

## American Imperialism and the Symbiotic Narco Trade

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A recent report alerting to the appearance of commercial quantities Afghan brown heroin in the far-away (from source) location of Adelaide, Australia, may indirectly assist American militarists and politicians understand why it is that NATO is reluctant to support the U.S. in further calamitous misadventures in the Middle East, Central Asia or anywhere else. It seems the world is no longer enamoured with the violent, brutish, simplistic, naive and INCOMPETENT leadership of the USA – Robert Gates, take note!



***Afghan poppy field***

The UN office of drugs and crime has released figures indicating that Afghanistan is now the world's largest supplier of opiates – a fact known for some time in other (organised crime) circles. Furthermore, the UN report states the opiate trade will continue to grow at an “alarming rate!” For analysts and other specialists these figures are no surprise as the Afghan reality mirrors the Vietnam experience; we refer all researchers to Alfred McCoy's excellent book, 'The Politics of Heroin in South East Asia,' in which he outlines the model – in use today – by the CIA and American military in opium growing regions.

Numerous detailed analyses exist, however, none are able to escape the fact that amoral America, willingly and fully conscious of the costs, enters into arrangements with drug warlords in order to expedite its short-term military ambitions!

Too often the servile mass media fraternity lacks the will or courage to follow a story to its logical conclusion – in this instance that story is how American self-interest is affecting the lives of millions of families in Europe and now Australia via the illegal drug trade.

Europe is presently experiencing an explosion in heroin usage as a result of U.S. pacts with Afghan warlords regarding the destination of tons of opiates produced in the region. The largest percentage of heroin destined for Europe enters the continent via Albanian criminal syndicates, especially the notorious Kosovo Liberation 'Army' -- now a close ally of the United States!

America is pursuing its ambitions at EVERYONE'S expense; the U.S. does not hesitate to break any law or convention in its manic pursuits, as has been clearly evident since 'Bush' took office.

However, it would seem the world is no longer willing to pay the price for the ambitions of one

belligerent nation! America is slowly learning that it must enter into civilised relations with the rest of the world or face becoming the enemy of ALL.

As a consequence of supporting American ambitions Western Europe and now Australia are paying with the lives of their children via the drug epidemic facilitated by the USA!

It is a strange irony that western indifference to the deaths of others in far-away nations now manifests as casualties very close to home.

See:

<http://www.radioaustralia.net.au/connectasia/stories/s2157724.htm>



***Heroin and syringe***

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