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Should the draft be reinstated?

Doug Bandow a former special assistant to President Reagan, “America deploys the most powerful military on earth because its soldiers freely choose to serve.” The draft is a very controversial topic because people should not be forced to go to war. The draft should not be reinstated because the government is sending out people who are too young and inexperienced, the war can scar people and soldiers need certain training.

Some draftees are too young and inexperienced. Robert Scales Jr says, “Our army in particular has a sad history of committing to battle men who are too young and inexperienced to have much hope of surviving against a hardened and skillful enemy.” The government would send off people to go to war that were too young and inexperienced. Robert Scales Jr says, “Drafted soldiers are far more likely to die in combat than long-service professionals”. Because of their inexperience draftees are more likely to die at war.

Having a draft can scar people. Robert Scales Jr stated, “Unfortunately amateur armies learn to fight only by fighting inevitably the cost of that education is too horrific for the American people to bear.” The wars can scar people emotionally and physically. Not only the draftees but the volunteers also. A return to the draft is a very bad idea. Robert Scales Jr stated “these wars were tragically wasteful because in large measure they were fought with drafted soldiers.” Because the draftees don’t know what they are doing, which could mean they end up getting killed.

They need to have certain people go to war. Doug Bandow a former special assistant to President Reagan states, “4 million young people turn 18 every year while the military inducted 185,000 recruits in 2003.” 4 million is a big number compared to 185,000,that shows a small fraction of people that want to be in the military. If a citizen want to be there they will put in their all, but if they don’t want to be there they are more likely to get killed. Doug Bandow says “The most obvious reason to maintain the avf is practical it’s the best way to raise the world’s finest military.” The avf is an all volunteer force. It is the best way to form the finest military because it is all people who want to be there, which means they will have better skills and become better soldiers.

In conclusion the government is sending out people who are too young and inexperienced, the wars can scar people and, you need certain people to go to war. America should not reinstate the draft, in past wars the Korean and Vietnam prove that. Innocent lives were lost due to the draft.