

## TV News: Pimping for the Pentagon!

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Is it still a conspiracy theory when the entire plot is exposed on the front page of the Sunday NY Times? Today's story blows the lid off the myth that television is in any way fair and balanced, in any way trustworthy, and in any way real news.

Most Americans will never see the NY Times story because the TV news networks will not expose their own lies on their own news programs. Just imagine CNN, FOX News or NBC, ABC or CBS featuring this headline:

### [Behind Military Analysts, the Pentagon's Hidden Hand](#)

#### **Courting Officers Tied to Military Contractors**

*Records and interviews show how the Bush administration has used its control over access and information in an effort to transform the analysts into a kind of media Trojan horse — an instrument intended to shape terrorism coverage from inside the major TV and radio networks.*

The report exposes the complicity of the TV news networks in featuring military 'analysts' selected by the Pentagon to promote Bush's invasion and occupation of Iraq

The TV networks will never draw public attention to their complicity in supporting the Bush/PNA C plans for war, the illegal invasion of Iraq, and the continued occupation of a sovereign nation that never posed a threat to the people of the United States. No way. They cannot acknowledge their role in intentionally duping the public into believing the lies prepared and disseminated directly from the Pentagon and the White House.

Think about it: how do you get a news story to the public about the crimes of those who report the stories in the first place? It ain't gonna happen.

It really is a smoking gun story. NYT story shockingly reveals a "...a symbiotic relationship where the usual dividing lines between government and journalism have been obliterated. It points out that specific military analysts we saw on our TV screens over and over and over

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since 9/11 were selected by the Pentagon ...”for a public relations push to construct a case for war. **Journalists were secondary.**”

*“We didn’t want to rely on them to be our primary vehicle to get information out,”*

The NY Times got hold of Pentagon documents that repeatedly refer to the military analysts as “message force multipliers” or “surrogates” who would faithfully deliver administration “themes and messages” to millions of Americans “in the form of their own opinions.”

But even uglier, if that is possible, is the revelation that these corrupted military analysts were personally involved in helping companies win military contracts. Several of these ‘honorable’ soldiers held senior positions with contractors that gave them direct responsibility for winning new Pentagon business. Others held board positions with military firms and had responsibilities involving government business, while several of the ‘analysts’ were defense industry lobbyists.

The outrageous details are in the article. It’s an important read that demands distribution and discussion. It’s another charge on the list of crimes perpetrated on our republic by the thugs who hold the reins of government in the United States. But it will be swept under the rug once again, and it once again will be business as usual.

And despite this story, so many people still firmly believe that they are getting real news and accurate information from their television newscasters. For whatever reasons, they cannot and will not question the lies told to them, no matter what evidence is presented to the contrary.

But, maybe the Internet will once again come to the rescue as articles such as this are read and linked and posted for others to read. Maybe, or maybe not.

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