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MOTTO

Indeed, hardship is followed by ease!

(Al-'Inshirah: 6)

Believers, be dutiful to Allah and bearers of just witness .

Do not allow your hatred for other people
to turn you away from justice.

Deal justly; it is nearer to piety. Have fear of Allah; Allah is
Aware of what you do.

(Al-Ma'ida: 8)

Allah is the Lighter of the heavens and the earth.

The example of His Light is like a tube, in which there is a
wick.

The wick is in a lamp and the lamp is as a glittering planet
kindled from a Blessed Tree, an olive that is neither
of the East nor of the West.

Its oil would almost shine forth though no fire touched it.

Light upon light; Allah guides to His Light whom He will.

Allah strikes parables for people.

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ABSTRACT

Rosida Noor R. C 0301054. 2007. *Oil Pipeline Interest behind U.S. Invasion of Afghanistan as Projected in 105th Congress House Hearing Entitled “U.S. Interests In The Central Asian Republics”Held on February 12, 1998.*

The research studies the real U.S. government's intention behind the invasion of Afghanistan in the name of War on Terrorism. It is conducted to explain the way U.S. invasion of Afghanistan post-9/11 attack reflects the U.S. oil pipeline interest as projected in the 105th Congress House Hearing entitled *U.S. Interests in the Central Asian Republics*.

The study is conducted as qualitative study and employs purposive sampling technique. The data is taken from the hearing documentation which can be accessed in the Congress official website and supported by book references, Internet, encyclopedias, and VCD related to the research question of the study. In processing the data, such theories as capitalism, Machiavellianism, and hegemony are applied to arrange a worth analysis.

Result of the study shows that the U.S. invasion of Afghanistan in the name of War on Terrorism has reflected the U.S. government's interest in the poor state to revive the delayed Trans-Afghanistan Pipeline (TAP) as projected in the 105th Congress House Hearing entitled *U.S. Interests in the Central Asian Republics* held on February 12, 1998. The U.S. government has made use of the 9/11 incident as a gateway to penetrate Afghanistan by shifting the blame on Saudi millionaire Osama bin Laden and his Al Qaeda living in Afghanistan under auspices of the Taliban. Even though the U.S. government has already discovered that the Jews had plotted the incident to overthrow the new president, George W. Bush, 9/11 is a perfect excuse to launch military action in Afghanistan because the U.S. government had planned the invasion since June 2001.

There is no reason other than remove the uncooperative Taliban regime from power and change them with the new cooperative and internationally recognized government which would serve the U.S. interest in Afghanistan to revive the TAP. The real U.S. government's intention in the state is proven by the assignment of the TAP deal by three leaders of Turkmenistan, Afghanistan, and Pakistan, and the indefinite presence of the U.S. troops as pipeline police to secure the conflicted Afghanistan. However, the U.S. oil shortages have encouraged the U.S. government to struggle for Central Asia as a new alternative energy source; hence, it would not be a threat for the immense U.S. economy.

Key words : Trans-Afghanistan Pipeline (TAP), 9/11 attack, hearing entitled *U.S. Interests in the Central Asian Republics*.