

The BBC, the Weapons Industry and War Propaganda

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Last March the Chairman of Europe's largest arms firm BAE Systems, Roger Carr, was appointed Vice Chairman of the BBC Trust. Will Carr's close ties to the arms industry "get the best out of the BBC for licence fee payers" as its mission statement promises?

On the <u>trust's web site</u> we can read the following:

"The BBC exists to serve the public, and its mission is to inform, educate and entertain. The BBC Trust is the governing body of the BBC, and we make sure the BBC delivers that mission."

For many years, however, the BBC has been caught delivering weapons of mass deception, lying, censoring important stories and engaging in war propaganda on more than one occasion. Here are just a few articles we published about BBC lies and propaganda:

The BBC's Big White (Phosphorus) Lie and BBC and Fallujah: War Crimes and Media Lies, about the BBC's biased coverage of the U.S. army's use of white phosphorus bombs against civilians in Irag.

The Media War on Libya: Justifying War through Lies and Fabrications, about "all sorts of inaccurate reports [...] fabricated by the BBC [...] and other major networks."



Her Majesty's BBC's Syria Coverage: "Sorry for the Lies"..., about several BBC lies in the coverage of the events in Syria. Among others a "picture of victims of a 'massacre in Syria', shown by the BBC as proof that the government was responsible, turned out to be "photographic evidence" (taken from the BBC's photo archives) of a 2003 massacre in Iraq."

Israeli lies unchecked, Palestinian perspectives censored on BBC, about the BBC's "habit of inviting Israeli politicians or the Israeli government spokesperson [...] to speak without challenge. Meanwhile, Palestinians and those who would convey a Palestinian perspective are not given the same

opportunity."

MH17 Witnesses Tell BBC They Saw Ukrainian Jet. BBC Deletes Video, about a BBC Russian correspondent who "interviewed numerous eyewitnesses who described seeing a second aircraft in the sky moments before MH17's fatal crash. The BBC pulled the report. Why?"

But the mother of all BBC lies is without a doubt its <u>9/11 coverage of the WTC7 collapse</u> <u>before it happened</u>. In a historic court judgement, Tony Rooke, a British citizen, won his law suit against the public broadcaster claiming: "The fact that the BBC reported the collapse of WTC 7 twenty-three minutes before it actually fell indicates that the UK was aware of the attacks on 9/11 before they actually happened. The direct implication is that they were working with the 'terrorists', all arguments as to who the terrorists actually were aside."



We must remember that 9/11 is the mother of all lies which holds the "War on Terrorism" narrative together. Can people expect anything else but more of the same BBC war propaganda with the arrival of the most important Chairman of the European arms industry as number two of the BBC's governing body?

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