

# Video: Fake Intelligence and the Destruction of Iraq

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This video features the layout of the case for war with Iraq in 2003, 20 years ago, based on the assertion of undiscovered weapons of mass destruction — nuclear, biological and chemical — that **Saddam Hussein** was concealing and might even deliver to a country, perhaps via Al Qaeda.

This analysis lays out how the intelligence was not only flawed but faked.

Plagiarized quotations from the internet had been slipped into the official UK intelligence report presented by Secretary of State **Colin Powell** to the United Nations Security Council pertaining to Iraq's alleged WMD.

This fake intel report was drafted by PM Tony Blair's Downing Street staff.

Damning evidence refuting Colin Powell's official intelligence report was revealed by **Dr. Glen Rangwala, Newham College, Cambridge** on Britain's Channel 4 TV on February 6, 2003, on the day following Secretary of State Colin Powell's historic Iraq WMD presentation to the UN Security Council:

"I would call my colleagues' attention to the fine paper that the United Kingdom distributed . . . which describes in exquisite detail Iraqi deception activities." (Colin Powell, UN Security Council, February 5, 2003)

*Powell was referring to "Iraq Its Infrastructure Of Concealment, Deception And Intimidation"*, published on January 30, 2003.

The Iraq war was based on a Big Lie, which was known and documented MORE THAN A **MONTH before the invasion of Iraq on March 20, 2003.** Both the US and UK media remained mum. The US Congress and the House of Commons failed to act.

According to Rangwala, the British intelligence document was fake. It had not been

prepared by British intelligence:

The Downing Street authors state they drew "upon a number of sources, including intelligence material" (p.1, first sentence). In fact, **they copied material from at least three different authors and gave no credit to them. Indeed, they plagiarized, directly cutting and pasting or near quoting.** 

A close textual analysis suggests that the UK authors had little access to first-hand intelligence sources and instead based their work on academic papers, which they selectively distorted. Some of the papers used were considerably out of date. This leads the reader to wonder about the reliability and veracity of the Downing Street document.

It was a fake document prepared on the instructions of prime minister Blair with a view to building a "credible" justification to wage war on Iraq.

Rangwala's analysis was more than a smoking gun. It revealed the Big Lie. It invalidated Colin's Powell's presentation to the UN Security Council.

Plagiarism had become a means to justifying the war on Iraq.

**The Rangwala revelation was the "unspoken truth"**. With the exception of Channel 4 and The Guardian, it was not the object of mainstream media coverage both before as well as after the March invasion of Iraq. Rangwala's revelation had to be suppressed. The invasion of Iraq had already been scheduled for March 2003.

**Dr David Kelly**, Britain's foremost expert on biological weapons, with direct access to WMD intelligence on Iraq also played a key role in revealing the "fake" Bush-Blair" WMD narrative.

In the months leading up to his death, he had become increasingly skeptical regarding Iraq's alleged WMDs. Dr. David Kelly was found dead on July 18th, 2003. The official story was that he had committed suicide as contained in the Lord Hutton report.

Lord Hutton was confronted by Drs. **Stephen Frost, Christopher Burns-Cox and David Halpin**, who courageously challenged the "official narrative" presented by Lord Hutton on behalf of Tony Blair's government.

This video produced by **Michael Welch** is narrated by **Professor Michel Chossudovsky**.

For more details see:



Colin Powell and the "The Sloppy Dossier": Plagiarism and "Fake Intelligence" Used to Justify the 2003 War on Iraq: Copied and Pasted from the Internet into an "Official" British Intel Report

By Prof Michel Chossudovsky and Glen Rangwala, March 25, 2023

If you have any doubts, below is the text submitted by Dr. Rangwala to the House of Commons Select Committee on Foreign Affairs.

It was received as written evidence on 16 June 2003, published by The H. of C. on 3 July 2003 in the wake of the invasion and occupation of Iraq. And then it was forgotten.

#### THE PRESENTATION OF THE 30 JANUARY 2003 DOSSIER

#### click Memorandum submitted by Glen Rangwala

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#### Memorandum from Dr Glen Rangwala

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1. The 19-page dossier, entitled "Iraq—Its Infrastructure of Concealment, Deception and Intimidation", was released on 30 January 2003. The document begins with the statement that:

"This report draws upon a number of sources, including intelligence material (..."

2. The assertion that the intelligence agencies were involved in the production of the dossier was made more explicitly by Prime Minister Blair when he announced the release

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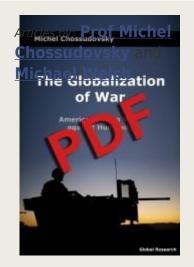
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