Petraeus, David H.

Name: David Howell Petraeus

Born: November 7, 1952

Profession: U.S. Army
G.W. Bush & Obama Administration Positions: Served as Commanding General, Multi-National Force- Iraq (MNF-I) from January 26, 2007 to Sept. 16, 2008. He oversaw all coalition forces in Iraq. He implemented the “surge” or escalation of the war in Iraq.

In Iraq, Petraeus worked with Colonel James Steele, the man responsible for creating commando groups in the dirty wars in El Salvador. The U.S. armed and trained Shia police commando units that ran torture centers and death squads. These units fueled a sectarian civil war between Shia and Sunni that ripped the country apart. At its height, the units claimed 3,000 victims a month.

Under Obama, Petraeus became Commander, U.S. Central Command responsible for the U.S war of terror throughout the Middle East and Central Asia. He has been overall in charge of the U.S. military action in over 20 countries including the wars in Iraq, Afghanistan, and Pakistan. This position ends at the end of August 2011 when he moves over to the CIA.

In 2003 he commanded the 101st Airborne Division in the invasion of Iraq. From the invasion until 2004, his division was in charge of counterinsurgency in the area of Mosul, Iraq.

In June 2004 Petraeus became the first commander of the Multi-National Security Command Iraq where he was responsible for training and equipping the various Iraqi puppet forces.

Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, Sept. 1, 2011-Nov. 9, 2012

Primary Associations:
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- Chairman of the investment firm Kohlberg Kravis Roberts’ newly created KKR Global Institute, supporting its investment teams and portfolio companies studying new investments, especially in new parts of the world.
- Visiting professor of policy studies at Macaulay Honors College at City University of New York starting August 1, 2013. Petraeus said in a statement that he would be teaching a seminar that “examines the developments that could position the United States — and our North American partners — to lead the world out of the current global economic slowdown.”

- University of Southern California - as a member of its faculty, he will teach classes and also mentor ROTC members.
- Non-resident senior fellow at Harvard University's Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs.

War Crime Charges:

- Complicity in the commission of a war crime – plunder of public and private property, failure to protect civilians.

- Oversaw the surge in Iraq and the current escalation of the war in Afghanistan

- Overall responsibility for missile attacks into Pakistan

- Responsible for the operation of torture prisons in Iraq and Afghanistan
Complicity in the commission of a war crime – wanton destruction of cities and villages, devastation not justified by military necessity, ill-treatment of civilian population of or in occupied territory.

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- 3-22-13 BBC-Guardian Exposé Uses WikiLeaks to Link Iraq Torture Centers to U.S. Col. Steele & Gen. Petraeus
- 5-30-13 Interview with Kissinger at the Intrepid
- 5-30-13 Ex-CIA chief Petraeus takes Wall Street job
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- 11-23-16 Ex-CIA boss Petraeus indicates would serve Trump if asked