

## 'Appropriate Behaviour' in an Insane World

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### Another 'only in America' Insanity

*Consider the HORRENDOUS innocent civilian death toll in America's recent wars of resource theft and the continued daily killing of innocent civilians by CIA and Pentagon UAV Drones, which is somehow acceptable or at least doesn't seem to offend the American mass media and then consider the recent media hysteria over US marines pissing on the murdered corpses of Afghani freedom fighters (or innocent civilians?) and you will get a sense of the depths of real depravity, irrationality and sheer lunacy to which America has sunk. America today is not a nation, it is a dangerous DISEASE that must be fought on every front!*

Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and Defense Secretary Leon Panetta have been making the media rounds lately, speaking out against the [US Marines urinating](#) on the corpses of slain Afghans with the intention of telling the world that urinating on the dead bodies is not appropriate behavior; it doesn't reflect the standards of the American armed forces. It's just "not consistent with our core values," in the words of Defense Secretary Leon Panetta.

True, it's a disgusting thing to do, but I can't help asking: what exactly are our core values these days, Mr. Panetta? It's kind of confusing. You give the orders to invade and occupy their country, Afghanistan, and that it's perfectly fine to drop bombs from drones and massacre these people who are attempting to defend themselves in their own country, (a little wee fact that we tend to forget), you give the orders to slaughter them on sight, which have turned our U.S. soldiers into ruthless killers, and then you scold them for urinating on their dead bodies because, it's just not "consistent with our core values".

So let's get this straight: It's okay for the U.S. Marines to kill Afghans in their own country, but they must never urinate on the slain men after the Marines made a bloody pulp out of their bodies with hundreds of bullets. Keep killing, no urinating.

I'm confused. Again, I must ask: What exactly are our core values, Mr. Panetta? I really would like to know.

*For those somewhat confused about American 'core values,' they are legalised torture; indefinite detention without trial or charge on suspicion; illegal military invasions, occupations and plunder of weaker nations based on LIES; domestic surveillance, Corporate person status, Banker and Wall St Fraud and the stripping of all previous liberties and rights from the population -- to name a few!*

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