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**Barack Obama's Mission to Neutralize and Destroy
Critical Thought & Serious Political Consciousness**

Keeping it Real

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Throughout recorded history, empires have resorted to utilizing surrogates of one kind or another to do their bidding. The 21st century U.S. Empire is no different in this regard.

Barack Obama is presently the surrogate emperor of and to the U.S. Empire, and his task is to neutralize and destroy, as much as possible, any and all critical thought and serious political consciousness on the part of Black, White, Brown, Red, and Yellow peoples in this nation. As the Wall Street barons and banksters of the U.S. corporate / military apparatus shrewdly and correctly observed, prior to *overwhelmingly* supporting *then candidate* Barack Obama for the U.S. Presidency, the masses of people were *yearning* for change. What better way to *maintain* the existing order of the empire than to give them *fake* change in the person of Barack Obama?! What better way to continue the stranglehold by the corporate vampires around the necks of the people than to give the *appearance* of loosening their hold only to get an *even tighter grip* in the person of Barack Obama?!

In just under six months, with the ascendancy of Barack Obama to the U.S. Presidency, the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan have been *widened* even as Obama seeks approximately 100 billion *more* dollars for these reprehensible, despicable and ultimately unwinnable wars. Nevertheless, at this time when a genuine, focused, and strong *peace movement* in this nation is needed more than ever, it has become a pathetic whimpering shadow of itself at this point under the Obama presidency.

Instead of being much needed *critical thinkers* and *active* citizens in this so-called U.S. democracy under the Obama presidency, far too many have degenerated into being unthinking *fans* of this double-speaking, pro-apartheid Zionist, war-mongering, Wall Street-supported Barack Obama. Meanwhile, precious time is slipping away nationally and globally.

As Mr. Double-speak, U.S. President Barack Obama **reverses** and **reneges** on campaign promise after campaign promise, while the ever-subservient and compliant corporate media attempts to cover for him by referring to those promises to the people as *mere "campaign rhetoric"* from the past, it is time for critical thinkers to organize and remind one another that Obama is more of the same - only worse.

Obama, in fact, does *not* support universal single-payer health care. Obama *is*, in fact, spreading and expanding the bloody U.S. wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. Obama is anything *but* transparent on the subject of torture. Obama is *not* in support of prosecuting the war criminals of his predecessor's regime and *is* busily proceeding down the very same disgusting path. Despite his double-speak rhetoric, Obama is a smooth-talking systemic clone endowed with a slightly darker pigmentation and a better acting ability than his predecessor. The times today are very, very dangerous and it is incumbent upon us all to fight against slipping into lethargy and *persist* in critical thinking and uncompromising, principled activism.

We must utterly refuse to be neutralized by the "worm tongue" rhetoric of Barack Obama and his administration. It's time for people in this nation Black, Brown, White, Red, and Yellow *to wake up and get busy!* We must not let the dream be "deferred" yet again. Make it more than a "dream." Struggle to regain our consciousness and make it a *reality*.

Onward my brothers and sisters! Onward...

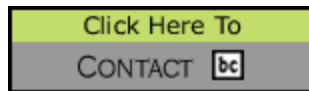
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