War By Other Means

Description

Ah, the rise of the â€œlawyersâ€• caste of society. Stuck on a dead language (IMHO so that we will â€œneedâ€• them), they are also a â€œtoolâ€• of war

and the enemy is skillfully using them. The linked article is but one example. There are many.

> [â€¦]
> We are in a difficult war against an unprecedented enemy. Its members deliberately disguise themselves as civilians and carry out surprise attacks on innocent civilian targets. They do not have a territory, city or population. They are trained to claim abuse when captured and to appeal to the legal system to tie up democracies in knots.
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> It is a difficult job for our government and armed forces to adapt the rules for war to such an unconventional, non-state opponent.
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And: Just in case you want to buy into the â€œtorture doesnâ€™t workâ€• philosophy, it appears â€œbeing niceâ€• doesnâ€™t work, either:

> [â€¦]
> Jabarah, 26, initially worked as a government informant after he was brought to the U.S. from Canada in 2002 after his capture in Jordan. He pleaded guilty to the terror charges that summer in a secret proceeding, without mounting a defense, and briefly lived in an FBI-arranged housing facility rather than a prison while he worked as a collaborator.
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> â€œJabarah was extensively debriefed by the FBI and prosecutors and provided a considerable amount of valuable intelligence,â€• prosecutors said in court papers.
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> That changed, authorities said, when agents searched his quarters and found weapons, bomb-making instructions and materials suggesting he intended to murder some of the agents with whom he was dealing.
> [â€¦]

Then factor in the Kelo decision and there you have it!

Update: and itâ€™s not just an issue within our borders, either.

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