



WEEKLY DIGEST

August 31st - September 12 2021

The International Witness Campaign was launched on the 31st August to mark 20 years of the catastrophic War on Terror. It spans across 5 months taking us into January which marks 20 years since Guantanamo was opened. The weekly digest is an update of activities, events and media contributions from organisations and partners that comprise this international campaign. To learn more, please visit www.20yearsofwar.com

Upcoming Events

September 8th - September 12th 2021



DATE: 10/09/2021

The People's Tribunal: Afghanistan Sessions [CAGE] [Bezna]

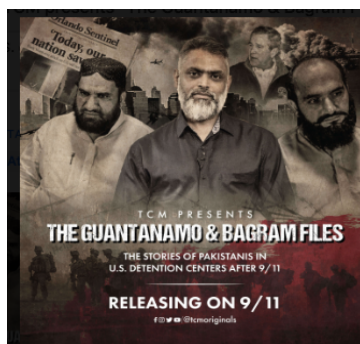
A durational artistic tribunal built and run by impacted communities. First-person testimonies, expert witnesses, and physical evidence will be presented through performance in an effort to artistically shift the focus onto the crimes of the UK state and prove that the war in Afghanistan, a war referred to as 'The Good War', was a crime of aggression. Join Asim Qureshi and Moazzam Begg. [Link to join Webinar](#)



DATE: 10/09/2021

Technologies of Power: Tracing Empire at Home & Abroad [CAGE]

Part of the series "Technologies of Power: A public humanities initiative at Columbia University. Moazzam Begg, a former Guantanamo Bay detainee, and Nick Estes, an Assistant Professor of American Studies at the University of New Mexico join Caren Kaplan, a Professor Emerita of American Studies at the University of California. [Link to register Webinar](#)



DATE: 11/09/2021

TCM presents "The Guantanamo & Bagram Files" [CAGE]

TCM presents "The Guantanamo & Bagram Files", exclusive stories of 3 Pakistani detainees, who were abducted by the U.S after 9/11. They recall their experiences & the horrors of U.S. detention centers for many years. Subscribe to TCM Original: <https://bit.ly/2A3pOXz>
[Podcast](#)



DATE: 11/09/2021

The Day We Collided: [CAGE] Join CAGE for a unique conversation between former Guantanamo prisoners (Moazzam Begg and Mansoor Adayfi) & former US soldiers (Terry Holdbrooks and Steve Wood) who once guarded them, to talk about how their lives changed irrevocably on that day. [Webinar](#)

Live on [Zoom](#) and [youtube](#)



DATE: September - October 2021

Demilitarise: 20 Years of the War on Terror

An art exhibit that offers us a chance to reflect and learn as we mark the twenty years after the events of 9/11 and the subsequent forever wars, drone strikes, torture and attacks on civil liberties. Running through October with multiple workshops and special events.

[Exhibition](#)

Media and Publication



DATE: 30/08/2021

6-12th Grade curriculum on anti-Muslim racism, including counter-terror policy: The unit focuses on six essential questions to guide student learning on anti-Muslim racism.

[Link Education and Empowerment](#)



DATE: 27/08/2021

Policing, Racism and the War on Terror: This infographic illustrates how communities of colour have been disproportionately impacted by the expansion of police powers and counter-terror measures

[Link Infographic](#)



DATE: 06/08/2021

Twenty Years of 'War On Terror' - Media Review Network - - Iqbal Jassat is an Executive Member of the South Africa-based Media Review Network. He contributed this article to The Palestine Chronicle. [Link: Article](#)



DATE: 31/08/2021

Amina Janjua's story. She is a Pakistani activist known for her work against enforced disappearance in Pakistan. She is the chairperson of the rights group Defence of Human Rights Pakistan. Her career in activism started when her husband Masood Ahmed Janjua disappeared on 30 July 2005.

[Link Video](#)



DATE:07/09/2021

Judgment day for Afghanistan: the 'raw' legal drama trying Britain for war crimes organised by the BEZNA theatre will see CAGE Outreach Director Moazzam Begg and Research Director Dr Asim Qureshi giving testimony at the tribunal. [Link Article](#)



DATE:08/09/2021

White House's release of declassified 9/11 documents may implicate Saudi royal family [Link Article](#)

Protesters call out the DSEI arms fair's 'disgusting display of inhumanity' [Link Article](#)

Prison officers have allegedly 'upped their racism towards Muslims' [Link Article](#)

ANALYSIS GLOBAL US



DATE: 09/09/2021

Arun Kundnani interviews Deepa Kumar who traces the longer historical and racist roots of the War on Terror that in the last 20 years has killed at least one million people.

[Link Video](#)

Key events from last week

(August 31st- Sept 7th)



DATE: 31/08/2021

Citizenship, lived experiences and the impact of War on Terror. [Polis Project]

Cage and Polis Project host a webinar discussing the erosion of global citizenship, the rise of arbitrary deprivation of freedoms and rights and the impact it has left on the lives of many. Fahad Ansari and Asim Qureshi joined in a conversation with Francesca Recchia.



DATE: 02/09/2021

AMERICA'S LONGEST WAR ENDS IN DEFEAT [CAGE] Yvonne Ridley and Moazzam Begg in conversation about occupation, freedom and the future of Afghanistan.



DATE: 07/09/2021

Whose Security? Communities resisting the post-September 11 global security framework [Center for Constitutional Rights] Marking the 20th anniversary of 9/11, artists, lawyers and scholars will be reflected on the impact of the post-9/11 “global security” framework on communities fighting for their rights to be, to move, to believe and to resist.

[Link](#) [Exhibition](#)