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RETAIATORY AIRSTRIKES ON US WEDDING PARTIES


September 29, 2012, Little Rock, Arkansas, all murdered in middle of ceremony by Afghan Justice Special Ops composed of Afghan relatives of wedding victims killed by US drone “pilot” from Little Rock.

June 6, 2013, Las Vegas, hotel chapel wedding, all murdered by bombs on anniversary of June 6 airstrike on Afghan wedding.


July 1, 2002, helicopter rockets kill 48.

Dec. 29, 2002 air raid kills more than 100.

May 19, 2004, more than 40 killed in air attack after a wedding.

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Nov. 4, 2008, warplanes kill up to 40.


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What you can do: Tell your email, facebook, twitter lists. Make a poster about these atrocities. Demand accountability by the perps from top down. Buy and show The Last War Crime film.

The Pen theteam@peaceteam.net

Dear Friends and Activists,

We just got back from Cannes in France, where we premiered the now completed The Last War Crime movie at Marche Du Film. We attracted a lot of attention, including a major on camera interview by the BBC. It's about indicting Cheney for torture . . . and isn't that something billions of people want to see?

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It's a multimedia DVD that includes 1) the movie trailer, 2) a slide show of production stills backed by parts of the music score (with real strings) and the first half of the grand jury closing argument, and 3) the end credits theme song, "It's A Crime".

Of course, if you can make a donation of any amount, this is what makes it possible for us to produce major activist projects like this, and to send out these promo DVDs to anyone who cannot make a donation right now.

One way or another we are working to get this movie which is now ready for exhibition into a real theater near you within the next couple months or so.

The truths told by The Last War Crime movie are even now the most current of news. Here is a forwarding link to an article by Michael Hayne, one of the most salient progressive commentators out there, discussing Colin Powell's confession that the invasion of Iraq was never even debated in the White House.

The lies that got us into the war in Iraq, the lies that could only be extracted by false confessions under torture, are not going away anytime soon. And it is only by confronting these lies that we can act to keep the same thing from happening over and over again. And that is what The Last War Crime movie is all about.

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Sunday, May 27, 2012

NOBAMA

by Robert Yoder

War Crimes
The UN’s Rome Statute which defines war crimes also brought into being the International Criminal Court (ICC). President Clinton signed the agreement on December 31, 2000, but on May 6, 2002, shortly before the statute was to go into effect, President George W. Bush “nullified” Clinton’s signature and declared that the U.S. would no longer be a party to, nor accept jurisdiction of, the ICC. It is now clear why – Guantanamo, Abu Ghraib, “enhanced interrogation techniques,” extraordinary rendition to torture, and enforced disappearance of suspects in secret prisons without trial or legal recourse. These are all war crimes in spite of the Bush administration’s twisted logic that legalized practices we have condemned since World War II. Bush, Cheney, Tenet, Rumsfeld, all are unindicted war criminals.

Barack Obama the Candidate, pledged to end all this; however, none of his predecessor’s policies have been clearly or effectively reversed, including his quiet refusal to re-sign the Rome Statute or come under the jurisdiction of the ICC. Instead, Obama the President continues to hold prisoners indefinitely without trial in Guantanamo Bay, continued extraordinary rendition at least as late as July 2009, and continues to pursue wars of aggression in ever more insidious and immoral ways – through extra-judicial assassinations using unmanned drones, CIA operatives and small teams of Special Forces in countries with which we are not at war – Pakistan, Yemen, Somalia, et. al. Extra-judicial assassinations are a category of willful killing, a war crime. Indefinite detention in Guantanamo Bay without a trial is a war crime. Barack Obama is as guilty of war crimes as Bush, as Cheney, as Rumsfeld, as Tenet.

Drone Wars
“Distance is of essential importance. It renders responsibility invisible and retaliation impossible.”

--Etel Adnan, Master of the Eclipse

Bug Splat: military jargon for someone killed in a drone strike.

“For a new generation of young guns, the experience of piloting a drone is not unlike the video games they grew up on. …drone operators kill at the touch of a button, without ever leaving their base – a remove that only serves to further desensitize the taking of human life.”
President George W. Bush, in his eight years as the self-proclaimed War President, authorized 78 drone strikes. President Obama, on his third day in office, authorized a drone strike that killed 20 people in Pakistan, three of them children. In his first three years as president, there were 253 known covert drone strikes in Pakistan alone, plus an unknown number in Yemen, Somalia, Libya, and, most recently, the Philippines. Drones are Obama’s weapon of choice.

There is a category of drone strikes called a “signature strike” in which the identities of individuals are unknown but they are acting in a “suspicious manner” and there is another category, a secondary strike, that attacks rescuers who come to the aid of victims from a first strike (at least 50 confirmed cases) or an attack on a funeral procession (more than 20 times). These are defined in the Rome Statute as war crimes.

In designated battle zones like Iraq and Afghanistan, U.S. Air Force personnel control drones from bases located in Iraq, Afghanistan, Qatar and the U.S. In Pakistan, Yemen, Somalia, Libya, et al., countries with which we are not technically at war, the CIA controls the drones from their headquarters in Langley, Virginia. The Pentagon’s 7,000 drones can take off and land by themselves, track vehicles, individuals, even footprints in the dirt from a mile up, and those which are armed, like the Predator and Reaper drones, can unleash Hellfire missiles with deadly accuracy. The unknown, however, is whether the target is actually a terrorist.

An estimated 3,000 people have been killed in drone strikes and in spite of denials by the Pentagon, the NSC and President Obama, a large number of those killed, perhaps as many as thirty percent, were not terrorists or insurgents or affiliated with al Qaeda or any other terrorist organization; they were innocent civilians including at least 174 children. The sound of a drone, described as the buzzing of an aerial lawnmower, circling high above a targeted village for hours, strikes fear in the heart of every inhabitant, for they know that, at any time and without warning, they or their loved ones could be incinerated. For Obama to claim that the drone program is highly precise and kept on a tight leash with few civilian casualties makes him either naïve or a liar, neither of which is a good sign.

Undeclared Wars

Under the U.S. Constitution the president is the commander-in-chief of the armed forces but cannot declare war; only Congress can do that. Korea, Vietnam, Grenada, Panama, Somalia, the Gulf War, Kosovo, and dozens of other lesser-known military engagements by U.S. forces, were all undeclared wars authorized by Congress through various resolutions or without even that mask of legitimacy. In the hysteria following 9/11, the Authorization for the Use of Military Force passed by Congress on September 14, 2001, granted the president the authority to use all “necessary and appropriate force against those nations, organizations, or persons he determines planned, authorized, committed or aided the terrorist attacks that occurred on September 11, 2001, or harbored such organizations or persons, in order to prevent any future acts of international terrorism against the United States by such nations, organizations, or persons.” This open-ended resolution effectively declared war against anyone deemed a terrorist or terrorist sympathizer regardless of nationality or physical location. Afghanistan, the base for al Qaeda, was the first country invaded followed 17 months later by the invasion of Iraq.

While George W. Bush and his neocon administration openly invaded and occupied a country that posed no threat to the United States and had no part in the 9/11 attacks, Barack Obama is far more subtle. Except for Afghanistan, his wars of aggression are not carried out by armies in the field but by remote-controlled drones and teams of assassins working in the dead of night. Under Bush, government lawyers found loopholes and twisted logic in order to legalize what had
previously been criminal activity – torture, indefinite detention, secret prisons, illegal wiretaps – but Obama, the ultimate technocrat, has changed the very character and nature of war, indeed, the definition of war itself, in ways undreamed of by his predecessor. The War on Terror under Obama has become a program of extra-judicial assassinations with faceless analysts using secret procedures, secret criteria and secret data to determine who lives and who dies. The claim of National Security cloaks everything in a veil of secrecy that hides abuses, mistakes and the horrific reality of war. John Rizzo, chief counsel of the CIA for six years during the Bush administration, calls extra-judicial assassinations “militarized murder.”

When Barack Obama’s “humanitarian mission” in Libya was approaching the 60-day limit for military engagements without Congressional authorization, contrary to the findings of his own Justice and Defense Department lawyers, he contended that he did not need authorization since the U.S. had handed off active combat operations to NATO forces. Drone strikes, surveillance and logistical support, he claimed, “do not involve sustained fighting or active exchanges of fire with hostile forces, nor do they involve U.S. ground troops.” That is, war is not war.

Obama has turned the CIA into a paramilitary force that operates outside all law and wages covert wars wherever America’s alleged enemies are. Without congressional discussion, debate or oversight, the War on Terror has become a shape-shifting endless war that disregards domestic and international law, basic human rights and the Constitution. We have squandered the nation’s blood and treasure, destroyed the illusion of America as a beacon of justice, and become as bankrupt morally as we are financially, a nation of barbarians and terrorists wreaking death and destruction around the globe. Barack Obama should be impeached and tried as a war criminal.

Robert Yoder is a War Crimes Times contributing editor. His current book, 100 Letters to President Obama, is available from Wild Ocean Press.

Posted by Kim Carlyle 1 comments

Tuesday, May 8, 2012

War Crimes Tribunal commences hearing on Bush

Kuala Lumpur War Crimes Tribunal commences hearing on Bush

KUALA LUMPUR (May 7, 2012): The Kuala Lumpur War Crimes Tribunal today commenced its hearing against former United States President George W. Bush and seven of his associates on the charge of 'Crime of Torture and War Crimes'.

The other seven are Dick Cheney, former U.S. vice-president; Donald Rumsfeld, former defense secretary; Alberto Gonzales, then counsel to President Bush; David Addington, then general counsel to the vice-president; William Haynes, then general counsel to the secretary of defense; Jay Bybee, then Assistant Attorney General; and John Yoo, former Deputy Assistant Attorney-General.

Former Federal Court judge Tan Sri Lamin Mohd Yunus headed the quorum of the tribunal.
The panel also comprised Tunku Sofiah Jewa, Alfred Lambremont Webre, Professor Salleh Buang and Mohd Saari Yusuf. The tribunal today ordered the trial against the accused to proceed after ruling that war crimes had universal jurisdiction. Earlier, Jason Kay, who has been appointed as 'amicus curae' (friend of the court) to act for the accused, raised a preliminary objection that the tribunal had no jurisdiction to proceed with the charge against them. He argued that the tribunal established under the Kuala Lumpur Foundation to Criminalise War (KLFCW) was incorporated under the laws of Malaysia and, as such, only the written laws of Malaysia were applicable.

Led by Prof Gurdial Singh Nijar, the prosecution countered that the body was not only enforcing Malaysian law but international law as well, and in any event, war crimes were universal crimes based on 'jus cogens' and customary international law.

The first prosecution witness, Abbas Abid, who was former chief engineer at the Science and Technology Ministry in Baghdad, claimed that he was tortured while under detention at Al-Jadiria prison. Currently residing in Fallujah, Iraq, Abbas said that he was, among others, subjected to electric shocks, hung from a wall with weights attached to his private parts, and forced to drink a lot of water mixed with diuretics while his penis was tied with a rubber band to prevent him from urinating.

At the outset, the tribunal granted the prosecution’s application for Abbas to have his face covered with a scarf when giving evidence for security reasons. In his testimony, Abbas, 48, said that at about 10pm on Aug 28, 2005, more than 15 American and Iraqi soldiers took part in a raid on his brother’s house, entering the premises in what he described as a "terrifying manner". After being summoned by a relative, he went to his brother's house where he was asked to follow the troops for questioning and was later detained at Al-Jadiria prison. The father of five claimed that on Oct 5, 2006, he was brought to the court but was set free due to lack of evidence. "I had to pay $10,000 to the authorities in charge of the prison under the Ministry of Justice before I was released," the Arabic-speaking Abbas said through an interpreter.

The prosecution's second witness, former Guantanamo Bay detainee Moazzam Begg, testified that he had gone to Afghanistan with his family in 2001 to build a school but when the U.S. invaded the country, he and his family evacuated to Islamabad in Pakistan. Reading his statutory declaration, the Briton said that after being held for three weeks by the Pakistanis, he was handed over to the U.S. military before being flown to Afghanistan and subsequently taken to the Guantanamo Bay detention centre in Cuba where he remained for 20 months. Moazzam said his mental health deteriorated, having been placed under solitary confinement and living in a tiny, windowless cell with no lights and deprived of any contact with other prisoners. He said that he never knew what his crime was until today.

The trial, which is being held in an open court at the KLFCW in Jalan Perdana here, continues tomorrow. – Bernama

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I Ain't Marching Anymore -- Phil Ochs

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Veterans for Peace Against Condoleezza Rice

On Tuesday, April 10th, members of Veterans For Peace Chapter 157 called for the arrest and prosecution of Condoleezza Rice, having delivered the criminal complaint below to the Durham Sheriff & police chief, prior to Ms. Rice’s appearance at Duke University.

Criminal Complaint
Veterans for Peace Against Condoleezza Rice
Durham, North Carolina, April 10, 2012

On March 19, 2003, US president George W. Bush ordered the invasion of Iraq by US armed forces for reasons that Mr. Bush knew to be false. Mr. Bush was well aware that there were no weapons of mass destruction in Iraq. As the Bush Administration’s National Security Advisor during this time, Condoleezza Rice was complicit in the propagation of this falsehood which makes her liable for the following criminal charges:

- Fraud upon the United States of America, taking the country to war under false pretenses;
- Murder of thousands of US servicemen and women sent into harm’s way by Mr. Bush under false pretenses;
- Injury and maiming of tens of thousands of US servicemen and women sent into harm’s way by Mr. Bush under false pretenses;
- Setting into motion events resulting in the murder of hundreds of thousands of Iraqis, including men, women, children, pregnant women and their unborn babies;
- Causing the dislocation of millions of Iraqis from their homes, including an estimated 50,000 Iraqi girls and women forced into lives of prostitution in order to survive;
- Significantly participating in the direction of a United States government regime that engaged in the routine violation of the rights of citizens against illegal search and seizure;
- Significantly participating in the direction of a United States government regime that engaged in the routine and indiscriminate kidnapping and brutal torture of suspected terrorists, in violation of US statute, the Constitution, international law, and every consideration of human decency.

Condoleezza Rice stands accused of war crimes and crimes against the peace, which differ from lesser crimes in that they contain all the accumulated evil of the whole. Unless and until we hold all our war criminals accountable for their crimes, our world will not know peace.

Signed by Eisenhower Chapter of Veterans for Peace members John Heuer, Mia Austin-Scoggins, Barbara J. Freeman, Cy King, Barry Reece, Joan Widdifield

Posted by Kim Carlyle

Friday, April 6, 2012

Guilty of speaking truth to power -- Leah Bolger VFP national president
“Chris Hedges | Murder Is Not an Anomaly in War”
TruthDig, March 19, 2012
Excerpt: "Robert Bales, a U.S. Army staff sergeant who allegedly killed 16 civilians in two Afghan villages, including nine children, is not an anomaly. To decry the butchery of this case and to defend the wars of occupation we wage is to know nothing about combat."
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POEM BY KOLKI
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For felony, battering, and crimes
Lawyers build cases for the jurors
Proving innocence or guilty as charged!
Nations join together -To stop imperialism by super power
Creating United Nations, International Court -With votes, veto, and legal power! But super power can buy votes
Bribe lawyers or apply own veto for war
Dividing nations creating allied power
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Killing, terrifying, abusing civilians
Destroying culture ancient and dear!
International court remains helpless and silent
As war crime tribunals punish victims of violence!
While criminals of wars celebrate victory –
Making world more fragile, divided, and angry!
[Terrorism can never be fully addressed without eliminating brutal military terrorism! Kolki]

"Only tyrants can take a nation to war without the consent of the people. The planned war against Iraq without a Declaration of War is illegal. It is unwise because of many unforeseen consequences that are likely to result. It is immoral and unjust, because it has nothing to do
with US security and because Iraq has not initiated aggression against us." —Congressman Ron Paul

Do we need a UN Security Council and an International Court which cannot Punish War Criminals in Bush, Blair and Howard Administrations for illegally attacking and destroying sovereign peaceful Iraq, killing and displacing millions? Kolki About Kolki Peace Foundation ☼ Kolki

Monday, March 19, 2012

The spring issue of the *War Crimes Times* has been printed and is ready for distribution.

The spring issue features articles on Iran, Syria, U.S. imperialism, the madness of nuclear deterrence theory, the anatomy of a NATO war crime, forced military testing in schools, Obama’s terror drones, why the fighters in Afghanistan are motivated, and more, including song lyrics from Mark Twain and photos and an article about the War Crimes Times in Viet Nam. Authors include John Pilger, Pat Elder, Robert Yoder, Ed Tick, Ralph Nader, Felicity Arbuthnot, and Franklin Lamb. Also letters, poetry, and more.

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Thursday, February 23, 2012

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We also welcome high resolution photos, cartoons, poetry, and letters to the editor.

While original work is preferred, we'll accept the work of others with their permission.
Submissions are due on the 1st of the month that the paper is printed: March, June, September, and December.

Send to editor@WarCrimesTimes.org (Note: due to size constraints, all submissions may not be used in the print edition, but all will be considered for posting on this blog.)

War Crimes Times Statement of Purpose (revised 06/2011)

The War Crimes Times provides information to the general public, to law-makers, and to our justice-seeking allies on war crimes, war criminals, and on the true costs of war.

When national leaders initiate hostilities they create the conditions—the extreme use of force coupled with limited accountability—for the war crimes which invariably follow. War crimes are therefore an inherent part of war. The suffering caused and the enmity aroused by war crimes must be regarded as costs of war. Since these and other costs far exceed any benefits of war, we seek to end war as a tool of international policy.

Towards this goal, we believe that holding war criminals accountable will send a strong message to all current and future heads of state to very carefully weigh all the consequences of the decision to go to war. While we recognize that United States has long relied on unlawful military force to further its foreign policy goals, we are particularly concerned with the blatant and egregious violations of international law committed by the United States beginning with the Administration of George W. Bush and now continued and expanded under President Obama.

We endorse any efforts, including impeachment, which would bring war criminals of any administration to justice. The War Crimes Times has resolved to see that Bush, Cheney, Obama, and other government officials and military officers who have committed war crimes are prosecuted—no matter how long it takes.

There is no statute of limitations

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