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Prisoners Against The War: 2

In the week leading up to the Martin Luther King, Jr. national holiday, GI Special will lead with statements written by members of Prisoners Against The War.

Organized by Stanley Howard and five other imprisoned members of the Military Project at Illinois' Statesville Prison, Prisoners Against The War breaks new ground.

There has been no organization like this in recent American history. That may be an understatement, since no record of a similar organization has been found at any point in American history.

Prisoners Against The War hopes to inspire other prisoners, both in civilian and military prisons, to organize their own chapters, and spread the movement nationwide.

They report many prisoners have relatives serving in the armed forces. Other prisoners are Vietnam Veterans. To the extent allowed by prison regulations, they circulate GI Special and Traveling Soldier. They will see these issues of GI Special, and provide support to family members on the outside resisting the war.

A variety of social critics have argued that the prisons and armed forces of a given society express most nakedly the underlying class nature of the society.

An organization bringing together civilian and military prisoners can open a new window on that reality, not least by destroying the myth spread by politicians and other servants of the rich and homicidal that prisoners are mere things without humanity or redeeming social value.

For how to contact Prisoners Against The War, see information below. T

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I am a member of Prisoners Against the War, because I want to be a part of the anti-war movement that's making a stand to end this war. I want to be apart of this because I understand it was the American people who came together and ended the Vietnam war (which probably saved my life), and hopefully, we can and we will end this war to save many others like mine was saved.

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RE: Outrage at the war in Iraq and Afghanistan

I saw the story about Cindy Sheehan, the President of the Gold Star Families for Peace on the news and in the newspapers, and Brother Stanley Howard shares his Traveling Soldiers and GI Specials with me (and many other prisoners). So I'm always getting a full update on what's going on concerning the war.

Cindy Sheehan is a strong woman and I sincerely feel and understand what she is going through for answers and the truth.

This war is wrong, illegal and unjust, but we all are beginning to learn that that's how the Bush administration does business. He imposed deep budget cuts in domestic spending to fund this war, and communities across the country had to close youth centers, curtail neighborhoods' revitalization programs, medicare, and many other much needed programs for the poor.

Americans are losing life and limbs while Bush's friends are getting rich and richer because of it, and Cindy Sheehan have a right to meet with him a thousand times if she choose to: she (and many others) paid a huge price for the war.

I'm 49 years old and remember the Vietnam war very clearly, because many of my child hood friends and older guys from the community went and some died in that senseless war. And if the war didn't end when it did, I would have been forced to go also.

My cousin died in Vietnam, and I remember looking at the medals he earned in a case that they gave to my aunt. So I understand, love and respect our troops that died and is still fighting to survive in the Iraq and Afghanistan war.

My only son is 18 years old and is on his way to college, and I have been telling him to stand for something so that he won't just fall for anything.

And even though it would be his final decision to make if he were to decide on whether or not to enlist for military services, but I will do my best to make sure his decision would be not to join.

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I want to be apart of this because I understand it was the American people who came together and ended the Vietnam war (which probably saved my life), and hopefully, we can and we will end this war to save many others like mine was saved.

My prayers and support is with the anti-war movement -- and I vow to do what I can to help in the movement.

“If You Have Any Ideas Of What I Can Do To Help, Please Write And Let Me Know: Put Me To Work”

PEACE (Not War)

My name is Delandis Adams and I'm an innocent man in prison, but that's not why I come to you all today; it's my badge of shame that the criminal justice system used lies to get me here, which brings me to the similarities we have.

President George W. Bush lied to the American people and it ignited a war where lives are being taken. I was lied on and my life was took in another form, and for that reason I sympathize with the families who've lost their loved ones and for the families who have loved ones still in harms way.

When September 11, 2001, shattered our world as we know it, I knew grim days were ahead. It's imperative that you guys keep the pressure on (non-violently of course), and also educate you guys are the Taxpayers/Voters, you guys must push the agenda. Casey Sheehan's mom, Cindy, has a lot of momentum and I support her and all the Freedom and Peace Fighters.

Cindy Sheehan is a drum-major for peace and she represents the feelings and position of the American people against this war, and I am deeply inspired by her and the entire anti-war movement. I know she wanted to stay low key, but the call for peace is so strong and much bigger than a meeting with President Bush, especially with the death toll is nearly 2000.

I am incarcerated and my resources are very limited, but I write voraciously and will do everything within my power to assist in the anti-war movement (even by writing to newspapers, T.V. and radio stations). And if you have any ideas of what I can do to help, please write and let me know: put me to work.

I commend you guys for your upright, independent pursuit for peace for my American brothers and sisters that's still in harms way, and I don't care if they're Black, White or Candy Stripe, they all are apart of my extended family. God Bless All of You!!! LOVE (Not War)

Humbly,
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Contacting Prisoners Against The War:

Prisoners who wish to communicate with Prisoners Against The War may write to:
Prisoners Against The War or PAW or Martin Smith, at:
PO Box 121
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NOTE WELL: ILLINOIS PRISON REGULATIONS FORBID INMATES FROM RECEIVING ANY MAIL FROM ANY OTHER PRISONERS ANYWHERE.

Martin Smith is not allowed to forward your letter to the prison. He is allowed to summarize the contents in his own letters.

If your prison also has rules forbidding mail from another prisoner to be sent to you, the reply will also be summarized by Martin Smith, and sent to you.

Persons not in prison at this time may write directly to Prisoners Against The War.
NOTE WELL: Nothing whatever may be enclosed in your mail other than your written or typed letter: no money or other objects may be sent.

Letters to:
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Sentence: One To Three Years For Having A Cell Phone

October 2005 Prison Legal News:

Pennsylvania: On September 23,2005, James Brown, 49, was sentenced to 12 to 36 months in state prison for possessing a cell phone in the Northampton county jail. Brown had pleaded guilty to the charge of possession of a telecommunications device by an inmate.

Venezuela: Leading The Americans In Prison Barbarism

October 2005 Prison Legal News:

Venezuela: The nation continues with its unenviable record of the deadliest prisons in the Americas.

As of October 4, 2005, 314 prisoners had been murdered in the nation's 32 prisons which hold 20,000 prisons and 517 had been seriously injured. In 2004 327 prisoners were killed and 655 seriously injured.

IRAQ WAR REPORTS

UH-60 Down Near Tal Afar: 12 Killed

January 8, 2006 MNF Release A060108d

TIKRIT, Iraq – A coalition helicopter crashed in a sparsely populated area 12 kilometers east of Tal Afar shortly before midnight killing the passengers and crew.

The UH-60 Blackhawk flying in support of Task Force Band of Brothers was part of a two-ship flight moving between bases in northern Iraq when communications were lost with the aircraft. Flight records indicate that eight passengers and four crew members were manifested for the flight.

An immediate search and rescue operation was launched from nearby military installations. The aircraft was located at approximately noon local time.

Three Marines Killed In Fallujah

01/08/06 MNF A060108a

CAMP FALLUJAH , Iraq: Three Marines assigned to Regimental Combat Team 8, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward), were killed by small-arms fire in separate attacks while conducting combat operations against the enemy in Fallujah Jan 8.

Marine Killed By IED Near Al Karmah

01/08/06 MNF Release A060108b

CAMP FALLUJAH , Iraq: A Marine assigned to the 2nd Marine Logistics Group, II Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward), was killed in action when his vehicle was attacked with an improvised explosive device while conducting combat operations against the enemy near Al Karmah Jan 7.

Marine Killed By IED Near Ferris

01/08/06 MNF Release A060108c

CAMP FALLUJAH , Iraq: A Marine assigned to Regimental Combat Team 8, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward), was killed in action when his vehicle was attacked with an improvised explosive device while conducting combat operations against the enemy near Ferris, Jan 7.

Two Utahns Wounded In Bombing

January 6th, 2006 KSL

Two members of the Utah National Guard were wounded in a suicide bomb attack in Iraq.

Specialists Rick McClary and Braxton McCoy, both from the 222nd Field Artillery unit in Ramadi, were hit yesterday.

McClary, from St. George, sustained shrapnel wounds. McCoy, from Scipio, had both legs broken. Both are in serious but stable condition and will be treated at a military hospital in Germany.

Area Grad Injured In Explosion

January 8, 2006 By ANDREW SCHOTZ, The Herald-Mail Company

The bomb that exploded near Maryland National Guard Sgt. Randy Divel's vehicle in Iraq on Christmas Eve burned about 40 percent of his body, mostly on his right side, his sister, Dianna Divel Mehaffie, said Saturday.

Divel, a 1987 graduate of Clear Spring High School, had his first skin graft operation on Dec. 28 and is scheduled to have his second on Monday.

Mehaffie said her brother - who is recovering at Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio - was at first listed in critical condition, but has greatly improved.

Divel, 36, of Middletown, was one of three Maryland National Guard soldiers injured when the bomb - an improvised explosive device - detonated near them. Mehaffie said the soldiers had delivered supplies to Baghdad and were traveling away from the city when the explosion happened.

Divel's father, Leroy Divel, got the phone call about his son's injury on Christmas Eve, after other relatives had left, Mehaffie said.

Divel, who works for Volvo Powertrain, was attached to the 243rd Engineer Company, Mehaffie said.

He was sent to Iraq in August 2005 and was scheduled to come home a year later - then retire in November, after 20 years, she said.

Mehaffie said Divel enlisted in the Maryland National Guard in 1986, during his senior year in high school.

“OK, enough of this shit, which way out?”

[Run, Do Not Walk, To The Nearest Exit]



US soldiers walk away from a burning gas pipeline bombed by insurgents Jan. 5, 2006, outside of Kirkuk. (AP Photo/Yahya Ahmed)

NEED SOME TRUTH? CHECK OUT TRAVELING SOLDIER

Telling the truth - about the occupation or the criminals running the government in Washington - is the first reason for Traveling Soldier. But we want to do more than tell the truth; we want to report on the resistance - whether it's in the streets of Baghdad, New York, or inside the armed forces. Our goal is for Traveling Soldier to become the thread that ties working-class people inside the armed services together. We want this newsletter to be a weapon to help you organize resistance within the armed forces. If you like what you've read, we hope that you'll join with us in building a network of active duty organizers.

<http://www.traveling-soldier.org/> And join with Iraq War vets in the call to end the occupation and bring our troops home now! (www.ivaw.net)

Do you have a friend or relative in the service? Forward this E-MAIL along, or send us the address if you wish and we'll send it regularly. Whether in Iraq or stuck on a base in the USA, this is extra important for your service friend, too often cut off from access to encouraging news of growing resistance to the war, at home and inside the armed services. Send requests to address up top.

Notes From A Lost War:

“U.S. Troops Build Wall Of Sand In Iraq” [They Call It “Operation Verdun”!!]



A bulldozer pushes sand to form a wall surrounding the city of Siniyah, Jan. 7, 2006. (AP Photo/Ryan Lenz)

[Who would believe it: a media headline that really tells the truth about the war in Iraq. The whole war is nothing but a hopeless, deadly effort to build “a wall of sand.”

[Note how first the reporter says it’s an effort to “trap insurgents” hiding in the town. Then the Major says it’s an effort to keep insurgents out of the town. What magnificent battlefield clarity.

[But this blind stupidity is hardly a surprise. It’s the kind of twisted, lunatic logic that is inevitable when command can’t face the facts of the war: the Iraqis are the insurgents, by the millions, whether in town, out of town, or taking a tea break 100 miles away. To admit that would destroy the whole pack of lies about why U.S. troops have been sent there to die.]

RYAN LENZ, Associated Press Writer

Sat Jan 7, 1:50 PM ET

SINIYAH, Iraq - Villagers watched from rooftops as U.S. military bulldozers heaved a wall of sand into snaking lines around their homes Saturday in an attempt to trap insurgents believed to be hiding among them.

The drastic tactic in Siniyah came after weeks of increasingly bold insurgent attacks, including almost daily roadside bombs targeting 101st Airborne Division soldiers patrolling the village, 155 miles north of Baghdad.

"This is not in any of the courses they teach in the Army," said Maj. Shawn Daniel, who oversees operations for the 3rd Brigade's 33rd Cavalry Regiment.

"But if bad people are coming to Siniyah to attack coalition forces, let's catch them at the gate."

Spanning six miles and broken by watchtowers to be manned by Iraqi security forces, the 10-foot tall crude barrier is **the Army's latest tool to rout out insurgents.**

Construction was expected to last several days. Once complete, all vehicles leaving or entering the village will be stopped as soldiers look for known insurgents, bomb-making materials and illegal weapons.

Dubbed "Operation Verdun," after a famous World War I battle, the 3rd Brigade decided to blockade the village after determining it had become a staging point for insurgents to plan and execute their attacks.

[Looks like somebody either has a ghoulish sense of humor, or is a resistance infiltrator. Why not "Operation Stalingrad" or "Operation Dien Bien Phu" or maybe "Operation Yorktown"? As for Verdun, check this out:

["French casualties during the battle were estimated at 550,000 with German losses set at 434,000, half of the total being fatalities. The only real effect of the battle was the irrevocable wounding of both armies. No tactical or strategic advantage had been gained by either side." firstworldwar.com/battles/verdun.htm]

The village of a few thousand people in the volatile so-called Sunni triangle is less than a mile from a former Iraqi airfield that coalition forces named Forward Operating Base Summerall, now home to units from the 3rd Brigade.

[A village of "a few thousand people" takes all this to hold down! That only lives another few million Iraqis to worry about. A U.S. force of about 900,000 might actually make some gains.]

Roadside bombs have hit convoys and patrols around Siniyah at a rate of about one every two days since early December, officials said.

Two soldiers from the 3rd Brigade, also known as the "Rakkasans," died last Sunday in roadside explosions outside Siniyah.

Mortar attacks also have become increasingly familiar inside the Summerall base, often falling just after sunset or before sunrise when locals know soldiers congregate in large numbers to eat.

One soldier died last month during an early morning mortar attack.

Insurgents also have attacked tanker trucks from the Beiji oil refinery, one of the largest in Iraq, about five miles outside Summerall.

The wall's purpose in Siniyah "is to separate insurgents from the population," said Capt. Christopher Judge, of Milford, N.H., as he oversaw construction on Friday. "We're trying to make it very difficult for them to enter and leave." [This is not a satire. He's just utterly clueless.]

The Army has seen the success that restricting access to Iraqi cities can bring.

[No, the following brilliant observation isn't a satire either. The reporter puts out this silly lying bullshit *after* the casualty reports had already come in from the resistance offensive against U.S. troops in Falluja 24 hours ago, including five dead in two days. As for Samarra, check out the photos at the end of the article.]

Similar "walls" built around Fallujah and Samarra in recent months have quelled restive insurgent cells. Army commanders in Samarra said the number of attacks dropped drastically after an 11-mile barrier was built around the city.

Reaction to the wall has been mixed among villagers in Siniyah.

The police chief supported the idea when U.S. Army officials met with him last week, as did Iraqi army officers and sheiks who asked for help in stopping insurgents from using their village.

But the imam at the village mosque compared the constant watch envisaged under the new plan to a concentration camp.

The U.S. Army told the village of the operation just hours before it began and planned to broadcast Arabic messages over loudspeakers until the wall is complete.

Army officials acknowledge insurgents could safely leave in the meantime and seek refuge elsewhere. [What for? They're doing just fine, even getting some laughs watching U.S. command obsessed with building its "a wall of sand."]

But that risk was worth taking, said Judge, a commander in the division's 187th Infantry Regiment whose company frequently patrols Siniyah.

Judge said insurgents in Iraq hide in villages throughout the countryside and can disappear easily. But if they are moving, they are losing, he said.

[OK, that's it, send this officer to West Point so he can teach others his brilliant new discovery. Forces resisting an occupation by a foreign army lose if they maneuver and exercise mobility, and are winning if they stand around waiting to be wiped out.

[On second thought, assign him to Rumsfeld's personal staff. He'd fit right in with the rest of the murderous clowns that can't find their feet with both hands and a flashlight.]

WELCOME TO PACIFIED SAMARRA: HAVE A NICE DAY



U.S. Army soldiers from the 101st Airborne Division inspect the site of a car bomb in Samara, Iraq Friday, Dec. 2, 2005. (AP Photo/Hameed Rasheed)



1.4.06: A burning lorry after it was caught in a roadside bomb just north of Samarra. The lorry carrying supplies for a US military base was struck as it drove by killing one person. Such lorries supplying the occupation forces are frequently attacked. (AFP/Dia Hamid)

AFGHANISTAN WAR REPORTS

Karzai Invites Contact With Taliban Head: Also Demands U.S. Occupation Stop Harassing And Slaughtering Citizens

[Thanks to PB who sent this in. He writes: Negotiating with the Iraqi and Afghan resistance are not signs of imperial health.]

1.8.06 By DANIEL COONEY, Associated Press Writer

President Hamid Karzai said Sunday that a few hundred Taliban fighters have reconciled with the government and suggested militant leader Mullah Omar should "get in touch" if he wanted to talk peace.

In the context of escalating violence, including suicide attacks, the remarks by Karzai in an interview with The Associated Press were seen as a significant softening of the government's previous policy of not negotiating with top leaders of the hard-line militia.

The Taliban leader has a \$10 million U.S. bounty on his head and is believed to be leading holdouts in a rebellion that left about 1,600 people dead last year, the most since 2001.

Separately, Karzai said NATO-led troops taking over security in southern Afghanistan must not use aggressive tactics, including air strikes or searches of people's homes, without government permission.

"We do not want bombing of our villages. We do not want searches of our homes," Karzai said. "We don't want our civilians harassed anymore."

TROOP NEWS

ArchAngel Update: 12-31-05



Archangel Update On Spc. Mack:

From: ArchAngel1BL@aol.com
To: GI Special
Sent: December 31, 2005 8:00 PM
Subject: ArchAngel Reports

ArchAngel reporting an update on Spc. Jennifer Mack (Angel 10).

According to the information given, Spc. Mack has been reassigned to a different company like she had requested because of not only medical reasons but also because of her now former 1stSgt whom was harassing her and others as well.

According to her she is in a better company and is receiving the medical treatment that she asked for.

Also, there have been reports that the 1stSgt has ordered her comrades to not contact her in any way. She said she is concentrating on her medical issues and will keep in touch if any new developments come up.

"Thank you ArchAngel for your help"
Spc. Mack.

Archangel Reports VA Claim Problems:

“If You Are Getting Out With A Medical Discharge And With Severance Pay Be Warned, The DOD Will Steal It Back”

Now for something new that has developed.

If you remember last year I, Brandie Lampin, was on a crusade to get my husband returned after being forced into Iraq despite being medically unfit for service.

As readers know, I won that battle, and my husband returned 4 months later after being deployed. Since then he was medically discharged with severance pay and a military disability rating of 20% on March 1, 2005.

All that was left to do was file for his VA claim, so that he could carry on with his medical treatment.

First, let me tell you what we did with that severance pay. We used it as a down payment on a house and figured after the VA made their decision on his compensation claim we would be able to cover the payments after the end of the year with money to spare, but we were wrong.

The claim took from May 18th to Dec. 16th before they made a decision on what disability rating he would receive and once again with a surprise he was given 20%.

This is the kicker... For those of you whom may not know it yet, guess what happens to the VA money if you are approved?

You don't get a dime of it until the DOD receives the severance pay back in full that they gave you, my husband, for your disability.

According to some law, a veteran cannot receive both severance pay and VA disability at the same time and that all DOD severance pay must be paid back in full.

This is (pardon the french) BULLSHIT, and take my word for it I will be seeking a congressional about this.

There have been rumors of congressionals already in place about this matter, and well, I plan to make the squeaky wheel squeakier.

And not to rag on the retired veterans, but according to the rules a retired veteran can stop his/her military retirement pay so as to receive his/her full VA retirement because it is tax free.

A veteran who was discharged with severance pay gets paid just that one time, no monthly payments or anything like that, just that one time, but yet that veteran will not receive his disability until that severance pay is paid back.

Now, my husband and I am sure there are others out there that have been affected, will have to wait just over 9 years if not more, before receiving anything.

"9 YEARS"

If you look at it our way, what all this means is that in a way we are having to pay for two houses and only own one. Since we are having to pay this money back to the DOD by means of my husbands VA compensation, and the fact that we were financially affected by Hurricane Rita, and yes, FEMA denied aid to us, we are in the danger zone of loosing our house along with everything in it, and our truck.

We were hoping that the taxes that was withheld from that severance pay would be refunded to us so that we would have been able to pay it off, but no, we have yet to be refunded that money that was owed to my husband.

What I am telling you Soldiers / Troops now: if you are getting out with a medical discharge and with severance pay be warned, the DOD will steal it back from you once you file for your VA compensation and it is approved.

This will be hard to say, but now because of my families financial hardship, this maybe, my, ArchAngel's final post. I will try to keep the internet going but from the looks of it, it won't be for long.

I would just like to thank GI Special for posting my articles and for the help it not only did for me but for others.

To my fellow brothers and sisters in arms, thank you, stay safe, come home to your loved ones soon, and God Bless.

**Happy New Year, and God Bless America
Semper Fi**

ArchAngel1BL signing out (hopefully not forever)

Can You Help Out?

The work of ArchAngel is too valuable to be lost.

She has given much in time, effort, and out of pocket expenses to aid troops in trouble, with a particular focus on medically disabled troops getting shit on by command.

The failure of FEMA and DoD to do right by this family is an outrage, and it's understood their priority must be survival. How many times must a Marine

veteran and her soldier husband and family get kicked when they are down? Yes, they have some beautiful kids too.

No permission has been received to do this, but there are times when action supersedes a request to command, especially if the request may be denied, in this case denied by ArchAngel command, so...

If anybody out there is able to help some with ArchAngel with internet expenses, so the work can keep on, please write to ArchAngel1BL@aol.com.

Again, to be real clear, this will be a complete surprise to ArchAngel, and, hopefully, won't piss off this Marine vet too much, or I better go dig a deep hole real fast.

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The Idiot Vs. The Staff Sgt.

January 8, 2006 BEIJI, Iraq (AP)

U.S. soldiers in the field were not all supportive of a Pentagon study that found improved body armor saves lives, with some troops arguing yesterday that more armor would hinder combat effectiveness.

Second Lt. Josh Suthoff, 23, of Jefferson City said he already sacrifices enough movement when he wears the equipment. More armor would only increase his chances of getting killed, he said.

"You can slap body armor on all you want, but it's not going to help anything. When it's your time, it's your time," said Suthoff, a platoon leader in the brigade's 1st Squadron, 33rd Cavalry Regiment. "I'd go out with less body armor if I could."

Some soldiers felt unhappy that ceramic plates to protect their sides and shoulders were available but not offered when they deployed for Iraq in September.

"If it's going to protect a soldier or save his life, they definitely should have been afforded the opportunity to wear it," said Staff Sgt. Shaun Benoit, 26, of Conneaut, Ohio. "I want to know where there was a break in communication."

A Comment On This Story By David Honish, North TX Veterans For Peace, 1.8.06:

"The most dangerous weapon in the inventory is a 2nd Lt with a map and compass."

General Calls Slaughter Of 11 U.S. Troops “An Anomaly”

January 8, 2006 By Will Dunham, Reuters

THE recent surge in violence is and Iraq is not on the verge of civil war, the top US commander there said yesterday, after one of the country's bloodiest days since the fall of Saddam Hussein.

"This level of violence, I think as we've seen, is an anomaly. We see these spikes periodically," Army General George Casey said.

The 11 deaths on Thursday made it the deadliest day for US troops in Iraq since December 1, taking US fatalities since the start of the war in March, 2003, to 2193.

[London, July 4, 1776: Speaking for His Majesty's government, the top British commander in Boston said "This level of violence, I think as we've seen, is an anomaly. We see these spikes periodically." Washington DC: January 31, 1968: President Lyndon Johnson told Americans today not to be overly concerned about the "Tet Offensive" in Vietnam. "This level of violence, I think as we've seen, is an anomaly. We see these spikes periodically."]

Just Another “Anomaly” THIS IS HOW BUSH BRINGS THE TROOPS HOME: BRING THEM ALL HOME NOW, ALIVE



Maribel Luzcando, mother of Army Chief Warrant Officer Two, Isaias Santos Luzcando, at his burial, in Corozal, Panama City, Panama, Jan. 6, 2006. Isaias joined the US Army in 1995. (AP Photo/Tito Herrera)

Camp Pendleton Marines Deployed To Bush's Imperial Killing Ground For 3rd Time

January 7, 2006 NBC San Diego

CAMP PENDLETON, Calif. -- Hundreds of San Diego County-based U.S. Marines and sailors began a seven-month deployment Saturday.

The personnel, members of the 3rd Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment at Camp Pendleton, bid farewell to family and friends Saturday morning in preparation for their latest tour of duty in Al Anbar Province, USMC authorities said.

The activation, which will occur over several days, will be the battalion's third deployment to Iraq since 2003.

IRAQ RESISTANCE ROUNDUP

Assorted Resistance Action:



A police patrol car after a bombing attack in Baghdad January 7, 2006. The attack took place in the city's New Baghdad district. REUTERS/Thaier al-Sudani

Jan 7, 2006 (Reuters) & UPI & Deutsche Presse-Agentur & 1.8.06 Star Tribune & CNN & (Xinhuanet)

A homemade bomb damaged a main pipeline carrying oil from the country's largest refinery in Baiji to the northern Iraqi city of Kirkuk, Kirkuk's police chief said.

Interior ministry sources said a bomber blew himself up earlier in the day targeting an Iraqi police checkpoint in Baghdad, injuring six policemen.

The bomb went off in southeast Baghdad's al-Jadida neighborhood, authorities said, about 10:15 a.m. (2:15 a.m. ET).

A car bomb hit a passing Iraqi army patrol in southeast Baghdad on Saturday, wounding four soldiers and two civilians, police said.

They said the attack took place in the city's New Baghdad district. No further information was immediately available.

Guerrillas assassinated a member of former Prime Minister Ayad Allawi's secular Shiite Iraqi National List in Baghdad, police 1st Lt. Mohammed Kheyoun said.

Guerrillas killed a policeman in western Baghdad, Capt. Qassim Hussein said.

Unidentified guerrillas attacked police patrols in western Baghdad on Sunday, killing one policeman and wounding 13 others, an Interior Ministry source told Xinhua.

"Armed men attacked police patrols at about 11:00 a.m. (0800GMT) at the al-Adel intersection, killing a policeman and wounding 13 others," the source said on condition of anonymity.

A police vehicle was destroyed and another badly damaged in the fierce clashes as the police fired back at the attackers, the source added.

A car bomb struck a convoy of security officials in southern Baghdad on Sunday, killing two of them and wounding five others, an Interior Ministry source told Xinhua.

"A suicide bomber rammed his explosive-laden vehicle into a convoy carrying employees of the Iraqi national security advisor's office and blew it up near the Um al-Tuboul mosque," the source said on condition of anonymity.

Two Iraqi soldiers were killed when guerrillas threw a hand grenade at their vehicle in the centre of Fallujah, according to hospital sources.

In Baquba, northeast of Baghdad, guerrillas attacked a police patrol on Saturday, injuring six policemen, the police said.

**IF YOU DON'T LIKE THE RESISTANCE
END THE OCCUPATION**



An Iraqi senior Oil Ministry official is seen in a morgue after he was killed in Baghdad January 4, 2006. Guerrillas killed the collaborator official in an attack on his car in western Baghdad. The driver was wounded. REUTERS/Ceerwan Aziz



A truck carrying fuel burns after an attack by insurgents north of Baghdad January 4, 2006. (Sabah Albazee/Reuters)

OCCUPATION REPORT

SOWING THE WIND: 2003 REAPING THE WHIRLWIND: 2006



A US soldier searches a house in Baghdad, Iraq, June 4, 2003. (AP Photo/Saurabh Das)

[Fair is fair. Let's bring 150,000 Iraqis over here to the USA. They can kill people at checkpoints, bust into their houses with force and violence, overthrow the government, put a new one in office they like better and call it "sovereign" and "detain" anybody who doesn't like it in some prison without any changes being filed against them, or any trial.]

[Those Iraqis are sure a bunch of backward primitives. They actually resent this help, have the absurd notion that it's bad their country is occupied by a foreign military dictatorship, and consider it their patriotic duty to fight and kill the soldiers sent to grab their country. What a bunch of silly people. How fortunate they are to live under a military dictatorship run by George Bush. Why, how could anybody not love that? You'd want that in your home town, right?]

**OCCUPATION ISN'T LIBERATION
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U.S. Marines from Battalion Landing Team 1st Bn., 2nd Marines remove an anti-U.S. banner found during Operation Moon River, in Kubaysah, Al Anbar province December 31, 2005. REUTERS/Gunnery Sgt. Keith A. Milks/Handout

OCCUPATION PALESTINE



A Palestinian boy takes part in a celebration after Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's sudden collapse, in Rafah refugee camp, southern Gaza Strip January 5, 2006. (Ibraheem Abu Mustafa/Reuters)

[To check out what life is like under a murderous military occupation by a foreign power, go to: www.rafahtoday.org The foreign army is Israeli; the occupied nation is Palestine.]

DANGER: POLITICIANS AT WORK

Homicidal Maniac Detained After Infiltrating Kansas Army Base: (Jan. 6, 2007, S.W.)



January 6, 2007: Shortly after this picture was taken, former Vice President R. Cheney was placed under arrest by soldiers under the command of Staff Sgt. Kevin Benderman, acting on the instructions of the newly elected Ft. Leavenworth soldier's council. He will be transported to Washington DC, and held for trial on charges of high treason. Initial reports from Washington indicate that his jury will be composed of relatives of troops killed during the Iraq War. A press officer for Cheney's legal team said a plea of not guilty by reason of insanity is being weighed, using the above photo as evidence. (AP Photo/Ed Zurga)

Duh!

08 January 2005 By Frank Rich, The New York Times [Excerpt]

What do you think? Comments from service men and women, and veterans, are especially welcome. Send to contact@militaryproject.org. Name, I.D., withheld on request. Replies confidential.

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“I Promised To Help The US Troops In Iraq”

From: pyysalo@mappi.helsinki.fi
To: GI Special
Sent: Thursday, December 29, 2005 4:06 AM
Subject: Some extra help coming in ;)

I promised to help the US troops in Iraq.

Gathering that as wide circulation as possible would do the job, I wrote the piece 'Iraq: Send in Kevin! Britney Spears, the 'Toxic' star of Depleted Uranium' (cf. <http://www.uruknet.info/?p=m19057&l=i&size=1&hd=0>), which is already after six hours no 3 in the Britney Spears google search.

As B.S. is world's most googled/yahoo'ed person, the situation of the US troops is now getting the attention it truly deserves :)

Happy new year!
Jouna

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