

The Passy Press **Letters to the Editor**

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Subject: RE: New Passy Press Essay – October 20156

Dear Sir,

Cannot say I enjoyed reading the Essay on Syria, Lybia , Iran, Iraq, etc... too scary and chaotic. I do not have any solutions, our leadership has gone from bad to worse and I see nothing but more of the same. I fear for our children as we slip into more and more catastrophic world events.

Having been marked for execution, bombed and strafed for six years of my childhood I am familiar with the receiving end of war and the horrors of trying to get away from it. Having done the refugee bit on foot, horse drawn carts, trains, cattle cars and ship, the ten second news about drowning children, overcrowded boats make me reach for the Scotch.

I am also more than familiar with the wishy washy political way of dealing with enemies.... it cost us thousands of American lives in Vietnam and continues today with the idiocies of political correctness.

Yes, we may be responsible for some of the refugees we see, but many of them would have left their homes if allowed to do so under pre-existing repressive regimes.

As Americans we have done more good to more people and can be proud of it. We can blame Jimmy Carter, the Bush Presidents, Clinton and Obama for what is going on, but their intentions were always for the best. One of the ironies of our best of deeds is that some of their recipients go on with better lives, but express nothing but disdain for us.

I am glad I do not have to make the decisions about what to do.

Could write a book, but must get back to my work...

Sincerely,

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