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## Who is going to believe anything you or the USA say anymore, Mr. Trump?

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Mr Trump,

They demand trust. They speak of threats, of necessities, of military strength. But tell me one thing: Why should anyone still believe you—or the US? Out of sympathy? Certainly not. Or rather: no longer. At the beginning of your second presidency, I actually thought that with you at the helm, things might change. I considered you someone who would break with this sick imperialist thinking. I thought you could be a president of peace. Today I know those were illusions: Iran, Gaza, Venezuela, and even your absurd ideas regarding Greenland—when you threatened a NATO partner—show that you don't stand for a break with US imperialism, but for its continuation, with the goal of maintaining an unsustainable unipolarity. Even if you and your Deep State don't like it, multipolarity is unstoppable!

The pattern you're following is very old. The American public, too, seemed to have become accustomed to their government's illegal military operations. Americans have apparently grown accustomed to their country's illegal wars – why should anyone still get upset about them? That could change with the Iran conflict.

Looking at the history of US military conflicts, one quickly realizes: the individual conflicts differ – but the underlying pattern is practically always the same.

Before I discuss specific conflicts, I would like to briefly explain: how did the USA achieve its current size?

The settlers took over the eastern part of what is now the USA by systematically pushing back, fighting, decimating the indigenous population and forcing the rest into reservations.

The center of the country came into being in 1803 through the Louisiana Purchase, in which the USA bought a vast territory – practically the center of the present-day USA – from France under Napoleon Bonaparte for a paltry 15 million dollars – a deal of the century. Perhaps this real estate transaction served as a model for dealmaker Donald Trump in his "efforts" regarding Greenland, when he considered buying the country from Denmark.

And the US won the West in the war against Mexico – triggered by the dubious Rio Grande story. In the mid-19th century, US troops moved into a disputed area along the Rio Grande. Then shots were fired. And it was said: Mexico had "shed American blood on American soil,"

which in all likelihood was untrue or provoked by the US – much like the current conflict in Ukraine – but it stirred outrage among the emotionally charged Americans. The perfect pretext for war was created, and it began.

The typical US tactic: They provoke an incident that outrages the nation, and they get the green light for their imperialistically motivated war. Here are further examples of this perfidious approach:

### **Kuba 1898 – „Remember the Maine“**

A US warship, the *USS Maine*, exploded in Havana harbor. Over 250 people died. The American press immediately pointed the finger at Spain. This gave rise to the battle cry: "Remember the Maine! To hell with Spain!" *Propaganda* and manipulation at its finest! It worked perfectly because the high death toll made it an emotionally charged event, a "clear" culprit – Spain – was found, and the simple slogan was easy to remember. The phrase was disseminated everywhere – in newspapers, on posters, in speeches – and massively swayed public opinion in favor of war. However, since the shattered hull was pushed outwards, it's reasonable to assume that the explosive charge was placed from the inside – assuming it was indeed an explosive charge. Rumors circulated that it could also have been an internal technical malfunction, such as a coal bunker fire, which is considered rather unlikely. Regardless of the cause, war had long been a foregone conclusion for the US empire of lies.

After the war with Spain (1898–1899), Cuba formally became independent, but in reality remained under strong US influence – American companies secured large parts of the economy, especially sugar plantations, and Washington reserved the right to military intervention at any time. This pattern would be repeated many times.

### **Philippines**

In the war against Spain in 1898, the USA presented itself as a liberator. In the Philippines, they initially helped defeat the Spanish colonial power. Then they assumed control themselves. The USA supposedly fought for the freedom of the Philippines. In the end, they themselves emerged as the new colonial power in this island nation. The people, who had just fought for their independence, did not simply allow themselves to be subjected to another foreign rule – they continued to fight, only this time against the USA.

And so the imperialist history of the USA continues. There were countless other US military actions, self-serving reasons for their relatively late intervention in the First and Second World Wars, their atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Iran in 1953, and Guatemala in 1954 – elected governments overthrown not because of tyranny, but because of specific US interests – and so on. If you are interested in these connections, I can recommend the book "Illegal Wars" by Dr. Daniele Ganser.

Now let's turn to Vietnam, which has cost millions of people their lives in Southeast Asia and was started with a lie by the USA.

### **1964, Gulf of Tonkin.**

An alleged attack by North Vietnamese boats on US ships. The US reacts. Congress passes the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution. This clears the way for war. It later turns out that the decisive attack never took place.

These false claims were not minor inaccuracies on the fringes of sensationalist reporting. They triggered a war that has claimed the lives of more than three million Vietnamese and approximately 58,000 US soldiers – just consider the relative numbers of casualties. And that's not even mentioning the wounded, those suffering from radiation poisoning, and the traumatized.

The US waged the war with full force, with carpet bombing, napalm, defoliants like Agent Orange, destroyed villages, and destroyed livelihoods. Despite this, the US did not win that war, and they will probably not win the current war with Iran either, because the Vietnamese knew, and the Iranians know, what they were fighting for – their survival, their sovereignty. The US soldiers no longer know this; they only know that they are fighting for the deadly imperialism of the US. And that doesn't necessarily satisfy every soldier's heart. Even if you were to drop an atomic bomb, or have the Israelis do this "dirty work", Mr. Trump, you would have lost the war because the whole world would hate you and your country as well as your Israeli terrorist allies for it.

The pattern in the Vietnam War is once again unmistakable: an incident – a clear (in reality deceitful) narrative – political legitimization – military escalation.

The Vietnam War – which began with a lie – is no fluke. One might think that after Vietnam, after millions of deaths, after a war that began on a foundation of lies, the US would have learned its lesson. One might think that such mistakes would not be repeated. Far from it!

### **The Iraq War – Kuwait 1990**

Another emotionally charged, seemingly clear-cut story has resurfaced: the incubator lie. A fictional story, emotionally perfectly staged as follows:

A young woman – Nayirah – appears before a committee in the US Congress. She speaks through tears. She reports that Iraqi soldiers ripped babies from incubators and threw them to the ground. A scene that hits home, shocks, and has an impact. The media picks it up, and politicians use it. The public reacts as hoped: with outrage, anger, and support for intervention.

It later turned out that this story, too, was a complete fabrication. The witness was the daughter of the Kuwaiti ambassador to the US. She wasn't even in Kuwait at the time of the alleged events. The entire statement was part of a professionally organized PR campaign – implemented by the agency Hill & Knowlton on behalf of Kuwaiti interests, an agency that has attracted negative attention in other contexts as well. Shame on such agencies, on such instruments of evil!

This is no longer a coincidence; it's staged, there's a system behind it! This story of the young woman has served its purpose: it has emotionally legitimized the war, sown doubt, and transformed a diabolical political strategy—controlling oil—into a moral necessity in the name of good. Once again, the same pattern: a shocking event—an emotional narrative—a clear assignment of blame—political approval—military action. Only then does the truth come to light, quietly, belatedly, and for most, without consequences. The lie has served its purpose. This isn't just politics; it's a staged reality. The question is no longer whether mistakes happen and lies are told, but how many times the same story can be told before no one listens anymore.

One might think that by now the US would have learned its lesson. By now, they would have become more cautious with grand pronouncements, dramatic narratives, and supposedly irrefutable findings. But then came 2003, and the next justification for war was ready, this time not tearfully presented before a committee, but with a solemn expression before the world. And it achieved its purpose: Iraq War II was launched.

### **Lie about weapons of mass destruction in Iraq**

President George W. Bush is sitting in the White House. Secretary of State Colin Powell is addressing the world:

„Every statement I make today is backed up by sources...“  
"Every statement I make today is supported by sources."

He speaks of weapons of mass destruction, of imminent danger. The result: war. The problem: these weapons were never found. Powell himself later calls his own speech a "stain" on his career. You, Mr. Trump, in your boundless, narcissistic self-importance, will probably never admit that. You simply don't have the stature! As a self-proclaimed Christian, have you ever actually considered the commandment "Thou shalt not kill"?

And what about today, Mr. Trump? Now we're talking about the present. This isn't a history lesson anymore. This is happening now.

### **Iran – Escalation without a clear end**

An illegal war, a violation of international law, started by you, Mr. Trump, and Benjamin Netanyahu, for which you are even demanding the support of NATO and other nations. You want others to participate in this crime, in this killing. How utterly out of touch is that? You call countries that don't participate in this killing cowards. Are non-murderers then cowards? Something's clearly not right in your head!

The US airstrikes on Iranian territory continue, resulting in deaths and injuries, a region on the brink of conflagration, and yet you declare: everything is under control, everything is necessary, everything is justified. This is simply not true.

On April 1, 2026, Mr. Trump, you stood before the nation in a televised address and spoke as if you had practically already won the war against Iran. You acted as if the war was almost won, while objectively speaking, the situation was anything but. Reuters reported on April 3 that you simultaneously continued to threaten to destroy even more Iranian infrastructure, while it remained unclear how this war would even be brought to a clean end. On the same day, you told Reuters that the US would leave Iran "fairly quickly" but could return at any time—this, too, is not a sign of strategic clarity, but rather another example of your erratic war rhetoric and your lack of a plan. And when even Reuters reports on mounting political pressure, falling approval ratings for you and your war, and a botched televised address, it's easy to see: you were selling the public security where, in reality, uncertainty, contradiction, and chaos reign. Your speech was half a lie and half nonsense! Their "musical chairs" game is obvious.

It was also remarkable that you, Mr. Trump, spoke like Netanyahu's parrot. At many points, you repeated the Israeli Prime Minister's litany. It was almost embarrassing, this inane drivel

about "Iran as a terrorist state, as a sponsor of terror, as the world's greatest threat, as a nuclear bomb manufacturer." Israel is a terrorist and rogue state that has killed countless civilians in Gaza – including more than 20,000 children. The world's greatest threat is the USA, which also drops nuclear bombs if its opponent doesn't comply.

One can only hope for a multipolar world so that the terror emanating from the USA and Israel can finally be contained.

The war drags on, the US strategic goals remain unclear, and experts are talking about a possible strategic failure. Mr. Trump, that doesn't sound like control; it sounds like escalation without a plan. You can lie to yourself—I think you're quite good at that, being a prime example of a narcissist—but don't expect clear thinkers to believe you. To them, you're an open book.

And one more thing: their behavior is contradictory. On the one hand, threats, escalation, maximum force.

On the one hand, there are offers of talks, negotiations, and then suddenly de-escalation. Today pressure, tomorrow dialogue, and the day after tomorrow, threats again. A political pendulum swing between confrontation and appeasement. You can sell this as a strategy. You can call it "building pressure while negotiating." To me, it looks different. It's not a plan, it's uncertainty, and you're panicking. Deep down, you know that you've scored an own goal with this renewed war with Iran, no matter how this war ends. Those who are truly in control don't need to constantly switch between maximum escalation and sudden willingness to talk. Someone who does is inconsistent; their uncertainty is predictable. Iran has long since noticed your uncertainty and knows that, for now, they hold the upper hand. The more you threaten, the more certain Iran can be of the correctness of its actions. Your threats are the reaction of a cornered individual. Iran's ally is time, which you don't have.

Not only is the situation escalating, but trust in your leadership and in the USA – both domestically and in foreign policy – is also crumbling.

Let's take a look at the events that preceded your efforts to control oil and raw materials.

### **Venezuela and the Presidential Kidnapping**

Venezuela, January 2026: US special forces invade Venezuela and arrest the incumbent president, Nicolás Maduro. Donald Trump probably felt like a Western hero, coolly and casually taking down inconvenient people. That's not cool, Mr. Trump, that's sick. Maduro and his wife were abducted to the US and later brought to trial on dubious charges. These charges were, of course, merely a pretext to gain control over the world's most oil-rich country. This military action was a violation of Venezuela's sovereignty, a breach of international law, whatever you call it, Mr. Trump. Such actions have nothing to do with the rule of law within the international community. This is disgusting power politics, a policy of might makes right. Pathetic, Mr. Trump. Soulless.

From the Middle East to Latin America – a single line. Iran, Venezuela, which together – purely by coincidence, of course – possess over a third of the world's oil reserves – and in between, a whole arc of crises: conflicts surrounding Gaza and the Middle East, military entanglements here and there, and increasing international tensions. Your goal isn't stability in the region – you can fool others with that, Mr. Trump – but control. Control over oil, control

over Eurasia, whose rise the US has been trying to prevent by any means necessary since entering World War I.

The problematic aspect of the US approach – both historically and today – is not just the individual conflicts, but the justification for them. Imperialists like you, Mr. Trump, trot out terms like "necessary," "without alternative," "for security," and the like. It's all just mindless drivel from power-hungry and possession-obsessed psychopaths who succumb to the psychosis of wanting more! How often have we heard this feel-good nonsense? Before Vietnam, before Iraq, and so on... And how often has it later turned out that the story behind it was a lie?

Even your own base is beginning to doubt, Mr. Trump. The mistrust isn't just coming from outside, but also from within. Doubt is growing among the population – according to Reuters, only about 7% of Americans support a large-scale ground troop deployment in Iran, which you and apparently a few others – militarily and ethically speaking – are considering. Criticism is growing even within your own political camp; there is a general increase in skepticism towards new wars in the US. Within the military, too, the question is growing: What is this war actually good for? More and more soldiers are realizing that they are not fighting for democracy, freedom, and human rights, but for the power and property elites and their puppets, like Donald Trump, unfortunately.

Mr. Trump, you are not only losing credibility internationally, you are losing it at home as well. The numbers are clear: A clear majority of Americans oppose this war. Two-thirds want to end it as soon as possible. And only a fraction – one in ten – supports further escalation. In other words, your war no longer has broad support.

And even where you should expect support – within your own ranks – it's beginning to crumble. Reports show that soldiers are doubting, questioning, and wondering what they're actually fighting for. This isn't manifesting as open resistance – not yet – but it reveals a loss of conviction. And you'll feel that in the midterm elections in November.

A war can be decided upon politically, but it is waged by people. And when these people no longer see its purpose, then a war begins to disintegrate from within. And that is what I hope for.

You can start wars, Mr. Trump, but you can't force people to believe in them.

### **Letter to the editor from Benjamin Kradolfer**

Dear readers, I just received a letter from a reader that I felt compelled to share with you. Benjamin Kradolfer gives ample vent to his frustration with the antics of the narcissistic MAGA-US president.

### ***No Nobel Peace Prize, but 1000 Oscars***

*For his appearance before the press on Easter Monday evening, resurrecting a single US colonel from the deadly inferno in the evil realm of Iran, US President Trump may not have deserved the Nobel Peace Prize, but he definitely deserves a whole basketful of Oscars: for the most laughable story, the most unbelievable script, the most mendacious direction, the most ridiculous self-aggrandizement, the dumbest dramaturgy, the most egregious and dangerous misapprehension of reality, the most horrifying hostility, etc., etc., and, last but not*

*least, for his life's work, which represents a single, arrogant outdoing of the most ludicrous fantasies of omnipotence with which Hollywood has repeatedly flooded world cinema. His entourage in this idiotic monkey business, too: the CIA chief, the defense minister, a highly decorated military officer, yes: the whole pack of journalists in the room – they all deserve to be duly showered with Academy Awards for Bullshit Merit for the most sycophantic ass-kissing of all time.*

*Anyone who hasn't grasped it yet, and still refuses to understand the killing, will never understand: From the very beginning, Trump's "Make America Great Again" was nothing more than "Make US-Junk as Great as I Am, Always Was, and Will Be Forever." He will remain true to this motto until his downfall. And even that, you can be sure, will be absolutely great! Amazing! Incredible! Unbelievable! Phenomenal! Breathtaking! etc. etc.*

Not exactly a tribute to Donald Trump, which he doesn't deserve. Thank you for your very apt comment, Mr. Kradolfer.

### **Conclusion**

The present reads like a repetition: Vietnam, Iraq I, Iraq II, and now the same thing again. You, Mr. Trump, are proving yourself to be a shallow thinker, who uses grand pronouncements to justify a rapid escalation based on a non-existent threat.

If you say today, Mr. Trump, "this is necessary," "this is justified," "this is the truth," then that's no longer enough, because the world remembers the lies of those in power throughout US history and your blatant lies from the recent past. Why should anyone believe a single word you or the US say after the Gulf of Tonkin lie in Vietnam, the incubator lie in Kuwait, and the lie about weapons of mass destruction in Iraq? The new conflicts follow old, deceitful patterns.

Mr. Trump, credibility isn't a PR product. You can't claim it, and you can't force it. You can only squander it. And that's precisely what has been happening in the US. The lie wasn't told once, not twice, but repeatedly, the same pattern, with different content in Vietnam, Iraq I, Iraq II, and now in Iran. And anyone who keeps telling the same story shouldn't be surprised when eventually no one believes it anymore.

And I thought you were actually a peace president, Mr. Trump. Excuse my gullibility.