden to move al-Qaida to Sudan, the *9/11 Commission Report* said.

Brotherhood spiritual leader Yusuf al-Qaradawi also served as an early DMI Trust advisor, the *Times* reported. Though labeled a moderate by some, Qaradawi has a long record of anti-Semitism, support for Palestinian suicide bombings and attacks on U.S. troops in Iraq, and recently expressed his desire to kill a Jew before he dies.

Records from civil litigation in Fort Worth indicate that the criminal investigation remained active as recently as February. In October, a judge granted a stay of discovery in a breach of contract lawsuit between Vinewood Capital, LLC and DMI Trust. The stay was based on a government request that is sealed. But in his order granting the stay, U.S. District Judge Terry

R. Means wrote that the government asked for the delay to protect information from a key witness in the criminal investigation who is subject to discovery in the civil case.

"[D]isclosure of the contents of his testimony would substantially prejudice the pending criminal investigation," Judge Means wrote.

The criminal investigation involved statutes covering tax evasion and conspiracy to defraud the United States by IICG.

"Additionally," the judge wrote citing the sealed government motion, "while IICGB has not been indicted, the 'investigation has been ongoing for nearly four years[,] has continued to progress[,] and is nearing a conclusion.'"

In January, after DMI sought another discovery freeze in the civil suit, DOJ prosecutor Corey Smith [wrote](#) that, while the government requested the earlier stay, it did not need additional time. "The Motion also accurately represents my comment that I believe a settlement of the Criminal Case with [IICG] criminal counsel is likely in the very near future."

That appears to have happened. But the Department of Justice is keeping all the details secret.

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ATLANTA -- A grand jury has indicted a U.S. Post Office worker on charges of taking more than 100 gift cards worth \$1,375 from the mail.

Prosecutors said in court filings Friday that Helen E. Hampton, who was then a U.S. Postal Service worker, took 133 Kohl's gift cards valued at \$10 each from the mail. They say she also took a \$25 Sally Beauty Supply coupon and two Victoria's Secret coupons valued at \$10 each.

Authorities say she then tried to destroy the gift cards and coupons and cover up her involvement in the scheme.

An attorney for Hampton could not immediately be identified.

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A Counterterrorism Strategy for the "Next Wave"

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Abstract: *In June 2011, President Barack Obama released a new National Strategy for Counterterrorism. This document profoundly misreads the nature of the global transnational threat. Following this strategy for a few years will result in a resurgent threat as dangerous as that shortly after 9/11. Dealing with the “next wave” of transnational terrorism will require a different course. The strategy for the next wave must regain the initiative that has been lost by this President, bring a successful end to the long war, and leave behind an enduring and sustainable counterterrorism enterprise—one that can adeptly respond to future emerging threats.*

Since 9/11, at least 40 Islamist-inspired terror plots aimed at the United States have been thwarted. All categories of successful terrorist attacks against U.S. targets (both at home and overseas) have been on a downward trend since 2005, although the number of disrupted plots has risen considerably since 2007. Al-Qaeda has been substantially defeated in Iraq, flushed from Afghanistan, and hounded in Pakistan. A number of affiliated groups across Southeast Asia (in part through U.S. counterterrorism assistance and cooperation) were also rooted out. Terrorist networks have been dispersed and disaggregated, reduced to making “open calls” online to strike the West. At the same time, al-Qaeda established alternative bases of operation in Yemen, and new allies, such as al-Shabaab in Somalia, as part of an ongoing strategy of insurgency around the globe.

Progress against al-Qaeda’s attempts to attack the U.S. was the result of taking the offensive in the war on terrorism. The successes that President Obama has trumpeted resulted from a decade of effort to disrupt terrorist sanctuaries, attrit the cadre of terrorist leaders, preempt planning and operations, disaggregate networks, thwart terrorist travel and communications, and disrupt fundraising and recruiting. Specifically, drone missile strikes in Pakistan’s tribal areas have helped degrade al-Qaeda’s operational capabilities, while also significantly contributing to the U.S. ability to place al-Qaeda on the defensive. Even before the release of the “new” strategy, however, the President had distanced himself from the post-9/11 effort. The Administration declared its intent to close the detention facilities at Guantanamo Bay, restrict interrogation policies, and adjure conceptualizing operations as a wartime conflict. The President banished terms like “the long war,” “the global war on terror,” and “unlawful combatants.” He refused to identify Muslim terrorist groups as Islamist (those who use Islam to justify the slaughter of innocents to promote a radical agenda).

Furthermore, President Obama declared his intent to withdraw combat forces from Iraq and Afghanistan, specifically announcing his timeline for withdrawal from Afghanistan at the same time that he announced the troop surge, effectively undermining the overall Afghan counterinsurgency strategy. He also stated his intent to pursue significant cuts in conventional forces, substitute “soft” for “hard” power, and rely increasingly on international organizations rather than strong bilateral relations to advance U.S. interests. Then, in June 2011, President Obama unveiled his new National Strategy for Counterterrorism.^[1] The Administration now seeks to treat terrorism under a law enforcement paradigm that failed to protect Americans from terrorism when it was adopted by the Clinton Administration before 9/11. In addition, the White House intends to follow a “small footprint” strategy for overseas operations, relying primarily on Special Forces operations, covert action, and strikes with unmanned aerial vehicles.

Why the President's Strategy Will Fail

The President's strategy cedes the initiative to America's enemies and provides them the opportunity to reconstitute both their moral and physical assets.

Islamist beliefs are rooted in a culture that the President's strategy fails to appreciate. While Western conceptions of honor rest on occidental notions of virtuous acts and beliefs, the Islamist mindset equates honor with power. When the U.S. successfully conducted war on al-Qaeda, the honor of the Islamist cause was greatly diminished—and the U.S. garnered grudging respect from al-Qaeda and its supporters for its strength and determination to defend itself. Further discrediting al-Qaeda's cause worldwide, most of the victims in this war have been, and still are, Muslim innocents slaughtered by Islamist terrorists. The popularity of the jihadist movement declined significantly in much of the Muslim world. By unilaterally withdrawing from the conflict, however, the Administration allows al-Qaeda to paint a narrative of the U.S. in retreat. It also reinforces Osama bin Laden's contention that the U.S. is a paper tiger that will retreat when attacked, as it did in Lebanon in 1984 and Somalia in 1994. One successful major terrorist attack or reversal in Afghanistan or Iraq will be sufficient for al-Qaeda to claim a "victory" and regain its "honor." Meanwhile, the President's new strategy does much to sap America's moral strength and resolve to combat transnational terrorism. It is increasingly unclear to most Americans whom their country is fighting and what it is fighting for. The U.S. is unprepared to fight a war of ideas against Islamist ideology at home or abroad. In particular, the Administration's ambivalent and unimaginative response to the "Arab Spring" was a lost opportunity to build a plan for the future of U.S. engagement with the "new" Middle East which would break from the past and focus on engagement with the people of the region rather than their oppressors.

The Administration has also created opportunities for al-Qaeda to physically re-establish itself in the Afghanistan–Pakistan theater. The premature drawdown in Afghanistan will allow the Taliban to re-establish space for al-Qaeda to rebuild its sanctuaries in the country. Meanwhile, Pakistan will have little incentive to pursue al-Qaeda and its affiliates. As a result, in a few years, al-Qaeda will have much greater flexibility to broaden its operational base.

Perhaps even more important, the Administration's policies ignore what al-Qaeda has been doing on a global scale. Describing al-Qaeda simply as a "terrorist group" does not explain why the organization trained thousands of *mujahidin* during the 1990s and spread them throughout the Muslim world; why al-Qaeda has worked since then to co-opt or gain control of jihadist insurgent groups around the globe; and what al-Qaeda is doing in Pakistan, Yemen, Somalia, the Sahel, and dozens of other places around the world. U.S. focus on its own safety has, in fact, led the U.S. to ignore a very real problem—that al-Qaeda is not merely concerned with attacking the homeland, but has a global insurgency intent on taking over areas of the world. While covert strikes can be a successful tactic for hunting down the leaders of terrorist groups, attrition is counterproductive when combating an insurgency. The prospect of "body counts" as the proper metric for measuring success should give Americans pause about the strategy pursued by the Administration. Additionally, without persistent presence and engagement of threatened governments and civilian populations, the U.S. will lack the real-time actionable intelligence necessary for effective targeting of terrorists and the successful suppression of insurgencies.

Finally, the President's strategy pays insufficient attention to state-sponsored terrorism, which will increasingly be a major force to be reckoned with. Iran is one of the most prominent and aggressive state sponsors of terror and its protégés—both Hamas and Hezbollah—represent potentially grave threats. In addition, transnational criminal cartels in Mexico are increasingly taking on the character of terrorist networks.

What the U.S. Must Do

The first and most quintessential element of U.S. strategy must be persistence. No counterinsurgency can succeed without the sustained political will to see the strategy through.

The primary goal of the U.S. counterterrorism strategy must be to prevent the emergence of a global Islamist insurgency. The danger to the security, freedom, and prosperity of the U.S. and the Western world is far graver than what might be achieved by any individual terrorist act. An insurgency is a threat to the fundamental legitimacy of all free societies.

The right way to achieve this goal is to divide and defeat—first, prevent any one group from garnering the coalition of resources, allies, and support to mount a global insurgency; then, craft specific strategies to deal with significant terrorist threats aimed at the U.S. Finally, even as these groups are defeated, the U.S. must retain in place a robust, enduring, and sustainable enterprise to identify and combat transnational terror threats.

The means to implement this strategy will be primarily through “hard” power and strong bilateral cooperation between the U.S. and nations that share a commitment to defending free, just, and open societies. “Soft” power complements hard power and is most effective when America’s friends and enemies know that the U.S. has the will and determination to defend its citizens and values.

Where to Start

A strategy for the next wave must start in South Asia. Regardless of the disastrous conditions that may emerge after the premature drawdown in Afghanistan, the U.S. must maintain a persistent engagement with Afghanistan, Pakistan, and India.

The strategy must link Pakistan’s approach to dealing with al-Qaeda affiliates, such as Lashkar-e-Taiba in Pakistan, with future security assistance to the country. U.S. security aid to Pakistan is already legally tied to its counterterrorism efforts against al-Qaeda and other terrorist organizations. In March, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton certified to Congress under the Enhanced Partnership with Pakistan Act of 2009 that Pakistan was, among other things, making progress in “preventing al-Qaeda...from operating in” Pakistani territory. This requirement should be unshakable.

Pakistani officials privately argue to U.S. officials that local terrorist groups such as Lashkar-e-Taiba are too powerful and pervasive for the military establishment to handle. These arguments are specious and merit testing, and the U.S. must reject them. Former President Pervez Musharraf repeatedly told U.S. interlocutors that he could “better control” or “keep tabs on” the terrorist groups if his intelligence agencies retained links to them. However, if such groups are in contact with the world’s most wanted terrorists without the Pakistani military’s knowledge, who is keeping tabs on whom? The U.S. should never settle for Pakistani excuses for avoiding a full-throttle approach against these terrorist groups and instead demand that Pakistan be accountable for the activities of all terrorist groups on its soil. The U.S. government has so far avoided designating Pakistan as a state sponsor of terrorism. But U.S. officials should remind Pakistani officials that the U.S. will continue to evaluate the nature of Pakistan’s relationship with these terrorist groups.

Despite the severe differences between Islamabad and Washington over terrorism, it is in the interest of the U.S. to remain engaged with Pakistani leaders and to demonstrate U.S. interest in the development of a prosperous and moderate Pakistan free of the terrorist scourge. If the U.S. cuts aid to Pakistan altogether, or degrades its diplomatic engagement with the country’s leadership, the assistance that Pakistan does provide in fighting terrorism will dry up completely.

While there is no direct role for the U.S. to mediate the Indo–Pakistani dispute over Kashmir, the U.S.

must encourage the two countries to move forward with their dialogue and inject ideas into the process to help spur it along. Indo–Pakistani rapprochement can help reduce conflict in Afghanistan, by reducing competition for influence and the associated violence between India and Pakistan within Afghanistan, and facilitate a political solution. Pakistan overstates Indian influence in Afghanistan, but also overlooks New Delhi’s legitimate security interests in ensuring that the country does not return to Taliban rule. The strongest case for moving Indo–Pakistani dialogue forward is to improve prospects for Pakistan’s future. Islamist extremists whose lifeblood is regional conflict are strengthening their grip in Pakistan. Taking steps to restore confidence and trust between India and Pakistan will help inoculate Islamabad from extremist forces that threaten to reverse economic and democratic progress and undermine the stability of the state.

At the same time, the U.S. and India have many common security concerns. The U.S. must make every effort to improve defense, counterterrorism, and homeland security cooperation. One innovative tool for advancing this cooperation would be to establish technology sharing through bilateral action based on the Support Anti-Terrorism by Fostering Effective Technologies (SAFETY) Act. Passed after 9/11 to encourage innovation in the development of security technology, the SAFETY Act provides a safe harbor for manufacturers of new “Qualified Anti-Terrorism Technologies.” The U.S. can contribute to this cause most effectively by continuing the implementation of the SAFETY Act and by sharing best practices and lessons learned with India. In turn, the Indians can establish their own liability-protection regimes. The U.S. should, as a matter of policy, agree to share qualified security technology on a reciprocal basis. If India adopts a liability-protection regime comparable to that outlined in the SAFETY Act, the two countries could form a partnership to promote innovation. As national liability protection proliferates, new opportunities for international cooperation would emerge.

Future U.S. strategy in Afghanistan will have to adapt to the conditions on the ground. It is possible that the elimination of bin Laden will encourage the Taliban to re-evaluate its alliance with al-Qaeda and seek to become part of a negotiated political settlement. A hastening of U.S. troop withdrawals unmerited by conditions on the ground would undermine U.S. leverage at the negotiating table. If the Afghan government fails to develop into an effective force to fight the Taliban and reconciliation talks fail as the U.S. continues to withdraw its forces, the U.S. will inevitably find itself compelled to back indigenous groups that are committed to freeing the nation from domination by extremists.

Finally, the U.S. must retain a robust capacity to project military power in this part of the world and be prepared to deal with the worst-case scenarios. These scenarios would address the challenges of dealing with humanitarian assistance for catastrophic incidents, failed states and the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, as well as associated technologies and materials.

A similar strategy must be adopted for helping able partners deal with the insurgencies in their own territories. Aid, advice, and support for Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Turkey, and elsewhere will help good partners to find the right mixture of counterinsurgency tactics that will work for their particular environments. Other countries that are less able and yet willing partners in the fight, such as Mauritania, Chad, and Niger, will require deeper involvement and contingency planning for worst-case scenarios. The U.S. needs to know much more about the tribal and social structures of these countries, the specifics of al-Qaeda’s penetration and involvement in their territories, the history of the ongoing insurgencies, and a complete workup of potential allies in order to prepare for the worst. This is all the more urgent for places like Somalia and Yemen, which have far less capable governments and thus less capacity to defend themselves.

What Else Must Be Done

The iron triangle of state-sponsored terrorism—Iran, Hamas, and Hezbollah—is potentially as significant a

threat to U.S. interests as a reconstituted al-Qaeda. Iran remains the world's foremost state sponsor of terrorism. Breaking the triangle apart can only be accomplished by bringing freedom to the people under the tyranny of the leadership in Tehran—change that has to come from within the country. The U.S. can contribute to this end by:

- **Imposing and enforcing the strongest sanctions.** The U.S. should push other concerned countries to enforce targeted sanctions on the Iranian regime and its internal security organs; ban all foreign investment, loans and credits, subsidized trade, and refined petroleum exports to Iran; and deny visas to its officials.
- **Targeting public diplomacy to expose the regime's human rights abuses.** Such a campaign should document the abuses and aid victims, step up broadcasting and support for independent Iranian broadcasters outside the country to expose corruption of officials and the regime's lavish aid to terrorists, and educate Iranians about genuine representative democracy.
- **Facilitating communication among dissidents.** The U.S. government should help opposition groups communicate privately with each other using technology that can evade government surveillance and censorship.
- **Aiding opposition groups.** U.S. intelligence services should provide covert financial and material assistance to democratic opposition groups to strengthen opposition to the regime, similar to the help extended to the Polish Solidarity movement during the Cold War.
- **Reducing Iran's meddling in Iraq.** The U.S. should maintain the strongest troop presence that Iraq will permit to aid in containing and reducing Iran's influence. A stable and democratic Iraq offers Shiites an alternative model that helps delegitimize Iran's Islamist system.
- **Targeting covert actions to discredit the regime.** U.S. intelligence services should distribute printouts of Iranian officials' foreign bank accounts and other assets, as well as pictures of their mansions and villas outside Iran to drive a wedge between the corrupt regime and the people.
- **Supporting regime change in Syria.** Syria's Assad regime has long been Iran's most important Arab ally and a major state sponsor of terrorism. A more forceful U.S. policy of supporting the Syrian opposition could pay dividends by depriving Iran, Hezbollah, and Hamas of a key ally.
- **Modernizing the U.S. nuclear arsenal.** The U.S. should develop and deploy a new generation of nuclear weapons to convince Tehran that any attempt to use nuclear weapons against the U.S. or Israel will fail to achieve whatever political and military objectives they have in mind.
- **Expanding U.S. military capabilities to defend U.S. interests and allies.** Targeting and holding at risk the regime's top leaders, its nuclear weapons program, and its internal security forces would protect the U.S. from Iranian aggression.
- **Deploying a robust and comprehensive missile defense system.** Land-based, sea-based, and ultimately space-based systems that can intercept Iranian ballistic missiles would minimize the ability of Iran to threaten the U.S. and its allies.

All these steps will serve to pressure, isolate, and delegitimize the current Iranian regime, increasing the demand and likelihood that the government will collapse from within and be replaced by a regime less willing to be a state sponsor of terrorism.

After the Arab Spring

The U.S. must start with the countries where it has the most influence to build like-minded partners that share an interest in combating state-sponsors of terrorism and global insurgency. The two most important countries are Iraq and Israel.

The U.S. must remain firmly committed to preserving a stable and free Iraq. Now is not the time to risk the emergence of a new center of instability in the region or risk losing a friendly nation that is struggling to

secure its own freedom from tyranny. Although it has fallen off the front pages, Iraq remains a troubled country that requires continued high-level attention. While Iraq's security situation has greatly improved, political progress has been slow. Iraqi leaders have tentatively cobbled together a coalition government after last year's elections, but it remains to be seen whether that government can effectively address Iraq's complex problems.

Washington should stand patiently by the Iraqi government to support its army and police, help it provide better services to Iraq's citizens, mediate disputes between Kurds and Arabs, and prevent Iraq from falling under Iran's hostile influence. The U.S. should maintain the strongest possible support for continued development of the country, using U.S. military forces for training and assisting Iraq's military forces in combating common enemies, such as al-Qaeda in Iraq and pro-Iranian Shiite militias. The mantra for Baghdad should be: "Americans, go home, but not yet."

The U.S. must reassert the need for its close strategic cooperation with Israel. The political instability that has swept the Arab Middle East is a reminder of the fact that Israel is the only ally in the region that the U.S. can reliably count on. Furthermore, when the U.S. equivocates on its support for Israel, it only encourages aggression against America's most important ally in the region. The U.S. should prioritize Israel's security in any peace process that aims to achieve a two-state solution.

A prerequisite to any two-state solution should include recognition by the Palestinians of Israel's right to exist as a Jewish state and the creation of a Palestinian state that will not threaten Israel, ally itself with Iran, or repress the freedom of its own people. The peace and security of the region is not advanced by creating another pariah state sponsor. The U.S. must craft strategies to deal with individual nations—working for a region populated by democracies (committed to the rule of law, human rights, and political, economic, and religious freedom) rather than dominated by dictatorships. As the first nation founded on the principle of the sanctity of individual freedom, an American failure to advocate that same principle for all other peoples is to deny the universality of the belief that all humans ought to be free. Furthermore, the more free nations in the world, the safer it is for all nations—including America.

The Founders believed that advocating freedom throughout the world by promoting liberty and justice, and even preventing others from intervening and imposing nondemocratic governments, in a manner consistent with the U.S. national interest must be a central tenet for the nation's foreign policy. It was the right answer then—and it still is. These principles must be the guiding light in developing U.S. programs for engaging with every nation in the region from Turkey and Egypt to Yemen.

How to Add to the Ranks

In dealing with global insurgencies, the U.S. will have to have an engaged and persistent presence. In many cases, that presence can be actualized through building the capacity of friendly and allied nations to counter insurgent threats and strengthen their security and civil society. To counter 21st-century threats—from aggressive rogue states to despots to terrorists and international criminals—the United States and its partners should fashion new arrangements that promote security and protect liberty.

What is urgently needed is a new, more flexible association of free nations around the world—a Global Freedom Coalition—whose members have both the will and the means to defeat threats to their security and also the desire to promote the kind of stability in which freedom can flourish. A Global Freedom Coalition should not be bound by geography, as many small nations in every region of the world have already demonstrated their commitment to fighting the war on terrorism, interdicting the illicit proliferation of nuclear weapons technology, and increasing law enforcement and intelligence capabilities to stem human trafficking and international narcotics and crime networks. To help develop such a coalition, the United States should take the lead and create a new fund to provide emerging democracies with the resources they need to build their military and institutional capabilities.

To help nations committed to liberty and security develop their capabilities to contribute to such a coalition, the Administration should establish a Security for Freedom Fund (a program that could be established by discontinuing funding for less effective foreign assistance programs). America has many friends in the developing world that share American interests and values and that have helped the U.S. in Iraq and Afghanistan, but that lack the capabilities at this time to meaningfully contribute to a new coalition. Current foreign military sales (FMS) and foreign military financing (FMF) programs are insufficient, impeded by a tangle of restrictions and bureaucratic delays that often render U.S. security assistance tardy or ineffective. Creating a Security for Freedom Fund could be a vehicle by which the Administration revamps the entire U.S. foreign military assistance program so that America and its friends and allies around the world can respond to unfolding threats to their security in new, more flexible, and more creative ways than the current international system allows.

The Security for Freedom Fund should apply the model established by the Millennium Challenge Account (MCA)^[2] to security-assistance grants. As is the case with the MCA, the Security for Freedom Fund should dedicate its resources to financing foreign military sales that fulfill specific criteria including: a demonstrated commitment to freedom and human rights (Does the country hold regular and transparent elections? Does it have a record of upholding basic political and economic freedoms as measured by the *Index of Economic Freedom* and Freedom House?); a commitment to the rule of law and governance (Does the government have a record of promoting fundamental freedoms abroad? Does it observe its international agreements? Is there civilian control of the armed forces?); mutual bilateral security interests with the U.S. and its allies (Is the country concerned about the same threats that menace the United States and the other members of the Global Freedom Coalition? By promoting the applicant nation's security, will the U.S. also promote its own?); and a demonstrated need for U.S. military assistance (Is the assistance requested appropriate to the threats that country faces? Is capacity building in its military forces and civilian security institutions necessary to make that nation a productive member of the Global Freedom Coalition? Does the country have any arrangements with countries to which the U.S. restricts military sales?).

The U.S. Must Adopt Sensible Detention Policies Once and For All

The President, as Commander in Chief, must have all lawful tools available to him to capture, interrogate, detain, and prosecute current and future combatants. The capacity to lawfully detain and interrogate unlawful combatants is vital to an effective global strategy to ensure that valuable and necessary intelligence can be obtained, as well as provide increased security of the United States and its allies by preventing belligerents from returning to armed conflict.

In past wars, combatants were typically associated with established governments that had organized militaries or militias that carried arms openly, wore uniforms, and complied with the laws of war. But the current wars are different. Those behind 9/11 and other terrorist attacks on Americans—a group of non-state actors operating under the umbrella authority of al-Qaeda—do not act at the behest of any state. The laws of war applied to stateless pirates in the 18th and 19th centuries (although there are some novelties as applied to this new enemy) still apply. First and foremost is that during wartime, the detaining country is not required to choose between detaining the combatant and trying him in a court of law (military or civilian). The U.S. may legally detain these unlawful combatants, at Guantanamo Bay and elsewhere, for the duration of hostilities.

The solution, far beyond closing the detention facility at Guantanamo, is to solve the broader challenge of

holding accountable and incapacitating terrorists in a detention framework that is lawful, durable, and internationally acceptable. To begin, the September 18, 2001, Authorization for Use of Military Force (AUMF) must be updated specifically to include the legal authority to detain unlawful combatants and clarified as to the scope of that detention authority.

As the U.S. military captures future high-value terrorists outside Afghanistan and concludes that some may not be prosecuted in a military commission or federal court, the U.S. will need a sustainable legal framework and procedures to detain these captives. Military detention, authorized by law and properly calibrated to protect our national security, will enhance the nation's ability to prosecute this war.

Furthermore, if done properly, it may discourage the courts, especially the Supreme Court, from meddling in issues of national security policy, which is best left to the political branches.

The President must have the flexibility to decide whom to capture and interrogate, whether to detain or prosecute (and in which forum: military commission or federal court), and, absent a court order, when to release a particular detainee. Congress has an appropriate oversight role in these matters, but must not unnecessarily limit the President's full range of options. Furthermore, treating all captured enemy combatants as mere criminal defendants who must be tried in domestic criminal court or set free is dangerous and reckless and weakens the country and its defenses. The battlefield is not a CSI lab and it should not be treated as such. Additionally, holding captured enemy combatants onboard Navy ships for short periods of time is no substitute for a thoughtful, intelligent, and comprehensive detainment framework.

At the same time, requiring the President to use military commissions as the sole prosecution forum for captured enemy combatants is equally problematic. The President must have the flexibility to decide on a case-by-case basis which prosecutorial forum is most appropriate for any particular detainee.

Finally, Guantanamo Bay must not be closed unless and until a viable alternative exists, supported by a detailed policy and express congressional legislation, signed by the President. At a minimum, that policy should: include express authorization to detain unlawful combatants who cannot be safely prosecuted in a military commission or federal court, and who cannot in good conscience be set free; expressly prohibits any judge from ordering the release of any combatant into the United States, even if the judge, through the *habeas corpus* process, orders the detainee released from U.S. custody; and reaffirms the continued viability of military commissions, both in theaters of operations and in the United States, during wartime. For the time being, Guantanamo Bay is the most logical detention facility for high-value captures, and should be used as such until an alternative exists.

The U.S. Must Win the War Online

The Internet has become an invaluable tool for global terrorism used for propaganda, gathering intelligence, fundraising, recruiting, planning operations, and conducting cyber-criminal activities. The U.S. can anticipate the growth of cyber-terrorist insurgencies as their capabilities develop. It is too narrow to think of dealing with terrorists online as a battle of "our electrons against their electrons." While the U.S. government has authored a number of cybersecurity strategies, they all focus too much on technology and not enough on a comprehensive approach to battling cyber activity as another form of insurgency. The U.S. government must have a sustained equivalent counterinsurgency strategy for cyberspace. The American strategy must be much more expansive than treating cyber threats primarily as a technical challenge.

The government's biggest challenge is stringing its offensive, defensive, covert, and overt operations into a cohesive whole rather than operating segmented from one another. In order for cyberstrategy to work, the right hand has to know what the left is doing or there will be gaps for enemies to exploit—or worse, activities may interfere or work at cross-purposes, wreaking more havoc than solving problems. A

cyber-insurgency approach to battling bad actors online must include:

- **Collecting intelligence.** Dealing with cyber insurgents requires human intelligence (HUMINT) on the operation of non-state actors in cyberspace. Rather than concentrating on technical intelligence, “human intelligence” focuses on information collected by human sources (such as through conversations and interrogations). HUMINT can provide all kinds of information on the cyber insurgents, not only the technical means of attack, but motivations, relationships, and finances—identifying weaknesses and vulnerabilities in their network that might not be available from merely deconstructing malicious software or searching the files of an Internet service provider.
- **Integrating government and civilian action.** As in the kinetic world, much of the U.S. effort will require coordination between military and civilian government assets. In cyberspace, the situation has the added layer of complexity posed by the need to coordinate with private-sector actors. For a cyber-insurgency strategy to be effective, it is critical that the U.S. develop mechanisms to ensure that “successes” and “best practices” are translated into a suitable doctrine and become part of the professional development of private-sector and public-sector leaders. Among other needs, there will be demands for education, training, and experience that qualify public and private actors to be real cyber leaders. A doctrine that addresses public–private cooperation must be a centerpiece of that strategy. No adequate effort to address this shortfall is currently underway.
- **Building host-nation cybersecurity.** Strengthening the capacity of friends and allies for network security and resilience must be an essential part of counter-cyber insurgency. The more that nations with common purpose and values work together, the more that can be done to shrink the cyberspace available to cyber insurgents.

The foregoing is just a start—other questions of resilience and offensive operations will also need to be addressed. These kinds of initiatives reflect how all the nation’s resources should be employed in the cyber war. To win the battle for cyberspace, cyber strategy must become much more multifaceted.

The U.S. Must Name the Enemy

Radical groups employing terrorism against governments and civilians have an agenda, and that is to destroy certain governments, challenge Western values of civilization, and erect in their place their own governments and notions of culture and religion. Extremist ideology alone is not the problem. Rather, the issue is that Islamist extremists are using terror as a weapon, employing their ideology as justification to kill in the name of Islam in order to further their radical agenda.

Might something be wrong with the U.S. government’s stated policy if it cannot articulate an obvious fact about its strategic aims? It is one thing to be tactically clever and not alienate innocent people or potential allies. It is another if that reluctance blurs the reality of America’s objectives and confuses people—particularly Americans—about the identity of the enemy and what is at stake.

Former British Prime Minister Tony Blair spoke clearly when he said, “The best defense of the Muslim community in this country is for that leadership to be exercised and for the mainstream Muslim community to take on the extremists within their midst, within our midst.” He recognized that this struggle against radical Islamists will never be won unless Muslims themselves become as outraged as non-Muslims when terrorists kill in the name of Islam.

No program battling radicalization, recruiting, or other extremist activities makes sense unless it is rooted in identifying the enemy—an Islamist ideology that promotes the slaughter of innocents to support a radical agenda.

Do Not Neglect Our Own Backyard

The U.S. must pay attention to the transnational criminal cartels in Mexico as well as established networks by Hamas, Hezbollah, Iranian intelligence, and other terrorist organizations throughout Latin America. In particular, it is time to recognize that the Mexican cartels have features of both terrorist networks and insurgencies.

The U.S. must take concrete steps to expand its security umbrella in the Western hemisphere—that means a more comprehensive cooperative strategy with Mexico in combating the cartels beyond the Merida initiative.^[3] In addition, inviting Mexico to join the North American Air Defense Command (NORAD) would be the right first step for a better multinational effort to make North America safer and more secure. Making NORAD an effective instrument will require more than just adding another member. Effective teamwork will require more training and information sharing. Only through mutual cooperation, enhanced understanding, and increased flexibility can NORAD keep North America safe in the 21st century.

Given the U.S. military's responsibility to monitor air and sea approaches to the United States, NORAD could make significant contributions to counternarcotics efforts through the air and maritime warning portions of its mandate, particularly if NORAD was expanded to include Mexico. The Merida Initiative, which will increase drug enforcement cooperation among the United States, Mexico, and Central America, is not focused on detecting foreign crafts, but rather on improving the resources, training, and methods of the law enforcement agencies responsible for drug control. If the Merida Initiative is to succeed, it must enable Mexican and Central American police agencies to better identify drug smuggling suspects, find evidence against them, and uncover hidden drugs.

While the Merida Initiative provides surveillance aircraft and detection equipment, it relies heavily on local law enforcement and on human intelligence gathering. An expanded NORAD could provide additional hardware, particularly radar equipment, which would complement efforts already underway. A joint command structure would facilitate intelligence sharing and the exchange of effective practices. Better coordination and interoperability would benefit all countries involved. Mexico's inclusion in NORAD could serve as the basis of a new multinational and multi-agency partnership for counternarcotics operations in North America.

The U.S. Needs the Right Military-Intelligence Team

An effective global strategy requires a robust tool kit that can address a range of tasks, not a few individual tools that have limited application. The U.S. must invest in the building blocks of both conventional and irregular warfare capabilities. Every threat cannot be predicted and Pentagon procurement cycles can take decades to yield finished products. Therefore, the military should plan around a broad strategy and hedge against various risks by building core capabilities that can meet a range of future requirements. Many of these fundamental capabilities—including air dominance, maritime control, space control, and counterterrorism and counterinsurgency measures—require next-generation equipment that is not yet in the hands of the military, but is affordable under current budget projections. Before 9/11, 15 years of Pentagon underfunding and military budget cuts were intended to save money. Ironically, these political decisions have instead forced American taxpayers to spend billions more than necessary. This is because it is far more cost-effective in the long run to provide sustained funding to the

military and perform consistent maintenance and regular upgrades than it is to allow the military to collapse, and then rebuild it virtually from scratch. Unfortunately, that is the direction in which the U.S. military is headed. America's armed forces are under stress after eight years of constant combat in Iraq and Afghanistan and their equipment is increasingly dated and aging rapidly.

Key to an effective global strategy is urgently addressing this problem by funding the military's pressing modernization needs. Politicians should not repeat the destructive defense budget cuts of the 1990s in the shortsighted but politically convenient belief that world peace is nigh. Nor should policymakers view defense cuts as a source of revenue to pay for ballooning domestic programs. Rather, Congress should sustain a "core" defense budget of at least 4 percent of gross domestic product (GDP) for five to 10 years to alleviate next-generation military equipment shortfalls, maintain readiness, and sustain current operations.

What is Needed on the Home Front

Effective domestic counterterrorism programs and cooperative efforts to thwart terrorist travel and financing are the most effective tools to keep a global insurgency from flooding America's shores. Rather than talking about the need for state and local "information sharing," which really just means sending information to the federal government, the U.S. should first properly apportion roles and responsibilities between the federal government and states and localities based on the respective resources that each possesses (money, people, and experience). What is needed is a national domestic counterterrorism and intelligence framework that clearly articulates how intelligence operations at all levels should function to combat terrorism, while keeping citizens safe, free, and prosperous.

With at least 40 known plots foiled since 9/11, the United States continues to face a serious threat of terrorism. As such, national security investigators continue to require the tools and authorities to track down terror leads and dismantle plots before the public is in any danger. Those tools include the authorities provided by the PATRIOT Act, which served to modernize intelligence and legal authorities, ensuring that terrorism investigators have the same tools as those available in criminal investigations. Yet despite the fact that no provision contained within the PATRIOT Act has been found unconstitutional, and in most cases its provisions have more procedural safeguards in place than similar criminal investigative tools, Congress has not yet elected to make the entirety of the act permanent. This has left three key provisions—the Roving Surveillance Authority, the Business Record Orders, and the Lone Wolf Provision—subject to repeated authorizations. The continued success of U.S. counterterrorism efforts requires that these sunset provisions not expire. Instead the Administration should seek permanent authorization for them.

Countering violent extremism is an important complementary effort to an effective counterterrorism strategy. This August, the U.S. government released a plan called "Empowering Local Partners to Prevent Violent Extremism in the United States."^[4] The strategy focuses on outlining how federal agencies can assist and empower local officials, groups, and private organizations to prevent violent extremism. It includes strengthening law enforcement cooperation and helping communities understand how to protect themselves against and counter extremist propaganda (particularly online). Unfortunately, this plan is not a true strategy. It fails to assign responsibilities and direct action and resource investments. More must be done to transform a laundry list of good ideas into an effective program to support communities in protecting and strengthening civil society.

Furthermore, the U.S. must retain and expand robust programs that thwart terrorist travel. Specifically, the Visa Waiver Program, which allows citizens of member countries to travel to the U.S. for up to 90 days without obtaining a visa, and prevents terrorists, criminals, and other dangerous travelers from setting foot on U.S. soil by requiring pre-screening of passengers, should be expanded to include other key U.S.

allies. Likewise, the Secure Flight program, which ensures that known or suspected terrorists are prevented from boarding commercial airplanes in the U.S. by checking passenger data against all available information on known or suspected terrorists, should also be further developed by improve passenger name record (PNR) data. Further, efforts should also be taken to fully implement the stalled Visa Security Officer program, which would place security officials at consular offices to oversee visa issuance and conduct interviews.

Finally, the U.S. should also stop senseless security measures that are unworkable or add little value, while consuming scarce resources. These include a national biometric exit program and a 100 percent interview requirement for all visa applicants, which only serve to throw money at the problem at the expense of true security. These programs demand enormous investments in tools that do not provide commensurate benefits in combating terrorist travel or enforcing U.S. immigration laws. Current tools are sufficient for tracking foreigners exiting the country and compliance with U.S. immigration laws. Visa interviews should be based on “risk,” ensuring that resources are focused on classes of persons, states, and individuals of greatest concern.

Providing for the Common Defense

Paying for this strategy does not require more national security spending. On the other hand, the strategy recognizes that the U.S. cannot protect itself on the cheap. Nor is it necessary for Americans to compromise on their security in order to restore the nation’s fiscal health. National security is not the source of the nation’s economic woes. On the contrary, as a percentage of national wealth, the U.S. is spending about half what it did during the Cold War to protect all Americans from a variety of dangers (including transnational terrorism and insurgencies). Compromising on security to balance the budget would not only make the nation less safe—it would not solve the fiscal problem. Federal spending on entitlement programs is growing at an unsustainable rate. High levels of taxation and excessive government regulation retard economic growth. Unless these challenges are addressed it will be impossible to get government spending under control. These are the areas of government where restraint must be exercised—not gutting national security spending. Effective security contributes to the goal of promoting economic growth by helping create the conditions to keep the nation safe, free, and prosperous.

The Heritage Foundation Counterterrorism Task Force has pointed out areas in the President’s new strategy where there are efficiencies to be gained by discontinuing practices that are wasteful and not efficacious. Those savings should be reinvested in the security efforts that *are* needed. It would be a grave error to abandon a robust counterterrorism strategy on the mistaken belief that it is not affordable. On the contrary, battling terrorism is an investment that cannot be neglected.

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28 Are Killed in Bombing at a Mosque in Baghdad

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BAGHDAD — A suicide bomber mounted a devastating attack in one of the largest Sunni mosques in Baghdad on Sunday, killing at least 28 people, including a member of Parliament, and wounding dozens more, according to security officials.

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The attack and a recent spike in suicide bombings across the country heightened fears among Iraqis that the security situation is deteriorating as the United States prepares to withdraw all of its troops by the end of the year.

No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attack, but it was similar to recent strikes by Al Qaeda in Mesopotamia, which often uses suicide bombers. The group said this month that it had begun a 100-attack campaign to avenge the killing of Osama bin Laden.

The bombing on Sunday took place around 9:30 p.m. at the Umm al-Qura mosque, shortly after a Ramadan prayer session concluded. The mosque, which was built by Saddam Hussein, houses the Sunni Endowment of [Iraq](#), one of the largest Sunni organizations in the country.

The mosque's imam said in a television interview afterward that the bomber was disguised as a beggar, and was initially let into the mosque because he appeared to be injured.

"We thought that this man really deserved to be helped," said the imam, Ahmed al-Samarai.

Security guards quickly became suspicious of the man, though, and threw him out, but he managed to re-enter and detonate his belt among a group of people, the imam said.

"What hurts me is seeing a 3-year-old boy who came with his father to pray," the imam said. "And then after the explosion, I saw his head separated from his body." The boy's father was also killed in the attack, he said.

"The mosque was filled with blood and black smoke," said Mr. Samarai, who is also the head of the Sunni endowment. "Don't they fear God when they do this?"

The lawmaker killed in the attack, Khalid al-Fahdawi, had survived at least one assassination attempt by members of Al Qaeda, a local official in Anbar Province said. Mr. Fahdawi became a member of Parliament last year, representing the province, a mostly Sunni area once controlled by Al Qaeda, after a member of his party became the culture minister.

"The man is very well known in Anbar," said the local official, Muaid Jubarr. "It's his city. He was an Islamic moderate. He always criticized Al Qaeda and was against them. He always called for peace among the Muslims. Democracy doesn't go against Islam."

The mosque, which was completed in 2001, was originally named the Mother of All Battles Mosque, in reference to what Mr. Hussein believed was his victory over the United States in 1991 after Iraq invaded Kuwait. Some Iraqis have said that the mosque's architects modeled its minarets after the barrels of AK-47 assault rifles. After the government fell in 2003, the mosque was given to Sunni clerics, and it

became the center for the Sunni Endowment of Iraq.

The attack occurred two weeks after a coordinated group of attacks by suicide bombers and gunmen killed more than 90 people, the most violent day this year in Iraq. Several days later, Al Qaeda issued a statement saying that it had begun the 100-attack campaign.

“It doesn’t matter if the people are Sunni Arab or not,” Maj. Gen. Jeffrey Buchanan, the United States military’s chief spokesman in Iraq, said in an interview on Friday. “If they don’t believe in what Al Qaeda believes in, from an Al Qaeda perspective they are apostates and they should be killed.”

General Buchanan said he did not think Al Qaeda could reconcile its differences with the Iraqi government.

“These are people who will murder their own kids to make a point,” he said. “They have no problem conducting suicide operations and murdering as many people as possible to make a show of it. I think they need to be brought to justice rather than reconciliation.”

At least three people were killed and 13 others wounded in other violence across Iraq on Sunday. A car bomb in east Baghdad killed one civilian and wounded eight. Three other explosions in Baghdad wounded five civilians. North of the city of Baquba, two security officers were killed by gunmen.

An Iraqi employee of The New York Times contributed reporting from Anbar Province.

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Israel Marks Captive Soldier's 25th Birthday

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(NewsCore) - Israeli protesters on Sunday marked the 25th birthday of soldier Gilad Shalit, held prisoner by Palestinian militants in the Gaza Strip for a fifth of his life.

About 200 supporters gathered in the evening at the Erez crossing on the border with Gaza to demand the release of the young tank driver who was just 19 when he was snatched in June 2006.

His father Noam Shalit, among the crowd, accused Israeli leaders of having "abandoned" his son. "Leaders who abandon a soldier have no right to govern the country," he said.

"The world is silent. The Red Cross is powerless. The UN does not intervene, and a young man carries on his shoulders the full weight of our fight against the terrorist organization Hamas," which rules Gaza, said Tel Aviv's grand rabbi, Israel Meir Lau.

At midday, hundreds of Israelis also gathered near Kerem Shalom border crossing, on the edge of Gaza, where the soldier was captured in a cross-border raid from the enclave which left two other soldiers dead and three wounded.

"We came because we must put an end to the situation where the Gaza Strip is open to (the import of) goods, but Gilad Shalit for all these years remains a prisoner of Hamas," organiser Tzahi Leon told AFP by telephone.

Demonstrators waving signs called on truck drivers heading for the Palestinian territory to turn back but did not resist Israeli police orders to clear the road to the border, a police spokeswoman said.

Earlier, Shalit's parents and their supporters had also rallied outside Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's Jerusalem office as ministers held their weekly cabinet meeting, local media reported.

Father Noam held up a sign reading, "Netanyahu: You have no mandate to kill Gilad," while his wife Aviva carried a sign asking the premier for "A birthday present for Gilad -- his life back."

The soldier was snatched by gunmen from three militant groups, including the armed wing of the Hamas, the Islamist movement which has ruled Gaza since June 2007.

Shalit is still being held at a secret location, without any contact with his family or visits by the Red Cross. The last sign of life was in October 2009 in a video recording released by his captors.

Indirect negotiations brokered by Egypt and Germany over a prisoner exchange, which would see the release of hundreds of Palestinians detainees in exchange for Shalit, have led nowhere.

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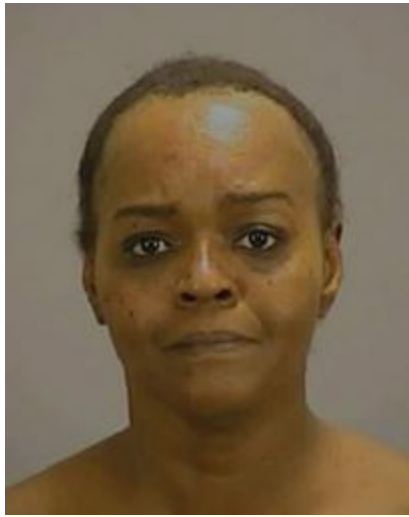
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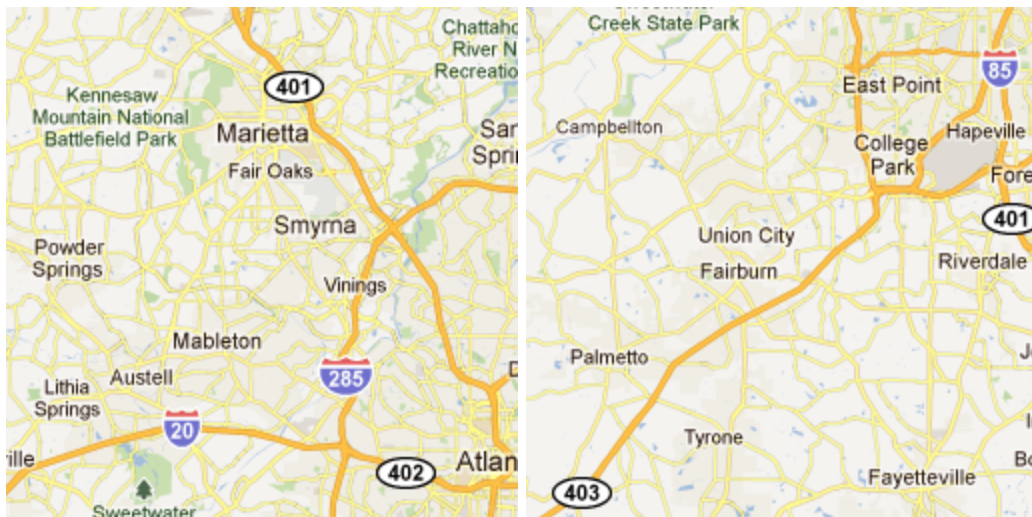
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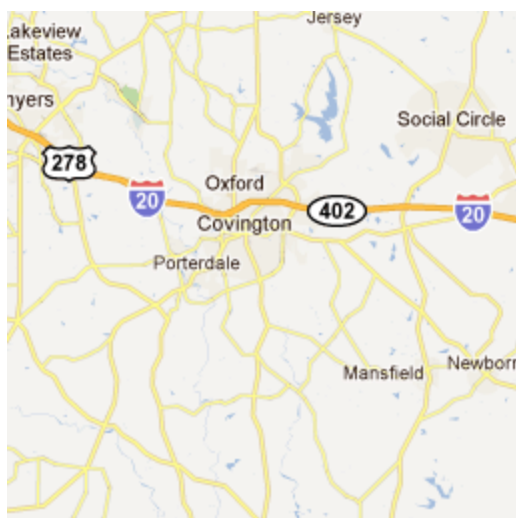
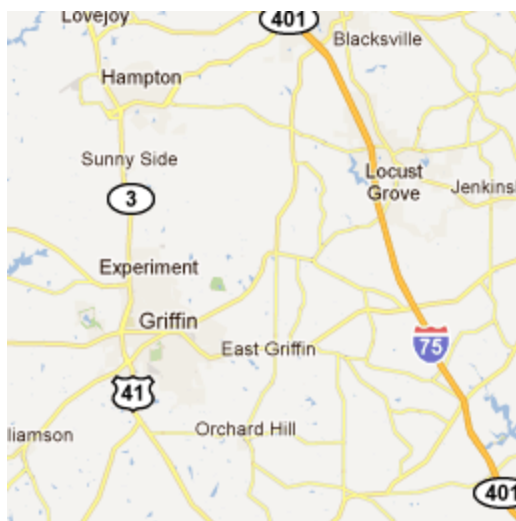
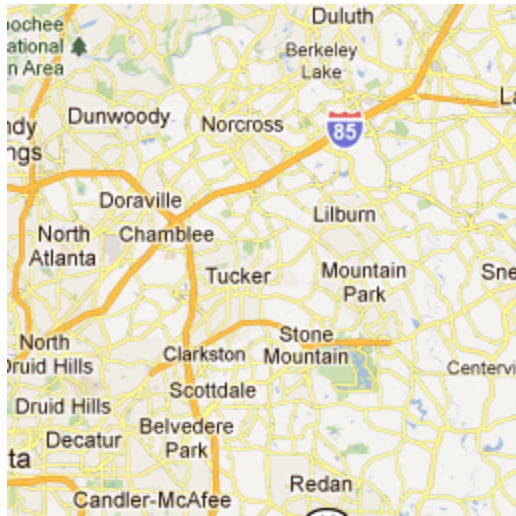
The driver who police say killed two teenagers and critically injured a third on Thursday evening in [Clayton County](#) was talking on her cell phone and had taken anti-depressants at the time of the accident, according to police.



Clayton County Police Dept. Priscilla Johnson, 48, of Lithonia faces a number of charges in connection with the deaths of two teens and the injury of another.

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Priscilla Johnson, 48, of Lithonia, faces a slew of charges in the case, including two counts of vehicular homicide, driving under the influence, hit and run and obstruction of an officer.

Johnson also was charged with driving on a suspended license, driving in the emergency lane, reckless driving, failure to exercise due care while on a cell phone and having no proof of insurance.

Antonious Bishop, 16, died at the scene. Octavius Sorrells, 17, was pronounced dead at Grady Hospital a few hours later, according to Clayton police spokesman Officer John Schneller.

Timothy Aaron, who turns 18 on Sept. 25, remains in critical condition at Grady according to Channel 2 Action News.

A friend of Johnson told Channel 2 Action News that Johnson was impaired by anti-depressants and on the phone fighting with the man she called her husband when she allegedly crashed on

Ga. 138 in Stockbridge Thursday.

The young men were walking eastbound in the emergency lane along the road near the intersection of I-675, when they were struck by the vehicle driven by Johnson, according to Schneller.

All lanes of Ga. 138 were blocked for several hours Thursday night while officers investigated the wreck.

The family has started a memorial fund for Octavius Sorrells. Donations can be sent to the Octavius T. Sorrells Memorial fund, Wells Fargo Account Number 950 172 2228.

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Scientists Discover Diamond Planet

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(NewsCore) - It's the planet that's every girl's best friend.

Australian scientists, working with US and UK colleagues, have discovered a far-off world they believe is a giant diamond, The (Sydney) Daily Telegraph reported Friday.

They used the Parkes radio telescope in western New South Wales to help reveal the existence of the diamond planet, located 4,000 light years away in the constellation of Serpens, which also contains the famous Pillars of Creation.

Dr. Michael Keith of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation's Astronomy and Space Science division, said the Parkes radio telescope revealed a spinning star called a pulsar, which emits a beam of radio waves.

The pulsar's radio waves were being altered in a way astronomers now know signals the gravitational pull of a planet orbiting the pulsar.

Research team leader Professor Matthew Bailes, from Melbourne's Swinburne University of Technology, said the alterations to the pulsar's radio waves -- detected with the help of telescopes in Hawaii and the UK -- revealed the structure of its companion planet had a relatively small diameter of 37,000 miles (60,000km) but a mass greater than Jupiter, and orbited its pulsar in just two hours and 10 minutes.

"The planet is likely to be largely carbon and oxygen, because a star made of lighter elements like hydrogen and helium would be too big to fit the measured orbiting times," Keith said.

The planet's density meant the carbon and oxygen were certain to be crystalline, so a large part of the star may essentially be a giant diamond. Diamonds are basically carbon, which changes its form when crushed under immense pressure.

The research team believe the diamond planet is all that remains of a once massive star, but most of its matter has been siphoned off towards the pulsar it orbits.

Their discovery is reported in the journal Science.

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Tenacious Flag Thief Turns Out To Be a Squirrel

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TOLEDO, Ohio (AP) - Police in Ohio have discovered that small flags being swiped from a police memorial were being squirreled away.

Two Toledo officers watched on Wednesday as a squirrel quickly snatched a flag off its wooden dowel and ran off with it. Lt. James Brown told [The Blade newspaper](#) the bushy-tailed critter was too quick to catch.

Later, police noticed a squirrel hanging out on a tree branch outside a third-floor window at their headquarters building. They also spotted a squirrel's nest made of leaves and branches — and at least two of the little flags.

Brown says at least three of the flags have gone missing in recent days.

He's careful to point out he can't prove all were the work of the same squirrel.

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Sales of American flags have [increased](#) as the 9/11 anniversary draws near. These flags are a symbol to unite beneath, to honor America and our heroes. Hopefully, they can also serve as a reminder to remain vigilant in the fight to protect America and provide America's defense with all the tools they need to continue the job of doing so.

One flag sales website, [NYCwebStore.com](#), said customer interest in 9/11 anniversary flags started in January and demand is currently 2-3 times more than in 2010 so far. Other flag stores have echoed the growing trend.

It's no wonder Americans are eager to swap faded flags for new ones as such a monumental day approaches. In the flag lies the literal fabric of the United States, a tangible item to symbolize the strength and liberty that withstood that horrible day.

The national anthem recalls, "Oh say does that star spangled banner yet wave, for the land of the free and home of the brave." The flag was enough to sustain author Francis Scott Key in the middle of a battle. It has done similarly for America as we've battled terrorism time and again in the past ten years.

After September 11, 2001, the flag's significance deepened, as it was planted it amid the rubble at Ground Zero and nearly every home flew the flag out their windows and on their lawns.

As Rep. Ted Poe (R-TX) [recently wrote](#):

Shortly after the tragic September 11, 2001 attacks on our great country, Americans all over the world raised up 'Old Glory' in patriotic understanding of the events that had just befallen our country. The American Flag has always been a symbol of bringing our nation together in good times or bad.

On foreign lands, Americans can see it flying from afar and know they are within distance of friends. One of the most famous photos in history is that of Buzz Aldrin and Neil Armstrong planting the flag on the moon.

There is a reason a 10 section "[Flag Code](#)" exists, a meticulous and sacred policy that protects the honor of America's most visible representation. Section 8j says,

The flag represents a living country and is itself considered a living thing. Therefore, the lapel flag pin being a replica, should be worn on the left lapel near the heart.

But we should not lose sight of those who wish to destroy what the American flag stands for.

As Heritage's Matt Mayer [writes](#):

We must not lull ourselves into believing that bin Laden was an anomaly. In terrorist hideouts across the globe, many men with similarly warped views are eager to become the next bin Laden. They know the path to that title lays in successfully attacking us domestically and causing substantial death and destruction.

The threat of terrorism remains and while America has prevented at least 40 terror plots aimed at the U.S. from occurring since 9/11, that is only because of a strong and aggressive offense. The flag reminds us how important it is to maintain that posture and protect America moving forward.

The flag code insists we keep our flags in good shape. They are not merely patriotic accessories but sacred emblems of a priceless freedom that is never assured past today.

As Heritage's Marion Smith [wrote](#),

The ideals of America's founding are timeless. And yet the defense of Freedom is never complete, but requires eternal vigilance. Not only must the cloth and colors of the flag endure, but the liberty it represents must not perish from the earth.

It's not just a symbol for America or Americans – it's a symbol for the world, streaming in the light from the city on a hill for the entire world to see.

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