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Jan. 3, 2007 — Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton believes Sen. Barack Obama is her biggest obstacle to winning the Democratic presidential nomination in 2008 but believes that his threat will diminish, according to a report on The Drudge Report.

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According to the Web site, The New York Times plans to report that Clinton told her advisers and some Democrats that the momentum Obama has enjoyed would fade as voters learned about his inexperience in government and foreign affairs.

Obama, D-Ill., was sworn in as a U.S. senator in January 2005, and his popularity — and momentum for a possible run for the White House — have been growing since just before the Democratic victory at the midterm elections in November.

Neither Clinton nor Obama have officially announced their intention to run for president in 2008.

Former 2004 vice presidential nominee John Edwards announced his intention to get the Democratic presidential nomination last week. Iowa Gov. Tom Vilsack and Rep. Dennis Kucinich of Ohio have been the only other Democrats to announce their 2008 White House bids.

The Giuliani Dossier Leak

The report on Clinton's alleged comments comes as The New York Daily News obtained a 140-page dossier outlining former New York mayor —and possible Republican presidential hopeful — Rudolph Giuliani's presidential campaign strategy, including everything from his fundraising plans to perceived political weaknesses.

Giuliani hasn't officially announced his plans to run for president, but he formed a presidential exploratory committee in November.

The dossier, in the form of a notebook, was given to Daily News reporter Ben Smith by someone "sympathetic" to one of Giuliani's competitors, although Smith would not reveal which one.

"It was given to me by Christmas elves," he said.

The headline in the Daily News said the notebook was left in a hotel room by a Giuliani aide. The Giuliani camp strongly denied that, and a spokeswoman called the leak of the notebook a campaign dirty trick.

The notebook revealed that Giuliani was planning a

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gargantuan fundraising push to bring in more than \$100 million this year, \$25 million in the first quarter alone.

In addition, outgoing Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney is expected to file the necessary paperwork today to form a presidential exploratory committee, a top aide familiar with his plans told The Associated Press.

The aide said that Romney would file forms with the Federal Election Commission — a registration that will allow the Massachusetts governor to raise and spend money in pursuit of the 2008 GOP nomination.

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