Subject: eggmac the pacifist Posted by Ren Sizzlefab on Thu, 20 Mar 2003 04:48:32 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

As people have said before, the waging of war is seldom a black and white issue. Innocent people in Iraq will die in the war. Innocent people in Iraq will also die if there is no war. I believe that America and its allies went completely the wrong way in preparing for the war, ie basing it on weapons of mass destruction, terrorism etc. instead of the real issue, the horrors perpetrated by Saddam's regime.

While I am saddened that it has come to war, and would have liked to see another way of replacing the regime, then if it achieves the objectives of removing Saddam from power and ensuring whoever replaces him gives the Iraqi people freedom and hope, then it has done some good.

I've only said this after hearing of the experiences of an Iraqi woman who fled Iraq after her husband, who was employed by the Iraqi government, was tortured and killed for reasons unknown. She was there during the last Gulf War, and spoke of the joy and hope experienced by the majority of the Iraqi people, even during the bombings.

I care nothing for the half-baked accusations and excuses of George Bush and Saddam Hussein, but the opinion of an average, middle-aged woman has influenced me more than anything.