

# **“Freedom Fighters”: The Foot Soldiers of the American Empire**

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Since the end of World War II, the Anglo-American Empire has covertly supported the deployment of foreign and domestic “foot soldiers”, including terrorists and paramilitary brigades to bring about regime change and further its agenda of World domination.

One of the earlier examples of such a modus operandi, still widely ignored, is Gladio, “NATO’s European stay-behind army”, active during the Cold War. Controlled by the CIA and Britain’s MI6, Gladio members orchestrated terrorist attacks in Western Europe, which were blamed on Communist entities.

Gladio was falsely presented to key European state officials as a stand-by secret army used for propaganda purposes to counter a possible communist take over. The ultimate goal of Gladio was to demonize the Communist and Socialist parties and encourage European citizens to endorse their governments’ commitment to “National Security”.

American citizens were not exempt from such scheming. As Prof. James F. Tracy explains:

“The string of still unresolved US political assassinations throughout the 1960s suggest how such practices were not restricted to foreign countries. Nor were they solely the terrain of intelligence agencies. Along lines similar to Gladio, in the early 1960s the US Joint Chiefs of Staff proposed Operation Northwoods, where terrorist attacks would be initiated against US civilians in American cities and the violence blamed on Cuban combatants to justify war against the island nation.[2] The Kennedy administration rejected the proposal. While Northwoods exhibited the capacity for government to conceive and propose such plans, Gladio was demonstrably carried out against Western civilian populations in multiple locations over many years.” (Prof. James F. Tracy [False Flag Terror and Conspiracies of Silence](#).)

The recruitment of paramilitary armies and death squads has played a key role in the conduct of US foreign policy. With the Soviet-Afghan war, these “secret soldiers” were turned into highly visible “freedom fighters”, waging the Empire’s war at the forefront and in plain sight: Afghan Mujahideen, Nicaraguan Contras, Kosovar and Haitian rebels, etc.

As recent history has proven, the Western powers are still using this virtuous terminology to describe their foot soldiers, their terrorists in the Middle-East, the “pro-democracy Libyan rebels” and the “Free Syrian Army”. But who’s “freedom” and “liberty” are they fighting for? If an armed gang such as the “Free Syrian Army” invaded any Western street, they would be labelled as terrorists and promptly crushed by the military:

The mainstream media not only ignores history, it distorts reality, it omits to report essential information. It never “connects the dots”. As Tony Cartalucci notes:

As West berates Syria for “killing civilians” Western weapons flow into terrorist hands from NATO. The New York Times in their article, “[C.I.A. Said to Aid in Steering Arms to Syrian Opposition](#),” confirms what many have already long known – that the West, led by the US and its Gulf State proxies, have been arming terrorists, particularly the Muslim Brotherhood, while berating the Syrian government for “violating” a UN mandated ceasefire and for “failing to protect” its population. (Tony Cartalucci [CONFIRMED: US CIA Arming Terrorists in Syria](#))

These omissions and distortions result in a Kafkaesque interpretation of reality which eventually becomes, with the exception of the independent alternative media, a mainstream media consensus serving dominant financial and political interests.

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