Subject: As if we could pretend this wouldn't come around... Posted by Spoony_old on Mon, 03 Jan 2005 08:35:57 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

CrimsonHowever, it's foolish is discount oil as such an invalid reason to go to war. In Phoenix, AZ, we experienced a gas pipeline burst and subsequent closure. Though we had enough reserves in town to support our needs, the possibility of a fuel shortage droves everyone to the pumps to fill their tanks. Two and three hour waits were common. We had to have fuel shipped in from California and Texas in trucks to replenish the supply. People followed the tanker trucks around waiting for them to unload. Before you say oil isn't a good reason to go to war, just think about what would happen without it.

It's already been discovered what happens without it.

A couple of years back, a group (quite a small group) of British farmers and truckers got pissed at the Government's endless pushing up of petrol prices (Bear in mind truckers get petrol subsidised, and farmers' tractors use something called "white petrol" or something which is cheaper anyway) So they took it upon themselves to set up a more-or-less peaceful blockade at the major ports, not letting any tankers through.

Result: the entire fucking country comes to a standstill. That was achieved by a handful of peaceful farmers and truck drivers, remember.