

Foreign Policy and "False Flags": Trump's "War and **Chocolate**" Reality Show

Who is the Butcher, Mr. Trump?

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What kind of president do we have?

Cynical and diabolical? The plush dinner event with China's president **Xi Jinping** at Mar-a-Lago on the evening of April 6 was carefully planned to coincide with Trump's missile strikes against Syria.

Xi and Trump were accompanied by their wives; guests, family members and high-level officials from both countries were in attendance at the Palm Beach Mar-a Lago "replicate" of Rome's Palazzo Chigi 16th Century dining room.



President Trump host a dinner for President Xi Jinping of China at the Mar-a-Lago Club in Palm Beach, Fl.



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Later that evening on Thursday April 6, it was dessert time: The Donald was at the dinner table eating a delicious chocolate cake together with **Xi Jinping**, while also ordering Tomahawk missile strikes against Syria, in the presence of China's president and his entourage:

"I was sitting at the table. We had finished dinner. We're now having dessert. And we had the most beautiful piece of chocolate cake that you've ever seen and President Xi was enjoying it," (TV interview Fox News, see below)

Precedent in the conduct of US foreign policy? Trump ran it as a "war and chocolate" reality show: A shift in the mode of decision-making pertaining to US aggression?

The dinner event was also part of "publications relations" operation with the intent to boost a "pro-American sentiment" by president Xi Jinping and the PRC delegation.



The Daily Telegraph, 7 April 2017 (scan right)

Trump's order to strike Syria had been carefully timed to coincide with the final "dessert stage" of the official dinner event with president Xi:

"And I was given the message from the generals that the ships are locked and loaded. [ready to go]

What do you do? And we made a determination to do it. So the missiles were on the way."

... "And I said: 'Mr President, let me explain something to you ...this is during dessert... we've just fired 59 missiles – all of which hit by the way, unbelievable, from, you know hundreds of miles away, all of which hit, it's so incredible, it's brilliant, it's genius, our technology is better than anybody's by a factor of five ..."

"So what happens is, I said [to Xi] we've just launched 59 missiles heading to Iraq, [sic] ...

The 59 missiles had been launched, "heading to Iraq" according to Trump, ...

Oops, he rectifies: "heading towards Syria", got his countries mixed up.

"I didn't want him to finish his dessert and go home ... and then they say: 'You know the guy you just had dinner with just attacked [Syria].'"

And then Trump invites the Chinese president to finish his dessert.

"And he was eating his cake. And he was silent."

Video, source Fox News (English audio, French subtitles)

And then Trump intimates (in his interview with Fox News) that president Xi had endorsed his punitive airstrikes via his interpreter. Xi said, according to Trump's recount:

"**anybody** that was so brutal and uses gases to do that [to] young children and babies, it's OK". (emphasis added)

"He agreed... He [Xi] was ok with me" said Trump.

China is with us.

Who is Anybody?

Visibly Trump hasn't the foggiest idea of the workings of international diplomacy.

Nor does he understand that Chinese politicians never reveal their game at an official dinner venue. What they say is invariably intended to hide their real intentions.

Xi's spontaneous response -while finishing his chocolate desert- was not an "endorsement" of the People's Republic of China, which a few days earlier politely abstained in the vote of the UN Security Council Resolution directed against Bashar al Assad. China also joined the Russian initiative calling for an independent investigation into the chemical weapons issue.

But Mr. President. There no evidence.

The United Nations in a 2013 report confirms that Syrian opposition "rebels" (supported by Washington) <u>"may have used chemical weapons against [Syrian] government forces."</u>

The UN report refutes Trump's accusations that Bashar al Assad was using chemical weapons against his own people.

What the UN mission findings confirm is that the US sponsored opposition "rebels" largely composed of Al Qaeda affiliated groups, financed and supported by the Western military alliance were responsible for these 2013 chemical weapons attacks.



UN accuses Syrian rebels of carrying out sarin gas attacks which had been blamed on Assad's troops

- Carla Del Ponte said UN Commission investigating war crimes in Syria has 'strong, concrete suspicions' that rebels used chemical weapons
- Her remarks contradict statements by the U.S. and UK which said intelligence indicated Syrian soldiers used the weapons
- Today fighting continued across Syria as rebels advanced on a northern airbase and shot down helicopter in the east

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Moreover, as confirmed in <u>an earlier report</u>, the Al Qaeda rebels were being trained in the use of chemical weapons by specialists on contract to the Pentagon. From the horse's mouth: CNN



Sources: US helping underwrite Syrian rebel training on securing ... CNN (blog) - Dec 9, 2012 By Elise Labott ... European allies are using defense contractors to train Syrian rebels on how to secure chemical weapons stockpiles in Syria, ...

Sources: U.S. helping underwrite Syrian rebel training on securing chemical weapons

Atrocities were committed and Trump ordered airstrikes which have resulted in further deaths of innocent civilians including children.

US intelligence is often based on the art of deceit, i.e. the fabrication of evidence.

But in this case there was "no art of deceit". The White House report which Trump used to justify his airstrikes constitutes fake evidence and "sloppy intelligence". Did it have the endorsement of the intelligence community?

There is ample evidence of a US coverup contained in this scanty White House "intelligence

report" which has been refuted.

see Dr. Theodore Postol's incisive report:

Assessment of White House Intelligence Report About Nerve Agent Attack in Khan Shaykhun, Syria By Dr. Theodore Postol, April 13, 2017

No credible evidence that the Syrian president is killing his own people has been provided.

The false flag does not hold up to scrutiny, yet this "sloppy intelligence" seems to have convinced the President and Commander in Chief of the United States of America, who's eating a chocolate cake with the president of China...

And the Chinese president knows that the intelligence is fake.

Washington (which supported the opposition rebels in the use of chemical weapons) rather than Damascus is responsible for extensive crimes against humanity.

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