Interviews with 400 Military Leaders Reveal They Lied to the American People about the War in Afghanistan

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A journalist from the Washington Post obtained documents from an investigation by a special inspector-general with the Department of Defense that spanned the Bush, Obama, and Trump eras. More than 400 interviews with Pentagon leaders revealed they lied about the so-called "progress" of the war in Afghanistan that now is in its 18th year. Top decision makers acknowledged that the strategy used in Afghanistan was worthless, yet they made rosy pronouncements they knew to be false and hid evidence that the war served no legitimate purpose. The Afghanistan war has cost at least 2,351 American lives and over 20,000 wounded — in addition to 1-trillion tax dollars. Statistics released to the public were false, and US leaders ignored large scale theft of US dollars by corrupt Afghan officials. Furthermore, the saga continues. -GEG

In what's already being hailed as a defining and *explosive* "Pentagon papers" moment, a cache of previously classified documents obtained by *The Washington Post* show top Pentagon leaders continuously lied to the public about the "progress" of the now eighteen-year long Afghan war.

The some 2,000 pages of notes from interviews of senior officials who have shaped US strategy in Afghanistan confirm that "senior US officials failed to tell the truth about the war in Afghanistan throughout the 18-year campaign, making rosy pronouncements they knew to be false... hiding unmistakable evidence the war had become unwinnable," according to the bombshell *Post* report.

The internal interviews and statements were unearthed via Freedom of Information Act request and span the Bush, Obama and Trump administrations. The trove further confirms that US leaders knew vast amounts of money was being wasted in a futile attempt to "Westernize the nation".

Watchdog groups commonly estimate total US spending on the war has hit \$1 trillion by end of 2019. More importantly, America's 'endless war' has cost at least 2,351 American lives and over 20,000 wounded.

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