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Who are you trying to convince? Yourself?

Grammaticly, George W. Bush's statement in the said video clip has one (1) correct grammatical meaning. Period.

Since you people obviously need it outlined for you...

George W. BushOur enemies are innovative and resourceful, and so are we. They never stop thinking about new ways to harm our country and our people, and neither do we.

Let's take a look at the second sentence. "They" is the subject. It refers to the subject of the previous sentence, which is "Our enemies". So the sentence can logically be replaced with:

"Our enemies never stop thinking about new ways to harm our country and our people, and neither do we."

"Do" is a very important word in the second sentence. "Do" refers to the verb of the second sentence's first clause: "stop", which has the adverb, "never" and is attached to the infinitive "thinking". Thus making the complete action clause, "never stop thinking". The direct object of which is "new ways to harm our country".

Because we are adding a negative word ("never"), we must turn "neither" into "either" in order to maintain the meaning, because double negatives are not allowed in English. So now, we can replace the original sentence with:

"Our enemies never stop thinking about new ways to harm our country and our people, and we never stop thinking about new ways to harm our country and our people either."

Take it to any English teacher. I can't believe that this is even being disputed. :rolleyes:

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