

WHEN ALL EOS ARE PIXIE DUST, IT MEANS DICK CAN DECLASSIFY ANYTHING HE WANTS

The discovery that Bush can turn his own Executive Orders into Pixie Dust provides an explanation for one of the lingering mysteries of the Plame outing: the EO governing declassification authority doesn't explicitly give the Vice President the authority to declassify information that he has not, himself, classified. But because the President always intended the Vice President to be treated as the President is in that Executive Order, it means Cheney has that authority contrary to the plain text meaning of the EO.