

Give Peace A Chance

AS we all know the US and its associates are preparing for the largest and most expensive offensive which the world has ever witnessed. This offensive is aimed against the vulnerable i.e. the children and other innocent victims, while the main culprits are at large as usual. The US hunt for Bin Laden has proven unsuccessful so far.

I don't condone terrorism or any other associated barbaric act against the innocent. Neither should chaos be the order of the day in apprehending those suspects. We are in a civilized world where the rule of law is preserved. That's why we have a recognised body (UN) which is supposed to ensure that peace and tranquility prevails on this planet; and among others to sanction any military action against those threatening world peace.

I am, however, puzzled and very concerned about the massive military build up in the Gulf. It has been reported that the US intelligence are in possession of evidence to prove that Saddam has weapons of mass destruction. This hasn't been verified, neither endorsed by the

UN or other big nations like France, Russia, Germany or China. Weapons inspectors confirmed that no weapons of mass destruction had been discovered so far.

But the US then says Saddam is not co-operating with them, and he must do more. If Saddam lied or is still concealing something, then most certainly he will face the full consequences thereof.

The weapons inspectors have asked for more time and Bush still has to wait till the end of the year. If the US is really concerned about the situation why not cooperate with the arms inspectors by providing them with exact details of the alleged weapons. These arms inspector can then take the appropriate steps as mandated in their mission. This will make the task easier for them. Why would you waste billions and billions and behave like an unruly kid by taking the law into your own hands? C'mon, give peace a chance.

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