

Bush pushes crisis to stun Obama

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From the perspective of John McCain, the Russian conflict with Georgia is an extremely convenient gift from the gods of war, but from another perspective – it is hardly coincidental. Far from it, for the confrontation between the US and Russia will dominate the MSM before, during and after the Democratic National Convention in Denver distracting the American people from the nomination of Barack Obama and his still obscure running mate.

For George Bush, casting a dark shadow over the Democratic National Convention is nothing new. Following the Boston Convention in 2004 John Kerry and John Edwards enjoyed a lead in the polls over Bush-Cheney. In the days immediately after Kerry's acceptance speech, the White House ordered its minions at Homeland Security to issue an orange alert to shock the nation out of its troubling slumber. In early August 2004, crying, "Wolf!" served as a prelude to the terrible concert — the carefully orchestrated August attack led by Swift Boat Veterans for Truth that demolished Kerry's momentum and set up the chess board for a huge post-convention 'bounce' in the polls by President Bush.

In the early days of August 2004 Homeland Security's orange alert installed police on Wall Street who checked cars and even investigated the contents of lunch bags of employees at the Stock Exchange. That conveniently timed orange terror alert was seen by many as a deliberate ploy designed to inject a substantial jolt of fear into the American body politic lest we become too enamored of Kerry and Edwards and their riveting dream of replacing a deeply unpopular president and his irksome sidekick.

The same old tried and trusted formula – shock, distract and attack — has been prescribed again by the Spin-Doctors operating at the behest of Karl Rove, John McCain and their elders in the Bush-Cheney war rooms located at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue. This August, the Pentagon is cast in the role previously played by Homeland Security.

Robert Gates is now reading from a script he has been handed to help ratchet the thermometers of fear skyward. Skyrocketing fears of the Russian Bear will serve as a prelude to a withering assault on Obama's credibility. On the 28th of August the brooding prelude will be timed to perfection to strike at precisely the nano-second of Obama's triumphant ascent to the Olympian heights of the Denver Bronco's Invesco Field at Mile High when enraptured throngs will cheer him in adoration, and red rockets will flare his glorious arrival at the summit of a tortuous ordeal.

With Obama basking in glory and beaming on the Imperial Dais where he will be poised to close the game and win in November thereafter to wait in the wings for his inaugural enthronement in the White House next January, the gremlins in Georgia will strike like Orcs

falling on Hobbits at the very moment of his political triumph in Denver.

The plotline may be old and familiar, but its authors are relying on the tendency of America's information-deprived and somnolent populations to react perfectly on Pavlovian cue. Alarm bells are already ringing in the Pentagon. Vladimir "The Impaler" Putin and Dmitri Medvedev will lead an all-star cast of villains that might even include a minor role for Mahmoud Ahmadinejad.

Today, Bush decries Putin, the man he once embraced with the glowing statement,

I looked the man in the eye. I found him to be very straight forward and trustworthy and we had a very good dialogue. I was able to get a sense of his soul. He's a man deeply committed to his country and the best interests of his country and I appreciate very much the frank dialogue and that's the beginning of a very constructive relationship.

With Bush, Cheney, Rove and the heir apparent, John McCain — Americans must always remember one indelible fact: hypocrisy is their strongest suit followed by subterfuge and, of course, the omnipresence of a remarkably dense layer of ruthlessness.

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