KOSOVO: THE QUESTION THAT NO ONE IS ASKING

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The bombing in Kosovo has begun. All the talking heads and Clinton spin meisters, including the King himself, have been repeating over and over and over all last evening and today that Americans support this madness. Do they really? ABC, MSNBC, FOX and a half dozen other government media outlets have conducted an on-line poll for the past 24 hours that says something else:

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1. Do you think NATO should launch air attacks against Serb targets if they do not accept the proposed peace agreement?

Yes: 6.0% No: 94.0%

2. If the peace agreement is met, do you think the 4,000 U.S. troops should be used alongside of 28,000 NATO troops as a means of maintaining peace in the region?

Yes: 4.2% No: 95.8%

These numbers have not been used on any major network, CNN, FOX or MSNBC. I wonder why. It couldn't be information control could it? Of course not. That's just more vast right-wing conspiracy stuff!

CBS, NBC, ABC, CNN, FOX and other "newsies" throughout this day have said over and over and over that 60% of Americans support our air strikes and feel America has a moral obligation to be in Kosovo. Excuse me, but most Americans out there can't even find Kosovo on the map much less have any understanding of how these "ethnic Albanians" got into Serb territory.

The on-line poll is completely opposite of the poll results blarney from the "all the news that's fit to fake" media being pumped into tens of millions of homes tonight at 5:00. One of Hitler's favorite methods of brainwashing was repetition of phrases and hot button words. If you repeat the lie often enough, people will believe it. Clinton and his boys are experts at this and sadly, the majority of Americans simply parrot what they hear in these 15-second sound bites and then hurry on down to the mall for that sale or to the local watering hole for a cold brew while they watch the NBA in action.

Clinton has kept up his rhetoric that we must go in and bomb Kosovo now or we'll just have to do it later at a higher cost. Really? We don't have to be there at all and should not

be there at all. There is no question that the civil war going on over there for the last 1,000 years is horrible.

But we have no national interest over there and I am wondering where Clinton and his UN were a couple of years ago when the majority Hutu's were busy slaughtering 750,000 human beings and fellow countrymen, women and children of the minority, the Tutsis. Hacking old people, children, it didn't matter, hacking them to death, rape, pillage, plunder.

During this horrific and ugly event in the history of Rwanda, Clinton and his UN New World Order soldiers sat silent. I guess that wasn't the kind of "ethnic cleansing" they are interested in stopping, just let Africans kill each other off. Never mind that the Ruskies are so mad over Clinton's new war, it's probably boiled their vodka. We'll just toss them another \$10 or \$12 billion in foreign welfare and they'll bluster a bit and settle down. Then again, maybe they won't. Maybe they'll just make sure the Serbs have enough of the latest model MIG's so they can shoot down our military.

Yesterday, as usual, the Republicans caved and voted to support our troops in this effort for one reason and one reason only: so they'd look good to the voters next year. They caved on a vote to stop all funding for this operation - an act of war against a sovereign nation. Had these political cowards in the Republican Party, you know, the ones who have the majority vote in the house and senate, voted to stop all funding, the madness would not have reached this point. But, the party "leadership" said that Clinton was going to do it with or without their approval so let's pass a resolution to support the troops. Does anyone see anything wrong with this line of thinking? The President is going to war and he doesn't give a whoop if Congress likes it or not, he's going to do it anyway? And you wonder why I call him King Clinton? America's Alleged Moral Obligation

The talking mouthpieces today have all said that we just have to go in there now and bomb because if we don't, no one will believe us anymore because Clinton has threatened and threatened and never follows through. Now, there's a good reason if I ever heard one! Fred Barnes from the conservative Weekly Standard stated today on Brit Hume's Special Report that America has a moral obligation to go to Kosovo and bomb the hell out of their country. Yeah, he says there are some sovereignty concerns but, well, that's just too bad. America needs to go over there and use force to keep peace. Does anyone see anything wrong with this line of thinking?

For the love of God, is anyone listening to themselves? FORCE TO KEEP PEACE? Why, there is no such thing. This guy, Milosevic is cornered, he's fighting on his own terrain and he's fighting for his country. Very, very dangerous. In the press conference today with Bill Cohen and Hugh Sheldon, Chmn of the JCS, I heard nothing but weak tea as justification for this act of war - an act without the vote of Congress. Sheldon looked quite green around the gills and I don't think it was because of his green uniform. I think these general officers are coming to realize that whatever the outcome of this madness, their stars are going to be in jeopardy one way or the other and the blood of thousands

will be on their hands at the behest of a liar and an impeached Commander-in-Chief. Well, they can thank the weak sisters in the U.S. Congress for their dilemma.

Whose Loyalties Lie Where?

Last night on FOX, retired Colonel David Hackworth, a great, great guy, said that after the first bomb falls, Kosovo will forever be known as Clinton's Cemetery. Heaven help all the people who have been duped, who are being used by the world's masters and let us pray that we don't end up in WWIII over this.

Last night on the same show, a former member of Congress was interviewed. He's also the head honcho at the American-Albanian something or other. He was giving the big sales pitch as to why it's America's responsibility to go bomb the Serbs. He was ask twice by the host: Will you go over there and fight for the Albanians? Will you send your son over there to fight for the Albanians? This "American-Albanian" refused to answer and changed the subject, twice. Let real Americans go die for his old country but by God, neither he nor his will put their backside in harm's way to fight for his motherland. A long time ago, Teddy Roosevelt said there is no room for hyphenated Americans in America. This situation is the classic and perfect example of what Roosevelt was talking about.

Both sides of this civil war are guilty of atrocities and the whole damn situation between these people is sickening. But one thing I am sick to death of is hyphenated American this or hyphenated American that by all these people whose loyalty is not to America, it's with "the old country." My father's family came over here from Germany to escape Hitler. They are all blue-eyed blonde Germans, but their first and only loyalty once they got to America was America, period. My father served in the Navy and his father went to work for the U.S. government in the scientific field. No hand-outs, no welfare and no special privileges because they were immigrants. They were called krauts by the locals but they remained loyal and steadfast to the Stars & Stripes.

My mom's family came over from Palermo to escape the Mafia. They are all brown-eyed folks with black hair and who love their pasta. When they got here, their first and only loyalty was to their newly adopted country, America. No hand-outs, no welfare and no special privileges because they were immigrants. They were called wops by the locals, but they remained loyal and steadfast to our Republic. Today, people come to America but espouse their loyalty to Mexico, Communist China, Communist Viet Nam, Russia or Columbia - first. Being an American is an after thought to too many of them and you can see it in every state of the Union, on college campuses and out in front of the White House every day of the week. Is it any wonder that America can't unite?

Who's Making the Decisions?

Getting back to the purpose of this rant. There is one question that every reporter should be asking and yet I have not heard a single soul on television or radio ask it:

Back in late August 1998, Clinton was in Ireland playing diplomat. During one of his speeches, he said the following in response to a question about being removed from office if he was impeached:

"You know, by the time you become the leader of a country, someone else makes all the decisions."

If Bill Clinton, President of the United States of America, says that someone else is making all the decisions, just who is he talking about?

That's the 64,000 question in my mind. Who decided America would hie on over to the other side of the world and launch a billion dollars worth of ordinance at the Serbs? If Clinton isn't making the decisions any longer, America has the absolute right to know who is.

Who is controlling this chess game? Not Clinton and not the Congress. Just for the sake of curiosity, you just might want to send your Congress critter a postcard with Clinton's quote and ask them: Whose making the decisions?

I leave you with these wise words:

"A professional politician is a professionally dishonorable man. In order to get anywhere near high office he has to make so many compromises and submit to so many humiliations that he becomes indistinguishable from a streetwalker."

H.L. Mencken (1880-1956)"