

Why Are Over 80% of Retired Generals Employed by the Industrial Military Complex?



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"Military men are just dumb stupid animals to be used as pawns in foreign policy." –Henry Kissinger

If you have not taken the time to read the book "[War is a Racket](#)" by Smedley Butler, I highly suggest that you do.

Major General Smedley D. Butler, one of the most colorful officers in the Marine Corps' long history, was one of the two Marines who received two Medals of Honor for separate acts of outstanding heroism and was responsible for conveying to Americans the truth of war.

"This was the 'war to make the world safe for democracy'," he wrote. "No one told them that dollars and cents were the real reason. No one mentioned to them, as they marched away, that their going and their dying would mean huge war profits."

He goes on:

"War is a racket. It always has been... A few profit – and the many pay. But there is a way to stop it. You can't end it by disarmament conferences. You can't eliminate it by peace parleys at Geneva. Well-meaning but impractical groups can't wipe it out by resolutions. It can be smashed effectively only

by taking the profit out of war."

These are a bunch of traitors to their own people (Luke 22:48), delivering up their own children in exchange for blood money profits (1 Timothy 6:10)!

Regardless of knowing all of this, the people continuously clamor behind every emergency given to them by the government that is profiting from many contrived wars. Even in the face of [President Eisenhower's warning speech that was given to Americans on January 17th, 1961.](#)

I am teeing this up for you, the reader, to make an alarming discovery when it comes to those who are now employed by the very ones of which we were warned.

According to [The Washington Post](#), over 85 of Four-Star General Retirees are employed by the defense industry.

More than 80 percent of four-star officers retiring from the U.S. armed forces go on to work in the defense industry, a new study has found, underscoring the close relationship between top U.S. brass and government-contracted companies that has drawn scrutiny on Capitol Hill.

Twenty-six of 32 four-star admirals and generals who retired from June 2018 to July 2023 were later employed in roles including executive, adviser, board member or lobbyist for companies with significant defense business, according to the analysis from the Quincy Institute for Responsible Statecraft, a think tank that advocates restraining the military's role in U.S. foreign policy.

"The revolving door between the U.S. government and the arms industry, which involves hundreds of senior Pentagon officials and military officers every year, generates the appearance – and in some cases the reality – of conflicts of interest in the making of defense policy and in the shaping of the size and composition of the Pentagon budget," authors William

Hartung and Dillon Fisher wrote in the report, a copy of which was obtained by The Washington Post before its publication.

The analysis includes former officers employed by consulting firms with clients in the defense industry and financial firms with significant investments in that sector. Many of the employers cited in the report also have nondefense business interests.

The findings shed new light on a phenomenon examined in a 2021 report from the Government Accountability Office, which found that 14 major defense contractors, mostly weapons companies, employed 1,700 former senior officials or acquisition officials in 2019.

The GAO concluded that while defense contractors benefit from the practice, it could “affect public confidence in the government” by creating a perception that military officials may favor a company they see as a future employer.

A separate pattern was documented in a 2022 Washington Post investigation that explored the lucrative business deals hundreds of former military officers have conducted with foreign governments.

While former Pentagon officials face some restrictions on post-government employment, they are not prohibited from working for weapons or defense companies.”

This should come as no surprise due to the fact that they have been inadvertently divulging this information to all of us for decades now (Conspiracy is covered in Scripture 10 times; Jeremiah 11:9).

In Conclusion:

“War is just a racket. A racket is best described, I believe, as something that is not what it seems to the majority of people. Only a small inside group knows what it is about. It

is conducted for the benefit of the very few at the expense of the masses.”-Smedley Butler

Friends, if they want to create the war, then they can fight the war, and this will be the very end of their notion of going to war. On this you can rest assured.

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