

While the Financial Crisis Commission Report Looks Impressive At First Glance, It Doesn't Hit Hard Enough ...

And Won't Lead to Any Real Change

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The Financial Crisis Inquiry Commission largely <u>blames</u> Greenspan, Bernanke, Geithner, Summers, the rating agencies, SEC and big banks for the economic crisis.

Bernanke is still Fed chief, and the government has substantially increased the Fed's power in the last year. See <u>this</u>, <u>this</u>, <u>this</u>, <u>this</u> and <u>this</u>.

Geithner is still Secretary of the Treasury.

Summers just resigned, being replaced by someone with a <u>virtually identical</u> philosophy, background and mindset as Summers.

The rating agencies are unrepentant, and have not been reined in. They are still government-sponsored monopolies which are accept bribes to give high ratings. And see this.

The SEC is still not acting as a real watchdog, and the banks are still speculating wildly with excessive leverage and acting as predators – instead of supporters – of the real (non-financial sector) economy.

Indeed, the banks <u>are growing even larger</u>, instead of being downsized, even though independent financial experts say that <u>the very size of the banks is hurting the economy</u>.

Moreover, fraud - <u>one of the core causes of (and factors delaying the resolution of) the financial crisis</u> - is not really being tackled.

So - while the FCIC report looks impressive at first glance - it doesn't hit hard enough, and is not going to lead to any real change.

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