

The real “state of denial”: 9/11 red herrings as bipartisan election-year volleyball

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With US mid-term elections one month away, it is not surprising to find Washington’s elite criminal factions (neocon and neoliberal) engaged in a new game of political chicken over 9/11 red herrings. The appearance of bickering hides the fact that operatives of both factions are lying. Both sides are cynically continuing the massive bipartisan cover-up of 9/11 and the “war on terrorism.”

Undeniable fact: all of Washington “knew” about 9/11

It is an amply documented fact — no news whatsoever — that the Bush administration had absolute foreknowledge of 9/11, and deliberately ignored warnings received within the US and from officials and intelligence agencies outside the US.

As written by Michel Chossudovsky, “the foreknowledge issue itself is a red herring, a fallacy in which an irrelevant topic is presented in order to divert attention from the original issue . . . Of course the Bush administration knew.” Of course Washington “knew” about its own false flag operation. Of course Washington “knew” about using its own covert intelligence network. Of course Washington “knows” that 9/11 was an intelligence “success,” not an intelligence “failure.”

The media’s spotlight on “foreknowledge” and “lapses” serve to distract public attention from the deliberate cover-up of these facts:

1. 9/11 and the “war on terrorism” was and is a long-planned US operation carried out and sponsored by Washington consensus; official US geostrategic policy, carried out by the Bush administration, with unanimous bipartisan involvement from the US Congress, and with support from Wall Street.
2. “Islamic terrorism,” including [Osama bin Laden](#) and [Al-Qaeda](#), is a creation of Anglo-American military intelligence. These networks have functioned in this role for the past two decades, and continue to carry out this role today.
3. Al-Qaeda is an apparatus that is supported by Pakistan’s ISI, which is itself is connected to the CIA.
4. Pakistan’s ISI chief, General Mahmoud Ahmad, who wired funds for the 9/11 operation to alleged 9/11 ringleader Mohammed Atta, met and dined with members of the Bush administration, the CIA (George Tenet), and key members of the US Congress, Republicans as well as Democrats. In other words,

[Washington in its entirety is implicated](#) in 9/11.

And this is just the bare tip of the iceberg of evidence.

Michel Chossudovsky's *America's 'War on Terrorism'* and Michael C. Ruppert's *Crossing the Rubicon: The Decline of the American Empire At The End of The Age Of Oil* exhaustively detail why 9/11 happened, how the Bush administration carried it out, who has benefited, and what has happened to the world since. The case material contained in these two books alone, and at their related web sites ([Center for Research on Globalization](#) and [From The Wilderness](#)), leave no doubt that Washington is engaged in a massive and ever-more sophisticated cover-up, designed to smash remaining criminal evidence, destroy investigations and criticism, selectively eradicate history, and dispel and manipulate public discourse.

Against these undeniable proven facts, the current Washington disinformation circus is all the more cynical and contemptible.

Foreknowledge: irrelevance, regurgitated

The new book, *State of Denial*, written by infamous Washington insider, opportunist and disinformation asset Bob Woodward of the *Washington Post*, has set off a [new media circus](#) over 9/11 foreknowledge and “ignored and missed warnings” on the part of key members of the Bush administration. The “Bush incompetence” lie is the centerpiece of the neoliberal faction’s “war on terrorism” agenda, the central deception favored by the Democrats and “progressives.”

The latest “fire storm” merely underscores the long-proven fact that the malignant Condoleezza Rice [committed perjury](#) about 9/11, and that Rice, Donald Rumsfeld and then-Attorney General John Ashcroft knew of the coming attacks in the summer of 2001. (CIA Director George Tenet, of course, “knew,” and has lately done his best to recast himself as one of the “good guys.”)

In turn, this is sending members of the [9/11 Commission cover-up](#), such as Richard Ben-Veniste and Jamie Gorelick, scrambling to defend their own malfeasance with their own set of conflicting lies.

The new stories simply prove what is already known: the consensus is engaged in an obvious political cover-up, with players from both neocon and neoliberal factions reading from the same script, dancing to the same tune, taking turns playing “good cop/bad cop” — lying every step of the way.

Clinton vs. Bush redux

The opportunistic Woodward book comes in the wake of a new attempt by the Clinton and Bush camps to reinvent a “rivalry.” Clinton’s “blistering” TV tirade against the Republicans, and the Bush administration’s counterattack adds to the false debate — the red herring — over who could have “stopped Osama bin Laden.”

This is public posturing to fool the American people into perceiving one side or the other of being stronger “anti-terrorists” and which side is more capable of “making us safe.”

In addition to hiding the historical fact that the Bushes and Clintons have deep and long-standing criminal ties (taking turns heading criminal Washington for decades), this campaign deliberately clouds the fact that “Islamic terrorism” is an intelligence apparatus fully supported by *Washington consensus* for over two decades. Both wings of the American Empire are intent on expanding the “war on terrorism,” and making America itself an overt police state.

New level of cover-up of Pakistan-US connection

Bob Woodward is not the only insider with a 9/11 book. Pakistan’s Pervez Musharraf has come out with his own book, a [cynical manipulation](#) accusing former US Deputy Secretary of State Richard Armitage of threatening Pakistan with a “bomb you back into the stone age” threat that “forced” Pakistan’s cooperation with the “war on terrorism.”

As exposed by [Mike Ruppert](#) of *From the Wilderness*, this bombshell of cooked half-truths and lies is a massive deception and sheer political smoke and mirrors that provide political cover for “adjusted” American Middle East geostrategy, recasting Pakistan (and its CIA-affiliated ISI) as a “reluctant” ally of the US, while hanging out Armitage (as the bully and war criminal that Washington already knows he is) — in full knowledge that the American public doesn’t know and doesn’t care anyway.

The Bush administration is so threatened about this “bombshell book,” that the giddy George W. Bush stood at the podium with Musharraf and encouraged people to buy the book. Peals of laughter are surely echoing through the halls of Langley, and Capitol Hill.

Denial and cover-up by consensus

While the players of one faction or the other tell bald-faced out in the open, one brands the other incompetent or inattentive in the “war on terrorism,” the Washington/Wall Street consensus has been unshakeable and ironclad: Lie about 9/11, a fully bipartisan atrocity. Cover it up permanently, adding new layers, and limited hangout versions to suit political expediency. Continue and strengthen the “war on terrorism” in any way that expands Anglo-American geopolitical resource interests. Cook the American populace slowly and surely.

As pointed out by Michael Kane of [From The Wilderness](#), *“the American Republic is long dead, and fascism is no longer creeping in this country — it is solidified and documented as the law of the land.”*

Both factions of the American elite hold the American populace, and the world, in contempt.

The true “state of denial” is one that fails to recognize this, five years and a world war later.

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