CHRISTMAS SPECIAL: HALF OFF DICK CHENEY'S FREEDOM!

Just a quick post while I'm packing so you all have fresh thread to unwind.

And also to note that Halliburton did manage to convince Nigeria to give them a half-off special for Dick Cheney's freedom, though they had to bring Poppy Bush and James Baker in to close the deal.

Nigeria's anti-corruption police have dropped charges against Dick Cheney, the former US vice-president, over a multi-million dollar bribery case after the energy firm Halliburton agreed to pay up to \$250m (£161m) in fines.

The move followed the intervention of ex-president George Bush Sr and former secretary of state James Baker, according to Nigerian press reports.

It's a good thing Cheney's freedom is coming at such a discount. Because if, as reported, DOJ is contemplating charging those who helped or induced others to leak classified information—as Cheney did when he ordered Scooter Libby to leak Valerie Plame's identity to Judy Miller—then he may have need of another half-off \$250 million Get Out of Jail Free Card.

I'll be packing the rest of the day today and moving tomorrow, so you may not hear from me until tomorrow night or Saturday. Wish me luck!