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people in control of our government know that the greatest single break on governmental misuse of power is an armed citizenry. As our government infringes and abridges more and more of our rights in the name of one "worthy" cause after another they still worry that people will begin to resist. They worry for good reason, this resistance has already begun in some places.

In rural Idaho the BATF and FBI set up White Supremacist Randy Weaver on a minor technical violation of law, and tried to use this to blackmail him into becoming a government snitch. He refused and took to his mountain home. The BATF set up a huge surveillance operation. When Weaver's son, dog and a family friend came upon some armed people dressed in battle fatigues illegally trespassing on their property the agents panicked and began shooting at the dog. The young Weaver boy returned fire. When this was through he was dead, as was the dog and one of the federal agents. The friend fled back to the main cabin. The long standoff that followed was highlighted by such actions as the murder of Mrs. Weaver by an FBI sniper. He shot her in the head as she stood unarmed in a doorway holding an infant. The government was unable to make any felony charges stick in this case, and in fact are the subject of an investigation by local authorities. Then of course there was the infamy in Waco.

The utter failure of the prosecution in the recent trial vindicated the members of the Branch Davidian's. The government which spent millions of dollars, and killed over 80 people was only able to get 7 convictions for manslaughter and a couple of small technical violations on weapons charges. The government admitted on the stand that the warrant was never legally served, that key pieces of evidence had disappeared, and that they had in fact lied from the first day of the siege to the people and press of the United States in nearly everything they had told us.

Now, and perhaps most disturbingly of all comes the report that last September the Navy's SEAL Team six, an elite counterterrorist team, was asked the following question by their Commanders: "Would you fire on U.S. Citizens while in the process of confiscating their guns?" Every single one said yes.

When you begin to add all of these things together they start to paint a disturbing picture of the governments intent. With the slow erosion of rights in the name of the drug war, and the growing attack by the power elite on our rights to keep and bear our guns, we should begin to worry where this will lead. Question what you are being told, put seemingly unrelated things into context with each other. The citizens of the United States need to stand up soon, or we will surely be put down later.

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