

War is like love, it always finds a way.

- Bertolt Brecht, Mother Courage

The defense policy of the United States is based on a simple premise: The United States does not start fights. We will never be an aggressor. We maintain our strength in order to deter and defend against aggression – to preserve freedom and peace.

- Ronald Reagan

There are different kinds of truths for different kinds of people. There are truths appropriate for children; truths that are appropriate for students; truths that are appropriate for educated adults; and truths that are appropriate for highly educated adults, and the notion that there should be one set of truths available to everyone is a modern democratic fallacy. It doesn't work.

- Irving Kristol, Conservative author, considered one of the key founders of the neo-conservative movement.

If we have to, we just mow the whole place down, see what happens.

- Mississippi Senator Trent Lott, Newsweek, November 10th, 2003

President Bush's advocacy of "regime change" is a not altogether unworthy product of Strauss's rehabilitation of the notion of regime.

- William Kristol, Editor of The Weekly Standard, and Steven Lenzner, Rapporteur

I wrote stories I could not have produced had I not been embedded... Yet that same access could be suffocating and blinding. Often I was too close or confined to comprehend the war's broad sweep. I could not interview survivors of Iraqi civilians killed by U.S. soldiers or speak to Iraqi fighters trying to kill Americans. I was not present when Americans died at the hands of fellow soldiers in what the military calls "Frat," for fratricide. I

had no idea what ordinary Iraqis were experiencing. I was ignorant of Iraqi government decisions and U.S command strategy.

- David Zucchino, Los Angeles Times, May 2, 2003

You are some of the best brains in the country, and my government employs about 20 of you.

- George W. Bush in a speech at the American Enterprise Institute.

Correspondents have a job in war as essential as the military personnel.
Public opinion wins wars.

- Dwight D. Eisenhower

Those who can make you believe absurdities can make you commit atrocities

- Voltaire