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(Written during the George W. Bush presidency)

Having difficulty telling the good guys from the bad guys? Use this handy guide to differences between Terrorists and the US M-IC (military-industrial complex?)

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Leader has declared a holy war ('Jihad') against his enemies; believes any nation not with him is against him; believes god is on his side, and that any means are justified.

US M-IC:

Leader has declared a holy war ('Crusade') against his enemies; believes any nation not with him is against him; believes god is on his side, and that any means are justified.

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