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During foot and mouth, we counted the corpses

For many years now the citizens of Iraq have been required to accept persecution by Saddam's secret police, punishing UN sanctions or domination by foreign US/UK troops. Now the dehumanisation of Iraq's resistance is complete.

There can't be many villages where the locals' vision of liberation is to be surrounded by a 10 kilometre long fence 8 foot tall. This, however, is what the United States Department of Defense wants us to believe is the case in the village of Siniyah. Read the [press release](#). A concentration camp may spring to mind, or the treatment of cattle during an outbreak of foot and mouth disease - first the containment of all movements.

Put simply, the military have decided to treat the growing resistance in Iraq like an epidemic. The movement of individuals is restricted by building barriers around 'hot spots' - barriers through which the 'virus' can not spread. This might be six feet wide ditches or high fences. Large numbers will be slaughtered since the El Salvador option (ie.death squads) has been prescribed.

The method for dealing with opposition in Iraq is clear. We dehumanise it. We eradicate it. We don't even keep count of the corpses. This is the 'liberty' we are bestowing on Iraq - Empire's liberty to do as we please.

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Coalition order let 'security' forces torture with impunity from 06/04
Detainees systematically abused at Muthanna airbase in 2009
Journalists, farmers, worshippers, taxi drivers... killed mercilessly

2009

Babies born with an eye in the middle of the forehead
Judge dismisses case against Blackwater staff who shot civilians
Use of capital punishment spirals in Iraq. 120 executed this year
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With respect to Iraqis, UK justice sees only what it chooses to
My country is still a prisoner of war, says the shoe thrower
100,000 Sunni militia were paid by US to assist with the 'surge'
5760 dead 'showed marks of torture "bruises, drills holes, burns"

2008

Iraqi journalist becomes national hero for throwing shoes at Bush
Cheney - no regrets over Iraq invasion or use of torture
Senators find Rumsfeld & Bush at fault for encouraging Abu Ghraib
Contaminated water and untreated sewage still killing Iraqis

Main hospital left with 1 working lift, no air con, no drinking water
MoD see Iraqi lives as 'cheap' says father of son with 93 injuries
Kidnapping, torture, arbitrary detention = daily lives of Iraqis
50 permanent bases, authority to arrest, immunity from Iraqi law
Coalition troops still firing at civilians and journalists with impunity
1200 Iraqi military desert in 2 hours. Anyone say cannon fodder?
'We live in a nightmare. Death and carnage is everywhere'
Iraqi civilian deaths tops 300,000 UK army deaths of WWII
4 million Iraqis forced to flee, 1000s, 10,000s, 100,000s killed
Iraqi asylum seekers given deadline to leave UK
Ex-SAS soldier: 'Britain knew about US torture'
1,000,000 killed - (1 in 5 households have lost a family member)
"My name is Sarah and I am in psychological operations"
901 US troops killed in '07 and 2000 resistance attacks per month

2007

Child malnutrition - 19% under sanctions, 28% under occupation
Child mortality up 30% in Basra under UK/US occupation
Blackwater guards kill 17 Iraqi civilians without provocation
Cholera outbreak spreads to Baghdad
UK leaves Iraqi collaborators to the 'lions'
5000 attacks a month against US/UK troops and their collaborators
Unmanned 'grim reapers' will bomb in Afghanistan and Iraq
'A dead Iraqi is just another dead Iraqi... You know, so what?'
Residents resist US plans to wall off neighbourhoods
Unreported abuse of innocent civilians by troops in Iraq
Prison wall 3 miles long built round Sunni district in Baghdad
92% of attacks aimed at occupying & government forces
The Legacy of Fallujah
This is a guilty verdict on us as well
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Iraq violence, in figures
650,000 killed - that's one in 40 Iraqis
More than one triangle of resistance
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