

The Biden Administration: The Return of Neoliberal Madness?

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The picture started to be formed in Biden’s first 48 hours but now it is crystal clear: The Biden Administration intends to pick up exactly where the Obama/Biden Administration left off in 2016 with an aggressive assertion of U.S. military power to offset its declining global economic, political, and moral position.

All signals appear to be heading in that direction. The Atlantic Council, a right-wing structure that is a mouthpiece for NATO and Western alliance, issued a [26,000 word screech](#) against China, which makes the argument for eventual war if regime change and other “containment” polices fail to coax the Chinese into surrendering to the U.S. This is utter madness.

But it continues. In another highly [publicized comment](#), **Admiral Charles A. Richard** warned that “There is a real possibility that a regional crisis with Russia or China could escalate quickly to a conflict involving nuclear weapons.”

The Administration announced a few days ago that it would essentially undermine the peace process in Afghanistan by extending the presence of U.S. troops in that country, which essentially violates the terms of the agreement U.S. has signed. It is clear that Trump is not the only one who can reverse negotiated international agreements.

On Sunday February 7, the Biden administration [announced](#) that it will not lift sanctions imposed on Iran after the U.S. pulled out of the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) unless Iran comes back into compliance. Since it was the U.S. that first violated the agreement by pulling out and then imposed sanctions, Iran is demanding that the U.S. come into compliance first, which means new escalating tensions and possible conflict with Iran.

Is this what the over 80 million people who voted for Biden in the election wanted? Or does this imperialist war agenda of the ruling class demonstrate why with the democrat party primaries and the debates between Trump and Biden foreign policy received less than an hour of debate?

Public opinion for more than a decade has indicated that a majority of the public, and particularly veterans and their families, supported pulling U.S. troops out of Iraq and Afghanistan. But that information never makes it to the public via the “fact-based” liberal

corporate press. Instead, the public is bombarded with the opinions of retired generals, foreign policy hacks and pro-war former intelligence officials explaining why peace is impossible.

The Biden administration even concedes that war on Black and Brown communities must continue, and thus he is only willing to make minor cosmetic changes to the Department of Defense's 1033 program responsible for transferring tanks, armored personnel carriers machine guns and all kinds of weapons of war from the federal government to police departments across the nation.

The Black Alliance for Peace will not be silent while the public is being prepared for war domestically or abroad. That is why we are building resistance to Biden's plan to continue the 1033 program and to undermine the Afghanistan peace process. We are promoting actions like our [two petitions](#) demanding an end to the 1033 program and for U.S. troops to be withdrawn from Afghanistan and a peace deal concluded.

Join us in demanding peace in our communities and abroad. Oppose the neoliberal madness.

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