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### Cheney to Voters: BOO!!!

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Dick Cheney -- can we just call him Dick now? -- is at it again. The man who never suggested a link between Hussein and 9-11 -- except of course when he WAS suggesting a link between Hussein and 9-11 -- is playing the fear card again. After being excoriated for suggesting a few weeks ago that a vote for Kerry would mean more terrorist attacks in the U.S., Cheney has upped the ante.

``The biggest threat we face now as a nation is the possibility of terrorists ending up in the middle of one of our cities with deadlier weapons than have ever before been used against us -- biological agents or a nuclear weapon or a chemical weapon of some kind to be able to threaten the lives of hundreds of thousands of Americans," Cheney said, according to the NYT.

And does Cheney believe Kerry would be as aggressive and strong as Bush?

``I don't believe it," the vice president said. ``I don't think there's any evidence to support the proposition that he would, in fact, do it."

What a shock. Of course, under Bush, insurgents in Iraq have walked away with massively heavy equipment and material needed to build nuclear weapons. It took days to dismantle and then spirit across the border. Some of the yellow cake has already popped up in Europe.

Under Bush, it would take 14 years to secure all the loose nuclear weapons and material spread out through the unstable, increasingly autocratic former Soviet Union. Kerry has a plan to secure it in four.

So if Cheney's right about this threat, Kerry's your man.

And isn't it crazy that Kerry is criticized for stretching the truth when he warns about a draft (Hello! There's already a backdoor draft with thousands of troops dragooned into serving in Iraq when they didn't volunteer and would rather be home.)?

But when Cheney says if you vote for Kerry it means nuclear bombs going off in American cities, it's just tough talk?



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