

# U.S. Routinely Violates International Law, with Impunity — And Seeks to Replace U.N.

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*The U.S. Government, and its allies, frequently advocate for [“a rules-based international order”](#) (or, going even farther, they presume that [“the rules-based international order”](#) already exists) and they always avoid stating what its relationship would be (or supposedly is) to international law — the body of international laws that have been established under the authority of the United Nations — and they also avoid saying how such “international rules” would be drafted, or even what organization(s) would be authorized to do that, or even how such an organization would become authorized to do it. They don't say what these “international rules” are (or would be): none of these “international rules” are described, though some advocates appear to assume that such “rules” already exist. The stupidity that they all assume to exist among the public, who presumably won't recognize and reject this transparent fraud and won't reject the blatant grabbing for unauthorized global power by the U.S. regime that is behind it, might be excessive, but they assume it, anyway, in order then to state other frauds, which are based upon that fraud.*

The fraud's objective is to replace the authority of the United Nations, by whatever the U.S. Government will say is an “international rule.” The hope, there, is that the U.S. Government will replace the U.N. and will come to dictate to the rest of the world whatever the U.S. and its allies can agree to *label* as being an “international rule.” This ‘international rule’ would then become enforced by America's [900 foreign military bases around the world \(plus the 749 U.S. military bases within the U.S. itself\)](#).

Increasingly, ever since the U.S. Government, without authorization from the U.N, invaded and [destroyed](#) Iraq on 20 March 2003, on the basis of [lies that America's ‘news’-media stenographically reported to the public even though knowing them to be false — and while those media were hiding from the public the proof that they were false](#) — the U.S. Government has been [increasingly brazen in ignoring international law entirely, so as to attain its short-term goals for achieving additional conquests](#). This is not, at all, surprising, from a Government that even [violates blatantly its own Constitution](#).

Today's America is a [police-state, perhaps more so than any other country on the planet](#). It has a higher percentage of its residents living in prisons than does any other nation on the planet. Of 62 countries ranked for annual percentage of people killed by police, only 19 were even worse than America, which was the only industrialized country among the worst 20. America spends annually [about as much on its military as do all other countries combined](#), but much of that spending is being paid by federal Departments outside the 'Defense' Department in order for the international comparisons falsely to show America as spending only around 36% (rather than the actual 50%) of the global total. And the 'Defense' Department is so corrupt so that unlike all other federal Departments, it has never been able to pass an audit, and trillions of dollars in its spending cannot be traced to where it went or to whom received it. America's military-industrial complex (MIC) — basically its weapons-manufacturers — [control U.S. foreign policies](#), and consume more than half of all of the U.S. federal Government's discretionary (i.e., congressionally controlled in the budget) spending. The MIC controls this Government, the public do not. This is an empire voracious for constantly acquiring new territories. International law is something for it to violate, not to comply with. And even domestically, the U.S. Constitution is routinely violated with impunity.

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