

Selected Articles: Assassination of Qassem Soleimani, An Act of War

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[Whose Blood, Whose Hands?](#)

By [S. Brian Willson](#), January 06, 2020

How many US citizens know of the crimes our country systematically has committed, and continues to commit, throughout the world, crimes that are constant, remorseless, and fully documented? British playwright and Nobel Prize recipient Harold Pinter sadly commented: “Nobody talks about them. . . . It never happened. Nothing ever happened. Even while it was happening it wasn’t happening.



[“To Initiate a War of Aggression Is Not Only an International Crime: It Is the Supreme International Crime”](#)

By [David W. Mathisen](#), January 06, 2020

Why should we have reason to be suspicious about the allegations we are hearing about General Soleimani preparing extensive attacks on Americans?

We have every reason to be suspicious about those allegations and to suspect that things are not necessarily as we are being told, because the entire pretext for invading Iraq in the first place, seventeen years ago in early 2003, was based on complete lies and fabrications.



[Disruptive Assassinations: Killing Qassem Soleimani. Trump Promises “Bombing 52 Iranian Sites”](#)

By [Dr. Binoy Kampmark](#), January 06, 2020

On the surface, it made not one iota of sense. The murder of a foreign military leader on his way from Baghdad airport, his diplomatic status assured by the local authorities, evidently deemed a target of irresistible richness. “General Soleimani was actively developing plans to attack American diplomats and service members in Iraq and throughout the region.” The [words from the Pentagon](#) seemed to resemble the resentment shown by the Romans to barbarian chiefs who dared resist them. “This strike was aimed at deterring future Iranian attack plans. The United States will continue to take all necessary action to protect our people and our interests wherever they are around the world.”



[Targeted Assassination, Will Iran Seek “Strategic Revenge”?](#)

By [Stephen Lendman](#), January 06, 2020

The US and Western partners are contemptuous of peace, stability, equity, justice, and the rule of law — waging war on humanity by hot and other means.

Where is the outrage in the West over the Trump regime's assassination of Iranian General Qassem Soleimani and Iraqi deputy PMU leader Abu Mahdi al-Muhandis?

Under international law, killing them was Trump regime aggression.



[The Coming Attack on Iran?](#)

By [Prince Kapone](#), January 05, 2020

According to Article IV of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (N.P.T.), all signatory member nations possess the “inalienable right” to “develop research, production and use of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes without discrimination.”[1] As a signatory nation, the Islamic Republic of Iran is entitled to this most basic right, just like any other nation. However, the U.S. and its allies are seeking to infringe upon and limit Iran's right to produce nuclear energy for civilian purposes, asserting that the Iranian government is using its civilian nuclear program as a smokescreen for an alleged covert nuclear weapons program.[2] These assertions are backed by no credible evidence, just the assurances of the U.S. and Israeli governments respectively. It is further insinuated that once Iran develops nuclear weapons, it will certainly use them to “wipe Israel off the ma



[Implications of the Trump Regime's Assassination of Iran's General Soleimani](#)

By [Prof. Tim Anderson](#), January 05, 2020

[The US assassinations of Iran's General Soleimani](#) and Iraqi General Muhandis will certainly undermine security in the Middle East. In the short term, it is certain to lead to an escalation of violence. Iran's National Security Council met and announced that a harsh vengeance “in due time and right place” awaits “the criminals behind the assassination”. Iran's leader Ali Khamenei has called for “severe revenge”. Iran has to retaliate to this cowardly attack, and all the key Iranian leaders have said that they will do so, at the right time. There are dozens of US targets in the region.



[Foul Murder of Another Nation's Hero: An American Disgrace](#)

By [Diana Johnstone](#), January 05, 2020

The criminal assassination of General Qassem Soleimani was not only an act of war, it was an act of low treachery and crass stupidity. Among the self-justifying lies, leaders of the perpetual war regime in Washington claim that locating the targeted military leader was a brilliant accomplishment of U.S. intelligence.



[The Murder of General Suleimani. Trump Expected Public Applause. It Didn't Happen...](#)

By [Peter Koenig](#), January 05, 2020

General Suleimani was killed by a US drone. He was not only the most popular and prominent military officer in Iran, but he was also influential and respected throughout the Middle East. He was chief in training Iraqi forces who eventually defeated ISIS in Iraq within less than a year, when the US and NATO estimated it would take at least 3 years. General Suleimani, along with Russia was also instrumental in training the Syrian armed forces with the objective of defeating ISIS / IS / DEASH in Syria, and they succeeded. This US act of impunity, the General Suleimani killing, was unmistakably targeted with precision and as such a clear declaration of war on Iran.



[Soleimani's Assassination: An Act of Psychological Warfare](#)

By [Douglas Valentine](#) and [Mostafa Afzalzadeh](#), January 05, 2020

The process of converting "intelligence" gained on foreign adversaries into policy relies on an impenetrable barrier of secrecy. As Guy Debord said, secrecy dominates this world, foremost as the secret of dominance. This highly restricted process of access to information allows politicians, intel bureaucrats and their corporate partners in the arms industry 1) to turn Lies into Truth and 2) gobble up the lion's share of the US budget, at the expense of the general welfare of the citizens. This means the rich get richer and the poor get poorer, and the poor never have any idea what's really happening.



[The Foremost State Sponsor of Terror, the United States of America: Assassination of Soleimani – What Next?](#)

By [Soraya Sepahpour-Ulrich](#), January 05, 2020

Heartbroken at the defeat of ISIS, the United States bombed the man who had led that defeat. Trump bombed to kill Soleimani and to save ISIS, to expand its hegemony. Trump failed. He obliterated any chance this world had for peace and he managed to plant the seed of revenge in every heart that beats for justice. Iran does not mourn alone. Make no mistake – it was not one man that was killed. It was the fragile hope of peace, of our future and that of our world that was destroyed. Trump was Iran's 911. He forced a fate akin to 911 but vastly different.



[The Soleimani Assassination: The Long-Awaited Beginning of the End of America's Imperial](#)

[Ambitions](#)

By [Philip Giraldi](#), January 03, 2020

[The United States is now at war with Iran](#) in a conflict that could easily have been avoided and it will not end well. There will be no declaration of war coming from either side, but the [assassination of Iranian Quds Force Commander General Qassem Soleimani](#) and the head of Kata'ib Hezbollah Abu Mehdi Muhandis by virtue of a Reaper drone strike in Baghdad will shift the long-simmering conflict between the two nations into high gear. Iran cannot let the killing of a senior military officer [go unanswered](#) even though it cannot directly confront the United States militarily. But there will be reprisals and Tehran's suspected use of proxies to stage limited strikes will now be replaced by more damaging actions that can be directly attributed to the Iranian government. As Iran has significant resources locally, one can expect that the entire Persian Gulf region will be destabilized.

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