

# Bush's Top Counter-Terrorism Official: Bush, Cheney and Rumsfeld could be Tried at the Hague for War Crimes Committed in Iraq

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Bush's top counter-terrorism official for his first year as president – Richard Clarke – tells Democracy Now that Bush, Cheney and Rumsfeld committed war crimes in Iraq ... and that they can be tried at the Hague:

(Clarke retired in protest at the start of the Iraq war.)

Clarke is right:

- The Iraq war was [launched](#) under [false pretenses](#)
- Top Bush administration officials [clearly committed war crimes](#) in Iraq
- War crimes generally have [no statute of limitations](#) under international law
- Indeed, it is *not* too late to charge Bush, Cheney or Rumsfeld for war crimes even [under American law](#)

And – as odd as it may sound – it's [not too late to impeach](#) Bush, Cheney or Rumsfeld ... even though they are no longer in office.

*Of course, Obama is also committing war crimes. For example, the Obama administration has ordered numerous indiscriminate drone strikes ... which are [war crimes](#) (more [here](#) and [here](#)). And torture is also [apparently continuing under Obama](#). See [this](#) and [this](#).*

*And Obama should also [be impeached](#).*

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