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I've done many programs over the last 2 weeks about the push for and dangers of a New War on Terror & how to stop it: talked to @briebriejoy, @virgiltexas, @OwenJones, @RaniaKhalek, @megynkelly.

Here's my segment on it last night with

Two key points I want to flag about these interviews on the threatened Domestic War on Terror. But first: please watch this short clip of Obama's former CIA Director and drone-killer guru describing with great glee how he envisions this war and who is targeted (via @tomselliott):



The first key point: none of this requires speculation. Those who now wield power -- establishment Dems, neocons, security state ghouls and their media allies in you-know-which-outlets -- are explicitly saying they want the New War on Terror to copy the first one, but in the US:



The 2nd point: if your primary prism for understanding what happens in DC is Dem v. GOP, you will understand nothing, and will ensure your own impotence.

Much of what Dems will do will be in alliance with people like Liz Cheney, Marco Rubio, Mitt Romney. It's not how it works:



One of the best explanations came from Obama. He said that most of the supposedly "vicious fighting" between the establishment wings of the 2 parties is just theater, for public consumption.

Those factions play with each other "within the 40 yard lines":

https://t.co/qfeOqG7UAB

KEY: "135 civil rights groups speak out against Congress' proposed new domestic terror law" - joining @RashidaTlaib, @IlhanMN, @AOC, @justinamash and many on the right. The letter warns of the dangers of the Adam Schiff desire for new anti-terrorism laws:

https://t.co/a8dO01oj0M

Among the groups signing this letter opposing new anti-domestic-terror laws: @ACLU, @Demos_Org, @greenpeaceusa, @hrw, @NAACP, @pal_legal, @amnesty.

A trans-national coaliton in defense of civil liberties can stop the Schiff/Liz-Cheney push for a New Domestic War on Terror.

> Congress should not enact any laws creating a new crime of domestic terrorism, including the Confronting the Threats of Domestic Terrorism Act (H.R. 4192 in the 116th Congress) or any other new charges or sentencing enhancements expected to be introduced in the 117th Congress "to penalize acts of domestic terrorism." These bills and others with similar provisions are the wrong approach because, as we have seen, they will continue to be used as vehicles to target Black and Brown communities as they have done since their inception.[8] The federal government has no shortage of counterterrorism powers, and these powers have been and will be again used to unjustly target Black and Brown communities, including Muslim, Arab, Middle Eastern, and South Asian communities, as well as those engaged in First Amendment-protected activities.[9] The creation of a new federal domestic terrorism crime ignores this reality and would not address the scourge of white nationalism in this country.

Meanwhile, the latest news on the "insurrectionist insurgency" that John Brennan, Adam Schiff, Liz Cheney and those types think is like Al Qaeda and need to be crushed with a new War on Terror:

https://t.co/47Me8VpUky

> In all of New York and California, a single protester showed up at the state capital to protest. So terrifying. pic.twitter.com/cwiQRx2dqF
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> — Lee Fang (@lhfang) January 20, 2021

For the new domestic War on Terror, Biden chooses a veteran of the First War on Terror: prompting additional worries that the abusive tactics used in the name of fighting ISIS & Al Qaeda are being fully imported domestically - by @attackerman

https://t.co/j2egMbv27E