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## A Look at Media Bias

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### Media Ignore Stories They Don't Like

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Here are a few recent examples of the national media ignoring news stories they don't like:

1) Attorney General Eric Holder has strongly criticized Arizona's new immigration enforcement law and may file suit against it. However, during a Judiciary Committee hearing last week, **the Attorney General admitted he had not even read the law. The national media largely ignored his admission.**

#2: The City of Los Angeles recently voted to boycott the State of Arizona because of its new immigration law. A Los Angeles Times online poll found that **more than 9 out of 10 respondents oppose the boycott. The LA Times ignored their own poll results.**

#3: Hundreds of scientists gathered this week at an international conference to discuss the scientific problems with the theory of human-caused global warming. **The media largely ignored the conference.**

The national media should report all the facts, not just the ones that support their liberal agenda.

### NBC Spells Scandal without the 'D'

Connecticut Democratic senatorial candidate Richard Blumenthal claimed that he "served in Vietnam," even though he did not, according to news reports.

On Tuesday, **NBC anchor Ann Curry described Blumenthal only as a "U.S. Senate candidate," neglecting to mention his party affiliation.**

In contrast, the national media devote significant coverage to scandals involving Republicans and are quick to mention their party affiliations.

### Media Give President Free Pass on Handling of Oil Spill

**The national media have failed to hold the Obama Administration accountable for its response to the oil spill disaster in the Gulf of Mexico.**

According to the Media Research Center (MRC), even Good Morning America's George Stephanopoulos, a former Democratic operative, recently expressed surprise that President Obama "is largely escaping blame for his handling of the [oil spill] crisis."

**The national media largely have ignored the fact that President Obama waited 12 days to visit the site of the disaster. MRC made the point that "journalists certainly did not allow George W. Bush to 'escape blame'" for his Administration's response to Hurricane Katrina.**