

Invasion of Iraq: March 19 - May 1, 2003
(Embedded journalist action footage to April 19, 2003.)

Doctrine of Rapid Dominance:
1996, Report to US National Defense University
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Attempting "to affect the will, perception and understanding of the adversary to fight or respond to our strategic policy ends through imposing a regime of Shock and Awe."

Further, Rapid Dominance will "impose this overwhelming level of Shock and Awe against an adversary on an immediate or sufficiently timely basis to paralyze its will to carry on, (to) seize control of the environment and paralyze or so overload an adversary's perceptions and understanding of events that the enemy would be incapable of resistance at the tactical and strategic levels."

Although the use of "Willie Pete" (White Phosphorus) as depleted uranium is know in US forces jargon, was denied my son and I have not forgotten images we saw, broadcast live by embedded journalists in the wee hours when the majority of people in NA were asleep.

We both have a vivid memory of a courtyard, suddenly illuminated with a brilliant white light in the middle of the night by the incendiary explosives lobbed into it. Following that, we saw footage of the burned out tank with melted metal, in the courtyard. We recall witnessing the infrared thermal signatures of human beings (predating night vision) as US forces sighted them through walls.

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