

# Hans Blix

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What surprises me, what amazes me, is that it seems the military people were expecting to stumble on large quantities of gas, chemical weapons and biological weapons.

~Hans Blix

Iraq did not spontaneously opt for disarmament. They did it as part of a ceasefire, so they were forced to do it, otherwise the war might have gone on. So the motivation has been very different.

~Hans Blix

Never humiliate anyone.

~Hans Blix

So interviews are a valuable tool, but under certain circumstances they'd be more valuable than others.

~Hans Blix

International cooperation, multilateralism is indispensable.

~Hans Blix

Disarmament by war and democracy by occupation are difficult prospects.

~Hans Blix

Like I said, I'm more worried long term about the environmental issues than the use of arms.

~Hans Blix

I found it peculiar that those who wanted to take military action could - with 100 per cent certainty - know that the weapons existed and turn out to have zero knowledge of where they were.

~Hans Blix

If you take the biological weapons in the United States we still will have

perhaps a single individual who was able to make anthrax, dry it, and spread it through the mail and cause terror.

~Hans Blix

But I would say if the Security Council is only relevant if it agrees with the United States, then we have come a long way in a direction that I do not like very much.

~Hans Blix

But in the Middle Ages people were convinced there were witches. They looked for them and they certainly found them.

~Hans Blix

It's true the Iraqis misbehaved and had no credibility but that doesn't necessarily mean that they were in the wrong.

~Hans Blix

There are people in this administration who say they don't care if the UN sinks under the East river, and other crude things.

~Hans Blix

I have my detractors in Washington. There are bastards who spread things around, of course, who planted nasty things in the media. Not that I cared very much.

~Hans Blix

It was to do with information management. The intention was to dramatise it.

~Hans Blix

The world has gotten so interwoven.

~Hans Blix

I did not think so at first. But the US is so incredibly dependent on oil,

that they wanted to secure oil in case competition on the world market becomes too hard.

~Hans Blix

To me the question of the environment is more ominous than that of peace and war...I'm more worried about global warming than I am of any major military conflict.

~Hans Blix

By and large my relations with the US were good.

~Hans Blix

There was a very consistent creation of a virtual reality, and eventually it collided with our old-fashioned, ordinary reality.

~Hans Blix

The U.N. is much more than the case of Iraq.

~Hans Blix

Even on television, the wavelengths that you use, they have to be distributed between countries.

~Hans Blix

We have not found any smoking guns.

~Hans Blix

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