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These days, the media are full of news about the death of former Al-Qaeda leader and Islamist Osama bin Laden.<sup>1</sup> Apparently, a US Special Command killed him in Abbottabad, Pakistan<sup>2</sup>, whilst Barack Obama and the members of his cabinet observed that action, filmed by a helmet camera of a soldier, live on the screen.<sup>3</sup> His corpse was some hours later dumped into the Arabian Sea<sup>4</sup>

US-president Obama commented the killing of Osama bin Laden immediatly:

„For over two decades, bin Laden has been Al Qaeda's leader and symbol, and has continued to plot attacks against our country and our friends and allies. The death of bin Laden marks the most significant achievement to date in our nation's effort to defeat Al Qaeda.

Yet his death does not mark the end of our effort. There's no doubt that Al Qaeda will continue to pursue attacks against us. We must -- and we will -- remain vigilant at home and abroad.“<sup>5</sup>

But revenge and satisfaction on Bin Laden's death is not a good security advisor. US-Administration shouldn't be too priggish and arrogant about what they did, as there is still a permanent threat for them and their allies, because Al-Qaeda as a terrorist formation still exists and will soon find a new frontman for their struggle for justice, as their ideology to rule the world under islamistic sharia doctrine is still alive all over the (muslim) world.

In my eyes, the killing of Bin Laden didn't in any way make the world more secure. I think it was a big mistake to act so inconsiderately, because acting like that, US-Administration again condescend to use the same military logic as the terrorist themselves. Because death penalty, in this case even without a court is never a legal democratic action.

Even though it was possible to arrest Osama bin Laden, as he himself was not armed in any way<sup>6</sup>, he was murdered by headshots. This is nothing but murder. The right action would have been, to bring him to International Criminal Court in The Hague, as it is right for a war criminal. In this case, I have the same opinion as Berlins Senator of the Interior Erhart Körting:

„Nach Ansicht von Berlins Innensenator Ehrhart Körting etwa wäre Osama bin Laden eigentlich ein Fall für den internationalen Strafgerichtshof in Den Haag gewesen.

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1 Baker, Peter/Cooper, Helene/Mazzetti, Mark: Bin Laden is dead, Obama says, in: New York Times from May 01, 2011, online under: [http://www.nytimes.com/2011/05/02/world/asia/osama-bin-laden-is-killed.html?\\_r=1](http://www.nytimes.com/2011/05/02/world/asia/osama-bin-laden-is-killed.html?_r=1)

2 McPhedran, Ian: US Navy Seals took war to Osama's door, The Daily Telegraph from May 03, 2011, online under: <http://www.dailytelegraph.com.au/news/us-president-barack-obama-announces-osama-bin-laden-is-dead/story-e6freuy9-1226048782276>

3 Irion, Bettina: Osama bin Laden erschossen – Obama verfolgte bin Ladens Tötung live, in: BZ Berlin from May 03, 2011, online under: <http://www.bz-berlin.de/osama-bin-laden/obama-verfolgte-bin-ladens-toetung-live-article1174803.html>

4 Focus: Terrorchef – Leiche auf See bestattet, in: focus.de from May 02, 2011, online under: [http://www.focus.de/politik/ausland/osama-bin-laden/terrorchef-leiche-auf-see-bestattet\\_aid\\_623224.html](http://www.focus.de/politik/ausland/osama-bin-laden/terrorchef-leiche-auf-see-bestattet_aid_623224.html)

5 New York Times: Complete text of Obama's announcement on Osama, in: ndtv.com from May 02, 2011, online under: <http://www.ndtv.com/article/world/complete-text-of-obamas-announcement-on-osama-102798>

6 Hannoversche Allgemeine: Weißes Haus – Osama bin Laden war bei Angriff unbewaffnet, in: haz.de from May 03, 2011, online under: <http://www.haz.de/Nachrichten/Politik/Osama-bin-Laden-ist-tot/Osama-bin-Laden-war-bei-Angriff-unbewaffnet>

Der SPD-Politiker sagte am Dienstag, man empfinde sicherlich Genugtuung, wenn ein Mensch, der Massenmord zu verantworten habe, in irgendeiner Form zur Rechenschaft gezogen werde. "Mir als Jurist wäre es lieber gewesen, wenn er vor dem internationalen Strafgerichtshof zur Verantwortung gezogen worden wäre." Zudem kritisierte Körting den Jubel über den Tod bin Ladens. "Wie wir reagieren, ist auch für die zukünftige Sicherheitslage relevant."<sup>7</sup>

But in USA and elsewhere, incited by their governments, the crowd celebrated the death of Bin Laden as if war is a olympic game, which is harmful for the new security circumstances.

This shows again: Whoever has political majority in USA, Republicans or Democrats, doesn't accept international law, but sets his own rules like in the wild West. US-Administrations do whatever they want, not according to any law, which is immoral and anti-democratic. They act like that, because most of them are just stupid (self-)indoctrinated Christians, who in fact are not really different from Islamists, as they don't accept scientific improvement in philosophy and social science.

Osama bin Laden was a preacher of hate and a terrorist, that's for sure. But a democratic government accepting the rule of law has to prove someone's guilt undoubtedly, before there can be a penalty in a fair and open court case.<sup>8</sup> I guess there were not enough evident facts to do that easily.

For democratic countries, and especially the European Union there is a different standard of law, which in my eyes is more modern and shows the intellectual power of an upcoming supranational actor.

Well, there is an obvious reason, why US-governments don't accept international law: it is because they would have to bring themselves to court immediately for their imperial actions:

Just to remember: The terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center in 2001 killed about 3000 innocent people<sup>9</sup>, and surely the terrorist wanted to have more people dead, if they could. That was a violation against human rights and surely a terrorist act, there can be no doubt about that.

But: In the brutal imperial oil war, lead by US-government in Afghanistan, there were killed even more people: approximately 14.000-34.000 civilians, also more than 38.000 Taliban combatants and 12.000 soldiers of the NATO-coalition against the taliban regime.<sup>10</sup> This is more than 20 times more, just if you compare. If you add it together, there are again almost 100.000 death people, just for ideology, oil, new markets and to satisfy White House's thirst for revenge, which simply consists of religious fanatic Christians, no matter what party is in it.

With that brutal war and with that extralegal killing of Osama bin Laden, Barack Obama and his administration lost control. It is, as if they want to start their own decline. Obamas cabinet definitely

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7 Der Westen: Terror - SPD-Politiker hätte Osama bin Laden vor Gericht sehen wollen, in: derwesten.de from May 03, 2011, online under: <http://www.derwesten.de/nachrichten/politik/SPD-Politiker-haette-Osama-bin-Laden-vor-Gericht-sehen-wollen-id4605711.html>

8 Laux, Andreas: Bin Ladens Tod und das Völkerrecht – Illegitim, na und?, in: focus.de from May 02, 2001, online under: [http://www.focus.de/politik/ausland/osama-bin-laden/tid-22152/bin-ladens-tod-und-das-voelkerrecht-illegitim-na-und\\_aid\\_623397.html](http://www.focus.de/politik/ausland/osama-bin-laden/tid-22152/bin-ladens-tod-und-das-voelkerrecht-illegitim-na-und_aid_623397.html)

9 Bureau of Vital Statistics, New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene: Summary of Vital Statistics 2002 – The City of New York, page 49, online under: <http://www.nyc.gov/html/doh/downloads/pdf/vs/2002sum.pdf>

10 Wikipedia.org (Englisch): War in Afghanistan (2001-present), online under: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/War\\_in\\_Afghanistan\\_\(2001%E2%80%93present\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/War_in_Afghanistan_(2001%E2%80%93present))

proved, that the USA is a regressive society in comparison with the free countries in the European Union. Their power is only militarily, whereas free Europe is a civil power and intellectual power and by that even stronger than US, which you can see in two more fact: The growth of European Single Market and the welfare policy.

US-System is reactionaire, because it cannot become common law, to kill 100.000 people for oil, new markets and ideology, and it cannot become international law to kill a person, who is disarmed, even if he is the most wanted terrorist in the world.

One cannot be a laureate of Nobel Prize for Peace, who gives the order for such acts of violence and who threatens and harms his own allies and brings our citizens to Guantanamo, which is simply a concentration camp, like the Gulags in former Soviet Union or the German KZs. But most murders now are directly outside the US, who use weapons of mass destruction against their enemies.

If you, as some commentators do, refer to what Immanuel Kant wrote about the killing of a tyrant, you have to ask the right questions. Who is the tyrant? Small Al-Qaeda with no real money in comparison to US-imperialism is like David against Goliath.

US-imperialism, their military world supremacy and the worldwide capitalist regime is the worlds tyrant and not a stupid ideologist like Osama bin Laden. Who had the power to steal the oil in Afghanistan and Iraq? Who has the power to capture everyone at any time everywhere on the world map? Osama or Bush and Obama? I guess its obvious now. Osama was just a good mind, who thought you can get rid of US-Imperialism by one terroristic show event together with rhetoric of spiritual awakening.

It is the same as with former Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein, whose accusal at International Criminal Court would have been possible. His execution was a violation against international law as well.<sup>11</sup> For democracies, there can be no punishment like death penalty, because it is inhuman.

If you compare both events with the free and open court case against the former yugoslavian dictator Slobodan Milosevic<sup>12</sup>, who was accused by mainly Europeans and the UN, you can see, that Europe has the more secure and effective political system, with the rule of law on his side. European Union is therefor the more intelligent political actor in World Politics, whilst US-System is just like barbarianism and tyranny.

Absolutely unnecessarily, these US-soldiers, in order to do so by the political will of their government, made a martyr out of Osama bin Laden, who was spiritual leader of a reactionaire ideology that spreads hate all over the world. This islamist misinterpretation of Islam still exists and the terror networks will work with a new frontman.

German expert for the Middle East Ulrich Kienzle commented it this way:

„Zynisch betrachtet könnte man den Tod Bin Ladens als eine für beide Seiten relativ vernünftige Lösung ansehen. Denn die Amerikaner sparen sich einen Prozess und eine mögliche Inhaftierung im Gefangenenlager Guantánamo und alles, was damit zusammenhängt. Und Osama bin Laden hat ja immer verkündet, dass er den Tod liebt und gerne stirbt. Nun wird er genau das, was er immer

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11 Welt Online: Freude, Ablehnung und Trauerbeflagung, in: welt.de from December 30, 2006, online under: [http://www.welt.de/politik/article705603/Freude\\_Ablehnung\\_und\\_Trauerbeflagung.html](http://www.welt.de/politik/article705603/Freude_Ablehnung_und_Trauerbeflagung.html)

12 Süddeutsche Zeitung: Auslieferung – Milosevic ist in Den Haag, in: sueddeutsche.de from June 29, 2001, online under: <http://www.sueddeutsche.de/politik/auslieferung-milosevic-ist-in-den-haag-1.636164>

werden wollte – ein großer Märtyrer.“<sup>13</sup>

In this cynicism is a lot of truth. I think, the Pakistani regime betrayed Bin Laden to the US-government just to get rid of him, because by building a sect with his own interpretation of Islam, he could be harmful for their state religion.

On the other side, the hate of Bin Laden's ideology is still present. Nothing has changed with his death and international islamistic terrorism is still a permanent threat.

It seems, that US-Administration has still not realized, that with acting alone on their own rules and with the „help of God“ you cannot win against international terrorism. This foreign politics of the USA is harmful for the security of their own citizens and for the citizens in Europa and Russia and all democratic states as well. You can see this simply in the new menace by the Pakinstinian government to the USA, who blame them for the violation against their territorial integrity.<sup>14</sup>

US-Administration hazards the consequences of the danger to their NATO-allies just to present a scalp again, just like with Saddam Hussein after the war in Iraq.

You have to receive the impression, that Obama needed a trophy before the troop withdrawal from Afghanistan to conceal, that his war was nothing more but a bloody imperial war for oil and new markets, just frightened for the own benefit to maximize profit using the victims of the terrorist attacks in September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001 as a vehicle to do so.

From a outstanding perspective, you could summarize like this: Osama, Obama and Bush – three criminal religious fanatics and fascists fighting for oil, markets, drugs and religious ideas, who are all just stupid ideologies. One is out of the game now. But it's still just one out of three. And there is still no „game over“ for US-Imperialism, a consequence of capitalism, which is a fascist economic system, that causes the death of hundreds of people every day, just by a structure of antagonistic class differences, which holds the Third World in permanent poverty by using direct and structural violence.

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