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**They shouldn't be.**

**The pattern is:**

**GOP in power - GOP dictates policy**

**Dems in power - GOP dictates policy**

Sooooooooo what's the problem. The statement I responded to read as if they haven't been trying to work together.. but they have so..?

— Othello (@BurberryKid11) [February 2, 2021](#)

The Dems shouldn't legislate toward the GOP.

The GOP doesn't represent its constituents.

The GOP can push it's agenda on its own time.

If Dems push an agenda that actually helps people, it'll also actually help the GOP constituency.

The GOP won't. So give them nothing.

The Dems should ignore the GOP just like the GOP ignores the Dems.

Make them pay for every moment of obstruction.

Just a hard press on legislation that is unassailable and shine a light on the GOP.

Constant. Relentless. Unyielding.

Shut them out and shut them down.

The GOP is not a legitimate political party. It is an anti-democratic, fascist criminal syndicate with no interest whatsoever in governance.

Nobody should give them the slightest bit of credit or legitimacy ever again.

Not a fucking ounce.

Nobody should engage them in legitimate debate in Congress.

They should be pariahs and treated as unserious occupants of Congress.

Because these people were totally ok with their colleagues being killed in furtherance of the destruction of the institution.

And will their diehard constituents be upset?

Absolutely. But there's many more people in this country that would like a functioning society.

So cater to THEM. Appeal to their needs. Fix their problems.

And if the GOP stands in the way, hammer home that they are.

Don't tolerate lectures about governance or ethics.

It's all in bad faith. And the only way that the public will buy into it is if it's given legitimacy.

Any effort to legitimize the GOP will detract from the fact that they're literally STILL plotting the overthrow of the US.

Give the GOP nothing.

No respect

No credit

No airtime

No platform

Nothing. They have their own dedicated outlets. Let them use them exclusively.

There cannot be even the semblance of business as usual, because it cements the idea that insurrectionists are concerned with usual

The GOP does not stand merely in opposition to Democrats.

It stands in firm opposition to EVERYONE.

All attempts to pretend that this is not the case merely provides a hospitable environment for their toxins to spread.

The GOP is an appendix. It is a vestigial organ long past its usefulness to the body.

And now it is swollen and bursting and threatening to kill us all.

Cut it out.

More people want governance than they want the GOP.

Dems, just accept that as a working presumption and move on.

Trust the people. Take care of the people.

When you don't. They don't give a shit about whether you win or lose.

The only thing Democrats can do at this point is to make the GOP's anti-democratic insurrectionism completely and utterly radioactive to hold onto.

It should be already, but it isn't.