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Subject: Re: America is Now the Corporations' Bitch  
Posted by [nikki6ixx](#) on Wed, 27 Jan 2010 06:59:32 GMT  
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Glock~ wrote on Wed, 27 January 2010 00:40nikki6ixx wrote on Wed, 27 January 2010 00:31I'm unaware of America's contribution rules, but I think I recall Entertainment Tonight doing election coverage last year, and their 'report' was on how much coin celebrities contributed to Mac's and Obama's campaigns.

The numbers ran in the tens of thousands, so I was under the impression that individuals weren't really limited in their donations. Then again, a quick search says that the maximum donation to candidates is \$4,600 bucks.

I'm confused now lol.

Yeah, I see it now. I didn't use the best wording. The limit is a lot higher than I thought, but it still doesn't justify no limit for corporations. They're probably ready to pump millions into serving their own self-interests. Ugh, I hate Obama.

Thing is, this has nothing to do with Obama, nor even Bush really. The judges were just interpreting the constitution, and even then, it was a narrow 5-4 vote.

Frankly, as bad as it is, I'm at least happy your Supreme Court actually interprets your constitution, instead of my country's court's habit of just making dumb legislation without public/parliamentary consent.

Obama is apparently looking at his options for this, because this comes at a really bad time for him. Right now, he's pitching huge taxes on banks, and this ruling, even though he has nothing to do with it, jeopardizes his 'Main Street' pitch.

Also, there could be a silver lining in this. It's a well known fact that corporations channel their money through different special interest groups and groups, which lets them donate lots of money to political parties in a dubious manner. At least this way, maybe they won't use those tactics, and instead donate their funds as one entity, which makes it a bit cleaner, and easier for people to see who is bankrolling who.

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