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Subject: Re: Hurricane Katrina Aftermath

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Considering that it has been a well-known fact for some time (read that: for ~50-60 years or so) that the levees were woefully inadequate for their task, it hardly seems reasonable to only blame the current administration for their failure. It is a glaring problem that has been overlooked, ignored, and pushed aside for a very, very long time. Whose fault is that? Mainly the state and local government, but also EVERY administration from the moment they first knew the things needed upgrading until now.

Bush is like the last guy in the bar who got stuck with the check- it is only PARTIALLY his responsibility, but everyone else shirked theirs so it all ends up falling to him. The levees failed on his watch, so naturally it must be entirely his fault, right? Wrong. He's just the guy who has to take the publicity hit from it; in reality the past ten presidents or so and countless members of congress tossed aside the same problem. The simple fact is that the same thing could have happened to any of them had a Cat 4 smacked NO during that time.

But it didn't, did it? Surely, Mr. Bush got caught with his pants down. But that isn't to say that anyone else never let their guard down- perfect Mr. Clinton didn't do jack shit to fix the problem either, a detail which will be carefully omitted by those trying to use this disaster to further a political agenda. To those people: you make me sick. Go do something to help instead of pissing and moaning about how the President did the exact same thing every president for the past half a century has done. Yes, it was an oversight, but the point is that it could have happened at ANY time, and we would have had the exact same mess on our hands.

And the biggest goat-fuck-up of this whole affair STILL lies with the local government, which had on hand several hundred busses to use in an evacuation- yet failed to deploy ANY of them. If you really want to point fingers, point them at the people who could have prevented this from happening, but didn't.

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