

## Final Hours of Freedom Watch: Panel on U.S. foreign policy

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In the final hours of his now-defunct Fox Business show *Freedom Watch*, host <u>Judge Andrew P. Napolitano</u> held a panel on U.S. foreign policy featuring retired Army Lt. Col. Anthony Shaffer (also author of *Operation Dark Heart*), retired Army Col. (and political philosopher) Douglas Macgregor, and freedom fighter regular <u>Malou Innocent</u> (foreign policy analyst for the <u>Cato Institute</u>).

Judge Nap and his freedom fighters discussed the role of America's military might, implementing the same failed military policies time and again, cutting the defense budget, the indiscriminate use of drones, building bases in Australia, false fears over China, the 'just war' argument, unconstitutional intervention in Libya and its costs, the supposed Iranian threat (not ignoring the fact that we have them completely boxed in), and Yemen.

With such legal, military, and foreign policy expertise flying around, Napster and the freedom fighters made for quite the poignant discussion (the <a href="entire video">entire video</a> is 15:41 and well worth watching).

War is the health of the state. As James Madison put it in 1795:

Of all the enemies to public liberty war is, perhaps, the most to be dreaded because it comprises and develops the germ of every other. War is the parent of armies; from these proceed debts and taxes ... known instruments for bringing the many under the domination of the few.... No nation could preserve its freedom in the midst of continual warfare.

Libertarians believe in the health of the individual. It's a policy of talk, trade, commerce, respect, peace and prosperity. Judge Nap echoed those themes (and more) on a nightly basis and will continue to do so regardless of whatever venue Fox places him in. Unfortunately for Freedom Watch, its *requiescat in pace*.