



# Biden: “No Strings Attached”

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After September 11<sup>th</sup>, Biden Suggested Sending \$200 Million To Iran, “No Strings Attached,” As A Gesture Of Good Faith To The Arab World. “At the Tuesday-morning meeting with committee staffers, Biden launches into a stream-of-consciousness monologue about what his committee should be doing, before he finally admits the obvious: ‘I’m groping here.’ Then he hits on an idea: America needs to show the Arab world that we’re not bent on its destruction. ‘Seems to me this would be a good time to send, no strings attached, a check for \$200 million to Iran’ Biden declares. He surveys the table with raised eyebrows, a How do ya like that? look on his face.” (Michael Crowley, “Rhetorical Question,” [The New Republic](#), 10/22/01)