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Do you think we learned anything new from the Benghazi hearing?

I don’t think we learned much. Clinton focused on protection for herself. She made a valiant fall on the sword declaration that she was in charge, so she has to take responsibility for what happened in her agency. Then the big “but”… But she managed hundreds of ambassador locations around the world…. But she managed an agency of over 70,000 people. But… there was turmoil in many locations around the world. But… she depends on others around her to make decisions daily for her.

She did get daily security briefings, but these charges were not part of those briefings. While she takes responsibility, she defers many of the things she is accused of not doing right, or things she did wrong, she depended on others to handle for her, and that she also depended on the people to make sure and let her know things that were important enough that she needed to know about. We heard that she does not recollect what happened as to certain scenarios. Her Democrat supporters did all they could to defend her. The assertions continue that she did nothing wrong, while the Republicans tried to pin her down on a lot of conflicting statements. Statements appear that she did receive certain requests, but she insists she did not get all the things and correspondence that was even addressed to her.

Piles of documents and emails were presented showing that she was informed of things going on, but she continues to say other people really handled most of those items. There were examples of conflicting statements between what she says and others that testified before her. She still denied any recollection to these issues. Were there any “gotcha” moments? You be the judge. I think if she would have just admitted to some mistakes in her management of this issue, a lot of people would accept an apology, but she just won’t accept any direct responsibility for some bad decisions. It’s everyone else’s fault. Anyway, she didn’t come away looking very good.

In conclusion, some things did get the attention that they deserved. However, Clinton really doesn’t accept any real responsibility for Benghazi. She acknowledges some mistakes were made, but she didn’t make any of them. To that I can only say…………nothing new here.

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.