

Truth in Recruiting – "Don't Believe the Hype!"

The Tulsa Peace Fellowship's Counter-Recruitment Update/Digest, for June 2011

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THURSDAY, JUNE 9TH, 2011

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DISCUSSION:

Time to rethink U.S. involvement in the occupation of Afghanistan.

epitaph for this edition of "Truth in Recruiting"

"The chain reaction of evil — wars producing more wars — must be broken, or we shall be plunged into the dark abyss of annihilation."

~Martin Luther King, Jr.

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Legislation to be introduced in Congress on Wednesday would require all U.S. service members to undergo job-skills training before leaving the military, a measure that supporters say is aimed at cutting the high unemployment rate among veterans of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

About 27 percent of veterans age 20 to 24 are unemployed, according to recent statistics from the Labor Department. Many veterans returning from service in Iraq and Afghanistan are finding themselves at a competitive disadvantage when they look for civilian employment in the difficult economy because they lack job-skills training, according to Sen. Patty Murray (D-Wash.), the bill’s sponsor.

“One of the biggest barriers they face upon returning is finding a job,” Murray, who is chairman of the Senate Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, said in an interview Tuesday.

The legislation would require all departing service members to participate in the Transition Assistance Program, which is administered by the Labor Department in partnership with the Defense Department and the Department of Veterans Affairs. The training, which is now voluntary, includes job-search techniques, resume writing and interviewing tips.

“They’ve been out of the workforce, and that puts them at a disadvantage,” said Paul Rieckhoff, the executive director and founder of the Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America, which is supporting the legislation. “This is a good way to soften their landing. These folks shouldn’t have to face high unemployment rates when they return. They shouldn’t be coming home to unemployment checks.”

As many as one-third of departing service members do not participate in the program, according to Murray’s office. Commanders do not always set aside time to allow demobilizing service members to take advantage of the training. In other cases, service members are given little or no information about the program, or do not want the training.

The legislation also would require the Defense Department, the Labor Department and the VA to jointly sponsor a study that would identify how to eliminate barriers in translating military jobs into civilian employment. Military medics, for example, are often unable to get certification that would allow them to get civilian positions despite their training. “They have tremendous experience in Iraq and Afghanistan, and they come home and they can’t drive an ambulance,” Murray said.

Murray said the numbers of unemployed young veterans might grow as more troops return from Afghanistan.

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Villagers brought their dead children to the governor's office shouting: "See, they aren't Taliban"

The BBC
Quentin Sommerville
29 May 2011

Afghan President Hamid Karzai has forcefully condemned the killing of 14 civilians in the south-west of the country in a suspected Nato air strike.

Mr Karzai said his government had repeatedly asked the US to stop raids which end up killing Afghan civilians and this was his "last warning".

A Nato spokesman said a team had been sent to Helmand province to investigate the attack carried out on Saturday.

Afghan officials say all those killed were women and children.

The strike took place in Nawzad district after a US Marines base came under attack.

The air strike, targeted at insurgents, struck two civilian homes, killing two women and 12 children, reports say.

"The president called this incident a great mistake and the murdering of Afghanistan's children and women, and on behalf of the Afghan people gives his last warning to the US troops and US officials in this regard," his office said.

A group from Sera Cala village travelled to Helmand's capital, Lashkar Gah, bringing with them the bodies of eight dead children, some as young as two years old, says the BBC's Quentin Sommerville in Kabul.

"See, they aren't Taliban," they chanted as they carried the corpses to local journalists and the governor's mansion.

President Hamid Karzai has criticised Nato for not doing enough to prevent such deaths, especially during "night raids" and has called on the country's ministry of defence to stop what he described as "arbitrary" operations by foreign forces.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-south-asia-13589193>

featured op/ed

DoD Dodges Deadly Dust Data

by Kelley B. Vlahos, May 24, 2011

The military could have had the answer to Persian Gulf syndrome for years and did nothing about it, as tens of thousands more veterans return from war in the region, possibly suffering from the same exposures and symptoms.

Simply put: it's in the dust.

A growing body of evidence indicates that U.S. soldiers have been exposed to a highly toxic "stew" of microscopic particles—including 37 metals and 147 different kinds of bacteria, as well as disease-carrying fungi—found uniquely in the Iraqi dust.

In a *USA Today* report by longtime military reporter Kelly Kennedy on May 12, a team of scientists under the authority of the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Northport, N.Y., said veterans who had been deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan were seven times more likely to suffer from what they called "lung injury," or respiratory-related illness, compared to their cohorts who had been deployed elsewhere.

"Not only do soldiers deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan suffer serious respiratory problems at a rate seven times that of soldiers deployed elsewhere, but the respiratory issues they present with show a unique pattern of fixed obstruction in half of cases, while most of the rest are clinically reversible new-onset asthma, in addition to the rare interstitial lung disease called non-specific interstitial pneumonitis associated with inhalation of titanium and iron," said Anthony Szema, a professor of medicine and surgery at the State University of New York at Stony Brook School of Medicine, who presented the findings at a conference last week.

The study, which surveyed 7,000 veterans who served between 2004 and 2007, is reportedly the latest and biggest of its kind. The results jibe with a smaller-scale study Szema did a year ago, and with work being done with veterans by Dr. Robert Miller, associate professor of Allergy, Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, at Vanderbilt University Medical Center.

Dr. Mark Lyles, chair of the Health and Security Studies at the U.S. Naval War College, said he and his team of fellow researchers found fine particulate matter—that is, dangerously microscopic particles of matter suspended in the dust—exhibiting rare concentrations of the aforementioned bacteria and metals, including aluminum, lead, manganese and chromium, far greater than any acceptable health levels here in the U.S. For example, he said the average American home has particulate matter of 1 microgram or less per cubic meter. The worst day in Iraq recorded by the team seven years ago measured an average of 2,000 micrograms per cubic meter during a *minor* dust storm. Major dust storms would peg their instrument at 9,999 micrograms per cubic meter—the highest it would go.

“It’s like breathing in peanut butter,” said Lyles, who is a doctor of dental medicine and has a PhD in cellular and structural biology. “You couldn’t re-create that in your house if you had to.”

In 2005, Lyles said he prepared a report based on his 2004 findings for the office of the Navy Surgeon General. He recommended that N95 dust protection masks be issued upon request, and that convoys be protected from dust exposure. “A dust nuisance mask would have reduced the exposure 99 percent. Especially people in convoys or laying on the ground... that’s what we’re talking about, are they still not taking the proper steps in acting on this?”

For countless individuals who’ve served overseas, the prospect of solving the mystery now is cold comfort, seeing that, as Lyles suggested, a 15-cent mask could have prevented the health problems they are living with today.

<http://original.antiwar.com/vlahos/2011/05/23/persian-gulf-syndrome/>

file under: Afghanistan, the graveyard of empires

Tom Engelhardt reacts to the spate of "green-on-blue" violence aimed at U.S. occupying forces

May 19, 2011 on TomDispatch

“Afghan officer fires on NATO troops, kills 9”: This was breaking news when it happened. On April 25th, a veteran Afghan air force pilot, armed with two weapons and in a specially guarded and secure area of Kabul airport, suddenly opened fire on a group of Americans evidently involved in a training program for Afghan pilots. He gunned down eight U.S. Air Force personnel, including a lieutenant colonel, four majors, two captains, and a master sergeant, as well as a private contractor (himself a retired U.S. military officer) before being killed. It was “the deadliest episode to date of an Afghan turning against his own coalition partners.” But hardly the only one. In a sense, this was no news at all. It was already at least the fourth time in 2011 that someone dressed in an Afghan army or police uniform had turned a weapon on U.S. or NATO personnel. Among such incidents was one just three weeks earlier in which a man wearing a border police uniform, reportedly “upset over the recent burning of the Quran at a Florida church,” killed two Americans, and another in February in which an Afghan soldier, reportedly “offended by his German partners,” killed three of them, wounding yet more.

By military count, since March 2009, 17 such incidents have been reported. Since the mass killing at Kabul airport, there has already been an 18th in which, according to sketchy reports, a man in an Afghan police uniform opened fire on two NATO personnel at a “luncheon” in Helmand Province in the country’s embattled south. In such incidents, at least 34 Americans have died. (Not counted in this total, evidently, is an incident in January 2010 in which a Taliban double or triple agent blew himself up amid a group of CIA employees on a forward operating base in Eastern Afghanistan, killing seven of them, including the station chief.)

Such incidents pile up repetitively, without adding up to anything of significance here. Yes, the literal math has been done and it should be striking, even shocking, to Americans, and yet these news stories seldom get much attention and have already fallen into a he said/he said pattern in which the only crucial question becomes: Was the killer a Taliban plant or a “rogue” member of the Afghan security

forces? As soon as such an attack occurs, the Taliban -- which has made striking strides in entering the modern age of media spin -- promptly takes credit for it, claiming that whoever blew away a coalition soldier was one of its own and the incident a carefully planned operation.

It's easy to understand why the Taliban would want to associate itself with such events. Harder to grasp -- though no reporter seems to give it a second thought -- is the U.S./NATO response. Their spokespeople regularly hustle out statements insisting that whoever attacked U.S. or coalition personnel was not connected to the Taliban, but simply having a truly bad day/life (experiencing, say, financial or psychological stress) and that, as a result, the incident was an "isolated" one, "not part of any organized pattern," or as an American general summed it up to reporters, "rare." And yet the phenomenon turns out to be common enough that the military has a label for it: "green-on-blue" violence.

Consider this, though: Is the thought that the enemy is capable of repeatedly infiltrating American or NATO ranks really more devastating than the thought that, on a really bad day, "our" Afghans, the ones we are training or regularly working side-by-side with, have a deep-seated, repetitive urge to blow the foreigners away? That seems to me the devastating message U.S. military officials are rushing to reinforce.

Where else is there such a record of police and military personnel blowing away their own trainers and ostensible allies so often? Isn't it possible that all those "rogues" are offering a collective message Americans simply don't care to hear?

The missing learning curve. At home and abroad, Americans seem remarkably incapable of doing anything other than repeating the same self-defeating acts.

<http://www.tomdispatch.com/archive/175394/>

file under: bringing the war home

Troubled Veterans and Early Deaths After Iraq

By Aaron Glantz

Published: May 28, 2011

New York Times

Records obtained from the government by *The Bay Citizen* under the Freedom of Information Act, show that the V.A. is aware of 4,194 Iraq and Afghanistan veterans who died after leaving the military. More than half died within two years of discharge. Nearly 1,200 were receiving disability compensation for a mental health condition, the most common of which was post-traumatic stress disorder.

The new data comes amid growing criticism of the V.A. for its handling of veterans returning from Iraq and Afghanistan. On May 10, the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, in San Francisco, cited the V.A. for "unchecked incompetence" and ordered an overhaul of how it provided health care and disability benefits.

The decision grew out of a 2007 lawsuit in which two veterans groups accused the V.A. of failing to provide proper care for hundreds of thousands of Iraq and Afghanistan veterans with post-traumatic stress.

In October, The Bay Citizen, using public health records, reported that 1,000 California veterans under 35 died from 2005 to 2008 — three times the number killed in Iraq and Afghanistan during the same period.

“V.A. still doesn’t get it,” said Paul Sullivan, executive director of Veterans for Common Sense, a nonprofit advocacy group.

The agency, Mr. Sullivan said, is “intentionally and outrageously ignorant about what’s happening to our veterans.”

http://www.nytimes.com/2011/05/29/us/29bcveterans.html?_r=1

More coverage on DemocracyNow!

Story from October 18, 2010

War’s Hidden Death Toll: After Service, Veteran Deaths & Suicides Surge

http://www.democracynow.org/2010/10/18/wars_hidden_death_toll_after_service

Five US Soldiers Killed in Baghdad Attack

Rockets Targeted US Base Near Sadr City

by Jason Ditz, June 06, 2011

At least five US soldiers were killed today in the deadliest single incident against troops in Iraq in two years. The five were killed at “Camp Loyalty,” a US military forward operating base in the city of Baghdad, not far from Sadr City.

Iraqi security officials say that at least six missiles were fired against the base, and hit near the living quarters. The US confirmed the deaths but provided no additional information on the attack.

It is so far unclear who was responsible for the attacks.

The presence of US troops in Iraq has been hugely controversial, and it is doubly so for those operating within the cities. Though the US made a big deal of “withdrawing from the cities” and of ending the “combat mission,” operations within cities and combat both continue, and if US officials have their way will continue to do so for the foreseeable future.

<http://news.antiwar.com/2011/06/06/five-us-soldiers-killed-in-baghdad-attack/>
[includes photo of bombed-out barracks]

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May 23, 2011
Virginian-Pilot

NORFOLK -- Bryan Minkyu Martin, the Navy intelligence specialist convicted of attempted espionage, said Friday that he was "blinded by greed" when he sold classified documents to a man he believed was a Chinese spy.

A military judge Friday sentenced Martin to 34 years in prison a day after he pleaded guilty to 11 charges. The judge also issued Martin a dishonorable discharge.

Martin acknowledged in court that he had betrayed his country but said he does not hate the United States.

"My soul was blinded by greed," he said. "I am filled with remorse and self-loathing," he continued. "I was arrogant and greedy and selfish."

He then turned to his parents sitting behind him and wept as he apologized to them. His parents adopted him from South Korea and raised him in a small town in upstate New York.

<http://www.military.com/news/article/sailor-gets-34-years-in-prison-in-espionage-case.html?col=1186032310810>

U.S. Veterans Admit Burying Deadly Chemical in Korea

The Environment Ministry is investigating claims by three American veterans that the U.S. Forces Korea buried the toxic defoliant Agent Orange at one of their bases in Korea. KPHO-TV in Phoenix, Arizona on Monday broadcast interviews with the three.

One of them, Steve House, who served as a heavy machinery operator at Camp Carroll in Waegwan, North Gyeongsang Province in 1978 said, "Yeah, it haunts me. We basically buried our garbage in their back yard." The soldiers were ordered to dig a ditch almost the size of a city block. "Fifty-five gallon drums with bright yellow, some of them bright orange, writing on them," said House. "And some of the cans said Province of Vietnam, Compound Orange."

Robert Travis, who served at Camp Carroll with House, said, "There were approximately 250 drums, all OD green," adding he remembers hand-wheeling each barrel out of the warehouse. Travis said he developed a red rash all over his body after accidentally touching the chemical that seeped out of the drums. Agent Orange was widely used during the Vietnam War and is an extremely toxic chemical based on the carcinogenic compound dioxin and causes trees and plants to wither and die.

The Environment Ministry said Thursday it will launch an investigation of the environmental effects, including contamination to the underground water supply and rivers, following an on-site inspection of Camp Carroll and consultations with experts.

http://english.chosun.com/site/data/html_dir/2011/05/20/2011052001085.html

Protest and Resistance on Jeju Island

news from Dec 2010, in South Korea

The people of the Gangjeong village on Jeju Island in South Korea are in the midst of the fight of their lives. They are facing down the Navy and their plans to destroy their sacred coastline for a Navy base for U.S. Aegis destroyers.

28 December 2010
from Bruce Gagnon

The protests against the Navy base on Jeju Island (in the Gangjeong village) moved to the biggest city on the island today - Jeju City - as activists attempted to set up an encampment vigil outside the Island assembly building.

The Pan Island Committee Against the Military Base confronted the Jeju City authorities and police as the city did not allow the activists' tent vigil in front of the Island assembly. One member was arrested and two women - of whom one was greatly wounded in her face - were carried to the hospital.

Otherwise, the Lee Myung bak [right-wing] national government announced on Dec. 27 that it would manage 10 ports as the governmental management port including Gangjeong (Civilian-military complex), Hwasoon (maritime police port) in the Jeju island, and Chuja Island in the southern part, near the Jeju Island. The other two ports will be in the East Sea (Japan Sea) while five ports will be in the western sea. People say the plan must be against China.

All of this in order to build a Navy base that is needed as the U.S. Navy builds more ships and deploys them in the region. Maine's Sen. Olympia Snowe (Republican) has said over and over again to the media in our state that more Navy ships are needed to "protect" against China's expanding power. There can be now doubt that this base has nothing to do with North Korea. It is all about projecting power toward China in order to block their ability to import oil on ships along the waterway between Jeju Island and mainland China. The Chinese import 80% of their oil via this sea route and if the U.S. can successfully "choke off" their ability to transport oil then the U.S., who can't compete with China's growing economy, would be able to still hold the "keys" to their economic engine.

It is hardball politics that the U.S. is playing here in this expensive and dangerous game. The people on Jeju Island, sadly enough, are just pawns in the way of imperial designs.

Thirty-four citizens were arrested trying to block 66 cement trucks from dumping their concrete on the rocky coast.

Photo album: http://www.space4peace.org/actions/jeju_island_protest_12_10.htm

German soldiers admit to shooting Afghans

The German military on Friday admitted its soldiers in Afghanistan deliberately shot several people during a violent protest outside their base in the northern town of Taloqan.

An investigation being carried out at the Provincial Advisory Team (PAT) base has so far established that German soldiers on Wednesday were shooting at protesters' legs and in three or four cases, at their torsos.

"In one case, according to current information, a hit in the head-neck area cannot be ruled out," a statement from the Bundeswehr released on Friday said.

The soldiers had followed the standard engagement procedures by first shouting and gesturing at the protesters, before firing in the air and then firing shots aimed at the legs of those who were still being threatening, it said.

"In three, possibly four cases (final clarification is not available) shots were fired on violent attackers (hand grenades, Molotov cocktails) in the torso area, arms and hands. In one case, according to current information, a hit in the head-neck area cannot be ruled out."

At least 12 people were killed during Wednesday's violent demonstration which was prompted by the deaths of four locals during a night-time raid by ISAF forces.

The PAT base, where 40 German soldiers are stationed, was surrounded by a group of up to 1,500 people, some of whom threw grenades and Molotov cocktails at the base. The police tried to calm the situation, and, the Bundeswehr statement said, also shot at some protesters.

<http://www.thelocal.de/national/20110520-35155.html>

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who we are:

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Tulsa.

"Waging Peace One Person at a Time".

Through its counter-recruitment task force, TPF is a member of the **National Network in Opposition to the Militarization of Youth (NNOMY)** representing some 188 counter-recruitment groups in cities and towns across the country. On the web: http://www.nnomy.org/joomla/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=216&Itemid=91

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Saturday July 2nd, 2011, 12noon to 2pm, with the theme: "U.S. Out of Afghanistan Now!"

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You must sign in to yahoo! groups to see the archived "message history"

TPF messages have been archived online since 2002

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- f.. You May Be Lied To
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