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and the United States and to murder innocent men, women, and

children. Habeck also suggests how the United States might defeat the

jihadis, using their own ideology against them.	