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Are the democratic candidates are weak to not accept a debate invitation hosted by Fox News?

Yesterday, we reported on the Fox News New Year’s Eve celebration. Almost every Republican offered a short video clip of their message to us for New Year’s Eve. On the Democratic side, only Governor O’Malley offered a message. It was a very short message, but at least it was a message to us. Where were Clinton’s and Sanders’ messages? During the program, the Fox hosts made it clear that all candidates were offered the same message offer. The candidates could say anything they wanted, and Fox would run it unedited. And yet, Clinton and Sanders did not provide a message. This is Clinton and Sanders continuing to show their intolerance of a news network.

Fox also reports that they have offered the Democratic candidates a debate. They both also have not agreed to a Fox News sponsored debate. To the Clinton and Sanders supporters, please tell me why your candidates will not appear on Fox? To me, this is plain gutless of them. They have ridiculed Republicans about being weak when it comes to a temporary stop of letting Muslins into the U.S. until they figure a way to adequately screen these people. They have said words like this: “the Republicans are weak if they fear women and children refugees. How can anyone expect them to be tough when they fear women and children?”

Let’s flip it to the Democrats. If Clinton and Sanders are too afraid of a news network to even offer a New Year’s Eve message, are they really strong enough to be president? I mean, how petty can you get. To not offer a new year’s message that they were free to say anything they wanted, is spineless, weak, and rude. To me that is being a chicken. What are they afraid of? Could it be they are afraid to handle real questions on their policies? Questions that may show weakness’s in their ideas? Debates are for us to learn about the candidates. The Democrats seem to be withholding that process.

The Democratic Party so far has had 4 debates. In the 2008 election, they had already had 14 debates. Why is that? The rumors are that the DNC chair, Debbie Wasserman-Schwartz, is so intent on making sure Clinton gets the nomination that she has cut off any debate that may cast Clinton in a bad light. The rumor is that Clinton is supporting her in this approach, if not even telling the DNC chair that this is the way Clinton wants it. The DNC has determined that Clinton appearing in a Fox debate can only hurt Clinton. By reducing the number of debates, it also protects Clinton of making any gaffs. So far in every debate, they have held, she has told some inaccurate statements. Fact check has done the checks and found her errors.

For the Democratic supporters that are getting all bristled at me picking on the candidates on fact checks, I know the Republicans have also made errors in some of their supposed facts during debates. They have taken their lumps for it. That doesn’t change the topic of this editorial. Please tell me why these candidates, who are running for the most powerful position in the world, are afraid of Fox News? Could it be they really don’t want us to know them? Could it be they really don’t want an open discussion of their proposals? Could it be they will only appear where the DNC has complete control of what is going to happen?

By them ignoring Fox, they are telling their viewers that they don’t matter to them. Sure, most of the Fox’s conservative viewers won’t vote for either of them, but what about the targets of the Democrats: the women and independents that watch Fox? There is a huge audience that they could reach if they appeared on Fox. To date, Clinton has not accepted even one interview on Fox. To Sanders and O’Malley’s credit, they have at least accepted at least one interview each with a Fox reporter. All the Republican candidates have accepted interviews from the left-leaning news agencies. This supposed strong presidential candidate, Clinton, has not appeared.

For everyone watching, face facts. Just as the Republican establishment is trying to control the Republican contest, so are the establishment Democrats, except, the Democrats are accomplishing the goal. The Republican establishment has underestimated the anger at least half of the country holds towards the Obama presidency, which Clinton was a major part of. To date Clinton has declared the only way the Obama policies can continue is to get her elected to the presidency. That is the position of the far left. Right now, Clinton and Wasserman-Schwartz are in complete control of the Democratic campaign. It’s going to be their way, or no way. They are so afraid to actually face a conservative question, that they won’t even offer a New Year message. If I were in Sanders or O’Malley’s shoes right now, I’d be screaming to every news agency in the country what is going on. I’d be screaming for more debates anywhere I could get one.

In conclusion, I ask the Democratic supporters, please tell me why candidates Clinton and Sanders, who are running for the most powerful position in the world, are afraid of Fox News? So afraid, that they won’t even provide a new year’s message for us, the people. So afraid they won’t accept a debate hosted by Fox News. Why?

I’m Tom Wiknich, and that’s what I think. I’d like to know what you think. If you have any comments about this editorial, or would like to discuss or recommend a topic, I’d like to hear from you. Please email them to info@kzgn.net.