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## Hero in the White House: Mao

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The White House Communications Director Anita Dunn, who has spearheaded the White House attack on Fox News, told a high school audience a few months ago:

*Two of my favorite political philosophers: Mao Tse-Tung and Mother Theresa, not often coupled with each other; but the two people that I turn to most.*

Mao, she went on to say, chose *his own* policy way to go. Never mind his policies led to the deaths of tens of millions of Chinese. That, apparently, is less important than the fact that he went his own way, a sort of Asian Frank Sinatra.

Can you imagine a Communications director from the Bush administration saying his favorite political philosopher was Adolf Hitler? Of course not. Dunn likes to boast that, during the presidential campaign, she had absolute control of all communications with the media. Chairman Mao would have liked that.

I'm David Aikman.

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