PLEASE allow me space in your highly esteemed paper to comment on America's New War. I am very concerned about reports that people are fleeing Afghanistan in the wake of fears of a possible US attacks on alleged terrorist bases.

Following the attacks on American interests in New York and Washington it is not surprising that the US propaganda machinery made this the worst-ever story reported so far in America. The US media did not give a complete and in depth coverage when innocents people where massacred by US forces in Vietnam or in the Gulf War to name but a few.

It is sad that innocent people died in this attacks but I just wonder whether the lives of Americans are

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worth more than the lives of Afghans, Sudanese, Vietnamese and other states where people have been attacked by US forces.

American presidents should have remembered that "what goes around comes around". Is it not always innocent people who die when "big" men are fighting? Just like those who are going to die when Afghanistan is attacked? The world should wake up to the realities at hand. The US itself was labelled a terrorist state in the past and it is exactly what they are.

Remember what happened with Patrice Lumumba and the war of the Bay of Pigs in Cuba? They are using Pakistan and the sympathy of other countries to launch a full-scale attack on a sovereign country.

I just wonder where the sympathy of the world was when innocent people died in missile attacks by US forces on the order of former US President Bill Clinton in Sudan after the bombing of the US embassy in Kenya and elsewhere? It shows the hypocrisy of these countries that are supporting the United States in this new war. One should also look at the hypocrisy of the Pakistan ruler who came to power by overthrowing the former government and its leader. He

is buying face with the USA and its allies at the expense of his own people,

This new war is a revelation that the United States is an aggressive state and retaliation will not stop but intensify terrorist activities against the US.

How can there be peace in the world if only a few countries are living in complete wealth at the expense of the rest of the world? I'm really questioning this new war idea. What makes US intelligence sure that these attacks have been masterminded by Saudi exile, Osama Bin Laden? There are many suspects in this case, just to name a few countries that showed an anti US stance such as Iraq, Yemen, Libya, Cuba, Palestine and many others.

The US has failed for

more than four years to arrest Bin Laden, a clear sign of the weakness of the US security, intelligence and defence organs against international terrorism. I really think that they are abusing the sympathy of the world to attack a sovereign state if Bin Laden is not handed over.

The attacks on the Pentagon and the twin towers of the World Trade Center is a clear indication that the attacks were the rest of the world.

Is a US attack on Af-

ghanistan really justifiable if one considers the facts above? I think they want to move the attention from the failure of their intelligence organs to detect the planned attacks in time. I also think that they want to make use of this chance to kill even more people, as they have done in the past.

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Living In Hell

aimed at what is repre-

sented by these buildings

rather than the innocent

victims. It is a known fact

that the Pentagon repre-

sents the military power

of the US and that the

World Trade Center rep-

resents globalization,

capitalism, colonialism

and other negative vices

which is still repressing

I AM sure that every peace-loving citizen of this planet was horrified by the senseless loss of life when America was attacked, but believe me some others were celebrating this massacre, just to remind us that we are living in hell on this planet.

To every American who has lost a father, mother, sister, brother, son, daughter and friend there is only one being who can console you in times like this and that is