

The Mythical War on Terror¹

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When America went into Iraq and Afghanistan after the attack on the Twin Towers in New York (Sep 11, 2001), we were told that this was a “War on Terror.” We were told that other nations would need to make a choice and stand with us or against us. But that story doesn’t quite make sense.

America claims to be fighting a war on terror, but what is the enemy doing? They attacked America. They attacked over and over again starting as far back as 1985 with the attack on the Achille Lauro. The enemy has attacked us on foreign soil and here in the United States. The enemy has attacked Americans, British, Germans and Russians. They also bomb each other. They are killing each other in Baghdad, Egypt, Syria, Libya, and Iraq, to name only a few. This is the part that doesn’t make sense in the context of the supposed war on terror.

And so, we are forced to question this war on terror. Bombing a mall in Nigeria doesn’t create terror in Peoria. Bombing a bus in India, England, or Dagestan doesn’t create terror in Paducah. If the enemy is trying to terrorize Americans, they would not be killing us. They would be making us afraid. An improvised explosive device is not designed to terrorize people. It is designed to kill them.

We also see that the enemy is not just one enemy. The fighting in Muslim dominated countries is most often between two different sects of Islam: The Shia and the Sunni. It seems, therefore, that there are actually three wars in progress. There is the Sunni-Shia war and the two wars being fought by the Sunni and Shia against the western and European infidels.

We must conclude that the enemy is not engaged in terrorizing each other and the west. The enemy is just plain fighting a war. They just want to kill us. They want to kill each other.

None of this changes the fact that American soldiers are fighting for their lives every day. It does, however, lead us to ask if they are being allowed to fight a war? Is there an identifiable enemy or just a bunch of people who want them dead? The truth is that American soldiers are fighting in an almost gangland style conflict. It is violent and bloody, but it is not a war.

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The actual terror in America, if there is any, comes from Washington itself. We are told that we are being terrorized. Even though I am not actually afraid to go down the street and I am not actually afraid to fly across America, I am being told that I should be. The government is telling us that in order to be safe we need to succumb to warrantless searches and invasions of our world. We are told that the government needs to do this because the next guy in line might possibly be a bad guy. There is no question that those in government genuinely want to protect us. The question is why we need to be afraid in order for them to do so.

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Read in concert with all the documentation on COVID and the essay, "Things we Feared in 2020" and the final question asked here is even more poignant.

The original article was written in 2014 and should be taken in context.