

Caught-Up in the Middle of the Fire: - Sufferings of Innocents' in the Era of War On-Terrorism

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Ideological foes, George W. Bush's squad for war on terrorism and his predicted allies (West) on one hand, Islamic Fundamentalists and their sympathisers on the other claim their right to defend themselves under the pretext of defending democracy and freedom (Bush's squad), their religion, religious values and their resources (Islamic fundamentalists). Both camps preach their listeners about their right to defend their interests to justify their brutal actions of mass murder in either side whose victims mainly remain civilians, in particular, powerless elderly, children and women; above all the 'truth'.

One group claims that its peoples' basic rights are being violated, its resources are being exploited, their countries' are being directly or indirectly ruled by their ideological foes as an excuse to indiscriminately dehumanise fellow human being and to justify their mass murder on one hand; and claim that their religion is being undermined with the intention of promoting the ideology of their foes' and their infidelity on the other to justify their unjustifiable criminal and remorseless actions.

To revamp their claims, they [Islamic fundamentalists] conduct inconceivably brutal acts contrary to the values of their religion and humanity that doesn't differentiate their subjects from innocent civilians. From New York's twin tower buildings suicide bombing of 9/11, the 1998's east African Nairobi civilian's mass murder, Madrid's and Turkey's repeated terror attacks that claimed several hundreds of lives, Bali's civilians mass murder by fundamentalist Islamic movements and numerous other examples from across the globe affirmatively explain the scale and severity of this new form of ideological war since the collapse of eastern block. Their repercussions hugely impact on global community's cohesion and security.

The effect of both sides' brutal actions is dividing global community into diverging perceived ideological war and is causing more disparity that in the long term will be difficult to reconcile. The traumas of such unjustifiable war under the pretexts of the said made-up histories based on vested interests are difficult to comprehend and remain life-long trauma on both sides' people's psyches unless the healing process are urgently devised not to repeat the same mistakes to bring about lasting solution.

As their acts are purely cruelty embellished propagandas with pre-planned agendas to achieve ones' objectives; the effects of such games also remain pervasive and even difficult to understand why these all continuous conflicts in the 21st century are taking place clearly knowing its counter-productiveness. Key players, in particular, the West and their predicted allies perfectly know how the out-come of such conflicts would be.

Nevertheless, they prefer hypocritical approach than striving to treat the underlying causes of this entire shambles that they have caused masking their hidden objectives of economic and geo-political interests.

In the middle of these complex and usually difficult games, the losses of innocents' lives from both sides remain beyond imagination. The future seems bleak for ordinary citizens of both camps although the degree of sufferings varies. Unless some sort of bridge is being established to narrow the gap of their diverging ideologies to make an end to this endless saga; the attempt of striving to powerfully crush both sides' foes proves virtually impossible and remains mere night-mare.

The other camp, (Bush's squad) also bombards countries they believe to be allies and collaborators of 'Islamic Fundamentalists' whom they think of being threat to their internal security and international stability to legalise their actions of modern brutality against non-combatant civilians. Regardless of their region, children die on daily bases; women and elderly pay unnecessary sacrifices of precious lives while both ideological foes enjoy their peoples' supports without realising their actions' long-term effects on their lands, regions and global community.

Infrastructures and several century old arte-facts get destroyed by relentless bombardments under the pretext of bringing peace, democracy and security to the said regions; by doing so to keep global order by adversely playing red cards. The irony here remains. They (Bush's squad) blatantly support despotic dictators of any country if they like, while allegedly condemning perhaps less dictators unless the subject doesn't agree with their policies. Even they publicly sponsor state-sponsored killings of innocent civilians' in several countries. To mention a few, Ethiopia, Uganda and Saudi-Arabia are some of the several.

Peoples in such regions feel and live on constant terror and fear without guarantee from both sides (Mr Bush and Fundamentalists). This is simply because those (Fundamentalists) who claim to stand for the rights of their people and their religion don't have proportionate military power to protect their peoples from the bombardments. Freedom and democracy lovers and preachers of the West superpowers on the other hand, don't give the civilians protection and don't identify enemies from innocent civilians. Unfortunately, unidentifiably the mass gets punished for the hideous actions of perhaps few fundamentalists. The scapegoats purely remain civilians of both camps.

In retrospect, such actions of the Bush's squad give legitimacy for the fundamentalists to justify their unjustifiable actions against civilians of the west and their interests all over the globe as the only means of resisting their ideological foes. And they use the bombardment of the west as an excuse for their recruitment propaganda to radicalise young Muslims. On the other hand, such indiscriminate and disproportionate actions of the West against civilians and infrastructures of powerless country don't only adversely affect the said groups and regions people, but it also infuriates entire democracy loving community as their repercussion is palpable everywhere. In the middle of the fire, caught-up are once again mainly innocent civilians. In Afghanistan, Iraqi, the current

Lebanon and other proxy wars of the world are parts and parcels of such pre-emptive actions of the George's squad.

The Destructions of civilian infrastructures and arte-facts, power stations, roads, bridges and institutions such hospitals, schools, clinics and other humanitarian agencies increases the likelihood of their being under question in the eyes of democracy loving community. The out comes of these actions remain fragile and further duplicates more instability and fundamentalism that are already unfolding. The conflict continues unabated without lasting solutions unless there is real political process in place that might bridge the gap and gives rights for the people to decide on their issues without imposing ones' ideology without consultation and giving rights of decision making-power to the people for which George W Bush's squad claims; it is standing for.

His powerful camp considers the claim of Islamists' as ant-civilisation movements and their actions as barbaric against the West and their liberal principles to justify his unjustifiable bombardments. His regime on the other hand claims that their actions are based on the principles of promoting human rights, democracy and freedom to those regions that proved deadly after they took uni-lateral action disregarding the symbol of [global community's] unity, the UN's disapproval. Basically, the term 'Global Community' it-self is meaningless phrase as it only symbolises the voices of already powerful nations' of economically advanced ones of the west. It further legitimises those few powerful decision makers to decide on the fates of perhaps more than 5.5billion peoples of the south.

To come back to my previous argument; the bombardments of innocent civilians by the democracy and freedom preaching nations' rises grave-concerns. It practically proved deadly after the bell rung from the lesson learnt from Iraqi's unjustifiable and illegal intervention that further led the country into irreversible and irreconcilable sectarian conflicts and total destruction of the country's infrastructures while the key players are boasting for their unilateral actions as the terrorist do so after they've slaughtered thousands of civilian. Iraqi's being at the verge of civil war further synchronise with this argument.

If superpower and its allies think that, democracy could be imposed up-on just like merchandised items that are taken from one part of the region to another without realising their repercussions; their mistakes shall yield irreversible damage to both parts. Such gross and blatant action of George W. Bush's squad and its allies against humanity gives ideological superiority to their foes (terrorist fundamentalists) and justifies their unjustifiable heinous actions against civilians', whereas diminishing the values of the West superpowers for their mass punishment in the lights of available evidences.

It is mind-boggling experience to hear and see such utterly bewildering and devastatingly painful news from across the globe due to this irreconcilable new ideological war, that is caused simply due to mans' brutality to fellow human being under whatever the slogan and deceit to satisfy their desires at the expense of innocents' blood.

The players from fundamentalists include those who are driven to madness by the poisonous preaches of master-minds' to mass-murder civilians; and the others (George W Bush's squad) are with hideous intention of satisfying their hidden agendas to win their ideological war and by doing so to maintain their superiority over the global community under the pretext of '**Freedom and Democracy**'. The fundamentalists strive to justify their acts as the only means of protesting the actions of the West; hiding their need of changing global community to Islam religion (illusionist dream of their ideological supremacy). Both camps are being driven by the intoxication of superiority at the expense of innocent civilians who neither have power to make decisions nor protect themselves from such brutality of both camps.

Mr. Bush's camp on the other hand preaches that the only way to tackle terrorism is bombardments and destruction of their regions' infrastructures without giving slightest chance for political dialogue that perhaps bridges the gaps. His regime and his allies do such acts hiding their grave economic and geo-political interest behind the curtain to justify unjustifiable. Disregarding relentless criticism from genuine minded critics, they repeat the same mistakes again and again without learning from the past to bring about lasting solution, in particular for those who perish helplessly and voicelessly on constant bases.

Whatever their attempts to justify their actions, mass punishments of any kinds are not justifiable under whatever the explanations although both parts strive to convince their listeners that their actions are the only last resorts. **In reality, the actions of both parts are despicable acts against humanity.** There is no justification to fly innocent civilians' planes into the buildings to satisfy ones' hidden agenda by spilling bloods of innocent civilians' and children without slightest remorse. In similar vein, there is no justification for any country to bomb the infrastructures, institutions, civilian without any particular attention for their lives, in particular from the country that preaches democracy, freedom and justice; it tantamount suicidal act. Thus, I don't see the differences between both of them.

Therefore, it's a critical time for global democracy loving countries, nations, individuals and groups of peoples and pressure groups to come together and stand shoulder to shoulder to genuinely restore values of democracy and basic respects for human rights without being a hypocrite. That further saves the live of civilian innocents who are caught-up in the middle of the fire while both ideological foes are striving to achieve their goals at the expense of innocents' blood.

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