

## Twitter Thread by Jo Lown ■■■■■■



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**Why people are blaming Trump:**

- 1. Because he and Pompeo made this terrible deal with the Taliban in the 1st place.**

- " The announcement that Bahrain would establish full diplomatic relations with Israel leaves open the possibility that more Arab states will follow ."
- *The Washington Post's* David Ignatius: " Bahrain's diplomatic agreement with Israel is a building block toward Middle East stability ."

## PRESIDENT TRUMP HAS CONTINUED TO TAKE THE LEAD IN PEACE TALKS AS HE SIGNED A HISTORIC PEACE AGREEMENT WITH THE TALIBAN IN AFGHANISTAN, WHICH WOULD END AMERICA'S LONGEST WAR

- On February 2, 2020, the Trump Administration signed a preliminary peace agreement with the Taliban that sets the stage to end America's longest war.
  - Under the agreement, the U.S. will withdraw nearly 5,000 troops from the country in 135 days in exchange for a Taliban agreement to not allow Afghanistan to be used for transnational terrorism.
    - *Time Magazine* reported that other components of the agreement included an agreement that U.S. counterterrorism forces stay in the country, permissions for the CIA to operate in Taliban-held areas, and details of how the Taliban's promises to reduce violence will be monitored and verified.
  - The deal has been called the " best chance to end this conflict ," a " decisive move " towards peace, and " the best path " for the United States.
  - The war in Afghanistan is the longest in U.S. history, a conflict that has killed more than 3,500 U.S. and NATO troops and cost U.S. taxpayers nearly 900 billion dollars.
  - As part of the peace agreement, the Taliban and the Afghan government recently began historic peace, talks which would end decades of war that Afghanistan has consumed.
    - The negotiations will cover the terms of a " permanent ceasefire, the rights of women and minorities, and the disarmament of the country's many militia groups ."

## JUST THIS MONTH, PRESIDENT TRUMP SUCCESSFULLY OVERSAW A HISTORIC BREAKTHROUGH WITH SERBIA AND KOSOVO AS THE TWO COUNTRIES AGREED TO NORMALIZE RELATIONS

Why people are blaming Trump:

2. The Trump administration made a deal with the Taliban leader, who is now the Afghan leader. <https://t.co/daFgF8KTpM>

Here's a tweet from [@mikepompeo](#) that was posted at 9:00 am on 9/12/20, He says, "The Taliban must seize this opportunity and shows himself with Mullah Beradar, the new Taliban leader of Afghanistan.

There's nothing ambiguous about this. The Trump administration was pro-Taliban.  
[pic.twitter.com/pWNX82EWKQ](https://pic.twitter.com/pWNX82EWKQ)

— \U0001f1fa\U0001f1f8Vote Blue in 2022\U0001f1fa\U0001f1f8 (@jwhoopes2) August 16, 2021

Why people are blaming Trump:

3. He removed most of the US troops, and gave the Taliban advance notice with plenty of time to prepare for their takeover.  
<https://t.co/FL1K5cJMPB>

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4. His own words: <https://t.co/nYs9qi1drc>

\u201cl started the process, all the troops are coming home, they (Biden) couldn\u2019t stop the process. 21 years is enough. They (Biden) couldn\u2019t stop the process, they (Biden) wanted to but couldn\u2019t stop the process.\u201d

- Trump, 1 month ago <pic.twitter.com/9UPPbseyil>

— david nussbaum (@theNuzzy) August 15, 2021