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Subject: Litmus test for liberals

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hydra1945warrantoWHO CARES if it is Saddam who is nuking the world, it DOES NOT give a member state the right to invade another member state without the approval of the United Nations.

Four words: Oil-for-Food scandal

You're going to trust the UN?

I think it's about time that corrupt, spineless organization was disbanded. If two countries have a dispute, let them work it out. For example, why should Japan or Indonesia have a say in Israel's affairs? It's not going to affect them in any way if Israel builds a security barrier, it's none of their business, so why should they be able to tell Israel "We condemn you for building that wall!" if Israel didn't even ask their opinion?

The United Nations is not a world government even though that's what it's trying to be.

Ordinarily you would be right. However in this instance, time and time again, the United Nations reaffirmed Iraq's sovereignty and territorial integrity. This meaning no one had a right to violate it. Because of this, no other nation had the right to violate Iraq's territory, save one exception. Self-Defence. Now because as far as people were concerned Iraq was in the process of disarming, and America was under no threat of attack (of any type) from Iraq. Because of this, there was no reason for self-defence to be called.

Now with that said, if proof of a threat of attack had existed (meaning Iraq was going to send bombers over to America, or use other unconventional means) then self defence could be declared. Keep in mind, if proof is found after the war begins, it may justify the war, but it would make the war any less illegal, as the war was started under illegal pretences.

Regardless of the United Nations "World Government" intentions, it does have a charter that Member States have to adhere to. True, based on this charter, Iraq was also committing illegal offences, however as the saying goes, two wrongs do not make a right, and America had no right to violate Iraq's territory. Even if it had used Iraq's illegal activities as a reason.

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