

Take a Good Hard Look at Yourself, AMERICA

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The Vietnam war resulted in over 4 million peasant and innocent civilian deaths based on a false flag 'Gulf of Tonkin Incident,' yet no American official was brought before International criminal courts. The Iraq war based on outrageous orchestrated LIES of WMD resulted in over 1 million innocent civilian deaths, notwithstanding the 500,000 CHILDREN that died due to American imposed sanctions and embargoes on medical supplies, however, not one responsible lying official was held to account though the entire world is aware of the criminality of that unnecessary war. Add to that heinous record other wars based on similar pretexts in Libya, Syria and Yemen and the entire picture is ugly to the extreme YET not one American war criminal has ever been held to account.

So does it surprise anyone that criminal Wall Street Bankers responsible for hollowing out the world economy committed their fraudulent crimes with impunity? No, not for a second; HOWEVER, a black American citizen has just been jailed for 20 years for stealing cigarettes worth \$600 -- does this make sense to YOU doodle dandies? Because if it does then the USA is a blight on humanity and the sooner it is eliminated from any standing and influence in the WORLD the better.

Ten years after the behavior of over-leveraged and fraudulent banks created a global financial disaster that resulted in [hundreds of billions of dollars](#) in losses; a [multi-trillion bailout using public money](#); and millions of people [losing their homes](#) to foreclosure, but saw not one high-level financial executive go to jail, however, a man in Florida has been sentenced to a 20-year prison term for stealing \$600 worth of cigarettes from a local convenience store.

[According](#) to the Associated Press, "Robert Spellman, 48, received the lengthy sentence after a jury in Pensacola convicted him of burglary and grand theft last month." As the Pensacola News Journal [reports](#):

He went into the Circle K in the 200 block of West Cervantes Street and took 10 cartons of cigarettes from a locked manager's office in the stock room.

He was found nearby, matched a description of the suspect, was wearing the same clothing and had the cigarettes, according to the State Attorney's Office.

Spellman had 14 felony and 31 misdemeanor convictions prior to this charge, so his 20-year sentence qualifies him as a habitual felony offender.

While the average carton contains 200 cigarettes, that means Spellman will now serve approximately 3.65 days in prison for each of the 2,000 cigarettes he allegedly stole.

Asked in 2016 about [why](#) no high-level bankers went to jail after the 2008 crash, former Attorney General Eric Holder lamented that reality by claiming the DOJ just couldn't make the cases stick, though said he wished it had been possible.

Writing about the tenth anniversary of the 2008 crash last month in Rolling Stone, journalist Matt Taibbi noted that while "everyone in the upper echelon of the finance community got Paid In Full in the bailout, even the exact people who screwed up the worst," those whose suffered most of the "miserable story turned out to be poor, nonwhite, and elderly."

Though it's likely that most poor, nonwhite, and elderly Americans didn't need to be told that.

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