

Tony Blair, You Are Not the Only War Criminal on the Block: Blair Government Should "Share Blame". Former Deputy PM

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John Prescott served from May 2, 1997 until June 27, 2007.

In a <u>Sunday Mirror</u> op-ed, he called John Chilcot's report "a damning indictment on how the Blair Government handled the war," adding he shares blame.

Apologizing to families of scores of British servicemen perishing in conflict dismissively ignored millions of Iraqi deaths from war, related violence, preventable diseases, starvation and overall deprivation – hundreds to thousands more dying monthly, a Western-instigated holocaust for power, privilege, dominance and all that oil.

Prescott saying he now believes war on Iraq was illegal ignores fundamental international law principles proving it all along. No nation may attack another except in self-defense – Security Council members alone permitted to authorize it, not sitting governments.

Prescott knows the law along with Blair, Bush, their ministers, other bureaucrats and anyone literate enough to look it up online, minimal effort required.

Britain partners with all US wars – all illegal since WW II, acts of premeditated naked aggression against nonbelligerent countries threatening no others.

Prescott's mea culpa is far too little, too late – weak-kneed and insincere. He was number two to Blair during NATO's rape of Yugoslavia, aggression on Afghanistan, a nation having nothing to do with 9/11, Iraq 2003 following the Gulf War and years of genocidal sanctions – killing on average 5,000 Iraqi children aged five or younger monthly.

Why was he silent when it mattered most? Why hasn't he denounced Britain's partnership with Washington in raping and destroying Libya, Syria and Yemen, supporting Israeli occupation harshness and slow-motion genocide against a defenseless Palestinian people, replacing democrats with Nazis running Ukraine, and various other high crimes?

Prescott is like all the rest, supporting lawless aggression. Then when it's too late to matter, expressing sorrow, claiming an error of judgment based on faulty intelligence, or some other feeble excuse ringing hollow.

Meanwhile, throughout multiple war theaters involving America, Britain and their rogue

partners, noncombatant civilians are being slaughtered daily, victims of imperial lawlessness.

Who mourns for them? Who cares about their suffering? How many Americans, Brits and others in Western countries know what's going on in their name?

How many show concern and compassion enough to find out? What'll it take to stop endless human carnage? Must we all perish to prove the horror of endless wars?

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