

Western Media Disinformation on Mosul. Raped and Destroyed, not Liberated as falsely Claimed

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A neocon/CIA-connected <u>Washington Post</u> report is one of numerous examples. It lied, claiming America's defeat (sic) of ISIS in Mosul shows how it how it can succeed militarily in the Middle East.

In numerous articles on Mosul, I discussed US aggression, Pentagon terror-bombing, indiscriminately massacring countless thousands of civilians, blasting Iraq's second largest city to rubble.

It no longer exists. A scorched earth wasteland replaced it. Rebuilding, if done, could take decades and cost tens, maybe hundreds of billions of dollars.

Naked aggression without mercy was waged, a humanitarian disaster created, affecting hundreds of thousands of city residents.

Mosul was raped and destroyed, not liberated as falsely claimed. Washington supports ISIS. Most of its fighters were redeployed last year to Syria.

Government and allied forces, greatly aided by Russian air power, continue smashing their ranks – polar opposite US-led coalition warplanes providing them with aerial support.

WaPo and other media suppress US support for ISIS and other terrorist groups, using them as imperial foot soldiers wherever they're deployed.

Reluctantly, WaPo admitted "(w)e may never know how many thousands of civilians lie under the rubble" – maybe tens of thousands largely massacred by US terror-bombing.

WaPo calling the battle for Mosul a "strategy (that) worked militarily" ignored the unspeakable suffering of around 1.7 million city residents – victims of US imperial viciousness.

WaPo: "Credit for this innovative campaign goes to the US military...to...Obama...to...Trump..."

The battle for Mosul is one of numerous US high crimes against peace, showing its contempt

for fundamental human rights and rule of law principles.

While battle raged, Russia's Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Maria Zakharova said "(i)t's time to ring alarm bells."

A humanitarian disaster in the city "soared to an unprecedented degree" – hundreds of thousands facing famine conditions, along with no medical care and other essentials to life.

Reality on the ground is far different from distorted Western media reports. Indiscriminately terror-bombing civilian neighborhoods created an "urban graveyard." Civilians interviewed reported "chilling" horrors.

Sergey Lavrov blasted the "chaotic" withdrawal of civilians from the city, "increas(ing) the number of victims," he explained – the unacceptable price they paid.

A previous article said (h)istory correctly told will equate America's rape and destruction of Mosul to its gratuitous Hiroshima/Nagasaki nuking, along with its ruthless fire-bombing of Dresden and Tokyo during WW II, three post-1948 Israeli terror wars on Gaza, imperial Japan's rape of Nanking, and Nazi Germany's infamous terror-bombing of Guernica, among other horrific high crimes of war and against humanity.

US ruthlessness exceeds the worst of history's earlier empires. Countless millions of corpses attest to its barbarism.

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