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*U.S. officials lecture others about respecting international law and punishing human rights crimes, but those principles are ignored when the violators are U.S. officials. Offenders like ex-Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice even get honors, as Coleen Rowley and Todd E. Pierce note.*

Some of us predicted when Condi Rice left office that she would become intent on [revising history](#).  
Faustian bargains don't end that quickly!

It's now come to pass that universities around the country, including Rutgers and the University of Minnesota, are willing to [heap praise upon Rice](#) and pay her huge speaking fees to hear her talk about her struggle for civil rights.



~~The Obama administration's decision to award the Presidential Medal of Freedom to Condi Rice is a misguided honor that rewards her for her role in the Iraq War. Rice was a key architect of the war, and her actions have caused the deaths of thousands of innocent people. The award is a disgrace and a insult to the victims of the war.~~