

# The Pompeo Bolton Tag Team from Hell

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*There was little pretense that when former UN Ambassador John Bolton became President Trump's National Security Adviser and former Rep. Mike Pompeo moved into the Secretary of State position, that either would bring a professionally credible and respectable presence to world diplomacy or foreign affairs.*

It is fair to say that both have surpassed any of the bleak expectations and proven to be more extreme in their ideology, more personally amoral and malevolent than previously feared. What we are seeing now is as if all constraints have been removed with free rein to fulfill their zio-neocon agendas specifically against Venezuela and Iran.

- While speaking to a student audience recently at Texas A&M University, Pompeo revealed his utter contempt for a democratic government based on the rule of law when he [bragged](#) about "*lying, cheating and stealing*" as CIA Director. To an audience of undergraduates which clapped and laughed throughout, Pompeo offered

"What's the cadet motto at West Point? You will not lie, cheat or steal or tolerate those who do. **I was the CIA Director. We lied, we cheated, we stole.** (laughing as if he had said something humorous) We had entire training courses. (Audience applause and cheers) It reminds you of the glory of the American experiment." (emphasis added)

First in his class at West Point and a graduate of Harvard Law School, Pompeo prides himself on having "*come to an understanding of Jesus that fundamentally changed*" his life as a cadet and today claims to be a "*man of faith.*" It is not clear who Pompeo thinks he is kidding with the religious fervor schtick but for sure it is not any divine deity which will one day sit in Judgment on his character and integrity. The Texas A&M exchange reveals an unscrupulous bully who knows no limit to his omnipotence and a willingness to condone war crimes on behalf of the disreputable Empire he serves.

- Keynote speaker at AIPAC's 2019 conference, Pompeo proved where his fidelity lies when he declared "Let me go on record: [Anti-zionism](#) is anti-semitism" which has become the new rallying cry for the poor, beleaguered state of Israel.
- As the State Department is now defining the term 'anti Zionism,' Pompeo appointed [Elan Carr](#) as Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Anti-Semitism with the ultimate goal to intimidate and criminalize critics of Israel's foreign policy objectives.

In describing his responsibilities, Carr's stated priorities will be to "*reduce the feelings of insecurity*", review "*indoctrination of anti semitic textbooks*" and "*focus relentlessly on*

*eradicating this false distinction between anti Zionism and anti-semitism.*” It takes living in a simulated reality to not grasp the distinction between criticism of Israel’s apartheid policy toward the Palestinians and its belligerent foreign policy in the Middle East and a genuine prejudice or discrimination based on one’s religious preference or ethnic differences.

At his press briefing, Carr was immediately in the weeds and [lost total control](#) of the narrative before being shut down by the State Department official spokesman.

As a one dimensional thinker, Mr. Carr never described who or how anti-semitism will be identified. Will the State Department issue a weekly list of anti-Semitic offenders and what will be the penalty? Will State provide a list of forbidden anti-semitic words? How will deliberate intent be determined? If a non-jew utters words like apartheid, yenta, yarmulke or illegal settlements, will they be considered proof of anti-Semitic? Will the Nazis still be permitted to march in Skokie? Will the tech giants rewrite their algorithms to search for ‘banned’ words?



- On April 10<sup>th</sup>, **Omar Barghouti** (image on the right), a prominent Palestinian human rights defender and a co-founder of the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions ([BDS](#)) Movement was [denied](#) entry by the US Consulate before departing Ben Gurion Airport despite having valid travel documents and having visited the US previously. Barghouti responded that

“[Supporters of Israeli](#) apartheid in the US are desperately trying to deny US lawmakers, media, diverse audiences at universities, a bookstore and a synagogue, their right to listen, first-hand, to a Palestinian human rights advocate calling for ending US complicity in Israel’s crimes against our people.”

- In a 2016 report, the International Criminal Court chief prosecutor **Fatou Bensouda** initiated an investigation into possible war crimes in Afghanistan involving the torture of 61 prisoners committed by the US Army and the torture and rape of 27 prisoners committed by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) at CIAprison sites in Poland, Romania and Lithuania.

[In response](#) to the ICC inquiry in 2018, Bolton warned

“We will ban its judges and prosecutors from entering the United States. We will sanction their funds in the US financial system, and we will prosecute them in the US criminal system. We will do the same for any company or state that assists an ICC investigation of Americans,”

In March 2019, Pompeo repeated the [ICC threats](#) with no apology in a straight forward defense of torture and war criminals.

“Since 1998, the US has declined to join the ICC because of its broad unaccountable prosecutorial powers and the threat it poses to American national sovereignty. We are determined to protect the American and **allied** military and civilian personnel from living in fear of unjust prosecution for actions taken to defend our great nation. I’m announcing a policy of US visa restrictions on those individuals directly responsible for any ICC investigation of US personnel. These visa restrictions may also be used to deter ICC efforts to pursue allied personnel, including [Israelis without allies consent](#). These visa restrictions will not be the end of our efforts. We are prepared to take additional steps, including economic sanctions, if the ICC does not change course,”



After the Court responded that it would continue its investigation with “*war crimes and crimes against humanity were, and continue to be, committed by foreign government forces in Afghanistan,*” Reference to ‘allied’ personnel and Israeli involvement in US war crimes remains impenetrable. True to his word, in early April Pompeo [revoked the visa](#) for Bensouda (image on the left).

In a devastating setback for the ICC, its [pre-trial chamber](#) recently refused to approve the investigation from moving forward citing a lack of US cooperation. Certainly the Pompeo – Bolton [threat to criminally prosecute](#) and personally sanction the Court’s judges or that the US would ‘*use any means necessary*’ had nothing to do with that decision. Bensouda says she will appeal the chamber’s decision.

- After the January meeting with North Korea ended in failure, NK’s Deputy Defense Minister, who took part in the meeting, revealed that while Trump had shown a willingness to lift some sanctions based on NK’s moratorium on missile tests, he was later overridden by Pompeo and Bolton who brought “*an atmosphere of hostility and mistrust*” to the table with their “[gangster like behavior](#).”

As the zio-neocons continue to move on Venezuela and/or Iran as uncontrollable malevolent fiends, loose cannons with no concept of international law or the need for global harmony, men of no conscience and no morality, it is only a matter of time before cosmic law balances the scale.

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