

OBAMA'S BLOODY HANDS (AND OURS) - ISRAEL AND UKRAINE

"Turns out I'm really good at killing people. Didn't know that was gonna be a strong suit of mine."

--President Obama, after killing US citizen Anwar al-Awlaki and his son in separate drone strikes, 2011; on his orders, five thousand people have been killed with drones, including two hundred children

"We tortured some folks." --President Obama last Friday defending his CIA director, John Brennan, who lied about CIA activities in regard to the still-unreleased Senate Intelligence Committee report on interrogation

"One great source of the strength of the ruling class has ever been their willingness to kill in defense of their power and privileges. Let their power be once attacked either by foreign foes, or domestic revolutionists, and at once we see the rulers prepared to kill, and kill, and kill. The readiness of the ruling class to order killing, the small value the ruling class has ever set upon human life, is in marked contrast to the reluctance of all revolutionists to shed blood." --James Connolly, 1915

President Obama has shown himself willing to kill thousands of men, women, and children as a minion of what James Connolly called a century ago "the ruling class." Today we might say "the one percent," because the president's murders are certainly not in the interest of most Americans - only those who want to maintain the American one percent's control over the world economy, which they have enjoyed since the Second World War. Washington uses its 1,000 military bases around the world and "special forces," active in 124 countries (their activities include kidnapping - "rendition" - torture and murder) to maintain that control.

This month, murders are also being carried out by two client states of the US, Israel and Ukraine - the bloody hands of the Obama administration in Europe and Asia. Israel has massacred more than a thousand people in Gaza, mostly civilians, and the US-backed (and installed) government in Kiev has killed over a thousand in eastern Ukraine, the Donbas region; and its war has resulted in the destruction of a commercial airliner that killed 298 men, women, and children.

Who is responsible for mass murder in Gaza and Donbas? Their leaders can be blamed for Israel and Ukraine's committing what the Nuremberg Tribunal called "the supreme international crime" (i.e., worse than terrorism): waging aggressive war. **But the final responsibility lies with the President of the United States.** Without the support - economic, military, political, and diplomatic - that the U.S. government provides, Israel's crimes would not be possible - and neither would the coup and military assaults by the Ukrainian government.

President Obama fails to stop Israel's ongoing murders in Gaza - as he could, with a word - because it's been the policy of all U.S. administrations for two generations to allow the Israelis to continue their oppression of the Palestinians so long as Israel acts as a "stationary aircraft carrier" for US control of Mideast oil and gas.

In eastern Europe the US immediately violated its promise not to extend NATO to the borders of Russia and is now scheming to do so through Ukraine, Georgia and Moldova. President Obama's administration engineered the coup against an elected government in Ukraine and sent the CIA chief to encourage a Ukrainian army attack on the regions that resisted the new government - the first government in Europe since WWII to include fascist parties.

It's time to say no to the child-killer in the White House and the murderous governments whom he supports. Contact the president (202-456-1111) and our representatives in Congress (202-224-3121):

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