

Obama Team Rejects Afghan Peace Project, German Expert Reports

By [Webster Tarpley](#)

Global Research, January 21, 2009
21 January 2009

Theme: [US NATO War Agenda](#)
In-depth Report: [AFGHANISTAN](#)

The Obama transition team has already rejected out of hand a plan for a negotiated peace settlement in Afghanistan which had been approved by the Karzai government as well as by its opponents. A leading mainstream German Afghanistan expert, Christoph Hörstel, who had attempted to play the role of a back channel between Afghan circles and the Obama team, reports that his approach with this peace plan was brusquely rejected by Obama's top Afghan advisor, who is not named in the report. This story is reported on the Swiss-German blog Alles Schall und Rauch.

According to Hörstel, Afghan Mujahideen circles also report that their efforts to negotiate with the incoming Obama administration have also been rejected, despite the fact that Kabul is now virtually surrounded and could fall to the Taliban at any time.

Hoerstel is the author of two recent books on Afghanistan.

The German language audio tape of the Hoerstel interview is available at the link given below.

Am 19. Januar hat Alles Schall und Rauch eine Interview mit einem der besten Kenner Afghanistans und der Taliban geführt. Herr Hörstel sagte zu mir, er hätte einen Friedensplan, der von den Taliban abgesegnet ist, den Sicherheitsberater des Obama-Team zugesandt, in Hinblick darauf, da die Taliban Kabul eingekesselt haben und 70% des Landes beherrschen, um weiteres Blutvergiessen zu verhindern Dieser Plan wurde von Obama vom Tisch gewischt. Hier der Link zum Interview:

<http://alles-schallundrauch.blogspot.com/2009/01/interview-mit-christoph-r-hrstel.html>

The original source of this article is Global Research
Copyright © [Webster Tarpley](#), Global Research, 2009

[Comment on Global Research Articles on our Facebook page](#)

[Become a Member of Global Research](#)

Disclaimer: The contents of this article are of sole responsibility of the author(s). The Centre for Research on Globalization will not be responsible for any inaccurate or incorrect statement in this article. The Centre of Research on Globalization grants permission to cross-post Global Research articles on community internet sites as long the source and copyright are acknowledged together with a hyperlink to the original Global Research article. For publication of Global Research articles in print or other forms including commercial internet sites, contact: publications@globalresearch.ca

www.globalresearch.ca contains copyrighted material the use of which has not always been specifically authorized by the copyright owner. We are making such material available to our readers under the provisions of "fair use" in an effort to advance a better understanding of political, economic and social issues. The material on this site is distributed without profit to those who have expressed a prior interest in receiving it for research and educational purposes. If you wish to use copyrighted material for purposes other than "fair use" you must request permission from the copyright owner.

For media inquiries: publications@globalresearch.ca