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--MOHAMED EL BARADEI, THE AGE OF SHAME, 2011

The former chief U. N. nuclear inspector and Nobel Peace Prize winner recommends that Bush administration officials should face international criminal investigation for the "shame of a needless war" in Iraq.

--Dennett, Charlotte. The People v Bush: One Lawyer’s Campaign to Bring the President to Justice. 2010

CALL FOR INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE IF CHENEY BROKE LAWS (e.g.
ordered the CIA to deceive Congress) and to hold him fully accountable. Editorial by The Nation (August 3/10, 2009) “The Cheney Gang.”

**Gravel: Take Bush to The Hague**

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Former Democratic candidate Mike Gravel says President George W. Bush should be taken to The Hague for war crimes rather than being impeached.

In a Monday video conference with Press TV, the former Alaska senator said President Bush does not 'deserve' to be impeached for invading Afghanistan and Iraq, which has resulted in the loss of 'millions of lives'.

"An Impeachment just means you would only take away his (Bush's) presidency. Well, he is almost done (with) his presidency. What really needs to happen is that these people have to be held accountable for the crimes they have committed," the 78-year-old Libertarian said referring to the US president and Vice President Dick Cheney.

"If you impeach the president and vice president, Nancy Pelosi is going to become president; that is not going to happen," Gravel added.

Gravel is an outspoken advocate of impeaching Bush and Cheney over the disinformation campaign they have led in support of their go-to-war policies.

"There is a lot of very good news that makes me tremendously hopeful that we as a nation are starting to wake up and insist our congressional representatives act to make impeachment happen now," he had said in a statement in January after congressman Dennis Kucinich announced plans to introduce articles of impeachment against President Bush.

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“Impeach Bush Now” by Elizabeth Holtzman, The Nation (July 21-28, 2008. “Impeachment is one of the few ways Congress can draw limits around presidential power and educate the country about those limits.” Holtzman is the author of The Impeachment of George W. Bush.

The 35 Articles of Impeachment and the Case for Prosecuting George W. Bush

**Congressman Dennis Kucinich With Additional Material by David Swanson and Elizabeth de la Vega** $12

Feral House offers this important and urgent publication of Dennis Kucinich’s Articles of Impeachment this election season in two formats: an offset-printed paperback book available for the cost of $12 and a free downloadable PDF available below.
David Swanson’s additional article explains how the Impeachment process is possible and necessary even after the guilty perp leaves office, and how they can be used for prosecution of crimes. Those wishing to purchase over ten copies of the printed book can obtain them at discount from Feral House directly. Please contact info@feralhouse.com for costs.

More than two centuries ago, the Founders of this country set forth a procedure for Congress to follow in the event of grave abuse of power by the Chief Executive. That process is impeachment. In the face of the monumental deceit and disregard for the Constitution that we have witnessed on the part of the President over the past seven years, Congressman Kucinich’s initiation of this process is neither fanciful nor futile, neither vengeful nor vindictive; it is the sober fulfillment of his sworn duty as a Congressman to follow the law without regard to personal consequence and misguided political stratagem. It is, quite simply, an act of patriotism.


This collection of impeachable offenses should be viewed as a sampling of the crimes and abuses of President George W. Bush and his subordinates. Bush has had many accomplices — first and foremost Vice President Cheney. But our Founders created a single executive precisely so that we could hold that one person accountable for the actions of the executive branch. It is high time we did so, and millions of Americans will be urging their representatives to support the effort being led by Congressman Kucinich.

These articles establish, and hearings would establish further, that President Bush was ‘the decider’ behind countless abuses of power. And, of course, his public comments have time and again advertised his indifference to the laws he is violating. Not only does overwhelming evidence show us that Bush knew his claims about WMDs to be false, but the president has shown us that he considers the question of truth or falsehood to be laughably irrelevant. When Diane Sawyer asked Bush why he had claimed with such certainty that there were so many weapons in Iraq, he replied: “What’s the difference? The possibility that [Saddam] could acquire weapons, if he were to acquire weapons, he would be the danger.”

What’s the difference? Hundreds of thousands of corpses and a fatal blow to the rule of law among nations. That’s the difference. Unless we remove impeachment from the Constitution by failing to exercise it, in which case truth will no longer matter any more than justice or
peace.

— David Swanson, creator of ImpeachCheney.org, Washington Director of Democrats.com and co-founder of the AfterDowningStreet.org.

Overload is the main problem—I call it outrage fatigue. The sheer multitude, not to mention magnitude, of impeachable offenses tends to dull the senses. The opportunity to dig into just one or two provided some space and focused the mind.

At the same time, the deeper one digs, the more unimaginable the dirt that comes up. Earlier, I had not taken the time to sift through the abundant evidence of the unconscionable ways in which George Bush and George Tenet teamed up—including, in Tenet’s case, lying under oath—to stave off charges of misfeasance/ malfeasance before the attacks on 9/11.

The Founders pledged their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor to create a system in which we could protect ourselves from unbridled power. Today, we cannot let a 21st Century string of abuses and usurpations stand without challenge.

But the experience of the past several years shows that there is a very high hurdle in our way: no Common Sense. I refer, of course, to the courageous independent journalism of the likes of Tom Paine who stirred the innate dignity of Americans toward sacrifice for independence and freedom. Tom Paine would be horrified to see what has become of his profession today—with browbeaten journalists and former general officers doing the bidding of the corporations that own/pay them.

In my view, impeachment proceedings are essential to:

- Reestablish the separation of powers in our Constitution as a check on the so-called unitary executive
- Prevent a budding—and catastrophic—US attack on Iran by exposing it as yet another war of aggression against a country posing no threat to the US;
- Call attention to the blood already drained from our civil liberties and staunch the bleeding.

Impeachment proceedings may be the only way to force the captive media to inform normal citizens about what has been going on in our country. Thomas Jefferson underscored the importance of this when he said: “Whenever the people are well informed, they can be trusted with their own government.”
President Bush, Cheney and other US officials have violated numerous domestic and international laws governing crime of aggression, war crime, torture, etc., and they should be not only impeached by the US Congress but also be prosecuted by a special prosecutor, to the full extent of the law before or after impeachment. That is the best way to uphold the US Constitution and the rule of law at home and abroad.

—John Kim, Esq., Attorney; author of *The Crime of Aggression Against Iraq*

The breadth of impeachable offenses committed by the Bush/Cheney administration is likely unparalleled in our nation's history. Equally unparalleled, and in many cases even more alarming and outrageous, is the lack of accountability brought to the perpetrators of these High Crimes and Misdemeanors. It is the Constitutional duty of members of Congress—members from any political party—to bring such accountability, particularly when the list of crimes began with the very acts that brought this administration into office during their elections, and right up through today when the same sort of crimes continue, and are in place to try and affect our next Presidential Election.

This is not about politics, it's about the Constitutional duty of Congress. If a line in the sand is not drawn immediately and clearly in the face of such corruption and disdain for our American values, such as the Rule of Law, the historical bar for criminality in our Executive Branch will have been forever lowered, no matter who happens to serve in the White House in the future.

—Brad Friedman, creator/ editor of The Brad Blog, and co-founder of the watchdog organization VelvetRevolution.us.

“I have provided the legal architecture and evidence for a trial to prosecute the President for murder. My book lends credence to a powerful case for impeachment laid out persuasively by Congressman Dennis Kucinich’s 35 Articles of Impeachment.”

—Vincent Bugliosi, Former District Attorney, author of *The Prosecution of George W. Bush for Murder*
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In light of the revelations just this week that Cheney's office itself ordered the forgery of one of the letters used to justify the attack on Iraq, and with Conyers now ordering the Judiciary Committee to come back from vacation to deal with this plain act of apparent treason, there is nothing more patriotic we can do than to have a serious discussion about impeachment and its imperatives. Indeed, it is our duty to do so.

We just want to get as many of these DVDs distributed as fast as possible as the public debate reaches its most critical stage. If you can make a donation of some kind when you request your new DVD, please do. But regardless, we will send you one of these DVDs for no charge, not even shipping, and all you have to do is submit the form above. Just remember, if you CAN make a donation, if only to help cover the astronomical amount of bandwidth we anticipate in making a 2 hour play freely available for web viewing like this, that's what makes it possible for us to do our work.

So watch the impeachment trial play for yourself at the site above, and see if you don't agree that what we ALREADY knew demanded action. And please tell everyone else you know where they can get a copy of the DVD for themselves.

By the way, we just shipped out nearly another thousand of the "Impeach Both!!" caps, so if you ordered one of those it's on the way too.

Please take action NOW, so we can win all victories that are supposed to be ours, and forward this alert as widely as possible.

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TWO LETTERS FROM LOCAL PATRIOTS
JAIL LINE-UP
Dennis Kucinich has introduced 35 articles of impeachment against George W. Bush for high crimes and misdemeanors. Bush came to Little Rock recently to raise money. Folks paid $ 5, 000 to have their picture taken with him. Those pictures will come in handy as mug shots when vertebrate Democrats and other sentient patriots impeach Bush and indict these people for aiding and abetting the criminal enterprise of his administration.
Henry Griffith / West Fork (lamentably now deceased)

A HEARING ON EXECUTIVE POWER
On Friday, July 25, 2008, the House Judiciary Committee held a hearing on Executive Power and Its Constitutional Limitations. It discussed the Imperial Presidency and possible legal responses. It was televised on C-SPAN. It will soon appear on Pacifica.org.

Two friends and I watched what I can only describe as the most important Congressional hearing I have witnessed in my 65 years. The mainstream coverage of the events around the Nixon Watergate problems paled in comparison. Our Constitutional form of government was not under threat with Nixon. Friday was different!

There was an attempt to restore balance of Power to our three branches of government, as the Congress has been marginalized of late.

The bottom line message I received from a sneering, arrogant, hair-lipped Republican member of the Conyers Judiciary Committee, reading between the lines and expressing the sentiments in my own words, was this:

You, Mr. Conyers, and the rest of you Leftists need to accept facts. The Congress has no power over the President. If he wants your opinion, he will ask for it! If he chooses to attack Iran, he certainly does not need your permission. If he chooses to torture anyone at all, or ignore Congressional subpoenas, or wiretap as he pleases, it is none of your business. So, quit wasting our time with these cheap partisan political shows. And Impeachment? Get real! The President and all his men are pure as driven snow.

After the hearing closed, we checked every media outlet we could for reporting on this monumental event. NOT ONE WORD! Not even NPR mentioned it. Pacifica.org, one of the very few news outlets still functioning in this increasingly fascist State, is the only place I’ve found mention of the most important Congressional hearing of our time.

Respectfully,
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