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Posted by [DJ](#) on Wed, 05 Dec 2007 06:02:55 GMT

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Subject: Re: Any of you guys see this?

Posted by [rick](#) on Wed, 05 Dec 2007 09:36:17 GMT

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now that's funny!

On Tue, 4 Dec 2007 23:02:55 -0700, "DJ" <[animix _ at _ animas _ dot _ net](#)> wrote:

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Posted by [Sarah](#) on Wed, 05 Dec 2007 10:17:50 GMT

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news:47564021@linux...

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Posted by [DJ](#) on Wed, 05 Dec 2007 16:20:24 GMT
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I'm not really too concerned about the base there. This piece of paper is only as valid as the administration(s) that signed it. Iraq or the US could unilaterally cancel it at any time. I don't see either party raising holy hell about this so the Democrats are onboard with it as well. After all, cheap oil means that they can claim economic prosperity as well if they are elected.

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Deej

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Posted by [Dedric Terry](#) on Wed, 05 Dec 2007 16:45:13 GMT
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Posted by [DJ](#) on Wed, 05 Dec 2007 17:03:07 GMT

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"Dedric Terry" <dterry@keyofd.net> wrote in message news:4756d69d\$1@linux...

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Subject: Re: Any of you guys see this?

Posted by [Dedric Terry](#) on Wed, 05 Dec 2007 17:32:21 GMT

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So do you think this is a jousting match between Turner and Pickens to see who controls the AL for western and Texas water useage? ...and longterm, a power play for control over water for the west so we serfs can be dehydrated of our bank accounts?

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Posted by [Dedric Terry](#) on Wed, 05 Dec 2007 17:34:01 GMT

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Sorry DJ - AL should have been OA, or rather Ogallala Aquifier, or rather I should just give up on acronyms and stick to more descriptive phrases like "the thing with all the water underground".

Dedric

Subject: Re: Any of you guys see this?
Posted by [DJ](#) on Wed, 05 Dec 2007 18:17:12 GMT
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I think Turner saw an opportunity to make money and he is taking advantage of his great wealth to make more money. Plain and simple. I also think that if they start trying to control downstream access to water, their lives will be shortened by a few years. There are a few good ol' boys around here who will pick them off at 2 miles with .50 cal rifles if they can get in range. People kill each other over water rights in Colorado. It's a tradition.

;o)

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Posted by [Dedric Terry](#) on Wed, 05 Dec 2007 19:07:24 GMT
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Well.....skiing is good here. Dec 1 was opening day at Silverton Mountain, Purgatory and Telluride. They actually had to close the lifts at silverton because they couldn't dig them out of the snow fast enough. They had to refer everyone down to Telluride or Purgatory. wolf Creek got 28" in 24 hours last weekend. Of course when all that snow starts melting, it turns to water.....and people die.....

;o)

Subject: Re: Any of you guys see this?

Posted by [TCB](#) on Wed, 05 Dec 2007 20:48:30 GMT

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Well, I dunno, Sarah. I don't buy the 'cheap oil' argument all that much.

It would have been a hell of a lot cheaper to just drop sanctions on Iran and Iraq and buy oil from them, they were more than willing to sell. Additionally, oil is not cheap, in fact, it's almost as expensive as it's ever been (inflation adjusted oil was north of 100 of today's dollars back in the late 70's). Also, expensive oil doesn't really benefit oil companies all that much. The price of the commodity has skyrocketed while the price of the retail products it is used to create has not gone up at nearly the same rate. What this means, of course, is that we were getting seriously gouged back in the early 90's when oil was \$8/bbl and gas cost \$1.89/gal. The expensive oil really benefits whoever happens to have the stuff in the ground, as the cost of extraction is a (relative) constant. So, in addition to greatly helping 'allies' like Saudi Arabia and Kuwait, high oil prices are the lifeblood of all kinds of supposed 'enemies,' Venezuela, Nigeria, Russia, Iran, Libya, etc. In fact, any believing Christian must think it a real godly thigh slapper that he decided to stick so much of the really good natural resources under the pitter

patter feet of so many non-believers of various stripes. From Mohamedans to animists, to the distant descendents of Zoroaster.

Anyway, why invade Iraq? At this point I'm leaning toward what this article rather floridly describes--permanent US bases in the region. The Saudis impolitely asked us to leave some years back and Kuwait and Qatar aren't really enough. Look at the map, I don't suspect Yemen or Iran would be champing at the bit to invite us in. The US has traditionally wanted large military bases near maritime choke points and the strait of Hormuz is right up there with the Strait of Malacca, and the Suez/Panama canals in the choke point department.

Either that or the Iranians pulled off the greatest intelligence coup in the history of mankind. Or I'm missing something really obvious.

TCB

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Posted by [dc\[3\]](#) on Wed, 05 Dec 2007 21:53:30 GMT
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Actually it was a test. A test to see if we were wise enough to understand the dangers involved in becoming symbiotic with the middle east. A test to see if we were smart enough to find our own resources and stay independent and free.

We flunked...

DC

Subject: Re: Any of you guys see this?
Posted by [LaMontt](#) on Wed, 05 Dec 2007 23:09:09 GMT
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Old, but new news.. This has been the plan al along.. Pitiful.

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Posted by [Kim](#) on Thu, 06 Dec 2007 00:02:28 GMT
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You're right. One offs don't bother me. :o) It's when we start getting 3 new political threads a day for 3 weeks and the politics to music ratio is still on the slide that I start going "OY!". ;o)

I actually think people should talk more about politics in society, but there

comes a point where this is a music forum and posts have to stay mostly in that direction.

Anyhow, as you were. ;o)

Cheers,
Kim.

Subject: Re: Any of you guys see this?
Posted by [emarenot](#) on Thu, 06 Dec 2007 16:35:56 GMT
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Posted by [TCB](#) on Thu, 06 Dec 2007 19:48:46 GMT
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Like they need much help...

I think we can all agree that our dependence on that region
for energy sources has given rise to much foolishness and
danger to all of us.

DC

Subject: Re: Any of you guys see this?

Posted by [Jamie K](#) on Thu, 06 Dec 2007 21:46:50 GMT

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Oil is not sustainable in the long run, nor will it last forever. But we have the opportunity to use it to help transition to a sustainable future now, if we're smart. Or squander it and wonder what happened later, if we're not.

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The Barnett shale formation is being explored in a very serious way in Texas. there are huge deposits of shale in western Colorado. they will be developed, but not before the price of developing it gets so ridiculous due to bureaucratic red tape that only the majors will have the money to play the game and then the prices will be fixed by them. No way around it. the environmental lobby in western Colorado is going to add 20% to the production costs of recovery and that will be passed along. Good or bad??? Doesn't matter. It will happen. there are 128,000 gas wells projected to be drilled along the western slope of the rocky mountains in the next 10 years. I'm so busy here I can hardly find time to get in the studio these days. 16 hour days are getting old.....16 hour per day billing averaging 6.5 days a week is not. My studio could never bring in that kind of revenue. There aren't that many people these days that know how to do what I do. The young people who were getting into this field in the late 70's bailed out when it went belly up in '82 and then everyone went into the computer field. I'm among the last of a dying breed.

"DC" <dc@spammersinhell.com> wrote in message news:47588f84\$1@linux...

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> Hey Deej,
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> My wife and I have this discussion regularly. You should know the
> answer to this, but it seems to me that between the new
> discoveries in the Gulf of Mexico and the oil shale, and other
> opportunities, we should be able to put enough pressure on
> the oil producers to remove the political blackmail from oil use.
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> Now, I realize that the greens will want to use any chance
> they can, but really, as important as alternatives are, they cannot
> do a thing for us in the short term.
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> Why don't we do this:
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> Get enough of our own oil to take the power away from oil
> as a weapon, and develop alternatives at the same time.
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> Seems reasonable to me, but every time we talk about it,
> someone starts saying geothermal, hydrogen, solar, wind,

> etcetc like those things mean a damn in the near future, when
> everyone knows they don't. So develop them, yes, but first,
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Not news to you, but here's another look at peak oil:

<http://www.arabnews.com/?page=7§ion=0&article=103243&d=6&m=11&y=2007>

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>> terms of dollars, armed conflict and political intervention.
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>> All of that taken into account, betting the farm on oil is a short term
>> gamble at best.
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>> For longer term viability we need to invest heavily in developing other

>> sources of energy, using energy more efficiently, and developing
>> strategies for polluting less in the process.
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>> Oil is not sustainable in the long run, nor will it last forever. But we
>> have the opportunity to use it to help transition to a sustainable future
>> now, if we're smart. Or squander it and wonder what happened later, if
>> we're not.
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>> Cheers,
>> -Jamie
>> www.JamieKrutz.com
>>
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>> DC wrote:
>>> Good points. One thing I would add is that there is plenty of oil out
>>> there, and
>>> we need to get that oil so we can move away from OPO ASAP.
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>>> Alternatives should be developed as well, but the emphasis
>>> must be on our own oil supplies in the short term. The issues at
>>> hand are too large and too important to not act now.
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>>> Every SINGLE administration the OPEC oil embargo has utterly
>>> failed at this vital task and now we are paying for it...
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>>> DC
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>>> "Mike R" <emarenot@yahoo.com> wrote:
>>>> Yeah DJ, troubled is right. This whole damn thing just rips me up,
>>>> thinking
>>>> about it, trying to understand my feelings about the "war." I've got no
>>>> good answers, but here are some of the questions that vex me:
>>>> -Doesn't the world really run on oil? It ain't just our cars, it's that
>>>> trucking
>>>> industry, the shipping industry, the industry that makes all the parts
>>>> for
>>>> all the other industry, it's in the damn keyboard I'm typing on now. So,
>>>> is switching, within our lifetimes, over to an alternative fuel source
>>>> really
>>>> possible such that we have no dependence on OPO (other people's
>>>> oil)? -In the world of geopolitics, our relationships with Russia and
>>>> China matter
>>>> (to them and to us) -but how much, and for how long? -Is some quantity
>>>> of oil or economic "stability," or "dominance," worth
>>>> even
>>>> one life? Funny creatures we are.
>>>> MR
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>>>> "DJ" <animix _ at _ animas _ dot _ net> wrote:
>>>>> <http://rinf.com/alt-news/war-terrorism/us-signs-deal-for-long-term-occupation-of-iraq/1850/>
>>>>>
>>>>> (sorry Kim....it's OT, but troubling)
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Subject: Re: Any of you guys see this?
Posted by [dc\[3\]](#) on Fri, 07 Dec 2007 01:10:44 GMT
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What do you think?

DC

Subject: Re: Any of you guys see this?
Posted by [dc\[3\]](#) on Fri, 07 Dec 2007 06:11:28 GMT
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Thanks

You know, I believe that we need alternatives, and that a lot should be spent finding them, but we are in a real fix because it is so hard to find and refine our own oil. Our own oil IS the geopolitical issue of our age. Now show me a candidate who gets it...

DC

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Subject: Re: Any of you guys see this?
Posted by [rick](#) on Fri, 07 Dec 2007 10:09:16 GMT
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need anyone to carry your briefcase...or water in the summer?

On Thu, 6 Dec 2007 17:32:26 -0700, "DJ" <animix _ at _ animas _ dot _ net> wrote:

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>> DC

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Subject: Re: Any of you guys see this?
Posted by [TCB](#) on Fri, 07 Dec 2007 17:31:28 GMT
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Some did, some didn't, but it was the CIA who taught them first the fundamentals and then the advanced tactics of insurgency, secure communication, and so on. This was to give Russia 'it's Vietnam.'

Relying on any other country for anything important is, to some extent, a danger. The US is blessed with staggering resources of our own that we use a good deal of. Some of the stuff is cheaper to get from somewhere else. However, as dangerous as relying on Saudi Arabia to keep gas in the tank might be, relying on Japan and China to keep our credit markets liquid is probably just as bad an idea. But it's pretty hard to demonize the people who build most of the stuff we buy so they're getting a free pass in the gloom and doom department.

TCB

"DC" <dc@spammersinhell.com> wrote:

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>"TCB" <nobody@ishere.com> wrote:

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>>It made a lot of people a lot of money for 80 years. And don't forget the
>>helpful role played by our US spooks in 'radicalizing' those wacky middle
>>easterners.

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>>TCB

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>Like they need much help...

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>I think we can all agree that our dependence on that region
>for energy sources has given rise to much foolishness and
>danger to all of us.

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>DC

Subject: Re: Any of you guys see this?
Posted by [DJ](#) on Fri, 07 Dec 2007 18:39:54 GMT
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"rick" <parnell68@hotmail.com> wrote in message
news:ht6il3ddmo55pukivr0hgl3libav028oc8@4ax.com...
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;o)

Subject: Re: Any of you guys see this?
Posted by [TCB](#) on Fri, 07 Dec 2007 21:18:26 GMT
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Commodities are called volatile for a reason. Good you're getting lots of
work, DeeJ. I wish there were a way I could get into the \$/BTU spread of
oil v. NG getting back in line. Retail investors like us can't though.

TCB

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