

WHAT ARE THEY RECRUITING FOR?

MURDER



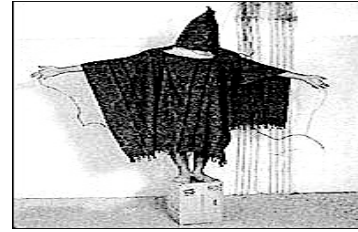
1 million Iraqis dead. This is not a “policy mistake,” it is a crime against humanity.

RAPE



1/3 of female GI's report being raped and new photos reportedly show U.S. soldiers raping Iraqi prisoners.

TORTURE



Torture is a war crime and is being carried out by U.S. forces with approval from the highest levels of government.

WAR



The “War on Terror” is a lie. This is a war for oil, power, and empire.

BUT DON'T YOU HAVE TO “SUPPORT THE TROOPS”?

The cliché, “*support the troops*,” is nothing but war propaganda intended to paralyze people and prevent them from taking action to stop what the troops are actually doing. **Yes, good young people are lied to and manipulated into joining. Yes, veterans are treated poorly when they get back. But no, “the troops” are not doing anything honorable – they are part of a U.S. military machine that is committing war crimes – and that is *not* something that should be “supported.”** Luckily, “the troops” are thinking human beings who have the ability to change their minds and resist the war if they are challenged with the truth about what they are a part of.

*“We were allowed to shoot whatever we wanted. We opened fire on everything. There were no rules governing the amount of force we were allowed to use. This is what we were expected to do. We were told to f**k them up.”*

Jason Washburn, Iraq Veteran

WHAT ABOUT THE “RIGHT” OF RECRUITERS TO RECRUIT?

Some people say recruiters have a “right” to “do their business.” But what *kind* of business are they doing? What are they buying and selling? They are buying young people’s futures and selling death and destruction all over the world!

They have no “right” to be in our communities (or anywhere else) - since their “right” to recruit is in conflict with the right of the Iraqi people to live, and to be free from unjust occupation. So we have to decide: Do we think American lives are worth more than Iraqi lives...Which “right” do we respect?

“HOPE” AND “CHANGE”

People voted for Obama because they wanted change. Well, what change did they get? Obama is not only continuing Bush’s war in Iraq, he is escalating the war in Afghanistan, and sending unmanned planes to drop bombs on Pakistan. He has refused to prosecute the people who carried out war crimes like torture or even release the photos that show these crimes.

If you’re still hoping for “change you can believe in,” then you’re not paying attention. This is not a “new direction.” This is just a “rebranding” intended to get you to accept things you thought were wrong under Bush.

THE CHANGE WE NEED RIGHT NOW:

Military recruitment is going up right now as Obama is sending 21,000 more troops to the war in Afghanistan, calling for 92,000 more soldiers for the U.S. military, and hoping for “a new spirit of patriotism and service.” Where are these soldiers gonna come from? They are in high school now. They are your classmates, your homies, your brother, your sister.

Don’t join their military, join the movement to drive these recruiters out of our schools and communities as a key part of stopping the war.