

## USA squanders 300 million dollars on war propaganda in Iraq

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Three years of the military campaign in Iraq has cost the USA tens of billions of dollars already. The US administration used about \$300 million of this immense amount of money for propagandizing war both inside and outside the USA. The beginning of this informational war was quite successful for President Bush and his team. Many politicians of the world have swallowed the bait about bellicose Saddam Hussein and his horrifying intentions to use weapons of mass destruction against the Western civilization. That was the reason why the USA needed to invade Iraq to overthrow Hussein's regime and save the world from the Iraqi tyrant. However, it has recently become known that George W. Bush knew that there were no WMDs in Iraq.

The White House and the <u>Pentagon</u> entrusted the propaganda campaign to USA's largest PR companies. They inundated the media with fairytales about the courage and valour of American soldiers bringing freedom, better times and democracy (of course) to the people of Iraq. The propaganda had no success: the war in Iraq was obtaining ill reputation in the USA, not to mention Iraq itself. About 80 percent of Americans are deeply concerned about the events happening in Iraq.

It goes without saying that the Bush's administration needed to find excuses and enemies to justify its grand failures. The search was a success. As it turns out, it was Russia that did not let Washington celebrate glorious and quick victory in Iraq. Spokespeople for the US administration said that Moscow was supposedly providing <a href="Baghdad">Baghdad</a> with secret information about army resources and military plans of the USA.

Many Western analysts said that it was conservative congressmen who initiated such a daring attack against Russia. They always stand up against any kind of cooperation with Russia even when it comes to the struggle against international terrorism.

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