## **Euphemisms, Militarism and U.S. Psychopathology**

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I have long since given up wondering why the masses tolerate the most heinous criminals in government; the answer to that was so obvious it was elusive. These days freelancers and associated drunks in the ranks of Murdoch's Orwellian media, review past stories when nothing dramatic presents for 'gory story' and associated press! Hacks are instinctively attuned to language. Word abuse from those in high places always grates and alerts to possible subterfuge. Professionals do not appreciate the tools of their trade being abused by oafs and unqualified sordid types.



In the hands of prominent U.S. sociopaths, Cheney and Bolton for example, the innocuous becomes vile, foul and lethal. John Bolton, former U.S. Ambassador to the UN, recently referred to 'regime change' in reference to the sovereign nation of Iran, "I believe that ultimately the only real prospect of getting Iran to give up nuclear weapons is to change the regime", he said – notwithstanding the fact that Iran does not possess nuclear weapons! We shouldn't forget that Saddam Hussein didn't possess WMD either, but let's not let reality or truth interfere with our plans for world domination and plunder!

The insane ravings of Washington madmen could fill a volume, who could forget Bolton's "painful response" and Cheney's 'take 'em out', referring to leaders of oil rich nations (Iraq and Iran) who refuse to dance the exploitation jig of Uncle Sam. Added to the list is the transposition of "global warming" to 'climate change' – that's better, much less alarming, we wouldn't want the amenable masses to stampede!

The horror and abhorrence of the reality behind these harmless sounding expressions should alert the sane world that the patients have taken over the asylum. Corporate induced global warming has already breached the so-called 'tipping point'. The consequences of global warming promise to dwarf all previous social and environmental cataclysms – with the possible exception of the dinosaur mass extinctions. The horrendous 655,000 civilian death toll in Iraq is too hot to be referred to as

'collateral damage' so is strenuously ignored by the mass media. "Regime change" is the new American euphemism for invasive warfare, military expansionism, murder, plunder and neocolonialism.

But we shouldn't become despondent; we have the "road map" and the "new way forward" to console us while the "surge" delays the inevitable.

Who would have thought that a period in world history marked by unprecedented levels of literacy and education is also the period the masses are managed and manipulated by simplistic slogans, euphemisms, platitudes and flagrant lies?



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