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# Clinton chairwoman dismissed over e-mail on Obama

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Hillary Clinton's presidential campaign dismissed an eastern Iowa county chairwoman on Wednesday in light of an e-mail she forwarded warning that rival Barack Obama was a Muslim intent on destroying the United States.

However, a Jones County man who received the e-mail and prompted the Clinton volunteer's removal said that he believes her intent was to alert him of negative campaign tactics.

"The Muslims have said they plan on destroying the U.S. from the inside out, what better way to start than at the highest level -- through the President of the United States, one of their own!" the e-mail stated.

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Obama, an Illinois senator, is a member of the United Church of Christ.

Anamosa Democrat Judy Rose, who served as Clinton's Jones County chairwoman, forwarded the e-mail on Nov. 21 to eight people, including Jones County Democratic Party Chairman Gary Hart and a Clinton campaign aide.

The Clinton aide, Ryan Callanan, replied after receiving the e-mail from Rose. "It's racist and

ignorant," he wrote, according to a message chain provided by the campaign. "I can't believe that people believe this stuff."

The message went largely unnoticed until Hart posted a message Wednesday on Daily Kos, a Democrat Web site, saying that he had received the e-mail and thought it had the "tacit approval of the (Clinton) campaign."

Patty Solis Doyle, Clinton's national campaign manager, later posted a response on Daily Kos: "There is no place in our campaign, or any campaign, for this kind of politics. A volunteer county coordinator made the mistake of forwarding an outrageous and offensive chain e-mail. This was wholly unauthorized and we were totally unaware of it. Let me be clear: No one should be engaging in this."

Doyle noted in the posting that the volunteer was asked to step down.

The e-mail Rose forwarded referred to Obama's late father and late stepfather, who were both Muslim. It also noted that Obama spent some of his childhood in Indonesia, which has a large Muslim population.

However, the message included incorrect claims that he attended a Muslim school in Indonesia and that he took his Senate oath using the Quran.

Hart, who supports Democratic presidential candidate Chris Dodd, said that he learned through a subsequent e-mail exchange with Rose that she was not advocating the message about Obama.

"I probably did make a mistake in making it sound the way I did in the first

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place," Hart said.

Attempts to reach Rose were unsuccessful.

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**pdmack** wrote:

Members of the supposedly liberal Democratic party appear to have more of a problem with race than the many Independents and Republicans who have thrown their support behind Obama. Deciding not to vote for Obama because you think other people will not vote for a black man gives voice and power to racists and silences the voices of the unheard. We are all diminished by this kind of masked racism and, of all people, Democrats should stop trying to get away with it.

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The "clintons" are costing us a FORTUNE !

""Molly is keeping the precinct walking tally, noting on a scale of 1-5 whether a listee is likely to vote for Obama. The catch of the day is Easter, a fetching African-American girl who has just turned 18. Virginia and I find Easter sitting on the back steps of her apartment building. Easter says that she's registered to vote but hasn't made up her mind about any candidate. Virginia launches into Obama's position on crack versus powder cocaine. Above our heads, a Hispanic gentleman reclines on his balcony sofa like a model in a Manet painting and stares down at us.

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Laughing, Easter interrupts Virginia with an admission that she's been planning to vote for Hillary "because Bill is cool." Appalled, I now offer my two cents. Between us, Virginia and I turn Easter for Obama. At this point, Mike finds us and takes Easter's picture for the Tribune.""

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**vwcatt** wrote:

Manin black: I disagree that Obama is not electable. People simply do not care about skin color that much anymore. Of course the few that are would not vote for him or any democrat to begin with. but, Obama has alot of support by people of all colors and crosses party lines. I think he is our most electable candidate.

Powerlines; I have to agree that something doesn't sit right with this whole thing. if it was sent as an example the person would have said so. And it started about the time Obama started to overtake HRC in Iowa. David Corn wrote an article quoting democratic sources that said the Clintonites despise Obama and want him destroyed. I just find somethings in this email to be suspicious as to it's intent and if it was taken by just one person upon themselves.

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Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama was absolutely correct in calling candidate Clinton out on that vote and challenging her lame excuse that she had not read the full intelligence report before her Iraq war vote. "Members of Congress," Obama cautioned, "must carefully read the intelligence before giving the president any justification to use military force."

<http://www.alternet.org/audits/69767/>

Take Hillary Clinton, who said that "Iran is seeking nuclear weapons, and the Iranian Revolutionary Guard is in the forefront of that" by way of defending her vote for a resolution that, like the one she voted for before the Iraq war, blindly supports rather than seriously questions the president's case for war.

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