The case for war in Iraq

Why is the US the target of Islamic terrorism?\(^1\)

1. Permanent conflict between Islam and the rest of the world.
2. Frustration over lack of social and political progress.
3. Belief that the US can be defeated.
   a. Soviet Union in Afghanistan
   b. US retreats in Lebanon and Somalia

Iraq and the Bush Doctrine\(^2\)

1. Eliminate terrorists and state sponsors, preventive war.
2. Maintain military dominance
3. Spread democracy, using force if necessary.
