The Republican Party Is Fascist The Democratic Party Is *Also* a Machine of Massive War Crimes and Crimes Against Humanity

Nuclear bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, August 1945

Harry Truman (D)



Mushroom cloud over Nagasaki.

As Japan was suing for peace and World War 2 was coming to an end, on August 6, the U.S. dropped the first atomic bomb ever used, on Hiroshima. Between 140,000 and 150,000 people, overwhelmingly civilians, died from the attack and hundreds of thousands wounded. On August 9, the U.S. dropped an even more powerful nuclear bomb on Nagasaki, murdering another 70,000 people. The U.S. is the only country ever to use nuclear weapons.

Military intervention in Greek civil war, 1947-49

The U.S. armed, trained, and led the reactionary Greek military in a bloody counterinsurgency against anti-fascist guerrilla fighters who had driven Nazis from many parts of Greece during WW 2. The leftist fighters suffered losses of many tens of thousands before their surrender in October 1949.

The Korean War, 1950-53

Truman (D), Dwight D. Eisenhower (R)

In June 1950, the U.S. orchestrated a United Nations invasion of Korea, and sent over 340,000 American troops. U.S. and U.S.-led forces killed more than two million North Korean civilians, 500,000 North Korean soldiers, and between 900,000 and a million Chinese soldiers. There were also 1.3 million South Korean casualties. including 400,000 dead.

CIA coup in Iran, 1953

Truman (D), Eisenhower (R)

The CIA and British intelligence launched a military coup overthrowing Iran's elected prime minister, Mohammad Mossadegh who had nationalized Britain's Anglo-Iranian Oil Company, replacing him with U.S. puppet Mohammad Reza Shah Pahlavi. The coup embedded Iran as a key military outpost for the U.S. against regional liberation struggles and in its Cold War clash with the Soviet Union. The Shah ruled as an iron-fisted U.S. puppet for 25 years.

Vietnam War, 1961-1975

Eisenhower (R), John Kennedy (D), Lyndon B. Johnson (D), Richard Nixon (R), Gerald Ford (R)



Villagers in My Lai, Vietnam, massacred by U.S. troops, March 16, 1968.

The U.S. sent more than 500,000 troops and dropped millions of tons of bombs in an effort to defeat the national liberation struggle of the Vietnamese people. By the time the war ended in America's defeat in 1975, its military had slaughtered some two million Vietnamese civilians and one million Vietnamese soldiers. During the war, the U.S. also bombed the small neighboring countries of Laos and Cambodia, killing hundreds of thousands.

Invasion of the Dominican Republic, 1965 Johnson (D)

On April 28, 22,000 U.S. troops invaded the Dominican Republic to crush a just, mass uprising against the country's pro-U.S. tyranny. Thousands of Dominicans were killed.

CIA orchestrates bloodbath in Indonesia. 1965-1966

Johnson (D)

In 1965, the reactionary Indonesian military, led by the pro-U.S. General Suharto, as well as other reactionary forces that it unleashed, slaughtered people with wild abandon. This was set in motion, backed, and orchestrated by the U.S., which provided the military with equipment, weapons, and ultimately tens of billions of dollars. When the bloodletting ended, at least 500,000, perhaps more than a million, had been killed, including members of the Communist Party of Indonesia, trade unionists, intellectuals, teachers, land reform advocates, ordinary peasants, ethnic Chinese, women, and children.

CIA-organized military coup in Chile, 1973

On September 11, 1973, the Chilean military, with secret backing from the U.S., carried out a coup against the leftist government of President Salvador Allende. More than 3,000 Chilean people were executed, thousands more were "disappeared," and tens of thousands tortured; over 140,000 people were rounded up during the coup, and in the few years that followed, as many as one million people out of Chile's population of 11 million were forced into exile.

U.S. Supports Indonesian genocide in East Timor, 1975-1999

Ford (R), Carter (D), Reagan (R), George H.W. Bush (R), Clinton (D)

In 1975, President Ford and Secretary of State Kissinger met with Indonesian dictator Suharto and green-lighted Indonesia's invasion of its neighbor, East Timor. Up to one-third of the Timorese population, as many as 20,000 people, were killed through massacres and enforced starvation. Many Timorese were imprisoned and tortured by a military armed and trained by the U.S. The slaughter continued for almost 25 years.

U.S. backs El Salvador death squads, Contra war in Nicaragua, and genocide in **Guatemala. 1980-92**

Carter (D), Reagan (R), George H.W. Bush (R)



Massacre by U.S.-backed Salvadoran military in El Mozote, December 1981. Photo: Wikimedia Commons

In El Salvador, to crush a guerrilla struggle against its brutal client regime, the U.S. supported, funded, and armed death squads that carried out extra-judicial executions and massacres which killed as many as 75,000 Salvadorans.

In Nicaragua, after the Sandinistas overthrew the pro-U.S. Somoza dictatorship in 1978, and established friendly ties with the Soviet Union, the U.S. worked to overthrow them through its proxy army, the Contras, formed from Somoza's vicious National Guardsmen and other supporters. As many as 50,000 people were killed.

In Guatemala, in 1982, the U.S. backed a military coup by the Christian fascist General José Efraín Ríos Montt, who then launched a genocidal assault on Guatemala's indigenous Mavan population which continued until 1996. It's estimated that some 200,000 people were disappeared or killed.

The Persian Gulf War—the U.S. assault on Irag, 1990-1991, followed by sanctions George H.W. Bush (R), Clinton (D)

From January 16 to February 27, 1991, the U.S. waged war against Iraq to strengthen its grip on the Persian Gulf. Some 100,000 Iraqi soldiers were killed and another 300,000 wounded. The war also caused the deaths of 70,000 civilians by January 1992. By 1997, the UN reported that more than 1.2 million Iragis had died as a result of medical shortages caused by the war and sanctions, including 750,000 children under the age of five.

Invasion and occupation of Afghanistan,

George W. Bush (R), Barack Obama (D), Donald Trump (R), Joseph Biden (D)

In 2001, U.S. forces invaded Afghanistan, drove the Islamic fundamentalist Taliban regime from power, and installed a widely hated, pro-U.S. "Islamic Republic." The U.S. air and ground war continued until 2021. By August 2021, over 200,000 (including more than 70,000 Afghan civilians) had been killed. Afghan people continue to die from the effects of this war.

Invasion, occupation, and ongoing intervention in Iraq, 2003-present

George W. Bush (R), Obama (D), Trump (R), Biden (D)



hildren killed in U.S. air war in Afghanistan, 2009. Photo: AP

In 2003, U.S. invaded Iraq and overthrew Saddam Hussein's regime based on the lie that Iraq possessed weapons of mass destruction. The U.S. war and occupation sparked armed resistance and led to the rise of reactionary Islamic iihadism and the ethnic-sectarian conflict that continues to this day. Some studies estimate that between 1.2 and 1.4 million (and perhaps as many as 2.4 million) people in Iraq have died from the war's direct and indirect impacts. More than 4.2 million Iragis had been injured and at least 4.5 million driven from their homes by 2016.

U.S., British, French war on Libya, 2011 Obama (D)

In March 2011, the U.S., Britain, and France seized on a mass uprising against Muammar al-Qaddafi's oppressive 42-yearlong rule to launch a war. For the next seven months, the U.S.led coalition carried out extensive bombing raids and military operations. By October, between 10,000 and 30,000 had been killed and Qaddafi's regime had been shattered. Libya was turned into a battleground between reactionaries, and life became a nightmare for the people, with shortages of food, water, and electricity.

Arming, backing, and enabling the Saudi-led war in Yemen, 2015-present Obama (D), Trump (R), Biden (D)



U.S.-backed Saudi Arabia airstrike on Yemen, 2015. Photo: AF

In March 2015, Saudi Arabia, with U.S. backing, launched a war against Yemen's Houthi movement. Since then, over 150,000 people have been killed. The Saudis have bombed Yemen's food, water, and medical systems, causing massive hunger and disease. As many as 400,000 children have starved to death as a result.

U.S. support for Israel's wars, 1948-present Truman (D), Johnson (D), Nixon (R), Reagan (R), Clinton (D), George W. Bush (R), Obama (D), Trump (R), Biden (D)

The U.S. supported the foundation of Israel, which was created by defeating armies from Egypt, Jordan, Syria, and Iraq in war, and by violently forcing at least 750,000 Palestinians from their lands and homes. Zionist forces took more than 78 percent of historic Palestine, ethnically cleansed and destroyed about 530 villages and cities, and killed about 15,000 Palestinians in a series of mass atrocities. This is known as the Nakba (Arabic for catastrophe). Since then Israel has launched a series of aggressive wars in the region. Israel, backed with billions of dollars of U.S. aid annually, has increasingly functioned as a key U.S. proxy and attack dog.

Backing and arming Ukraine in dangerous proxy war with Russia, 2022-present Biden (D)

Since the invasion of Ukraine by Russia, the U.S. has supplied massive amount of arms (\$30+ billion so far) and intelligence to the Ukrainian army. The aim is to weaken Russia and its ability to challenge the U.S. Tens of thousands have died in this war. There is very real danger of this proxy war between the U.S. and Russian imperialists spiraling into direct war, including the use of nuclear weapons, between these two rivals.

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