

The Nature of the Threat

The war which we fight is primarily defined *by the enemy* as INFORMATION WARFARE, which manifests itself in our system as political warfare, influence operations, and subversion of our foundational institutions – political, educational, religious, and media. Yet, our entire government structure is focused on the kinetic war – shootings, bombings and planned acts of terror. We are not only NOT winning in the information battle-space, we are not engaged in that space because we do not understand it is the enemy's self-identified Main Focus of Effort. Where we do attempt to engage in the information battle-space, we are off the mark because we have not stopped to learn the enemy doctrine. Jihadi plans for violence here in the U.S., as well as the wars in Iraq, Afghanistan, and elsewhere, are important to the enemy, but secondary to the Information Warfare. Our failure to understand this fundamental truth cripples our ability to engage the enemy where he fights his main battle.

Al Qaeda and other violent jihadi groups fight to (1) implement Islamic Law and (2) re-establish the Global Islamic State (Caliphate). The Information War in the West is driven by front groups posing as peaceful Muslim community organizations, led by the Muslim Brotherhood (MB). The MB was created in Egypt in 1928 to (1) implement Islamic Law worldwide and (2) re-establish the global Caliphate. Al Qaeda and the MB have the same objectives – the difference in achieving them is timing and tactics. The Brotherhood's Creed is: "*God is our objective; the Koran is our law; the Prophet is our leader; jihad is our way; and death for the sake of Allah is the highest of our aspirations.*" As a result of documents entered into evidence in the Holy Land Foundation (HLF) trial in Dallas, Texas in 2008 (the largest terrorism-financing trial in American history), we know every major Muslim organization in the United States is controlled by the Muslim Brotherhood (MB) or a derivative thereof (to include but not limited to: CAIR, ISNA, ICNA, MAS, MSA, IIIT, Fiqh Council of North America, ATF and hundreds of others). The leadership of HLF and HLF itself was proven to be Muslim Brothers/Hamas. The documents released at the trial lay out the MB's presence in the U.S. and the level to which they intend to insinuate themselves into our society and achieve their objectives.

Islamic Law is real law. It is the basis for constitutions in Muslim nations around the world. In Islam, obedience to the law is more important than one's own personal conscience/belief structure. There is no Islamic Law that does not require Jihad defined only as "warfare against non-Muslims to establish the religion" until all the world is claimed for Islam. Under Islamic Law, non-Muslims must ultimately convert or submit to Islam, or be killed. The entire world is either Dar al-Islam (house of Islam) or Dar al-Harb (house of war), and, therefore, Jihad is a permanent state until all the world is claimed for Islam. Current Islamic sources teach that Islamic Law is diametrically opposed to the U.S. Constitution. This is not a First Amendment issue, and it is NOT a "religious" issue. The enemy seeks to impose foreign law (Shari'ah) in the United States challenging Article 6 of the U.S. Constitution which states the Constitution "shall be the supreme law of the land."

MB organizations conduct outreach to the government, law enforcement, media, religious community, and others for one reason - to **subvert** them in furtherance of their objective - implementation of Islamic Law. Current publications of Islamic Law clearly allow for “obligatory lying” to non-Muslims when the objective is obligatory – Jihad for example. Therefore, when studying this issue, it is critical to read published law written by Muslim authorities, for the benefit of Muslim audiences. In this information war, a principle goal of the Muslim Brotherhood is to keep the West from studying authoritative Islamic Law – the stated doctrine used by both the violent jihadis (Al Qaeda et al), and the subversive organizations led by the Muslim Brotherhood. This doctrine is taught at the first grade level across the Middle East, and in English in U.S. Islamic Schools and Mosques. Individuals charged with duties in the National Security realm, especially the leadership, who have sworn an oath to the Constitution, must undertake a concerted effort to learn and understand the factual basis of the threat doctrine that includes a self-proclaimed reliance on Islamic Law. Arguably, failure to do so makes the development of a counter-strategy impossible, and notably constitutes malfeasance on the part of the National Security professionals.

The threat we face from the Islamic Movement in America today is an INSURGENCY led by the Muslim Brotherhood. In a COUNTERINSURGENCY, the focus of main effort is the LOCAL POLICE and the Local Populus. This is where the war must primarily be waged and will be won or lost at this level.