

PRESIDENT BUSH FIGHTS A WAR ON TWO FRONTS – IRAQ AND HOME

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If you are anything like me you are sick and tired of politics and politicians. The public has been lied to and deliberately misled by both parties. They have compromised our national security and sovereignty for votes. One has to be awfully naïve not to realize our very existence and way of life is under attack. Attempts to downplay or trivialize the situation and encourage the nation to let its guard down are wrong.

The events leading up to the invasion of Iraq have been building up for a very long time. The role the U.S. had beginning in the late 1800's when the Philippines was a U.S. possession began the animosity and open hostility with radical Muslim religious groups that exist today. Suicide attacks by Moros, a Muslim group, led to the development of the Colt 45 caliber semi automatic pistol.

Lacking the modern explosives employed by today's terror groups, Moros charged Christian groups with bolos, long heavy single edged knives, hacking to death as many as possible before they could be stopped. The 38 caliber revolvers carried by U.S. military at the time lacked the stopping power to halt the attackers quickly.

The problems have escalated today on a worldwide front wherever these radical groups are found. Their hatred for the U.S. has been intensified because of our unwavering support for Israel. Anyone who believes the hatred for the U.S. is confined to Afghanistan and Osama bin Laden's legions is either naïve or selling this country short for votes. How many of you recall the scenes of jubilation and dancing in the streets in nearly every predominately Muslim country after the 9=11 attack?

There have been several terrorist attacks leading up to the present situation. Large scale acts begin in earnest with the bombing of the U.S. embassy in 1983 when more than 50 were killed along with 241 Marines in Lebanon. This was followed on February 26, 1993 when the World Trade Center was bombed.

On November 13, 1995, 26 people were killed and 600 injured in Riyadh and the Khobar Towers in Saudi Arabia on June 25, 1996. On August 7, 1998, U.S. embassies in Nairobi and Dar es Salaam were bombed killing over 300 and injuring as many as 5,000. The bombing of the U.S. Cole in Aden, Yemen, killing 17 sailors and wounding 39 others was the last major attack before the attack on 9/11.

Every U.S. President from Reagan to Clinton failed to answer the attacks with any meaningful action. The basic human right is of self-defense. It appears that this President subscribes to that right. How else do you answer the terrible loss of over 3,000 American lives and over \$83 billion of economic stability?

For anyone to suggest that we let the United Nations set the course for this nation with its long established record of failure has to be suspected of much more than malfeasance.

This President may have many faults, as all of us have to admit to. None of them justify the unprecedented and unsubstantiated charges that are being leveled against him. He is fighting a war on two fronts – in Iraq and here at home. Few other U.S. Presidents have had to endure such impediments on the scale he has.

I am not at all pleased with his reluctance, along with that of all of his predecessors, to stop the assault on our borders by illegal aliens. The magnitude and

subsequent problems associated with them are a major reason for the economic burdens placed on the nation as a whole.

Politicians on both sides of the aisle are lending a blind eye to the problem and vying for the newcomer's votes. Unlike most of our ancestors, who came here much earlier and embraced our way of life and culture, the newcomers do not. The majority seems to insist on maintaining their own language and culture at the majority's expense. They want our milk and honey with none of the responsibilities that come with it.

California is a good example of what this country will become and I want no part of it for my grandchildren.