

Hillary Clinton Cannot Stop Telling Lies

Hillary Clinton Even Lies About Lying

LIE #1: CLINTON PUBLICLY BLAMED A YOUTUBE VIDEO FOR THE BENGHAZI TERRORIST ATTACK, WHILE PRIVATELY ACKNOWLEDGING THAT IT “HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THE FILM”

In Public, Clinton Claimed The Attack In Benghazi Was The Spontaneous Result Of Protests Stemming From A YouTube Video

On September 11, 2012, Clinton Issued A Statement That Did Not Use The Words “Terror,” “Terrorist,” Or “Terrorism,” And Instead Linked The Attack To The YouTube Video. CLINTON: “Some have sought to justify this vicious behavior as a response to inflammatory material posted on the Internet. The United States deplores any intentional effort to denigrate the religious beliefs of others. Our commitment to religious tolerance goes back to the very beginning of our nation. But let me be clear: There is never any justification for violent acts of this kind.” (Secretary Hillary Clinton, [Statement On The Attack In Benghazi](#), 9/11/12)

On September 14, 2012, Clinton Again Blamed The Attacks On The Video, Saying “We’ve Seen Rage And Violence Directed At American Embassies Over An Awful Internet Video That We Had Nothing To Do With.” CLINTON: “This has been a difficult week for the State Department and for our country. We’ve seen the heavy assault on our post in Benghazi that took the lives of those brave men. We’ve seen rage and violence directed at American embassies over an awful internet video that we had nothing to do with. It is hard for the American people to make sense of that because it is senseless, and it is totally unacceptable.” (Secretary Hillary Clinton, [Remarks](#), Joint Base Andrews, MD, 9/14/12)

During Clinton’s Testimony Before The House Select Committee On Benghazi, Clinton Claimed The State Department’s Press Release, Which Blamed The Attack On The YouTube Video, Was Actually Not Just About Benghazi, But About Other Protests In Tunis And Khartoum. JORDAN: “At 10:08 on the night of the attack you released this statement: ‘Some have sought to justify the vicious behavior as a response to inflammatory material posted on the Internet.’ At 10:08, with no evidence, at 10:08, before the attack is over, at 10:08, when Tyrone Woods and Glen Doherty are still on the roof of the Annex fighting for their lives, the official statement of the State Department blames a video. Why?” Mrs. CLINTON. During the day on September 11, as you did mention, Congressman, there was a very large protest against our Embassy in Cairo. Protesters breached the walls. They tore down the American flag. And it was of grave concern to us because the inflammatory video had been shown on Egyptian television, which has a broader reach than just inside Egypt. And if you look at what I said, I referred to the video that night in a very specific way. I said, ‘Some have sought to justify the attack because of the video.’ I used those words deliberately, not to ascribe a motive to every attacker, but as a warning to those across the region that there was no justification for further attacks. And, in fact, during the course of that week we had many attacks that were all about the video. We had people breaching the walls of our Embassies in Tunis and Khartoum. We had people, thankfully not Americans, dying at protests.” (Select Committee On The Events Surrounding The 2012 Terrorist Attack In Benghazi, U.S. House Of Representatives, [Hearing](#), 10/22/15)

- **The Title Of The Press Release: “Statement On The Attack In Bengazhi”** (Press Release, “Statement On The Attack In Benghazi,” [U.S. State Department](#), 9/11/12)
- **Clinton’s Press Release Makes No Reference To Any Country Other Than Libya.** (Press Release, “Statement On The Attack In Benghazi,” [U.S. State Department](#), 9/11/12)

Clinton Told Family Members Of The Four Killed Americans That The YouTube Video Was To Blame

The Father Of Tyrone Woods, One Of The Americans Killed In The Attack, Says That Clinton Told Him, “We Are Going To Have The Filmmaker Arrested Who Was Responsible For The Death Of Your Son.” “When I asked him about that day as we waited for the hearing to begin, he pulled a small leather black datebook from his pocket – maybe the size of a calculator, with 2012 engraved in gold on the front – as he recalled her words. He began reading from the entry that started on September 14, the day of the ceremony, and continued into the space for the following day. It ran just five or six lines, written in pencil. He recorded Clinton’s exact words. ‘We are going to have the filmmaker arrested who was responsible for the death of your son,’ he read. Then he looked up. ‘I remember those words: ‘who was responsible for the death of your son.’ She was blaming him and blaming the movie.’” (Stephen Hayes, “Still Waiting For The Truth,” [Weekly Standard](#), 10/23/15)

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Clinton Has Denied That She Told Family Members Of The Deceased That The Attack Was The Result Of The Video And That The Filmmaker Should Be Arrested. “Continuing to press, McLaughlin said three family members victims said that Clinton told him that the attack was the result of the video and or that the filmmaker should be arrested. Clinton replied that other family members believe differently and stressed she had sympathy for all involved. ‘I can’t recite for you everything that was in a conversation where people were sobbing, where people were distraught, the president and the vice president, we were all making the rounds talking to people, listening to people,’ said Clinton. ‘I was in a very difficult position because we have not yet said two of the four dead were CIA ... This was a part of the fog of war.’” (Daymond Steer, “Clinton Talks Iraq And Benghazi With The Sun Ed Board,” [Conway \[New Hampshire\] Daily Sun](#), 12/30/15)

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But Privately, Clinton Admitted The Attack “Had Nothing To Do With The Film” And Was Carried Out By “An Al Queda-Like Group”

On The Night Of The Benghazi Attack, Hillary Clinton Emailed Chelsea Clinton That State Department Officials “Were Killed In Benghazi By An Al Queda-Like Group.” “On the night of the Benghazi attacks, Clinton emailed her daughter Chelsea, writing “Two of our officers were killed in Benghazi by an Al Queda-like group: The Ambassador, whom I handpicked and a young communications officer on temporary duty w a wife and two young children. Very hard day and I fear more of the same tomorrow.”” (Carrie Dann, “Clinton’s Emails Give Glimpse Into A Candidate Often Under Pressure,” [NBC News](#), 1/15/16)

On September 12, 2012, Clinton Told The Egyptian Prime Minister That The Administration Knew The Benghazi Attack “Had Nothing To Do With The Film” And That It “Was A Planned Attack-Not A Protest.” (Lawrence Randolph [Email](#) To S_CallNotes, 9/12/12, Accessed 10/31/15, p.2)

U.S. Department of State Case No. O-2015-15055 Doc No. C05561011 Date: 10/13/2015

K: [REDACTED] 1.4(B)
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S: We know that the attack in Libya had nothing to do with the film. It was a planned attack- not a protest.

K: [REDACTED]

S: Your not kidding. Based on the information we saw today we believe the group that claimed responsibility for this was affiliated with al Qaeda.

K: [REDACTED]

S: We are trying to draw distinctions and communicate that we value our relationship with Egypt and Libya and that these incidents are not representatives of the governments as the videos that were produced here are not representative of us.

(Lawrence Randolph [Email](#) To S_CallNotes, 9/12/12, p.2)

LIE #2: CLINTON HAS PUBLICLY TOUTED THE RUSSIAN “RESET” WHILE PRIVATELY ADMITTING IT WAS A FAILURE

Clinton Has Maintained That Her “Reset Worked”

Clinton, June 2014 On The Reset: “[I] Thought It Was A Brilliant Stroke, Which In Retrospect Appears Even More So, Because Look At What We Accomplished.” HOST: “You famously pressed the reset button. Are you embarrassed by that now, that gesture?” CLINTON: “No I thought it was a brilliant stroke, which in retrospect appears even more so, because look at what we accomplished.” ([Interview With BBC](#), 6/13/14)

Clinton, July 2014: “[W]hat I Think I Demonstrate In The Book Is That The Reset Worked.” HARWOOD: “Let’s talk about Russia for a second. ...And so I guess my question is, you say in the book that America can’t solve everything but nothing can be solved without America; we’re the indispensable nation. If neither approach, the Bush administration or the Obama administration, worked with Putin, what exactly are we indispensable for?” CLINTON: Well, I would take issue with the way you characterize that, because what I think I demonstrate in the book is that the reset worked. It was an effort to try to obtain Russian cooperation on some key objectives while Medvedev was president, and of course Putin still pulled the strings but he gave Medvedev a certain amount of independence to negotiate, number one, a new arms control treaty, which was absolutely necessary.” (NPR’s [“On Point,”](#) 7/24/14)

- **Clinton: “The Reset Succeeded...”** CLINTON: “The reset succeeded but we had to make adjustments, given the fact that Putin was going to resume both the real position of presidency and begin, I thought and argued, to be more aggressive in his foreign policy.” (NPR’s [“On Point,”](#) 7/24/14)

In A Private Memo To Obama Before Leaving The State Department, Clinton Conceded That The Reset Failed

In Her Final Weeks As Secretary, Clinton Wrote A Memo To Obama Warning “That Relations With Russia Had Hit A Low Point And The Heralded ‘Reset’ In Relations Was Over.” “In her final weeks as secretary of state, Hillary Clinton wrote a private memo to President Barack Obama warning that relations with Russia had hit a low point and the heralded ‘reset’ in relations was over, according to people who saw the document.” (Peter Nicholas, Adam Entous, and Carol E. Lee, “Hillary Clinton’s Legacy At State Dept.: A Hawk With Clipped Wings,” [The Wall Street Journal](#), 5/30/14)

LIE #3: CLINTON HAS TRIED TO REWRITE THE HISTORY OF HER POLICY TOWARDS SYRIA

As Secretary Of State, Clinton Expressed Skepticism Towards Arming The Syrian Rebels

As Secretary Of State, “Clinton Publicly Expressed Doubt With Arming The Rebels.” “As secretary of state, though, Clinton publicly expressed doubt with arming the rebels. ‘What are we going to arm them with and against what,’ Clinton told CBS in February 2012. ‘You are not going to bring tanks over the borders of Turkey, Lebanon and Jordan — that’s not going to happen. So maybe at the best you can smuggle in, you know, automatic weapons.’” (Dan Merica, “Clinton Dances Between Loyalty And Self-Interest,” [CNN](#), 8/13/14)

- **As Secretary, Clinton Expressed A Concern That Arming The Syrian Rebels Could Lead To Weapons Going To Al Qaeda.** “Another administration concern is that weapons might go to al Qaeda. ‘We know al Qaeda [leader Ayman al-] Zawahiri is supporting the opposition in Syria. Are we supporting al Qaeda in Syria? Hamas is now supporting the opposition. Are we supporting Hamas in Syria?’ Clinton said. ‘If you’re a military planner or if you’re a secretary of state and you’re trying to figure out do you have the elements of an opposition that is actually viable, that we don’t see. We see immense human suffering that is heartbreaking.’” (Wyatt Andrews, “Clinton: Arming Syrian Rebels Could Help Al Qaeda,” [CBS News](#), 2/27/12)

During A 2012 Hearing, Clinton Expressed Skepticism Over Arming The Syrian Opposition.

CLINTON: “And at this point it is not clear -- like we had, you know, in Libya the Libyan opposition commanded territory. They held Benghazi. They had a face, both the people who were doing the outreach diplomatically and the fighters. We could actually meet with them, we could eyeball them, we could ask them tough questions. Here, you know, when Zawahiri of al-Qaida comes out and supports the Syrian opposition, you’ve got to ask yourself, if we arm, who are we arming, and how would we get the arms in there, and what good would automatic weapons against artillery and tanks do?” (Foreign Operations And Related Programs Subcommittee Of The Committee On Appropriations, U.S. House Of Representatives, [Hearing](#), 2/29/12)

With The Middle-East Now In Complete Chaos, Clinton Has Cast Obama’s Choice Not To Arm Syrian Rebels As A “Failure,” Dishonestly Distancing Herself From His Syria Policy

In An Interview With *The Atlantic*, Clinton Took Her “Furthest, Most Public Step Away” From Obama, Saying His Decision Not To Back The Syrian Opposition Early In The Conflict Was A “Failure.” “Hillary Clinton has taken her furthest, most public step away yet from President Barack Obama, rejecting the core of his self-described foreign policy doctrine and describing his decision against backing Syrian rebels early on as a ‘failure.’” (Maggie Haberman, “Why Hillary Clinton Spoke Out On Obama,” [Politico](#), 8/10/14)

- **Clinton, August 2014: “I Know That The Failure To Help Build Up A Credible Fighting Force Of The People Who Were The Originators Of The Protests Against Assad...The Failure To Do That Left A Big Vacuum, Which The Jihadists Have Now Filled.”** GOLDBERG: “Do you think we’d be where we are with ISIS right now if the U.S. had done more three years ago to build up a moderate Syrian opposition?” CLINTON: “Well, I don’t know the answer to that. I know that the failure to help build up a credible fighting force of the people who were the originators of the protests against Assad—there were Islamists, there were secularists, there was everything in the middle—the failure to do that left a big vacuum, which the jihadists have now filled.” (Jeffrey Goldberg, “Hillary Clinton: ‘Failure’ To Help Syrian Rebels Led To The Rise Of ISIS,” [The Atlantic](#), 8/10/14)

At Her CNN “Hard Choices” Town Hall, Clinton Said As Secretary Of State She Pushed To Provide Greater Support To Moderate Syrian Rebels. QUESTIONER: “And I’m wondering on the issue of Syria, what you believe the administration can and should do into engage and support what remains of the moderate opposition and take a more active role in addressing the humanitarian crisis?” CLINTON: Well, thank you for that. And I, I wrote a whole chapter about Syria in my book, ‘Hard Choices.’ And I call it a wicked problem, because it is. And in the book, I obviously write about what is now publicly known, I

recommended that we do more in the very beginning to support the moderate opposition, because I believed, at the time, that they would be overwhelmed by Assad's military force and that they would open up the door to extremists coming in." (CNN's "Hard Choices Town Hall," 6/17/14)

- **Clinton Said The Plan She Laid Out "Would Not Be A Big Operation By The United States, But It Would Show Whose Side We Were On."** CLINTON: "I worked with General Petraeus then at the CIA, Secretary Panetta, then at DOD. And we made a presentation about how we thought that kind of vetting and training and equipment -- equipping could go and it would not be a big operation by the United States, but it would show whose side we were on and it would begin, I hoped, to tip the balance. That hasn't happened until recently, but now we are involved in doing more on behalf of that. We also worked very hard to get the political opposition, the moderate political opposition, to be better organized and to try to again present an inclusive front so that they would be a stronger force to negotiate with Assad." (CNN's "Hard Choices Town Hall," 6/17/14)

To "Put Some Distance Between Herself And The Obama Administration," Clinton Now Advocates For Arming The Syrian Rebels. "Hillary Rodham Clinton put some distance between herself and the Obama administration's handling of the fight against Islamic State militants, saying she had pushed, unsuccessfully, to do more early on to help Syrian moderate forces in the fight against President Bashar Assad. 'I believed that they would be more likely to work with the United States and the West if we supported them early,' Clinton said in the morning email newsletter theSkimm." (Michael A. Memoli, "Clinton Distances Herself From Obama On Islamic State," [Los Angeles Times](#), 7/30/15)

LIE #4: CLINTON IS "UNCREDIBLE" WHEN IT COMES TO BASHAR AL-ASSAD

As Secretary Of State, Clinton Earned "Three Pinocchio's" And Was Deemed "Uncredible" For Calling Assad A "Different Leader" And A "Reformer"

In 2011, Clinton Said Syrian President Bashar Al-Assad Was "A Reformer." CLINTON: "There's a different leader in Syria now. Many of the members of Congress of both parties who have gone to Syria in recent months have said they believe he's a reformer." (CBS' [Face The Nation](#)," 3/27/11)

- **Clinton Said Assad Was A "Different Leader" From His Autocratic Father And Was A "Reformer."** CBS' BOB SCHIEFFER: "But I mean, how can that be worse than what has happened in Syria over the years, where Bashar Assad's father killed 25,000 people at (inaudible). I mean, they opened fire with live ammunition on these civilians. Why is that different from Libya? This is the friend of Iran, an enemy of Israel?" CLINTON: "Well, if there were a coalition of the international community, if there were the passage of a security council resolution, if there were a call by the Arab League, if there was a condemnation that was universal. But that is not going to happen because I don't think that it's yet clear what will occur, what will unfold. There's a different leader in Syria now. Many of the members of congress of both parties who have gone to Syria in recent months have said they believe he's a reformer. What's been happening there the last few weeks is deeply concerning. But there's a difference between calling out aircraft and indiscriminately strafing and bombing your own cities than police actions which frankly have exceeded the use of force that any of us would want to see." (CBS' [Face The Nation](#)," 3/27/11)

Clinton Earned Three Pinocchios From *The Washington Post's* Fact Checker For Claiming Assad Was "A Reformer." (Glenn Kessler, "Hillary Clinton's Uncredible Statement On Syria," [The Washington Post](#), 4/4/11)

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***The Washington Post's* Glenn Kessler: "[C]linton's Remarks Gave A Highly Misleading Impression."** "In fact, Clinton's remarks gave a highly misleading impression — that there was general consensus by

experts on Syria in both parties that Assad was a reformer, even though Clinton's own State Department reports label him otherwise." (Glenn Kessler, "Hillary Clinton's Uncredible Statement On Syria," [The Washington Post](#), 4/4/11)

On The Campaign Trail, Clinton Omits Her Past Affection For Assad

Clinton Claimed That As Secretary, She Viewed Assad As The "Principal Threat In The Syrian Conflict Because Of His "Ruthless Behavior Toward His Own People." CLINTON: "You know, Al, I had a different strategy back when I was Secretary Of State. I can't sit here today and tell you that if my strategy had been followed we'd be in a different place because this has so much of a dynamic of its own. What I believed then is that Assad was the principle threat because his bombarding and his ruthless behavior toward his own people was going to create more terrorists, it was going to create refugees, it was going to destabilize neighboring countries. All that has come to pass." (MSNBC's [PoliticsNation With Al Sharpton](#), 9/30/15)

LIE #5: CLINTON FALSELY CLAIMED THAT EMAILS FROM SIDNEY BLUMENTHAL WERE "UNSOLICITED," WHEN IN FACT, CLINTON TREATED HIM AS A SECRET, OFF-THE-BOOKS ADVISER

After Clinton Became Secretary Of State, She Tried To Hire Long-Time Associate Sidney Blumenthal At The State Department But Was Blocked By The Obama White House. "As White House chief of staff, Rahm Emanuel was the one to bring the hammer down on Sidney Blumenthal. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton wanted to hire Mr. Blumenthal, a loyal confidant who had helped her promote the idea of a 'vast right-wing conspiracy' more than a decade ago. But President Obama's campaign veterans still blamed him for spreading harsh attacks against their candidate in the primary showdown with Mrs. Clinton last year. So Mr. Emanuel talked with Mrs. Clinton, said Democrats informed about the situation, and explained that bringing Mr. Blumenthal on board was a no-go." (Peter Baker and Jeff Zeleny, "Emanuel Wields Power Freely, And Faces The Risks," [The New York Times](#), 8/15/09)

The Clintons Then Hired Blumenthal As A Full-Time Employee Of The Clinton Foundation In 2009, Earning \$10,000 A Month. "Sidney Blumenthal, a longtime confidant of Bill and Hillary Clinton, earned about \$10,000 a month as a full-time employee of the Clinton Foundation while he was providing unsolicited intelligence on Libya to then Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, according to multiple sources familiar with the arrangement. Blumenthal was added to the payroll of the Clintons' global philanthropy in 2009 — not long after advising Hillary Clinton's presidential campaign — at the behest of former president Bill Clinton, for whom he had worked in the White House, say the sources." (Kenneth P. Vogel, "Clinton Foundation Paid Blumenthal \$10K Per Month While He Advised On Libya," [Politico](#), 5/28/15)

- **Blumenthal Has Also Done Consulting For Media Matters And American Bridge, "Two Organizations Supporting Hillary Clinton's 2016 Presidential Bid."** "Outside of his work for Constellations Group, he was employed by the Clinton Foundation and consulted for Media Matters and American Bridge, two organizations supporting Hillary Clinton's 2016 presidential bid." (Adam B. Lerner, "Hillary Clinton Downplays Sidney Blumenthal's Influence," [Politico](#), 5/19/15)

In 2015, It Was Revealed That Blumenthal Had Been Advising Clinton At The State Department Through Email Memos

In May 2015, The New York Times Reported That Emails From Around The Time Of The 2012 Benghazi Attacks Between Blumenthal And Clinton Showed Him Advising Her On Events In Libya. "Mr. Gowdy's chief interest, according to people briefed on the inquiry, is a series of memos that Mr. Blumenthal — who was not an employee of the State Department — wrote to Mrs. Clinton about events unfolding in Libya before and after the death of Col. Muammar el-Qaddafi." (Nichols Confessore and Michael S. Schmidt, "Clinton Friend's Memos On Libya Draw Scrutiny To Politics And Business," [The New York Times](#), 5/18/15)

- **Clinton "Took [Blumenthal's] Advice Seriously, Forwarding His Memos To Senior Diplomatic Officials...And At Times Asking Them To Respond."** "According to emails obtained

by The New York Times, Mrs. Clinton, who was secretary of state at the time, took Mr. Blumenthal's advice seriously, forwarding his memos to senior diplomatic officials in Libya and Washington and at times asking them to respond. Mrs. Clinton continued to pass around his memos even after other senior diplomats concluded that Mr. Blumenthal's assessments were often unreliable." (Nichols Confessore and Michael S. Schmidt, "Clinton Friend's Memos On Libya Draw Scrutiny To Politics And Business," [The New York Times](#), 5/18/15)

In 2012, Blumenthal Worked For A "Company With Business Interests In Libya," Giving Him "A Direct Financial Stake In The Ouster Of Qaddafi And Subsequent U.S. Policy In Libya." "Blumenthal was working at the time for Constellations Group, a company with business interests in Libya, leading to further concerns about his motivations in sending the intelligence. Constellations Group planned to secure contracts with Libya's transitional government that would have required State Department-approved permits, giving Blumenthal a direct financial stake in the ouster of Qaddafi and subsequent U.S. policy in Libya." (Adam B. Lerner, "Hillary Clinton Downplays Sidney Blumenthal's Influence," [Politico](#), 5/19/15)

Clinton Downplayed Their Relationship, Saying He Was A "Friend" Who Sent "Unsolicited" Emails

In May 2015, Clinton Downplayed Her Relationship With Blumenthal, Calling Him A "Friend" Who Sent Her "Unsolicited" Emails. CLINTON: "I have many, many old friends and I always think that it's important when you get into politics to have friends you had before you were in politics and to understand what's on their minds. And he's been a friend of mine for a long time. He sent me unsolicited e-mails, which I passed on in some instances and I see that that's just part of the give and take. When you're in the public eye, when you're in an official position, I think you do have to work to make sure you're not caught in a bubble and you only hear from a certain small group of people and I'm going to keep talking to my old friends, whoever they are." (Hillary Clinton, [Remarks To The Press](#), Cedar Falls, IA, 5/19/15)

Clinton Said She Passed Them Along To Other State Department Officials To "Make Sure [She Wasn't] Caught In A Bubble." "Hillary Clinton on Tuesday downplayed Sidney Blumenthal's influence on her Wednesday, saying she passed his emails to State Department deputies to 'make sure [she wasn't] caught in a bubble' with only information coming 'from a certain small group of people.' 'He sent me unsolicited emails which I passed on in some instances and I say that that's just part of the give and take,' Clinton told reporters Tuesday at an event in Cedar Falls, Iowa." (Adam B. Lerner, "Hillary Clinton Downplays Sidney Blumenthal's Influence," [Politico](#), 5/19/15)

But Further Email Releases Showed That Clinton Actively Sought Blumenthal's Counsel While At State, Treating Him As An Off-The-Books Adviser

Politico **Headline: "New Clinton Emails Show Expansive Role Of Sidney Blumenthal"** (Josh Gerstein, "New Clinton Emails Show Expansive Role Of Sidney Blumenthal," [Politico](#), 7/1/15)

Clinton Was Being Dishonest When She Said Blumenthal's Advice Was "Unsolicited," As Her Emails "Show That At Times She Sought His Counsel." "Although Clinton has described Blumenthal's advice as unsolicited, the emails released so far show that at times she sought his counsel. The extensive communication appears to have been a constant during Clinton's tenure, after her attempts to get Blumenthal a State Department post were blocked by Obama aides unhappy with his role during the 2008 presidential primary fight between Obama and Clinton." (Nahal Toosi, "Sid Blumenthal's Raw Advice For Hillary," [Politico](#), 9/1/15)

Clinton's Emails Show That Blumenthal "Was An Inescapable Presence In The Former Secretary Of State's Digital Life During Her Years At Foggy Bottom." "The latest batch of Clinton emails released late Monday further shed light on how Blumenthal, the liberal writer and longtime confidant of the Clinton family, was an inescapable presence in the former secretary of state's digital life during her years at Foggy Bottom." (Nahal Toosi, "Sid Blumenthal's Raw Advice For Hillary," [Politico](#), 9/1/15)

In His Emails, “Blumenthal Appeared To Cover As Much Territory As The Jet-Setting Clinton.” “In his emails, Blumenthal appeared to cover as much territory as the jet-setting Clinton, dealing with everything from politics in Northern Ireland to the foreign policy bona fides of a top adviser to President Barack Obama.” (Nahal Toosi, “Sid Blumenthal’s Raw Advice For Hillary,” [Politico](#), 9/1/15)

Blumenthal “Weighed In Freely” On Foreign Affairs And “Served As An Informer On Domestic Politics.” “In addition to memos on Libya that have drawn attention, Mr. Blumenthal weighed in freely on events in Britain, Northern Ireland, Saudi Arabia, Israel, Iran, China, Greece, Mexico, Italy and even Kyrgyzstan, becoming a sort of unofficial early warning service for the secretary on the far-flung issues that confronted her. He also served as an informer on domestic politics, keeping her up-to-date on the latest machinations in the White House and the campaign trail, even offering suggestions for midterm election strategy.” (Peter Baker, Emails Show How Hillary Clinton Valued Input From Sidney Blumenthal,” [The New York Times](#), 9/1/15)

Blumenthal Appears To Be The Person Clinton “Heard From By Email The Most Outside Her [State] Department.” “Mr. Blumenthal, in fact, was so prolific in his messages to “H,” as he addressed her, that he seems to be the person she heard from by email the most outside her department. Of the 4,368 emails and documents, mostly from 2010, that were posted on the State Department website on Monday night in response to a court order, a search found that 306 involved messages from Mr. Blumenthal to Mrs. Clinton or vice versa.” (Peter Baker, Emails Show How Hillary Clinton Valued Input From Sidney Blumenthal,” [The New York Times](#), 9/1/15)

LIE #6: CLINTON TRIED TO DOWNPLAY AND MISLEAD ABOUT HER VOTE TO AUTHORIZE THE WAR IN IRAQ

On October 11, 2002, Clinton Voted In Favor Of A Joint Resolution To Authorize The Use Of Military Force Against Iraq. ([H.J. Res 114](#), Roll Call Vote #237: Passed 77-23: R 48-1; D 29-22, 10/11/02, Clinton Voted Yea)

- **Clinton Spoke On The Senate Floor In Favor Of The War In Iraq Saying It Was “In The Best Interests Of Our Nation.”** CLINTON: “So it is with conviction that I support this resolution as being in the best interests of our nation. A vote for it is not a vote to rush to war; it is a vote that puts awesome responsibility in the hands of our President and we say to him - use these powers wisely and as a last resort. And it is a vote that says clearly to Saddam Hussein - this is your last chance - disarm or be disarmed.” (Sen. Hillary Clinton, [Congressional Record](#), 10/10/02, p. S10290)

In 2003, Clinton Told NBC’s Tim Russert She Did Not Regret Her Vote To Authorize The President To Take Action In Iraq. RUSSERT: “Do you now regret your vote giving the president the authority to go to war in Iraq?” CLINTON: “No.” (NBC’s “Meet The Press,” 12/7/03)

Several Years Later, Clinton’s Tone Changed, As She Carefully Parsed Her Words In An Effort To Downplay Her Vote To Authorize The War

In A 2005 Letter To Constituents, Clinton Said She Had Voted For The War In Iraq To Intimidate Saddam Hussein, Saying “Hussein Never Did Anything To Comply With His Obligations That He Was Not Forced To Do.” CLINTON: “In October 2002, I voted for the resolution to authorize the Administration to use force in Iraq. I voted for it on the basis of the evidence presented by the Administration, assurances they gave that they would first seek to resolve the issue of weapons of mass destruction peacefully through United Nations sponsored inspections, and the argument that the resolution was needed because Saddam Hussein never did anything to comply with his obligations that he was not forced to do.” (Hillary Clinton, [Letter To Constituents On Iraq Policy](#), 11/29/05)

In 2007, Clinton Said She Had “Taken Responsibility” For Her Vote, But Refused To Call It A Mistake. QUESTION: “In the end, candidates have to defend your record and you are off to Iowa where the former Senator John Edwards is polling very well. And he has sort of positioned himself as the anti-war candidate. I’m envisioning the debate between the two of you when he turns to you and says ‘I have

repudiated my vote to go to war in Iraq. I've said it's a mistake. Senator, why can't you say your vote was a mistake?" What would your response be?" CLINTON: "I've taken responsibility for my vote. But I also, as a member of the United States Senate, have an obligation to try to figure out what we're gonna do now. I'm not on the sidelines, I'm in the arena. I'm on the Senate Armed Services Committee. I look at those terrible death figures and injuries that our young men and women are suffering. And I'm trying to figure out what is the smart, right way to get us out of Iraq. How do we have a phased redeployment of our troops? How do we get this Iraqi government to do what we've been, you know, expecting and asking them to do? How do we get the neighborhood and the countries involved so they can help us? So, you know, I have taken responsibility. I have asked that the President take responsibility. And, I think, when I talk with people, what everyone I talk with is focused on is not looking backwards but what do we do now? And how do we save American lives, save Iraqi lives, have whatever success can come out of this terrible situation. And that's what I'm focused on trying to achieve. (NBC's "[Today Show](#)," 1/23/07)

- **When Asked Again, Clinton Dodged, Only Saying "If We Had Known Then What We Know Now, We Never Would Have Had A Vote And I Wouldn't Have Voted For It."** QUESTION: "But people also look for a consistent record. When you say you've taken responsibility Senator, once again, is that the same thing as saying I made a mistake by voting for the war?" CLINTON: "You know, I – you know, it's interesting to me how clear I've been that what I said repeatedly was that we were not conducting this in a very effective way. I've been one of the most persistent critics. I've also made it very clear that if we had known then what we know now, we never would have had a vote and I wouldn't have voted for it." (NBC's "[Today Show](#)," 1/23/07)

In 2008, Clinton Claimed Her Vote Was Not For War, But "A Vote To Use The Threat Of Force," Even Though She Voted Against An Amendment "Favoring More Diplomacy"

In 2008, Clinton Defended Her Vote Saying "It's Absolutely Unfair" To Say That The Vote Was For War, Claiming Instead She Voted For Diplomacy. CLINTON: "Fourth, it is absolutely unfair to say that the vote as Chuck Hagel, who was one of the architects of the resolution, has said, was a vote for war. It was a vote to use the threat of force against Saddam Hussein, who never did anything without being made to do so." RUSSELL: "The title of the act was The Authorization For Use of Military Force Against Iraq resolution." CLINTON: "But, you know, Tim, that was exactly what would happen if we weren't successful with the diplomacy and if we weren't successful in persuading Hussein to do something. And let me just add here that when we were moving toward the preemptive war that George Bush decided to wage, the inspectors were in Iraq, we were getting information, finally, that would give us a basis for knowing. I believe if the inspectors had been allowed to do their work, we would've learned that what Saddam Hussein had constructed was a charade. It could've very well brought him down by his own people." (NBC's "[Meet The Press](#)," 1/13/08)

In 2003, Clinton Joined A Majority Of Senate Democrats In Voting Against The Levin Amendment, Which Would Have Restricted President Bush's Authority To Use Force In Iraq Only If There Was A Concurrent U.N. Authorization. "STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: To authorize the use of the United States Armed Forces, pursuant to a new resolution of the United Nations Security Council, to destroy, remove, or render harmless Iraq's weapons of mass destruction, nuclear weapons-usable material, long-range ballistic missiles, and related facilities, and for other purposes." (S. Amdt. 4862 To S. Amdt. 4856 To S.J. Res 45, [Roll Call Vote #235](#): Failed 75-24-1; R 1-46; D 23-28, 10/11/02, Clinton Voted Nay)

- **Levin's Amendment Would Have Required President Bush To Return To Congress And Ask For Military Authorization Again If U.N. Diplomacy Failed.** "One of Clinton's Democratic colleagues offered an amendment favoring more diplomacy. The amendment's author, Sen. Carl Levin of Michigan, said his proposal would require Bush to return to Congress if U.N. diplomacy failed, and ask for another war resolution. Clinton voted against it." (Jeff Gerth, "All The Things Hillary Clinton's Book Doesn't Say About Iraq," [ProPublica](#), 6/18/14)

- **Clinton Told NBC's Tim Russert That She Opposed The Levin Amendment Because It Would Have Given The U.N. Veto Power Over U.S. Actions.** CLINTON: "Well, Tim, if I had a lot of paper in front of me, I could quote people who say something very differently, so I know you're very good at this and I respect it, but let's look at the context here. Number one, the Levin amendment, in my view, gave the Security Council of the United Nations a veto over American presidential power. I don't believe that is an appropriate policy for the United States, no matter who is our president." (NBC's [Meet The Press](#), 1/13/08)

Clinton Has Now Reached At Point Where She Says She "Got It Wrong," Calling The Vote A "Mistake, Plain And Simple"

In Her 2014 Book *Hard Choices*, Clinton Apologized For Her Vote On Iraq Saying She "Got It Wrong, Plain And Simple." "When I voted to authorize force in 2002, I said that it was probably the 'hardest decision I have ever had to make.' I thought I acted in good faith and made the best decision I could with the information I had. And I wasn't alone in getting it wrong. But I still got it wrong. Plain and simple." (Hillary Clinton, *Hard Choices*, 2014, p. 137)

In May 2015, Clinton Unequivocally Said That Her Support For The Iraq War Was A "Mistake, Plain And Simple." QUESTION: "Secretary Clinton, given the situation in Iraq, do you think that we're better off without Saddam Hussein in power?" CLINTON: "Look, I know that there have been a lot of questions about Iraq posed to candidates over the last weeks. I've made it very clear that I made a mistake, plain and simple. And I have written about it in my book, I've talked about it in the past. And what we now see is a very different and very dangerous situation. The United States is doing what it can, but ultimately this has to be a struggle that the Iraqi government and the Iraqi people are determined to win for themselves. And we can provide support, but they're going to have to do it." (Hillary Clinton, [Remarks At Bike Works](#), Cedar Falls, IA, 5/19/15)

- **Clinton Called The Vote A Mistake "With No Qualifications."** "In her comments Tuesday she made clear that she viewed her past vote as a mistake, with no qualifications." (Adam B. Lerner, "Hillary Clinton Says Her Iraq War Vote Was A 'Mistake,'" [Politico](#), 5/19/15)

Clinton Claimed That By Not Admitting Her Vote Was A Mistake, She Chose To Courageously Stand With The Troops Instead Of Making A "Smart Political Decision"

During Her 2014 *Hard Choices* Book Tour, Clinton Said She Stood By Her Vote On Iraq Because She Didn't Want To "Break Faith With The Troops." CLINTON: "I thought a lot about that because said well, you know, you're not saying you made a mistake for political reasons. Well, in fact, in our, in the Democratic Party at that time, the smart political decision, as so many of my colleagues did, was just to come out and say, terrible mistake, shouldn't have done it, and, you know, blame the Bush administration. I had this sense that I had voted for it and we had all these young men and women over there. And it was a terrible battle environment. I knew some of the young people who were there. I was very close to one young marine lieutenant who led a mixed platoon of Americans and Iraqis in the first battle for Fallujah. So I felt like I just couldn't break faith with them. And maybe it doesn't make sense to anybody else but me. But that's how I felt about it." (Hillary Clinton, [Remarks Before The Toronto Region Board Of Trade](#), Toronto, CA, 6/16/14)

LIE #7: CLINTON ADMITTED SHE VOTED AGAINST THE IRAQ SURGE PURELY FOR POLITICAL REASONS

Shortly Before And During Her 2008 Presidential Campaign, Clinton Opposed The Troop Surge Strategy In Iraq

In February 2007, Clinton Voted To Disapprove Of President Bush's Troop Surge In Iraq. "Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to S.574; A bill to express the sense of Congress on Iraq." (S. 574, [Roll Call Vote #51](#): Motion Rejected 56-34; R 7-33; D 48-0; I 1-1, 2/17/07, Clinton Voted Yea)

Clinton Said President Bush’s Surge Policy Would Take America Farther Down The Wrong Road “Only Faster.” “Another possible Democratic presidential contender, New York Sen. Hillary Clinton, said Bush’s Iraq policy ‘has been marred by incompetence and arrogance.’ ‘He will continue to take us down the wrong road – only faster,’ she said.” (‘Democrats: This Is Not What America Voted For,’ [CNN](#), 1/11/07)

During A September 2007 Hearing With General Petraeus, Clinton Called The Surge A “Failed Policy” That Requires “The Willing Suspension Of Disbelief” CLINTON: “It is a policy that you have been ordered to implement by the President, and you have been made the de facto spokesman for what many of us believe to be a failed policy. Despite what I view as your rather extraordinary efforts in your testimony both yesterday and today, I think that the reports that you provide to us really require the willing suspension of disbelief.” (Senator Hillary Clinton, Committee On Armed Services, US Senate, [Hearing](#), 9/11/07)

In Her Book, Clinton Argued That She Voted Against The Surge Because Of Her Mistrust Of President Bush. “In her book, Clinton says her decision to oppose the troop surge stemmed from her residual distrust of President Bush dating back to the war resolution. ‘Five years later,’ she writes, ‘President Bush asked us to trust him again, this time about his proposed surge, and I wasn’t buying it.’ The problem, as she saw it, was that throwing more troops at the problem wouldn’t work without a ‘robust diplomatic strategy’ that went to the underlying challenges, including ‘the sectarian conflicts that were tearing the country apart.’” (Jeff Gerth, “All The Things Hillary Clinton’s Book Doesn’t Say About Iraq,” [ProPublica](#), 6/18/14)

Clinton Later Admitted That Her Opposition To The Surge Was Political

Former Defense Secretary Robert Gates: “[H]illary Told The President That Her Opposition To The Surge In Iraq Had Been Political Because She Was Facing Him In The Iowa Primary.” “The exchange that followed was remarkable. In strongly supporting a surge in Afghanistan, Hillary told the president that her opposition to the surge in Iraq had been political because she was facing him in the Iowa primary. She went on to say, ‘The Iraq surge worked.’ The president conceded vaguely that opposition to the Iraq surge had been political. To hear the two of them making these admissions, and in front of me, was as surprising as it was dismaying.” (Robert M. Gates, *Duty*, 2014, p. 376)

- **Gates: “To Hear The Two Of Them Making These Admissions, And In Front Of Me, Was As Surprising As It Was Dismaying.”** (Robert M. Gates, *Duty*, 2014, p. 376)

LIE #8: CLINTON’S ATTITUDE TOWARDS OUTSOURCING DEPENDS ON WHO IS LISTENING

As A Senator, Clinton Introduced Legislation “Concerning” Outsourcing And Has Slammed The Practice On The Campaign Trail

As Part Of Her 2016 Campaign, Clinton Has Proposed Clawbacks On Tax Benefits For U.S. Companies That Move Jobs Or Operations Overseas. “Democratic presidential candidate Hillary Clinton proposed rescinding tax relief and other incentives retroactively for U.S. companies that move jobs and operations overseas. Clinton unveiled the proposal, aimed at encouraging firms to invest at home, in a speech on Friday at Detroit Manufacturing Systems, an automotive supplier. It would apply to incentives including the R&E tax credit and the Section 199 domestic production deduction and may date back ‘several previous years,’ her campaign said in a statement.” (Jennifer Epstein, “Clinton Backs Rescinding Tax Breaks For Moving Jobs Overseas,” [Bloomberg](#), 3/4/16)

- **Clinton: If A Company “Outsources And Ships Jobs Overseas, We’ll Make You Give Back The Tax Breaks You Received Here In America.”** “‘If a company like Nabisco outsources and ships jobs overseas, we’ll make you give back the tax breaks you receive here in America,’ Clinton said. ‘If you’re not going to invest in us, why should taxpayers invest in you. Let’s take that money and put it to work in the communities that are being left behind.’” (Jennifer Epstein, “Clinton Backs Rescinding Tax Breaks For Moving Jobs Overseas,” [Bloomberg](#), 3/4/16)

In October 2014 Clinton Said “Our Economy Grows When Businesses And Entrepreneurs Create Good-Paying Jobs Here In America ... Not When We Hand Out Tax Breaks For Corporations That Outsource Jobs Or Stash Their Profits Overseas.” “In Somers on Monday, Clinton wrapped the discussion about trickle-down economics into one about the minimum wage, an issue Democrats across the country have discussed in stump speeches. ‘Trickle down economics has failed. I short-handed this point the other day, so let me be absolutely clear about what I’ve been saying for a couple of decades,’ she said. ‘Our economy grows when businesses and entrepreneurs create good-paying jobs here in America and workers and families are empowered to build from the bottom up and the middle out — not when we hand out tax breaks for corporations that outsource jobs or stash their profits overseas.’” (Maggie Habberman, “Hillary Clinton Clarifies Jobs Comment,” [Politico](#), 10/27/14)

At A February 2008 Campaign Event In Akron, Ohio, Clinton Criticized Lockheed Martin For Outsourcing Jobs And Promised That The Practice Would Stop If She Were President. “Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton told several hundred workers at Lockheed Martin Friday afternoon that she would create more opportunities — and stop jobs from being shipped overseas. Clinton said many of the country’s defense contracts — Lockheed’s specialty — have been outsourced to other countries. For example, night vision technology was invented in the United States but the products are no longer made here, she said.” (Stephanie Warsmith and Kathy Antoniotti, “Clinton Campaign Stops At Lockheed Martin,” [Akron \[Ohio\] Beacon Journal](#), 2/16/08)

In April 2008, Clinton Announced A Plan That Would Eliminate Tax Incentives For Companies That Outsource Jobs. “In Pittsburgh today, Hillary Clinton announced a groundbreaking policy initiative that would eliminate tax incentives for companies that outsource jobs and use the savings to encourage U.S. companies to create - or ‘insource’ - jobs here in the United States. Her insourcing agenda provides \$7 billion per year in new tax benefits and investments to help companies create high-paying, high-quality jobs here in the U.S. and to compete in the global economy.” (Press Release, “Clinton Announces ‘Insourcing’ Agenda At 21st Century Jobs Summit,” [Sen. Hillary Clinton](#), 4/2/08)

On The Campaign Trail In 2007, Clinton Talked Up Her Experience Dealing With The Outsourcing “Problem.” “Well, outsourcing is a problem, and it’s one that I’ve dealt with as a senator from New York. I started an organization called New Jobs for New York to try to stand against the tide of outsourcing, particularly from upstate New York and from rural areas. We have to do several things: end the tax breaks that still exist in the tax code for outsourcing jobs, have trade agreements with enforceable labor and environmental standards, help Americans compete, which is something we haven’t taken seriously, which goes back to the very first question about education and skills. Let’s not forget that 65 percent of kids at an age, cohort, do not go on to college. What are we doing to help them get prepared for the jobs that we could keep here that wouldn’t be outsourced -- and find a new source of jobs, clean energy, global warming, would create millions of new jobs for Americans.” (Sen. Hillary Clinton, [Democrat Primary Debate At Howard University](#), Washington, DC, 6/28/07)

As A Senator In 2004, Clinton Introduced An Amendment “To Express The Sense Of The Senate Concerning The Outsourcing Of American Jobs.” “The Senate finds that-- the President’s Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisors recently described the outsourcing of American jobs overseas ‘as a good thing’ and said, ‘outsourcing is just a new way of doing international trade’; the President’s economic policies have either failed to address or exacerbated the loss of manufacturing jobs that our country has experienced over the last 3 years; American families are facing an economy with the fewest jobs created since the Great Depression; 2,900,000 private sector jobs have been lost since January 2001, including 2,800,000 manufacturing jobs; on several occasions the Senate has supported reforming our tax laws to eliminate policies that make it cheaper to move jobs overseas; and job creation is essential to the economic stability of the United States and the Administration should pursue policies that serve as an engine for economic growth, higher wage jobs, and increased productivity. Sense of the Senate.--It is the sense of the Senate that the Senate should-- oppose any efforts to encourage the outsourcing of American jobs overseas; and adopt legislation providing for a manufacturing tax incentive to encourage job creation in the United States and oppose efforts to make it cheaper to send jobs overseas.” ([S. Amdt. 2311](#), Introduced 2/11/04)

- **The Bill Was Not Signed Into Law.** ([S. Amdt. 2311](#), Introduced 2/11/04)

But Behind Closed Doors And Overseas, Clinton Has Said Outsourcing Is “An Inevitability” And Even Praised It As Having “Advantages”

In 2012, Clinton Said Outsourcing Has “Advantages” That “Have Certainly Benefited Many Parts” Of The United States. QUESTIONER: “Good morning ma’am, I am also a part of the youth advisory council for the U.S. government. So, I have two simple questions for you, first one is, with the possible cut down on outsourcing, it leads to a lot of protectionism, and do the Indian people have to be worried about their jobs?” HOST: “Ok, let’s take one question at a time so we can get other people to respond.” CLINTON: “So, you’re talking about outsourcing from the United States to India? Outsourcing from the United States to India? Well, you know it’s been going on for many years now and its part of our economic relationship with India, and I think that there are advantages with it that have certainly benefited many parts of our country and there are disadvantages that go to the need to, you know, improve the job skills of our own people and create a better economic environment, so it’s, like anything it’s, you know, got pluses and minuses.” (Secretary Hillary Clinton, [Remarks In India](#), 5/7/12)

In Remarks From A 2005 Closed Door Presentation In India, Clinton Declared That Outsourcing Is “An Inevitability. There Is No Way To Legislate Against Reality, So I Think That The Outsourcing Will Continue.” HOST: “Senator, if I may touch on what you just mentioned in your speech about outsourcing and over the fact of neutrality of interest, it wasn’t clear to me whether you had a view on outsourcing that there should be some legislation in America to stop or restrict outsourcing which the last Presidential Democratic candidate, as you know, took a stand on. What is your view on it?” CLINTON: “No, I don’t think you can effectively restrict outsourcing. I think that there are incentives that perhaps are appropriate to try to persuade American companies without any sanctions, but you know, through both moral persuasion and then perhaps some economic incentives too at least think very hard before those decisions are made, but you know, it’s a – an inevitability. There is no way to legislate against reality so I think that the outsourcing will continue. I just fault my own government for not doing more to open up new areas where America would have a competitive, comparative advantage and to do more on the education front, to do more with new technologies that we could be developing for our own use as well as for export, but I don’t think there’s any way to, you know, legislate against outsourcing. I think that’s just a, you know, dead end.” (Hillary Clinton, [Remarks At India Today Conclave](#), New Delhi, India, 2/25/05)

As First Lady Clinton Commended American Expansion Into Foreign Labor Markets

In April 1997, First Lady Clinton Praised American Companies That Were “Opening Plants And Hiring Workers ... Creating Jobs, Raising Incomes And Skill Levels, Spurring Local Development And Growth” In Central Europe. CLINTON: “I gained a greater appreciation of the vital role that American corporations have played in the building of democracy when I visited Central Europe last year. In the Czech Republic, Poland, Hungary and elsewhere I saw the extent of American corporate investment. The companies opening plants and hiring workers were doing far more than improving their own bottom lines; they were creating jobs, raising incomes and skill levels, spurring local development and growth, and lending confidence to people and institutions undergoing profound political, economic and social change.” (Hillary Clinton, [Remarks To The Corporate Council On Africa](#), Chantilly, VA, 4/21/97)

- **Additionally, Clinton Praised American Companies “Setting Up Operations Throughout Sub-Saharan Africa.”** CLINTON: “Today leading American corporations are setting up operations throughout sub-Saharan Africa, as I saw on my recent trip. I want to commend the companies represented here tonight for recognizing the investment potential of Africa.” (Hillary Clinton, [Remarks To The Corporate Council On Africa](#), Chantilly, VA, 4/21/97)

LIE #9: BEYOND JUST HER CONFLICTING RHETORIC, CLINTON CONTRIBUTED TO THE OUTSOURCING OF AMERICAN JOBS HERSELF

While Publicly Attacking The Practice Of Outsourcing Elsewhere, Clinton Brought Companies Who Use The Practice To New York

When Asked About The Indian Company Tata Consulting, Which Helps Companies Outsource Jobs, Clinton Said “Outsourcing Does Work Both Ways.” “Even as Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry focused primary-season ire on ‘Benedict Arnold CEOs’ who outsource American jobs, Mrs. Clinton was striking a more nuanced tone. In an appearance on CNN’s Lou Dobbs Tonight, she boasted about attracting 10 jobs to New York from India-based Tata Consulting. When Mr. Dobbs inquired if she had understood the degree to which Tata, which helps U.S. companies outsource, was stealing American jobs, Mrs. Clinton rejoined: ‘They’ve actually brought jobs to Buffalo. Outsourcing does work both ways.’” (“Key Democrats Go Centrist, Support Trade,” [Crain’s New York Business](#), 6/21/04)

Clinton Was Forced To Walk A Fine Line Between Labor Unions And Wealthy Indian Immigrants. “The two speeches delivered continents apart highlight the delicate balance the senator from New York, a dedicated free-trader, is seeking to maintain as she courts two competing constituencies: wealthy Indian immigrants who have pledged to donate and raise as much as \$5 million for her 2008 campaign and powerful American labor unions that are crucial to any Democratic primary victory.” (John Solomon and Matthew Mosk, “Unions Press Clinton On Outsourcing Of U.S. Jobs,” [The Washington Post](#), 9/8/07)

Clinton Brought Tata Consultancy Services (TCS), An “Indian Technology Giant,” To Buffalo, New York. “Tata Consultancy Services, an Indian technology giant, plans to open an office in Buffalo to recruit clients and workers in Western New York. TCS will hold an opening ceremony on Monday, representatives said, drawing Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton from Washington, D.C., and Subramaniam Ramadorai, the company’s chief executive, from Mumbai, India.” (Fred O. Williams, “Software Firm From India To Open Buffalo Office,” [The Buffalo News](#), 3/8/03)

- **Clinton Spokeswoman Jennifer Hanley Confirmed That TCS’ Buffalo Office Originated From A Tour That Clinton Arranged For TCS Officials, Saying “She Introduced The Company To Buffalo.”** “The idea for the Buffalo office, located in downtown’s Liberty Building, grew out of a tour of upstate cities that Clinton arranged for TCS officials and other executives last summer, a spokeswoman said. ‘She introduced the company to Buffalo,’ Clinton spokeswoman Jennifer Hanley said.” (Fred O. Williams, “Software Firm From India To Open Buffalo Office,” [The Buffalo News](#), 3/8/03)
- **“About 10 Employees” Will Work In The U.S. Thanks To “Clinton’s Brainchild.”** “The company, called the arrangement Clinton’s ‘brainchild,’ says ‘about 10’ employees work here.” (Peter Wallsten, “Clinton Woos The Outsourcers That Workers Fear,” [The Los Angeles Times](#), 7/30/07)

Tata’s Outsourcing Of Jobs To India Was Hailed At One Of Clinton’s “Top Achievements”

When Pressed By CNN’s Lou Dobbs About Tata Outsourcing Jobs Clinton Said “Well, Of Course I Know That They Outsource Jobs.” “When CNN anchorman Lou Dobbs, an outsourcing critic, pressed her on the Tata deal in 2004, Clinton responded: ‘Well, of course I know that they outsource jobs, that they’ve actually brought jobs to Buffalo. They’ve created 10 jobs in Buffalo and have told me and the Buffalo community that they intend to be a source of new jobs in the area, because, you know, outsourcing does work both ways.’” (Peter Wallsten, “Clinton Woos The Outsourcers That Workers Fear,” [The Los Angeles Times](#), 7/30/07)

The United States India Political Action Committee Said The Tata Deal Was One Of Clinton’s “Top Achievements” As Senator And Notes Her Position Change On Outsourcing. “The main lobbying organization for the Indian-American community, USINPAC, cites the Tata deal as one of Clinton’s top three achievements as a senator -- and evidence of a turnabout, in its view, from her past criticism of outsourcing. ‘Even though she was against outsourcing at the beginning of her political career,’ the USINPAC website says, ‘she has since changed her position and now maintains that offshoring brings as

much economic value to the United States as to the country where services are outsourced, especially India.” (Peter Wallsten, “Clinton Woos The Outsourcers That Workers Fear,” [The Los Angeles Times](#), 7/30/07)

Critics Of The Deal Said Tata Outsources Jobs To India. “But critics say TCS usually outsources projects to its development centers in India, leaving a negative impact on the local economy. ‘Their proposals are generally that the work is taken outside the U.S.,’ said Jim Boldt, chief executive of Computer Task Group in Buffalo, a competitor of TCS. ‘They come in and displace U.S. workers.’ He compared the shift of high-tech work offshore to the hollowing out of the steel industry by imports. TCS benefits from low labor costs for Indian engineers and software writers, he said.” (Fred O. Williams, “Software Firm From India To Open Buffalo Office,” [The Buffalo News](#), 3/8/03)

- **Tata Refused To Say Whether New Jobs It Created Were Held By Americans Or Foreigners.** “Tata says most of the new employees were hired from around Buffalo. It declines to say whether any of the new jobs are held by foreigners, who make up 90% of Tata’s 10,000-employee workforce in the United States.” (Peter Wallsten, “Clinton Woos The Outsourcers That Workers Fear,” [The Los Angeles Times](#), 7/30/07)

Ronil Hira, A Public Policy Professor At The Rochester Institute Of Technology On Tata: “The Reality Is That It Probably Created Many More Jobs For Workers Overseas And Displaced Lots Of American Workers.” “Since Tata arrived in Buffalo, ‘the reality is that it probably created many more jobs for workers overseas and displaced lots of American workers,’ said Ronil Hira, a public policy professor at the Rochester Institute of Technology and a prominent critic of outsourcing.” (Peter Wallsten, “Clinton Woos The Outsourcers That Workers Fear,” [The Los Angeles Times](#), 7/30/07)

Programmers Guild’s John Miano Called Clinton’s Decision “Two-Faced.” “‘It’s just two-faced,’ said John Miano, founder of the Programmers Guild, one of several high-tech worker organizations that have sprung up as outsourcing has expanded. ‘We see her undermining U.S. workers and helping the offshoring business, and then she comes back to the U.S. and says, ‘I’m concerned about your pain.’” (Peter Wallsten, “Clinton Woos The Outsourcers That Workers Fear,” [The Los Angeles Times](#), 7/30/07)

LIE #10: CLINTON HAS SHARPLY CRITICIZED SUPREME COURT CAMPAIGN FINANCE RULINGS BUT IS ACTIVELY USING THEM TO RAISE TENS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS

Clinton Has Harshly Criticized The Supreme Court Rulings In Citizens United V. FEC And McCutcheon V. FEC

Clinton Has Called Citizens United “One Of The Worst Supreme Court Decisions In Our Country’s History.” CLINTON: “In this campaign, you’ve heard a lot about Washington and about Wall Street. Now, Senator Sanders and I both want to get secret, unaccountable money out of politics, and let’s remember, let’s remember, Citizens United, one of the worst Supreme Court decisions in our country’s history, was actually a case about a right-wing attack on me and my campaign.” (Hillary Clinton, [Concession Speech On The Night Of The New Hampshire Primary](#), Hooksett, NH, 2/9/16)

Clinton: “As President, I’ll Appoint Supreme Court Justices Who Recognize That Citizens United Is Bad For America. And If Necessary, I’ll Fight For A Constitutional Amendment That Overturns It.” “We can’t let this continue. It’s time to reclaim our democracy, reform our distorted campaign finance system and restore access to the ballot box in all 50 states. That starts with reversing Citizens United. And that’s where my comprehensive plan to restore common sense to campaign finance begins. As president, I’ll appoint Supreme Court justices who recognize that Citizens United is bad for America. And if necessary, I’ll fight for a constitutional amendment that overturns it.” (Hillary Clinton, Op-Ed, “Hillary Clinton: The Cure For Citizens United Is More Democracy,” [CNN](#), 2/21/16)

- **Citizens United Ruled That The Federal Government Cannot Ban Political Spending By Businesses And Unions During Elections.** “In January 2010, the Supreme Court issued a 5-4

decision in *Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission*. In brief, the opinion invalidated [the Federal Election Campaign Act's] prohibitions on corporate and union treasury funding of independent expenditures and electioneering communications. As a consequence of *Citizens United*, corporations and unions are free to use their treasury funds to air political advertisements and make related purchases explicitly calling for election or defeat of federal or state candidates (independent expenditures) or advertisements that refer to those candidates during pre-election periods, but do not necessarily explicitly call for their election or defeat (electioneering communications). Previously, such advertising would generally have had to be financed through voluntary contributions raised by PACs affiliated with unions or corporations." (R. Sam Garrett, "The State of Campaign Finance Policy: Recent Developments and Issues for Congress," [Congressional Research Service](#), 8/5/15)

In April 2014, Clinton Criticized The *McCutcheon V. FEC* Ruling, Saying "With The Rate The Supreme Court Is Going, There Will Only Be Three Or Four People In The Whole Country That Have To Finance Our Entire Political System." "Former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton criticized the Supreme Court's view of campaign finance at a Tuesday event, telling an audience in Portland, Oregon, that the judicial body's ruling will limit the number of people involved in the political process. 'With the rate the Supreme Court is going, there will only be three or four people in the whole country that have to finance our entire political system by the time they are done,' Clinton said during the question and answer portion of an appearance at The World Affairs Council of Oregon." (Dan Merica, "Hillary Clinton Knocks Supreme Court's Campaign Finance Decisions," CNN's [Political Ticker Blog](#), 4/9/14)

- **Clinton Was Making A "Clear Reference" To *McCutcheon*, A Supreme Court Decision That Struck Down Aggregate Limits On The Amount An Individual Can Contribute In An Election Cycle.** "Clinton's critique of the Supreme Court was a clear reference to the justices' ruling last week on *McCutcheon v. Federal Election Commission*. In that 5-4 decision, the court's conservative justices tossed out the rules on aggregate limits—a total cap on the amount a donor can contribute to federal campaigns or political committees during a two-year window." (Patrick Caldwell, "Hillary Clinton Blasts The Supreme Court For Ruining Campaign Finance," [Mother Jones](#), 4/10/14)

In Spite Of Her Rhetoric, Clinton Is Taking Advantage Of *McCutcheon* To Raise Millions Through A Joint Fundraising Committee

Because Of The Supreme Court Decision In *McCutcheon V. Federal Election Commission*, Clinton's Joint Fundraising Committee, Hillary Victory Fund, Can Now Accept Up To \$356,100 From An Individual Donor. "Until 2014, the most an individual could have given to such a committee was \$123,200. But in April of that year, the Supreme Court, in a case called *McCutcheon v. Federal Election Commission*, struck down aggregate limits on total giving to federal campaigns, allowing maximum donations to as many different committees as a donor wanted. That paved the way for massive joint fundraising committees that could accept ever-larger checks based on the number and type of committees that agreed to participate. In the case of the Hillary Victory Fund, the maximum donation in 2016 is \$356,100, based on maximum donations of \$2,700 to Hillary for America for the primary election, \$33,400 to the DNC and \$10,000 to the federal accounts of each of the 32 state parties." (Kenneth P. Vogel and Isaac Arnsdorf, "Clinton Fundraising Leaves Little For State Parties," [Politico](#), 5/2/16)

- **The Hillary Victory Fund Is A Super Joint Fundraising Committee That Distributes Money To The Clinton Campaign, The DNC, And Selected State Party Committees.** "Hillary Victory Fund - a super joint fundraising committee that distributes money to the Clinton campaign, the DNC and 33 state party committees - sent \$600,000 to the central party committee in September, according to records filed with the Federal Election Commission." (Paul Blumenthal, "New Rules Help Hillary Clinton Tap Big Donors For Democrats," [The Huffington Post](#), 10/21/15)
- **Because Of The Supreme Court Ruling, Donors Can Make Annual Donations Of \$666,700 To The Hillary Victory Fund, The Previous Limit Was \$123,200.** "Thanks to the combination of the court ruling and congressional action, donors will be able to make an annual donation of \$666,700 to the Hillary Victory Fund. (Previously, donors were limited to giving \$123,200 to

candidates, parties and political action committees per election cycle.) And some are already giving large sums.” (Paul Blumenthal, “New Rules Help Hillary Clinton Tap Big Donors For Democrats,” [The Huffington Post](#), 10/21/15)

Through The Second Quarter Of 2016, Hillary Victory Fund Had Raised \$141,476,349 This Election Cycle. ([Federal Election Commission](#), Accessed 8/18/16)

Out Of The \$61 Million Raised By The Hillary Victory Fund, Less Than 1 Percent Has Gone To State Parties. “In the days before Hillary Clinton launched an unprecedented big-money fundraising vehicle with state parties last summer, she vowed ‘to rebuild our party from the ground up,’ proclaiming ‘when our state parties are strong, we win. That’s what will happen.’ But less than 1 percent of the \$61 million raised by that effort has stayed in the state parties’ coffers, according to a POLITICO analysis of the latest Federal Election Commission filings.” (Kenneth P. Vogel and Isaac Arnsdorf, “Clinton Fundraising Leaves Little For State Parties,” [Politico](#), 5/2/16)

- **The Fund Has Given More Than \$15 Million To Clinton’s Campaign Directly, More Than \$5 Million To The DNC, And Most Of The Fund’s Expenses Have Been Efforts To Benefit Clinton.** “By contrast, the victory fund has transferred \$15.4 million to Clinton’s campaign and \$5.7 million to the DNC, which will work closely with Clinton’s campaign if and when she becomes the party’s nominee. And most of the \$23.3 million spent directly by the victory fund has gone toward expenses that appear to have directly benefited Clinton’s campaign, including \$2.8 million for “salary and overhead” and \$8.6 million for web advertising that mostly looks indistinguishable from Clinton campaign ads and that has helped Clinton build a network of small donors who will be critical in a general election expected to cost each side well in excess of \$1 billion.” (Kenneth P. Vogel and Isaac Arnsdorf, “Clinton Fundraising Leaves Little For State Parties,” [Politico](#), 5/2/16)
- **Politico Headline: “Clinton Fundraising Leaves Little For State Parties”** (Kenneth P. Vogel and Isaac Arnsdorf, “Clinton Fundraising Leaves Little For State Parties,” [Politico](#), 5/2/16)

Almost All The Cash The Victory Fund Transferred To State Parties Was Quickly Transferred To The DNC. “The victory fund has transferred \$3.8 million to the state parties, but almost all of that cash (\$3.3 million, or 88 percent) was quickly transferred to the DNC, usually within a day or two, by the Clinton staffer who controls the committee, POLITICO’s analysis of the FEC records found.” (Kenneth P. Vogel and Isaac Arnsdorf, “Clinton Fundraising Leaves Little For State Parties,” [Politico](#), 5/2/16)

- **“With a Day Of Most Transfers From The Victory Fund To The State Parties, Identical Sums Were Transferred From The State Party Accounts To The DNC.”** “And FEC filings show that within a day of most transfers from the victory fund to the state parties, identical sums were transferred from the state party accounts to the DNC, which Sanders’ supporters have accused of functioning as an adjunct of the Clinton campaign.” (Kenneth P. Vogel and Isaac Arnsdorf, “Clinton Fundraising Leaves Little For State Parties,” [Politico](#), 5/2/16)

The Victory Fund “Has Sparked Concerns Among Campaign Finance Watchdogs,” Who “See It As A Circumvention Of Campaign Contribution Limits By A National Party Apparatus Intent On Doing Whatever It Takes To Help Clinton.” “The arrangement has sparked concerns among campaign finance watchdogs and allies of Clinton’s Democratic rival Bernie Sanders. They see it as a circumvention of campaign contribution limits by a national party apparatus intent on doing whatever it takes to help Clinton defeat Sanders during the party’s primary, and then win the White House.” (Kenneth P. Vogel and Isaac Arnsdorf, “Clinton Fundraising Leaves Little For State Parties,” [Politico](#), 5/2/16)

State Party Officials “Grumble Privately That Clinton Is Merely Using Them To Subsidize Her Own Operation, While Her Allies Overstate Her Support For Their Parties.” “But it is perhaps more notable that the arrangement has prompted concerns among some participating state party officials and their allies. They grumble privately that Clinton is merely using them to subsidize her own operation, while her allies overstate her support for their parties and knock Sanders for not doing enough to help the party. ‘It’s a one-sided benefit,’ said an official with one participating state party. The official, like those with several other state parties, declined to talk about the arrangement on the record for fear of

drawing the ire of the DNC and the Clinton campaign.” (Kenneth P. Vogel and Isaac Arnsdorf, “Clinton Fundraising Leaves Little For State Parties,” [Politico](#), 5/2/16)

While Clinton Decries “Dark Money” That Has Entered Politics Because Of Citizens United, She Is Taking Millions Of It

Despite Clinton’s Rhetoric About “Dark Money” Entering Politics After The Citizens United Ruling, Clinton’s Campaign Network Has Taken Millions From “Corporations, Unions, And Dark Money Nonprofits.” “In this year’s presidential campaign, Hillary Clinton has criticized the flood of so-called ‘dark money’ that has dominated presidential politics since the Supreme Court’s Citizens United decision. But is there a gap between the rhetoric and the reality? A Center for Public Integrity investigation reveals that despite Clinton’s statements about campaign finance reform, corporations, unions and dark money nonprofits have already poured millions of dollars into a network of Clinton-boosting political organizations. That’s on top of the tens of millions an elite club of Democratic megadonors, including billionaire financiers George Soros and Haim Saban, have contributed to pro-Hillary super PACs.” (Dave Levinthal, “How ‘Citizens United’ Is Helping Hillary Clinton’s White House Bid,” [NBC News](#), 4/7/16)

Clinton’s “Massive Campaign Machine Is Built Of The Very Stuff – Super PACs, Secret Cash, Unlimited Contributions – She Says She’ll Attack Upon Winning The White House.” “But the Democratic presidential front-runner stands poised to bludgeon her general election opponent with Republicans’ favorite political superweapon: the Supreme Court’s Citizens United decision, which earlier this decade launched a new era of unbridled fundraising. Clinton’s massive campaign machine is built of the very stuff — super PACs, secret cash, unlimited contributions — she says she’ll attack upon winning the White House.” (Adam Zyglis, “How ‘Citizens United’ Is Helping Hillary Clinton Win The White House,” [The Center For Public Integrity](#), 4/7/16)

- **The Center For Public Integrity Headline: “How ‘Citizens United’ Is Helping Hillary Clinton Win The White House”** (Adam Zyglis, “How ‘Citizens United’ Is Helping Hillary Clinton Win The White House,” [The Center For Public Integrity](#), 4/7/16)
- **“A Center For Public Integrity Investigation Reveals That Clinton’s Own Election Efforts Are Largely Immune From Her Reformist Platform.”** “Indeed, a Center for Public Integrity investigation reveals that Clinton’s own election efforts are largely immune from her reformist platform. While Clinton rails against ‘unaccountable money’ that is ‘corrupting our political system,’ corporations, unions and nonprofits bankrolled by unknown donors have already poured millions of dollars into a network of Clinton-boosting political organizations. That’s on top of the tens of millions an elite club of Democratic megadonors, including billionaires George Soros and Haim Saban, have contributed.” (Adam Zyglis, “How ‘Citizens United’ Is Helping Hillary Clinton Win The White House,” [The Center For Public Integrity](#), 4/7/16)

The Clintons Have Raised And Will Continue To Raise Billions For Their Political Campaigns

In April 2015, It Was Reported That The Clinton Campaign, Supporters, And Super PACs Plan To Spend “As Much As \$2.5 Billion” On Hillary’s 2016 Presidential Campaign. “This campaign will begin on a small scale and build up to an effort likely to cost more than any presidential bid waged before, with Mrs. Clinton’s supporters and outside ‘super PACs’ looking to raise as much as \$2.5 billion in a blitz of donations from Democrats who overwhelmingly support her candidacy.” (Amy Chozick, “Hillary Clinton Announces 2016 Presidential Bid,” [The New York Times](#), 4/12/15)

According To One Analysis, The Clintons Have Raised \$1.4 Billion In Campaign Contributions Since They Entered National Politics 32 Years Ago. “There are great American political fundraisers. And then there are Hillary and Bill Clinton, the first couple of American political fundraising. Few in American history have collected and benefited from so much money in so many ways over such a long period of time. Since they arrived on the national political scene 32 years ago, the Clintons have attracted at least \$1.4 billion in contributions, according to a review of public records by TIME and the Center for Responsive Politics.” (Alexander Ho, Pratheek Rebala, and Michael Scherer, “The First Family Of Fundraising,” [Time](#), 7/24/14)

An Analysis By *The Wall Street Journal* In July 2014 Found That Bill And Hillary Clinton Have Raised Between \$2 Billion To \$3 Billion Since Bill Clinton's 1992 Presidential Campaign. "The Journal tallied speaking fees and donations to Mr. Clinton's 1992 and 1996 presidential campaigns; the Democratic National Committee during Mr. Clinton's eight years in the White House; Mrs. Clinton's bids for Senate and president; and the family's nonprofit entity—The Bill, Hillary and Chelsea Clinton Foundation. ... In total, the Clintons raised between \$2 billion and \$3 billion from all sources, including individual donors, corporate contributors and foreign governments, the Journal found. Between \$1.3 billion and \$2 billion came from industry sources." (Brody Mullins, Peter Nicholas, and Rebecca Ballhaus, "The Bill And Hillary Clinton Money Machine Taps Corporate Cash," [The Wall Street Journal](#), 7/1/14)

- **The Funds Are Split Into \$1.2 Billion For The Clintons' Political Operations, \$750 Million To \$1.7 Billion For The Clinton Foundation, And About \$100 Million The Clintons Earned In Speaking Fees.** "The donated funds were split among the Clintons' political operations, which raised \$1.2 billion; their nonprofit foundation, which collected between \$750 million and \$1.7 billion; and speaking fees, which totaled about \$100 million." (Brody Mullins, Peter Nicholas, and Rebecca Ballhaus, "The Bill And Hillary Clinton Money Machine Taps Corporate Cash," [The Wall Street Journal](#), 7/1/14)

Since Bill Clinton's 1992 Election, The Clintons Have Raised More Than \$1 Billion From U.S. Companies And Industry Donors. "Bill and Hillary Clinton helped raise more than \$1 billion from U.S. companies and industry donors during two decades on the national stage through campaigns, paid speeches and a network of organizations advancing their political and policy goals, The Wall Street Journal found." (Brody Mullins, Peter Nicholas, and Rebecca Ballhaus, "The Bill And Hillary Clinton Money Machine Taps Corporate Cash," [The Wall Street Journal](#), 7/1/14)

LIE #11: CLINTON'S SUPER PAC HYPOCRISY

Hillary Clinton Has Decried Super PACs, Saying She Would Like To See Them Banned

In October 2015, Clinton Said She "Wants To Get To A Point Where Those [Super PACs] Would No Longer Be Operating." CLINTON: "Now there are also super PACs that are out there. Some of them supporting me, some of them supporting other candidates. And I would hope that we would get to a point where those would no longer be operating. But that's not where we are today." (Hillary Clinton, Remarks At Community Forum, Mount Vernon, Iowa, 10/7/15) Minute: 0:51 -1:06

Clinton Said "She Wishes Super PAC Fundraising Committees Were Banned" But At The Same Time "Doesn't Intend To Disown The Ones Supporting Her" Currently. "Hillary Clinton said Wednesday she wishes super PAC fundraising committees were banned, but she doesn't intend to disown the ones supporting her while other candidates are benefiting from their own." (Tony Leys, "Hillary Clinton Says She Wishes Super PACs Were Banned," [The Des Moines Register](#), 10/7/15)

- ***The Des Moines Register* Headline: "Hillary Clinton Says She Wishes Super PACs Were Banned"** (Tony Leys, "Hillary Clinton Says She Wishes Super PACs Were Banned," [The Des Moines Register](#), 10/7/15)

As Part Of Her Campaign, Clinton And Her Allies Are Working To Raise Up To \$300 Million For The Super PAC Priorities USA Action

In August 2015, The New York Times Reported That Clinton's Super PACs Were "Soliciting Giant Donations" With Clinton's "Blessing." Mrs. Clinton's allied super PACs, mindful that to resist the tide is to drown, are soliciting giant donations in earnest now, with her blessing." (Amy Chozick and Eric Lichtblau, "Facing Money Gap, Hillary Clinton Slowly Warms To 'Super PAC' Gifts," [The New York Times](#), 8/17/15)

- **"Democratic Fund-Raisers Say Mrs. Clinton's Involvement Is Helping [Super PAC] Priorities USA Action Gain Ground."** (Amy Chozick and Eric Lichtblau, "Facing Money Gap, Hillary Clinton Slowly Warms To 'Super PAC' Gifts," [The New York Times](#), 8/17/15)

In May 2015, The New York Times Reported That Clinton "Will Begin Personally Courting Donors" For Priorities USA Action. "Hillary Rodham Clinton will begin personally courting donors for a super

PAC supporting her candidacy, the first time a Democratic presidential candidate has fully embraced the independent groups that can accept unlimited checks from big donors and are already playing a major role in the 2016 race.” (Maggie Haberman and Nicholas Confessore, “Hillary Clinton To Court Donors For Super PAC,” [The New York Times](#), 5/6/15)

- **Clinton And Her Allies Hope That The Super PAC – Priorities USA Action – Will Be Able To Raise As Much As \$200 Million To \$300 Million.** “Her decision marks another escalation in what is expected to be the most expensive presidential campaign in history. Mrs. Clinton’s allies hope that with her support, Priorities USA Action, the top Democratic super PAC, will be able to raise as much as \$200 million to \$300 million, on par with what the largest Republican organizations, such as the Karl Rove-founded American Crossroads super PAC and its nonprofit affiliate, spent in 2012.” (Maggie Haberman and Nicholas Confessore, “Hillary Clinton To Court Donors For Super PAC,” [The New York Times](#), 5/6/15)
- **Clinton Always Planned To Raise Money For Priorities USA But Initially Delayed Doing So.** “Mrs. Clinton planned to raise money for Priorities USA in her campaign but initially delayed doing so because of her desire for a slow ramp-up of her campaign, her pledge to make campaign finance reform a critical issue and a lack of clarity about the management structure at the super PAC.” (Maggie Haberman and Nicholas Confessore, “Hillary Clinton To Court Donors For Super PAC,” [The New York Times](#), 5/6/15)
- **Clinton Appeared At Priorities USA Super PAC Events In San Francisco And Los Angeles During Her Early May 2015 California Fundraising Trips.** “The candidate will be pushing the boundaries of campaign finance law further than any Democratic presidential contender ever has by directly asking donors to give to a friendly ‘super PAC’ that can raise unlimited amounts of campaign cash from donors, according to a person familiar with her plans. That effort started in California on Wednesday, when Clinton met in San Francisco with potential donors of the organization Priorities USA. She has another meeting planned in Los Angeles on Thursday.” (Evan Halper, “Hillary Clinton Pushes The Limits Of Campaign Finance Law,” [Los Angeles Times](#), 5/7/15)

Super PAC Priorities USA Action Is “The Primary Super PAC Backing” Clinton In 2016. “Priorities USA Action, the primary super PAC backing Hillary Rodham Clinton in the 2016 presidential race, secured \$14.5 million in commitments in July, according to a person familiar with the total, nearly as much as the \$15.7 million it raised in the first half of the year.” (Matea Gold, “Pro-Clinton Super PAC Priorities USA Action Continues Steady Fundraising Pace In July,” [The Washington Post](#), 8/1/15)

Through The June 2016, Priorities USA Action Had Raised \$98,117,621 This Election Cycle. ([Federal Election Commission](#), Accessed 8/18/16)

Clinton’s Campaign Will Also Be Working Directly With The Super PAC Correct The Record

Clinton’s Campaign Will Also Be Working Directly With The Super PAC Correct The Record. “Now, in a novel move for a super PAC, Correct the Record will both accept unlimited contributions and coordinate directly with the Clinton campaign and Democratic Party organs. ‘Going forward, Correct the Record will work in support of Hillary Clinton’s candidacy for president, aggressively responding to false attacks and misstatements of the Secretary’s exemplary record,’ said its new president, Brad Woodhouse, who headed the former parent organization American Bridge. Super PACs are typically prohibited by law from coordinating with candidates, but Correct the Record will not be a typical super PAC. The group will not run ads, but instead does all of its work online, which it says will allow it to coordinate with the Clinton campaign.” (Alex Seitz-Wald, “Hillary Clinton Gets Another Super PAC,” [MSNBC](#), 5/13/15)

- **On May 12, 2015, Correct The Record Became Its Own Super PAC.** “Hillary Clinton will head into the 2016 presidential election with another semi-official super PAC in her corner. Correct the Record, founded by Clinton allies and former aides, announced Tuesday afternoon that it will spin off of its parent organization, itself Clinton-aligned super PAC, to become its very own super PAC. The rapid-response and research group became an integral part of the so-called ‘shadow campaign’ tending to Clinton’s political image during the interregnum between her tenure as

secretary of state and the official declaration of her campaign, employing around 20 staffers at its peak.” (Alex Seitz-Wald, “Hillary Clinton Gets Another Super PAC,” [MSNBC](#), 5/13/15)

Through The First Quarter Of 2016, Correct The Record Had Raised \$6,384,151 This Election Cycle. ([Federal Election Commission](#), Accessed 8/18/16)

Despite Her Opposition To “Unaccountable Money,” Clinton Has Benefitted Greatly From It In The Past

The Clintons Have A History Of Hypocrisy When It Comes To Raising Money, Advocating For Campaign Finance Reform While Benefiting From Soft Money And The Ability To Raise Millions Of Dollars. “The incongruity — or perhaps hypocrisy — is not lost on longtime supporters of tighter regulation, who are looking for more details from Mrs. Clinton on what she has in mind, but would far rather have her in their corner than not. And it is familiar territory for Mrs. Clinton. As a senator from New York, she voted for the legislation sponsored by Senators John McCain of Arizona and Russ Feingold of Wisconsin that shut down the soft-money system that fueled her husband’s political career. She co-sponsored legislation to provide public financing for Senate candidates after raising \$30 million for her successful campaign.” (Nicholas Confessore, “Another Clinton Promises To Fix Political Financing,” [The New York Times](#), 4/16/15)

Clinton Claims To Be Against “Unaccountable Money,” But The Clinton Foundation Has Accepted Millions Of Dollars From “Foreign Governments And Corporations Seeking Access And Influence In Washington.” “But while Mrs. Clinton criticizes ‘unaccountable money’ in politics, her family foundation has raised tens of millions of dollars outside the campaign system from foreign governments and corporations seeking access and influence in Washington. Her campaign’s new chief counsel was also the co-author of a congressional deal last year that will allow wealthy donors to begin giving more than \$1 million every election cycle to each party’s national committees.” (Nicholas Confessore, “Another Clinton Now Vows To Fix Political Finance System,” [The New York Times](#), 4/16/15)

LIE #12: CLINTON’S PAST RHETORIC ON PUBLIC CAMPAIGN FINANCING REFORM NEVER RECONCILED WITH HER RECORD IN THE SENATE

Clinton Called For The Public Financing Of Campaigns As A Presidential Candidate In 2007

Clinton Has Repeatedly Claimed That Public Funding Of Elections Is The “Only Way To Really Change” The Political System. CLINTON: “[I]’m very much in favor of public financing, which is the only way to really change a lot of the problems that we have in our campaign finance system.” (NBC’s [Meet The Press](#), 9/23/07)

- **Clinton: “The Real Answer Here Is Public Financing, And I’m Going To Work Very Hard In My Time In The Senate And Then In The White House To Try To Get To A Public Financing System That We Can Support Under The Constitution ... Because That Is The Answer To All Of These Issues That Have Arisen.”** CLINTON: “But the real answer here is public financing, and I’m going to work very hard in my time in the Senate and then in the White House to try to get to a public financing system that we can support under the constitution, because, as you know, we’ve got some constitutional issues we have to address, because that is the answer to all of these issues that have arisen.” (NBC’s [Meet The Press](#), 9/23/07)
- **Clinton: “There Is No Doubt That The Cost Of Campaigns, Particularly Trying To Get On Television With Our Advertising And All The Things That People Have To Do In A Modern Campaign Are Just Out Of Control.”** CLINTON: “I believe that the only answer to this entire set of circumstances is public financing, something that I strongly support, that I’m going to try to do when I’m President, because there is no doubt that the cost of campaigns, particularly trying to get on television with our advertising and all of the things people have to do in a modern campaign are just out of control. It’s not good for the country and it’s not good for the system.” (ABC’s [This Week](#), 9/23/07)

Clinton Claimed That She Would Co-Sponsor Any Legislation That Moves America Toward Public Financing. “I’m going to co-sponsor anything that looks like it can move us in that direction, because my view on this is we’re not going to get anything done at this point with the president, with, unfortunately, a Republican minority that engages in filibustering, but we’re going to try to build a commitment to doing it,” [Clinton] said.” (Patrick Healy, “The Clinton Sunday Show Blitz,” [The New York Times](#), 9/23/07)

When Asked About Eliminating 527 Organizations, Clinton Claimed She Would “Have No Problem With Eliminating Any Group That Is Misusing Their Financial Position To Spread Inaccurate Falsehoods.” BLITZER: “Do you agree with the president? He’d like to see all of these so-called 527 advocacy groups that are putting out all these attack ads, attack ads against John Kerry, the Swift Boat ads, attack ads against the president, would you like to see those 527 organizations removed?” SEN. CLINTON: “You know, I have no problem with eliminating any group that is misusing their financial position to spread inaccurate falsehoods.” (CNN’s “Late Edition,” 8/29/04)

When Clinton Had A Chance To Get Behind Reforms That She Touted, She Refused To Lift A Finger To Actually Pass Public Financing Of Elections

In 2007, Clinton Was The First Presidential Candidate To “Completely Opt Out Of The Public Funding System That Has Existed For More Than 30 Years.” “Clinton’s campaign was the first to completely opt out of the public funding system that has existed for more than 30 years. Her advisers believe she can raise more money on her own than she would have been eligible to receive under the existing system. Other candidates have since followed suit, including Illinois Sen. Barack Obama and former North Carolina Sen. John Edwards.” (Jeffrey Gold, “Clinton Backs Public Funds For Campaigns,” [The Associated Press](#), 4/2/07)

- **“During Her Six-Year Senate Career, Clinton Has Never Once Championed Campaign-Finance Reform.”** “During her six-year Senate career, Clinton has never once championed campaign-finance reform. In fact, her rival Barack Obama has been touting a public-financing bill designed to wean candidates away from the chase for private money; the bill was introduced in the Senate earlier this year, yet Clinton won’t endorse it.” (Dick Polman, Op-Ed, “Clinton Talks Reform, But Takes Cash,” [The Philadelphia Inquirer](#), 9/30/07)
- **“Clinton’s Rhetoric Aside, She Has Done Virtually Nothing To Change The System. And She Risks Political Damage If Voters Begin To Suspect That Her Reform Talk Is Merely A Cover For Politics As Usual.”** (Dick Polman, Op-Ed, “Clinton Talks Reform, But Takes Cash,” [The Philadelphia Inquirer](#), 9/30/07)

Clinton Refused To Support Then-Sen. Barack Obama’s (D-IL) Public Financing Bill. “In fact, her rival Barack Obama has been touting a public-financing bill designed to wean candidates away from the chase for private money; the bill was introduced in the Senate earlier this year, yet Clinton won’t endorse it.” (Dick Polman, Op-Ed, “Clinton Talks Reform, But Takes Cash,” [The Philadelphia Inquirer](#), 9/30/07)

Clinton Resisted Efforts By Then-Sen. Russ Feingold (D-WI) To Further Regulate Soft Money, Claiming He Was “Not Living In The Real World.” “Sens. Hillary Clinton and Russ Feingold engaged in a heated argument over the impact a new campaign finance law will have on Senate Democrats, Feingold said Friday. ‘You’re not living in the real world,’ Clinton screamed at him during the closed-door meeting of about two-dozen Senate Democrats on Thursday, according to Feingold, D-Wis., the party’s leading proponent of the law.” (Frederic J. Frommer, “Clinton, Feingold Have Shouting Match Over New Campaign Finance Law,” [The Associated Press](#), 7/19/02)

- **“Feingold Said A ‘Core Group’ Of Five Or Six Democrats, Including Clinton, D-N.Y., Were Trying To Find Ways To Get Around The Ban [On Soft Money]. He Declined To Identify The Others.”** (Frederic J. Frommer, “Clinton, Feingold Have Shouting Match Over New Campaign Finance Law,” [The Associated Press](#), 7/19/02)
- **Feingold: “It Was A Troubling Display For A Party That Claims To Be For Trying To Clean Up The System.”** “Feingold said a ‘core group’ of five or six Democrats - including Clinton, D-N.Y. - was trying to find ways to get around the ban. ‘It was a troubling display for a party that claims to

be for trying to clean up the system,' Feingold said.” (Frederic J. Frommer, “Clinton, Feingold Have Shouting Match Over New Campaign Finance Law,” *The Associated Press*, 7/19/02)

The Philadelphia Inquirer’s Dick Polman: Clinton’s “Basic Posture On This Issue Mirrors Her Husband’s Behavior During The ‘90s; When Bill Was President, He Repeatedly Vowed To Work For Campaign-Finance Reform, But Didn’t Lift A Finger To Follow Through.” “[Sen. Clinton’s] basic posture on this issue mirrors her husband’s behavior during the ‘90s; when Bill was president, he repeatedly vowed to work for campaign-finance reform, but didn’t lift a finger to follow through. Then he got saddled with the 1996 fund-raising scandal (with private money getting laundered through tax-exempt houses of worship, and illegal foreign money winding up at Democratic Party headquarters, among other things), culminating in 22 guilty pleas and scores of shady characters fleeing the country to avoid questioning.” (Dick Polman, Op-Ed, “Clinton Talks Reform, But Takes Cash,” *The Philadelphia Inquirer*, 9/30/07)

LIE #13: CLINTON HAS BEEN CALLED OUT FOR CREATING AN “ABSURD” CLAIM ABOUT HER OPPOSITION TO MIDDLE-CLASS TAXES

Clinton Has Claimed She Is The “Only Candidate” In The Presidential Race Opposed To Raising Middle-Class Taxes

While Campaigning In January 2016, Clinton Said She Is The “Only Person” That Is “Running On Both Sides” Of The Aisle That Has Pledged “Not To Raise Middle-Class Taxes.” CLINTON: “And there is a big difference between me and everybody else running on both sides. I’m the only person running who says my goal and my pledge is to raise incomes not raise middle-class taxes. I will not raise middle-class taxes.” (Hillary Clinton, [Remarks At Campaign Rally](#), Des Moines, IA, 1/4/16)

Clinton Continuously Stated, “I’m The Only Candidate Running, In Either Party, Who Will Tell You My Goal, My Pledge, Is To Raise Incomes Not Taxes On The Middle-Class.” CLINTON: “I also believe we need a tax system that makes the wealthy pay more and does not tax the middle-class. I’m the only candidate running, in either party, who will tell you my goal, my pledge, is to raise incomes not taxes on the middle-class. And that’s what I think we should be doing.” (Hillary Clinton, [Remarks At Campaign Rally, Cedar Rapids, IA](#), 1/4/16)

Clinton Was Quickly Fact-Checked By The Washington Post Which Called Her Claim “Absurd” And Awarded Her 4 Pinocchios And PolitiFact Which Gave Clinton A “Pants On Fire”

The Washington Post’s Fact Checker Glenn Kessler: Clinton’s Claim She Is The Only Candidate To Pledge Not Raise Middle-Class Taxes Is “Rhetorical Hooey.” “Frankly, this is rhetorical hooey. Every candidate can claim they have plans—few of which will ever come to fruition in exactly the same way if the candidate is actually elected president—but it’s absurd for Clinton to claim that she is the only candidate in either party to have a plan to both raise incomes and not cut middle class taxes. The Republicans all say they won’t raise taxes—and every candidate promises to raise incomes.” (Glenn Kessler, “Hillary Clinton’s Claim That She’s The Only Candidate In Either Party Who Would Not Raise Middle-Class Taxes (And Promises To Raise Incomes)”, [The Washington Post](#), 1/7/16)

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PolitiFact Called Clinton’s Claim “Both Inaccurate And Ridiculous.” “Fifteen of the 17 Republican presidential candidates signed pledges not to raise taxes on anyone, which includes the middle class. Thirteen of those candidates signed the vow last year; the other three inked such a pledge earlier in their careers. Trump wasn’t one of them, but Clinton specifically mentioned the primary field. And that makes the claim both inaccurate and ridiculous. We rate this claim, again, Pants on Fire.” (Lauren Carol and Warren Fiske, “Clinton Repeats Wrong Claim That No Other 2016 Candidate Pledged Not To Raise Middle-Class Taxes,” [PolitiFact](#), 8/17/16)

LIE #14: CLINTON HAS INTRODUCED A NEW PLAN FOR THE ESTATE TAX WHICH CLOSES “LOOPHOLES,” BUT DOESN’T ADDRESS THE ONE HER FAMILY IS EXPLOITING

Clinton’s Plan Would Raise The Rate To 45 Percent And Make Any Estates Over \$3.5 Million Taxable

Clinton Has Called For Both Raising The Estate Tax And Making More Estates Subject To That Tax. “Clinton on Tuesday proposed making more estates taxable -- those worth more than \$3.5 million per person or \$7 million per couple. She also wants to raise the rate to 45 percent. The increased tax would apply to four out of every 1,000 estates in the country and raise \$200 billion over 10 years, according to a Clinton campaign aide who asked not to be named.” (Lynnley Browning, “Clinton’s Estate-Tax Plan Doesn’t Address Her Own Tax Planning,” [Bloomberg](#), 1/13/16)

“Bill And Hillary Clinton Have Long Supported An Estate Tax To Prevent The U.S. From Being Dominated By Inherited Wealth. That Doesn’t Mean They Want To Pay It.” (Richard Rubin, “Wealthy Clintons Use Trusts To Limit Estate Tax They Back,” [Bloomberg](#), 1/17/14)

“Without The Estate Tax, Hillary Clinton Said, The Country Could Become ‘Dominated By Inherited Wealth.’” “‘The estate tax has been historically part of our very fundamental belief that we should have a meritocracy,’ Hillary Clinton said at a December 2007 appearance with billionaire investor Warren Buffett, who supports estate taxes and is using charitable donations to reduce his eventual bill. Without the estate tax, Hillary Clinton said, the country could become ‘dominated by inherited wealth.’” (Richard Rubin, “Wealthy Clintons Use Trusts To Limit Estate Tax They Back,” [Bloomberg](#), 1/17/14)

But Clinton’s Plan Fails To Address The Estate Tax Loophole Her Family Is Exploiting

The Clintons, Who Are In Top .01 Percent Of Income Earners, Have A Minimum Net Worth Of \$11 Million. “The minimum value of the Clintons’ financial assets is \$11 million, according to Hillary Clinton’s most recent campaign disclosure, which requires reporting within broad ranges of value. The couple has earned at least \$30 million since January 2014, according to the disclosure. That income places them among the top .01 percent of American taxpayers, based on Internal Revenue Service data. Campaign disclosures show that the Clintons also own life insurance trusts, which can also reduce estate-tax bills.” (Richard Rubin, “Wealthy Clintons Use Trusts To Limit Estate Tax They Back,” [Bloomberg](#), 1/17/14)

Clinton’s Call To Raise The Estate Tax And Close Loopholes Failed To Address Techniques Used By The Clintons To Shield Their Own Estate From The Estate Tax. “Democratic presidential candidate Hillary Clinton’s call Tuesday to increase taxes on the wealthy and close ‘loopholes’ didn’t address the

candidate's own moves to shield at least part of the value of her New York home from the estate tax." (Lynnley Browning, "Clinton's Estate-Tax Plan Doesn't Address Her Own Tax Planning," [Bloomberg](#), 1/13/16)

The Clintons Split Their Home Into Two Equal Trusts, A Move Which Could Save Them Hundreds Of Thousands In Estate Taxes

"To Reduce The Tax Pinch, The Clintons Are Using Financial Planning Strategies Befitting The Top 1 Percent Of U.S. Households In Wealth." (Richard Rubin, "Wealthy Clintons Use Trusts To Limit Estate Tax They Back," [Bloomberg](#), 1/17/14)

The Clintons Split Ownership Of Their Property Into Separate Trusts To Help Minimize Their Exposure To The Estate Tax. "According to county property records, the Clintons split their ownership of the house into separate 50 percent shares, and then placed those shares into trusts. That maneuver has multiple potential benefits, starting with the fact that any appreciation in the house's value will now happen outside the estate. Additionally, using IRS interest rates, they can assume a discounted value for the house. Splitting the property into 50 percent shares also allows a valuation discount, because a partial interest in an indivisible house isn't worth as much as a complete interest." (Richard Rubin, "Wealthy Clintons Use Trusts To Limit Estate Tax They Back," [Bloomberg](#), 1/17/14)

- **The Tax Advantage Could Save The Clintons Hundreds Of Thousands Of Dollars.** "Among the tax advantages of such trusts is that any appreciation in the house's value can happen outside their taxable estate. The move could save the Clintons hundreds of thousands of dollars in estate taxes, said David Scott Sloan, a partner at Holland & Knight LLP in Boston. 'The goal is really be thoughtful and try to build up the nontaxable estate, and that's really what this is,' Sloan said. 'You're creating things that are going to be on the nontaxable side of the balance sheet when they die.'" (Richard Rubin, "Wealthy Clintons Use Trusts To Limit Estate Tax They Back," [Bloomberg](#), 1/17/14)

On September 1, 2011, Bill Clinton Transferred His Share Of The Deed To The Clintons' NY Mansion Into "2010 Trust A." (Chappaqua WJC to Trust, Westchester County Recorder, 9/1/11)

On September 1, 2011, Hillary Clinton Transferred Her Share Of The Deed To The Clintons' NY Mansion Into "2010 Trust B." (Chappaqua HRC to Trust, Westchester County Recorder, 9/1/11)

LIE #15: CLINTON BROKE BILL'S PLEDGE ABOUT NOT USING A "BROAD-BASED" TAX HIKE TO PAY FOR "HILLARYCARE"

In 1993, Clinton Pushed For A Payroll Tax To Fund Her Own Healthcare Plan, "HillaryCare," Despite Her Husband's Promise "Not Enact Broad- Based Tax Hikes."

When President Clinton Introduced HillaryCare To The Nation, He Gloated That The Plan Would Not Enact Broad- Based Tax Hikes. BILL CLINTON: "I believe as strongly as I can say that we can reform the costliest and most wasteful system on the face of the earth without enacting new broad-based taxes." (President Bill Clinton, Remarks Before Joint Session Of Congress, Washington, D.C., 9/22/93)

But Task Force Memos Prove That A Payroll Tax Was Under Consideration As A Means To Pay For Health Care Reform; Memos Reinforced Government's Power To Levy And Collect Taxes. "One option would be to set the payroll tax rate at a rate sufficiently high enough to pay for the gross costs of the proposal (inclusive of the income offset)." (White House Task Force Documents, ["Estimating The Effects Of The Wage Based Premium Model On Tax Liabilities,"](#) 5/13/93)

- **Clinton Proposed A New Payroll Tax To Pay For HillaryCare.** "Seeking to raise about \$60 billion to pay for health care reform, the Clinton Administration is eyeing a new payroll deduction akin to the taxes already being taken out of paychecks for Social Security, Medicare and disability insurance, Hillary Rodham Clinton said Friday." (Edwin Chen, "New Payroll Deduction May Fund Health Plan," [Los Angeles Times](#), 5/1/93)

Clinton Said A Payroll Tax Is The Simplest Plan To Fund HillaryCare But Admitted It Did Not Seem Politically Feasible. CLINTON: “What we’ve tried to do is to look at how we then come up with a financing mechanism in which we actually try to lower the cost for those who have been insured, particularly large employers, and require everyone else (inaudible) to the system to do so, with capping the rate of payroll that has to go into premiums and with providing subsidies for low-wage workers in low-wage firms. Now, what we have come up with is a plan that does that. It is not the simplest plan. It would be a lot simpler if we thought a payroll tax was an alternative and would be politically more acceptable to people than the premium system. But it is not.” (Hillary Clinton, [Remarks In Meeting With Senate And House Democrat Leaders And Committee Chairs](#), 9/9/93)

Clinton’s Payroll Deduction Plan Would Have Required Employers To Pay A Percentage Of Their Payroll Directly To “Insurance-Purchasing Cooperatives.” “The payroll deduction plan also would require employers to pay a certain percentage of their payroll directly to insurance-purchasing cooperatives. Typically, companies that provide insurance to their employees now pay premiums directly to insurers.” (Edwin Chen, “New Payroll Deduction May Fund Health Plan,” *Los Angeles Times*, 5/1/93)

- **Analysts At The Time Expected It Would Take A 12.5 Percent Payroll Tax To Pay For HillaryCare.** “Some independent analysts have estimated conservatively that it would take a 12.5% payroll tax to pay for the kind of comprehensive health care reforms that the president and first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton and their advisers have espoused.” (Edwin Chen, “Health Plan May Call For 12% Payroll Tax On Firms,” *Los Angeles Times*, 6/4/93)
- **Clinton’s Payroll Tax Was Expected To Be Equivalent To “1% Or 2% For The Individual Wage-Earner.”** “Such a new payroll levy – perhaps 1% or 2% for the individual wage-earner – would be an alternative to a government mandate that all companies buy health insurance for employees according to Administration proponents of the payroll deduction.” (Edwin Chen, “New Payroll Deduction May Fund Health Plan,” *Los Angeles Times*, 5/1/93)

Hillary’s Task Force Disguised A Payroll Tax As A Premium

Paul Starr Sent A Memo To Ira Magaziner Congratulating Him On A Successful Task Force Presentation About A Payroll Tax. “You did a superb job yesterday --perhaps too good. It was only afterward that the difficulty of selling a 10% payroll tax began to sink in. If we announce that we’re calling for a 10% payroll pay, people will start making simple calculations about what the program will cost them. Most will conclude that they are big losers, in part because they have no idea what their employer contributes, much less what percentage of pay that represents. From the standpoint of consumers, a premium is now and will continue to be the cost of their own personal health insurance policy, and the money will go, not to the government, but from their employer to the health plan... In other words, the payroll-based contribution, whatever you call it, will not be or look like a price. It will clearly be a tax.” (White House Task Force Documents, [“The Payroll Tax After A Night’s Sleep,”](#) 4/22/93)

Further, The Advisors Suggested Disguising The Payroll Tax As A Premium When Promoting The Plan. “Why couldn’t Atul’s group just have proposed a premium model that did that --a payroll tax dressed up as a premium? They couldn’t accept the distributive effects, insisting that there had to be some exemption of income at the bottom of the scale. I argued with them that Social Security didn’t exempt any income --but it was no use. Then when they turned to the nonworking population, they became concerned about tapping every conceivable form of income, including much that is not reported on income taxes. As a result, the determination of subsidies became too complicated to do on the 1040. ... By returning to the payroll tax, you’ve thrown out all the complications they introduced. But you could still call it ‘A community -rated premium capped at 10% of pay.’” (White House Task Force Documents, [“The Payroll Tax After A Night’s Sleep,”](#) 4/22/93)

Clinton Followed The Advice Of Her Advisor, Refusing To Call The Levy A “Tax,” And Calling It A “Premium” Instead. “In her meeting with the senators, she described the new payroll deduction under discussion as a ‘premium’ and not a tax because rather than going to the government, the funds would go

directly to large consumer cooperatives set up throughout the nation to buy insurance for members, according to Sen. John D. (Jay) Rockefeller IV (D-W. Va.), the Administration's point man on health care." (Edwin Chen, "New Payroll Deduction May Fund Health Plan," *Los Angeles Times*, 5/1/93)

During Her Primary, Clinton Hypocritically Criticized Bernie Sanders' Plan To Raise The Payroll Tax To Cover His Healthcare Plan

During Her 2016 Campaign, Clinton Promised Not To Raise Taxes On Middle-Class Americans. "Senator Bernie Sanders's health care plan is advancing a notion that has long been out of fashion in American politics: that the federal government should provide a new, expensive service to most Americans, and that it should levy significantly higher taxes on most Americans to provide that service. He is proposing a health care plan that would require over a trillion dollars a year in new, broad-based taxes applying to nearly all Americans who work. His main opponent, Hillary Clinton, has reiterated President Barack Obama's pledge not to raise taxes even on many affluent families, setting her cutoff for tax increases at \$250,000." (Josh Barro, "Sanders Makes A Rare Pitch: More Taxes For More Government," *The New York Times*' "The Upshot," 1/22/16)

- **Sanders Has Proposed A 6.2 Percent Payroll Tax To Help Cover The Cost Of His Health Plan.** "Take, for example, Sanders' plan to provide universal, single-payer healthcare. Sanders says he'd pay for that with a new 2.2% income-based 'health care premium' tax, as well as a 6.2% payroll tax paid for by employers. That adds up to a big increase—but it also means that, in exchange, Americans would save the thousands of dollars they spend every year on premiums, deductibles and other out-of-pocket health care costs." (Haley Sweetland Edwards, "Here's How Much Bernie Sanders Would Raise Taxes," *Time*, 1/28/16)

Clinton: "I Don't See How You Can Be Serious About Raising Working And Middle-Class Families' Incomes If You Also Want To Slap New Taxes On Them – No Matter What The Taxes Will Pay For." "And now former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton is working from the same playbook. Like Obama, she has set a line in the sand at \$250,000. Make anything less than that, she says, and you will not see a tax increase under her administration. 'I don't see how you can be serious about raising working and middle-class families' incomes if you also want to slap new taxes on them – no matter what the taxes will pay for,' she said recently on the campaign trail." (Pat Garofalo, "Bernie On Raising Taxes: Yes We Can," *U.S. News And World Report*, 1/26/16)

Clinton Has Attacked Sanders On His Decision To Raise Taxes On The Middle Class To Pay For His Health Plan. "The Clinton campaign has repeatedly attacked Sanders for being willing to raise taxes on the middle class. The former Secretary of State has promised not to raise taxes on the middle earners, drawing fire from progressives who argue that would necessarily curtail her domestic agenda." (Sam Frizell, "Exclusive: Sanders Open To Raising Middle-Class Taxes For Healthcare," *Time*, 1/17/16)

LIE #16: CLINTON WAS FOR FRACKING BEFORE SHE WAS AGAINST IT

As A 2016 Candidate, Clinton Says That As President, There Will Not "Be Many Places In America Where Fracking Will Continue To Take Place"

During A March 2016 Democratic Debate, Clinton Said Fracking Was "Not Sufficiently Regulated," And Under A Clinton Presidency, There Wouldn't "Be Many Places In America Where Fracking Will Continue To Take Place." CLINTON: "So by the time we get through all of my conditions, I do not think there will be many places in America where fracking will continue to take place. And I think that's the best approach, because right now, there are places where fracking is going on that are not sufficiently regulated. So first, we've got to regulate everything that is currently underway, and we have to have a system in place that prevents further fracking unless conditions like the ones that I just mentioned are met." (Hillary Clinton, *CNN Democratic Primary Debate*, Flint, MI, 3/6/16)

But Clinton Previously Touted The Benefits Of Fracking, And As Secretary Of State She Promoted Fracking Overseas

Prior To The March Debate, Clinton “Generally Supported Fracking.” “The comments marked a shift for Clinton, who, like President Barack Obama, has generally supported fracking, while insisting methane leaks must be plugged and steps taken to ensure the practice doesn’t contaminate water. She even highlighted natural gas in a campaign fact sheet last month as lowering energy costs, reducing air pollution and putting people to work.” (Jennifer Dlouhy, “Clinton Doubles Down Against Fracking, Raising Alarms,” [Bloomberg](#), 3/7/16)

At Harry Reid’s 2014 Energy Summit, Clinton Said That “The Boom In Domestic Natural Gas Production Is An Example Of American Innovation Changing The Game.” CLINTON: “There are challenges here to be sure. But the boom in domestic gas production is an example of American innovation changing the game, and if we do it right, it can be good for both the environment and our economy.” (Daryl Elliot, “NCES 7.0 Summary Report: Full Speech From Hillary Clinton,” [Clean Technica](#), 9/8/14)

- **Clinton Said That Increased Natural Gas Production “Is Creating Tens Of Thousands Of New Jobs And Lower Costs.”** CLINTON: “With the right safeguards in place, gas is cleaner than coal and expanding production is creating tens of thousands of new jobs and lower costs are helping give the United States a big competitive advantage in energy-intensive industries.” (Daryl Elliot, “NCES 7.0 Summary Report: Full Speech From Hillary Clinton,” [Clean Technica](#), 9/8/14)

In *Hard Choices*, Clinton Lauded Natural Gas Development For Creating “Tens Of Thousands Of New Jobs” And Giving The U.S. A Competitive Advantage Over Other Economies. “The boom in domestic energy production, especially in natural gas, created major economic and strategic opportunities for our country. Expanded energy production created tens of thousands of new jobs, from oil rigs in North Dakota to wind turbine factories in South Carolina. Cheap and plentiful natural gas is helping drive down costs for energy-intensive manufacturers and giving the United States a big competitive advantage over places like Japan and Europe, where energy prices remain much higher.” (Hillary Clinton, *Hard Choices*, p. 522)

As Secretary Of State, Clinton Said “The United States Will Promote The Use Of Shale Gas” And Offered The Aid Of The U.S. Geological Survey To Assist Developing Countries In Harnessing Their Shale Resources. CLINTON: “Sixth, the United States will promote the use of shale gas. Now, I know that in some places is controversial. But natural gas is the cleanest fossil fuel available for power generation today, and a number of countries in the Americas may have shale gas resources. If developed, shale gas could make an important contribution to our region’s energy supply, just as it does now for the United States. And the geologists at the U.S. Geological Survey are ready to work with partners to explore this potential. And we want to do it in a way that is as environmentally respectful as possible. So there are some best practices that we would be more than willing to share, and as countries develop the legislation or regulation necessary for this industry, to make sure it gets off on the best foot.” (Secretary Hillary Clinton, [Remarks At The Energy And Climate Partnership Of The Americas Ministerial](#), Washington, DC, 4/15/10)

In 2010, Clinton’s State Department Founded The Global Shale Gas Initiative, Which “Has Been Advising Many Foreign Countries On Fracking.” “The State Department’s Global Shale Gas Initiative, begun in 2010, has been advising many foreign countries on fracking. It has organized a half-dozen trips this year for foreign officials to meet with American energy experts and to visit drilling sites in the United States.” (Ian Urbina, “Hunt For Gas Hits Fragile Soil, And South Africans Fear Risks,” [The New York Times](#), 12/30/11)

In A 2010 Joint Statement With The Polish Foreign Minister, Clinton Said The United States Would “Promote Environmentally-Sound Shale Gas Development” Through The Global Shale Gas Initiative. “Following our agreement last April for high-level discussions on energy security, today we agreed that the Republic of Poland would join with the United States in the Global Shale Gas Initiative (GSGI). Through the GSGI, Poland and the United States will expand our cooperation to promote

environmentally-sound shale gas development in the context of a global forum of selected countries worldwide.” (Press Release, “Joint Statement of Secretary Clinton and Polish Foreign Minister Sikorski,” [U.S. State Department](#), 7/3/10)

LIE #17: CLINTON HAS IGNORED HER PAST SUPPORT OF OFFSHORE DRILLING IN THE ARCTIC TO BOLSTER HER ENVIRONMENTAL CREDENTIALS

As A 2016 Presidential Candidate, Clinton Broke With Obama And Publicly Opposed Arctic Drilling

Clinton’s New Found Opposition To Arctic Drilling Was “Her First Major Break With President Obama Over Environmental Policy.” “In her first major break with President Obama over environmental policy, Hillary Clinton said Tuesday she opposed drilling in the Alaskan Arctic because it is too dangerous.” (Juliet Eilperin, “Hillary Clinton Breaks With Obama To Oppose Arctic Drilling,” [The Washington Post](#), 8/18/15)

On Twitter Clinton Said, “Given What We Know, It’s Not Worth The Risk Of Drilling.” “The Arctic is a unique treasure. Given what we know, it’s not worth the risk of drilling. –H.” (Hillary Clinton, [Twitter Feed](#), 8/18/15)

Clinton Released Her Statement On Drilling One Day After The Obama Administration Gave Oil And Gas Company Royal Dutch Shell Final Permission To Drill For Oil In The Arctic Ocean’s Chukchi Sea. “The statement came just one day after the Obama administration gave final permitting approval for Royal Dutch Shell to to drill for oil in the Arctic Ocean’s Chukchi Sea, a move environmentalists fiercely oppose.” (Juliet Eilperin, “Hillary Clinton Breaks With Obama To Oppose Arctic Drilling,” [The Washington Post](#), 8/18/15)

As Secretary Of State, Clinton Said The U.S. Will “Claim What Is Ours” And Develop The Oil And Gas Reserves In The Arctic

In May 2011, Clinton Said The United States Would Develop Arctic Oil And Gas Reserves “In A Smart, Sustainable Way.” CLINTON: “Now the challenges in the region are not just environmental. There are other issues at stake. The melting of sea ice, for example, will result in more shipping, fishing, and tourism, and the possibility to develop newly accessible oil and gas reserves. We seek to pursue these opportunities in a smart, sustainable way that preserves the Arctic environment and ecosystem.” (Secretary Hillary Clinton, [Remarks With Danish Foreign Minister Lene Espersen](#), Nuuk, Greenland, 5/12/11)

In June 2012, Clinton Said That When It Came To Oil And Gas Fields In The Arctic, The United States Would “Claim What Is Ours Under International Law.” “QUESTION: “And what is the main interest for the U.S. in the Arctic, with its possible huge oil and gas fields?” CLINTON: “But let me just make very clear that the United States has the same interest in the Arctic and the work of the Arctic Council as Norway does. We believe strongly that it’s important for the five principal Arctic nations, of which we are, too, to begin working together to make plans for what will most certainly become greater ocean travel, greater exploration, therefore greater pollution, greater impact of human beings. We made a start on that at the last Arctic Council meeting in agreeing on a search and rescue protocol, which was the first ever for the Arctic, so that Russia and the rest of the Arctic nations all agreed to have a plan in place for search and rescue. We’re working on an oil spill protocol and others to come. Because we will, of course, claim what is ours under international law, just as Norway claims what is yours, but we know that that leaves a great vast amount of the Arctic that will be a common responsibility.” (Secretary Hillary Clinton, [Remarks With Norwegian Foreign Minister Stoere](#), Oslo, Norway, 6/1/12)

LIE #18: AS A CANDIDATE, CLINTON SAYS OPPOSES NEW DRILLING OFF AMERICA'S SHORES, BUT AS SECRETARY OF STATE HER ACTIONS SUPPORTED NEW DRILLING

Candidate Clinton Announced She Opposes Drilling In The Atlantic

In February 2016, Clinton Said She Opposed Offshore Oil And Gas Drilling In The Atlantic. “On Monday, as she lagged in the polls leading up to the New Hampshire primary, she indicated that she would ban offshore oil and gas drilling along the Atlantic coast. A Greenpeace campaigner in the crowd at a Clinton campaign event asked if she would ‘stop oil drilling in the Arctic, the Atlantic, and the Gulf?’ Clinton replied, ‘I’ve already said that I will stop in the Arctic and the Atlantic.’” (Ben Adler, “Clinton Comes Out Against Atlantic Offshore Drilling, Angling To Win Green Voters Away From Sanders,” [Grist](#), 2/9/16)

- **“Clinton’s Latest Comments Appear To Have Clarified Her Views: No On Arctic Drilling, No On Atlantic Drilling, And — Because She Didn’t Mention It — Presumably Status Quo On Gulf Drilling.”** (Ben Adler, “Clinton Comes Out Against Atlantic Offshore Drilling, Angling To Win Green Voters Away From Sanders,” [Grist](#), 2/9/16)

In March 2016, When Obama Reversed Course On A Plan To Open New Areas For Drilling In The Atlantic, Clinton Said On Twitter She Was “Relieved,” And Said It Was “Time To Do The Next Right Thing And Protect The Arctic, Too.” “Relieved Atlantic drilling is now off the table. Time to do the next right thing and protect the Arctic, too. <http://hrc.io/1UdIR4D> -H” (Hillary Clinton, [Twitter Feed](#), 3/15/16)



(Hillary Clinton, [Twitter Feed](#), 3/15/16)

In 2015, Obama Proposed Limited Oil And Gas Drilling Off The Coasts Of The Southeastern U.S., Where It Is Currently Banned. “President Obama proposed early this year allowing limited offshore oil and natural gas drilling in the mid- and south Atlantic area. Under the plan proposed by the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, energy companies would get one lease auction in 2021 for drilling rights in certain areas in the region that stretches from Virginia to Georgia. It’s sparked fierce debate across the Atlantic coast, where oil and gas drilling in currently prohibited, over whether the environmental risks of a spill or other effects are worth the potential economic boon.” (Timothy Cama, “Clinton ‘Very Skeptical’ Of Atlantic Offshore Drilling,” [The Hill](#), 12/17/15)

But As Secretary Of State, Clinton Refused To Object To New Drilling In The Arctic And Gulf Of Mexico

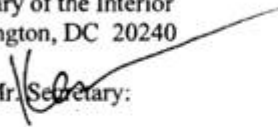
In 2012, Clinton Declined To Object To A Proposed Outer Continental Shelf Oil And Gas Leasing Plan That Would "Expand Offshore Drilling" In The Arctic And Gulf Of Mexico, Saying Her Department Had "No Comments." "As secretary of state, Mrs. Clinton was asked to comment on an Interior Department proposal to expand offshore drilling in the Arctic Ocean and in the Gulf of Mexico. In a January 2012 letter, provided to The New York Times by the Republican National Committee, she wrote to the interior secretary, Ken Salazar, that the State Department had no comments to offer on the plan." (Trip Gabriel and Coral Davenport, "'Fractivists' Increase Pressure On Hillary Clinton And Bernie Sanders In New York," [The New York Times](#), 4/4/16)

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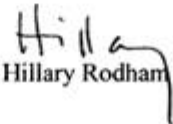
The Honorable Kenneth Lee Salazar
Secretary of the Interior
Washington, DC 20240

Dear Mr.  Secretary:

Thank you for your letter in which you requested the Department of State's review and comments on the Proposed Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Plan for 2012-2017. The State Department appreciates the opportunity to comment on this plan. As we discussed in December, I value our agencies' continuing partnership on energy issues. After carefully reviewing the plan, the Department of State has no comments to offer.

With warm regards, I am

Sincerely yours,


Hillary Rodham Clinton

(Hillary Clinton, Letter to Ken Salazar, 1/12/12, Department of the Interior FOIA Request, 9/30/15, OS-2016-00011)

Then-Secretary Clinton Was Integral In Facilitating An Energy Agreement With Mexico That Expanded Offshore Drilling

In 2012, Clinton Helped Facilitate And Signed The "U.S.-Mexico Transboundary Hydrocarbons Agreement," Which Expands Offshore Drilling. "But back in 2012, Obama and Clinton forged the so-called 'U.S.-Mexico Transboundary Hydrocarbons Agreement,' designed to promote fossil fuel development. The state department said the pact would help energy corporations expand offshore drilling and 'unlock areas for exploration and exploitation' in locations between the two countries. The agency said the deal will make 'nearly 1.5 million acres of the Outer Continental Shelf more attractive' to energy companies." (David Sirota and Andrew Perez, "Oil Deal: US-Mexico Pact Spotlights Obama And Clinton Support For Fossil Fuel Development," [International Business Times](#), 11/12/15)

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The U.S.-Mexico Agreement Opened Up 1.5 Million Acres To Offshore Drilling, An Area That Contains 172 Million Barrels Of Oil And 304 Billion Cubic Feet Of Natural Gas. “The Transboundary Agreement removes uncertainties regarding development of transboundary resources in the resource-rich Gulf of Mexico. As a result of the agreement, nearly 1.5 million acres of the U.S. Outer Continental Shelf will now be made more accessible for exploration and production activities. Estimates by the Department of Interior’s Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) indicate this area contains as much as 172 million barrels of oil and 304 billion cubic feet of natural gas.” (Press Release, “Secretary Jewell Applauds Passage of U.S. – Mexico Transboundary Hydrocarbons Agreement,” [U.S. Department Of The Interior, Office Of The Secretary](#), 12/23/13)

LIE #19: CLINTON TAKES DIFFERENT POSITIONS ON QUESTIONING JUDICIAL NOMINEES

Clinton Believes Judges Should Answer All Questions Posed By Judiciary Committee Members, Including Their Views On Cases And Legal Concepts

In 2003, Clinton Said That “It Is Fundamentally Against The Constitution” For A Judicial Nominee To “Refuse To Answer A Question Posed By A [Senate] Judiciary Committee Member.” CLINTON: “I have also been interested in my friends on the other side of the aisle talking and reading from newspapers and asserting that we are somehow requesting more information from this nominee than from other nominees and that, in fact, it is honorable not to answer relevant questions from Judiciary Committee members. It may be honorable by someone’s definition of honor, but it is not constitutional. It is fundamentally against the Constitution to refuse to answer the questions posed by a Judiciary Committee member.” (Sen. Hillary Clinton, [Congressional Record](#), 2/25/03, p. S2668)

However, Clinton Admitted Some Nominees Do Not Require Extensive Questioning

Clinton Did Say Some “Mainstream, Noncontroversial” Nominees “Go Through [The Senate] With Very Little Inquiry,” Which Is The Way “It Should Be.” “Some judicial candidates, it is true, go through with very little inquiry. They come before the Judiciary Committee. They are considered mainstream, noncontroversial judges. Frankly, the Senators do not have much to ask them. They go through the committee. They come to the floor. That is as it should be.” (Sen. Hillary Clinton, [Congressional Record](#), 2/25/03, p. S2668)

- **Clinton Said Senators Should Not Expect Judicial Nominees To Pledge To Rule A Certain Way On Specific Issues Like The Death Penalty.** “Of course, we do not and should not expect a candidate to pledge that he is always going to rule a certain way. We would not expect a candidate, even if he agreed that the death penalty was constitutional, to say: I will always uphold it, no matter what. That would be an abuse of the judicial function and discretion.” (Sen. Hillary Clinton, [Congressional Record](#), 2/25/03, p. S2668)

Clinton Held Chief Justice John Roberts Responsible For His Clients’ Views, Even Though She Previously Stated That Her Own Clients’ Views Were Not Her Own

During The Confirmation Of John Roberts, Clinton Suggested That He Personally Embraced The Positions He Took In His Legal Memos While Arguing For Clients, Solely On The Basis That Roberts “Did Not Clearly Disavow” These Stances. “When questioned about his legal memoranda, Judge Roberts claimed they did not necessarily reflect his views and that he was merely making the best possible case for his clients or responding to a superior’s request that he make a particular argument. But he did not clearly disavow the strong and clear views he expressed, but only shrouded them in further mystery. Was he just being an advocate for a client or was he using his position to advocate for positions

he believed in? The record is unclear.” (Press Release, “Statement Of Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton On The Nomination Of John Roberts To Be Chief Justice Of The United States,” [Sen. Hillary Clinton](#), 9/22/05)

- **Clinton Used This Argument To Justify Voting Against Roberts’ Confirmation To Be Chief Justice.** “[B]ecause I think he is far more likely to vote the views he expressed in his legal writings, I cannot give my consent to his confirmation and will, therefore, vote against his confirmation.” (Press Release, “Statement Of Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton On The Nomination Of John Roberts To Be Chief Justice Of The United States,” [Sen. Hillary Clinton](#), 9/22/05)

Earlier That Same Year, Clinton Admitted That As A Lawyer She Represented “A Lot Of Clients Of Different Kinds” And That “Their Views And Their Position Were Not Necessarily Mine.” “A long time ago I used to practice law. I represented a lot of clients of different kinds, all sorts of folks. Their views and their positions were not necessarily mine. I won some and I lost some in the trial court, in the appellate court, and in the administrative hearing room, but I do not believe that any of my clients spoke for me. My advocacy on behalf of clients was not the same as my positions about the law, about constitutional issues, and about many other matters. So the fact that someone has practiced law and that someone has argued cases is a factor to take into account. I certainly believe that is a significant factor. But that is not determinative. That is not in any way decisive when it comes to giving someone the opportunity to have a lifetime position on the second highest court in the land.” (Sen. Hillary Clinton, [Congressional Record](#), 2/11/03, p. S2134)

- **Clinton: “My Advocacy On Behalf Of Clients Was Not The Same As My Positions About The Law, About Constitutional Issues, And About Many Other Matters.”** (Sen. Hillary Clinton, [Congressional Record](#), 2/11/03, p. S2134)

LIE #20: THE FBI EXPOSED CLINTON’S LIES ON THE MATTER OF NUMBER OF DEVICES SHE USED

In March 2015, Clinton Said She Carried “Just One Device” To Access Her Emails. CLINTON: “First, when I got to work as secretary of state, I opted for convenience to use my personal email account, which was allowed by the State Department, because I thought it would be easier to carry just one device for my work and for my personal emails instead of two. Looking back, it would’ve been better if I’d simply used a second email account and carried a second phone, but at the time, this didn’t seem like an issue.” (Hillary Clinton, [Remarks At The United Nations](#), New York, NY, 3/10/15)



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The FBI Discovered That Clinton Used “Several Different Servers” And “Numerous Mobile Devices To Send And To Read Email...” FBI DIRECTOR JAMES COMEY: “I have so far used the singular term e-mail server in describing the referral that began our investigation. It turns out to have been more

complicated than that. Secretary Clinton used several different servers and administrators of those servers during her four years at the State Department, and she also used numerous mobile devices to send and to read e-mail on that personal domain. As new servers and equipment were employed, older servers were taken out of service, stored and decommissioned in various ways.” (FBI Director James Comey, [Remarks, Washington, D.C., 7/5/16](#))



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LIE #21: THE FBI EXPOSED CLINTON’S LIES ON TURNING OVER ALL OF HER WORK RELATED EMAIL

Clinton Said She Turned Over All Emails “That Could Possibly Be Work Related” Right Away. CLINTON: “Third, after I left office, the State Department asked former Secretaries of State for our assistance in providing copies of work- related emails from our personal accounts. I responded right away and provided all my emails that could possibly be work-related, which totalled roughly 55,000 printed pages, even though I knew that the State Department already had the vast majority of them. We went through a thorough process to identify all of my work- related emails and deliver them to the State Department.” (Hillary Clinton, [Remarks At A Press Conference](#), New York, NY, 3/10/15)



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Comey Said Clinton Failed To Turn Over “Several Thousand” Work-Related Emails. FBI DIRECTOR JAMES COMEY: “The FBI also discovered several thousand work-related e-mails that were not among the group of 30,000 e-mails returned by Secretary Clinton to state in 2014. We found those e-mails in a variety of ways. Some had been deleted over the years and we found traces on them on servers or devices

that have been connected to the private e-mail domain. Others we found by reviewing the archive government accounts of people who had been government employees at the same time as Secretary Clinton, including high ranking officials at other agencies, folks with whom a Secretary of State might normally correspond. This helped us recover work-related e-mails that were not among the 30,000 that were produced to state. Still others we recovered from the painstaking review of the millions of e-mail fragments dumped into the slack space of the server that was decommissioned in 2013. With respect to the thousands of e-mails we found that were not among those produced to the State Department, agencies have concluded that three of those were classified at the time they were sent or received, one at the secret level and two at the confidential level.” (James Comey, [Remarks](#), Washington, DC 7/5/16)



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LIE #22: THE FBI EXPOSED CLINTON’S LIES ON TRANSMITTING CLASSIFIED INFORMATION AT THE TIME OF SENDING OR RECEIVING

In March 2015 Clinton Said “There Is No Classified Material.” CLINTON: “I did not email any classified material to anyone on my email. There is no classified material. So I’m certainly well-aware of the classification requirements and did not send classified material.” (Hillary Clinton, [Press Conference](#), New York, NY 3/10/15)



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FBI Director: Clinton Sent More Than 100 Emails With Information That Was Classified At The Time. FBI DIRECTOR JAMES COMEY: “From the group of 30,000 e-mails returned to the state department

in 2014, 110 e-mails in 52 e-mail chains have been determined by the owning agency to contain classified information at the time they were sent or received. Eight of those chains contained information that was top secret at the time they were sent. 36 of those chains contained secret information at the time. And eight contained confidential information at the time. That's the lowest level of classification.” (FBI Director James Comey, [Remarks, Washington, D.C., 7/5/16](#))



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Clinton Still Insists That Nothing On Her Server At The Time Was Classified. FOX NEWS' CHRIS WALLACE: The e-mails – I want to ask about one aspect, what you told the American people.” CLINTON (CLIP): “I did not e-mail any classified material to anyone on my e-mail. There is no classified materials. I am confident that I never sent nor received any information that was classified at the time. I had not sent classified material nor received anything marked classified.” WALLACE: “After a long investigation, FBI director James Comey said none of those things that you told the American public were true.” CLINTON: “Chris, that’s not what I heard Director Comey say, and I thank you for giving me the opportunity, in my view, clarify. Director Comey said my answers were truthful, and what I’ve said is consistent with what I have told the American people, that there were decisions discussed and made to classify retroactively certain of the e-mails. I was communicating with over 300 people in my e-mailing. They certainly did not believe and no reason to believe that what they were sending was classified. In retrospect, different agencies come in and say, well, it should have been, but that’s not what was happening in real time.” WALLACE: “But in a congressional hearing on July 7th, Director Comey directly contradicted what I had told the public.” REP. TREY GOWDY (R-SC) (CLIP): “Secretary Clinton said there was nothing marked classified on her e-mails either sent or received. Was that true?” DIRECTOR JAMES COMEY (CLIP): “That was not true.” GOWDY (CLIP): “Secretary Clinton said I did not send any classified material that was classified material. Was that true?” COMEY (CLIP): “There was classified material e-mailed.” WALLACE: “He directly contradicted. Not only he directly contradicted what you said, he also said in that hearing that you were extremely careless and negligent.” CLINTON: “Well, Chris, I looked at the whole transcript of everything that was said, and what I believe is, number one, I made a mistake not using two different e-mail addresses. I have said that and I repeat it again today. It is certainly not anything I would ever do again. I take classification seriously. I relied on and had every reason to rely on the judgments of the professionals with whom I worked. And so in retrospect, maybe some people are saying, well, among those 300 people they made the wrong call. Ted there was no reason in my view to doubt the professionalism and the determination by the people who work every single day on behalf of our country.” ([Fox News Sunday, 7/31/16](#))



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Clinton Also Still Claims That The 100 Emails The FBI Found To Be Classified At The Time Were Only Classified After The Fact And Not At The Time. CLINTON: “Now, if in retrospect, which is what is behind the 100 number, if in retrospect, some different agency said ‘but it should have been, although it wasn’t, but is should have been’ that is what the debate is about. But, Director Comey said there was absolutely no intention on my part to either ignore or uh, in any way dismiss the importance of those documents because they weren’t cl—marked classified.” (Hillary Clinton, [Remarks At The NAHJ/NABJ Conference](#), Washington, DC, 8/5/16)



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LIE #23: THE FBI EXPOSED CLINTON’S LIES ON THE MATTER OF WHETHER THERE WAS MARKED CLASSIFIED MATERIAL ON HER SERVER

In March 2015 Clinton Said “There Is No Classified Material.” CLINTON: “I did not email any classified material to anyone on my email. There is no classified material. So I’m certainly well-aware of the classification requirements and did not send classified material.” (Hillary Clinton, [Press Conference](#), New York, NY 3/10/15)



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FBI Director Comey Said That There Was Information That Was Marked Classified On Clinton's Server. REPRESENTATIVE TREY GOWDY (R-SC): "Secretary Clinton said she never sent or received classified information over her private e-mail. Was that true?" FBI DIRECTOR JAMES COMEY: "Our investigation found..." GOWDY: "So it was not true"? COMEY: "That's what I said." GOWDY: "Okay. Well, I'm looking for a shorter answer so you and I are not here quite as long. Secretary Clinton said there was not anything marked..." COMEY: "That's not true. There were a small number of portion markings on I think three of the documents." GOWDY: "Secretary Clinton said 'I did not e-mail any classified material to anyone on my e-mail, there is no classified material.' That was true?" COMEY: "There was classified e-mail." GOWDY: "Secretary Clinton said she used just one device. Was that true?" COMEY: "She used multiple devices during the four years of her term as Secretary of State." GOWDY: "Secretary Clinton said all work-related e-mails were returned to the State Department." COMEY: "No." GOWDY: "Was that true?" COMEY: "We found thousands that were not returned." GOWDY: "Secretary Clinton said neither she nor anyone else deleted work related e-mails from her personal account. was that true?" COMEY: "That's a harder one to answer. We found traces of work related e-mails in -- on devices or slack space. Whether they were deleted or a server was changed out something happened to them. There's no doubt that the work related e-mails that were removed electronically from the e-mail system." GOWDY: "Secretary Clinton said her lawyers read every one of the e-mails and were overly inclusive. Did her lawyers read the e-mail content individually?" COMEY: "No." (House Oversight & Government Reform Committee, U.S. House Of Representatives, [Hearing](#), 7/7/16)



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Clinton Then Said That The Marked Classified Emails Were Incorrectly Marked. CLINTON: “I think there are about 300 people in the government, mostly in the State Department but in other high positions in the government with whom I emailed over the course of four years. They, I, believe did not believe they were sending any material that was classified they were pursuing their responsibilities, I do not think they were carless, and as I have said many times, I certainly did not believe that I received or sent any material that was classified, and indeed, any of the documents that have been referred to umm, I think uh, were not marked or were marked inaccurately, as have now been clarified.” (CNN’s “[Situation Room](#),” 7/8/16)



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LIE #24: THE FBI EXPOSED CLINTON’S LIES ON THE MATTER OF HER SECRET SERVER BEING VULNERABLE TO HACKERS

During The March 2015 Press Conference, Clinton Said The Server “Had Numerous Safeguards. It Was On Property Guarded By The Secret Service. There Were No Security Breaches” CLINTON: “Well, the system we used was set up for President Clinton's office. And it had numerous safeguards. It was on property guarded by the Secret Service. And there were no security breaches. So, I think that the – the use of that server, which started with my husband, certainly proved to be effective and secure.” (Hillary Clinton, [Remarks At A Press Conference At The United Nations](#), New York, NY, 3/10/15)



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Comey Said That It Is “Possible That Hostile Actors Gained Access” To Clinton's Server. FBI DIRECTOR JAMES COMEY: “Given the nature of the system and of the actors potentially involved, we assess that we would be unlikely to see such direct evidence. We do assess that hostile actors gained

access to the private commercial e-mail accounts of people with whom Secretary Clinton was in regular contact from her personal account. We also assess that Secretary Clinton’s use of a personal e-mail domain was both known by a large number of people and readily apparent. She also used her personal e-mail extensively while outside the United States, including sending and receiving work-related e-mails in the territory of sophisticated adversaries. Given that combination of factors, we assess it is possible that hostile actors gained access to Secretary Clinton’s personal e-mail account.” (James Comey, [Remarks](#), Washington, DC 7/5/16)



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LIE #25: THE FBI EXPOSED CLINTON’S LIES ON THE MATTER OF SHE AND HER AIDES DELETING AND WIPING DEVICES

Clinton Claimed That The Search Was “Thorough” And That Neither Her Or Her Aides Deleted Anything From The Server. QUESTION: “Did you or any of your aides delete any government related emails from your personal account, and what lengths are you willing to go to to prove that you didn’t, some people including supporters of yours suggest having an independent arbiter look at your server for instance?” CLINTON: “We did not. In fact, my direction to conduct the thorough investigation was to air on the side of providing anything that could be possibly viewed as work related, that doesn’t mean they will be by the State Department once the State Department goes through them but out of an abundance of caution and care, we wanted to send that message unequivocally.” (Hillary Clinton, [Remarks At A Press Conference At The United Nations](#), New York, NY, 3/10/15)



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FBI Director: Clinton's Lawyers Did Not Read Individual Emails And Had Devices Wiped. FBI DIRECTOR JAMES COMEY: "The lawyers doing the sorting for Secretary Clinton in 2014 did not individually read the content of all of her e-mails as we did for those available to us. Instead, they relied on header information and used search terms to try to find all work-related e-mails among the reportedly more than 60,000 that were remaining on her system at the end of 2014. It's highly likely that their search missed some work-related e-mails and that we later found them. For example, in the mail boxes of other officials or in the slack space of a server. It's also likely that there are other work-related e-mails they did not produce to state and that we did not find elsewhere and that are now gone because they deleted all e-mails they did not produce to state, and the lawyers then cleaned their devices in such a way as to preclude complete forensic recovery." (FBI Director James Comey, [Remarks, Washington, D.C.](#), 7/5/16)



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LIE #26: THE FBI EXPOSED CLINTON'S LIES ON WHETHER OR NOT SHE HAD THE AUTHORITY TO SET UP HER OWN SERVER

In 2015, Clinton Told CNN : "[E]verything I Did Was Permitted. There Was No Law. There Was No Regulation. There Was Nothing That Did Not Give Me The Full Authority To Decide How I Was Going To Communicate." CNN's BRIANNA KEILAR: "The issue of your email practices while you were Secretary of State, I think there's a lot of people who don't understand what your thought process was on that, so can you tell me the story of how you decided to delete 33,000 emails and how that deletion was executed?" CLINTON: "Well, let's start from the beginning, everything I did was permitted. There was no law. There was no regulation. There was nothing that did not give me the full authority to decide how I was going to communicate. Previous Secretaries of State have said they did the same thing and people across the government knew that I used one device, maybe because I'm not the most technically capable person and wanted to make it as easy as possible." KIELAR: "But you said they did the same thing, that they used a personal server, and while facing a subpoena, deleted emails from them." CLINTON: "A personal email, you know you are starting with so many assumptions that are, I've never had a subpoena, there is nothing, again, let's take a deep breath here, everything I did was permitted by law and regulation, I had one device, when I mailed anyone in the government, it would go into the government system. Now, I didn't have to turn over anything, I chose to turn over 55,000 pages, because I wanted to go above and beyond what was expected of me, because I knew the vast majority of I knew what was official was already in the State Department system. And now I think it's kinda fun, people get a real time behind the scenes look at you know, what I was emailing about and what I was communicating about." ("Situation Room," [CNN](#), 7/7/15)



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But The FBI Director James Comey Said That Clinton Knew She Did Not Have Authority To Have Secret Server In Her Basement. REP. KEN BUCK (R-CO): “What this statute does say is ‘knowing removes such materials without authority.’ Is it fair that she knew that she didn’t have authority to have this server in her basement?” FBI DIRECTOR JAMES COMEY: “Yes, that’s true.” (House Oversight & Government Reform Committee, U.S. House Of Representatives, [Hearing](#), 7/7/16)



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LIE #27: THE FBI EXPOSED CLINTON’S LIES ON THE ISSUE OF WHETHER SHE EMAILED PEOPLE WITHOUT A PROPER SECURITY CLEARANCE

Comey Said Clinton And Her Aides Were “Extremely Careless” In Their Handling Of Classified Information. FBI DIRECTOR JAMES COMEY: “There is evidence that they were extremely careless in their handling of very sensitive, highly classified information. For example, seven e-mail chains concern matters that were classified at the Top Secret/Special Access Program level when they were sent and received. These chains involved Secretary Clinton both sending e-mails about those matters and receiving e-mails from others about the same matters. There is evidence to support a conclusion that any reasonable person in Secretary Clinton’s position, or in the position of those government employees with whom she was corresponding about these matters, should have known that an unclassified system was no place for that conversation. In addition to this highly sensitive information, we also found information that was properly classified as Secret by the U.S. Intelligence Community at the time it was discussed on e-mail (that is, excluding the later “up-classified” e-mails). None of these e-mails should have been on any

kind of unclassified system, but their presence is especially concerning because all of these e-mails were housed on unclassified personal servers not even supported by full-time security staff, like those found at Departments and Agencies of the U.S. Government—or even with a commercial service like Gmail.” (FBI Director James Comey, [Remarks, Washington, D.C.](#), 7/5/16)



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FBI Director James Comey Said That Clinton’s Server Gave Non-Cleared Individuals Access To Classified Information. REP. JASON CHAFFETZ (R-UT): “Did Hillary Clinton give non-cleared people access to classified information?” FBI DIRECTOR JAMES COMEY: “Yes.” (House Oversight & Government Reform Committee, U.S. House Of Representatives, [Hearing](#), 7/7/16)



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Clinton Has Said The Individuals She Communicated With Were Professionals Who Knew The Classification Rules. FOX NEWS’ CHRIS WALLACE: The e-mails – I want to ask about one aspect, what you told the American people.” CLINTON (CLIP): “I did not e-mail any classified material to anyone on my e-mail. There is no classified materials. I am confident that I never sent nor received any information that was classified at the time. I had not sent classified material nor received anything marked classified.” WALLACE: “After a long investigation, FBI director James Comey said none of those things that you told the American public were true.” CLINTON: “Chris, that’s not what I heard Director Comey say, and I thank you for giving me the opportunity, in my view, clarify. Director Comey said my answers were truthful, and what I’ve said is consistent with what I have told the American people, that there were decisions discussed and made to classify retroactively certain of the e-mails. I was communicating with over 300 people in my e-mailing. They certainly did not believe and no reason to believe that what they were

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LIE #28: LAST YEAR, CLINTON "DUSTED OFF" A CLAIM THAT SHE TRIED TO JOIN THE MARINES IN 1975, BUT WAS REJECTED

Clinton "Dusted Off" Her Tale Of When She Tried To Join The Marines In 1975, "An Old Story That Has Previously Been Met With Skepticism." "As the U.S. Marine Corps turns 240 years old this week, Hillary Clinton dusted off an old story that has previously been met with skepticism: When the Yale-educated lawyer moved to Arkansas in 1975, she says she tried to join the Marines." (Jeff Zeleny and Dan Merica, "Hillary Clinton Revives Story Of Trying To Join The Marines," [CNN](#), 11/11/15)

- **Clinton:** "He Looks At Me And Goes, 'Um, How Old Are You' ... 'And I Said, 'Well I Am 26, I Will Be 27.' And He Goes, 'Well, That Is Kind Of Old For Us.'" "She laughed Tuesday, the day before Veterans Day, as she recalled being turned away by a recruiter. 'He looks at me and goes, 'Um, how old are you,'" Clinton said at an event in New Hampshire. 'And I said, 'Well I am 26, I will be 27.' And he goes, 'Well, that is kind of old for us.' And then he says to me, and this is what gets me, 'Maybe the dogs will take you,' meaning the Army.'" (Jeff Zeleny and Dan Merica, "Hillary Clinton Revives Story Of Trying To Join The Marines," [CNN](#), 11/11/15)

Clinton's Claim That She Tried To Join The Marines Doesn't Add Up

The Washington Post's Fact Checker: "This Story Doesn't Really Add Up..." "At first glance, this story doesn't really add up, for the reasons that Dowd initially outlined." (Glenn Kessler, "Hillary Clinton's Claim That She Tried To Join The Marines," [The Washington Post](#), 11/12/15)

- **"The Circumstances Are In Question."** "But the circumstances are in question. She pitches it as a matter of public service, but her friends suggest it was something different. So at this point Clinton's story is worthy of Two Pinocchios, subject to change if more information becomes available." (Glenn Kessler, "Hillary Clinton's Claim That She Tried To Join The Marines," [The Washington Post](#), 11/12/15)
- **"There Are Enough Holes Here That Clinton Has An Obligation To Address The Circumstances Under Which She Approached The Marines, Now That She Had Once Again Raised It In A Campaign Context."** (Glenn Kessler, "Hillary Clinton's Claim That She Tried To Join The Marines," [The Washington Post](#), 11/12/15)

CNN's Jeff Zeleny: "It Seems So Unusual" That Clinton Would Have Wanted To Join The Marines When She Had Just Moved To Arkansas And Bill Clinton Was About To Become The Attorney General. ZELENY: "So we asked her campaign for just a few more details on this because it seems so unusual that a Yale-educated lawyer who worked on the anti-war campaigns of McCarthy and McGovern, who had just moved to Arkansas, whose husband was about to become the attorney general of the state would decide to want to join the marines. But the campaign said they're not going to add any more comment on to this, so the questions are left to discuss here." (CNN's "[New Day](#)," 11/12/15)



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In 1994, The New York Times' Maureen Dowd Pointed Out That The Idea Of Clinton Wanting To Join The Marines In 1975 "Did Not Seem To Fit In" With Her Persona. "And it did not seem to fit in with the First Lady's own persona. After all, Hillary Rodham was an up-and-coming legal star involved with an up-and-coming political star. She had made a celebrated appearance in Life magazine as an anti-establishment commencement speaker at Wellesley College, where, as president of the student government, she had organized teach-ins on her opposition to the Vietnam War." (Maureen Dowd, "Hillary Clinton Says She Once Tried To Be Marine," [The New York Times](#), 6/15/94)

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LIE #29: NOT EVEN A WEEK INTO HER CAMPAIGN KICKOFF, CLINTON WAS CAUGHT TELLING A FALSEHOOD ABOUT HER FAMILY HISTORY IN IOWA

In Iowa, Clinton Claimed “All Her Grandparents Had Immigrated To The United States, A Story That Conflicts With Public Census And Other Records Related To Her Maternal And Paternal Grandparents.” “Speaking in Iowa Wednesday, former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton said that all her grandparents had immigrated to the United States, a story that conflicts with public census and other records related to her maternal and paternal grandparents. The story of her grandmother specifically immigrating is one Clinton has told before. Clinton’s sole foreign-born grandparent, Hugh Rodham Sr., immigrated as a child.” (Andrew Kaczynski, “Hillary Clinton Wrong On Family’s Immigration History, Records Show,” [BuzzFeed](#), 4/15/15)

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PolitiFact Rated Clinton’s Comments On Her Grandparents As “False.” “Talking about immigration in Iowa, Clinton said, ‘All my grandparents, you know, came over here.’ It’s very clear from the evidence that not all of Hillary Clinton’s grandparents were immigrants. In fact, only one was. It’s possible she misspoke, but it doesn’t make her comment more accurate. We rate her claim False.” (Katie Sanders, “In Iowa, Hillary Clinton Claims ‘All My Grandparents’ Came To The U.S. From Foreign Countries,” [PolitiFact](#), 4/16/15)

- **With Her False Claim About Her Grandparents, Clinton’s Campaign Suffered A “Hitch” Similar To Her Embellishments On The 2008 Campaign Trail.** “(The rollout was not without a hitch: Mrs. Clinton, who was criticized in the 2008 campaign for claiming, inaccurately, that she had dodged sniper fire in Bosnia, said on the second day of her Iowa visit that all of her grandparents were immigrants. According to a BuzzFeed report, only one of them was — her grandfather Hugh Rodham Sr.)” (Patrick Healy and Maggie Haberman, “Hillary Clinton Re-Emerges, By Design (But Also By Surprise),” [The New York Times](#), 4/16/15)

LIE #30: PANDERING TO VOTERS IN NEW HAMPSHIRE, CLINTON CLAIMED THE FIRST TIME SHE EVER CAMPAIGNED FOR ANYONE WAS IN THAT STATE IN 1991

Clinton Told New Hampshire Voters “The First Place I Ever Came For Any Political Campaign Was In” New Hampshire In 1991. CLINTON: “The first place I ever came for any political campaign was in 1991, when I was here campaigning for my husband, in October of 1991.” (Hillary Clinton, Remarks At A Campaign Event, 4/20/15)



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But Clinton Was Actively Campaigning For Candidates Since The 1960s

In Her Memoir *Living History*, Clinton Said She Campaigned For Senator Edward Brooke (R-MA) In 1966. “President Adams asked me what I was going to say, and I told her it was still percolating. She introduced me to Senator Edward Brooke, out official commencement speaker and the Senate’s only African American member, for whom I had campaigned in 1966 when I was still a Young Republican.” (Hillary Clinton, “Living History,” 2003)

In 1968, Hillary Clinton Worked On The Presidential Campaign Of Senator Eugene McCarthy In “New Hampshire That Winter.” “Her political itinerary that year resembles a frenzied travelogue of youthful contradiction. She might have been the only 20-year-old in America who worked on the antiwar presidential campaign of Senator Eugene McCarthy in New Hampshire that winter and for the hawkish Republican congressman Melvin Laird in Washington that summer.” (Mark Leibovich, “In Turmoil Of ‘68, Clinton Found A New Voice,” [The New York Times](#), 9/5/07)

Clinton Worked On George McGovern’s Campaign For President In Texas In 1972. “The McGovern campaign set up shop in an empty store front on West Sixth Street. I had a small cubicle that I rarely occupied because I spent most of my time in the field, trying to register the newly enfranchised eighteen-to-twenty-one-year-olds and driving around South Texas working to register black and Hispanic voters.” (Hillary Clinton, “Living History,” 2003)

LIE #31: ON THE 2008 CAMPAIGN TRAIL, CLINTON CLAIMED SHE CAME UNDER SNIPER FIRE IN BOSNIA

On March 17, 2008, Clinton Recounted A 1996 Trip To Bosnia, Noting “I Remember Landing Under Sniper Fire. There Was Supposed To Be Some Kind Of Greeting Ceremony At The Airport, But Instead We Just Ran With Our Heads Down.” CLINTON: “I remember landing under sniper fire. There was supposed to be some kind of a greeting ceremony at the airport, but instead we just ran with our heads down to get into the vehicles to get to our base. But it was a moment of great pride for me to visit our troops, not only in our main base as Tuzla, but also at two outposts where they were serving in so many capacities to deactivate and remove landmines, to hunt and seek out those who had not complied with the Dayton Accords and put down their arms, and to build relationships with the people that might lead to a peace for them and their children.” (Hillary Clinton, [Remarks](#), Washington, D.C., 3/17/08)



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When Pressed On Her Account Of The Bosnia Trip By Reporters, Clinton Initially Responded: “There Was No Greeting Ceremony, And We Basically Were Told To Run To Our Cars. Now, That Is What Happened.” “Immediately after the speech that day, a reporter asked Clinton about remarks from others on the trip who suggested the trip was for photo opportunities rather than foreign policy and she stood by her account of sniper fire. ‘There was no greeting ceremony, and we basically were told to run to our cars. Now, that is what happened,’ she said.” (Angie Drobnic Holan, “Video Shows Tarmac Welcome, No Snipers,” [PolitiFact](#), 3/25/08)

PolitiFact: “But That’s Not What Happened, As Demonstrated By CBS News Video That Shows Clinton Arriving On The Tarmac Under No Visible Duress, And Greeting A Child Who Offers Her A Copy Of A Poem.” “During an introduction to a foreign policy speech on Iraq on March 17, 2008, Sen. Hillary Clinton reminisced about her days as first lady and a trip to Tuzla, Bosnia, she made in March 1996. ‘I remember landing under sniper fire. There was supposed to be some kind of a greeting ceremony at the airport, but instead we just ran with our heads down to get into the vehicles to get to our base.’ But that’s not what happened, as demonstrated by CBS News video that shows Clinton arriving on the tarmac under no visible duress, and greeting a child who offers her a copy of a poem.” (Angie Drobnic Holan, “Video Shows Tarmac Welcome, No Snipers,” [PolitiFact](#), 3/25/08)

- **Clinton Was In Fact “Greeted By A Group Of Bosnian Children In Colorful Native Dress” Who Presented Her With “Bright Bouquets Of Spring Flowers...While The First Lady Patted The Children On The Head.”** “There of course were no snipers, and as the nervous passengers exited from the rear of the aircraft off an enormous steel ramp that could handle tanks and other tactical vehicles, we were greeted by a group of Bosnian children in colorful native dress. Hope none of them is a sniper, I thought. They presented Mrs. Clinton with bright bouquets of spring flowers that were quickly gathered up by aides while the first lady patted the children on the head.” (Christopher R. Hill, *Outpost*, 2014)

LIE #32: ON THE 2008 CAMPAIGN TRAIL, CLINTON EMBELLISHED HER ROLE DURING NORTHERN IRELAND’S PEACE NEGOTIATIONS

In 2008, Clinton Listed Her Role In Bringing “Peace To Northern Ireland” As A Foreign Policy Credential. CLINTON: “You know, I was involved for 15 years in, you know, foreign policy and security policy. You know, I helped to bring peace to Northern Ireland.” (CNN’s [“American Morning,”](#) 3/5/08)



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Clinton’s Account Of Her Role In Northern Ireland Grew “More Dramatic With Each Retelling” On The 2008 Campaign Trail. “As the Boston Globe recently noted, her stories of bringing Protestant and Catholic women together have become more dramatic with each retelling. The claim that she brought Catholics and Protestants together ‘for the first time’ seems dubious.” (Michael Dobbs, “Clinton And Northern Ireland,” [The Washington Post’s Fact Checker](#), 12/31/07)

While Clinton Did Play A Role In Encouraging Women To Become Involved In The Process, She Was Not Directly Involved In The Peace Negotiations. “Clinton has taken an interest in the Northern Ireland peace process, visiting the area seven times between 1995 and 2004 – making five of those trips as first lady. Clinton has said that she ‘helped bring peace to Northern Ireland.’ Of course, ‘helped’ is a fairly weak claim, one that could be made by nearly anyone who contributed in a way that didn’t actively hinder the process. Clinton was not directly involved in the peace negotiations that eventually led to the Good Friday Agreement. Her work focused on encouraging Irish women to take a more active role in the male-dominated peace talks. There is universal agreement that Clinton ‘helped.’ The dispute is about how much she helped.” (“Hillary’s Adventures Abroad,” [FactCheck.Org](#), 3/25/08)

- **Sen. George Mitchell, Who Led The Negotiations: Clinton Was “Not Involved Directly” In The Conversations That Led To The Peace Agreement.** “I just spoke to Senator George Mitchell, the Clinton administration’s leading Northern Ireland peace negotiator, who said that Hillary was ‘not involved directly’ in the diplomatic negotiations that led to the landmark April 1998 Good Friday agreement on power-sharing.” (Michael Dobbs, “Clinton And Northern Ireland,” [The Washington Post’s Fact Checker](#), 12/31/07)
- **Northern Ireland Leader David Trimble – Who Shared A Nobel Peace Prize For The Settlement – Said Clinton’s Claims About Her Role Were A “Wee Bit Silly.”** “David Trimble, the leader of the Ulster Unionist Party in Northern Ireland who shared a Nobel Peace Prize for the settlement, last week told the Daily Telegraph, a British newspaper, that Clinton’s claim was ‘a wee bit silly.’ He said, ‘I don’t want to rain on the thing for her, but being a cheerleader for something is slightly different from being a principal player.’” (Bill Adair, “I Helped To Bring Peace To Northern Ireland,” [PolitiFact](#), 3/10/08)

LIE #33: ON THE 2008 CAMPAIGN TRAIL, CLINTON TOOK LIBERTIES WHEN DESCRIBING A TRIP TO MACEDONIA SHE MADE AS FIRST LADY

In 2008, Clinton Listed A Trip To Macedonia To Negotiate Opening Its Borders For Refugees Fleeing From Kosovo As A Specific Example Of An Occasion When She Was The “Go-To Person” During A Foreign Policy Crisis. KIRAN CHETRY: “All of those points are well taken. I was wondering if you could point to a specific crisis where you were the go-to person?” HILLARY CLINTON: “Well, you know, there isn’t any way that anyone who has not been president, but you know the administration sent

me to war- torn zones. I was the first person from the Clinton administration to go into Bosnia after the Dayton peace accords. You know, I went to Macedonia and sat down with their government and negotiated opening up that border. There are a lot of examples.” (CNN’s [“American Morning,”](#) 3/5/08)

- **Clinton: “I Negotiated Open Borders To Let Fleeing Refugees Into Safety From Kosovo.”**
CLINTON: “I negotiated open borders to let fleeing refugees into safety from Kosovo. I’ve been standing up against, you know, the Chinese government over women’s rights and standing up for human rights in many different places. I’ve served on the Senate Armed Services Committee. And I was the only senator of either party asked to be on an important task force put together by the Pentagon under this administration to figure out what to do with our military going forward.”
(CNN’s [“American Morning,”](#) 3/5/08)

But Clinton Did Not Actually Negotiate Opening Borders – “Macedonia Had Reopened Its Border To Kosovar Refugees The Day Before Clinton’s Arrival.” “More significantly, Clinton did not in fact ‘negotiate on matters such as opening borders for refugees during the war in Kosovo.’ Macedonia had reopened its border to Kosovar refugees the day before Clinton’s arrival, as has been widely reported.”
(“Hillary’s Adventures Abroad,” [FactCheck.Org,](#) 3/25/08)

- **Clinton’s Website Touted Her Travel To “The Edge Of The Warzone” Before Her Negotiations, But Clinton Did Not Go To An “Active Combat Zone” And The Risks She Did Take Were “Not Exceptional.”** “In a March 5 interview on CNN, Clinton said that she ‘negotiated open borders to let fleeing refugees into safety from Kosovo.’ Clinton is referring to her May 14, 1999, trip to Macedonia, which shares a border with Kosovo. According to her Web site, Clinton ‘traveled to the international border on the edge of the war zone’ before meeting with Macedonia’s president and prime minister. We note, first, that Clinton’s claim that the refugee camp was ‘on the edge of a war zone’ gives an exaggerated picture of the risk involved. Traveling to the Kosovo border was more dangerous than remaining in Washington, and the trip did involve some risk. But Clinton did not land in the middle of an active combat zone, and the risks that she did take were not exceptional: Prior visitors to the refugee camp included Richard Gere and Bianca Jagger. For that matter, much of the ‘war’ in Kosovo consisted of NATO airstrikes against the Yugoslav troops who had forced thousands of ethnic Albanians to flee Kosovo, and the nearest NATO ground troops were deployed in Albania, more than 100 miles away from Clinton. ” (“Hillary’s Adventures Abroad,” [FactCheck.Org,](#) 3/25/08)

LIE #34: ON THE 2008 CAMPAIGN TRAIL, CLINTON OVERSTATED HER TRAVEL SCHEDULE AS FIRST LADY, IMPLYING SHE TRAVELED TO DANGEROUS AREAS

In 2008, Clinton Described The Unofficial White House Policy As “If A Place Was Too Small, Or Too Dangerous, The President Couldn’t Go, So Send The First Lady. That’s Where We Went.” CLINTON: “I certainly do remember that trip to Bosnia, and as Togo said, there was a saying around the White House that if a place was too small, too poor, or too dangerous, the president couldn’t go, so send the First Lady. That’s where we went.” (Hillary Clinton, [Remarks](#) , Washington, D.C., 3/17/08)



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PolitiFact: “Clinton Went To Many Places That Were, Large, Wealthy And Safe.” “We analyzed Clinton’s international travel based on recently released White House schedules, interviews with traveling companions and scholars, as well as news reports from those trips. We found that Clinton went to many places that were large, wealthy and safe.” (Angie Drobnic Holan, “She Was No Emissary To The Obscure,” [PolitiFact](#), 3/17/08)

- **“Her Travel Itinerary Is Hardly A Tour Of The World’s Most Obscure Countries. Rather, Her Travels Tended To Emphasize Stable Allies Of The United States, Many Of Which Are Quite Populous.”** “They may not be the top NATO allies, but we can’t consider any of these countries to meet the trifecta of small, poor and dangerous. Yes, she did go to places like Iceland (pretty small), Eritrea (poor) and Bosnia (arguably dangerous at the time she visited). But her travel itinerary is hardly a tour of the world’s most obscure countries. Rather, her travels tended to emphasize stable allies of the United States, many of which are quite populous.” (Angie Drobnic Holan, “She Was No Emissary To The Obscure,” [PolitiFact](#), 3/17/08)

PolitiFact: “[W]e Find Her Statement To Be Barely True.” “When she traveled with President Clinton, her schedule may have been a little more glamorous, with more time spent in France, England and Russia. But her solo itinerary was no tour of tiny, dangerous places. So we find her statement to be Barely True.” (Angie Drobnic Holan, “She Was No Emissary To The Obscure,” [PolitiFact](#), 3/17/08)

LIE #35: CLINTON HAS EVEN EMBELLISHED HER STORY OF THE BIN LADEN RAID

While Touting Her Latest Memoir, Clinton Attributed The Situation Room Photograph To The Shock Of Watching A U.S. Helicopter Hit The Bin Laden Compound Wall. JEREMY VINE: “Perhaps the most memorable image from your time as Secretary of State was you in the Situation Room with your hand over your mouth as you watched, well, we’re not sure what you were watching then. We thought at first you were watching seals go into the home of Osama Bin Laden. But it wasn’t quite that?” HILLARY CLINTON: “No. And as I write about in the book, it was a direct video feed on what was going on outside the house. So we saw the helicopters land, we saw our seals get out and take up their positions. We also saw one of the helicopters tails hit the wall as it was attempting to get into the courtyard of the compound, disabling the helicopter. I think that may have been when my hand went over my mouth because my heart was in my throat.” (BBC Radio 2’s [Jeremy Vine](#), 7/3/14)

- **Clinton: “We Also Saw One Of The Helicopters Tails Hit The Wall As It Was Attempting To Get Into The Courtyard Of The Compound, Disabling The Helicopter. I Think That May Have Been When My Hand Went Over My Mouth Because My Heart Was In My Throat.”** (BBC Radio 2’s [Jeremy Vine](#), 7/3/14)

But In 2011, The Story Was That “An Allergy And Not Anguish” Was The Explanation For The Gesture While Watching The Bin Laden Raid. “An allergy and not anguish may explain why Secretary of State Hillary Clinton had her hand to her mouth while watching the commando operation to kill Osama bin Laden, she said on Thursday. A photo of Clinton, President Barack Obama and other senior officials watching the operation live from the White House situation room has become one of the most striking images of the raid that killed the al Qaeda leader.” (“Hillary Clinton’s Allergies, Not Anguish, To Blame For Bin Laden Photo,” [Reuters](#), 7/5/11)

- **Clinton On The Photo, 2011: “I Am Somewhat Sheepishly Concerned That It Was My Preventing One Of My Early Spring Allergic Coughs. So It May Have No Great Meaning Whatsoever.”** “Those were 38 of the most intense minutes. I have no idea what any of us were looking at that particular millisecond when the picture was taken,’ she said on Thursday when asked about the photo during a visit to Rome. ‘I am somewhat sheepishly concerned that it was my preventing one of my early spring allergic coughs. So it may have no great meaning whatsoever,’ Clinton added.” (“Hillary Clinton’s Allergies, Not Anguish, To Blame For Bin Laden Photo,” [Reuters](#), 7/5/11)
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The New York Times’ Jason Horowitz: “Hillary Clinton Has Apparently Gotten Over Her Allergies.”
(Jason Horowitz, “Clinton’s Cough Was Really A Gasp,” [The New York Times](#), 6/20/14)

LIE #36: AS FIRST LADY, CLINTON CLAIMED SHE WAS NAMED AFTER EDMUND HILLARY, THE FIRST PERSON TO CLIMB MOUNT EVEREST

“For More Than A Decade, One Piece Of Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton’s Informal Biography Has Been That She Was Named For Sir Edmund Hillary, The Conqueror Of Mount Everest.” “For more than a decade, one piece of Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton’s informal biography has been that she was named for Sir Edmund Hillary, the conqueror of Mount Everest. The story was even recounted in Bill Clinton’s autobiography.” (Danny Hakim, “Hillary, Not As In The Mount Everest Guy,” [The New York Times](#), 10/17/06)

- **“The Story Was Even Recounted In Bill Clinton’s Autobiography.”** (Danny Hakim, “Hillary, Not As In The Mount Everest Guy,” [The New York Times](#), 10/17/06)

During A Trip To Nepal In 1995, Clinton Claimed She Was Named After Edmund Hillary, The New Zealand Mountaineer Who Was The First Man To Climb Mount Everest. “For her part, Mrs. Clinton confessed that her mother, Dorothy Rodham, had read an article about the intrepid Edmund Hillary, a one-time beekeeper who had taken to mountain climbing, when she was pregnant with her daughter in 1947 and liked the name. ‘It had two l’s, which is how she thought she was supposed to spell Hillary,’ Mrs. Clinton told reporters after the brief meeting on the tarmac, minutes before her Air Force jet flew past the peak of Everest itself. ‘So when I was born, she called me Hillary, and she always told me it’s because of Sir Edmund Hillary.’” (Todd S. Purdum, “Hillary Clinton Meets Man Who Gave Her 2 L’s,” [The New York Times](#), 4/3/95)

But Sir Edmund Hillary Didn’t Climb Mount Everest Until Clinton Was Six Years Old

Hillary Clinton Was Born In 1947, But Sir Edmund Hillary Didn’t Climb Everest Until 1953. “But one big hole has been poked in the story over the years, both in cyberspace and elsewhere: Sir Edmund became famous only after climbing Everest in 1953. Mrs. Clinton, as it happens, was born in 1947.” (Danny Hakim, “Hillary, Not As In The Mount Everest Guy,” [The New York Times](#), 10/17/06)