"Fair and Balanced Fox Doesn't Rate White House Swipe"

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The Obama administration is wrong when it portrays Fox News as "an arm of the Republican Party." Fox really is "fair and balanced," as a look at the facts will show.

Sean Hannity and Glenn Beck are obviously conservative, but they frequently book liberal guests who disagree with them, just to give an opposite opinion.

Fox host Greta Van Susteren established her liberal credentials during the O.J. Simpson trial when she emerged as an advocate for criminal defendants. Bill O'Reilly is a social conservative, but he regularly attacks oil companies for "price fixing," wants much more environmental regulation, and was a harsh critic of President Bush's handling of the Iraq war. He was very critical of Sarah Palin when she turned down to an invitation to appear on his program.

Regular Fox News contributors include such mainstream liberals as George Stephanopoulos, Ed Rendell, Alan Colmes, Lanny Davis and David Axelrod. Other liberal regulars on Fox include Juan Williams, Ellis Henican, Geraldo Rivera, Marc Lamont Hill, Kristin Powers and Mort Kondracke.

This doesn't exactly seem like an "arm of the Republican Party" to me.

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