

Iraq Twenty Years after “Shock and Awe”: The Mysterious Death of David Kelly

selected quotes from interview with Dr. David Halpin

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“We and several other medical colleagues (and lawyers) attempted in a series of six letters published in The Guardian and one in the New Statesman to inform the public, and the mainstream press, that all doctors learn at medical school that, in order to return a “verdict” of “suicide”, a coroner must prove suicide beyond reasonable doubt (a very high level of proof), including “intent” to commit suicide, also beyond reasonable doubt. If the Coroner cannot achieve the necessary level of proof, he is required by law to return an “open verdict”, assuming that “foul play” has at the outset been excluded in the proper manner. Unfortunately, there is some doubt as to whether “foul play” was properly excluded in the case of Dr Kelly.”

– Drs. Stephen Frost, Christopher Burns-Cox and David Halpin, in a letter of response to Lord Brian Hutton (Nov 2006)

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In the significant, historic great assassinations of the 1960s, we saw three historic figures die at the hands of lone gunmen. [1]

All of these stories have strange behavior and occurrences in the background as well as

anomalies in the official accounts of each man's death. How could Lee Harvey Oswald fire enough bullets to hit President Kennedy to make the various trajectories making a bullet path, and having Kennedy's head move backward rather than forward given the shooter was behind him?

How did Sirhan Sirhan murder Robert F Kennedy firing a reported 13 gunshots from a gun only capable of firing 8! And how could James Earl Ray have shot Martin Luther King from the elevated window of the communal bathroom for an entire floor of a board house, especially when multiple witnesses claimed the shot came from below King on the balcony? (For more details visit the assassination series of the [Global Research News Hour](#) from the summer of 2021.)

The speculation is that they all follow a pattern involving making a "patsy" take the blame for each death of a high profile figure that leaves the real murderer, or murderer no doubt with protection of government agency, like the CIA to get away with it.

The death in July of 2003 of the well known bio-warfare expert and weapons inspector Dr David Kelly, seemed to have similar characteristics to the three men already mentioned. [2]

The only difference, of course, is that this time he himself is both the victim and the patsy! The Lord Hutton inquiry called a month later concluded in January of 2004 that it had been a suicide.[3]

The claim that he was responsible for quotations to BBC journalist Andrew Gilligan that led the media to believe the September dossier on Iraq and Weapons of mass destruction was "sexed up." And Dr. Kelly faced a grilling by members of the parliamentary Intelligence and Security and Foreign Affairs select committees. [4][5]

Much of the public, including a group of physicians weren't buying it! They proceeded to compile structured arguments and point out flaws in the inquiry which, rather in the fashion of the Warren Commission report had a handy answer which let the government off the hook. Case closed.

Dr Kelly's headed the Defence Microbiology Division at [Porton Down, Wiltshire](#), a prominent science and technology laboratory, one of the most secretive and controversial military facilities in all of the UK. He also had the highest possible clearance. Also a weapons inspector working in Iraq and an authority on biological warfare, and given the faulty aspects of the death and follow-up inquiry, the British public can be forgiven if they smell a rat in this situation.

This week, on the Global Research News Hour, we take a special look at the Dr. Kelly situation, with an individual partially responsible for bringing aspects of the suicide and the faulty behaviour of the Lord Hutton inquiry to light in major media. His name is Dr. David Halpin who, together with a team of other physicians, are demanding a coroner's inquest into Dr. Kelly's death which he claims was not a suicide and was more likely a murder with the fingerprints of British government individuals all over it. In an extensive interview taking up the majority of the hour, Dr. Halpin explains the specifics of his doubts about the official story, and the reasons he thinks Kelly may have been murdered.

Dr David Halpin is a specialist in trauma and orthopedic surgery. Together with two other doctors he brought doubts about David Kelly's death to the attention of the media. He is

today pushing for a coroner's inquest into Kelly's death.

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"It is interesting to note that (Justice Roper's) judgement took 19 pages and he had it prepared already before Hearing which lasted about 4-5 hours with quite a large lunch break / lunch adjournment. So, quite extra-ordinarily he prepared his judgment from the papers and not from the Hearing. That's the first thing to observe. I was asked if I wanted to appeal - expensive exercise - and I wasn't even sure whether that was possible over the Christmas period. We let it lie. But I haven't given up! I have continued thinking about Dr. Kelly, because I think that lies should be challenged, and the whole damned thing is a lie!"

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"He had written 82 emails, and one of them was to his daughter Rachel who he was very fond of - he had three daughters - and he talked about going down the next day in his village of Southmore to show Rachel where a mayor had had a new foe. And this was a message of joy, really. And he was addressing his daughter who lived just a few miles away in Oxfordshire. HE also said in the email that he'd been booked on a flight back to Iraq nine days later and he was looking forward to that. So this was NOT the picture of a man who had been so distressed by the Hearing of the Foreign Affairs Committee on the Tuesday, two days before that he had felt that life wasn't worth living. There was no indication that he was suicidal."

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"Dr. Hunt produced a report on the 19th of July - a post-mortem report - he analyzed his findings. He reported them no doubt into a recorder at the end of the autopsy. It took him about four hours finishing after midnight. We have never seen that report! Mr. Gardiner - Nicholas Gardiner the Oxford Coroner said at the time that Dr. Hunt would have to revise his post-mortem report in a later statement than in is recorded. We've never seen that. I've asked for it. But it is unlawful. Any pathologist must always record and present the sequence of his thoughts and recording and what is recorded in regard to his thought and findings. That has not happened. And that is one of the major deficiencies in the so-called Hutton Inquiry."

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"(Lord Hutton) was charged into the inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. David Kelly. The circumstances surrounding. It turned out in fact that the Hutton Inquiry focused a great deal on the BBC and Gilligan and in fact rounded on the BBC and exonerated one of the worst governments we've had in this country, in fact in our history. And intent on a genocidal war based on lies. That's the fact of it. So Lord Falconer chose Lord Hutton, no doubt with some egging on by Blair, who by that time had arrived in Tokyo having received the congressional Gold Medal with vast adulation in Washington."

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"Kelly was phoned by Peter Beaumont of the Observer newspaper, and Peter Beaumont asked him what his view of this was...In essence, he said, "the machines are what the Iraqis say they are. They are machines for producing hydrogen for the balloons laying about artillery guns."...He discounted that there was any malign purpose in these two machines, which in fact ironically had been sold to the Iraqis for a high price by British Aerospace. So you can imagine - I can easily imagine - that the sofa Cabinet, Blair, Mandelson, Powell, Campbell, and all the other psychopaths sitting there sipping their wine, would have in fact had brown trousers when they had that teletape or email of what Kelly had said. Kelly was going off message, and in fact he'd been off message for some time. I think when he went to Kuwait in May, I am fairly certain he was being scrutinized very carefully, and being kept, shall we say, on a leash. And I think when the time came when probably America said, "it's time for Kelly to be silenced."

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"That old dream, what I call a nightmare, of a larger Israel, from the brook of the Nile to the Euphrates was still in the mind. And it was there in fact it was put in a clear picture by Oded Yinon in 1982. And what was in that? The destruction first of Iraq...Syria next I think it was, then of Libya, and of all other Arab entities or nations. No mention was made of any loss of blood. But it was quite clearly in the dream - in the nightmare - that this should happen. And it's been happening. The game has in fact been was one of the more recent targets. But we have to see it wasn't a war for oil that was a factor. It was a war for Eretz, Israel."

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"If you look at the images, the burning of his trunk tails off from the flanks, as it would do if he was irradiated. And I am certain, absolutely certain, that Ali ... he was made armless and scarred terribly in his trunk by an enhanced radiation weapon as designed by Cohen at Livermore Laboratories, a man who regarded the weapon as humane! Now the enhanced radiation weapon or the neutron bomb is, I think, owned by the Chinese, by the Russians, probably by the Israelis, and certainly by the Americans, and was owned I think by the British and is said to be disowned. It is a remarkable weapon. It produces a vast flux of neutrons which destroyed tissues, but do not destroy material. So concrete and metal survive, but tissues are frazzled terribly."

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"We're talking about a force of about 30,000 men, so called elite troops. And the question remains whether a neutron weapon was not exploded beneath ground and caused the death - the mass death - of the Republican Guard. This is an hypothesis, but this blogger raised the issue, where did the Republican Guard go to, what happened to them when they were fighting the invaders themselves beneath the surface of the Baghdad Airport in the most elaborate catacomb probably constructed by an American or a British contractor."

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"It was quite likely that Kelly might have known that a neutron weapon had been used. Now, if he knew that, and if was learned about a war which was constructed on the lie that Saddam still had weapons of mass destruction, and it was discovered that the coalition of

the willing led by U.S. and its poodle the UK, and on behalf, I believe, in large part Israel, if it was widely known that weapons of mass destruction had been used by the coalition of the willing, you can imagine that the world would have been turned on the Bushes and the Blairs and their collaborators with fierce vehemence. I'm sure of that. So I think this was a second reason why Kelly might have had to be eliminated."

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"But what was happening day by day following the March 22, 2003, was of utmost importance to the public psyche. People they respond to immediacy. They get into a flurry when things are happening. The media then drop it and soon people forget about it. But I'm quite certain that if it came out that they'd used a WMD in Iraq that would have blown up Blair's government. I think they would have been made to resign within days, I think, even with the damnable Tories opposing them."

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