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HUMILIATING CONVENTION "QUARANTINE" SQUEEZES HILL DEMOCRATS OUT OF SPOTLIGHT

TOPEKA, KANSAS -- The Democrat-controlled Congress was purposely "quarantined" at the Democratic Convention this week, according to Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole (R-Kansas), pointing out that Bill Clinton didn't mention Congress once during his almost one-hour speech last night.

"It's pretty obvious the last thing Democrats wanted to be associated with was the losing record of the very Congress they have controlled for almost every year for the past four decades. The reason is pretty obvious, too: the Democrat congressional majority has been the major reason for the governmental paralysis that has American voters so enraged this year. With the American people thoroughly disgusted with Congress, Bill Clinton and Al Gore weren't about to bring up their unpleasant link to a do-nothing congressional majority -- no wonder Bill Clinton ordered a quarantine of his would-be congressional allies.

"It must have been humiliating for the Democrat congressional leadership, which was treated like a disease at their party's convention. You needed an instant replay to even spot one in the audience, much less see a Democrat congressional leader speaking on the platform in prime time. They knew that any mention of Congress would undermine all its happy talk about change and new directions when it's obvious the Democrat congressional majority has been a determined enemy of change, a stubborn protector of the status quo and a proud defender of the big-ticket, big-government liberal agenda. Let's face it, Bill Clinton can run, but he can't hide from the record of his congressional allies, no matter how hard he tries to squeeze them out of the spotlight."

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