

THE FAILURES OF THE REPUBLICAN CONTROLLED CONGRESS TO HOLD THE BUSH ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNTABLE FOR ABUSES OF POWER

One of Congress' main constitutional responsibilities is to conduct oversight to check abuses of power by other branches of government. The following is a brief list of a report showing Republican leadership's four-year failure to conduct investigations into allegations of misconduct involving Bush Administration officials, including:

1. The role of the White House in promoting misleading intelligence about Iraq's weapons of mass destruction and ties to al-Qaeda
2. The responsibility of senior Administration officials for the abuses at Abu Ghraib
3. The role of the Vice President's office in the award of Halliburton contracts
4. The role of the White House in withholding the Medicare cost estimates from Congress
5. The identity of the energy industry campaign contributors that met with the Vice President's energy task force
6. The role of White House officials in leaking the identity of a covert CIA agent
7. The influence of industry lobbyists in writing EPA regulations
8. Allegations of conflicts of interest at multiple federal agencies and the White House and,
9. The role of Attorney General Ashcroft in illegal campaign finance activities.

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