

Dick Cheney

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I think they're in the last throes, if you will, of the insurgency.

~Dick Cheney

Rarely has a U.S. president been so wrong about so much at the expense of so many.

~Dick Cheney

The Iraqi forces are conducting the Mother of all Retreats.

~Dick Cheney

It is easy to take liberty for granted, when you have never had it taken from you.

~Dick Cheney

Had the decision belonged to Senator Kerry, Saddam Hussein would still be in power today in Iraq. In fact, Saddam Hussein would almost certainly still be in control of Kuwait.

~Dick Cheney

I worship the ground Paul Ryan walks on.

~Dick Cheney

Simply stated, there is no doubt that Saddam Hussein now has weapons of mass destruction. There is no doubt he is amassing them to use against our friends, against our allies, and against us.

~Dick Cheney

From kindergarten to graduation, I went to public schools, and I know that they are a key to being sure that every child has a chance to succeed and to rise in the world.

~Dick Cheney

Except for the occasional heart attack, I never felt better.

~Dick Cheney

I've been extraordinarily fortunate that I've been able to go live a very active, stressful life. And I don't believe that my heart disease changed me for the worst.

~Dick Cheney

I had other priorities in the sixties than military service.

~Dick Cheney

What we did in Iraq was exactly the right thing to do. If I had it to recommend all over again, I would recommend exactly the same course of action.

~Dick Cheney

We have no intention of ignoring or appeasing history's latest gang of fanatics trying to murder their way to power.

~Dick Cheney

We've never made the case, or argued the case, that somehow Osama Bin Laden was directly involved in 9/11. That evidence has never been forthcoming.

~Dick Cheney

I wake up every morning literally with a smile on my face, grateful for another day I never thought I would see.

~Dick Cheney

People tell me that Senator Edwards got picked for his good looks, his sex appeal, and his great hair. I say to them: How do you think I got the job?

~Dick Cheney

Cheney, Cheney, you can't hide, we charge you with genocide.

~Dick Cheney

It's awfully hard to convey a sense of credibility to allies when you [the Congress] voted for the war and then you declared: Wrong war, wrong place, wrong time.

~Dick Cheney

Reagan proved that deficits don't matter.

~Dick Cheney

The Columbia is lost, but the dreams that inspired its crew remain with us.

~Dick Cheney

A little tough talk in the midst of a campaign or as part of a presidential debate cannot obscure a record of 30 years of being on the wrong side of defense issues.

~Dick Cheney

In his years in Washington, Senator Kerry has been one vote of a hundred in the United States Senate - and fortunately on matters of national security, he was very often in the minority.

~Dick Cheney

The plan was criticized by some retired military officers embedded in TV studios. But with every advance by our coalition forces, the wisdom of that plan becomes more apparent.

~Dick Cheney

Principle is OK up to a certain point, but principle doesn't do any good if you lose.

~Dick Cheney

I think the record speaks for itself. These are two individuals who have been for the war when the headlines were good and against it when their poll ratings were bad.

~Dick Cheney

I've worked for four presidents and watched two others up close, and I know that there's no such thing as a routine day in the Oval Office.

~Dick Cheney

I think Barack Obama is a one-term President.

~Dick Cheney

I can think of a lot of words to describe Senator Kerry's position on Iraq; "consistent" is not one of them.

~Dick Cheney

I don't spend a lot of time thinking about my faults.

~Dick Cheney

We urge all democratic nations and the United Nations to answer the Iraqi Governing Council's call for support for the people of Iraq in making the transition to democracy.

~Dick Cheney

There's overwhelming evidence that there was a connection between Al Qaeda and the Iraqi government.

~Dick Cheney

The issue is that [Saddam] has chemical weapons.

~Dick Cheney

You cannot be driven by the polls. The polls change all the time; they're easily manipulated by whoever wants to ask those poll questions; they go up; they go down.

~Dick Cheney

His regime has had high-level contacts with al Qaeda going back a

decade and has provided training to al Qaeda terrorists.

~Dick Cheney

We know he's been absolutely devoted to trying to acquire nuclear weapons, and we believe he has, in fact, reconstituted nuclear weapons.

~Dick Cheney

I do find that the mainstream media oftentimes is what I would consider off base or has a bias.

~Dick Cheney

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The bottom line is that we've had enormous successes (in Iraq) and we will continue to have enormous successes.

~Dick Cheney

Two days ahead of schedule, the world witnessed the arrival of a free and sovereign Iraq.

~Dick Cheney

That intelligence capability is enormously important to the United States, to our conduct of foreign policy, to defense matters, to economic matters. And I am a strong supporter of it.

~Dick Cheney

Conservation may be a sign of personal virtue, but it is not a sufficient basis for a sound, comprehensive energy policy.

~Dick Cheney

Direct threats require decisive action.

~Dick Cheney

My belief is we will, in fact, be greeted as liberators. . . . I think it will go relatively quickly, . . . [in] weeks rather than months.

~Dick Cheney

I was a big supporter of waterboarding. I was a big supporter of the enhanced interrogation techniques.

~Dick Cheney

Sarah Palin is an attractive candidate, but based on her background, she only was governor for what, two years. I don't think she passed that test.

~Dick Cheney

We must be prepared to face our responsibilities and be willing to use force if necessary.

~Dick Cheney

We do know, with absolute certainty, that Saddam Hussein is using his procurement system to acquire the equipment he needs in order to enrich uranium to build a nuclear weapon.

~Dick Cheney

The good Lord didn't see fit to put oil and gas only where there are democratic regimes friendly to the United States.

~Dick Cheney

I don't think that [the war in Iraq] damaged our reputation around the world.

~Dick Cheney

Senator Kerry says he sees two Americas. It makes the whole thing mutual - America sees two John Kerrys.

~Dick Cheney

With respect to the question of relationships, my general view is that freedom means freedom for everyone. People...ought to be free to enter into any kind of relationship they want to.

~Dick Cheney

Let us rid ourselves of the fiction that low oil prices are somehow good for the United States.

~Dick Cheney

Westerners know the difference between a talker and the real deal. If Rick Perry wasn't right to be governor of Texas, why should he be president?

~Dick Cheney

It's a tougher program for tougher customers.

~Dick Cheney

The important thing here to understand is that the people that are at Guantanamo are bad people. I mean, these are terrorists for the most part.

~Dick Cheney

One of the worst things we could do is start to act now as though the attack of 9/11 is a thing of the past and will never be repeated. That's just not true.

~Dick Cheney

[Saddam Hussein is aggressively seeking nuclear and biological weapons and] the United States may well become the target.

~Dick Cheney

I'm up in the Senate most Tuesdays when they're in session.

~Dick Cheney

I support the President's plan to amend the Constitution, banning same-sex marriage.

~Dick Cheney

I did my 40 years in Washington, 40-plus, and it's time to pause and reflect and think about what I've seen and done.

~Dick Cheney

In terms of asking questions, I plead guilty. I ask a hell of a lot of questions. That's my job.

~Dick Cheney

My own belief is that the way we grow the economy, create jobs, create wealth is in the private sector. The government doesn't do that.

~Dick Cheney

Remember, success for a politician is 50% plus one. You don't have to have everybody on board.

~Dick Cheney

In our own country, we take democratic values seriously - and so we always have a vigorous debate on the issues. That's part of the greatness of America, and we wouldn't have it any other way.

~Dick Cheney

Everyone knows that you're not really a real man unless you own a gun.

~Dick Cheney

I'm not apologetic with respect to the policies of the Bush administration. I think we basically got it right.

~Dick Cheney

I think President Obama is going to be a one-term president.

~Dick Cheney

How could any responsible leader have ignored the Iraqi threat? If we had not acted, Saddam Hussein and his sons would still be in power.

~Dick Cheney

Europeans know that their great experiment in building peace, unity and prosperity cannot survive as a privileged enclave, surrounded on its outskirts by breeding grounds of hatred and fanaticism.

~Dick Cheney

As a former secretary of defense, I think Donald Rumsfeld is the best secretary of defense the United States has ever had.

~Dick Cheney

I have not seen Al Gore's movie.

~Dick Cheney

The Middle East with two thirds of the world's oil and lowest cost, is still where the prize ultimately lies.

~Dick Cheney

I - obviously, I'm not a big fan of President Obama. I think he's been one of our weakest presidents. I just fundamentally disagree with him philosophically.

~Dick Cheney

I think you can not be blown off course by the fluctuations in the public opinion polls.

~Dick Cheney

It will be necessary for us to be a nation of men, and not laws.

~Dick Cheney

Well, we've got a major effort under way to try to educate everybody, to let them know we have a zero tolerance policy where sexual assault is involved.

~Dick Cheney

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~Dick Cheney

I have not suggested there's a connection between Iraq and 9/11, but there's clearly an established Iraqi track record with terror.

~Dick Cheney

I do not believe the President requires any additional authorization from the Congress before committing US forces to achieve our objectives in the Gulf.

~Dick Cheney

I'm more concerned with bad guys who got out and released than I am with a few that in fact were innocent.

~Dick Cheney

The Senator from Massachusetts has given us ample grounds to doubt the judgment and the attitude he brings to bear on vital issues of national security.

~Dick Cheney

The question in my mind is how many additional American casualties is Saddam worth? And the answer is not very damned many.

~Dick Cheney

Instead, the terrorists see just what they were hoping for, our unity gone, our resolve shaken, our leaders distracted. In short, they see weakness and opportunity.

~Dick Cheney

Another argument holds that opposing Saddam Hussein would cause even greater troubles in that part of the world, and interfere with the larger war against terror. I believe the opposite is true.

~Dick Cheney

I think things have gotten so bad inside Iraq, from the standpoint of the Iraqi people, my belief is we will, in fact, be greeted as liberators.

~Dick Cheney

I think there's no question but what the tail end of the Bush administration, Bush-Cheney administration, that we took steps specifically geared to try and free up the financial sector.

~Dick Cheney

As Vice President one of the things I spend time on is the continuity of government; that's the main reason I'm here is a back up for the President if anything happens to him.

~Dick Cheney

Whoever controls the flow of Persian Gulf oil has a stranglehold not only on our economy but also on the other countries of the world as well.

~Dick Cheney

We have to make America the best place in the world to do business.

~Dick Cheney

I think freedom means freedom for everybody.

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We've had experiences where the president's been shot, but never had

a situation where the vice president shot somebody.

~Dick Cheney

As I think about the future, I'm back where most people live their lives. Which is, death is not imminent, and that's different.

~Dick Cheney

Don Rumsfeld is the finest secretary of defense the nation has ever had.

~Dick Cheney

The Federalist Society has made important contributions to the nation's understanding of our constitutional heritage.

~Dick Cheney

You got to have people at the top who respond to and are selected by presidents.

~Dick Cheney

Under our plan you can build wealth, even if you don't have a dollar to spare.

~Dick Cheney

I think it's fair to say you can't predict a straight line to victory. You know, there'll be good days and bad days along the way.

~Dick Cheney

I think the decision that's been made with respect to allowing gays to serve openly in the military is a good one.

~Dick Cheney

You've got a job to do, and because you've got a job to do, you've got to focus on that, so you don't have time for personal considerations.

~Dick Cheney

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