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Osama's killing shrouded in mystery

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Recently, the Minister of Intelligence and National Security of Iran, Heidar Moslehi, while talking to media in Tehran said that “if the US military and intelligence apparatus have really arrested or killed bin Laden, why don't they show him, why have they thrown his corpse into the sea?” Iranian Intelligence Minister said Tehran has evidence that al-Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden had died of disease long before the United States' alleged raid on the terrorist. Similarly, few days back the Guardian exposed that Osama bin Laden never escaped to Pakistan after bombing at Tora Bora as claimed by the United States. Now in the presence of such reports doubts are obvious to emerge when United States also did not show the body of slain Osama to the international community and media. In an era in which evidence is essential to prove anything, American policy of not showing the dead body creates doubts that why instead of boosting their victory of killing a man whom they were hunting for the last decade they simply threw him in the water. Some analysts even say that this is just a disinformation campaign of CIA to overshadow regional awakening and divert attention from their fragile economic situation. CIA is in the habit of disseminating disinformation and rumours.

American central agency has on its credit execution of a number of big operations on the basis of disinformation and achieved intended objectives. Military planners in the Pentagon are acutely aware of the central role of war propaganda. Due to its significance, the State Department and the CIA launched a fear and disinformation campaign (FDC) after 9/11. The blatant distortion of the truth and the systematic manipulation of all sources of information is an integral part of war planning. For this purpose, Office of Strategic Influence (OSI) was created by the Department of Defence. Its intended purpose according to Defence Department was, “to plant stories that were

false in foreign countries as an effort to influence public opinion across the world”.Attack on CubaDuring Cuban Missile Crisis, CIA propagated that Soviet missiles capable of carrying nuclear warheads to most cities in the United States were deployed in Cuba and more than 40,000 Soviet troops were also stationed there. In reality, it was a plot to attack Cuba, a Soviet satellite, on the behest of President John F. Kennedy who ordered CIA to destabilize and overthrow the regime of Fidel Castro. Whereas only 10,000 Russian troops were present in Cuba and no Russian Missiles with nuclear warheads were deployed there.Similarly, in his book, America’s “War on Terrorism” Michel Chossudovsky’s uncovers a military-intelligence ploy behind the September 11 attacks, and the cover-up and complicity of key members of the Bush Administration. The book focuses on the use of 9/11 as a pretext for the invasion and illegal occupation of Iraq. According to Chossudovsky, the “war on terrorism” is a complete fabrication based on the illusion that one man, Osama bin Laden, outwitted the \$40 billion-a-year American intelligence apparatus.

According to him, 11 September, 2001, provides a justification for waging a war without borders. In case of Iraq, International Atomic Energy Agency’s (IAEA) report that there were no Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) was different from that of CIA. George Tenet, former Director CIA, said the existence of WMD in Iraq was a “slam dunk”. In October 2002, President Bush said in Cincinnati that Iraq had the ability to deliver weapons of mass destruction to eastern US cities. He specifically referred to the drones as the delivery mechanisms that were ready to deliver weapons of mass destruction within 1,000 miles of the east or west coasts. In the same speech, he claimed, “Iraq possesses ballistic missiles with a likely range of hundreds of miles, far enough to strike Saudi Arabia, Israel, Turkey, and other nations, in a region where more than 135,000 American civilians and service members live and work.” Bush further claimed, “Surveillance photos reveal that the regime is rebuilding facilities that it had used to produce chemical and biological weapons.” Those claims were later proven false.John Pike, Director of Global Security, a major military and intelligence think tank, told Florida Today that any drones that Iraq did have had limited range, and would not be able to target Tel Aviv, let alone the US. But US attacked Iraq on this fake pretext and after attack it was revealed to the world that it was a disinformation created by CIA on the behest of former President Bush. In the book “The Way of the World: A Story of Truth and Hope in an Age of Extremism” Ron Suskind charged that, in an effort to cover up the faulty case for war, the White House ordered the CIA to forge a handwritten, backdated letter from the Iraqi intelligence chief, Tahir Jalil Habbush, suggesting a long-standing link between Iraq and al-Qaeda. The book also says Habbush was paid millions of dollars by the CIA to go into hiding after the invasion and keep quiet about the pre-war discussions.Doubts about operationNow the CIA’s recent story that Osama is killed in Pakistan in a unilateral American operation, raise several questions.

Why America has not yet released the video of the operation, why it has not showed the dead body of Osama, why it is claiming this as Pakistan’s intelligence failure whereas it still not provided the world with the facts to show that the operation was real and they really killed Osama. Whereas, in case of Saddam Hussain of Iraq there is complete video as evidence that they actually hanged him. Since its inception, CIA not only created history but also distorted it through disinformation and propaganda. Paradoxically, even the American public remained unaware of the things and forced to believe what CIA wanted them to believe. American people do not know the truth about many things that involves the CIA. It is reckless to say that CIA

deals in deception and disinformation, and then the files are burnt. It is irony that the historians would never be able to learn the complete truth about what CIA had done in various operations, the operations that have had such a major impact on so many important events in history.