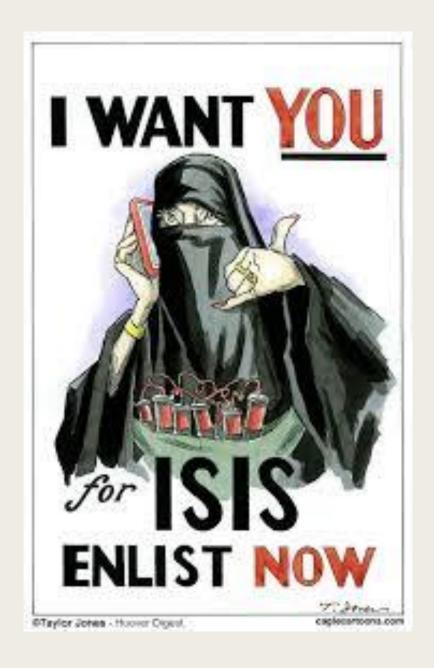
COUNTERING VIOLENT EXTREMISM WITH GOVERNANCE NETWORKS

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Radicalization

- Many Factors Lead to the success of Terrorist Recruitment
 - Socioeconomic marginalization
 - Provoke mainstream society/parents
 - Taking harsh steps to counterattack terrorism:
 - Splintering
 - Prison Recruitment



Current terrorism counter action

One-size-fits-all approach

- Multiple government agencies working together to combat terrorism (i.e. DHS)
- Governance networks cannot be steered from one single center to work effectively
- Working within networks is slow and challenging
- Allowing authority / decision making to local actors and not high ranking officials. (i.e. judgement calls on returnees from conflict zones)

Governance Network Strategy of Countering Violent Extremism

- Avoid strong and decisive countermeasures.
 - Most are self defeating policy of removing liberty and fundamental freedoms
 - The Patriot Act
 - Sanctions increase the intensity of extremist engagement
- Less manageable from an classic executive point of view.
- Not as psychologically affective for politicians looking to display strong actions.