

Re: Copper theft

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In article <jkh1h2hrnu6i3lu9trijcek1q7q7dhe21@xxxxxxx>, <gfretwell@xxxxxxx> wrote:

On Wed, 20 Sep 2006 02:52:44 +0000 (UTC), kensmith@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx (Ken Smith) wrote:

But simply bombing never really wins a war. Two Nukes in 1942 would not have stopped Japan.

We aren't talking about "winning a war". We are talking about punishing the Taliban for supporting OBL and perhaps getting them to turn him over. That is what I said the goal was.

You can't really hurt these people much by bombing them, they don't have much to lose and you end up killing more innocent people than those you can prove were terrorists.

There are cities in Afghanistan. There are bridges and roads and at least one airport. They also have livestock you could take out with strafing etc. There may be less targets in Afghanistan than Iraq, but you can't say there are none.

That makes more terrorists and a stronger resolve to support OBL.

You should know that if you a student of UK history. Using the V-1s and V-2s on London was probably one of the worst mistakes of the war for Hitler. It just hardened the Brits and assured they were coming back with a "vengeance" of their own.

The nukes made Japan give up. It doesn't always work like that.

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When Sir Arthur "Bomber" Harris was bouncing the rubble in German cities long after they were taken out as military targets the sentiment in UK was fuk'm.

Islam felt the same way when the towers fell, larely because we thought we could bomb them with no danger to ourselves.

I dispute the notion that "Islam" felt that way. Indonesia is an Islamist state. A lot of people reacted with sympathy and support when the World Trade Center was attacked. This has been squandered since but at that moment, there was a lot of support.

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