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Will Hillary be Able to Buy the Election?

It's now official. Hillary Clinton released a video on Sunday announcing, to the surprise of absolutely no one, that yes, by golly, she is running for president. "Everyday Americans need a champion, and I want to be that champion," she said in the two-anda-half minute promotion.

The lady herself did not appear during the first half of the announcement. Rather, it was a carefully chosen collection of diverse Americans — men, women, mothers, children, gays and straights — all of whom presumably are eager to see her elected as the first female president of this country.

The video was pretty much silent on why Clinton should be elected president. There was no long list of past accomplishments. That isn't surprising. Republican critics have delighted in asking her supporters to name anything she achieved during her four years as Barack Obama's secretary of state - or before that, during her term as the junior senator from New York. The answers have not been impressive.

The lady has left a ton of scandals and controversies in her wake. Reince Preibus, chairman of the Republican National Committee, was quick to point this out. In a statement released moments after Clinton's own announcement, he said: "She has been running for president for at least a decade, but she's been running from scandal for even longer."

Indeed she has. But don't expect the mainstream media to dwell on this unpleasant fact. No, if there's one thing Clinton can count on, it's the unwavering support of the vast majority of the media. Many of them don't even try to hide their biases, while any challenger can be certain of having his record challenged in the harshest possible terms.

Can you imagine what the media would be saying if Rand Paul or Ted Cruz had kept all of their government emails on a private server? Or had been so cavalier about destroying tens of thousands of them, claiming the public had no right to see them? Or a dozen other highly questionable events in her past?

Of course the media won't play fair. And the Republicans better get used to this unpleasant fact and have some strategy to overcome it.

Even more frightening is the thought of how much money the Clinton machine will be able to raise —







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and how it will be spent. There are some estimates that before campaign 2016 is over, the Democrats will raise close to \$2 billion to get Clinton elected.

That is an absolutely staggering sum. And most of it will no doubt be spent on some of the most vicious and destructive attack ads we've ever seen. Are you ready for a hundred variations of that infamous "pushing grandmother over a cliff" TV commercial?

No matter how much money the Democrats have to spend, it won't be enough to change Clinton's image as a cold and calculating politician. The lady is definitely not warm and fuzzy, and a billion-dollar ad budget can't disguise that fact. Time will tell if it will be enough to buy her the presidency.

Until next time, keep some powder dry.

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