





Quick Quotes

Will the New Speaker Actually Implement His Pledges?



Kevin McCarthy (US House Photography)

"We will hold the swamp accountable, from the withdrawal from Afghanistan, to the origins of Covid, and to the weaponization of the FBI. Let me be very clear: We will use the power of the purse and the power of the subpoena to get the job done."

Immediately after he became House speaker, **Kevin McCarthy** sounded as if he would use his powerful post to unearth smothered details about matters Democrats would prefer to keep hidden from the American people.

Former Congressman Tells of His Disdain for New Speaker

"Kevin McCarthy will look you in the eye and lie to you and he doesn't care if you know he's lying."

In a warning issued to Republicans in Congress, former Iowa Republican Representative **Steve King** expressed his views on the untrustworthiness of new House Speaker Kevin McCarthy.

Biden Finally Visits Border, Then Announces His Intent to Welcome More Immigrants

"We cannot wall ourselves off from shared problems. We're trying to make it easier for people to get here."









Joe Biden (Gage Skidmore)

After avoiding any personal visit to the U.S. southern border during his first two years in office, President **Joe Biden** made clear his desire to see more, not fewer, immigrants cross into the United States. He expressed this view during a January 10 meeting in Mexico City with leaders from Mexico and Canada following his border visit.

Texas Congressman Files a New Measure to Cease U.S. Funding of WHO

"Funneling millions of taxpayer dollars to the corrupt World Health Organization that serves the Chinese Communist Party is a slap in the face to hardworking American families struggling under record high inflation, and to all those whose lives and livelihoods were ruined and destroyed by the Covid pandemic."

As soon as the House of Representatives elected a new speaker, Representative **Chip Roy** (R-Texas) introduced legislation (H.R. 343) to accomplish the same goal he had sought when Democrats, who previously controlled the House, refused to take action on the bill. He expects that his measure will win support in the new Congress.

Italy's Mafia Boss Finally Arrested After a 30-year Search

"Until this morning, we didn't even know what face he had."

Matteo Messina Denaro had successfully eluded Italy's police for 30 years while presiding over dozens of murders — killing two leading anti-Mafia prosecutors; arranging for deadly bombings in Milan, Rome, and Florence; and more. Palermo's Chief Prosecutor **Maurizio DeLuca** arrested Denaro in Palermo when the Mafia chieftain arrived at a medical facility for treatment of a minor problem.

During McCarthy's House Speaker Bid, One Congressman Voted "No" 14 Times





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Eli Crane (AP Images)

"I did not want to come up here and be a representative who heard what my voters said and caved to the pressure. Sir, I'm sorry. We love you in my Arizona district but I've been listening to my voters."

After resisting pressure from Trump and numerous others to support the eventual winner of the House speaker's post, freshman Arizona Republican **Eli Crane**, a former Navy Seal, said he hoped to serve on the Natural Resources, Homeland Security, and Foreign Affairs Committees but was expecting to be punished for his stand. He ended up being appointed to one of those committees: Homeland Security.







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