

BULLET POINTS

- Thank you to David and to the Ripon Society.
- Shout out to Senator Chambliss, joke about you both leaving.
- The morning of 9/11, we all vowed never again.
- Maybe we have gotten disconnected from the threat.
- Maybe AQ affiliates are JV.
- All of this is wrong.
- We prevented another attack here by being on offense overseas.
- 9/11 Commission report cited a “failure of imagination.” You don’t need an imagination to understand the current threat from ISIL.
- We did little when ISIL began to hold land in Syria. We did nothing when they took Ramadi and Fallujah in February.
- Boko Haram, Taliban, Libya, etc. We need a comprehensive strategy that can’t be about one mountaintop or one dam.
- After 9/11 we made significant progress tearing down barriers.
- Let’s push back on this notion that our intelligence services are the problem.
- Why would we dial back successful counterterrorism programs?
- Little flag story and close.