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Quick Quotes

GOP House Leader Creates a Fitting Term for Republicans Who Favor the House Speaker



Kevin McCarthy

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“They are Pelosi Republicans.”

*Labeling Liz Cheney (R-Wy.) and Adam Kinzinger (R-Ill.) “Pelosi Republicans,” House Minority Leader **Kevin McCarthy** (R-Calif.) pointed to the House speaker’s choice of two anti-Trump GOP members for prominent roles in the panel created to investigate the breaching of the Capitol building on January 6, 2021.*

Cuba’s Leaders Act Quickly to Stop People Seeking an End to Communist Control

“The Cuban people are brave, but the repression right now is very strong and the effect is being felt. There are still families who don’t know where their loved ones are.”

*The July 11 protests that brought many Cubans into the streets to demand an end to communist rule prompted the Cuban authorities to snuff out further demonstrations. **Annia Zamora** saw her husband, Armando Abascal Serrano, arrested because he was a member of a well-known opposition group.*

Pelosi Bars Two GOP Congressmen From a Panel Investigating the January 6 Ruckus

“Make no mistake. Nancy Pelosi created this committee solely to malign conservatives and to justify the Left’s authoritarian agenda.”

*Outspoken Republican Congressman **Jim Banks** of Indiana, along with similarly inclined Congressman **Jim Jordan** of Ohio, both enthusiastic Trump backers, were deemed by Speaker Pelosi unacceptable for*



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the committee. Three additional GOP members of Congress withdrew their willingness to serve on the committee when Pelosi bared her intention to use the committee to damage former President Trump and the Republican Party.

Hopes to Retain Limited Freedom in Hong Kong Disappearing

“The Chinese and Hong Kong governments have been successful in using the national security legislation to instill fear in Hong Kong. The message could not be more clear, which is that Beijing will not tolerate any opposition let alone activities considered seditious or subversive.”

*An adjunct professor of politics at the Chinese University of Hong Kong, **Willy Lam** rendered a sobering assessment of the near-complete assumption of control recently imposed over the island province. Elements of freedom previously tolerated by the Chinese Communist leaders are swiftly disappearing.*

Ocasio-Cortez Invests \$1.4 Million for T-shirts, Hats, and Other Campaign Items

“Republicans like to make fun of the fact that I used to be a waitress, but we all know if they ever had to do a double [shift] they’d be the ones found crying in the walk-in fridge halfway through their first shift.”

*Using money already raised for her next reelection campaign, **Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez** (D-N.Y.) sells shirts that say “Tax the Rich,” a coffee mug promoting the “Green New Deal,” a hat stating “Abolish ICE,” and a shirt emblazoned with “Social Economic Racial Justice.”*

COVID Leads to Congress Voting Via Proxies

“It involves the worst impulses of the modern congressman — which is to spend all their time flying around the country raising money and avoiding all the nuts and bolts of legislative work.”

*Representative **Mike Gallagher** (R-Wis.) pointed to abuse of the novel procedure, created in the wake of the COVID threat, whereby members of Congress can telephone their vote on matters before Congress to a proxy and have it counted. Initially a critic of this unique voting process, Gallagher was later criticized for sending in a vote while appearing at a political rally in his state.*



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