

Democrats and Republicans Move to Silence Rep. Omar's Criticism of Israel

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It looks like the embattled representative from Minnesota will end up like Cynthia McKinney, who was thrown out of Congress for the sin of criticizing the official narrative on 9/11.

She is also a fierce critic of Israel and its treatment of the Palestinians (she sailed with activists on the Gaza-bound ships Dignity and Spirit of Humanity). McKinney deviated from the official narrative on Libya and she introduced articles of impeachment against President George W. Bush for committing war crimes and violating the Constitution.

Rep. Ilhan Omar was sworn in a little over a month ago and in that time fellow members of Congress and the corporate propaganda media have attacked her for "antisemitism," that is to say criticism of the apartheid state of Israel, which is a cardinal sin for members of Congress and, for that matter, anybody else.

Both establishment Democrats and Republicans are taking turns bashing her, but the Republicans went further than simply denouncing her with strident soundbites. They have conflated her with the terror attacks of September 11, 2001.

Rep. Ilhan Omar blasts GOP over poster linking her with the 9/11 attacks https://t.co/pC7o2NMou3 pic.twitter.com/xDkmP8azio

- CNN Politics (@CNNPolitics) March 2, 2019

Meanwhile, the chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee demanded she apologize for a remark stating there are dual citizens in America doing the work of Israel.

The chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee called for freshman Democratic Rep. Ilhan Omar to apologize after insinuating that pro-Israel groups are pushing "allegiance to a foreign country." <u>https://t.co/QHy5pdpW56</u> <u>pic.twitter.com/uabtQljdj7</u>

— CNN (@CNN) March 2, 2019

During the Bush regime, there were a number neocons holding dual US-Israel citizenship and they plotted a war that undeniably benefited Israel. These folks include Richard Perle, Paul Wolfowitz, "Scooter" Libby, and others. Back in 2004, two years into the neocon war waged on Iraq, <u>Bill and Kathleen Christison</u>, both former CIA employees, wrote:

The link between active promoters of Israeli interests and policymaking circles is stronger by several orders of magnitude in the Bush administration, which is peppered with people who have long records of activism on behalf of Israel in the United States, of policy advocacy in Israel, and of promoting an agenda for Israel often at odds with existing U.S. policy. These people, who can fairly be called Israeli loyalists, are now at all levels of government, from desk officers at the Defense Department to the deputy secretary level at both State and Defense, as well as on the National Security Council staff and in the vice president's office.

"I want to talk about the political influence in this country that says it is OK for people to push for allegiance to a foreign country," Omar said during a town hall Wednesday.

Fair enough question, right? Wrong.

Omar Facing More Accusations Of Anti-Semitism <u>https://t.co/ICrII3tbWa</u> <u>pic.twitter.com/B5TusRzcCe</u>

— The Daily Caller (@DailyCaller) March 2, 2019

"Representative Omar's comments leveled that charge by invoking a vile anti-Semitic slur," complained New York <u>Rep. Eliot Engel</u>.

Others see the over-the-top efforts to defame Omar and remove her from Congress as endangering her safety.

A core promise of America is the vigilant protection of free speech and the security of those who engage in it. While I strongly object to some of Rep. <u>@ilhan</u> Omar's recent comments, the disgusting display in the WV Capitol and threats on her life are antithetical to our values. <u>pic.twitter.com/R8qE6UbpDE</u>

- Rep. Dean Phillips (@RepDeanPhillips) March 2, 2019

Just about every member of Congress is demanding she be shown the door. Here's Sarah Palin, the fifteen minutes of fame darling of the Republican Party, desperately trying to remain relevant:

Even DEMOCRAT Chair Of House Foreign Affairs Committee Has HAD IT With Ilhan Omar's FLAGRANT Anti-Semitism <u>https://t.co/gXPIUDRtLq</u>

- Sarah Palin (@SarahPalinUSA) March 2, 2019

Finally, Ilhan Omar made a mistake when she said the reason she is being attacked is because she's a Muslim, which is merely a bonus for her accusers. The fact is anybody who

criticizes Israel—regardless of race, gender, or religion—will be targeted.

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