

A VOTE FOR OSAMA

A GOP ELECTION SCAM

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THE PROBLEM

This is not the way it was supposed to be, not by a long shot. By now, George W. Bush was supposed to be a shoo-in for a second term in the White House. It really looked as if they had it all: Karl Rove was the master political strategist, the Neocons were the master war planners, and Dick Cheney was the master puppeteer of all time. Together, they would clear a path to victory for George Bush, the strong war candidate, for George Bush the highly popular candidate, and for George Bush, the absolutely unbeatable candidate. Theirs were the best laid plans, for sure. But they went badly astray.

Actually, it looked really good for a long time after September 11th. A terrorist attack on the US was a gift from the Gods for Karl Rove and company. Despite waging a failed war against the Taliban, George Bush wallowed in the glow of almost unprecedented popularity. Seizing the moment, Plan B was exhumed from the PNAC war book: George W. Bush would save the people of America from imminent annihilation by Saddam Hussein. The Neocons knew that most of the people would buy in to the lies, and that most of the people would support their president. And so they did. But this time, theirs were not the best laid plans, for sure. And they, too, went badly astray.

Fast forward to 2004, only six months before elections. The Bush administration has to wondering what the hell has happened. Karl Rove has to be wringing his hands in total disbelief. And if you look closely, much of their hubris has crumbled beneath the weight of incompetence, failure, and breaks in the ranks. But you don't have to look too closely to see that the world of George Bush has taken some unexpected turns:

- Operation Iraqi Freedom is a dismal failure with no end in sight
- The WMD scam has been exposed as a ruse to gain support for war
- American and coalition troop deaths go on and on
- The UN, no longer irrelevant, has had to step into the mess
- The Taliban and War Lords are in control of most of Afghanistan
- Insiders such as O'Neill and Clarke have spoken out against the failures
- The Iraqi prisoner abuse scandal will not go away
- The Valerie Plame leak leads directly to the White House
- The secret Cheney meetings are before the Supreme Court
- The 9/11 hearings left many questions unanswered
- Thousands of American jobs are being outsourced and unemployment is high
- The deficit has gone through the roof and getting worse
- The Medicare bill was a phony as was its fabricated cost
- The cities and states are hurting financially and getting no relief
- The religious right has influenced far too much policy
- AND GEORGE BUSH'S APPROVAL RATINGS ARE IN FREEFALL!!!!

THE SCAM

What to do? What to do? You know that these people will not go quietly into the night. You know they will come up with a strategy to counter their failures. You just know it. And they did.

The plan is simple and clever, and was inspired by the tragic train bombings in Madrid that brought down a pro war government. It relies heavily on the fear factor that has been the calling card of this administration for three years. It also relies solidly on another given: the cooperation and complicity of the corporate media.

Here we go:

1. Get some two year old photos of known Al Qaeda operatives to show the public.
2. Bring Attorney General John Ashcroft and FBI Director Robert Mueller on TV to announce grave concern over possible terrorist attacks within the US this summer.
3. Do not include the Director of Homeland Security, and do not raise the alert level.
4. Stress repeatedly that the US is really, really vulnerable to attacks during several major upcoming events.
5. REMIND EVERYONE THAT SPAIN WAS ATTACKED RIGHT BEFORE ELECTIONS.
6. REMIND PEOPLE THAT THE ATTACK DETERMINED THE ELECTION OUTCOME IN SPAIN. (Omit any reference to the 90% anti war sentiment among the people of Spain)
7. Suggest that Al Qaeda might want to influence the elections this November right here in the good old USA.
8. Let them know that Al Qaeda would like to see George Bush defeated because he is has been so strong in his war against terror.
9. MAKE SURE THAT REPRESENTATIVES OF THE BUSH ADMINISTRATION APPEAR ON TALK SHOWS ON A REGULAR BASIS TO BRING UP THIS TOPIC.
10. REPEAT OVER AND OVER THAT WE MUST NOT ALLOW TERRORISTS TO DETERMINE THE OUTCOME OF THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.
11. Let Americans know that a patriotic American will NOT vote to change the present leadership in Washington. That would be a victory for Osama bin Laden.

BOTTOM LINE: A VOTE FOR JOHN KERRY IS A VOTE FOR BIN LADEN!!!!

THE RESPONSE

Fight back. Don't let the pundits do Karl Rove's dirty work. Call the networks. Email the networks. Write to the networks. Let them know that YOU know what they're doing: shilling for George Bush by promoting the scam. Don't let them get away with this.

Remember that all over America there are good people who want to be safe, and want to be good citizens, who will believe what they hear. These people would never do anything that they think would aid and abet Osama bin Laden or any of his henchmen or women. They just don't understand, and they just don't get it. Get the message to them.

Download this article and hand it out. Make people aware of the latest ruse of an administration that has told them lie after lie after lie. There is no other way to stop them. Karl Rove is smart. He knows his lifeboat is taking on water and he will do ANYTHING to keep George Bush in the White House for another four years. This is a well thought out scam. It has a good chance of taking in enough people in enough states to make a difference. This will be a very close election, and the Republicans have absolutely NO OTHER ISSUE on which to run. None.

Every GOP ad is an attack against John Kerry. Not one ad can possibly show any achievement by George Bush. This is their last hurrah. They will call on the people to cast a vote that will defy

Osama bin Laden. Logical or not, it might just work. We cannot allow that to happen. We have to make certain that this plan also goes astray. We have to do that. We really do.
