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Thirty years ago. The so-called "Gulf War" (Iraq War I) was launched against Iraq on January 17, 1991.

Extensive crimes against humanity have been committed.

*On January 16, **President George H. Walker Bush** announced the start of what was called "Operation Desert Storm", which was portrayed as "a peace-making operation" allegedly "to expel occupying Iraqi forces from Kuwait".*

Remember: [The 1991 Gulf War: The Massacre of Withdrawing Soldiers on "The Highway of Death"](#)

There for 60 miles every vehicle was strafed or bombed, every windshield is shattered, every tank is burned, every truck is riddled with shell fragments. No survivors are known or likely. The cabs of trucks were bombed so much that they were pushed into the ground, and it's impossible to see if they contain drivers or not. Windshields were melted away, and huge tanks were reduced to shrapnel.



Those extensive crimes against humanity were the beginning of *a long and unending war against the people of Iraq.*

Historians often refer to the **One hundred years war** between England and France which in fact lasted more than **One Hundred years.** (1337-1453).

They also refer to devastation and destruction underlying **The Thirty Years' War** (1618-1648) which led to the Westphalia Peace Treaty in 1648.

A Thirty Years Wars against Iraq was launched on January 17, 1991. It was called "The Gulf War". It was heralded as a humanitarian intervention. A no fly zone was established. The Northern Republic of Kurdistan gained de facto "autonomy", it became a US sponsored proxy state.

It was the onslaught of what should be identified by historians as:

The 30 years criminal war of the US against the people of Iraq. (1991-)

Reviewing the history of US aggression against Iraq, we can distinguish three distinct stages:

Iraq Wars I (January 1991), **Iraq War II** (March 2003) and **Iraq War III** (August 2014), over several US presidencies, all of which are characterized by extensive crimes against humanity:

- Iraq War I: The Gulf War (January 1991 launched under George H. W. Bush), invoking Iraq's military occupation of Kuwait;
- Iraq War II: The War on Iraq (March 2003 under President George W. Bush), invoking Saddam's "Weapons of Mass Destruction"
- Iraq War II: The August 2014 War on the Islamic State (ISIS) under president Obama, consisting of a massive carpet bombing endeavour which was casually described by the media as an anti-terrorist operation.

These three so-called wars were part of a Thirty Year War which is still ongoing. It is a never-ending war.

The war on Afghanistan did not start in October 2001.

The US declared war on Afghanistan in 1979 under the label of the Soviet-Afghan War, which was sustained by US support to Al Qaeda's Mujahideen referred to by **President Ronald Reagan** as "Freedom Fighters".



President Reagan Meets leaders of Afghanistan's Mujahideen at the White House (1980s)

Let us be under no illusions: The US has supported Al Qaeda and its affiliated organizations for almost half a century [since the heyday of the Soviet Afghan war.](#)

The US has been at war with Afghanistan for over forty years.

Reflecting on Joe Biden. Firm Supporter of Never Ending Wars

In 2003, Joe Biden as Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee firmly endorsed the Bush Administration's decision to invade Iraq in 2003 on the grounds that **Saddam Hussein** "had weapons of mass destruction".

"The American People were deceived into this war", said [Senator Dick Durbin](#). Do not let yourself be deceived again by Joe Biden.

UN Weapons Inspector [Scott Ritter in a July 2002 statement](#) said:

"Sen. Joe Biden is running a sham hearing. It is clear that

Biden and most of the Congressional leadership have pre-ordained a conclusion that seeks to remove Saddam Hussein from power regardless of the facts, and are using these hearings to provide political cover for a massive military attack on Iraq. **These hearings have nothing to do with an objective search for the truth, but rather seek to line up like-minded witnesses who will buttress this pre-determined result.... This isn't American democracy in action, it's the failure of American democracy.**

Without Joe Biden's endorsement of the WMD narrative, would the Democrats have endorsed the invasion of Iraq?

See the video above.

Obama's "Operation Resolve" directed against ISIL-ISIS-Daesh (August 2014)

I should mention that during his tenure as Vice President, Joe Biden was firmly supportive of the carpet bombing of Iraq ordered by President Obama starting in August 2014 under a "Fake" anti-terrorist operation against the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL-ISIS-Daesh). On August 7, 2014: "President Obama authorises the first air strikes to protect US diplomats and aid Iraqi government forces".

What sheer nonsense. Why is this anti-terrorist operation "Fake"? ISIL-ISIS-Daesh is an al Qaeda affiliate, a creation of US intelligence.

The operation was directed against Iraqi and Syrian civilians. It resulted in extensive destruction of the civilian infrastructure of both countries. ISIS was the pretext which was heralded by the media.

And in September 2014, Obama announced the formation of "an anti-ISIS coalition" with the participation of NATO member states as well as US allies in Middle East (including Israel, Saudi Arabia, the UAE, Kuwait, Bahrain, etc).

The incursion of the Islamic State (IS) brigades from Syria into Iraq starting in June 2014 was part of a carefully planned military-intelligence operation supported covertly by the US, NATO and Israel.

The counter-terrorism mandate was a fiction.

The Islamic State was protected by the US and its allies. If they had wanted to eliminate the Islamic State brigades, they could have “carpet” bombed their convoys of Toyota pickup trucks when they crossed the desert from Syria into Iraq in June.

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