

Trump's Aggressive Foreign Policy

By [Stephen Lendman](#)

Global Research, August 16, 2016

Region: [USA](#)

Theme: [Terrorism](#), [US NATO War Agenda](#)

In-depth Report: [U.S. Elections](#)

His August 15 [foreign policy address](#) in Youngstown, OH showed he'll govern as an establishment leader if elected in November – continuing dirty geopolitical business as usual vital to end once and for all.

He'll wage endless wars to “defeat radical Islamic terrorism,” he said – without explaining its US creation and support at least since the 1980s in Afghanistan against Soviet Russia.

Bin Laden was a Pakistani intelligence-recruited CIA asset. Obama didn't kill him. He died of natural causes in December 2001, widely reported at the time.

Earlier mujahideen fighters are today's Taliban, Al Qaeda, Nusra Front, ISIS, Boko Haram and similar groups – created, supported and used by America as imperial foot soldiers to do its killing and dying where they're deployed with the aim of replacing sovereign independent governments with US puppet regimes.

America isn't at war with “radical Islamic terrorism.” It actively supports it as an instrument of US imperial foreign policy.

Obama and Hillary didn't create today's deplorable geopolitical landscape. They exacerbated decades earlier policy – begun under Jimmy Carter, continued under Reagan, Bill Clinton, Bush II to today, certain to go on seamlessly under duopoly governance no matter who succeeds Obama.

Today's gravest issue is systemic – neocon infested Washington bent on world dominance, doing whatever it takes to accomplish its objective, color revolutions and wars its strategies of choice.

Will Trump as president change things? No. Will he differ from another Clinton co-presidency? Only by being less likely to start WW III if he follows through on wanting better relations with Russia.

If he continues waging imperial wars on the phony pretext of combating terrorism, US/Moscow geopolitical policies will be intractably at odds.

“ISIS...operat(es) in 18 countries with aspiring branches in 6 or more for a total of 24, and many believe it is even more than that,” said Trump.

Fact: ISIS operates where US policymakers deploy their fighters, under commanders chosen by CIA and Pentagon officials – recruited, armed, funded and directed by America, NATO, Israel and other regional rogue states.

Fact: The way to defeat ISIS and other radical Islamic groups is stop supporting them. They can't exist without foreign backing.

Instead of diverging from America's imperial agenda if elected president, Trump could exacerbate it by belligerence against all nations where he says ISIS exists.

He'll continue drone wars, mostly killing noncombatant men, women, children, the elderly and infirm threatening on one.

He'll maintain Guantanamo (and likely America's global torture prison network) instead of shutting it down. He'll introduce ideological screening tests to suspend immigration from certain countries.

He claims wars on Afghanistan, Iraq and Libya were mistakes he opposed after supporting them earlier. He called failure to seize Iraq's oil fields poor judgment. "In the old days when we won a war, to the victor go the spoils," he blustered.

He failed to explain all wars violate core international, constitutional and US statute laws without Security Council authorization. US presidents and Congress have no right to wage them without it – especially against nations posing no threat to America or any other countries.

All ongoing US direct and proxy wars are illegal acts of aggression. Trump promised to continue them – justified by pledging to combat radical Islamic terrorism America supports.

US war on humanity will continue no matter who succeeds Obama. Prospects for world peace and stability are nonexistent – a deplorable situation threatening everyone.

Stephen Lendman lives in Chicago. He can be reached at lendmanstephen@sbcglobal.net.

His new book as editor and contributor is titled "Flashpoint in Ukraine: US Drive for Hegemony Risks WW III." <http://www.claritypress.com/LendmanIII.html>

Visit his blog site at sjlendman.blogspot.com.

Listen to cutting-edge discussions with distinguished guests on the Progressive Radio News Hour on the Progressive Radio Network.

The original source of this article is Global Research
Copyright © [Stephen Lendman](#), Global Research, 2016

[Comment on Global Research Articles on our Facebook page](#)

[Become a Member of Global Research](#)

Articles by: [Stephen Lendman](#)

About the author:

Stephen Lendman lives in Chicago. He can be reached

at lendmanstephen@sbcglobal.net. His new book as editor and contributor is titled "Flashpoint in Ukraine: US Drive for Hegemony Risks WW III."
<http://www.claritypress.com/LendmanIII.html> Visit his blog site at sjlendman.blogspot.com. Listen to cutting-edge discussions with distinguished guests on the Progressive Radio News Hour on the Progressive Radio Network. It airs three times weekly: live on Sundays at 1PM Central time plus two prerecorded archived programs.

Disclaimer: The contents of this article are of sole responsibility of the author(s). The Centre for Research on Globalization will not be responsible for any inaccurate or incorrect statement in this article. The Centre of Research on Globalization grants permission to cross-post Global Research articles on community internet sites as long the source and copyright are acknowledged together with a hyperlink to the original Global Research article. For publication of Global Research articles in print or other forms including commercial internet sites, contact: publications@globalresearch.ca

www.globalresearch.ca contains copyrighted material the use of which has not always been specifically authorized by the copyright owner. We are making such material available to our readers under the provisions of "fair use" in an effort to advance a better understanding of political, economic and social issues. The material on this site is distributed without profit to those who have expressed a prior interest in receiving it for research and educational purposes. If you wish to use copyrighted material for purposes other than "fair use" you must request permission from the copyright owner.

For media inquiries: publications@globalresearch.ca