

Kerry And Obama Find The Framers Of The Constitution "Unhelpful"

Apparently [John Kerry is annoyed](#) that the Cotton Letter, to name it after its not Onlie But Chief Begetter, a one-page three-paragraph letter simply laying the constitutional facts of life succinctly out, was ever written. He has stopped denouncing it, absurdly – that is, he looked absurd – as “unconstitutional.” He’s toned it down a bit. Now it is merely “unhelpful.” You see, it requires that he, languorous John Kerry, of Louisburg Square and the Elizabeth Islands, has to bother – my dear! the noise! the people! – to explain to the Iranians that the content of the letter signed by the 47 Senators is not false but true, and if the Islamic Republic of Iran wants to lock in a future president, they will have to try for a treaty, and not a truce treaty, not a hudna, but an honest-to-god Western-style pacta-sunt-servanda treaty, something Muslims are not used to, and do not like. And that treaty will have to have terms of which 2/3 of the Senate will approve, and therefore will look very different from what, just a month ago, before Netanyahu’s lucid speech and the Senators’ letter, they might have thought Kerry and Obama and Wendy Sherman would all happily agree to. Now they can’t, they would look too obviously foolish. It is not only Zarif, but Kerry, and Obama, who are mightily “annoyed” at Netanyahu, at the Republican Senators and, most of all, at the Framers of the Constitution.