

ATTACHMENT – KATHRYN BOLKOVAC FOR THE NOBEL 2015:

Bolkovac had the following to say about her book, where she described and analyzed her experience in Bosnia.

"My book, gives a more detailed account of my thoughts with regard to the facilitation of human trafficking and the connections to war, peace building, democratic institutions, economy and private military and government contractors. Although wars have always had black markets for profits, the current contractor takeover of war has made war the largest industrial complex of the last 40 years and the transition to peace just another avenue for the escalation of the arms trade. I advocate stopping the violations of human rights being perpetuated in war zones, by those who do not report to the government they are hired to represent, but to a corporation. The subsequent transport and migration of vulnerable populations to provide manpower and sexual services for these war machines disgusts me. Government contracted wars are certainly not a step toward peace resolution. **Soldiers of government sanctioned military and civilian policing monitors, especially those who have been sanctioned through the United Nations Security Council resolutions, are expected to work honorably for democratic principles and freedoms. These groups and individuals are to be accountable for their actions to their respective governments and military tribunals. They should not be in mission as private contractor, collecting tax free dollars, and in competition for more war contracts.**

My specific actions were taken against individuals and organizations that were actively participating in physical and sexual abuse of human beings, while being assigned and paid to

protect them. This was both inside and outside the scope of their official duties, as representatives of the United Nations, and other member states, as well as individuals working for private corporations. These were intentional acts against innocents, for the sole purpose of sexual and sometimes sadistic satisfaction and monetary gain. These were truly criminal acts against humanity, not spy craft.”

Here follows a pertinent passage from the book, p. 219-220

ZERO TOLERANCE

(May 2003–2010)

Three days after dropping the appeal, DynCorp issued a press release that the U.S. State Department had awarded it a \$22 million contract to police Iraq. DynCorp used my case to announce to the world that it had adopted a “new corporate culture” and that ethical indiscretions would not happen again. As the *Chicago Tribune* reported: “A senior State Department official, Paul Kelly, assured U.S. Rep. Henry Hyde (R-Ill.) this week that his department has been working with DynCorp to prevent a repetition of the revelations by Kathryn Bolkovac, a former Omaha [*sic*] police officer hired by DynCorp for a UN-administered International Police Task Force that played the same advisory role in Bosnia now being envisioned for Iraq.”¹

So now I was the DynCorp poster girl.

I had served on the U.S. government’s first rent-a-cop experiment. Despite clear warning signs, the State Department had deemed the international police mission in Bosnia a success and worthy of replication. Virtually overnight, DynCorp—along with its competitors and their conveniently opaque subsidiaries, spin-offs, and

rebrands such as Halliburton, Brown & Root, Blackwater/XE, and Titan—became billion-dollar companies as well as powerful political machines. Over the years DynCorp would go on to win more government contracts. In Iraq alone, its contract was renewed in 2007 for another two years—despite a tarnished record there,² in which DynCorp could not properly account for most of the \$1.2 billion it received from the US State Department to train Iraqi police.³

Not only was DynCorp flush with cash but, unlike the military, it was full of willing bodies. Why? My answer: DynCorp welcomed with open arms recruits with insufficient training and questionable motives who eagerly enrolled in its high-paying, zero-accountability, travel-abroad programs. Sure there were legal mishaps, killings here and there, drug and weapons smuggling, some rapes caught on videotape, and major accounting blunders, but none of this seemed to get in the way of DynCorp operations. For DynCorp, government contracts were practically on auto-renew. Taxpayer money kept pouring in as more and more contractors were shipped out around the world: Haiti, Kosovo, Liberia, Serbia, East Timor, Iraq, Afghanistan, the list goes on.

(Bolkovac, Page 219-220)