Subject: Re: Only a matter of time before the middle east nukes itself Posted by Muad Dib15 on Sun, 18 Nov 2007 19:51:24 GMT

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nikki6ixx wrote on Sun, 18 November 2007 13:47America took one look at Iwo Jima, and realized that it would next-to-impossible to get Japan to surrender if they 'island hopped' using conventional warfare.

Japan's soldiers were willing to die for their country, and the emperor. That kind of mindset in a war, makes for high casualties. Hell, it was only a couple years ago, that people STILL found Japanese soldiers on Pacific islands who were patiently waiting for the American forces.

Although dropping the two bombs on Japan was not right, it was the BEST decision out of a range of other possible decisions that were much worse.

The other generals said that if the US, Britan, and all the other countries attacked Japan, that over 1.5 million would die just in the invasion. That's not counting the sweep through Japan where everyone in the country was willing to die for the emporeor.

SO you are one of the generals for the ALlied army. Would you rather have over 3 million of your guys die to take over a country using conventional warfare or only about 1.2 million of them die in a nueclear blast. Pick your poison.