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A Look at Media Bias

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Don't Believe the Media

From *Congressman Lamar Smith...*

“The liberal media tried to destroy Donald Trump. Instead, they destroyed their own credibility. Their extreme bias is provable. The network media’s coverage of Mr. Trump was 91% negative. And 96% of campaign contributions from journalists went to Hillary Clinton.

By a 10 to 1 ratio, the American people felt the media were trying to elect Mrs. Clinton. A Gallup poll found that the people’s trust in the media has hit a record low. **Has the media learned any lessons? Will they show any humility? Will they now try to be objective? Not likely, given the last few days’ headlines and commentaries.**

Until news reporters give the American people the facts, rather than expressing their own opinions, there is no reason to believe what they say or write.”

10-to-1 Media Favors Democrats

From *USA Today/Suffolk University Poll ...*

By nearly 10-to-1, Americans say the news media wanted a Democrat rather than a Republican to be elected president. That includes 82% of Republicans and 74% of Democrats.

Americans’ Trust in Mass Media Sinks to New Low

From *Congressman Lamar Smith...*

“Gallup found that only 32 percent of Americans have a great deal or even fair amount of confidence in the media to present the news fully, accurately and fairly. This represents an eight-point drop from just a year ago. It also is the lowest level of trust in the media that Gallup has ever recorded since it first asked the question forty-six years ago.”

The Media Show Their Bias

From *Congressman Lamar Smith...*

“The media’s credibility is at a new low—and it’s self-inflicted. That’s because they have set out on a maniacal mission to destroy anyone who doesn’t bow to their political views.

Why? Clearly one person poses a threat to the media’s liberal views: he wants to secure the borders, they want mass amnesty for illegal immigrants; he wants to reduce government regulations, they favor more government control; he opposes political correctness, they support speech police.

The liberal media think they know better than the American people what’s good for them. Let’s hope the voters won’t let the liberal media tell them what to think. The future of our democracy depends on a fair, balanced, and unbiased media.”