

# BREAKING!!! HILLARY TO DELIVER BARACK OBAMA'S INAUGURAL ADDRESS

In yet another piece of evidence that Barack Obama will change how things are done in Washington, it appears that Obama will ask his former rival for the Democratic presidential nomination to deliver the inaugural address in January.

So [says the NYT](#), in a story scoping out what color drapes Michelle has planned for the family quarters at the White House.

His transition chief has even drafted a sample Inaugural Address.

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Mr. Obama's transition team is led by a former White House chief of staff, [John D. Podesta](#), who has been preparing for the task at the research organization he runs, the Center for American Progress, since long before it was clear who would win his party's nomination.

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Mr. Podesta has been mapping out the transition so systematically that he has already written a draft Inaugural Address for Mr. Obama, which he published this summer in a book called "The Power of Progress." The speech calls for rebuilding a "grand alliance" with the rest of the world, bringing troops home from Iraq, recommitting to the war in Afghanistan, cutting poverty in half in 10 years and reducing greenhouse gases 80 percent by 2050.

The Grey Lady must have meant to imply that

Hillary will deliver this address for Obama, since Podesta [wrote that speech](#) back when he was working to elect Hillary president.

It's a great idea, too, for Obama to have one of his biggest rivals to deliver his inauguration speech. After all, Obama is known for writing [dull, uninspiring speeches](#); he can't deliver them very well, either. Thankfully, Podesta will save us from this kind of history-making speech and allow us all to get back to watching football. Or organizing our sock drawers—whatever it was we were doing before we started fighting to get our country back.

In other news, Obama will appoint John McCain his Secretary of Treasury and Randy Scheunemann his Secretary of State.