

SHORTER MIKE AND MIKE: NO, WE DON'T WANT IMMUNITY CONTINGENT ON ACTUALLY FINISHING THE IG REPORT

Michael Mukasey and Michael McConnell don't want citizens to know about what the telecoms did to us before we grant them immunity. Does that make you rather suspicious?

I DON'T THINK "ACCOUNTABILITY" MEANS WHAT OBAMA THINKS IT DOES

Obama's holding the IG report out as a great bit of accountability. But his own example of accountability shows how little the IG report will actually be able to do.

DEAN AND BUSH AND PARDONS

John Dean's claim that Bush won't pardon those in his administration who have broken the law is absurd on its face.

THE AL-HARAMAIN DECISION

I agree with those who say Vaughn Walker's decision in the al-Haramain case will have little impact on the larger FISA battle. But I do think the opinion is note-worthy nevertheless.

I DON'T THINK "FISA" AND "EXPIRE" MEAN WHAT OBAMA THINKS THEY DO

When Obama's adviser says that FISA is about to expire, is he simply sloppy, or ignorant?

THE OBAMA & OLBERMANN MASTER PLAN FOR CRIMINAL FISA PROSECUTIONS

Okay, the words "Master Plan" in the title are a joke. So is the idea of criminal prosecutions, by a future Obama Administration, for Bush era FISA violations that has been hawked, to the point of near belligerence, by Keith Olbermann both on his show and in a running flame war with Glen Greenwald. Here is why.

CONFIRMED: FINAL FISA VOTES ON JULY 8

Russ Feingold and Christopher Dodd managed to win us a 12 day reprieve on FISA.

IMMUNITY PROVISION INVITES PHONE COMPANIES TO COOPERATE WITH ILLEGAL GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS

Feingold refutes the notion that somehow the telecoms got fooled into cooperating with Bush's illegal wiretapping program.

ABOUT REID'S POTENTIAL DELAY

As someone who badly wants a win or a delay in the FISA stampede, I caution against getting too excited by Harry Reid's suggestion that the FISA bill might be delayed until after the July 4 recess.

TRADING OUR CONSTITUTION AWAY BASED ON THE WORD OF ALBERTO GONZALES

The FISA bill is so bad, it treats Alberto Gonzales' assertion of legality as something worthwhile!