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### **Benghazi Hearings Prove Hillary Deliberately Deceived Us**

Democrats are portraying Hillary Clinton's testimony before the House Select Committee on Benghazi as an incredible victory for the presidential aspirant. We're told that she and her immediate staff even held a celebratory dinner after her 11 hours of testimony last Thursday were over.

Man, talk about rewriting history! This is a classic example of the old adage about telling a lie. Make it big enough and repeat it often enough, and pretty soon most people will accept it as the truth. There is no doubt that this is what Hillary's most ardent defenders — several of whom served on that Benghazi panel — are determined to do regarding the actions and legacy of the former secretary of state.

But, in fact, the hearing revealed precisely the opposite. It showed conclusively that Hillary knew, almost immediately, that the attacks on our facilities in Benghazi, Libya, were a preplanned terrorist attack — not a spontaneous protest over an anti-Muslim video.

Remember, this was in the closing weeks of the 2012 presidential contest. Just the week before the 9/11 attacks in Benghazi, Vice President Joe Biden got a standing ovation when he told the Democratic National Convention, "Osama bin Laden is dead and General Motors is alive." Clearly, this message wouldn't fly if the public learned that an al-Qaida affiliate in Libya was responsible for the murder of our ambassador to the country and three other Americans.

The night of the attack in Benghazi, Hillary issued a public statement blaming the assault on an obscure YouTube video. This was in line with the official policy of the Obama administration that al-Qaida was "on the run."

But just 45 minutes after releasing that misleading statement, Hillary sent a private email to her daughter Chelsea in which she said, "Two of our officers were killed in Benghazi by an Al Qaeda-like group."

If it weren't for the Benghazi Select Committee, we would never have learned about the existence of this email. In fact, we probably wouldn't even know about Hillary's private email server, which she used all during the time she served as secretary of state.

But the embarrassing revelations didn't end there. Thanks to the committee, we also learned that the very next day after the attacks, Hillary had a telephone conversation with Hesham Kandil, the prime

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minister of Egypt, in which she said: "We know that the attack Libya had nothing to do with the film. It was a planned attack — not a protest."

Again, we can thank the Select Committee on Benghazi for forcing the State Department to release that summary of Hillary's telephone call. Yet that very same day, then-White House press secretary Jay Carney continued the charade, when he declared, "We have no information to suggest that it was a preplanned attack."

In other words, it was the deliberate policy of Clinton and the rest of the Obama administration to deceive the public, even while they told the truth in private. On September 25, 2012 — two weeks after the murders in Libya — Barack Obama continued the ruse when he told the U.N. General Assembly, "There is no video that justifies an attack on an embassy."

In her testimony before the Select Committee, Hillary blamed the "confusing" and "contradictory" information we were receiving from Libya for the discrepancy between her remarks in private and what she and the rest of the Obama administration were telling the public.

Her staff and supporters may be eager to peddle this baloney to a gullible public. And yes, the mainstream media, which is already in the tank for the Democrats, is no doubt willing to repeat it endlessly.

But thanks to the House Select Committee on Benghazi, the record is there for everyone to see. Hillary knew the truth almost from the moment the assault began. Yet she knowingly participated in a cover-up for strictly political motives.

Is this really the sort of person a majority of voters will make the next commander in chief? If so, God help this Republic.

Until next time, keep some powder dry.

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