

UN Secretary General Kofi Annan: Public Relations Officer for the New World Order

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Please meet Kofi Annan, public relations officer of NWO (New World Order)

"A More Secure World — Our Shared Responsibility", is a report produced by the High-level Panel that UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan set up to study global threats and recommend changes in the international system. The Panel calls for a definition of terrorism which would make it clear that "any action constitutes terrorism if it is intended to cause death or serious bodily harm to civilians or non-combatants, with the purpose of intimidating a population or compelling a Government or an international organization to do or abstain from doing any act. I believe this proposal has clear moral force, and I strongly urge world leaders to unite behind it, with a view to adopting the comprehensive convention as soon as possible." (Kofi Annan's Keynote address to the Closing Plenary of the International Summit on Democracy, Terrorism and Security, 10 March 2005).

According to this definition, the United Nations Security Council would have to be designated as the major terrorist in modern times for having imposed and maintained for 12 deadly years the most stringent economic sanctions in modern history against a poor nation, Iraq, whose foreseeable and observed consequences included the deaths of half a million children.

The sanctions against Iraq fulfilled in all respects the definition of terrorism proposed by Kofi Annan's Panel:

1. They were imposed with the intent to cause serious harm to the Iraqi population by denying it the basic necessities of life, including items necessary for the operation of water treatment facilities.

2. Intent, under criminal law, is not equivalent to motive. The motive of the Security Council was not to cause death or serious bodily harm to the Iraqi population but to compel the Iraqi Government to abide by its demands. The means of doing so was through the plight of the population. Terrorists, typically, do not particularly desire the deaths of their victims but use such deaths as an instrument for what they consider a legitimate political purpose. The mindset of the Security Council was thus equivalent to that of ordinary terrorists.

3. The Security Council was fully aware that its actions will cause deaths in Iraq and was regularly informed of the deadly consequences of the sanctions over a period of over a decade. For the purpose of criminal law, the Security Council intended the consequences of its policies. It simply turned a blind eye to these consequences.

Kofi Annan's Panel did not, obviously, include wholesale terrorism in its definition of terrorism.

The deceptive intent of Kofi Annan's address is reflected in his claim that terrorism is a "major threat that we face in this century". He did not provide any evidence for this claim. One evidence could be, for example, the global number of victims of terrorism and the location of such acts in past years. The failure of providing this evidence was hardly an oversight. Statistics on worldwide retail terrorism (as distinct from wholesale terrorism, that of states and international organisations) are regularly collected and readily available on the website of the US State Department. According to that website, the yearly number of fatal victims of retail terrorism, worldwide, varies between 2,000 and 4,000, roughly equivalent to the number of people dying yearly of lightning.

Hundreds of millions of people, around the world, are exposed daily to TV programs which trivialize and sometimes even extol the use of violence. The purveyors of these programs are not designated as enemies of mankind. The Permanent Five of the UN Security Council are the major exporters of instruments of death and threaten the world with their nuclear weapons. They are not, either, designated as terrorists. Globally, over 8,000,000 children die yearly of preventable causes. Yet all these real threats to human security have not prompted Kofi Annan or the UN Security Council to designate such policies as "major threats" for the global community. Finally, retail terrorism is not, by any account, a global problem. It is confined particularly to areas where states deny fundamental rights to a specific civilian population. Retail terrorism is mostly a desperate response of the oppressed. The response to retail terrorism is social justice.

The above account demonstrates that the United Nations, under the leadership of Kofi Annan, are becoming one of the main tools for the imposing a New World Order of oppression. The reference to terrorism as a global threat should be exposed as a monumental fraud.

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