

New Libyan “PM” is Big-Oil Goon. Rebels Turn Guns on each other Turning Tripoli into a War Zone

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November 2, 2011 – [Associated Press recently reported](#) that Libya’s rebel militants have named a new “prime minister” this week. AP depicts the latest unelected Western proxy, Abdurrahim el-Keib, as a progressive academic who has spent decades in the United States teaching at Alabama University and leading the local Muslim community. Mentioned briefly as a “former employer,” however, is the Petroleum Institute, based in Abu Dhabi, Dubai [and sponsored by](#) British Petroleum (BP), Shell, France’s Total, the Japan Oil Development Company, and the Abu Dhabi National Oil Company. El-Keib is listed as a “Professor and Chairman” in his Petroleum Institute profile which also describes extensive research conducted by him sponsored by various US government agencies and departments over the years.



Photo: And so begins the farce that is Western “democracy.” One [corporate-fascist puppet](#), [Mustafa Abdul-Jalil](#), steps down, another, Abdurrahim el-Keib, takes his place. In reality, it is [NATO-states and their corporate sponsors](#) that now determine Libya’s fate.

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In essence, el-Keib, [like his predecessor Jalil](#), is Libyan in name only and has been working for Western corporations, governments, and institutions for decades. Like Jalil, or [Egypt's Mohammed ElBaradei](#), el-Keib is yet another agent of Western interests masquerading as an indigenous leader in a foreign land. That his rise to power was paved by thousands of NATO strike sorties in a 7 month military operation spearheaded by the United States and at the cost of tens of thousands of Libyan civilians makes his ascension to power in Libya ever more a desecration of Libya's sovereignty.

Meanwhile, [the London Telegraph reports](#) NATO-backed rebels turned their weapons on each other yet again in Tripoli, with hundreds of fighters exchanging fire near a hospital after one armed faction tried to murder a patient they had injured the night before. The report also cites a growing list of atrocities being committed by rebel fighters before noting the "unprecedented" nature of NATO's "victory" in Libya.

While the corporate media attempts to plea ignorance over the growing body of evidence suggesting indeed both NATO and the rebels committed the very atrocities they accused Qaddafi of committing as a pretext for their half-year long murder spree, it has been well documented since fighting began in February that the rebels, far from being pro-democratic fighters, were actually Al Qaeda affiliated Libyan Islamic Fighting Group (LIFG) militants with a long history of terrorism and barbarism. It has also been extensively documented that these rebels have verifiably killed US and British troops in both Iraq and Afghanistan over the past 10 years, as noted by [a West Point Combating Terrorism Center report](#).

Despite this, US representatives, [including Senator John McCain, have personally met with LIFG militants](#) praising them as heroes who have "inspired the world." Alarming, McCain made his remarks in Tripoli even as rebels publicly declared their intention to purposefully cut off supplies and medical aid to the population in Sirte [to admittedly "starve the city into submission"](#) with NATO assistance – a grievous war crime.

Words cannot describe the injustice being brought upon Libya, the level of duplicity it was carried out with, and the flagrant looting the nation is now being subjected to by NATO's member states, facilitated by the latest unelected, decades-long servant of Western interests now masquerading as the nation's new "interim prime minister."

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