

Bill Kristol on Iran Deal: 'Its Munich!'

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Bill Kristol is the epitome of the neocon mindset: cultivating a staid and urbane image while writing the most unhinged and mendacious claptrap. In his utterly predictable denunciation of the successful Iran nuclear talks, Kristol frames the issue in the crudest terms: if the deal goes through on the US end it will mean the return of \$150 billion that was seized from the Iranians by the United States — and that money will be used to commit terrorism against the United States!

Writes Kristol: “How can we debate [the deal] without attending to the \$150 billion that is going to a regime with American blood on its hands?”

Kristol cites the National Review which makes the [fatuous claim](#) (first [made](#) by the Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs, which is headed by a close [advisor](#) to Israeli prime minister Netanyahu) that Iran has killed 1,000 Americans since 9/11. It turns out any weapon used in Iraq or Afghanistan against an invading US military that might have Iranian manufacturing origins means that the Iranians are responsible for that kill.

Do they want to extrapolate that methodology to include every bullet sold by the US military-industrial complex to every despot overseas?

But you can see how this works: A Netanyahu think tank makes an outlandish claim, it is picked up by the National Review and thus laundered from its biased foreign origins, and then recycled and further laundered by Kristol in his publication. Cute trick.

And Kristol’s objection to foreigners with American blood on their hands is highly selective. The [Marxist-jihadist](#) death cult Mojahedin-e-Khalq (MeK) has [plenty](#) of American blood on its hands, but Kristol’s own magazine [joined](#) other neocon voices in urging the US to remove the terrorists from the US list of terror organizations. Why? Because they are Kristol’s kind of terrorists: they infiltrate Iran to [assassinate](#) civilians and foment unrest, while passing off laptops with [Mossad-fabricated](#) data made to look like Iranian nuclear weapons activity.

The other thing that has Kristol up in arms over the deal is what he calls the “notorious” Annex III.D.10 of the agreement, which he claims will “help the Iranian regime fight off attempts by others to slow its nuclear program, and more.”

But what does that annex really say?

10. Co-operation in the form of training courses and workshops to strengthen Iran’s ability to prevent, protect and respond to nuclear security threats to nuclear facilities and systems as well as to enable effective and sustainable

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10. Co-operation through training and workshops to strengthen Iran's ability to protect against, and respond to nuclear security threats, including sabotage, as well as to enable effective and sustainable nuclear security and physical protection systems.

In other words, the parties to the agreement will help Iran protect against attempts to attack and sabotage Iran's peaceful and legal nuclear program. Recall the Israeli/US [cyberattack on Iranian nuclear facilities](#) and simultaneous [programs](#) to assassinate Iranian scientists. Kristol is furious that anyone would find such illegal and murderous activity to be objectionable. After all, blood on one's hands doesn't count if it is Iranian or other Muslim blood.

Oh, and, writes Kristol: "Munich!!!" That is obligatory any time diplomacy supplants neocon lust for war.

That Kristol remains a favored foreign policy "expert" on stations like FoxNews and ABC says very little about the quality of his analysis and much more about his saying what the mainstream media want their audiences to hear.

Who can forget Bill Kristol's [greatest hits](#), such as this 2011 piece on the "liberation" of Libya titled "[The Party of Freedom](#)"? In it he writes:

And so, despite his doubts and dithering, President Obama is taking us to war in another Muslim country. Good for him. ...Our invasions have in fact been liberations...in our own national interest, of course, but also to protect Muslim peoples and help them free themselves. Libya will be America's fifth war of Muslim liberation.

Ah yes, that glorious [liberation](#) of Libya!

Indeed the [timeline of his faulty predictions](#) would no-doubt span the equator. Imagine any other profession where one can be so consistently wrong and still be considered (and handsomely remunerated as) an expert. Imagine your doctor was wrong in his diagnosis 95 percent of the time. Imagine your financial advisor consistently lost 95 percent of anything you invest with him. Yet Kristol continues to drop his golden turds from the hallowed heights of the foreign policy firmament. What a country...

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