

# MEDIA FAIRNESS CAUCUS

## A Look at Media Bias

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### **AP labels Partisan groups ‘Non-Partisan’**

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From *Breitbart*...

“The *Associated Press* is pushing a ‘study’ by purported ‘nonpartisan’ organizations claiming that Obamacare is a ‘good deal for states...’ But what of these two groups? *AP* calls them both ‘nonpartisan’ organizations, but the truth is both are organizations that have been pushing Obamacare and Obamacare-like policies for decades.

The Urban Institute...was created by President Lyndon Johnson to track the success of his Great Society policies. And since 1980, Urban has been advocating that the U.S. head toward a socialized national healthcare policy....

The Kaiser Family Foundation is no different. **Kaiser has been advocating socialist medicine for some time**, as well. So, it isn’t surprising that these two left-leaning, Obamacare-pushing think tanks have put out a ‘study’ that proclaims that Obamacare is a great thing for one and all.”

### **Even the Liberal Media Notice MSNBC’s Bashir’s Bias**

From *Mediaite*...

“[E]ven the more progressive members of the media have failed to pick up on the intellectual dishonesty and over-the-top vitriol that *MSNBC* host [Martin Bashir] displays on a daily basis. But that astonishment ended [last week]....

Liberal journalist, *The Guardian*’s Glenn Greenwald, came at Bashir, calling the show ‘one of the worst atrocities on TV...’ [And called his] performance ‘**bullying jingoism**’ and ‘**phony patriotism**’ in the name of **partisanship**....The *New York Times*’ Jeremy Peters ...cited Bashir as an example of the network’s ‘**extravagant partisans**’ who ‘**recycle talking points**’ and ‘**insult and mock**’ the Republican opposition....”

### **Silent Media: Egyptian Morsi’s Power Grab & Obama Praise**

From *NewsBusters*...

“There may not be a better example of the press ignoring the obvious than the circumstances surrounding Mohammed Morsi’s dictatorial power grab in Egypt. **Morsi gained substantial perceived world standing when the U.S. government praised him lavishly for his involvement in brokering a truce of sorts in the Israel-Hamas conflict.** As a *Friday Investor’s Business Daily* editorial pointed out, Morsi is now using America’s stamp of approval to oppress his own people...”

### **CNN Favors Liberal Protesters Over Conservatives**

From *NewsBusters*...

“**When tens of thousands of pro-life advocates peacefully marched in Washington D.C., CNN gave the rally two brief mentions. Contrast that with seven naked protesters who stripped in House Speaker Boehner’s office on Tuesday, who received an almost five minute-long interview on [last] Wednesday....**

‘So how did you get naked into the Speaker’s office?’ host Soledad O’Brien obliged the group with an ice-breaker for her first question. Yes, those who engage in public indecency in a House office building and demean the dignity of Congress will get quality air-time on *CNN*, apparently.”