

**WAR ON TERROR INTERPLAY OF GOVERNMENT AND PRESS POLICIES**  
**A COMPARATIVE STUDY OF AMERICAN, PAKISTAN PRESS AND**  
**GOVERNMENTS (2001-2010)**

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**ABSTRACT**

The research work named “War on Terror, Interplay of Government and press policies, a comparative study of American and Pakistan press and government (2001-2010)” is an attempt to get information about both country’s media and government’s attitude on war on terror. The main focus is to find out the relationship between Pakistan press and Pakistan government over war on terror and the same with American press and American government and later on the interplay of both countries press and government. This research examines the interplay between editorial policies of these newspapers and the policies of their respective governments. To get press policy, editorials of 10 years of both Daily Dawn and Daily New York Times were observed and for government policy, the foreign statements of both countries governments statement issued by foreign ministry were analyzed. Foreign policies of both countries were studied from the official websites of the foreign offices of America and Pakistan. The results depict that press of both countries toed their respected governments on the issue of war on terror but New York Times is more supportive to her government as compare to the daily Dawn. The theoretical frame work for this study draws from the Bernard Cohen (1963) works “The Press and the foreign Policy”. According to Cohen, press is considered as the important part of making every country’s foreign policy.

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