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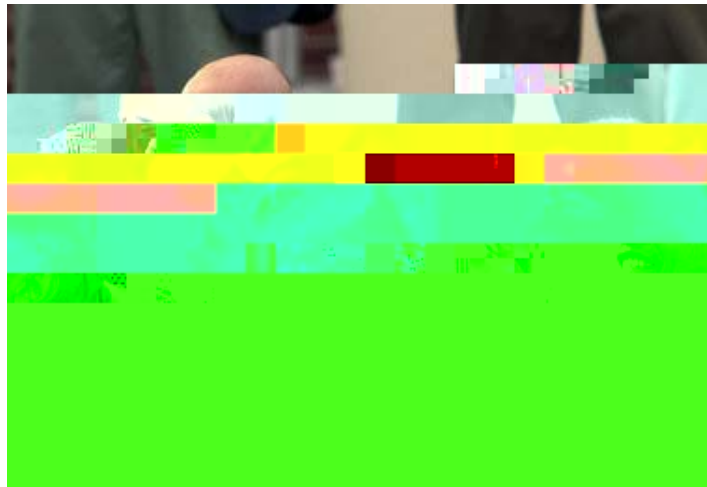
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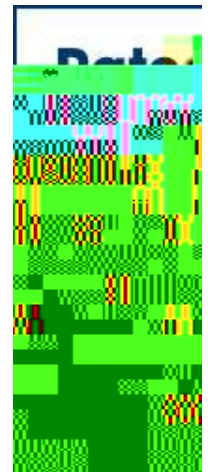


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President Barack Obama holds up a baby at a campaign event at Elm Street Middle School, today in Nashua, N.H.

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Ever since the beat down he suffered at Romney's hands in the presidential debate in Denver, the President has been trying to wrest the momentum back from his challenger.

While he came off the consensus winner in the two subsequent debates, he benefitted not at all. The die was cast in the Denver confrontation, now widely credited as the start of the Romney resurgence.

The President's campaign is teetering on the ragged edge of panic and, like others who found themselves in the same situation, he's latched onto ideas and gimmicks that would normally be dismissed by cooler, more reasonable heads.

The campaign wasted a week's worth of time and money on the Big Bird issue, attempting to convince voters that Romney's pledge to eliminate Federal funding for

a single issue candidacy focused on the economy and holding the President accountable for failing to pull the country out of its economic ditch.

He rejected the advice and disregarded the criticism, understanding that, while a President must deal with an incredibly broad range of complex issues, the American people wanted a leader to calm their fears and ease their angst over what many perceived to be an increasingly bleak future.

By sticking to his theme of job creation and economic recovery, Romney gained ground steadily, even invoking Ronald Reagan's 1980 "are you better off now than you were four years ago?" campaign mantra to draw a sharper contrast between he and Obama.

While the Romney campaign has been energized and encouraged by his resurgence, the odds ever so slightly continue to favor the President.

In the half dozen states in which the Electoral College votes will likely determine the outcome, Obama holds slender leads in a majority of them. Romney, on the other hand, while competitive in those states, must run the table to reach the 270 electoral votes to win. Not impossible, certainly, but a loss in one --- Ohio, say --- pretty much dooms his chances.

It wasn't supposed to be this way for the Democrats. Many hoped for Presidential coattails to help regain seats in the House of Representatives and survive with their majority in the Senate. It appears those hopes will go largely unfulfilled.

The abstract notion of a defeat wasn't something the President or his party wanted to confront. To their dismay, they've discovered that it's always lurking in campaigns and always will be.



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