

TABOO OPINIONS #22

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10-2-04 Yes, I watched the Presidential Debate---the second half, anyway---and observed Kerry outclass and outthink Bush. It'll be interesting to see what the Bush war-room does in the week ahead to counter Bush's abject failure. Probably dirtier attack ads. They'll flood the country with attack ads.

And they'll fear the upcoming second debate and try to deal with Bush's manifest lack of brains.

Will there be an 'October Surprise' sprung on us to try to save Bush's presidency? I think so. I think our installed Iraqi government (to whom we've granted "sovereignty") will announce that it wants our armed forces to leave Iraq six months after the upcoming (scheduled for January) national election.

This will give the American voters the illusion of a successful end to the war and will take from Kerry his major weapon against Bush.

The current invasion of insurgent-held Samarra by 2000 U.S. soldiers and 3000 Iraqi government soldiers will probably result in a short-term government occupation of the city's government buildings. But the 'victory' will last only as long as American soldiers stay in Samara.

The plan is to retake Ramadi, Fallujah and Sadr City in Baghdad, leaving Iraqi forces in control after the re-occupation assaults. Just in time to at least pretend the upcoming January election will be legitimate.

We'll see how it goes.

As we'll see how the Afghanistan elections go on October 9th.

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