
Subject: W0000T! You Gotta Love It!

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Ok this is my take on the whole Iraq/terror international conflict thing. I warn u what I have to say this post is like a book but it's hard to try and describe the whole situation in a nutshell on a forum. If your interested in what I know and think then read on, if not then sorry for taking up the space. I apologize.

At the end of the first gulf war, the Iraqis who thought Saddam was on his way out for good had staged a rebellion which had been brutally crushed by Saddam and his Loyalists. Before this when the Iraqi army was slaughtered and pushed out of Kuwait, general Schwartzkoff had a personal meeting with one of the Iraqi generals and had basically made a deal that included several things.

1. The American pows that the Iraqis had would be returned to them.
2. The Iraqi general specifically asked if helicopters could be used over certain areas in Iraq, which was granted by Schwartzkoff.

The only thing that mattered for Schwartzkoff at the time was the securing of the American pows being held by the Iraqs. The only thing that mattered to Saddam and his regime was the ability to stop the uprising and save the regime from being destroyed by those who opposed him. The ability to use helicopter gunships at the time of the uprising was a life saver for Saddam. The uprising was crushed and thousands were brutally tortured and killed and the Americans got their pows secured and then the coalition could call it a day and everyone could go back home safe and sound. Except for that 1 pilot they never found...

Like KIRBY098 has reaffirmed, many involved in the first gulf war felt at the time that ending the war there was not enough and that Saddam needed to be liquidated. The brutal suppression of the uprising added insult to injury for those who felt this way, hence the Paul Wolfowitz doctrine. Paul Wolfowitz felt much the same way KIRBY098 felt and wrote this document as a response to his feelings of discontent with the conditions in which the first Gulf war ended in. This document was later "refined" and then after the pretext of the sept11 attacks on NYC/Washington Bush and Blair made the political offensive in making a case to go to war in Iraq, after Afghanistan was taken care of. Saddams regime was ousted, his two terds for sons were liquidated and now his days are numbered.

One the down side: The UN's ability to do anything effectively at this point is in serious question. Blair is in the middle of a political powder keg, especially because of this DR.Kelly "suicide". Bush is raking in tens of millioins of dollars to support his reelection while 60+ American troops are kia after the war in Iraq has been officially declared over. The American economy is still not hot while interest rates are rock bottom. Troops that are on the frontlines in Iraq are exhausted and fedup of not knowing when they might be able to go home.

Other countries and factions in the world are trying to take advantage of anything they can right now. I believe that North Korea and Iran were on the famous axis of evil list, so when will they come into play in all this and how? International terrorist attacks are on the rise again, and in a somewhat similar pattern prior to the sept11 attacks. The seizure of the rpg's in Newark today were a good thing, but a sad and scary affirmation of what lengths people will go to to make

money and harm western interests. With all the things that went good for Bush so far, all it takes is one event at any time of any day make things dive south for him and his administration. I don't care how much power and clout Bush has behind him, I would not want to be in his shoes right now.

Oh yeah. Even if they did find good hard undeniable evidence of wmd in Iraq, wouldn't they want to release the evidence right away so that everyone could see that they were correct about their assumptions? Instead they are planning on keeping their findings secret until the reelection so that they can KO the democrats? How would that go over with the American public and the familys of the dead soldiers that made the ultimate sacrifice for their country? Somehow theres more to that than what was said because it just doesn't add up. Either it's a stalling tactic or pure bs speculation, or a bad judgement call by the administration. Either way it doesn't make sense that they would suppress that kind of evidence for so long when they had to go through such a s\$it storm to get it in the first place.
