

GI SPECIAL 3D25:

**THIS IS HOW BUSH BRINGS THE TROOPS HOME:
BRING THEM ALL HOME NOW!**



[Thanks to John Gingerich, Veterans For Peace] (mindprod.com)

**“My Husband Will Not Be
Silenced – For He
Speaks The Truth, And It
Is Coming For You”**

“What is it that you and the commanders who imprisoned him are so afraid of? Because they have known from the beginning that he speaks the truth – and my husband's voice is a powerful voice. They should be afraid – you should be afraid - very, very afraid.” Monica Benderman

November 21, 2005 Kevin and Monica Benderman, OrbStandard.com

Open Letter to George Bush from Kevin Benderman November 20, 2004 followed by Open Letter to George Bush One Year Later By Monica Benderman

Monica Benderman is the wife of Sgt. Kevin Benderman, Prisoner of Conscience, serving a 15 month sentence at Ft. Lewis Correctional Facility, for speaking out against war, and for daring to tell the Truth.

THE ENEMY DOMESTIC

November 20, 2004

To: George W. Bush
From: SGT Kevin M. Benderman

When are you going to tell the truth to the people of the United States?

Why don't you tell them why you want to be in Iraq so bad?

I was there for six months and I did not see the first weapon of mass destruction. I did receive orders from the company commander to shoot children if they threw small rocks at us and that was when I figured out that the entire thing was way over the line.

Over 1200 soldiers have died in Iraq so that you can have a couple billion more dollars, that should make you feel very good about yourself.

The soldiers that have died for this sham that you have put over on the American people are so much more deserving than that. You are not worth the dust off of their boots.

If you truly had respect for the military and the people that serve then you would not continue to kill them in your war.

I joined the Army to protect my country and not to be a mercenary for a political despot.

If you wish to put me in prison because of my views then you should make room for about 75% of the military.

And while you are at make some room for yourself and about half of your administration. You are responsible for what happened at Abu Gharaib and you are shirking your responsibility.

The commander in chief is not above the UCMJ, as you would like to believe.

I want to fulfill my contract that says I joined the Army to protect my country against all enemies foreign and domestic, and as far as I am concerned you are a domestic enemy of the United States.

You care nothing for this country; you just care about the profits that are to be made from the oil in Iraq. That much is evident to me from the way the contracts were passed out to Halliburton and KBR. It must be nice to have the deck stacked in your favor by the president of the USA.

Since your are raising the debt ceiling of America so that we can pay the bills that you have run up, why don't you forgive the debts of every one in the armed forces since they are the ones that are making it possible for you to make billions from the oil from Iraq.

Sincerely,
SGT Kevin M. Benderman

“My Husband Will Not Be Silenced – For He Speaks The Truth, And It Is Coming For You”

[By Monica Benderman.]

Dear Mr. Bush:

Over one year ago, my husband showed the integrity of a true leader by facing everything he had committed to for you, in the name of – well, first there was national security, then it was freedom from tyranny for the Iraqis, then it was terrorism, then it was freedom for the American people, and what is it now????

Don't worry – we know. It hasn't changed. First it was oil, then it was saving face for a president who has never faced responsibility for his actions – EVER.

But now, you are a president who has nowhere left to hide – you've seen for yourself, the doors are locked you cannot escape us.

You and your army of commanders could not allow my husband to have his voice – you actually thought you could control him – and the TRUTH he had to speak.

You put him in prison, and thought you could take him away from me. You dared to believe we would go away quietly and leave you to your war.

Your army cannot control him, because the Truth will not hide. And the commitment my husband made to defend the constitution, to keep his soldiers safe – and to defend his home and his family – has a depth of integrity you will never understand.

Your doors are locking around you, Sir. And the jail cell that you put my husband in – the prison that confines all of our soldiers – this war and the horrific actions you have asked them to commit in our country's name – their doors are opening. I hope you feel every moment of this – and, Sir, I hope you know it comes from Kevin and me.

For over a year, my husband, Sgt . Kevin Benderman took everything the military could pound him with, and walked tall, held his head high – knowing the day would come when the "Truth would set him free."

I walk every step with him, Sir – not to hold him up when his drugged stupor wears off, no, Sir – I walk proudly by my husband's side, because I know the leader that he is, and I know the strength that he has.

It is an honor, Sir – to stand by his side and help him build his case against you, and all of those who have dared to disrespect him.

What is it that you and the commanders who imprisoned him are so afraid of?

Why was it that they were so willing to commit crimes, to tell lies and to manipulate evidence in my husband's case?

Because they have known from the beginning that he speaks the truth – and my husband's voice is a powerful voice. They should be afraid – you should be afraid - very, very afraid.

You dared to use this country to give yourself a place in history. You dared to use my husband's integrity, his honor and his commitment to duty, and thought that his dignity could somehow serve to make you great.

You were wrong, Sir.

One year ago, my husband told the world what he knew to be true. Attorneys -advisors told him it would be difficult to prove. Kevin and I knew better – and I stood beside him knowing we would face what you and your commanders would try to do, together, and in time, YOU would prove what he already knew. That is what happens with the Truth. He knew this – because he lives this – a powerful man.

You, Sir – wouldn't know the truth if it looked you in the eye. AHHH... I'm wrong – you know the truth and it terrifies you.

Those locked doors in Korea – they are the end of your road – there is no one to help you, and what you thought you had locked away is your worst nightmare now.

My husband will not be silenced – for he speaks the Truth, and it is coming for you.

[Please visit the websites at www.BendermanTimeline.com and www.BendermanDefense.org Monica and Kevin Benderman may be reached at mdawnb@coastalnow.net]

Do you have a friend or relative in the service? Forward this E-MAIL along, or send us the address if you wish and we'll send it regularly. Whether in Iraq or stuck on a base in the USA, this is extra important for your service friend, too often cut off from access to encouraging news of growing resistance to the war, at home and inside the armed services. Send requests to address up top.

IRAQ WAR REPORTS

THREE TASK FORCE BAGHDAD SOLDIERS KILLED BY GUNFIRE

November 24, 2005 HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES CENTRAL COMMAND
NEWS RELEASE Number: 05-11-41C & Reuters

BAGHDAD, Iraq- Two Task Force Baghdad Soldiers died of gunshot wounds in Nov. 23 southwest of Baghdad. A third was killed in central Baghdad.

TWO U.S. SOLDIERS KILLED BY IED SOUTHWEST OF BAGHDAD

November 24, 2005 HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES CENTRAL COMMAND
NEWS RELEASE Number: 05-11-42C

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Two U.S. Soldiers were killed when their patrol struck an improvised explosive device on a road southwest of Baghdad Nov. 24.

U.S. Soldier Killed By Roadside Bomb In Hit

November 24, 2005 Reuters

A U.S. soldier died of wounds sustained Wednesday from a roadside bomb in Hit, 85 miles west of Baghdad, the U.S. military said in a statement.

Three Polish Soldiers Wounded In Diwaniyah

November 24, 2005 Associated Press & Novinite Ltd

A roadside bomb Thursday slightly injured three Polish soldiers, said Col. Zdzislaw Gnatowski, a military spokesman in Warsaw. He said the blast occurred near Camp Echo, the headquarters for Poland's military mission in Diwaniyah 80 miles south of Baghdad.

The explosion took place at about 11 am local time at a road 3 km away from the base, that is headquarters of the Polish commandment in Iraq.

Soldier From Green River Injured In Combat

November 24, 2005 Green River Star

Army Staff Sgt. Mike Barrera suffered five gunshot wounds Nov. 19 in Mosul, Iraq, after a gun battle with insurgents.

Barrera's mother, Lori, said her son underwent successful surgery in Ramstein, Germany, last Saturday and he may return to the United States as early as this weekend.

Barrera, 24, was hit 5 times: twice in the right hand, once in the right tricep, once in the left hand and once in the chest. His flack jacket saved his life.

A 1999 Green River High School graduate, Barrera entered the Army in the fall of 1999 and has been in Iraq since August. He was previously stationed in Fairbanks, Alaska.

Mahmoudiya Car Bomb Wounds 2 U.S. Troops

November 24, 2005 Associated Press

A car bomber targeting U.S. troops in Mahmoudiya wounded two U.S. soldiers and one Humvee was damaged.

**REALLY BAD PLACE TO BE:
BRING THEM ALL HOME NOW!**



10.24.05 US soldiers in Tal Afar. (AFP/US Army-HO/Pfc. James Wilt)

AFGHANISTAN WAR REPORTS

Three Occupation Cops Killed

23 November 2005 Aljazeera

Suspected Taliban rebels have killed three policemen in Afghanistan's volatile south central Uruzgan province.

The three policemen were unarmed and walking home after work in Charchino district when suspected Taliban opened fire on them, provincial governor Jan Mohammad told AFP on Wednesday.

TROOP NEWS

“People Who Join The Military Want To Do Something Honorable” “That Honor Is Betrayed And Exploited By The Corruption Of Our Own Government”

21 November 2005 BY CHUCK WILLIAMS AND ANGELIQUE SOENARIE, Staff Writers, The Columbus Ledger-Enquirer

"We ain't going away."

The lyrics from the folk band were more than just catchy.

To the tempo of protest and the beat of a strumming banjo, the chorus sent a message.

Can't you see we're still here
Can't you see we're still here
Singing loud; Singing clear
We shall not go under
We're still here.

There was no doubt Sunday they were still there, more than 15,000 SOA Watch protesters gathered outside the main gate of Fort Benning. For the 16th consecutive year, the protesters demanded the closing of the Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation, formerly known as the School of the Americas.

Columbus Police Chief Ricky Boren estimated the crowd at 15,000. SOA Watch organizers estimated the crowd at 19,000.

Chad Hatman, a former Army officer from Philadelphia, was wearing his Army uniform top, complete with captain's bars and an Airborne patch. *He is now a member of Iraq Veterans Against the War.*

"People who join the military want to do something honorable," Hartman said. "That honor is betrayed and exploited by the corruption of our own government. Being here is something that is more honorable than being a pawn for a corrupt agenda."



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Rumsfeld Still Doesn't Get It

November 21, 2005 Washington Times

Secretary Rumsfeld dismissed Rep. John Murtha's call to begin pulling troops from Iraq, saying such talk encourages the terrorists and sends the wrong message to the Iraqis. **[Wrong. Murtha's call won't encourage Bush or Cheney, and will send the right message to Iraqis: Americans hate Bush and his evil war as much as you do, and together we can stomp him and his Empire into the ground.]**

MORE STUPIDITY:

Pentagon Idiots Fears War Critics Will Hurt Morale

November 21, 2005 Washington Times

Pentagon officials are concerned that Washington's political fight over the Iraq war will dampen what has been high morale among troops fighting a tenacious and deadly enemy.

[So, Pentagon officials think that keeping the troops dying in a lost war against people fighting for their freedom is good for morale, but hearing that most Americans think the war is for shit and are building up the pressure to bring them home now is bad for morale? Simply proves again the Pentagon has no contact whatever with reality.]

Pentagon Skimps On IED Defense:

“Only A Slim Minority Of American Troops Will Get The Jammers”

[Thanks to Don Bacon, The Smedley Butler Society, who sent this in.]

November 21, 2005 Defense Tech [Excerpts]

It certainly sounds big league: tens of millions of dollars and the promise of a modern-day "Manhattan Project" to figure out how to stop improvised bombs. And the need couldn't be greater, of course; just on Saturday, another six soldiers and marines were killed in Iraq by jury-rigged explosives.

But is the Pentagon really doing all it can to stop the weapons responsible for more than half of the war's 17,000 American casualties? It sure doesn't seem that way. Consider this story, from Defense Technology International.

The 1940s Manhattan Project is estimated to have cost \$20 billion.

In Fiscal 2006, the Navy plans to spend just \$15 million within ONR (Office of Naval Research) on its new drive, with another \$15 million to be spread among the Navy's five affiliated research centers: Pennsylvania State University, Baltimore-based Johns Hopkins University, and the universities of Texas, Washington and Hawaii. (The Navy recently became the quarterback for counter-bomb research -- ed.) Another \$15 million may be allocated to other universities outside the affiliate network.

Keep in mind, the Pentagon's fringe-science arm is planning to spend \$38 million next year on giant blimp research, and \$200 million on "cognitive" computers. So \$45 million isn't all that much, in Pentagon terms.

"When admirals start talking about 'Manhattan Projects,' do you know how much money was spent on that?" John Anderson, a chemical engineer and provost of Ohio's Case Western Reserve University, asks.

"You can't have a Manhattan-Project result with a tin-cup donation... If you're going to influence the academic research environment, you have to provide some resources and a compelling reason for doing it."

[I]t's hard not to get the feeling that bomb-stopping isn't anywhere close to the top of the Pentagon priority list.

Yes, an extra \$250 million was sent over to the Joint IED Defeat Task Force in October, to buy more jammers. I assume that's on top of the agency's \$1.2 billion per year budget.

But even with all that extra cash, only a slim minority of American troops on the ground -- less than 15%, I'd estimate -- will get the jammers, which are one of the few proven methods for actually keeping the bombs from going off.

And remember: getting these jammers to frontline troops helps in the war after Iraq, too. If IEDs continue to be this effective, you can bet, for the next decade or two, guerilla groups will start jury-rigging some bombs as soon as U.S. land.

“Military Officers Began To Wonder Whether They Should Be Risking Their Lives For A Waning Cause’

November 21, 2005 (AFP)

The American public's souring mood over the war in Iraq is something US military leaders have seen before and learned to dread. In Vietnam, it foreshadowed a humiliating defeat.

Steadily mounting casualties, anti-war protests, crumbling public support and the open political warfare that erupted this week in Washington over Iraq have only heightened the sense of deja vu.

"This is following a political trajectory very similar to Vietnam," said Loren Thompson, a military analyst with the Lexington Institute, a Washington think tank.

"What happened in Vietnam was that as key legislators began to fall away from the president's agenda, military officers began to wonder whether they should be risking their lives for a waning cause," he said.

US military leaders, influenced by the Vietnam experience, have long recognized that the US public support is its "center of gravity," which if tipped could spell disaster in a long war.

"What you see here is that members of both parties are basically running out of patience, and in effect saying they don't care what the consequence of leaving will be," Thompson said.

Anthony James Joes, an expert on counter-insurgency warfare at St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia, vehemently objects to most comparisons of Iraq with Vietnam but sees a similarity in the way Congress began cutting back aid.

"If I had to give my best estimate I would say the Bush administration is going to end in a very bad way, and we will eventually abandon Iraq," he said.

Lecherous AF Brig. General Offered Art. 15 For Foot Fondling

November 22, 2005 By Nicole Gaudiano, Army Times staff writer [Excerpts]

Another Air Force general officer has been offered non-judicial punishment for alleged misconduct with women.

Brig. Gen. Richard S. Hassan was removed June 27 from his position as director of the Air Force Senior Leadership Management office in Washington amid allegations he carried out a foot and leg fetish with female subordinates. Sources inside the Air Force said he was offered Article 15 punishment.

One source said Hassan accepted the punishment in lieu of a court-martial, and that he is in the process of retiring. He received a letter of reprimand and an order to forfeit an undetermined amount of money, the source said.

No Air Force general officer has ever been taken to court-martial for any offense.

Hassan was reassigned six months after the investigation began on Feb. 1 with a formal complaint from an Air Force member, who said people felt subtle pressures to comply with the general's wishes, the source said.

"Three or four had similar stories about him wanting to rub their feet," the source said.

IRAQ RESISTANCE ROUNDUP

Assorted Resistance Action

November 24, 2005 Associated Press & Aljazeera & Reuters & Xinhua & (KUNA)

In the southern Dora neighborhood of Baghdad, armed fighters ambushed a police patrol, killing four officers, police Capt. Qassim Hussein said.

BAGHDAD - One policeman was killed and two others were wounded when armed fighters attacked them in western Baghdad, medical sources said.

A bodyguard for the head of the Iraqi Islamic Party branch in Khalis, 50 miles north of Baghdad, was wounded in a drive-by shooting Thursday. Hussein Abid al-Zubeidi, who is also a member of the Diyala provincial council, said he escaped unharmed from the attack near Baqouba, 35 miles northeast of Baghdad.

Insurgents ambushed a convoy of a high ranking official from the Iraqi Industry Ministry in the southwest of Baghdad on Thursday, killing three of his bodyguards and an Iraqi civilian, a police source said.

"The official survived the attack unhurt," the source told Xinhua, adding that the identity of the senior official was not immediately known.

A roadside bomb hit an Iraqi army patrol north of Baghdad on Thursday, killing two soldiers, a local source told Xinhua.

"The explosion occurred in Baiji, around 200 km north of Baghdad. Another seven Iraqi soldiers were wounded in the blast," the source from the US-Iraqi Joint Coordination Center in Tikrit said.

KHALIDIYA - One Iraqi soldier was killed and two were wounded on Wednesday when a bomb placed on the side of the road went off near their patrol in Khalidiya near Falluja, 50 km (32 miles) west of Baghdad, police said.

An Iraqi Police source told Kuwait News Agency (KUNA) that Lieutenant Colonel Khalid Hashim and two of his sons were assassinated by gunmen in the area of Doura, southern Baghdad.

The source added that Major Muwafaq Hussein Abbas was assassinated in a separate incident in the neighborhood of Risalah in western Baghdad.

Also, Lieutenant Colonel Mu'ayad Hussein died from wounds he sustained when a bomb exploded nearby his patrol in the area of Jarf Al-Sakhr in Babil Province, south of Baghdad.

The source also said that gunmen opened fire on Member of the Iraqi National Accord Qahtan Adnan, killing him instantly in the area of Beya' in southern Baghdad.

Insurgent Sheep Halt U.S. Patrol



Sheep halt a U.S. army patrol near Baquba October 14, 2005. A strict overnight curfew took effect on Thursday and private vehicles are banned from the roads entirely from Friday night to Sunday morning. REUTERS/Jorge Silva

**IF YOU DON'T LIKE THE RESISTANCE
END THE OCCUPATION**

FORWARD OBSERVATIONS

Brainless Bullshit

Comment: T

[This quote below is the kind of brainless bullshit being peddled since Murtha made headlines. Murtha didn't "turn" U.S. opinion about the war. It turned long before Murtha decided it was time to open his mouth. He and politicians generally don't create change. They react one way or another to pressure building up from below their exalted social levels, whether through measures of concession or measures of repression, often both at once.

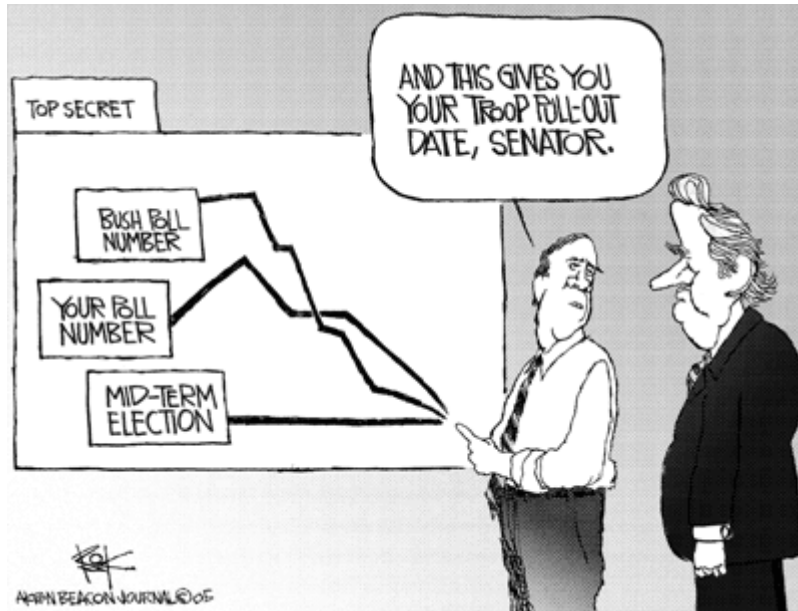
[Elitist intellectuals, like the ones who wrote this amazing idiocy, hate and fear working class Americans, who have little patience for their endless pretentious babbling, so they credit those on top with everything, and credit us with nothing.

[And don't forget the Iraqi resistance that has fought the occupation to a standstill. That fact also has a little something to do with Murtha suddenly discovering Iraq is not a winnable war. If the Imperial politicians had succeeded in Iraq, he'd be dancing his way through Congress in happy celebration, throwing flowers at Bush, Cheney and Rumsfeld.]

November 23, 2005 Rebecca Dana, Lizzy Ratner, The New York Observer.

"If the public mood about the war is turning, it is turning less on the work of the press and more on the outrage of Mr. Murtha, the Pennsylvania Democrat and combat veteran who called for the troops to be withdrawn as soon as practicable."

What do you think? Comments from service men and women, and veterans, are especially welcome. Send to contact@militaryproject.org. Name, I.D., withheld on request. Replies confidential.



Happy Thanksgiving From Frying Pan Park

19 January, 2004 By Arundhati Roy, countercurrents.org [Excerpts]

The tradition of 'turkey pardoning' in the U.S. is a wonderful allegory for New Racism.

Every year since 1947, the National Turkey Federation presents the U.S. President with a turkey for Thanksgiving. Every year, in a show of ceremonial magnanimity, the President spares that particular bird (and eats another one).

After receiving the presidential pardon, the Chosen One is sent to Frying Pan Park in Virginia to live out its natural life. The rest of the 50 million turkeys raised for Thanksgiving are slaughtered and eaten on Thanksgiving Day. ConAgra Foods, the company that has won the Presidential Turkey contract, says it trains the lucky birds to be sociable, to interact with dignitaries, school children and the press. (Soon they'll even speak English!)

That's how New Racism in the corporate era works.

A few carefully bred turkeys - the local elites of various countries, a community of wealthy immigrants, investment bankers, the occasional Colin Powell, or Condoleezza Rice, some singers, some writers (like myself) - are given absolution and a pass to Frying Pan Park.

The remaining millions lose their jobs, are evicted from their homes, have their water and electricity connections cut, and die of AIDS. Basically they're for the pot.

But the Fortunate Fowls in Frying Pan Park are doing fine. Some of them even work for the IMF and the WTO - so who can accuse those organisations of being anti-turkey?

Some serve as board members on the Turkey Choosing Committee - so who can say that turkeys are against Thanksgiving? They participate in it!

Who can say the poor are anti-corporate globalisation? There's a stampede to get into Frying Pan Park. So what if most perish on the way?



“How Many Countries Are There Where The Ruler Has The Power To Send The Nation Into War Without Legislative Approval?”

November 24, 2005 by Jacob G. Hornberger Lew Rockwell.com [Excerpts]

President Bush and other U.S. officials say that another reason they invaded Iraq was so that Iraq would serve as a "magnet" for "the terrorists," meaning that the terrorists would attack U.S. troops in Iraq rather than Americans here at home in terrorist attacks. President Bush even taunted them to "bring it on."

But where is the morality – or legality – of using Iraq for such a purpose?

Remember: Neither the Iraqi people nor their government ever attacked the United States. What did they do to deserve to be targeted as a "magnet" country for a "war on terrorism"?

What did they do to deserve suicide bombers killing them and their families as they eat dinner in some café? What did they do to deserve the violent insurgency, the deaths, destruction, and chaos that came with making their country a "magnet" in the "war on terrorism"?

President Bush said just a few days ago that Saddam Hussein was a brutal dictator who needed to be ousted from power.

He should know, given that his father undoubtedly told him about how brutal Saddam Hussein was when the Reagan-Bush administration was supporting Saddam in his war of aggression against Iran. In fact, his father might even have told President Bush that the United States was one of the places from which Saddam got his WMD.

And speaking of dictatorial powers, how many countries in the world are there where the ruler has the power to send the entire nation into war without legislative approval?

That's the situation we have now here in the United States. Sure, the Constitution – which is the supreme law of land – the law that we the people impose on our federal officials – requires a congressional declaration of war, which makes the president's war on Iraq illegal under our form of government. But who's paying attention to the Constitution?

How It Is

11.14.05 By Keith Gessen, New York Magazine [Excerpts]

In *The Assassins' Gate*, the most complete, sweeping, and powerful account of the Iraq War yet written, George Packer tries to see, to really see, how this all happened and what has happened since.

Seymour Hersh and many others have been describing the dysfunctionality of this administration for years, but never have the implications of Rumsfeld's and Cheney's bullying, and Bush's ignorance, been so clear.

Packer is furious at the failure of anyone in government to think beyond the fall of Baghdad. He is furious at Rumsfeld's criminally low troop levels, at 135,000 soldiers barely larger than the Greek expedition to Troy, and approximately one-quarter of the number provided for the first Gulf War.

"In Washington there had been no plan for a guerrilla war," Packer writes about the reaction to the insurgency. "A guerrilla war would change all the calculations about the military presence in Iraq; and so there was no guerrilla war."

The new weapon of this American occupation is the Stryker in which Colby Buzzell sits and reads his Orwell, listens to his iPod, and occasionally peeks out to man, sometimes a little blindly, his M240 Bravo machine gun.

The much more porous Humvee is anathema to Buzzell, and really the Stryker's only competition is the laptop, with its DVD player, on which Buzzell finally gets to see the men who mortar their compound every day—one of the Iraqi translators working at the base picks up a training video from the insurgency in town.

Instead of the frantic, fearful mortarmen he'd imagined, the video "showed three Iraqi men, all wearing black ski masks, laying out the mortars all nice and neat and all in a row in broad daylight.

It showed these masked mortarmen taking their time prepping the mortar tube and getting the mortars ready with no feeling of being rushed or any fear whatsoever of being caught or blown to bits by nearby U.S. forces.

Then the camera pans onto our forward operating base, where you can see the water tower, chow hall, and guard towers.... They patiently fired seven or eight mortars, and then they stopped and slowly packed up their equipment, and then they all drove away in an old beat car."

OCCUPATION REPORT

Torture House: "Is This A Joke?"

November 19, 2005 Khalid Jarrar, Tell Me a Secret [Excerpt]

So..

Did you read about the Torture house?

ya, I am sure you did.

Just wanted to remind you of some of the reasons why people attack Police and national guards. This torture house story just gives you a glimpse of what the Iraqi government is like, and why people hate it and attack it.

And now Jaafari is all over the news telling us that he is going to punish people behind this! hahaha!!! Is this a joke?

hellooo!!

Not like he didn't know, I mean the things that happen in the building of the ministry of interior affairs itself aren't any better you know, and it's not a hidden jail inside the ministry, it's THE one jail, that people in the street know it and talk about it, and besides two rooms in the seventh floor where I was during the time I was arrested, so we all in Iraq know about these things that happen in the ministry of interior and Jaafari never heard about them till Italianos told him?

hmmm...

in Arabic we have a saying: "if you did know it's a disaster, if you didn't know then it's a bigger disaster." !!!

Sovereignty Is

November 20, 2005 Imad Khadduri, Free Iraq

The below sign states: 'Please, A Very Serious Warning - We are authorized to fire on any vehicle that approaches the convoy less than 50 meters'

Sovereignty is : There is a 50 meters distance between you and death every time you leave your home in your own country.

The sign has been apparently updated now to a 100 meters, instead of the 50 meters death distance (Can you read a sign that far away?)



Duh!

21 November 2005 By Marjorie Cohn, Truthout Perspective [Excerpt]

Phyllis Bennis of the Institute for Policy Studies in Washington says there is a civil war raging in Iraq, but not a conflict between Sunni and Shi'a. It is a clash between those who support the occupation and those who oppose it.

OCCUPATION PALESTINE

Brave Zionist Troops Defending Freedom



A Palestinian child is taken prisoner by Zionist soldiers during a protest at a checkpoint in the centre of the occupied Palestinian city of Hebron Nov. 23, 2005. Later, Palestinian school teachers taught pupils in the road outside the checkpoint to protest intrusive searches of the children on their way to school. (AP Photo/Emilio Morenatti)

[To check out what life is like under a murderous military occupation by a foreign power, go to: www.rafahtoday.org The foreign army is Israeli; the occupied nation is Palestine.]

DANGER: POLITICIANS AT WORK

**Warning:
Virulent New Sexually Transmitted
Disease.**

[Thanks to Mary R, who sent this in.]

The Center for Disease Control has issued a warning about a new virulent strain of Sexually Transmitted Disease.

The disease is contracted through dangerous and high-risk behavior.

The disease is called Gonorrhea Lectim and pronounced "gonna re-elect him." Many victims contracted it in 2004, after having been screwed for the previous four years.

Cognitive characteristics of individuals infected include: anti-social personality disorders, delusions of grandeur with messianic overtones, extreme cognitive dissonance, inability to incorporate new information, pronounced xenophobia and paranoia, inability to accept responsibility for your own actions, cowardice masked by misplaced bravado, uncontrolled facial smirking, ignorance of geography and history, tendencies towards evangelical theocracy, categorical all-or-nothing behavior.

Naturalists and epidemiologists are amazed at how this destructive disease, which originated only a few years ago from a bush found in Texas, has spread throughout the country.

Behold: Satan Walks The Earth



"The marines that I have had wounded over the past five months have been attacked by a faceless enemy. *But the enemy has got a face. He's called Satan.*"
US Marine Colonel Gareth Brandl

November 18 2005, Paul Joseph Watson & Steve Watson, prisonplanet.com

The gesture represents the horned devil, also known as the Mano Cornuto and Diabolicus. This gesture is the Satanic salute, a sign of recognition between and allegiance of members of Satanism or other unholy groups.

Headlines were made last year during Bush's inauguration when the President and his family repeatedly flashed the sign.

Europeans were shocked and interpreted the gesture as a salute to Satan.



General Tommy Franks



Italian Prime minister Berlusconi



Prince William gives familiar Satanic signal



Anton Lavey, Leader of the Church of Satan



From the "Satanic Bible"



A Satanic Ritual



What do you think? Comments from service men and women, and veterans, are especially welcome. Send to contact@militaryproject.org. Name, I.D., withheld on request. Replies confidential.

Dick Cheney: War Profiteer

Nov 18, 2005 by Tom Turnipseed, Opednews.com [Excerpt]

Cheney has pursued a political and corporate career to make himself very rich and powerful.

He is the personification of a war profiteer who slid through the revolving door connecting the public and private sectors of the defense establishment on two occasions in a career that has served his relentless quest for power and profits.

As Defense Secretary, Mr. Cheney commissioned a study for the U.S. Department of Defense by Brown and Root Services (now Kellogg, Brown and Root), a wholly owned subsidiary of Halliburton. The study recommended that private firms like Halliburton should take over logistical support programs for U.S. military operations around the world.

Just two years after he was Secretary of Defense, Cheney stepped through the revolving door linking the Department of Defense with defense contractors and became CEO of Halliburton.

Halliburton was the principal beneficiary of Cheney's privatization efforts for our military's logistical support and Cheney was paid \$44 million for five year's work with them before he slipped back through the revolving door of war profiteering to become Vice-President of the United States.

When asked about the money he received from Halliburton, Cheney said. "I tell you that the government had absolutely nothing to do with it."

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AUSTRALIA: CORRECTION

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Thanks for printing the Australian material - one of the many things the US and Australian people have in common is a new low in miserable ass-holes in office in our respective governments and their so-called chief opposition parties.

I have already had a mistake pointed out to me however – it was British P.M. Neville Chamberlain, not Harold MacMillan who appeased Hitler and proclaimed “peace in our time” after the Munich sell-out in 1938. Late night speech-writing!

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AUSTRALIA: DU

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They're training US troops with DU nuclear weapons now in Australia.

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