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To, co činí poslední zprávu korporace RAND o Ukrajině tak významnou, není kvalita analýzy, ale skutečnost, že **nejprestížnější národní bezpečnostní think-tank zaujal k válce opačný postoj než washingtonská politická třída a jejich globalističtí spojenci.** . **To je hodně velký problém.** Mějte na paměti, že války nekončí, protože se proti nim staví veřejnost. To je mýtus. Války končí, když se mezi elitami objeví kritický rozkol, který nakonec vede ke změně politiky. Nová zpráva korporace RAND „Vyhýbání se dlouhé válce: politika USA a trajektorie rusko-ukrajinského konfliktu“ představuje právě takový rozkol. To naznačujeme **elity se rozešly s většinovým názorem, protože si myslí, že současná politika poškozují Spojené státy.** Věříme, že tento posun v perspektivě nabere na síle, dokud nevyvolá asertivnější poptávku po jednáních. Jinými slovy, zpráva RAND je prvním krokem k ukončení války.



Zamyslete se na chvíli nad tímto úryvkem z preambule zprávy:

| "Náklady a rizika dlouhé války na Ukrajině jsou značné a převažují nad možnými přínosy takové trajektorie pro Spojené státy."

Tento citát efektivně shrnuje celý dokument. Přemýšlejte o tom: Posledních 11 měsíců nám bylo opakovaně řečeno, že USA budou podporovat Ukrajinu „tak dlouho, jak to bude potřeba“. Výše uvedený citát nás ujišťuje, že se to nestane. **Spojené státy se nechystají podkopat své vlastní zájmy, aby sledovaly nedosažitelný sen vyhnat Rusko z Ukrajiny. (Dokonce ani jestřábi už nevěří, že je to možné.)** Racionální členové zahraničněpolitického establishmentu se chystají zhodnotit vyhlídky Ukrajiny na úspěch a porovnat je s rostoucí pravděpodobností, že by se konflikt mohl nečekaně vymknout kontrole. To by samozřejmě nesloužilo žádnému zájmu a mohlo by to podnítit přímý střet mezi Ruskem a Spojenými státy. Američtí politici také rozhodnou, zda narůstající vedlejší škody stojí za ty náklady. Jinými slovy, **jsou protržená zásobovací vedení, rostoucí inflace, rostoucí nedostatek energie a potravin a snižující se zásoby zbraní spravedlivým kompromisem za „oslabování Ruska“.** Mnozí by řekli: "Ne."

V některých ohledech je zpráva RAND jen první z dlouhé řady padajících dominových kostek. S narůstajícími ztrátami na bojištích Ukrajiny – a je stále zřejmější, že Rusko bude ovládat celé území východně od řeky Dněpr – budou nedostatky ve strategii Washingtonu stále zjevnější a budou ostřeji kritizovány. **Lidé budou pochybovat o moudrosti ekonomických sankcí, které poškozují naše nejbližší spojence a zároveň pomáhají Rusku. Budou se ptát, proč Spojené státy následují politiku, která urychlila silný odklon od dolaru a amerického dluhu? A budou se divit, proč USA v březnu záměrně sabotovaly mírovou dohodu, když pravděpodobnost ukrajinského vítězství je téměř nulová.** Zdá se, že Randova zpráva všechny tyto otázky předjímá, stejně jako „změnu nálady“, kterou vyvolají. To je důvod, proč autoři tlačí na jednání a rychlé ukončení konfliktu. Toto je výňatek z článku na RT:

RAND Corporation, vysoce vlivný elitní think tank pro národní bezpečnost financovaný přímo Pentagonem, zveřejnil **přelomovou zprávu, v níž uvádí, že prodlužování zástupné války aktivně poškozuje USA a jejich spojence** a varuje Washington, že by se měl vyvarovat „vleklého konfliktu“ v USA. Ukrajina...

( Zpráva ) začíná konstatováním, že boje představují „nejvýznamnější mezistátní konflikt za několik desetiletí a jeho vývoj bude mít velké důsledky“ pro Washington, který zahrnuje **aktivní poškození „zájmů“ USA**. Zpráva velmi jasně uvádí, že zatímco Ukrajinci bojovali a jejich města byla „srovnána se zemí“ a „decimována ekonomika“, tyto „zájmy“ „nejsou synonymem“ Kyjeva. (., [Rand vyzývá k rychlému ukončení války](#)“, RT)



I když zpráva výslovně neuvádí, že „(jsou) poškozovány zájmy USA“, jistě z toho vyvozuje, že tomu tak je. Není překvapením, že zpráva nezmiňuje žádné vedlejší škody způsobené válkou Washingtonu proti Rusku, ale to muselo být zcela jistě na prvním místě autorům. Koneckonců to není 100 miliard dolarů nebo poskytování smrtících zbraní, co stojí USA tak drah. **Právě zrychlující se vznik mezinárodních koalic a alternativních institucí přivedl americké impérium na rychlou cestu ke zkáze.** Předpokládáme, že analytici v RAND vidí stejné věci, které vidí každá jiná vnímající bytost, že pomýlené rozhořčení Washingtonu s Moskvou je „most příliš daleko“ a že zpětný ráz bude obrovský a mučivý. Z toho plyne naléhavost rychle ukončit válku. Zde je výňatek ze zprávy, která byla v polovině textu zveřejněna tučným písmem:

"Vzhledem k tomu, že po minimalizaci rizik eskalace je nejvyšší prioritou vyhnout se dlouhé válce, měly by Spojené státy podniknout kroky, které učiní ukončení konfliktu ve střednědobém horizontu pravděpodobnější."

Je zajímavé, že zatímco zpráva podrobně popisuje hlavní rizika eskalace (Mezi hlavní rizika patří širší válka s NATO, přelévání konfliktu do dalších zemí EU a jaderná válka.), nevysvětluje, proč by přesně „dlouhá válka“ být tak škodlivé pro Spojené státy. **Domníváme se, že toto opomenutí je záměrné a že autoři nechtějí připustit, že zpětné působení sankcí a vytváření protiamerických zahraničních koalic jednoznačně podkopává plány USA udržet si kontrolu nad globální mocí. Mezi elitami jsou takové řeči zakázány.** Takto to shrnul Chris Hedges v článku na Consortium News:

Plán přetvořit Evropu a globální rovnováhu sil degradací Ruska se ukazuje jako podobný neúspěšnému plánu přetvořit Blízký východ. Přiživuje globální potravinovou krizi a devastuje Evropu téměř dvoucifernou inflací. Znovu odhaluje impotenci Spojených států a bankrot jejich vládnoucích oligarchů. **Jako protiváha Spojeným státům se státy jako Čína, Rusko, Indie, Brazílie a Írán oddělují od tyranie dolaru jako světové rezervní měny, což je krok, který ve Spojených státech spustí ekonomickou a sociální katastrofu.** Washington poskytuje Ukrajině stále sofistikovanější zbraňové systémy a miliardovou pomoc v marné snaze zachránit Ukrajinu, ale co je důležitější, zachránit sebe. (., [Ukrajina – válka, která se pokazila](#)“, Chris Hedges, Consortium News)

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## Saudi Arabia Says Open to Settling Trade in Other Currencies

By [Abeer Abu Omar](#) and [Manus Cranny](#) [+Follow](#)

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Saudi Arabia is open to discussions about trade in currencies other than the US dollar, according to the kingdom's finance minister.

Hedges to vystihuje dokonale. Pošetilá intervence Washingtonu uvolňuje cestu k největší strategické katastrofě v dějinách USA. A přesto i nyní drtivá většina korporátních a bankovních elit rezolutně podporuje stávající politiku a krčí rameny nad zjevnými známkami neúspěchu. Příklad: Světové ekonomické fórum zveřejnilo na svých webových stránkách všeobecné prohlášení o podpoře Ukrajiny. Tady to je:

Podstatou naší organizace je její víra v respekt, dialog a úsilí o spolupráci a spolupráci. **Hluboce proto odsuzujeme agresi Ruska proti Ukrajině, útoky a zvěrstva.**

**Naše plná solidarita je s ukrajinským lidem a se všemi, kteří nevině trpí touto naprosto nepřijatelnou válkou.** Uděláme vše, co bude možné, abychom pomohli a aktivně podpořili humanitární a diplomatické úsilí.

Doufáme jen, že z dlouhodobého hlediska zvítězí rozum a že se znovu objeví prostor pro budování mostů a usmíření." ( [Klaus Schwab](#) a [Børge Brende](#), Světové ekonomické fórum)

Nikdo by se tomu neměl divit. Přirozeně se globalisté chystají sestoupit na stranu své expanzivní bouračky (NATO) místo největšího světového zastávce tradičních hodnot, hranic a národní suverenity. To je samozřejmé. I tak ale Randova zpráva naznačuje, že podpora války již mezi elitami není jednotná. A protože politiku nakonec určují elity, je nyní stále větší pravděpodobnost, že se politika změní. **Toto „odštěpení elitního konsensu“ vidíme jako nejpozitivnější vývoj za posledních 11 měsíců.** Jediný způsob, jak Spojené státy změní svůj přístup k Ukrajině, je, že rostoucí počet elit dostane rozum a stáhne nás z propasti. Doufáme, že se tak stane, ale nejsme si jisti, že se tak stane.



## **Disposable Lives:**

Soldiers are programmed to believe they fight to protect their country. In reality they are used to help the ruling class extort and enslave other countries as well as their own.

Nejméně přesvědčivá část celé zprávy spadá pod nadpis: „**Závazky USA a spojenců k bezpečnosti Ukrajiny**“.

Problém je snadno pochopitelný. Autoři se chtějí dohodnout na plánu zajištění bezpečnosti Ukrajiny, aby podnítli jednání s Ruskem. Rusko bohužel **nedovolí Ukrajině, aby se stala součástí jakékoli bezpečnostní aliance podporované Západem, ve skutečnosti proto Rusko zahájilo svou invazi, aby předešlo členství Ukrajiny v nepřátelské vojenské alianci (NATO) napojené na Spojené státy.** Jde o ožehavé téma, které bude nepochybně překážkou v jakýchkoli budoucích jednáních. Ale je to záležitost, u které nemůže existovat žádná „mítnost pro pohyb“. **Ukrajina – nebo cokoli, co z Ukrajiny zbylo – bude muset být trvale neutrální a všichni krajně pravicoví extremisté budou muset být odstraněni z vlády, armády a bezpečnostních služeb.** Moskva nebude vybírat ukrajinské vůdce, ale zajistí, aby tito vůdci nebyli ani nacisté, ani neměli spojení s žádnou krajně pravicovou nacionalistickou organizací.



Rozdělí se USG na válčící tábory?

Jak jsme řekli dříve, myslíme si, že zpráva RAND naznačuje, že elity jsou nyní v otázce Ukrajiny rozděleny. Myslíme si, že je to pozitivní vývoj, který by mohl vést k jednání a ukončení války. Neměli bychom však ignorovat skutečnost, že i ta nejneustranější analýza se může příznivě naklonit směrem ke skupině, která poskytuje financování. A to by mohla být pravda i zde. Mějte na paměti, že RAND Corporation je neustranný think tank, který podle podplukovníka USAF ve výslužbě Karen Kwiatkowski:

„pracuje pro obranný establishment a kdyby tam vyschly peníze, thinktank by v současné podobě neexistoval. Plně slouží zájmům vlády USA a je na nich závislá. ( [Lew Rockwell](#) )

To naznačuje, že zpráva RAND může reprezentovat názory Pentagonu a amerického vojenského establishmentu, kteří věří, že Spojené státy bezhlavě běží směrem k přímému požáru s Ruskem. Jinými slovy, zpráva může být první ideologickou propagací proti neokonům, kteří řídí ministerstvo zahraničí a Bílý dům. Máme podezření, že tento rozkol mezi ministerstvem války a „státem“ bude v nadcházejících dnech viditelnější. Můžeme jen doufat, že uvážlivější frakce v Pentagonu zvítězí.

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3. Renoman says:

Douglas MacGregor and Scott Ritter will tell you the cold hard truth about America and Ukraine, just search them on YouTube and be informed. They should be up for the Nobel Prize. Biden and his entire cabinet should be in jail.

• **Agree:** Unintended Consequence, American Citizen, Toza, JR Foley, TheTrumanShow, GomezAddams

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4. Shitposter in Chief says:

Wow Mike, you're as accurate as you were ten months ago!

<https://www.unz.com/mwhitney/larry-c-johnson-the-ukrainian-army-has-been-defeated-whats-left-is-mop-up/>

• **LOL:** meamjojo

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5. [PetrOldSack](#) says:

[February 1, 2023 at 5:44 pm GMT • 2.7 days ago • 400 Words](#) ↑

Times are long gone [generations] that “public service” individuals, in the eye of the public, or less so have meaningful agency. They are salesmen of policy, not policy makers. When they are ordered to read from the script and stay on script they do so, that makes Joe Biden [Bidon, alas ersatz, or fake, a no-body magnified by his incoherent statements] as much a salesman as Macgregor operating out of his living room.

Real policy makers operate in the shadows, that takes hard work if taken seriously and there is obvious blow-back from behind the scenes regarding how to proceed. Macgregor in this case, the voice of reason represents a fraction of the policy makers, again regardless of their public function, and the fraction is such as daring to order him to go public. Macgregor does not act on his own, autonomously, off the record, as a rogue. A give away: no banning on social media?! Ritter does act as a rogue, but he is tolerated because of his narrow bandwidth concerning war and winning.

He [Macgregor] is a smart man, and the message suits him, since it is his personal conviction, he does not have to wrestle the contradictions to behold in his own thinking. Joe Biden, Stoltenberg, Ursula van der Leyen, Scholtz to the contrary have no qualms to read from any [any what-so-ever] script [beholding contradictions in their own behaviour and thinking (if they ever do beyond scheming) does not trigger any psychological stress] Selling out their populations, their territorial interests comes easy to them. A Boris Johnson, copy-cat of Winston Churchill is a personified as none example. That made these individuals, molded from the same model the favorites of the Finance Cabal, the jesters of the medieval counts and barons.

The Macgregor approach is moral and just, rational, and at this point in time opportunistic [the nine million toxic dump of human social welfare seekers to poison the EU political environment further is done, EU vasa status is re-inforced by blowing up the North-Stream and other economical measures for the Finance Cabal within the competing fraction to concede to a pause]. Remains to be seen who will co-opt Macgregor to power and if this succeeds, will he sell out in turn, will he be botoxed?

His approach [Macgregor] to “Ukraine War” and “winning” has been too narrow in his public communications at least, i presume this is intentional. The public demands that [emotion and binary logic, body counts]. Interesting that such a stable, progressive, rational “neo-cortex” approach as Macgregor’s has had any chance at all to tickle the passive consummate populations in the West.

• **Agree:** [Son of a Jedi](#)

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6. [SafeNow](#) says:

[February 1, 2023 at 5:47 pm GMT • 2.7 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

Inasmuch as the Russians have designated the U.S. as not being “agreement capable,” how, precisely, would the U.S. expect the Russians to countenance negotiations? What would the US need to do to convince the Russians that the U.S. has changed? There are two possibilities: (1) Convince Russia to forget the last 65 years of the U.S.’s having one deployment after another after another; for basically no reason, the tiger has become a vegetarian; or (2) Initiate a new military-money-spending adventure to replace Ukraine.

7. [Sheikh77](#) says:

[February 1, 2023 at 6:16 pm GMT • 2.7 days ago • 200 Words](#) ↑

[@Ron Unz](#)

IDK

I'm going to take the contrarian position here. This war has shown just how far behind the West Russian society really is. Their military is old, inflexible, and full of Soviet era apparatchiks. On the other hand, Ukrainian leadership is young, energized, and capable of total war.

Russian forces remain bogged down in Bahkmut after months of fighting with very little to show for it. All the while the West is effectively refining the strategies that will dominate the next world war. Specifically decentralized command and control powered by the confluence of Mobile, Starlink, and Telegram.

Colonel MacGregor, the Saker, Moon of Alabama etc have all carved out a profitable niche for themselves taking the opposite position from the sycophant western press. While this perspective is valuable, being in opposition does not mean they are 100% right. The western press is usually wrong, but that doesn't make the opposite always right.

I'm sure the Pentagon is loathe to see all of its stockpiles being shipped into the inferno. But the pentagon is also clueless. The European economy was going to collapse with or without the war. Europe will freeze is the alt news equivalent of Russian troll farms. Zelinsky isn't going to back down. For all his faults I wouldn't bet against him.

- **Disagree:** [katesisco](#), [Ron Mexico](#)
  - **LOL:** [RoatanBill](#), [TheTrumanShow](#)
  - **Troll:** [JM](#), [Olivier1973](#), [Harold Smith](#), [Twodees Partain](#)
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8. [MarkU](#) says:

[@Renoman](#)

Jailing Biden and his cabinet? Isn't that like letting the ventriloquist walk free and jailing the dummy?

Don't get me wrong, I'm not saying those dummies don't belong in jail (they do) but unless we deal with the banking mafia that controls those dummies the crimes will continue.

- **Agree:** [emerging majority](#), [TheTrumanShow](#), [Z-man](#), [AnonfromTN](#), [CelestiaQuesta](#), [Twodees Partain](#)
  - **Replies:** [@Z-man](#), [@sally](#)
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9. [Reverend Goody](#) says:

Coup may be needed in the future.

- **Agree:** [JM](#)
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10. [roonaldo](#) says:

[February 1, 2023 at 6:28 pm GMT • 2.7 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

Well, I wonder. Perhaps they figure on tossing a limited amount of additional hardware to Ukraine in order to save face and to thereby say, “Gee, we gave those Ukrainians all anyone could ask for, but they just didn’t have the resolve to beat the Russkies,” so that they can plow all their wherewithal into other projects, like strengthening ISIS, arming Taiwan, destabilizing Pakistan, harassing Iran, etc..

All the noise about fighter planes to Ukraine from puppet-boy Macron and other stooges could be a desperate escalation bluff in hopes Russia will concede a bit more in a peace deal, rather than continue the war against a mightily determined Western foe.

• **Replies:** [@Decoy](#), [@Decoy](#)

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11. [MarkU](#) says:

[February 1, 2023 at 6:47 pm GMT • 2.7 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@Shitposter in Chief](#)

At least you identify as a troll, thanks for being honest about it.

Ten months ago Mike Whitney hadn’t anticipated the insane escalation, he was far from alone. Even now, people are having trouble grasping the fact that the US is gearing up for nuclear war, the nukes are already being shipped to Europe for the occasion. Is it a bluff? I doubt the RF will be sanguine enough to believe that it is.

• **Replies:** [@Shitposter in Chief](#)

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12. [Socratesjr](#) says:

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[@American Citizen](#)

A common mistake is to make assumptions when an answer is in hand without knowledge of the equation from which the answer was derived. Don’t panic, we have all been there and done that.

Concerning the German/Russian war equation, there are variables that need to be plugged in. Try this one from [archive.org](#):

FROM MAJOR JORDAN’S DIARIES by George Racey Jordan 1952

When I was young, I was cleverly maneuvered into a gang fight that I alone could not win. But one on one, my opponent knew I could beat him.

I suspect that a one on one war with Russia would have turned out very differently. Could be why France and Red Russia (Soviet Union) were holding hands just before the fight?

• **Replies:** [@JM](#), [@Curmudgeon](#)

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13. Voltaire says:

February 1, 2023 at 7:27 pm GMT • 2.6 days ago • 300 Words ↑

@Ron Unz

Thanks for this link to the latest video in this series. It contains an excerpt of an interview with the President of Croatia. He makes an important point about the stupidity of sending inconsequential numbers of German Leopard 2 tanks to the Ukraine. Given how important the memory of the “Great Patriotic War (WWII)” is to Russians, the prospect of German tanks attacking and killing Russians is only going to strengthen even further Russian support for the war in the Ukraine. When you hear about reliable estimates that support for President Putin hovers around 80%, don’t forget that of the remaining 20%, probably many if not most of this remainder want Putin to act **more** aggressively towards the regime in Kiev and their western supporters.

I don’t think that it’s Col. Macgregor who’s insane. However, in any debate about the Ukraine, Russia, and the larger geopolitical situation (i.e., China and America) there is a large and influential constituency that certainly appears to be:

Why more people want human extinction: climate change, an AI ‘singularity’, and merging with a cosmic flow of data

<https://www.scmp.com/magazines/post-magazine/long-reads/article/3208168/why-more-people-want-human-extinction-climate-change-ai-singularity-and-merging-cosmic-flow-data>

*“More thinkers see positives in humanity’s end, from anti-humanists who want us erased for our environmental crimes, to transhumanists who welcome AI taking over.”*

How sick can you get? “More thinkers see positives in humanity’s end”.

Some of the “elites” want all of us dead. This fusion of eco-techno nihilism and the U.S. UniParty MIC warfare-welfare state is utterly terrifying. It is no accident that some of the most strident warmongers in the EU and the UK are among the so-called “greens”. Many of these people have apparently formed a quasi-religious doomsday cult, complete with a cult-like numerology obsessed with “zero”: “zero carbon”, “net zero”, etc. They want Russia and China destroyed because both countries’ economies are making rational (not emotional/religious) decisions about the importance of hydrocarbon-based forms of energy usage.

- **Agree:** Ace
- **Thanks:** Emslander, Ummmpph!
- **Replies:** @JimDandy

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14. Notsofast says:

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poroshenko, initially admitted that the minsk agreements were never intended to be followed but were a means of buying time for nato to arm the ukrnazis and prepare for an all out assault on the donbass and crimea. merkel then confirmed this and hollande admitted the same. how could the russians ever sign any kind of peace treaty with these deceitful cur and expect them to honor it.

the russians aren't stupid and understand this fully, imo they're just starting to have fun with this, telling the west that they are open to talks, while grinding their way through ukraine and western economies. it's really quite disgusting how these poor ukrainian conscripts are fed into the russian meat grinder, with a ukranazi gun in their back.

let's see how the west likes being dragged out in endless, meaningless talks. the boot is now on the other foot now and will soon be lodged deep in the nato communal asshole.

• **Agree:** JR Foley, RadicalCenter, Joe Levantine, Durruti, Thor Walhovd, CelestiaQuesta, Twodees Partain

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15. MarkU says:

February 1, 2023 at 7:42 pm GMT • 2.6 days ago • 100 Words ↑

@Sheikh77

| I'm going to take the contrarian position here. This war has shown just how far behind the West Russian society really is.

Absolutely, while the West was engaged in pioneering work in gender studies, black studies, puberty blockers and genital mutilation the RF was basically wasting its time on such trivia as STEM subjects.

Even in the military sphere the US is well ahead. The F-35 and LCS's are absolutely unmatched in the performance of their primary mission (enriching shareholders) while the RF equipment can only be seen as disappointing in that regard. The new AJAX tanks delivered to the UK are a prime example of US innovation, generating money not only for the defence industry but also for ear clinics as well.

<https://www.thelondoneconomic.com/news/5-5bn-ajax-tanks-biggest-defence-procurement-failure-of-past-decade-305097/>

• **Thanks:** RoatanBill

• **LOL:** emerging majority, dimples, Emslander, Ace

• **Replies:** @Notsofast

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16. Not Important says:

Jews aren't done feeding at the trough. Expect nothing to change.

• **Replies:** @Dave Bowman

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17. [Mark G.](#) says:

[February 1, 2023 at 8:20 pm GMT • 2.6 days ago • 200 Words](#) ↑

There is an inevitability about the fact that the U.S. is entering a fiscal crisis that will soon make it impossible to continue our 800-billion-dollar yearly defense budget. Once that starts shrinking, we will be unable to play policeman of the world. The tipping point is the Boomers all retiring. This will increase spending on Social Security, Medicare and government pensions to the point the cost of them will take up most of the federal budget. There was, and still is, an unwillingness to reform these programs before that happens.

Added into this will be a decline in tax revenues as these Boomers retire. The younger generation, after the dysgenic effects of our welfare and immigration policies over the last 60 years, is ill prepared to generate an equivalent amount of tax revenue. So, there are larger historical trends at work here that tend to get lost in looking at daily current events.

• **Agree:** [Dnought](#)

• **Thanks:** [emerging majority](#)

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18. [Haxo Angmark](#) says:

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[@Shitposter in Chief](#)

at least Russki-propagandist Saker

has had the decency to shut down his site,

after spending a year falsely predicting the proximate

*Great Cauldron Battle That Will Destroy the Ukes.*

Mike W.? He'll be cranking out the same

*Immanent Victory For Russia* PR

for awhile yet. Actually,

I hope he's finally right....but based on

performance of BabyFace Tsar and his military so far,

I fear he is as usual mistaken.

• **Replies:** [@Thirtdwin](#), [@Haxo Angmark](#)

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19. Ron Unz says:

February 1, 2023 at 9:00 pm GMT • 2.6 days ago • 200 Words ↑

@Sheikh77

Colonel MacGregor, the Saker, Moon of Alabama etc have all carved out a profitable niche for themselves taking the opposite position from the sycophant western press.

I'm pretty skeptical of that. As far as I can tell, virtually 100% of all the funding and media support is on the pro-Ukraine/anti-Russian side, perhaps even more absolutely than after 9/11 since nearly all the leftists have been brought on board as well. The combination of the Pentagon contractors, the Neocons, and the liberal mainstream media is an extremely powerful force to resist.

For example, here's a recent Grayzone discussion on how leftist Amy Goodman and *Democracy Now* were bought off years ago, to such an extent that they banned Prof. Stephen Cohen because he was skeptical of Russiagate:



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Are you seriously arguing that someone like Col. Macgregor made a “business” decision to take the other side of that issue? I think that’s even more ridiculous than back in 2002 when the Neocons claimed that the few public critics of Bush’s proposed Iraq War were either deranged anti-Semites or had been bribed by Saddam.

The European economy was going to collapse with or without the war. Europe will freeze is the alt news equivalent of Russian troll farms.

Well, Europe has had a remarkably warm winter, which obviously impacts energy use and prices. And the reason I’d been convinced there would be more economic devastation was because a front-page article in the *Wall Street Journal* had said that more than half of all the businesses in Germany believed they would have to permanently shut down due to energy costs. So maybe the *WSJ* is also on Putin’s payroll.

• **Agree:** MarkU, Complex Pseudonymic Handle

• **Thanks:** RadicalCenter

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20. Notsofast says:

February 1, 2023 at 9:23 pm GMT • 2.5 days ago • 100 Words ↑

@MarkU

don't forget about the incredible, game changing, jet power abrams tanks that can travel at the eye watering speed of mach .0547396 or 42 mph at an average fuel consumption of 3.8 gallons to the mile (no, that is not a typo, gpm not mpg), just don't use them anywhere there is dirt or sand. expect delivery of the 72 ton behemoth sometime in the early 22nd century.

and then there's the bradley.....

• **LOL:** MarkU

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21. When the so-called Western goy elites bail out of the Jewish Supremacist enterprise, then things will change.

Even if they bail out of Ukraine, there will be more troubles ahead if they continue to cuck to Zion.

• **Agree:** TheTrumanShow

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22. Athena says:

February 1, 2023 at 10:21 pm GMT • 2.5 days ago • 100 Words ↑

Excerpt from:

<https://www.russialist.org/archives/5497-14.php>

#14

Novaya Gazeta

No. 75

**October 2001**

**THE THIRD FORCE OF WORLD WAR III**

Is China behind all that has been happening?

Author: Viktor Minin

‘Russia should become the real leader of the new process. (It has already become it but not yet aware of the fact.) The West and Israel need a strategic alliance with the Muslim world more than anything else, and this alliance is possible only through Russia. **Only Russia in an alliance with the Muslim world** can keep China in check without conflicts, helping it find its new place in the world as another super-power.’ (emphasis added)

• **Replies:** @nokangaroos

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23. [nokangaroos](#) says:

[February 1, 2023 at 10:24 pm GMT • 2.5 days ago • 400 Words](#) ↑

[@Ron Unz](#)

MacGregor's strength is that he studied and served in Germany – Ritter tends to get a bit cavalier here.

– The Russian casualties do *not* include LDNR militias, Cossacks, Chechens and Wagners before Surovikin took command (Oct. '22), and to my knowledge the Musicians are still counted separately; other than that I'd say (A) basically correct.

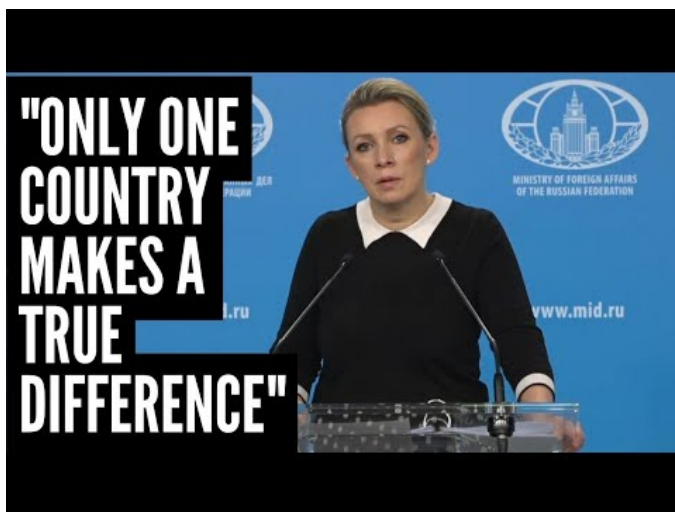
– Two battallions of Leopard 2, good though they are, aren't going to make the cabbage fat; by their own propaganda the Ukies still have 1,000 tanks (yeah, right), the Poles are still sitting on 200 modified T-72 (!), and there have not been any tank battles to speak of – the point is to terminally alienate the Germans\* and the Russians i. e. it may well be an exit strategy.

– NATO will not be brought down by the collapse (or not) of the Hohol front; the Poles, as the saying goes, have watched *Pumping Iron* much and now believe they are Ahnold (just as they did about fifteen times in the last 300 years). They are preparing for war but against the *Germans*, not the Russians – sure they lay claim to West Ukraine up to and including Zhitomir but by the same logic everything between the Oder and the Lithuanian border is still East Germany *under Polish* (and Russian) *administration* (hence their obsession with the City of Kant).

Either the Americans stay – in which case *they* aspire to become the Greatest Allies™ (for which they need the German reparations to pay for the US bases) or the Americans go broke and they have to face a real pissed Russia *and* Germany alone (in which case it is good to burn German Leppards in the Ukraine and to have the T-72Ms, German Patriots and Korean tanks and MLRS).

– Baerbock and the rest of the Morgenthau Party (“Greens”) are hellbent on doing as much damage as possible while they can, as no way in hell will they be reelected; Olaf – any self-respecting German chancellor would have told the Heroic Liberators™ *and* the *Kultusgemeinde* to go die after Nord Stream but the (((Occupation))) has made sure that *never again*™ shall such a one rise.

\*Ms. Zakharova's (“the messenger of the gods”) rebuttal – I have my own reasons to differ on certain points – is nonetheless powerful:



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- **Thanks:** [Voltarde](#)
- **Replies:** [@Wokechoke](#), [@Brosi](#)

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24. [Athena](#) says:

[February 1, 2023 at 10:27 pm GMT • 2.5 days ago • 1,000 Words](#) ↑

We are in 2023. The article was published in October 2001.

(Excerpts, emphasis added)

#14

Novaya Gazeta

No. 75

**October 2001**

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Is China behind all that has been happening?

Author: Viktor Minin

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• **Replies:** [@Athena](#)

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25. [Joe Paluka](#) says:

Russia should demand unequivocally that Zelensky and all his henchmen be turned over to the Donbass to be put on trial for genocide. If they have a difficult time thinking up a suitable method of execution, just ask what Ivan the terrible would've done in that situation.

• **Agree:** [Thor Walhovd](#)

• **Replies:** [@emerging majority](#), [@Observer](#)

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26. [Mr Chow Mein](#) says:

[February 1, 2023 at 10:40 pm GMT • 2.5 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

There is no instance of a country having benefited from prolonged warfare.

-Sun Tzu.

What has this war achieved?

The war to weaken Russia has weakened them by killing their young men but has also strengthened them military and as a nation of culturally unique people.

What has the U.S gained?

Lots of money, a more dependent Europe but also it has exposed their weaknesses militarily, it has destroyed most of the illusion of an international order that took decades to build, it has hastened a move away from greenbacks.

Those who undertook this crazy policy in the U.S leadership should be hastily removed before more damage is done.

• **Agree:** [emerging majority](#), [Robert Bruce](#)

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27. Athena says:

@Athena



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• **Thanks:** Agent76

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28. putinandhisfansaremorons says:

@Ron Unz

Do you usually recommend the opinions of people who have been comically wrong about the topic they're speaking about for a couple of years now? I wouldn't say someone who claimed this war will be over in ten days after the first week of this war has any credibility left on the topic. lmao

• **LOL:** John Johnson, meamjojo

• **Troll:** PUTINFAN

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29. nokangaroos says:

February 1, 2023 at 11:53 pm GMT • 2.4 days ago • 100 Words ↑

@Athena

Peter Scholl-Latour ("*Die Angst des Weissen Mannes*") quotes an acquaintance from one of the US letter agencies he met in Central Asia to the effect that it is idiotic/self-defeating to have Whites fight each other but (((State))) won't listen ...

worth thinking about, sure, but that train has left the station.

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30. Wokechoke says:

@nokangaroos

A lot of British manouvering before Barbarossa was designed to alienate Germany and Russia. Eventually it worked.

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31. [James J. O'Meara](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 12:27 am GMT • 2.4 days ago • 200 Words](#) ↑

Keep in mind, wars don't end because the public opposes them. That is a myth. Wars end when a critical split emerges between elites that eventually leads to a change in policy.

I call this the Cronkite Effect or the Cronkite Moment. All those demos meant nothing, but when Cronkite reported his negative feels and doubts after touring the battlefield, the public turned on the war. Of course, you already had the NYT expressing doubts, and then Ellsberg (from RAND!) leaking the "Pentagon Papers." Hmm, is this another RAND stab in the back?

As Hunter Thompson said to Dick Nixon (yes, they did actually talk once), having the support of a majority is enough for building water treatment plants, but for a war you need 90-95% support. Ironically, the same is true of Watergate; right to the end Dick was clinging to his "majority" support. Same is true of elites, you need near unanimity to keep major projects on track.

• **Agree:** [PetrOldSack](#)

• **Replies:** [@Emslander](#)

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32. [James J. O'Meara](#) says:

the unachievable dream of expelling Russia from Ukraine

Actually, I think the goal is to expel Russia from Russia. That doesn't make sense, but then the neocons are crazy. It's like those signs lefties used to carry, "US Out of North America."

• **LOL:** [Notsofast](#), [Dnought](#)

• **Replies:** [@QCIC](#)

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33. [Mr Chow Mein](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 1:15 am GMT • 2.4 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

The best source of what is happening in any war is go back to fundamentals, all the little stories of people from both sides on the front give a picture, and the picture is Ukraine is about finished, the tanks are all about saving Western Ukraine.

The WW1 tactics of bleeding Russia white hasn't worked for the U.S same as it didn't work for Falkenhayn and Germany.

What happens is both sides are bled, Ukraine youth gone...where is saving Ukraine now?

Watch the interview of a Canadian medic who is near Bakhmut of 5 days ago, once you look past the doctrinal propaganda you can see a man who now understands Ukraine is losing...he admits in his own way Bakhmut is gone, that's the east practically gone.

• **Replies:** [@nokangaroos](#), [@Decoy](#)

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34. [Rogue](#) says:

[@Notsofast](#)

I know MacGregor thinks the gas turbine engine in the Abrams tank to be an utter monstrosity.

I guess it is – if no other main battle tank manufacturers see the merit of having it.

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35. [Toxik](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 3:12 am GMT • 2.3 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

there's no negotiations or settlement. that horse was shot weeks ago when merkel, holland, and poroshenko all agreed the minsk was for stalling purposes. there's no reason for the russians to believe the west anymore. anything they say is just revolting lies. the russians have learned their lesson and this war will on on their terms.

• **Agree:** [Ann Nonny Mouse](#)

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36. [JimDandy](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 3:14 am GMT • 2.3 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@Voltarde](#)

**He makes an important point about the stupidity of sending inconsequential numbers of German Leopard 2 tanks to the Ukraine**

Inconsequential, strategically. But more and more I'm starting to wonder how much of this was simply about enriching the military industrial complex/making NATO seem relevant again/etc. rather than seriously pursuing an actual head-to-head war with Russia. Perhaps that's just wishful thinking, I don't know.

• **Agree:** [Voltarde](#)

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37. [Rogue](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 3:17 am GMT • 2.3 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@Ron Unz](#)

MacGregor makes the valid point that most battlefield casualties are caused by artillery.

In both world wars, and many other modern conflicts, the biggest battlefield killer is artillery, not machine guns, grenades or assault rifles – or even aerial attack.

Therefore, it makes sense that the Ukrainians have suffered considerably heavier casualties than the Russians due to the simple fact that the latter have vastly more artillery firepower than the former.

Whether the estimate of 160 thousand Ukrainians KIA is true or not (utterly shocking if true), the Ukrainians have surely suffered much higher combat casualties than the Russians.

I wonder if the average Ukrainian realizes that their Western backers have no feelings for them – this is all about damaging Putin and Russia.

• **Agree:** [Dnought](#), [nokangaroos](#), [lavoisier](#)

• **Replies:** [@j2](#), [@John Johnson](#)

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38. [enlightened](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 3:34 am GMT • 2.3 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@Sheikh77](#)

[@sheikh77](#)

STOP. Just stop commenting on this topic that you have no clue about. The first eight words of your post tell us that you have not had a long-standing opinion about the US war in Ukraine. The sites you mention are the real contrarians cuz they see the real war day in day out. Russia has no “apparatchiks” anymore dude, wake up this 2023. Russia is a very dynamic country right now with a LOT going on.

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39. [Ron Unz](#) says:

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[@putinandhisfansaremorons](#)

Do you usually recommend the opinions of people who have been comically wrong about the topic they’re speaking about for a couple of years now?

Sounds good—so you’re in the “Macgregor has gone totally insane” camp. Maybe you’re right, but I doubt it.

From what I’ve read, the US and its NATO allies have spent more money on weaponry for Ukraine over the last twelve months than Russia’s entire annual defense budget, and aside from that, we’ve provided intelligence, communications, command and control, and probably some of the key missile strikes. So to some extent, Russia has actually been fighting all of NATO.

Given that reality, it’s hardly surprising that it’s taken the Russians longer than expected to annihilate Ukraine’s huge army. But Macgregor seems to think it’s now on the verge of doing so.

Few things are as objectively factual as who won a war, and I think we’ll soon know whether Macgregor is correct or whether he’s insane.

• **Agree:** [Dnought](#), [Rogue](#), [Passing By](#), [Durruti](#)

• **Thanks:** [Jim Christian](#)

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40. [JasonT](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 4:49 am GMT • 2.2 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

Mike Whitney writes:

“They will ask why the United States is following a policy that has precipitated a strong move away from the dollar and US debt? And, they will wonder why the US deliberately sabotaged a peace deal in March when the probability of a Ukrainian victory is near zero.”

The answer is that the satanic international banksters controlling Western governments want WW3 so that they can ride in on a white horse in the aftermath and take control of everything. The question is whether these same banksters can keep the Western financial system afloat long enough to precipitate WW3. An additional question is whether there are enough independent heads in the U.S. military to foreclose the WW3 option.

• **Replies:** [@MarkU](#)

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41. John Johnson says:

February 2, 2023 at 5:19 am GMT • 2.2 days ago • 100 Words ↑

@Ron Unz

*He seems awfully confident in his positions and claims to have been privately talking with senior Pentagon contacts.*

MacGregor in March was awfully confident that the war was over and that Ukraine needed to surrender:

<https://www.washingtonexaminer.com/policy/defense-national-security/watch-fox-reporter-scolds-col-macgregor-for-sounding-like-a-putin-apologist>

Then he was confident that a great winter offensive would happen in November or December at the latest. He claimed Ukraine was about to be annihilated.....again.

*I'm no military expert, but given how publicly vocal he has been on these sorts of stark predictions, I'd say there are only two possibilities: (A) Macgregor is basically correct or (B) Macgregor has gone totally insane.*

I think there is one more possibility:

(C) MacGregor is on Russian payroll and is just a paid cheerleader.

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42. Rush says:

Looks like the split is not just within the elites but within RAND itself, the group that developed this latter report seemingly at odds with the group that produced the “Extending Russia” strategy in 2019.

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43. Dumbo says:

@Sheikh77

| On the other hand, Ukrainian leadership is young, energized, and capable of total war.

Sir, you are a retard. Don't comment, you probably barely can tie your shoes.

• **Agree:** Servenet, boynkin

• **Thanks:** Robert Bruce

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44. Zachary Smith says:

@Rogue

The Russian T-80 was a turbine tank. It has not been highly regarded because it's rather unreliable and another gas-hog. On point reportedly in its favor – it operates very well in the winter arctic regions.

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/T-80>

• **Replies:** @Rogue

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45. [Dumbo](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 5:36 am GMT • 2.2 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@Shitposter](#) in Chief

Actually he's right. They are in their third army right now. In the end, it doesn't matter. This war is not about Ukraine "winning". It's about about Russia losing. And about money. Money, money, money, money. It's about a few people in Washington and in Kiev making money, that's all. It's weird that people don't seem to understand this basic fact, even after 60 billion being siphoned out, with nothing to show.

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46. [saggy](#) says: • [Website](#)

[February 2, 2023 at 5:36 am GMT • 2.2 days ago • 200 Words](#) ↑

He didn't say Macgregor was insane, he said he has been consistently wrong since the beginning of the war. And there is no doubt about that. There are several others like him, Scott Ritter, MoonOfAlabama, the Saker, also other military guys.

And, of course, there are the talking heads on the MSM who are telling us exactly the opposite.

And all of them on both sides seem perfectly rational and persuasive.

There is no way for us to know who is right. The best you can do is assess the situation from what you know, and my assessment is that the Russians had no idea what they were getting into, they are currently bogged down, and they have not yet taken all the territory of the Donbass, much less Ukraine.

Some will be proved right and some will be proved wrong. I'm waiting on the winter offensive, which is a few months overdue already. If it hasn't happened in month, Russia is in trouble.

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47. [Zachary Smith](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 5:46 am GMT • 2.2 days ago • 200 Words](#) ↑

[@putinandhisfansaremorons](#)

Those of us who expected a short war didn't understand the extent of the fortifications built by NATO for Ukraine. Nor did we comprehend the Russian War Aims.

Speaking of "comprehension", you don't appear to have any of that. A glance at your previous posts found this:

The dictator of vodka and his army of impotent cretins bragged about conquering Ukraine in a couple of weeks and spectacularly failed to the point where conquering the garbage dump of Bakhmut, an irrelevant midsized city, is something they brag about. NATO countries barely sent any military surplus to Ukraine. The US alone could send 1k M1s, 1k ATACMS, 3k Bradleys and hundreds of jets without even affecting the operations of the American military.

Calling other people "morons" after posting stuff like that takes some genuine nerve. Or a very common ability to cut/paste what your boss at the troll farm provides for you.

• **Agree:** [Dnought](#)

• **Replies:** [@Folkvangr](#)

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48. Anon[169] • [Disclaimer](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 5:50 am GMT • 2.2 days ago](#) • 200 Words ↑

The West still has a few potential dirty tricks up their sleeve:

- 1) A false flag in Europe or America blamed on a Russian. This could be a phony attack on food production as well as a bomb, etc. to gin up public support.
- 2) A chemical, nuclear, or biological detonation in Central Ukraine as Russia advances in March or April to be blamed on the Russian incompetence even as many Russian troops perish.
- 3) An attempted decapitation strike at Russia by the West.
- 4) Another color revolution attempt on the Russian periphery. They are still trying in Iran.
- 5) An attack on Iran, the weakest link in the Asian chain. Also an attack on Belarus or Serbia, even Hungary.
- 6) A new virus released.
- 7) An assassination attempt on Putin by a nut job trained for that purpose.

I'm sure all of these possibilities and more get gamed out on whiteboards by neocon strategists just for the sake of wishing. These are very wicked people who want you to eat bugs and be working poor.

• **Replies:** [@Complex Pseudonymic Handle](#)

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49. [emerging majority](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 5:53 am GMT • 2.2 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@PetrOldSack](#)

So far as I can tell, this analysis of Macgregor and those shadowy ones behind the scenes may be spot-on. Thus this could be your most astute posting within my recollection. Kudos for that.

One small suggestion from a long-time copy-editor: I do believe that you meant “factions” rather than “fractions”. There is a subtle (one additional letter) difference in the two words.

• **Replies:** [@PetrOldSack](#)

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50. [Dnought](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 5:55 am GMT • 2.2 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@Sheikh77](#)

“Soviet era apparatchiks?” The Soviet Union ended more than 30 years ago, the few military guys from that era left were Junior officers in those days (hardly “apparatchiks”) and are now senior officers. Furthermore, there are probably almost as many then-Junior Officers from Soviet Military Academies in the Ukrainian armed forces as there are in the Russian.

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51. [Frank Walus](#) says:

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[@Ron Unz](#)

Macgregor believes Russia's intent is regime change in Kiev. While that is the only outcome that fundamentally changes the equation, is Russia up to that? NATO doesn't seem to think it's in the cards as they provision arm shipments into the future. NATO arms have had good success in destroying Russian equipment up to now. NATO is in a position to up the ante in terms of conventional weapons as well. Already NATO has a better view of the battlefield via satellite. Do the Russians really want to fight much more than they did at the end of WWI? Macgregor seems to believe the Russians have the fighting prowess and competency of the 1945 Red Army. A third of those drafted into Putin's mobilization didn't show up. Today, Russian nationalist Igor Strelkov assessed the army of having a decadent fighting spirit. Only elderly cheerleaders for the former Soviet Union support Putin's boondoggle in Ukraine..

• **Replies:** [@emerging majority](#)

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52. [MarkU](#) says:

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[@Ron Unz](#)

I think Macgregor is right about how it is developing but there are far too many other factors at play to predict a UAF collapse. The UAF seems to consist of large numbers of hapless conscripts with a corset of zealots and NATO mercenaries. The Poles have just mobilised 200,000 troops, it is pretty obvious that they are up for a fight. The Kiev junta has already shown it is willing to expend lives for PR victories and if they run short of Ukrainians then Poles and Romanians will do just as well. They also don't give a damn about the civilians or the infrastructure in eastern and southern Ukraine, they are quite happy to see it trashed, so why would they surrender? I don't think they will. Barring nuclear war I reckon there is a good chance the conflict will end with both sides shelling each other across the Dniepr river.

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53. [emerging majority](#) says:

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[@Joe Paluka](#)

Zelensky and his henchmen? Well-paid through every source of possible corruption...but in the final analysis, mere waterboys.

It would be virtually impossible for juridicial bodies to get their hands on them, but the seven Talmudist crime clans, along with the Crypto Rottenfellers here in the states, are the primary shotcallers for the whole shebang.

HOWEVER...

If they WERE brought to justice, rather than Ivan's prodigies of torturers; I'd be more impressed by the antics of Vlad the Impaler.

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54. [Stan](#) says:

The Straussian neocons that have cost the US trillions of dollars on useless wars for Israel should be tried for treason and hanged.

• **Agree:** [JimDandy](#)

• **Replies:** [@JimDandy](#)

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55. [MarkU](#) says:

[@JasonT](#)

So you are a proponent of what I call the *Controlled demolition of the West* model as opposed to the *The last days of Rome* model. Both models have their pro's and con's, I'm not sure which is true, sometimes I think they both are.

• **Replies:** [@JasonT](#)

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56. [P.T.](#) says:

Public opinion is a catalyst for a split among elites. The Vietnam anti-war movement is a case in point.

lll

• **Agree:** [PetrOldSack](#)

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57. [P.T.](#) says:

The Jewish plan to put NATO troops on the Ukraine-Russia border was always a hairbrained scheme. The Russians were never going to accept that. However, gullible goy Joe Biden fell for it.

lll

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58. [nsa](#) says:

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The Russian Federation is a vast country spanning 11 time zones and sitting atop 1/4 of the planet's resources. Real stuff like bauxite, phosphates, timber, gold, uranium, iron, coal, natural gas, oil, 11/24 of the thawing arctic, soil, grains, fresh water, etc....not crap western fake wealth like reverse mortgages, payday loans, fiat currency asswipes, stock scams, bond debt, crypto swindles, etc. German manufacturing prowess combined with Russia's abundant resources and energy could have created a powerhouse rivalling North America or China. Busting up this possibility was the main goal. Mission accomplished. There is always going to be severe collateral damage in this kind of bold grandiose powerplay.....Ukraine Delenda Est.

• **Agree:** [Complex Pseudonymic Handle](#)

• **Replies:** [@Giovanni](#)

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59. JM says:

@Ron Unz

Problem is it's – basically – our people (used or otherwise, it doesn't much matter in this context) who do the suffering and the real perpetrators get off scot free, enriched in the process. Hopefully one day we'll get justice.

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60. Timmy Tim The Fry Guy says:

@Notsofast

There is yet an even newer, greater weapon in the Americanski arsenal.

The new Urban Assault Vehicle EM-50. In your face Putinists!



Watch Video At: <https://youtu.be/bENFo8EyIck>

• **LOL:** Notsofast

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61. anonymous[264] • Disclaimer says:

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@Ron Unz

OR the Stock pile, military inventories had been depleted,, Bankers will keep collecting interests on the sovereign debts....and BlackRock Inc. will demand more trillions from the USA/NATO/G7 for reconstruction FUNDS..now the big question WHO will WIN the PEACE..after so much blood/treasure/...will Putin retain the conquer territories or the USA/NATO will demand all Ukraine back..?? a fools game???

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62. JM says:

@Socratesjr

Pompous BS. What the hell are you trying to say? Spit it out, “man”.

• **Replies:** @Socratesjr, @Badger Down

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63. j2 says:

[February 2, 2023 at 7:19 am GMT • 2.1 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@Ron Unz](#)

“I’m no military expert, but given how publicly vocal he has been on these sorts of stark predictions, I’d say there are only two possibilities: (A) Macgregor is basically correct or (B) Macgregor has gone totally insane. ”

MacGregor’s estimates conflict every reasonable calculation of losses (there are many ways, they all give about the same result: Ukraine KIA c. 30,000, total casualties c. 120,000, Russian KIA c. 80,000, total casualties 200,000). So, your alternative B is correct. MacGregor made a wrong prediction that Russian major Winter offensive would start 10-19. December 2022 and would very soon cause the collapse of Ukraine defense. This prediction was wrong. Now MacGregor tries to stick to his prediction and claims that Ukraine is on the verge of collapse. Vocal does not imply correct.

• **Troll:** [Olivier1973](#)

• **Replies:** [@Levtraro](#), [@Badger Down](#)

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64. j2 says:

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[@Rogue](#)

“MacGregor makes the valid point that most battlefield casualties are caused by artillery.

In both world wars, and many other modern conflicts, the biggest battlefield killer is artillery, not machine guns, grenades or assault rifles – or even aerial attack.

Therefore, it makes sense that the Ukrainians have suffered considerably heavier casualties than the Russians due to the simple fact that the latter have vastly more artillery firepower than the former.”

Artillery and every other way of killing soldiers is much more effective against unprotected soldiers than against soldiers protected by trenches. This is why the attacker has higher losses than the defender. The traditional calculation is that an attacker needs three times the number of men than the defender. It is simply because the losses of an attacker are three times the losses of the defender. Russia has been attacking basically continuously during this war. Ukraine made two short attack periods where in one of them Russians run away and did not fight. Therefore the expected KIA of Russia is about three times the KIA of Ukraine.

As for using more artillery, you have to take into account that Russian artillery is less precise and they need more rounds. Ukraine has better situational awareness and can spot targets and has precise weapons to hit the targets.

So far Ukraine situation is nowhere as bad as MacGregor claims, but Russia is preparing a major offensive. We will see if that succeeds.

• **Troll:** [Olivier1973](#), [SOL](#)

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65. [JM](#) says:  
[@Sheikh77](#)

| I'm going to take the contrarian position here.

No, shit-for-brains, you're taking a (((Neo-Con))) position all the way. When are you verminous creatures going to have the human decency to identify as you really are.

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66. [Jews Rock!](#) says:  
[@Mark G.](#)

Taxes don't fund the government. They print the money they need. The federal budget is not your checkbook.

Taxes are a tool of behavioral control. Contrary to Econ 101, taxes *stimulate* economic activity, crudely analogous to the ante in poker.

• **Agree:** [Thirtdtwin](#), [PetrOldSack](#)

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67. [j2](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 7:40 am GMT • 2.1 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

“Since avoiding a long war is the highest priority after minimizing escalation risks, the United States should take steps that make an end to the conflict over the medium term more likely.”

In think Mike cannot read what the report says. RAND says here that the USA should make this war end in the medium term. That is only achieved by giving arms to Ukraine. The other alternative was to have a long war like in Afghanistan. But RAND recommends finishing this war in a medium term, which I read as to the end of the year. The USA should give the weapons to Ukraine so that this goal is achieved. It does look like that is what the USA will do.

• **Troll:** [Olivier1973](#)

• **Replies:** [@Brás Cubas](#)

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68. [Panadechi](#) says:



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69. [mulga mumblebrain](#) says:

[@SafeNow](#)

The USA has NEVER been 'agreement capable'. The USA breaks even the most solemn commitments when it suits one of its ruling cabals and cliques. Over and over again.

• **Agree:** [Commentator Mike](#), [nokangaroos](#), [Joe Levantine](#)

• **Replies:** [@Wizard of Oz](#)

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70. [mulga mumblebrain](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 7:58 am GMT • 2.1 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@Ron Unz](#)

And Russia has barely begun fighting. Most of the heavy stuff has been done by Wagner, Kadyrov's Chechens and Donbass militia. Probably in the hope that the Banderites would see sense, and in the expectation that sanctions would harm the West the more, that the war would finally end the power of treacherous 'Atlanticist' elements (Yeltsin's bastard children) in Russia and set the West at each others throats and their populations against the US-controlled ruling elites. All working pretty well, I'd say.

• **Agree:** [Jim Christian](#), [Brian Damage](#)

• **Replies:** [@AnonfromTN](#)

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71. Anonymous[127] • [Disclaimer](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 8:16 am GMT • 2.1 days ago • 200 Words](#) ↑

[@Mark G.](#)

There is an inevitability about the fact that the U.S. is entering a fiscal crisis that will soon make it impossible to continue our 800-billion-dollar yearly defense budget.

That and the rest of the budget items also. The US would be very lucky indeed if it could roll over enough of its current debt (31 trillion, that's 31 with 12 zeroes to its right [1]) to pay the interest on that debt with its existing tax base, which in 2019 was about 3.6 trillion) and have enough left over to support a very lean government. About half the tax revenue would go to paying interest (assuming 5% interest and no roll-over, leaving 1.8 trillion to pay to pay for a Federal government establishment's yearly cost of about 4.6 trillion . (Various sources say various things about Federal money owed and collected, so the above figures are only approximately correct.)

If you want a Russian end game in dealing with a non-agreement-capable government, the above is it. Given an end to US credit, US federal government could not afford hugely expensive expeditionary forces. The US federal government could barely afford to buy a firecracker to celebrate the 4th of July. Fortunately, it wouldn't have to since such a celebration would be racist.

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1]https://www.pgpf.org/national-debt-clock#:~:text=The%20%2431%20trillion%20gross%20federal,that%20it%20owes%20to%20itself.

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72. [Commentator Mike](#) says:

[@Rogue](#)

Shouldn't they be making electric tanks and scrapping all those others to keep with their green agenda? Hypocrites!

• **Replies:** [@Rogue](#)

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73. [Shitposter in Chief](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 8:24 am GMT • 2.1 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@MarkU](#)

He's been spouting this stuff about the imminent collapse of the Ukrainian Army every week.

This isn't analysis, he's projecting his biases and wishes. He's ignoring all evidence that suggests he's wrong and interpreting everything that he can to support his beliefs.

He's worth listening to (I like to read both sides of every argument), but he's just embarrassingly wrong time after time. A wiser person would reconsider their position

• **Replies:** [@Commentator Mike](#)

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74. IronForge says:

February 2, 2023 at 8:26 am GMT • 2.1 days ago • 500 Words ↑

@Ron Unz

As a 2ndGen Navy Veteran who deployed in a WarZone, and as another Service Academy Graduate, I'll side with COL MacGregor.

He's the "Rugged Individualist-Patriot" Personality/Interest Profile Type – for a lack of a better Term – esteemed by the Military Svc Academies(they test/examine us quite a bit prior to and after arriving). Academies have their preferred finer Personality/Interest Profiles (Occupation Specialty Generalities tend to be a Source of Jokes); but from what I've seen thus far, he fits in the "Joined in to Serve" Category – definitely not the "Sports Recruit", nor of the "Here for the Free Education Freeloader" Categories

His first year at VMI (Virginia Military Institute) attests to that.

Considering that he was Advising the Acting Secretary of Defense for several months after Esper was canned – gives much in his Credentials.

He's a Traditional Conservative – not on the Global Hegemony Team. An "America Firster". Authors reference his Articles and Interviews.

I personally believe that he does have (Independent/RUS-Leaning/BonaFideConservative) Friends, Associates, and Like-minded (Murican+Russian Sourced) Patriots feeding him better daily Intel and SITREP( Situational Report)s.

Bar None.

I personally find it surprising and disappointing to see so many Veterans tow the Soros-Driven(yes – he Funded the Nazi Pedagogy, Co-Funded the 2014 Coup Riots, and had his Vassal's Son "Anthony" the Propaganda Program Editor at the USA\_StateDept installed as SecState) NeoCon/Pentagon Line. I'm scanning RT/TelegramChannel/RUS\_MoD Summaries; and am certain that these MSM/Cable/NeoCon Military Talking Heads are steeped in their "Narrative" – projecting their own delusions regarding RUS.

Guess they took the SUN's AFG Intervention Failure (If the "Natives" aren't willing or capable, cut your losses early, don't get involved too deeply, and walk away promptly) and their Collapse in the 90s for granted – too much and too long...

The 20+ Year PNAC7-LongWar for Oil and ISR of the 2000s DroneBombing and Shelling Non-Industrialized MENA Countries and their Civilians didn't help either.

Their Disciples – along with Soros and the NeoCons – are deluding that they can actually do a Coup in Beijing, Sanction Beijing into Economic Collapse, and help their DPP 5thColumns take Taiwan into Independence while Fighting Off the ENTIRE PLA 110Miles away and hoping PRK will stay put over KOR...

Idiocy.

Perhaps knowing that RUS have the Conventional Hypersonic/Orbital/Supersonic/Cruise Missiles and Torpedoes to Destroy their Civil+Military Infrastructure and Merchant SHIPPING – without traversing very far from their Territories, while having better Air Defense Arrays that will knock down almost anything we can throw at them – get their Limbic Systems into "Wild Kingdom/Mass Hysteria/Cancel Culture" Overdrive.

I consider the Colonel to be the best Independent “America First” Military-Supported Source. He may be wrong on a few points, off-kilter on few of his WorldViews I’ve yet to read of; but mostly reliable.

That being said,

I consider Marine Veteran Berletic of “The New Atlas”/NEO-Journal to be one of the better Aggregator of Public Sources debunking the Hegemony’s Wars+AgitProp the World Over.

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75. [Dieboomerdie](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 8:33 am GMT • 2.1 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@Ron Unz](#)

All of NATO = military surplus vehicles whose prices have been quoted as the sticker price in the aid packages.

Even if Russia wins, MacGregor and his fans are already wrong because a year ago they claimed the war will end in a couple of weeks and ranted about how it’s ending soon ever since. Few things are as factual as time and the ten days he gave Russia to win after the first week of the war have been up in almost a year.

If Russia was fighting even 20% of NATO, there would be 100+ 5th gen fighters, 500+ ATACMS and 1200 Bradley’s from the US alone.

It’s also pretty funny how Russia isn’t at war with Ukraine, a country they invaded, but is at war with NATO despite not having any military conflicts with it.

• **Replies:** [@Commentator Mike](#), [@Levtraro](#)

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76. [ACommonMan](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 8:37 am GMT • 2.1 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@Sheikh77](#)

“Ukrainistan military is young, energized and capable of total war”

What world do you live in? If by young you mean kids being snatched off the street via forced conscription ill agree with you. By all accounts Zelensky is sending troops to be slaughtered, according to German Intelligence taking 3 digit loses everyday! The US advisors and General Zeluzhny have been pleading with Zelensky to retreat from Bakhmut but he continues to send troops to plug the drain. This also happened in Soledar. Ukistanies are being exterminated. Dying for the right to have gay anal sex forced on their kids. YaY!!

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77. [foometoo](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 8:40 am GMT • 2.1 days ago • 200 Words](#) ↑

The answer is that the satanic international banksters controlling Western governments want WW3 so that they can ride in on a white horse in the aftermath and take control of everything.

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Close but no cigar, its the derivatives bet the (((bankers))) have sold some 2 quad-drillion USD in insurance, derivative covers on the worlds stock markets and assets, this is how global stocks could be sold 100x, because only when the bankers buy & sell insurance to cover the pensions, could they sell 100x of collateral.

So here we sit, so say it goes WW3 and is gone, well then no payment, because all the policyholders are dead, understand the game yet? Why they're trying to murder everybody in the west???

The USD is going down and yes all the british common-wealth countrys will be sold to the highest bidder, saudi&china will take ownership of the former USSA as they hold most of the debt

Just remember that the \$30 Trillion US debt is nothing and the \$200 Trillion world-debt is the tip of the iceberg the real problem is that the (((BANKERS))) sold and thus collected premiums on 100x of the world's assets; Now they either have to pay claims, or kill the policy holders

Which option will they take??

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78. [eah](#) says:

>Ukraine Is Sinking

In the video at the link below, listen to what Assange says about the war in Afghanistan, mentally substituting 'Ukraine' for 'Afghanistan' — and remember that Afghanistan eventually 'sunk'.

**[Julian Assange on Afghan war in a 2011 video](#)**

• **Replies:** [@eah](#)

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79. IronForge says:

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Of course some of the Plutarchy and Vassal\_Oligarchs are getting off the Campaign.

RUS survived. They're Stronger. They can take all of Continental Europe if they want to in a War; but won't. Hypersonics will do the deed. RUS can even take out the USA+GBR's Civil Infrastructure, Military, and Merchant Shipping. Anglo-Murica using Nukes mean that Anglo-Murica won't survive. RUS probably have Underground Bases and will somehow survive better than Anglo-Murica can.

CHN can't be brought down; and the DPP are despised by Taiwan Island and Mainland Residents. Matter of time before Murican MICC Weapons Makers, CongressMembers – are Permanently kicked off the Island.

The SCO/SilkRoad are decoupling from the USD+SWIFT – setting up the interactive financial settlement systems amongst SCO+Extended\_Trade\_Partners.

Western Plutarchy won't take in too much profits in SCO/Asia.

There are good chances that Donbas Survivors, RUS Proxy-War Veterans, PMC Survivors – are going to hunt down the Perpetrators of these Scams.

Soros also called in for a Regime Change in Beijing. I'm expecting CHN Mainlanders to take on Soros+Org once he starts something in CHN, with Beijing not too far behind to Jail Perpetrators – provided that Vigilantes allowed them to.

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80. dimples says:

@Notsofast

But the gas turbine probably saves the weight of a 2 ton diesel engine so think of the weight efficiency gain: 72 tons instead of 74 tons! That's American MIC thinking at its best right there!

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81. [Sheikh77](#) says:

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[@Ron Unz](#)

To clarify, I'm not suggesting anything so gauche as them being directly paid. This is obviously not a business decision- but we also live in 2023. The most valuable commodity in the western world is clicks and likes. Which they are all racking up at a record rate.

There is a large and extremely disillusioned semi-intellectual class in American/Western society who are actively rooting against our ruling elite. A huge reason for this is the lack of actual conservative politics in America. This forces this class to tacitly support what they view as more traditional societies. Specifically Russia and China.

However, the traditional values they project onto Russia as a strength can just as easily be seen as a weakness. I don't see the much lauded Russian conservatism as a meaningful ideology capable of powering a multi-National mass movement. I view them as an industrial society with industrial era values. History is filled with stories of traditional cultures being decimated by more advanced modern ones. The American Indians were certainly paragons of strong masculinity! But they still got stomped.

There is a meaningful niche within American and Western society who are fed up by the current system and have no voices in mainstream media. Their frustrations are mostly justified. This creates a huge amount of traffic for alt news sites. However, this also creates a strong incentive for these sites to ALWAYS position themselves 180 degrees in direct opposition to mainstream narratives. Without deeper analysis.

Russia is losing this war and will be decimated as a society. To think otherwise is to vastly misread the past year.

• **Thanks:** [Wizard of Oz](#)

• **Troll:** [Olivier1973](#)

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82. [eah](#) says:

[@eah](#)

[link](#) — *Jimmy Dore: "Your enemy is not China. Your enemy is not Russia. Your enemy is the Military Industrial Complex."*

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83. [Old Brown Fool](#) says:

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[@SafeNow](#)

If Russia trusts the American empire one more time, after Merkel openly declaring that the purpose of Minsk agreements was not to settle the problems of Russian minorities in Ukraine, but only to buy time for arming it, well, I can only say this will be the last time Russians trust the NATO (Germany + France + Britain + America).

Because there will not be any Russia after that. American rulers already regret not disarming Russia in 1992; and I am sure Russian leader Eltsin would have readily surrendered the nuclear weapons and even scientists to America then. This time, they will make sure that only NATO has nuclear weapons.

After that, a worldwide empire, a steep decline of living standards, a return to feudalism, and may be after another few thousand years, there will be either a beehive of human society or the H G Wells version of two human species, one eating the other.

• **Replies:** [@anonymous](#)

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84. [Chingon](#) says:

Fascist wishful thinking.

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85. [Chingon](#) says:

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[@Ron Unz](#)

What a joke! The fact remains the war that putin the thug thought would last two weeks max is now a year old. That ALONE tells you tons about ruzzian ineptitude, stupidity, and backwardness and more about Ukrainian bravery, nationalism, and resilience. May putin one day hang from a Ukrainian lamp post.

• **Troll:** [Ann Nonny Mouse](#), [Harold Smith](#), [MarkU](#)

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86. Odyssey says:

February 2, 2023 at 9:25 am GMT • 2.0 days ago • 200 Words ↑

From RT: Lavrov identifies root of US-Russia tensions

The root cause of the conflict in Ukraine is linked to Washington's belief that the US is exceptional and the contention that this supposedly justifies its dominance, Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov has said.

American officials believe the US is "an exceptional nation, unlike any other in the world," and that it has a duty to lead, because otherwise "there will be chaos."

Lavrov cited an opinion piece by Jake Sullivan, national security adviser to President Joe Biden, which was published in The Atlantic magazine in 2019.

"No vision of American exceptionalism can succeed if the United States does not defeat the emerging vision that emphasizes ethnic and cultural identity," he wrote at the time. The phrase referred to US domestic politics and how it affects the "core purpose of American foreign policy."

Lavrov called the remark "terrible" because it denies other peoples "the right to remember their history." The US government applies this principle globally, he suggested.

"Just like they melted in a pot everyone who arrived in America, they now want to melt everyone else, so they essentially become Americans," the minister said.

"This exceptionalism, this absolute conviction of their infallibility and superiority – I am certain that it is the main reason why we are now confronting the nations that wage a proxy war against us through the Kiev regime."

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87. JM says:

February 2, 2023 at 10:01 am GMT • 2.0 days ago • 100 Words ↑

BTW, I think the careful position of E Michael ("Mick") Jones on the current Pope along with his representations in Rome, particularly on the Ukraine war, may well have paid dividends. Not all that one might wish, but at least the Catholic Church wasn't following the political and social filth that run US foreign policy.

As well: note the good people who defended Cardinal Pell at his funeral in St Mary's, Sydney against assorted riff raff knowing not what they do – or believe.

<https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-11703671/George-Pell-funeral-protester-dragged-St-Marys-Cathedral-Sydney-blowing-whistle.html>

• **Replies:** @Shitposter in Chief

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88. Passing By says:

February 2, 2023 at 10:02 am GMT • 2.0 days ago • 100 Words ↑

@Ron Unz

Speaking of “objective facts”, how many countries are moving away from the dollar?

Remind me, what was the real reason behind the aggression against Libya?

Aren't the countries moving away from the dollar afraid of the West replaying the Libyan scenario against them?

And what's going on in Africa with the French?

Why isn't the “jungle” afraid of the “gardeners” any more?

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89. RobinG says:

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@Ron Unz

| Few things are as objectively factual as who won a war...

Well, a few days ago, Putin said that the Nazis won WWII. We know what he meant, but very little in this world is objectively factual, and I'm weary of claims about truth. “Truth.” No such animal, me thinks.

• **Replies:** @Vidi

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90. Odyssey says:

@Ron Unz

Just one suggestion to improve the site:

<https://www.unz.com/pescobar/a-panicked-empire-tries-to-make-russia-an-offer-it-cant-refuse/#comment-5791872>

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91. Commentator Mike says:

February 2, 2023 at 10:07 am GMT • 2.0 days ago • 100 Words ↑

I see j2, JJ and other pro-UkroZioNazis are late to the table. I guess even evil has to sleep sometimes. But maybe they'll still beat me to the table as their comments could be queuing up at moderation.

Anyway the Ukrainians have put the Croatian president on their hit list.

<https://southfront.org/croatian-president-added-to-ukrainian-kill-list/>

So anyone not fully supporting them, not giving money or weapons and refusing to join their Russophobic hysteria gets on the assassination list. This is racketeering pure and simple, Mafia style. And these are the kind of people j2, jj et al. support.

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92. Commentator Mike says:

@Shitposter in Chief

Scott Ritter reconsidered his position some time ago after things weren't going the way he predicted and then has reconsidered it again. Some other analysts also changed their opinion after Russians didn't take Kiev and experienced some setbacks but are again on board with their initial assessment.

• **Replies:** @Shitposter in Chief

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93. Ann Nonny Mouse says:

@Toxik

Agree

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94. Commentator Mike says:

February 2, 2023 at 10:25 am GMT • 2.0 days ago • 100 Words ↑

@Dieboomerdie

If NATO went to war openly then most of those transports would not reach the fronts and would be sunk on the high seas and on land. Russia isn't WWII Germany which ended up fighting on three fronts: West, South and East. Russia's back is secure and it has no problems of fuel and resource shortages like Germany had.

• **Agree:** Kolya Krassotkin, Joe Levantine

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95. nokangaroos says:

@PetrOldSack

IIRC Orange Man wanted to tap MacGregor as ambassador to Germany – which would have been a welcome reprieve from the usual incompetent Jewish mega-donors playing viceroy for four years (the *real* plum is Austria); but the (((Germans))) were aghast.

• **Thanks:** PetrOldSack

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96. PUTINFAN says:

@putinandhisfansaremorons

It is clear that MacGregor thought there would be a negotiated settlement. He never stated that Russia would win outright and take control of Ukraine.

• **Replies:** @Wokechoke

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97. Truth Vigilante says:

@Ron Unz

A nice little rant from Max Blumenthal at the end there.

That pretty much said it all. Amy Goodman and her show are just tools of the Zio establishment.

• **Replies:** @Notsofast

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98. Levtraro says:

@j2

| ... Ukraine KIA c. 30,000, ...

Frauführer Ursula von der Leyen said it was over 100 thousand Ukie officers killed.

So whom to believe? Col. MacGregor and the president of the European Commission, or some random guy in the internets?

• **Agree:** Commentator Mike

• **Replies:** @j2, @Stephane

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99. Shitposter in Chief says:

February 2, 2023 at 11:12 am GMT • 2.0 days ago • 100 Words ↑

@Commentator Mike

He has and he hasn't. He's attributing all his mistakes to "NATO escalating" etc and not his flawed assessment.

Due to opsec, propaganda and outright lies, there are way too many unknowns for terribly accurate predictions. Too many people are projecting their wishes as facts (like claiming Ukraine is losing 600 dead per day etc)

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100. Levtraro says:

@Dieboomerdie

| Even if Russia wins, ...

Another run-of-the-mill fool almost ready to get over the denial stage.

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101. Shitposter in Chief says:

February 2, 2023 at 11:17 am GMT • 2.0 days ago • 100 Words ↑

@JM

What happened to Pell was disgraceful. NPC retards who think "Catholic priest = pedo" when the only reason this was a thing was the people Pell opposing encouraging homos to join the clergy.

Statistically speaking a public school teacher is way more likely to fuck kids than a Catholic Priest. Rabbis top the least I believe

• **Thanks:** Wizard of Oz

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102. Levtraro says:

@Sheikh77

| The most valuable commodity in the western world is clicks and likes.

Lol! What are you, a seveteen years old girl?

• **Troll:** Wizard of Oz

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103. Wokechoke says:

@John Johnson

This sounds like a George Galloway Redux. Are you Jewish?

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104. Wokechoke says:

@PUTINFAN

Outright control of Ukraine seems more of a likely aim now.

The first raid was to apply pressure.

This one looks like extermination now.

• **Agree:** PUTINFAN

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105. Wokechoke says:

@Commentator Mike

They have to be snuffed.

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106. GMC says:

February 2, 2023 at 11:46 am GMT • 1.9 days ago • 100 Words ↑

@Toxik

Or – the reason Merkel and her colleagues confessed, was to make sure there will be no negotiations and the War will continue as planned. They are all snakes and confessing, is just another way of backstabbing Russia some more. Or, at least their owners believe that a long war is necessary for their cause – continued Western Reset and Weakening domestic E U and the USA.

The MSM , the Think Tanks and others will play the “Let’s maybe, think about a little Peace now, while they know Russia will continue the offensive . It’s all about keeping the populaces addicted to the circle jerk while the WEFers, Zionists , Bankers,Globalist etc. continue their plan of Western destruction. The Western populations are too programmed, too brainwashed, too confused, in order to see that they need to hook up with the Russian people and go after the Bad Guys together.

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107. [ThreeCranes](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 11:57 am GMT • 1.9 days ago • 400 Words](#) ↑

[@Ron Unz](#)

Fine insight into Russian motivation or lack thereof to extend Empire.

It's okay for the US military to alter their plans in light of fresh perceptions. That's healthy. That's good. No shame. Adjust your stride to the terrain. Only a fool stands on pride, only an idiot can't trim their sails to the wind.

Slaughter of Ukrainians is a good thing from the point of view of the Jewish oligarchs who want to step in and establish a Greater Israel,

The schism MacGregor speaks about is between the faction within the US that stands for the old white establishment and the Jewish Neocons. So, finally, some stand up on hind legs and push back from the old manufacturing base. (Can you subcontract the construction of all of your military hardware and software to your eventual enemies? This has always been the Achilles heel of unconditional globalism.)

And finally, as I have repeatedly said, Putin is a first-class Judoka. This gives him a special vantage point of both mastery and restraint. As MacGregor says, this war was forced upon Putin by his enemies in the West. He didn't want to play "for keeps". He wanted to play on the field as it had been marked out by European conventions for centuries. We forced him to use deadly force. For this, he is both very disappointed and angry with us, as a parent is towards a wayward, strong-headed child.

That we (our Government and Media) have lied about even that is the final straw. We are without honor. This is a terrible place to operate from as it leaves us no alternatives other than deceit and force. Speaking personally, I would never place myself in these straits. Only a criminal—and a stupid one at that—would. Our nation's leaders are acting—literally—like overconfident criminals who have convinced themselves that they can fool the "stupid" authorities.

"We're an empire now, and when we act, we create our own reality. And while you're studying that reality — judiciously, as you will — we'll act again, creating other new realities, which you can study too, and that's how things will sort out. We're history's actors . . . and you, all of you, will be left to just study what we do." Rove

Fools! Thinking they could outwit Nemesis, the Greatest Goddess of them all, to whom even Zeus submits. They may create "realities" but they won't fool Reality. As though fooling the peanut gallery would carry the day. Blind idiots to think their policies would not arouse effective opposition has led them to go into battle without sword or shield and predictably, they are retreating.

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108. [Truth Vigilante](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 11:57 am GMT • 1.9 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@saggy](#)

my assessment is that the Russians had no idea what they were getting into, they are currently bogged down ..... Russia is in trouble.

Saggy (so named by your ex wife because of your flaccid prognostications), I suggest you focus on rectifying that chronic case of Brewers droop you're known for.

Because you are completely clueless on the Ukraine proxy war – like most things you post on a variety of topics.

• **Replies:** [@Levraro](#)

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109. anonymous[352] • [Disclaimer](#) says:

Until the little hats are driven from power, there will continue to be endless wars. Until the horror of war visits them in person, the little hats will keep right agitating for bloodshed.

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110. [Dumbo](#) says:

[@John Johnson](#)

You were wrong on COVID, you are wrong on the Ukraine. They say even a broken clock is right twice a day, but in your case, it seems not even that.

• **Agree:** [Commentator Mike](#), [MarkU](#)

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111. [Passing By](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 12:09 pm GMT • 1.9 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@Commentator Mike](#)

Well, to be fair, I don't think that they as much support Ukrainians as they are blinded by irrational hatred against Russia. I am openly pro-Russian and I'd bet a kidney that I have more compassion for the poor Ukrainian sods thrown in the "meat grinder" than they have. Heck, I'd bet even the Russians on the frontline have more compassion for their foes than the anti-Russia trolls polluting this site with their hatred.

• **Agree:** [Commentator Mike](#)

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112. anonymous[394] • [Disclaimer](#) says:

[@Old Brown Fool](#)

Incredible how the US government has so many Americans defending it when the US government is killing its own people with the vaxx shots – with all the proceeds going to Zionist Inc. It's stupidity mixed with cowardice.

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113. [Olivier1973](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 12:12 pm GMT • 1.9 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑  
[@Sheikh77](#)

| Russian forces remain bogged down in Bahkmut after months of fighting with very little to show for it.

Obviously he is not understanding these two words “meat grinder”.

| All the while the West is effectively refining the strategies that will dominate the next world war.

Obviously he is not understanding what sarmat, poseidon and unstoppable missiles can do.

Wondering what his iq is...

• **Replies:** [@Passing By](#)

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114. [Levtraro](#) says:

[@Truth Vigilante](#)

Lol! Saggy tits writes like an old female so I think it's her husband whom named her thus because of her, well, saggy tits.

• **LOL:** [Truth Vigilante](#)

• **Replies:** [@saggy](#)

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115. [cohen](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 12:23 pm GMT • 1.9 days ago • 200 Words](#) ↑

Two stooges, Egyptian and Israeli foreign ministers were dispatched to Russia and Ukraine, respectively, with US “Peace Proposal” to be known as future Minsk III.

Sergey Lavrov showed his extended middle finger and told the west “comeback when you are serious” while Victoria Nuland baking cookies for Azov fighters in Bakhmut areas.

Matter of days or weeks before she stops making cookies. Wagner group would not appreciate her recipe.

The Ferrari excitement about the delivery of the tanks will be thud. The war will be over before the Abraham tanks are delivered. 21 tanks have to be manufactured as US does not want to provide its tank shield super technology to Russian via Ukraine. The tanks for Ukraine using old shield configuration have be manufactured.

And the super hyped UK challenger and Leopard tanks would not make any dent in the on going war. Why?

14 (or 14,000 if we use German calculators, the one used in Holofoax) Leopard and 14 all mighty challengers from UK will be not match for Russian missiles.

Little Zelinsky soon to join his deposed friends. For him, Happy Days are over.

Stages/studretired ios with maps of Ukraine in CNN, MSNBC, Fox.... are ready to be replaced by Chinese maps. The Generals with stars all over their uniform have to take a refresher course on China to appear like parrots on TV. Stay Tuned

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116. [Philip Kraske](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 12:28 pm GMT](#) • [1.9 days ago](#) • 200 Words [↑](#)

Whitney makes an interesting case, but I wish he would take up this question:

Maneuvering Russia into the war has been the effort of three administrations. Obviously the neocons see this strategy as vital to their main objective of containing China: only by either taking over or destroying Russia — a.k.a. China's gas station — can they achieve this.

Are they now going to shrug and say, "Aw, phooey, it didn't work"? I don't think so. The Ukraine war is their last chance to knock off Russia. Either that, or they accept the rise of China as a rival superpower, and Russia and a few others as regional powers that will push back at American power in dozens of business, political and military arenas around the world.

No, the neocons, who have far more pride than smarts, will not go into that dark night without putting up one hell of a fight. They will not be the ones who let America slide into just-another-powerdom on their watch. Whitney is surely right about rifts developing among the elite. But the neocons run the White House. The most dramatic chapter of the Ukraine story is yet to come.

• **Replies:** [@Passing By](#), [@Shamu](#)

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117. Wokechoke says:

February 2, 2023 at 12:30 pm GMT • 1.9 days ago • 600 Words ↑

Let's say for the sake of argument that you are defending a strongpoint with 400 men.

you arrange your defense in company groups of 100 men.

you keep 100 in reserve, 50 of which are officers and signalers etc. You have 300 men directly defending the expected firing line. You have mines and some wire. You've even got artillery and a helicopter or two, a 20mm and 35mm cannon.

Typically your enemy might attack that with 1200 men. 3:1.

400 of the enemy will drive toward the strong point behind a reconnaissance screen of 50 men. So you eventually develop a 1:1 firefight where you men are fixed fighting the enemy directly. 200 of the enemy might be sent to infiltrate and outflank to the right and another 200 infiltrate to the left. This would begin enveloping your strong point.

At this point you are taking casualties. Your 300 men are reduced to 150 effectives. their 400 are down to 200. But YOU are getting progressively surrounded.

Let's say that the enemy find the left to be vulnerable and sends in the remaining 400 men to strengthen the envelopment on that side. You've got your 100 man reserve to block them and stop that side from being overrun. This includes you, your officers and signalers moving forward in a fluid situation breaking cover at times to tactically attack here and there. your 100 men are now fighting 600 attackers in one area. You lose 50 of 100 your men and they lose 100 men of this 600, KIA. There goes your reserve and your command and control HQ. Your surviving 200 men are now virtually surrounded by 900. Some of the officers are dead.

that's now approx a 4:1 advantage, where you started with a 3:1 ratio.

You'd probably consider retreating from this strongpoint with your remaining men or surrender. This kind of a scenario is hardly unusual. You've taken 50% KIA and are isolated. You leave and the victor entrenches the area for an impending counter attack with his 800 survivors. You would want to counter attack with no less than 2200 men at a 3:1 ratio if you've got the strategic reserves.

BTW When the British Parachute Regiment attacked at Goose Green it was a "Human Wave" of Light Infantry at Battalion strength vs a Brigade of heavily armed Argentinian Marines who'd methodically dug in and had both artillery and air support from the airstrip they were defending.

So, a determined, even lightly armed inferior small unit can smash up and force the surrender of a much larger better supplied superior opponent. You don't even need 3 men to an opponent's 1.

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Battle\\_of\\_Goose\\_Green](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Battle_of_Goose_Green)

The reason I mention this battle is because an inferior force attacked a vastly larger force and managed to gain the position. Even with their C/O Col H getting killed in the first exchanges of fire the attackers won.

This sort of thing should give the Ukies heart as the attack 2:3 defense ratio is what they are facing Ukie v Russia, but it also ought to serve as warning about sticking to ratios of attack and defense as if you are expecting to lose 2/3 of your men in an attack. Often enough an aggressive assault keeps casualties down and forces a larger better armed opponent to break.



Personally I think a conventional positional war like this suits Russia in the long term. The potential for astronomic casualties fighting against them will make German and British military establishments pass on the idea of a direct fight. The Russian military might relish a battle for the Crimean Landbridge if the Ukies want to provide the opportunity.

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118. [nokangaroos](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 12:38 pm GMT • 1.9 days ago • 400 Words](#) ↑

[@Mr Chow Mein](#)

Falkenhayn was, in the final ugly consequence, right – the French army never recovered from Verdun (the problem is that Surovikin turned the tables).

“It’s the firepower, stupid” (more exactly it “kills”), *Le Maréchal* already realized as a lowly tactics professor before WWI when everybody else was Muh Furia Francese and rah-rah *attaque à outrance* (their lesson from the disgrace of Metz 1871).

His students called him *précis-le-sec* for his insistence on math instead of the (mandatory) enthusiasm.

Current Russian fire superiority is 10:1, and the US have given up any hope of changing that (“But they are using WWII equipment, hah-ha!” It may be hard to swallow but apart from ~30% shorter range a D-1 howitzer is as good as the Titanium Toy™ but a *lot* sturdier). The Russians are destroying as many artillery pieces per week as the French have *in toto* i.e. their passive (impervious to HARM) counterbattery system (“Penicillin”) works like a charm (my money is on North Korean advisors).

The similarities to Verdun do not end here – it would have been advantageous to give it up in the beginning (there was no way the Germans could carry a Big Arrow over the mountains) but it became impossible when the effects on morale became incalculable (= “sunk costs” fallacy); and Ze, right on cue, is *reinforcing* Artyomowsk.

– Hiding in Russian cities behind Russian civilians has earned the Jews time, but no brownie points from either side; the same goes for using the war for ethnic cleansing – and not only Russian-speakers used as cannon fodder, human shields or Saran-wrapped to lampposts, e.g. the (Carpatho-Ukrainian) 128th Mountain is by all accounts an excellent unit but was wiped out on the steppes of Kherson and is now holding by their fingernails west of Soledar – all while the (((gubmint))) back home has removed the *turul* from a 11th century Hungarian castle and put up the trident. The Hungarians would rather see Ze hang, and the Romanians cannot be far behind; the Poles – the *Poles* have found a kindred spirit (It is well to remember “Poland” after WWI was 40% Polish).

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119. [Wj](#) says:

[@Shitposter in Chief](#)

He didnt anticipate how little US leaders thought of their own people and country as indicated by the massive give away of dollars and hardware. A dozen eggs cost 7 bucks but the gd Ukrainians get a blank check for what will still be a losing venture.

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120. [Weniger Gottquatsch](#) says:

Mr. Whitney might study the definitions of the words “infer” and “imply”.

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121. [j2](#) says:

[@Levtraro](#)

“So whom to believe? Col. MacGregor and the president of the European Commission, or some random guy in the internets?”

Believe me.

• **LOL:** [Commentator Mike](#), [Brosi](#), [Dnought](#)

• **Troll:** [Olivier1973](#)

• **Replies:** [@Levtraro](#)

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122. [Passing By](#) says:

[@Olivier1973](#)

Yes but, is it worth wondering?

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123. [Passing By](#) says:

[@Dumbo](#)

In JJ's case, the needles are missing. So, from his perspective, he's always right. From ours, he has a congenital defect.

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124. [Shamu](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 1:06 pm GMT • 1.9 days ago • 200 Words](#) ↑

[@SafeNow](#)

That about sums it. The Anglo mind is naturally piratical. It is always thinking of some place to plunder, but instead of being proud of being a nasty and very successful pirate, it is hyper hypocritical, demanding that the world call its piracy things like liberation, freedom, justice, charity.

That means that the Anglo world indeed lies all the time. And that means you cannot ever safely negotiate with it. So what Russia must do in this case is have hard and fast demands that are major and not waver even the tiniest fraction of an inch from them. Russia must incorporate everything east and south of the Dnieper. Russia should make certain that Hungary gets a slice of the Ukraine, because Hungary has the smartest, most honest leaders of any country in Eastern Europe.

The rump state of Ukraine should be permanently barred from NATO membership, and NATO should sign a treaty saying that it will never stock troops or supplies ins of hod war games in, any nation that borders Russia.

The Anglo-Zionist pirate needs to pirate against nations that cannot protect themselves so the world is not at risk of suffering nuclear war.

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125. [Passing By](#) says:

[@Philip Kraske](#)

The neocons' intelligence deficit and pride overflow is one of the reasons why the Russians conduct this war the way they do. Humiliating those morons could lead straight to them causing Armageddon.

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126. [Z-man](#) says:

[@MarkU](#)

The NEOCON Bolshevik Cabal is much more accurate to who has to be in jail...at the least.

• **Replies:** [@Shamu](#)

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127. [j2](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 1:13 pm GMT • 1.9 days ago • 200 Words](#) ↑

[@Commentator Mike](#)

“So anyone not fully supporting them, not giving money or weapons and refusing to join their Russophobic hysteria gets on the assassination list. This is racketeering pure and simple, Mafia style. And these are the kind of people j2, jj et al. support.”

You mean “the list of enemies of Ukraine”, myrotvorets list. Roger Waters is on that list. He is not killed yet. I do not like such lists, but that list seems to be used to arrest Ukrainians collaborating with Russia. In war time Secret Services of all countries try to arrest people collaborating with the enemy. The difference here is only that this is a list made by some private people and made public. But Russia apparently did make a kill list of Ukrainians to be eliminated when they occupy areas of Ukraine, and they did kill many people, for collaborating with Ukraine (which happened to be their native country).

But one thing, I do not support anybody. I simply observe this war and make some comments of it. You are the emotional people who support Russia, are homoerotically in love with Putin, and hate Ukrainians and the West. I have nothing to do with emotions.

• **Troll:** [Olivier1973](#)

• **Replies:** [@Commentator Mike](#), [@PUTINFAN](#)

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128. [Shamu](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 1:14 pm GMT • 1.9 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@Philip Kraske](#)

Then most important thing for the Jewish 3-4ths of the American neocon group is the sacred Jew. If they feel that pushing any envelope could ignite a backlash against Jews, in Israel, Europe, or the Anglosphere, they will finally back away.

I do feel that neocons would not care the tiniest bit if every Ukrainian man were killed. That would leave all kinds off attractive Ukrainian women to be made whores for international Jewish porn or to be sold as secondary wives or concubines to rich Mohammedans.

• **Replies:** [@Miro23](#)

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129. [Wubbawubba](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 1:15 pm GMT • 1.9 days ago](#) ↑

Hopefully all the Grima Wormtongues will be thrown out on their Jewish keesters really, really soon. I'll savor their comeuppance like the most delectable dessert.

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130. [Ron Unz](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 1:19 pm GMT • 1.9 days ago](#) • 200 Words ↑

[@Sheikh77](#)

The most valuable commodity in the western world is clicks and likes. Which they are all racking up at a record rate...Russia is losing this war and will be decimated as a society. To think otherwise is to vastly misread the past year.

Sure, you get greater visibility if you take an unorthodox position. But if your position turns out to be totally and utterly long, your future credibility is annihilated, which isn't a good thing.

If Macgregor were worried that he'd been mistaken for nearly a year, he surely would have dropped out of sight long ago, hoping that people would gradually forget his disastrously wrong public predictions. But instead, he's been doing lots of interviews, doubling-down and tripling-down on everything. If you're right and "Russia is losing the war" he'd have to be totally crazy to behave in such a manner.

So I repeat: Macgregor is either correct or he's crazy.

• **Replies:** [@Athena](#), [@eah](#), [@Bro43rd](#), [@Wokechoke](#), [@Wizard of Oz](#)

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131. Wokechoke says:

February 2, 2023 at 1:34 pm GMT • 1.9 days ago • 600 Words ↑

@j2

On 3:1 ratio.

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400 of the enemy will drive toward the strong point behind a reconnaissance screen of 50 men. So you eventually develop a 1:1 firefight where you men are fixed fighting the enemy directly. 200 of the enemy might be sent to infiltrate and outflank to the right and another 200 infiltrate to the left. This would begin enveloping your strong point.

At this point you are taking casualties. Your 300 men are reduced to 150 effectives. their 400 are down to 200. But YOU are getting progressively surrounded.

Let's say that the enemy find the left to be vulnerable and sends in the remaining 400 men to strengthen the envelopment on that side. You've got your 100 man reserve to block them and stop that side from being overrun. This includes you, your officers and signalers moving forward in a fluid situation breaking cover at times to tactically attack here and there. your 100 men are now fighting 600 attackers in one area. You lose 50 of 100 your men and they lose 100 men of this 600, KIA. There goes your reserve and your command and control HQ. Your surviving 200 men are now virtually surrounded by 900. Some of the officers are dead.

that's now approx a 4:1 advantage, where you started with a 3:1 ratio.

You'd probably consider retreating from this strongpoint with your remaining men or surrender. This kind of a scenario is hardly unusual. You've taken 50% KIA and are isolated. You leave and the victor entrenches the area for an impending counter attack with his 800 survivors. You would want to counter attack with no less than 2200 men at a 3:1 ratio if you've got the strategic reserves.

BTW When the British Parachute Regiment attacked at Goose Green it was a "Human Wave" of Light Infantry at Battalion strength vs a Brigade of heavily armed Argentinian Marines who'd methodically dug in and had both artillery and air support from the airstrip they were defending.

So, a determined, even lightly armed inferior small unit can smash up and force the surrender of a much larger better supplied superior opponent. You don't even need 3 men to an opponent's 1.

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Battle\\_of\\_Goose\\_Green](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Battle_of_Goose_Green)

The reason I mention this battle is because an inferior force attacked a vastly larger force and managed to gain the position. Even with their C/O Col H getting killed in the first exchanges of fire the attackers won.

This sort of thing should give the Ukies heart as the attack 2:3 defense ratio is what they are facing Ukie v Russia, but it also ought to serve as warning about sticking to ratios of attack and defense as if you are expecting to lose 2/3 of your men in an attack. Often enough an aggressive assault keeps casualties down and forces a larger better armed opponent to break.

Personally I think a conventional positional war like this suits Russia in the long term. The potential for astronomic casualties fighting against them will make German and British military establishments pass on the idea of a direct fight. The Russian military might relish a battle for the Crimean Landbridge if the Ukies want to provide the opportunity.

• **Replies:** [@j2](#), [@nokangaroos](#)

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132. [sally](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 1:48 pm GMT • 1.9 days ago • 900 Words](#) ↑

[@MarkU](#)

### **Are not you are missing something?**

There is no external authority on earth capable to jail a member of the USA? There are no people's court, no human rights court, no organized oversight capacity available to those who are the governed. Those who are the governed have been unable to institute a court independent of the USA, to fund such a court, or to back up the opinions, orders, and commands of such a court, even if one existed. Those who are the governed have been since the start of government unable to police those who operate the government. The experience of government with voting, which is suppose to prove the government is a democracy, has been shown by experience to be insufficient to protect those who are governed from misbehavior by government or its spin offs.

Until those who are the governed have unlimited oversight authority over affairs of government, unlimited police power over the people in government, unlimited access to information, and unlimited access to the government, its officials, and agencies and third party spin offs, and unlimited 24/7 walk in unannounced authority to audit the affairs of government and the affairs of those who hold positions in the government and its spin offs, nothing is ever going to change.

And that deficit in the power of the people to monitor their government accounts for how special interest took over government and redirected the beneficiaries (those who the governed) to those who are the spin outs.

Government has given away all of its power and authority to those NHOs which have been spun out from the government. **Basically the corporations are in charge and voters are powerless to control or regulate them.**

The global non human organizations (NHOs) (corporations if you will) are in charge, not the governed people.

Day 1 all monopoly power is vested in the government. No one else has any monopoly power but government so the government is responsible to those who are the governed. **Voting matters.**

In time those who operate the governments begin to spin out these monopoly powers to private interest. The first spin out was to charter NHOs (corporations, partnerships, and other paper tiger organizations) to special interest. Corporations claim authority over resources and people (responsibility for both resources and people used to belong exclusively to government, but after the spin out the subject resources and people no longer are subject to oversight by those who are the government.)

The process of giving authority to corporations to operate as a separate entity from government, allows the operators of the corporation, to operate without oversight from those who are the governed. **Those who are the governed are no longer entitled to information to inform them about operations in NHOs. The public government has spun out to a private corporate enterprise a part of government. Even if voters managed to get such information voting is no longer an option available to those who are the governed. Voting cannot change the behaviors of those who operate the corporations[NHOs], nor can voting change the collective behaviors of the corporations..**

Its worse than that, the corporation is a collective and those who are in charge possess by their position alone, superhuman authority, which they can use to manage the corporation and to decide all things for the corporation. Even the members of the spin out cannot change that.

Superhuman authority comes from the obligation of those who are the members to follow the authority of the person who is at the head of the corporate power structure. So if that authority uses the corporation which has all of the resources and people it needs to do something that violates those who are the governed of the government, there is nothing those who are the governed can do about it.

Its worse, because the super human managed corporations interact with government officials at the highest levels. In time that interaction influences government to look favorably on the interacting corporation (a NHO). Government writes laws that increase the strength of the corporation and allow the corporation to extract resources from select classes of those those who are the governed. Generally the members of that select class are called customers, clients, or stakeholders. So the very few at the top of the NHO is in charge.

It goes on from here. What happens is those who are the governed allow their governments to give substantially all governmental monopoly powers [remember Day 1 all monopoly power belong exclusively to government] to private party spin offs of governments (corporations, partnerships, trusts, NGOs, and the like) leaving the voters with no authority or opportunity to object to the affairs of these governmental spin outs.

Ultimately, the spin collects so many favors from government that the spin outs become more powerful and richer than the governments who were their parents.

The governments are no longer in possession of enough authority to be able to regulate or control the behaviors of their offsprings, the privately owned and operated NHOs. There is no oversight or opportunity to vote to change things left to enable the governed masses to correct things or even to influence things.

• **Replies:** [@Bro43rd](#), [@MarkU](#)

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133. [Athena](#) says:

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[@Ron Unz](#)

If Macgregor were worried that he'd been mistaken for nearly a year, he surely would have dropped out of sight long ago, hoping that people would gradually forget his disastrously wrong public predictions.

I agree. Kissinger and CFR/Oxford friends **are usually ready to admit up to 90-95%** of the 'truth' when they observe that they've lost 'some' credibility. Then they launch a new false flag to have people focus on another point.

• **Replies:** [@Wizard of Oz](#)

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134. [Rogue](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 1:53 pm GMT • 1.9 days ago](#) [↑](#)

[@Zachary Smith](#)

Ok, cheers, didn't know that.

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135. [Commentator Mike](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 1:56 pm GMT • 1.9 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@j2](#)

The UkroZioNazis have killed some of those on that list, but not all, yet, and not for want of trying I suppose.

I'm glad that you're a typical cold rational Scandinavian, but I'm not convinced that you're unemotional and as rational as you think you are. I accept that I could be wrong, but I don't think you're looking at problems from all angles and including all parameter in your mental model of the unfolding situation.

• **Replies:** [@j2](#)

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136. [Rogue](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 1:57 pm GMT • 1.9 days ago](#) ↑

[@Commentator Mike](#)

Yes, the bizarre agenda for Western militaries to switch to “green” energy – when presumably Russia, China and many other large developing countries militaries couldn't give a fig about that, seems to confirm the wackiness of modern Western thought and “leadership”.

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137. [HT](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 1:58 pm GMT • 1.9 days ago](#) ↑

When are the Jews going to tell Biden to reinstate the draft and start sending Americans to die there?

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138. [dogismyth](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 2:04 pm GMT • 1.9 days ago](#) ↑

more scripted nonsense for the half-awake audience. Of course there will be no war in Ukraine, that was never the hidden objective.

Their mission is almost complete. A large infusion of cash from the US (check). Displaced many non jews (millions) out of Ukraine (check). Kill or injure thousands of Ukrainian men and boys to fight for the Khazarjew hidden goals (check). Secure massive amounts of weapons for future plans (check). The second homeland for these nutbags is almost complete AFTER the US rebuilds the infrastructure for the quasi jewites. And don't think for a moment Putin is not in bed with the other supposed opponent leaders. Its all a show, and you are so entertained, are you not?

Its all a script with all government entities just to placate their stupid audience members and keep them from revolting. Americans are the most stupid I have seen and they love being that way I guess.

In any case, more nonsense news since it never makes any sense and is always well past its due date. SOmeone needs to get a hold of the script so we know what happens next.

Its all bullsh1t, all the time.

• **Agree:** [Bro43rd](#)

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139. [Thirtdtwin](#) says:

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[@Haxo Angmark](#)

Do you mean to say "imminent"?

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140. [Kolya Krassotkin](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 2:07 pm GMT • 1.8 days ago](#) ↑

[@Shitposter in Chief](#)

*Rabbis top the least[sic] I believe.*

Those *tzadikkim* go to the mikvah for some recreational defilement along with their ritual purification.

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141. [Socratesjr](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 2:10 pm GMT • 1.8 days ago](#) ↑

[@JM](#)

Contradiction – You can't claim BS if you don't know what the person is saying!

• **Replies:** [@Joe Wong](#)

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142. Observer says:

February 2, 2023 at 2:12 pm GMT • 1.8 days ago ↑

@Joe Paluka

They'd be in luck. The Donbass republics had the death penalty, but now they are part of Russia, which has executed no one since declaring a moratorium on the death penalty in 1996.

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143. Anonymous[337] • Disclaimer says:

February 2, 2023 at 2:13 pm GMT • 1.8 days ago • 100 Words ↑

Very astute observation, that this RAND report is a Pentagon deliverable and not for CIA. Because CIA DO is getting exactly what it wants: trans-national organized crime overrunning Europe.

<https://www.thepostil.com/what-ukraine-tells-us-about-the-coming-war-continued/>

CIA and its subordinate crime families like BND, Mossad, and MI6 will have lots of new rackets to exploit when their armed Ukie mobsters overrun Europe.

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144. Observer says:

February 2, 2023 at 2:15 pm GMT • 1.8 days ago • 100 Words ↑

Once again, arrogant neocon strategists imagine they have the power to end the war they provoked. As if the Russian government will trust the powers that have consistently ignored their past treaty obligations. Biden's already babbled about missiles to Poland, more troops to Romania, and the CIA will continue fomenting coups, as the quickly suppressed one in Kazakhstan. Ending this war will not end imperial machinations against Russian sovereignty. The prize is control of the largest country on earth, with its vast treasury of natural resources, and that the Russian people will never allow. And China, India, and the Global South are watching the contest carefully, because "demilitarizing and denazifying" Washington itself is the only way to get a just and lasting world peace, and that war will be won by united global action on the economic front.

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145. Levtraro says:

February 2, 2023 at 2:18 pm GMT • 1.8 days ago ↑

@j2

That sounds convincing

• **Replies:** @Passing By

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146. Giovanni says:

February 2, 2023 at 2:25 pm GMT • 1.8 days ago ↑

@nsa

Perfect synthesis, thank you!

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147. [Marcus Chapman](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 2:27 pm GMT • 1.8 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

The real winners in this report are the Chinese. The mighty US Mic can't even win a fight with Russia and they think they need to prioritize the Taiwan problem. So they think it is to dangerous to fight the Russians but the Chinese are another matter. America is run by ignorant cowards.

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148. [Giovanni](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 2:27 pm GMT • 1.8 days ago](#) ↑

Perfect synthesis.

Thank you.

It's all about resources and the synergy with industrial capability of Germany.

And some Mackinder stuff.

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149. [Brosi](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 2:35 pm GMT • 1.8 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@nokangaroos](#)

I couldn't stomach Zakharova past 2:00. All the lies about WWII will eventually be Russia's cross to bear. For now we can assume that there is a strong base of Russian "patriots" who have to be catered to, what ever their misconceptions. The reality is that since Covid every leader across the west is a "Nazi" after the way they treated their people, so the term has become as meaningless as racist or anti-semite anyway.

| [Baerbock and the rest of the Morgenthau Party \("Greens"\)](#)

I like that, I may steal it...

• **Troll:** [mulga mumblebrain](#)

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150. [Bill Jones](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 2:39 pm GMT • 1.8 days ago](#) ↑

[@SafeNow](#)

| [Convince Russia to forget the last 65 years of the U.S.'s having one deployment after another after another](#)

What about the deployment of US Marines in Russia in 1917?

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151. [Passing By](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 2:42 pm GMT • 1.8 days ago](#) ↑

[@Levtraro](#)

Finnish humour I guess.

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152. [Agent76](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 2:49 pm GMT • 1.8 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

February 02 2023 Tanks for Ukraine will only prolong war, line pockets of arms dealers:  
Erdogan

The Turkish president has also doubled down on his opposition to allowing Sweden into NATO following Quran-burning protests in Stockholm

<https://thecradle.co/article-view/20992/tanks-for-ukraine-will-only-prolong-war-line-pockets-of-arms-dealers-erdogan>



• **Replies:** [@Athena](#), [@Athena](#)

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153. [Brosi](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 2:51 pm GMT • 1.8 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

All the Pfizer revelations and now the Metabiota revelations with Hunter Biden increase the likelihood that the next path of US/UK/Nato escalation might well be Biowarfare.

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A 2012 Ukrainian news report discussed the U.S. Department of Defense building biological weapons laboratories in cities across Ukraine as part of its "Biological Threat Reduction Program." <pic.twitter.com/OG45BbLWzy>

— [kanekoa.substack.com](#) ([@KanekoaTheGreat](#)) [February 2, 2023](#)

Obama and Hillary Clinton are up to their necks in this filthy business. Ukraine was their little Israel, the plantation where the Democrat Party did their dirty business.

There is proof enough to send the entire top echelons of the Democrat party to prison, and many of the Republicans too, but the corrupt US government will not touch it. Clearly, that would be bad for Jews.

• **Replies:** [@Brosi](#)

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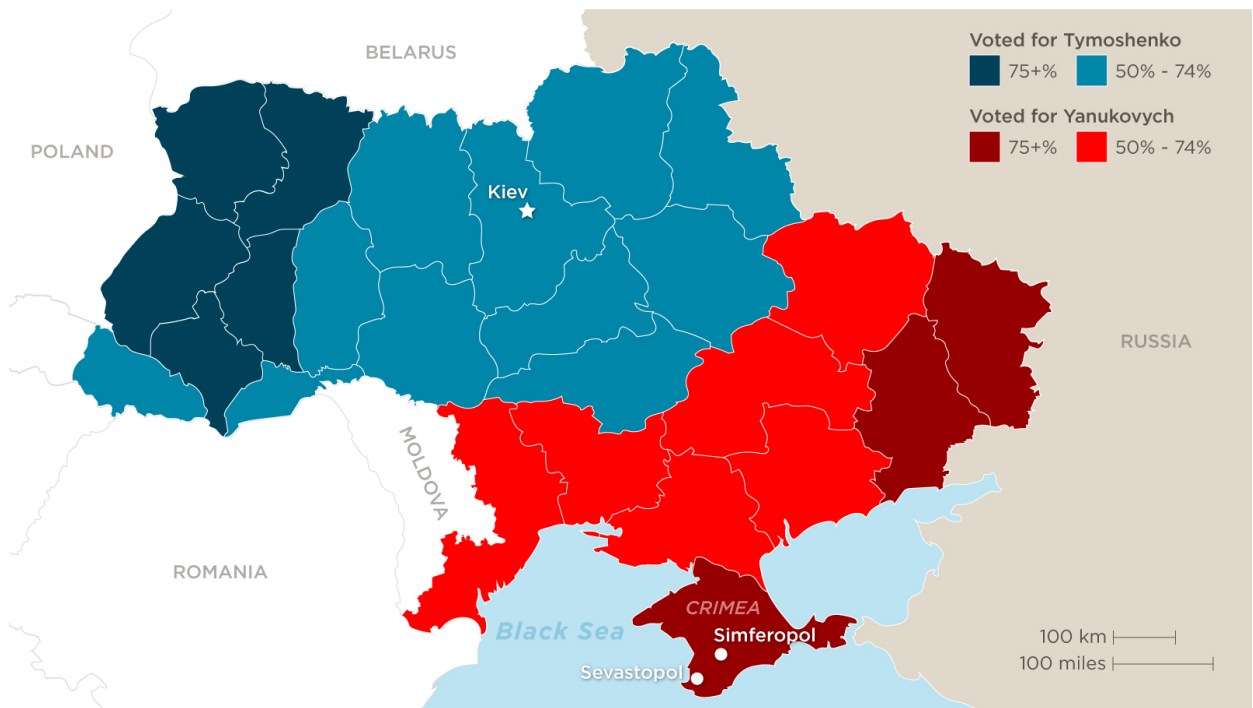
154. [eah](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 2:54 pm GMT • 1.8 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@Ron Unz](#)

>Macgregor is either correct or he's crazy.

Actually, he's just reasonable: he favors negotiations to resolve the conflict, and stop the slaughter and destruction — on the other hand, Western establishments, after providing the impetus via the 2014 coup, are now stoking the conflict by providing weapons, while demonizing Putin and Russia with the crudest rhetoric you can imagine — given that, it is not hard to appear reasonable.



• **Agree:** [lavoisier](#)

• **Replies:** [@eah](#)

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155. [Priss Factor](#) says: • [Website](#)

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If you're angry at Jimmy Dore for going on Tucker Carlson to say this instead of at the liberal outlets who refuse to platform antiwar voices, then your real objection isn't to Tucker Carlson, it's to antiwar voices getting a platform. <https://t.co/mgpKP6yiNo>

— Caitlin Johnstone (@caitoz) [February 1, 2023](#)

FRENCH TV DISCUSSES PROSPECT OF ETHNIC CLEANSING OF RUSSIANS IN CRIMEA  
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— The\_Real\_Fly (@The\_Real\_Fly) [February 1, 2023](#)

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156. [saggy](#) says: • [Website](#)

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[@Levtraro](#)

It's not unusual, or surprising, that some people who know something think they know everything. But, it is a little surprising that some people who apparently know nothing think they know everything.

The reality is that the Russians got quickly kicked out of Kiev, and after some successes in the east, were in retreat for months, and after significant losses have now stabilized the line. However they still haven't taken all of Donbass, and Russians controlled most of Donbass when the war started. How this can not be seen as a disaster is surprising to me.

• **Agree:** [Wizard of Oz](#)

• **Troll:** [Olivier1973](#), [mulga mumblebrain](#)

• **Replies:** [@hoss](#), [@Derer](#)

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157. [eah](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 3:04 pm GMT • 1.8 days ago](#) ↑

[@eah](#)

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Very interesting historical documents declassified transcript of the conversation between Yeltsin & Bush Sr., published by National Security Archive. There are 11 mil ethnic #Russians in #Ukraine. They live in the east and #Crimea. #Ukraine is a major destabilizing force.

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158. [Brosi](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 3:06 pm GMT • 1.8 days ago](#) ↑

[@Brosi](#)

Here is a great companion thread to the Kanekoa thread above:

1) Now that I have everyone's attention, allow me to address why US establishment politicians are sending tanks, jets, weapons, equipment, and \$100+ billion to Ukraine.

It has nothing to do with Ukrainian citizens, and everything to do with Deep State assets/secrets in Ukraine.

[pic.twitter.com/COELxEVoFE](https://pic.twitter.com/COELxEVoFE)

— Clandestine (@WarClandestine) [January 30, 2023](#)

The Biolabs were key here. WarClandestine was taken down by twitter (CIA) shortly after he started laying this out in 2020. Now he is back.

As a bonus, there are lots of shots of a younger Obama setting up the gangster haven.

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159. [katesisco](#) says:

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[@Sheikh77](#)

The oil fields of the Syrian/Iraqi desert are the goal ...consider how valuable this oil and gas is and how the oil pipeline from the desert to the Med will be for Europe. All the gas and oil they could use direct to their door. Is this not what the war obscures?

Funneling the population of Ukraine to Romania so the Ukrainian land can be sold to Western corporations and then immediately be admitted to the EU? The losers.....the people of the Ukraine, again. Russia foresaw this and reacquired Little Russia and her people.

And I suppose we'll have yet another peace accord, full of grandiose promises to respect all borders, develop trade, etc. until the wolf of corporate capitalism is hungry again.

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160. [Thor Walhovd](#) says:

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To paraphrase Sun Tzu, maybe it would be better if we did not hope for an interruption in enemy strategy when so many stupid mistakes are happening all at once.

Let the neocons and Team Obama continue their Wile E. Coyote run off the cliff in Ukraine. Let the Covid Cult continue with censorship, doxxing and lies in an ill-fated attempt to cover their tracks as millions suffer and die. Let Hunter wage unbridled lawfare against those who exposed daddy's influence peddling operation documented by the laptop they all told us was Russian disinformation.

The snowball of imperial collapse is running downhill faster and faster right now, and slowing it down helps nobody but the Satanic clowns at the top. Do the world a favor and just let it go.

• **Agree:** [Bro43rd](#)

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161. [FifthDim](#) says:

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Vlad, if you step on the negotiation trap Russia will be screwed again. Please, DON'T DO IT.

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162. [Brian Damage](#) says:

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[@SafeNow](#)

Inasmuch as the Russians have designated the U.S. as not being "agreement capable," how, precisely, would the U.S. expect the Russians to countenance negotiations? What would the US need to do to convince the Russians that the U.S. has changed? There are two possibilities: (1) Convince Russia to forget the last 65 years of the U.S.'s having one deployment after another after another; for basically no reason, the tiger has become a vegetarian; or (2) Initiate a new military-money-spending adventure to replace Ukraine.

The US can negate any agreements under the guise of "National Security" and "American Self-Interest". Post WW2, pretty much all countries are too weak to say no. Things changed since the the start of 2010s.

Any negotiations with the US must be backed by a huge stick. Most countries will just say "f\*ck it, it is a waste of time" and decouple.

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163. [Athena](#) says:

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[@Agent76](#)

The West wants to destroy any association (economic and military) between Turkey and Germany.

<https://www.russialist.org/archives/5497-14.php>

#14

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THE THIRD FORCE OF WORLD WAR III

Is China behind all that has been happening?

Author: Viktor Minin

‘Russia should become the real leader of the new process. (It has already become it but not yet aware of the fact.) The West and Israel need a strategic alliance with the Muslim world more than anything else, and this alliance is possible only through Russia. **Only Russia in an alliance with the Muslim world can keep China in check without conflicts**, helping it find its new place in the world as another super-power.’ (emphasis added)

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164. [Doug Ryler](#) says:

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[@American Citizen](#)

The Jews dominate Biden’s cabinet. And these Zionist/Neocon Jews are behind this Ukrainian conflict with Russia, and all this blood is on their hands.

<http://biblicisminstitute.wordpress.com/2015/03/17/the-truth-about-the-conflict-with-russia/>

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165. [Bro43rd](#) says:

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[@Ron Unz](#)

It’s not an either/or choice, many divergent factors are involved here. Black & white is a fiction promoted to divide (oldest military strategy known) & conquer. The whole Rus/Uke war may just be a distraction. But I find too many unanswered questions in either one of your 2 scenarios.

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166. [Bro43rd](#) says:

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[@sally](#)

So 8 Billion Sovereigns is the answer. No monopoly government. Competing governments in an all voluntary system.

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167. [Athena](#) says:

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**Turkey on Russia's invasion of Ukraine: It's complicated**

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168. [hoss](#) says:

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Disposable lives It's always the little guy who want's to do the right thing....Those who call the shots depend on us "useless eaters" to fight their wars for them. NO MORE! I refuse to obey. Rand is no more than a talking point for the top dogs, they do what they are told. I was at one time a conspiracy theorist , not any more. Everything I predicted came true!

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169. [Desert Fox](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 3:59 pm GMT • 1.8 days ago](#) ↑

In addition to MacGregor and Ritter , there is an independent journalist , Gonzalo Lira who can be found on youtube and thetruthseeker.co.uk and [rense.com](#) , etc., and tells the facts on the ZUS and ZNATO's war on Russia, I highly recommend him.

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170. [hoss](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 4:01 pm GMT • 1.8 days ago](#) ↑

[@saggy](#)

Meat grinder! De-nazify. Don't believe MSM. They lie! Russia is kicking their rectum. Buttox!

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171. [Jesuitic Ziowahhabiz](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 4:02 pm GMT • 1.8 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

| [Ukraine Is Sinking. Are Western Elites...](#)

It sure is, but,

| 2 Feb, 07:17

| **Gazprom delivers 29.5 mln cubic meters of gas to Europe through Ukraine via Sudzha**

| The transit line through Ukraine remains the only route for Russian gas supplies to the countries of Western and Central Europe

| <https://tass.com/economy/1570487>

The terrorist USEUNATO conglomerate is certainly willing to bail Putin out even if they have to pay 10x the price for Russian fuels to Turk or Chinese resellers. It's not like skyrocketing inflation amid broader crises is bad for their other joint ventures and businesses.

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172. [RadicalCenter](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 4:04 pm GMT • 1.8 days ago](#) ↑

[@Renoman](#)

Agreed. And their cell-block should also house every president and just about every “general” and “cabinet member” in our lifetimes.

• **Replies:** [@hoss](#)

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173. [PetrOldSack](#) says:

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[@emerging majority](#)

Faction of course. Apologies.

At the time of the crime, jotting down some ephemeral thoughts, and time being a constraint, i meant fracture, the term for solid mass (elites) having an instance of fracture, break-line, a severance. Meaning a deeper rift than just policy making, a deeper understanding and hard break on the premise that the part of the cake (planet) regardless of some shifts and reshifts, is getting smaller, that the ones in charge have fewer means to “cook the books”, that there is no going back [as to the West]. Alas “deep severance”, alas fracture.

Faction would do, as different factions of the elites quarreling on how to proceed as a unified entity. Certainly not fraction (as in numbers).

Thanks for noticing,

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174. [Complex Pseudonymic Handle](#) says:

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[@Anon](#)

| These are very wicked people who want you to eat bugs and be working poor.

These very wicked people have less consideration for the misery or death of millions of humans than you or I do for the insects that smear our windshields.

• **Replies:** [@mulga mumblebrain](#)

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175. [JPD](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 4:30 pm GMT • 1.7 days ago • 300 Words](#) ↑

Mr. Whitney,

Your analysis is spot on, but I would only ask you to correct one of your descriptions when you stated: “Ukraine –or whatever is left of Ukraine– will be required to be permanently neutral and all the far-right extremists will have to be removed from the government, the military and the security services. Moscow will not pick Ukraine’s leaders, but it will make sure that those leaders are neither Nazis nor linked to any far-right nationalist organization.”

To be accurate, Ukrainian leadership, nor Nazi adherents, are “far right.” On the political spectrum, the far right is occupied by anarchists and pure theoretical non-statism. The far left is the realm of totalitarians and pure theoretical statism. Every political system that has ever existed, including monarchies and theocracies, exists somewhere on this spectrum according to the degree in which man is free. To be sure, (and I know you’re aware of this) the Ukrainian leadership is decidedly not about freedom and, like all socialists or collectivists, they rely on the strong arm of the state to effect their policies. Indeed, the very word “Nazi” is an acronym for the German Worker’s Socialist Party. This is not about splitting hairs, but correcting a common misunderstanding or misuse of a concept that leads to conflating NAZIs with adherents of constitutional republicans who intentionally design their system of government as close to anarchy as practicable in order to preserve individual liberty and freedom. Similarly, it leads to muddled contradictions such as exists in your article wherein you acknowledge Russia’s effort to maintain their national culture and identity—tenets of national socialism—but then set that in opposition to the objectives of the “Nazis” in Ukraine and their globalist benefactors. Truth be told, they’re ALL collectivists and both sides more or less advocate statism to effect their policies. Thus, they’re all leftists.

J Patrick Demorest

• **Agree:** [Bro43rd](#)

• **Replies:** [@PetrOldSack](#)

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176. [Pablo](#) says:

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” In other words, the RAND report is the first step towards ending the war.” Wrong. The Russians are going to win it on the battlefield. Economic warfare has had no effect on Russia. You can talk about political 3-D Chess all you want, but at the end of the day the Real Victor is the one who succeeds on the battlefield with inflicting the most punishment on their Enemy. The Washington Elites, foaming at the mouth Warmongers, are slowly figuring out that Ukraine is a lost cause. Ukraine has been a lost cause for the Neo Con warmongers for quite some time. Ukraine was very profitable for the US War Machine; they would keep at it forever if they could, but even in their insulated and delusional environment reality is creeping in. Twenty one years in Afghanistan ending in a humiliating surrender to the Taliban FINALLY woke some of them up. This is just like with the Bitcoin swindle. The Insiders knew Bitcoin was a scam so they took their profits before the crash and bailed out.

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177. Brosi says:

February 2, 2023 at 4:38 pm GMT • 1.7 days ago • 100 Words ↑

Royal Navy orders investigation into nuclear submarine ‘repaired with glue’

Claims made that broken bolts on HMS Vanguard’s reactor chamber were stuck on instead of replaced

...

The faulty repairs on the cooling pipes aboard HMS Vanguard were found after one of the bolts fell off during an inspection, the Sun reported.

The bolt heads originally came off due to over-tightening. But, **rather than replacing the damaged shafts, staff at the defence contractor Babcock implemented a quick fix and glued them back on.**

Ukraine should just send back those 14 Challenger tanks. Duck Tape and glue really suck when the war starts.

Russian military hardware is made to be simple, durable and easy to produce. American military hardware is made to be complex, profitable and create IP.

• **Replies:** @Wokechoke

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178. hoss says:

February 2, 2023 at 4:44 pm GMT • 1.7 days ago ↑

@Ron Unz

Macgregor is 1,000% correct. Russia is doing the right thing (meat grinder). De-nazify, that’s what they said and that’s what they are doing. Thank you LORD for The leadership in RUSSIA.

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179. RadicalCenter says:

February 2, 2023 at 4:45 pm GMT • 1.7 days ago • 400 Words ↑

@Mark G.

You make good points about demographic trends that make it harder to cover the expenses incurred to care for older people (which we all hope to be someday!

Nonetheless, while Social Security is a huge expensive program, the US military machine and its non-stop wars and occupations have cost us even more. And unlike SocSec benefits, the wars and occupations harmed rather than helped Americans. They've been aggressive wars not needed to defend us or to preempt a credible threat of imminent attack. The US government hasn't fought one single legitimate defensive (or even retaliatory) war in any of our lifetimes, perhaps nearly its entire history.

<https://www.ssa.gov/policy/trust-funds-summary.html>

Just 10% of the amount squandered on the US interference in Korea and Vietnam could have meaningfully boosted Social Security benefits every year during those decades.

Just 10% of the amount squandered on the invasions and occupations of Iraq, Afghanistan, and Syria could have paid for a larger increase in benefits every year during these past 32 years — without borrowing or “printing” money.

The US regime is also spending about \$200 billion per year on overseas bases. If they closed, say, 85% of those bases over a 5- or 10-year period, the savings would be enough to stop raising the retirement age.

I'll suggest that SocSec benefits are already too low, and the cost-of-living adjustments often do not keep up with the honestly calculated rate of inflation. “Reform” that further raises the retirement age would be cruel and unnecessary — let alone “reform” that keeps benefits lagging behind inflation.

Social Security benefits should be INCREASED and the age for at least partial benefits DECREASED.

As you know, the “Social Security payroll tax” — actually the OASDI component of FICA — is 6.2% on employees, plus another 6.2% for employer or self-employed. But that 6.2% tax doesn't apply to the income of the elites. This year, 2023, the tax stops applying after about \$160,000.

A fairer and more fiscally sustainable measure would be to apply that 6.2% tax to all household income above \$2 million per year (indexed amply for inflation).

And by the way, I'd rather have our taxes spent helping older Americans (US citizens) through Social Security and Medicare than murdering and dominating people far abroad who are not harming us. Yes, we should spend more of the budget on non-military than military.

It can be a GREAT thing if the federal budget is spent mostly on helping the great majority of US citizens directly ... rather than enriching a tiny number of people who are executives, lobbyists or major shareholders of military contractors and sending other people's sons back in a body bag or maimed and traumatized.

Stop the wars and occupations. Close 700 bases far from our borders. Cut the military and its lobby down to size. There's already enough federal revenue available to take better care of America's oldest generations without borrowing or inflationary money-printing — we just need to wrest it back from the murderers-for-hire.

• **Replies:** [@Bro43rd](#)

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180. [AnonfromTN](#) says:

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[@mulga mumblebrain](#)

| Banderites would see sense,

Banderites will never see sense. If these people were capable of seeing sense, they wouldn't have become Banderites.

• **Agree:** [Passing By](#)

• **Replies:** [@nokangaroos](#)

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181. [Anon\[108\]](#) • [Disclaimer](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 4:48 pm GMT](#) • [1.7 days ago](#) • [300 Words](#) ↑

| What makes the RAND Corporation's latest report on Ukraine so significant, is not the quality of the analysis, but the fact that the nation's most prestigious national security think-tank has taken an opposite position on the war than the Washington political class and their globalist allies. This is a very big deal.

Well this is not quite accurate. Here is the more accurate version:

“The young Jews at Rand produce position papers to support the desires of the old Jews running the hoes in DC. The fact is how and when they even take a dump is dictated to them.

This war in Ukraine was lost before it even began. Now despite the sleazy propaganda, despite the billions sent and squandered and robbed, it is now evident to even the greatest dunderheads in DC and the public, that Putin has undone his fly and the West/ NATO must give head.

After the 4th such thrashing (The Nam, Iraq, Afghanistan was the hat trick) the highly educated elites in DC will never admit to defeat soon to be evidenced by throwing the Z and his Crew under the bus that is, if they all dont end up in a Siberian Gulag.

Rather they have started a slow distancing and, this is important, they now have an INDEPENDENT (LOL) think tank advising them the war is lost. This will result in two consequences:

- 1) The US now has “expert and independent” advice to dump the Z
- 2.) Putin now has a green light carte blanche to cleanse Ukraine

Conclusion : The Rand report is cover for the the politicians to save face ”

There, I fixed it somewhat. Putin has checkmated the West ! However, UR readers and scribblers, this is not the end of it. Another greater and definitely disastrous fiasco looms in the western Pacific as the winners in DC now turn their attention to China.

The US is a fuck up and endlessly strives to show its skill at losing.

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182. [Nat X](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 4:48 pm GMT](#) • [1.7 days ago](#) ↑

Looks like White War III is brewing. Why cant you world wide yts get along???

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183. [Wade](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 4:50 pm GMT • 1.7 days ago • 300 Words](#) ↑

Thanks for the excellent piece. One thing I've pondered is why the current messaging about needing a "great reset" from our deep state –the very same people who have pushed for war with Russia– at a time they want us to fight other nations?

This messaging is in stark contrast with what was done in the lead up to 911. For example, there was that grammy award winning Cuba Gooding Jr Pearl Harbor movie ("Short of a new Pearl Harbor, or other catalyzing event, we won't be able to achieve our objectives in the middle east"). And then certainly in the lead up to the war in Iraq Hollywood admitted to producing patriotic movies that were intended to stoke American pride and sentiment about our military. Smart move if you ask me.

Now, all the messaging we get seems designed to demoralize us: no more red meat! Eat 'ze bugs! Take the vaxx! Even the military was forced to take the vaccine. Bret Weinstein did some excellent interviews with military pilots who refused the vaccine and was able to show that the mandates certainly affected military readiness. Ace fighter pilots are rare and *extremely expensive* to train. The last thing you want in the lead up to war is forcefully retire them and yet that's what the US military did. Weinstein has even gone so far as to hypothesize that this is exactly what an enemy (i.e. China) might do through a compromised executive (Biden) to defeat us without firing a weapon. I think this thesis is obviously wrong and is contradicted by the fact that we are still beating the war drums.

Nothing makes sense. Whose in charge exactly? Perhaps it's all just incompetent, weak leadership unable to stand up to the various interests making demands of the US.

• **Replies:** [@1RW](#)

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184. [Jiminy](#) says:

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I've noticed that there are now a lot of new ads on the squawk box that are inviting women to join the forces. Nowhere does it show scenes of headless bodies and litres of spilled blood, but the women are told instead that they'll love it, excitement guaranteed.

So there clearly is a push to increase the numbers, but I can't imagine that it would be as Aussie cannon fodder in the Ukraine. Maybe there is something out on the horizon, beyond this Russian operation that soon the yanks will turn their attention to instead.

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185. [Brosi](#) says:

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[@Ron Unz](#)

At 22min Macgregor talks about how pathetic the German Army is. A 23:30 he says:

| The Polish Army could invade Germany tomorrow morning and conquer it in a week.

There could be some very nasty surprises short ahead...

• **Replies:** [@tyrone](#)

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186. Wokechoke says:

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@Brosi

British gear requires a large team of “craftsmen” to keep things running.

• **Replies:** @Brosi

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187. j2 says:

[February 2, 2023 at 5:03 pm GMT • 1.7 days ago • 400 Words](#) ↑

[@Wokechoke](#)

OK, you like to talk about the estimates for KIA. I will give estimates from Ukraine KIA.

You can estimate it yourself, it is not difficult, you can do it, it is simple estimation of the number of killed in a phase of the war and adding. Thus, let's so it.

Feb 4 days (i.e. from 24 to 28)

March 31 days

April 30 days.

That is  $4+31+30=65$  days, In this time the highest daily MIA for Ukraine were 100. We can estimate that the average KIA during this time was c. 50. We get  $65*50=3,250$  dead.

May 31 days,

In this time Russia brought in its artillery and Ukraine run out of artillery ammunition and kept lines with men. I remember Sievierodonesk battles were around this time, Ukraine told it had 500 KIA per day, but it fast got howitzers from the West, Thus, let us estimate May as 500 KIA for two weeks and 200 KIA for two weeks, meaning around 10,500 killed Ukrainians in this month.

But then it got better, Ukraine had Western howitzers and HIMARSes, In June, July and August Russians did not manage anything, Ukraine losses were around KIA per day.

Then started Ukraine offensive in Kherson. Russians run, they did not fight. So, Ukraine KIA in September was still 50 KIA per day.

In October Ukraine pushed Russian elite troops in Kherson area, succeeded but had losses. KIA in October was probably 100 KIA in a day.

In November Russians withdraw from West Kherson without a battle and nobody did anything. Again, Ukrainian KIA 50 per day.

Lastly, in December started the Winter offensive, first by Wagner, not so well. Ukraine had c. 100 KIA per day in this month. And in January Ukraine had 150 KIA per day, which we know because of the number of reservists that Ukraine mobilized.

Together, simply sum the KIA, you get 29,500 dead. That is 30,000 dead for Ukraine during this war. But for Russia it is three times higher, or if you believe Ukraine, it is 129,000 dead Russians. This Ukraine figure is very close to the Russian death toll in the Winter War, where Finns lost 26,000. So, it can very well be quite correct. That is the way Russia fares war, not caring one single bit of the life of its soldiers. But it may be that Pentagon is correct. If Pentagon is correct, the Russian KIA is around 80,000.

If you cannot do addition and subtraction, then I cannot help you. These KIA figures are not difficult to estimate, but naturally, if your group gets money from Putin, then you have to say what he wants. But I have always only stood for the truth, not caring for money, because that is what one should be, that is what you should be.

• **LOL:** [PUTINFAN](#)

• **Troll:** [Olivier1973](#)

• **Replies:** [@Rogue](#), [@Poupon Marx](#)

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188. [j2](#) says:

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[@Commentator Mike](#)

“I’m not convinced that you’re unemotional and as rational as you think you are”

Mike, I have no idea how it feels to hate somebody or something, I simply do not have feelings, never had. This is just a war, and it is professionally interesting to see how it proceeds. You pro-Russians are such bags of emotions, like women or children.

• **Troll:** [Olivier1973](#)

• **Replies:** [@Avery](#), [@Brosi](#)

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189. [gsjackson](#) says:

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[@saggy](#)

“... he said he [McGregor] has been consistently wrong since the beginning of the war.”

No, he said McGregor has been wrong about the not-quite-year-long war for a couple of years now, suggesting a very tenuous acquaintance with the facts of the matter.

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190. anon[128] • [Disclaimer](#) says:

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[@Ron Unz](#)

Is my IQ too low to understand things? Because my understanding is still the same, which is that this war is no longer about trying to retake Ukrainian lands conquered by Putin in the short-term, but rather this is an ethnic war, where the goal now is for the Ashkenazim, by a process of genetic attrition, to collapse the Russian Slavic gene pool over a period of, let's say, the next fifty years. This is the same strategy as described in "Culture of Critique" by Professor MacDonald. So, 20,000 young fertile men dead, Russian Slavic females reproducing below fertility replacement, intelligent Russian Slavs fleeing Russia for the West, Russian Slavic travelers being assassinated around the world, Putin having to import millions of genetically primitive Brown immigrants to keep the economy stable, etc. All this adds up to a slow genetic attrition of the Russian Slavs. And, the Ashkenazim themselves suffers no casualties or genetic harm. Israel is expanding quite nicely, and the Hasidic/Haredi population is exponentially increasing quite nicely. Lot's of these public speakers (on Putin's payroll?) talk about loss of resources of lives of Gentiles, but this is not an issue for the Ashkenazim. They have billions of Gentiles to use up before their resources start to become scarce.

So, I think that the Ashkenazim may slow things down a bit, opting for a slow and steady loss of life and property of Russian Slavs. For example, the Ashkenazim seem to be doing a sufficient job killing Russian Slavs and destroying their property just using the HIMARS. They just need more long range missiles that can target all the way to the East coast of Russia. And Putin stated that he cannot locate HIMARS in Ukraine to hit with missiles because they are constantly moving. I used to have this belief that Putin possessed some type of advanced satellite technology that could identify any target them in real time, but I guess my understanding of military technology that currently exist was highly inaccurate, the result of my very low General Intelligence.

So, what if the Ashkenazim kept up a slow and steady pace of HIMARS attacks on Russian Slavs for the next fifty years? Consider the slow and steady Ashkenazi war on Palestinians – a slow and steady genetic attrition.

Finally, what is Macgregor's motivation in all this? He is no longer working for the American government. If he is trying to "save America," then surely his IQ is high enough to understand that there is no America left anymore – it's just a genetic "circus" now – a highly dysgenic and mutated gene pool with no functioning ethno-cultural core (aside from the Ashkenazim).

Sanjay

• **Replies:** [@Brian Damage](#), [@Odyssey](#)

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191. [Rahan](#) says:

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[@Ron Unz](#)

| I'd say there are only two possibilities: (A) Macgregor is basically correct or (B) Macgregor has gone totally insane.

The same can be said about men like Dr Malone and his RNA vax criticism, but look how already three years into the covid thing, reality has still not provided an unambiguous answer; thus far just a continuation of the churn of indie opinion/data from dissident sources and relentless stonewalling from the establishment's branches.

Let us pray that the Ukraine war does indeed get resolved in reality, decisively, unambiguously, and soon.

• **Agree:** [Brosi](#)

• **Replies:** [@acementhead](#)

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192. [Brás Cubas](#) says:

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[@j2](#)

The RAND report does not say that giving a greater military aid to Ukraine is the solution. In fact, it contradicts that when it says that a victory on either side is improbable. Furthermore, that path of action might lead to escalation, which the report clearly states as a no-no.

In very succinct terms, the report states that a negotiated end is the only plausible solution. It proceeds to suggest means to stimulate the will to a negotiated end; achieving either of the following scenarios would probably be sufficient, but achieving both would be ideal: (1) to curtail Russia's optimism through a unequivocal statement of continued support for Ukraine; (2) to curtail Ukraine's optimism through a definite limiting of its aid to Ukraine.

• **Replies:** [@j2](#)

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193. [Joe Levantine](#) says:

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[@Mark G.](#)

What you mention is the hidden justification for the Great Reset. Basically, almost all world governments are unable to pay their debts which they have incurred, never having had any intention to pay them back. That is what happens when the government's role in the economy increases through decisions made by politicians who have no skin in the game. WWII is about the coming bankruptcy of all Western welfare-warfare states. The idea is to use the war to create a new Breton-Woods agreement where all outstanding debt will be wiped out and a new CBDC or a new World Digital Currency would become the new means of exchange in a world of a tiny minority of lords ruling the majority of slaves in Slavelandia ( aka Mother Earth).

• **Thanks:** [Chuck Orloski](#)

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194. [Durruti](#) says:

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[@Toxik](#)

there's no negotiations or settlement. that horse was shot weeks ago when merkel, holland, and poroshenko all agreed the minsk was for stalling purposes. there's no reason for the russians to believe the west anymore. anything they say is just revolting lies. the russians have learned their lesson and this war will on on their terms.

The above, I assume is well intended, and is certainly the view of most on this website. However, after the lessons of History, and the preponderance of broken promises of leaders of nations to their people, as well as to the leaders of other nations, it is unlikely that anyone (except the citizens of the nations involved) – and not all of them – was fooled, or expected any positive result to come out of the Minsk Agreements.

The Russian leadership had to know that the Minsk Agreements were useful -only- as an excuse to Buy Time for all the signatory Powers Involved to prepare (Prepare For Something). Prepare to strengthen their economies, for America to exit Afghanistan, for Russia to strengthen its economy and military, as well as for the puppets in East Europe and NATO to dig their trenches.

The Russians may indeed learn something, even Americans and Zionists are not incapable of learning something. Only the Commentators of this website, and its owner remain a bit slow, and appear unable to see the forest for the trees.

The military confrontation of Russia, China, and other sections of the reviving Third World Nations, with the Imperialist west and their Money Changing controllers, has been brewing, at an increasing pace, since the end of WW II. The dates of their Historic revivals are significant. India, as well as the Entity, were awarded their Independence only one year apart, 1947, & 1948. China unified its mainland, the next year, 1949. The Zionist Oligarchs were strengthening IN TANDEM with these key world changes.

No, neither the Russian, nor the NATO leaders, expected Peace, to be the result of the Minsk accords. Neither was surprised by their failure to live up to their advertising. The war is difficult, because Both Sides are well armed, numerous, and shooting. You may pick your side, and there are sides. I choose Mother Russia, as NATO is well identified, as are their repeated goals, to partition Russia. In modern times, they tried to destroy Russia in WW I, WW II, and are attempting the same in a truncated version of WW III. [we hope it remains truncated].

**There was NO SURPRISE. Both sides, a century ago, “learned their lesson,” the NATO imperialists, and the Russian leaders, knew WAR was on the agenda.** How well each side prepared for the war, economically, militarily, and politically, you must judge.

Dr. Peter J. Antonsen – nom de guerre, Durutti

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195. [JimDandy](#) says:

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[@Stan](#)

You mention the treasure, but don't forget all the blood, too.

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196. [hoss](#) says:

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197. [John Johnson](#) says:

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[@Dumbo](#)

*You were wrong on COVID, you are wrong on the Ukraine. They say even a broken clock is right twice a day, but in your case, it seems not even that.*

How was I wrong about COVID? The grand doomsday scenario predicted by a certain blogger here never happened and he in fact turned off the comments. A certain blogger with zero background in biology and has since moved on to other topics.

I was also right that there would be no Grand Super Duper Winter Offensive in November.

MacGregor never explained what that offensive would look like. He just drones on about how Ukraine is doomed ..... every month.

It was MacGregor that said the war was over in March and that Ukraine needed to surrender. Even Fox News stop interviewing him because he was so biased for Russia.

<https://www.washingtonexaminer.com/policy/defense-national-security/watch-fox-reporter-scolds-col-macgregor-for-sounding-like-a-putin-apologist>

You guys are putting your faith in two men to tell you what you want to hear.

One is increasingly unhinged and one is blacklisted from US media for committing a sex crime.

Who else is left to defend Putin? Steven Seagal? Maybe Whitney can interview him.

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198. [Priss Factor](#) says: • [Website](#)

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20th century was horrific for Europe, but the peace and prosperity after WWII did more to undo Western Civilization than the two wars.

And this goes for Ukraine. Sure, the war is a horror show there and many are dead.

But the war will not destroy Ukraine. If anything, the war has made it far less likely for migrant-invaders to go there.

Worse off than Ukraine is peaceful and prosperous Europe that is being 'prosperished'.

[pic.twitter.com/WgdZa1KnTf](https://pic.twitter.com/WgdZa1KnTf)

— Recking Futard (@ReckingFutard) [February 2, 2023](#)

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199. [John Johnson](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 5:47 pm GMT • 1.7 days ago](#) • 200 Words ↑

[@Rogue](#)

*In both world wars, and many other modern conflicts, the biggest battlefield killer is artillery, not machine guns, grenades or assault rifles – or even aerial attack.*

*Therefore, it makes sense that the Ukrainians have suffered considerably heavier casualties than the Russians due to the simple fact that the latter have vastly more artillery firepower than the former.*

*Whether the estimate of 160 thousand Ukrainians KIA is true or not (utterly shocking if true), the Ukrainians have surely suffered much higher combat casualties than the Russians.*

No you cannot make that assumption.

Just because one side has more artillery pieces does not mean you can assume they will have lower casualties.

This has been true since Napoleon. You can't simply show up with more pieces and win the battle since strategy matters.

Russia has been on the offensive for months and the defensive position is normally favored in artillery battles.

Ukraine also may have better intelligence from NATO satellites.

We really don't know the casualties of both sides.

However if Russian casualties were low I doubt Putin would have ordered a conscription after claiming it wouldn't be needed.

Probably higher than either side is reporting and we may never know the truth about the Russian side. To this day we don't know the full losses of the Red Army in WW2.

• **Replies:** [@Rogue](#)

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200. [Notsofast](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 5:53 pm GMT • 1.7 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@Truth Vigilante](#)

i used to think that amy goodman and jaun gonzalez, were grassroots alternate journalists, that were gradually coopted by powerful sponsors, but now i wonder if they haven't been shills all along. either way they are left gate keepers. come to think of it gonzalez was a member of the young lords in new york city in the 60's. just like the panthers, the fbi must have infiltrated them (and all other similar groups), the leadership of these groups were turned into operatives or killed or jailed if they refuse. fred hampton got shot dead in his bed, while eldridge cleaver and bobby seale got book deals.

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201. Avery says:

February 2, 2023 at 5:59 pm GMT • 1.7 days ago • 200 Words ↑

@j2

*{You pro-Russians are such bags of emotions, like women or children.}*

I am pro -Russian: what of it?

I am also pro-Justice, anti-NeoNazi, anti-Banderite mass murderers, anti-UkroZioNazi, anti-GloboSorosaReptilian, pro-Nuclear Family, pro-Orthodox Christian.....and on, and on, and on....  
What of it?

*{I simply do not have feelings, never had. This is just a war, and it is professionally interesting to see how it proceeds.}*

Oh Wow! you are one quintessential Vulcan, dude.

A veritable Mr. Spock reincarnate.

Who are you kidding Herr Professor?

Yourself?

Your advanced mind\* is so far gone that you have lost touch with reality.

Dementia Joe is calling: are you going to answer that ring?

And being married to a Polish woman (...as has been written by others...) clearly has nothing to do with your all to obvious hatred of Russians.

Of course not.

<https://www.unz.com/mwhitney/a-russian-victory-in-ukraine-wont-end-the-war/#comment-5784623>

*[The estimates from MacGregor are rubbish for the simple reason that MacGregor is only dealing out rubbish about this war. **My estimates: Ukraine 25,000-30,000 KIA, Russis 75,000-80,000 KIA are much closer to reality.**]*

Anyone who writes rubbish like this, is either too **emotionally attached** to the fiction that Ukraine is winning, or has lost all touch with reality: take your pick.

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\* and I don't mean advanced in the putative mathematical sense.

• **Agree:** [emerging majority](#)

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202. Brosi says:

February 2, 2023 at 5:59 pm GMT • 1.7 days ago ↑

@Wokechoke

Q: Why do the British drink warm beer?

A: Because they have Lucas refrigerators

Perhaps this joke is outmoded, but much of that military equipment will have electronics by Lucas.

• **Replies:** [@YetAnotherAnon](#)

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203. [Fin of a Cobra](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 6:01 pm GMT • 1.7 days ago • 200 Words](#) ↑

the RAND report may represent the views of the Pentagon and the US Military establishment who believe the United States is racing headlong towards a direct conflagration with Russia.

Rand and the Pentagon are not the only ones who believe that the US will go to war against Russia directly: recently, “The Saker” (Andrei) announced that he will close his “Vineyard of the Saker” blog at the end of February due to the inevitability of the US-Russia war.

These are the reasons the Saker gives for [shutting his blog down](#):

we are very, very close to a fullscale war between the US and Russia. What is even worse is that I don't see how such a war could be avoided. . . .

In the past I have indicated several times that should it come to a direct war between the USA and Russia I would shut down the blog because being a guest in the USA (I only have a “Green Card”) while my country of ethnic origin is at war with the USA puts me in an impossible position.

So here is a guy who is so convinced of the imminence of this war that he is taking some concrete actions....

• **Replies:** [@Commentator Mike](#), [@mulga mumblebrain](#)

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204. [Bro43rd](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 6:04 pm GMT • 1.7 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@RadicalCenter](#)

In polite society people that take from some & then give the booty to others are called “robinhood”, the rest of us call them theives. While I agree militarism is a disgusting waste of human life & scarce resources. All government spending is a direct affront to liberty based on the fact that “tax” is euphemism for theft. End the warfare/welfare state, it is one in the same.

• **Replies:** [@1jonny](#)

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205. [emerging majority](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 6:09 pm GMT • 1.7 days ago](#) ↑

[@Frank Walus](#)

Wally Walrus

Why are you such an inveterate fanboy for the Evil Empire? Are you still stuck in Cold War thinking or do you have some sort of dog in the fight...like employment status, perhaps?

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206. [Quartermaster](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 6:12 pm GMT • 1.7 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

RAND has been wrong before. In this case, they are. The US has a very serious interest in seeing Putin lose. He's already hollowed out Russia, and the west has abandoned him to his fate. He is quite dependent on western technology which is beyond Russia, and his army is little more than a drunken rabble. His economy is a shambles, and stands no chance of improvement.

Putin can't and won't win. He put in an arm and that will come back a bloodied stump.

• **LOL:** [MarkU](#), [emerging majority](#)

• **Replies:** [@PUTINFAN](#)

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207. [loner feral cat](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 6:20 pm GMT • 1.7 days ago](#) ↑

**The Art and Science of Modern Psychological Warfare. A Case Study.**



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208. [Rogue](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 6:22 pm GMT • 1.7 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@John Johnson](#)

Well, I guess we're gonna have to wait for the dust to settle to know something approximating the actual truth.

However, and I *do* find this to be significant, the Western MSM tell such whopping great lies on just about anything and everything – that if they say (as they do) that Russia is getting creamed, then I suspect the opposite is more likely true.

• **Replies:** [@John Johnson](#)

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209. [JasonT](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 6:23 pm GMT • 1.7 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@MarkU](#)

Generally, yes I am of the mind that we are seeing the controlled demolition of the West. However, nothing ever goes exactly to plan, so there are certainly elements of the last days of Rome model. It will be bad for the average person in the West whatever model dominates the outcome.

• **Agree:** [MarkU](#)

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210. [Curmudgeon](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 6:24 pm GMT • 1.7 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@Socratesjr](#)

Given Germany returned to a “peacetime” economy after expelling the 1939 French invasion, there is little evidence that Germany had any intention of invading the USSR (or Belgium/France) in the first place. Operation Barbarosa was a response to a planned Soviet invasion of Europe, as has been demonstrated by many authors over the last 30 years, backed by evidence from Soviet archives. Several NSDAP leaders were reported to have said that the “intelligence” on the buildup grossly underestimated its size. Would the invasion have taken place if the intelligence had been accurate?

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211. [Rogue](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 6:29 pm GMT • 1.7 days ago](#) ↑

[@saggy](#)

And, of course, there are the talking heads on the MSM who are telling us exactly the opposite.

And all of them on both sides seem perfectly rational and persuasive.

With the exception of Tucker Carlson, I never consider anyone on the MSM to be either rational or persuasive.

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212. [PetrOldSack](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 6:34 pm GMT • 1.7 days ago](#) • 200 Words ↑

[@JPD](#)

Your comment is a spoiler, not that it matters [to spoil], most comments are deaf.

The gaming, thus the fun, is in how to manipulate terminology so that anything can be explained away into anything else and back. Alas cluster ammunition, alas frameworks in computer language, alas levels of consciousness in psychology, alas theocracy. Is the abstract of the former not the essence in “quantum”, as in quantum physics, the observer as is the target both in some un-steady state? The confusion based on the language of opinion is cheaper than introducing, be it fake, factoids. That is the chief economical factor to it [commenting], as in billions to quantify in the monetary system, as equality [the right to every opinion, opinions being equals]. Identity is opinion, if you do not have one, then all that is left is a tattoo, a colorful gender, veganism, some Jordan Peterson self-help, a Ye T-shirt.

No fact spinning here, we spin opinions.

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213. [CSFurious](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 6:37 pm GMT • 1.7 days ago](#) ↑

Once the U.S. dollar is no longer used as the “petrodollar”, U.S. hegemony will finally be over and it will get real bad inside the U.S.

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214. [Kevin Barrett](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 6:40 pm GMT • 1.7 days ago](#) ↑

[@Ron Unz](#)

“(A) Macgregor is basically correct or (B) Macgregor has gone totally insane.” Or how about: (C) Macgregor is basically correct but must be totally insane to speak the truth in public.

That’s what some of my academic colleagues thought about me when I started speaking publicly about 9/11.

• **Thanks:** [Chuck Orloski](#)

• **Replies:** [@PetrOldSack](#), [@Wokechoke](#)

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215. Brian Damage says:

February 2, 2023 at 6:44 pm GMT • 1.7 days ago • 200 Words ↑

@anon

Is my IQ too low to understand things? Because my understanding is still the same, which is that this war is no longer about trying to retake Ukrainian lands conquered by Putin in the short-term, but rather this is an ethnic war, where the goal now is for the Ashkenazim, by a process of genetic attrition, to collapse the Russian Slavic gene pool over a period of, let's say, the next fifty years.

Yes it's that low. Since day one it has been to liberate the Russian speaking regions of Ukraine which are in the East and South. In 2014, after Crimea voted to join Russia, and fighting in the Donask region between separatists and the Ukrainian military came to a standstill, the Minsk agreement was signed between Russia and Ukraine to allow Russian Ukrainians to have their rights and autonomy. Under the pressure of Ukrainian nationalists, many with Nazi tattoos, Ukrainians kept shelling Eastern Ukraine, killing civilians and freedom fighters. Things quiet down after Trump got elected but the killing resumed after Biden got elected. Putin warned Ukraine threatening to invade and take back these regions. US goaded Ukraine to keep fighting and Russia started its special operations February 2022.

So the goal, as always, has been to take back Russian Ukrainian regions and cripple nationalist Ukrainians to a point of no return.

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216. hoss says:

February 2, 2023 at 6:45 pm GMT • 1.7 days ago ↑

@Renoman

Is this link for real? <https://www.americanlibertyreportnews.com/articles/more-than-20000-military-members-became-sterile-after-covid-vaccination/>

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217. Decoy says:

February 2, 2023 at 6:45 pm GMT • 1.7 days ago • 100 Words ↑

@Sheikh77

"Zelensky isn't going to back down." You have not yet come to realize (or accept) that Zelensky is not at all in control of the situation. If, and more likely when, the United States gets tired of funding the Ukraine military and government it's all over for Zelensky.

Zelensky is running a military operation with rented equipment. The lender decides what he gets, how much he gets, and when he gets it. I doubt if that has ever happened before in a major war. Everyone outside of the western world knows who wanted this war and they also know where the decision to hold or fold is made. Zelensky is not being included in those discussions.

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218. [nokangaroos](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 6:48 pm GMT](#) • [1.7 days ago](#) • 200 Words ↑

[@Wokechoke](#)

Exceedingly bad example, Woke ...

give me a frigate and three Harriers (Holy Mother of God of Censtokhau)

and I take on a regiment-sized pussy hatter march *alone*;

inhowfar is that supposed to give the Ukies “heart”?

Zaluzhnyi has good as admitted they have no attack left in them –

the Americans especially have proven incapable of fighting without air cover

since the Battle of the Bulge (or, if you prefer, Scott Ritter’s favorite

Operation Cobra) – and such is not to be had\*.

Giving them heart only means the jews can kill even more of the sweet simpletons.

\*The desperation is becoming palpable; the Leppards, good. Now give us F-16s!\*\*

And German subs! And nukes! (Medvedev – hah, my man! – has quipped they

will be reduced to singing *Yellow Submarine* on a rowboat on the Dniepr)

\*\*Does anyone seriously believe they will make a difference where a shitload of MiG-29s couldn’t?

• **Replies:** [@Wokechoke](#)

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219. [John Johnson](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 6:54 pm GMT • 1.6 days ago](#) • 300 Words ↑

[@Rogue](#)

*However, and I do find this to be significant, the Western MSM tell such whopping great lies on just about anything and everything – that if they say (as they do) that Russia is getting creamed, then I suspect the opposite is more likely true.*

The MSM certainly lies when they have to maintain a narrative. You can see in my history that I am quite critical of them in regard to race, guns, voting and a host of other issues.

But taking the position that *the opposite position of the MSM should be assumed as true* is illogical and can lead to the very same irrationality that they promote when they are clearly being dishonest. If the MSM depicts vegetables to be healthy should we assume the opposite is true and load up on candy?

It's more rational to simply apply skepticism to all claims regarding controversial issues and seek information from a variety of sources.

Consider the following:

1. The MSM covers the Jesse Smollett case and depicts critics as malevolent racists.
2. MacGregor covers the war and his fans depict critics as Jews/establishment supporters/etc.

What exactly is the difference? In both cases there is a desire to suppress critical thinking.

If the MSM had honestly investigated the Smollett case and allowed multiple points of view then they would have saved themselves from complete embarrassment. But they wanted a single viewpoint to be true from day one. We have MacGregor fans that want his viewpoint to be true and don't want to allow any discussion. There really is no difference. It's the same desire to protect a viewpoint from critical thinking.

• **Replies:** [@emerging majority](#), [@Ace](#)

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220. [nokangaroos](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 7:02 pm GMT • 1.6 days ago](#) ↑

[@AnonfromTN](#)

Jews and football hooligans, allied with the *Poles* –  
Stepan must be spinning in his grave

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221. [Hold My Beer](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 7:10 pm GMT • 1.6 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

It's really embarrassing to be an American right now. I know it's not the citizens of the US that are at fault here (maybe we are?)..

But the people who are in power of the US, the puppet masters, need to be dealt with sooner rather than later.

• **Replies:** [@Odyssey](#)

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222. Emslander says:

February 2, 2023 at 7:16 pm GMT • 1.6 days ago • 100 Words ↑

@James J. O'Meara

| Same is true of elites, you need near unanimity to keep major projects on track.

That's true when you have honest elections for the national government. The prime reason that we have a clinically insane and dissociated pattern of policies coming out of DC is that it wasn't the majority that elected Biden. It was a crude vote stealing campaign executed with old fashioned ballot box stuffing and illegal voters that put the pack of freaks into power.

• **Agree:** Twodees Partain

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223. Brosi says:

February 2, 2023 at 7:19 pm GMT • 1.6 days ago • 100 Words ↑

@j2

| Mike, I have no idea how it feels to hate somebody or something, I simply do not have feelings, never had.

LOL. j2 thinks he is Spock.

| "When there is no emotion, there is no motive for violence."  
– Spock.

Yet you want the west to send more weapons to Ukraine.

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224. Athena says:

February 2, 2023 at 7:21 pm GMT • 1.6 days ago • 200 Words ↑

**WARNING**

**NATO and Turkey: an expulsion or a warning?..**

<https://journal-neo.org/2023/02/01/nato-and-turkey-an-expulsion-or-a-warning/>

'The United States cannot tolerate this: President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan's policy on Turkey's military and technical cooperation with Russia; Ankara's refusal to fully support Western sanctions against Russia over the Ukraine crisis; the Turkish-Russian situational partnership in the South Caucasus; the Turkish president's intention to block Sweden's and Finland's accession to NATO.

Washington sees "the hand of Moscow" in everything and everywhere.'

[...]

'Thus, the US does not intend to exclude Turkey from membership in NATO, but only sternly warns Ankara about what it should do and what it should not do. Otherwise, Washington threatens to exacerbate all of Turkey's external and internal contradictions and arrange a "Turkish Spring" to either transform its government into a controllable regime or fragment Turkey's territorial integrity, taking into account current and dormant ethnic issues.'

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225. [Athena](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 7:24 pm GMT • 1.6 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

## **NATO MONSTERS**

### **Revealed: U.S Secret Military Deployment on British Cyprus**

<https://www.globalresearch.ca/revealed-u-s-secret-military-deployment-on-british-cyprus/5807084>.

‘But the US planned to increase its personnel levels by 48% over the next six years. By 2024, the US plan was to have 129 airmen deployed to the base, 15 of them officers.

The real figure for US military personnel based on British Cyprus is likely to be higher.

There are multiple other garrisons and military installations across the two British SBAs – known as Dhekelia in the east of the island and Akrotiri in the west – and at the UK’s so-called “retained sites” in Cyprus proper. These likely host some US military personnel.’

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226. [MarkU](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 7:26 pm GMT • 1.6 days ago • 300 Words](#) ↑

[@sally](#)

I’m not clear on what you think I am missing nor how your reply relates to my comment. I’m not saying you are wrong, what you are saying makes reasonable sense to me (though you could work on expressing yourself more succinctly) I don’t really agree with..

┆ The governments are no longer in possession of enough authority to be able to regulate or control the behaviors of their offsprings, the privately owned and operated NHOs.

I certainly don’t regard corporations, NGO’s or ‘think tanks’ to be the offspring of government. I am also dubious of the wisdom of introducing a new label (NHO) I don’t think it adds any clarity.

As I see it the problem is that the economic system is more powerful than the political system. Regardless of who we vote for, all the real say is with the corporations and behind them, the banksters. The mass privatisations of the Reagan/Thatcher era and the enormous increase in corporate power that resulted from globalisation has exacerbated a tendency that already existed for money (hence power) to be further concentrated in the hands of the few. Outsourcing responsibility and power to corporations is a way of putting the levers of power even further away from the hands of ordinary people.

So who controls all those corporations, NGO’s and ‘think tanks’ and ‘institutes’? It certainly isn’t ‘we the people’, it is obviously the uber-capitalists or as some people call them the banksters. It is pretty obvious that capitalist totalitarianism (which is what we have) is just as flawed and unworkable as other forms of totalitarianism. We badly need a new economic system or perhaps a reset back to the days of the mixed economy.

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227. Rogue says:

February 2, 2023 at 7:28 pm GMT • 1.6 days ago • 100 Words ↑

@j2

You are going into quite detailed specifics regarding Ukrainian casualties which you cannot possibly know.

I suspect MacGregor and Ritter are more accurate than most pundits, but who really knows? We'll have to wait for the dust to settle on this war before any hard and fast conclusions or statistics can be determined.

You also reference the Winter war and the indifference of the Red army commanders to their own side's casualties. But what suggests that the modern Russian army has the same indifference and callous attitude to the death of their troops as the Bolshevik Red army of over 80 years ago?

• **Replies:** @Wokechoke

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228. Charles Pewitt says:

February 2, 2023 at 7:37 pm GMT • 1.6 days ago • 100 Words ↑

On the two issues that define our moment — immigration and foreign policy — Lindsey Graham is strongly on Joe Biden's side. He believes that Ukraine's borders are far more important than our own. [pic.twitter.com/esmdAxllul](https://pic.twitter.com/esmdAxllul)

— Tucker Carlson (@TuckerCarlson) February 2, 2023

Lindsey Graham Wants Nuclear War With Russia

Lindsey Graham Puts The Interests Of Israel And Ukraine Over And Above The Interests Of The USA

Lindsey Graham voted to drag the US military into the Iraq War debacle.

Lindsey Graham wants to continue to use the US military as muscle to fight wars on behalf of Israel.

Lindsey Graham pushes mass legal immigration and mass illegal immigration and REFUGEE OVERLOAD and ASYLUM SEEKER INUNDATION.

Lindsey Graham pushes sovereignty-sapping, job-killing trade deal scams that harm American workers and weakens America's defense industrial manufacturing base.

Lindsey Graham pushes globalization, financialization, transnationalism and multiculturalism.

Tweet from 2015:

Lindsey Graham is a treasonous Neo-Con rat who voted to drag the USA into the Iraq War debacle. [#GOPDebate](#) [#nhpolitics](#) [#iacaucus](#) [#UKIP](#)

— Charles Pewitt (@CharlesPewitt) September 16, 2015

• **Replies:** @emerging majority, @Rurik

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229. [PorgiePuddin](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 7:41 pm GMT • 1.6 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

Lets remember the arrogance that assumed control coming to initial fruition in 1991-1993, then the decision of global capital and the pensions to bail on the US people in 1996, the 911 attack, which led to a ludicrous war of terror against anyone opposed to the fascism goosing the profits of the multinationals, the patriot (enabling) act, the biomedical insecurity complex bootup, the financial crisis, domestic harassment of citizens, and now the covid program, the boot on the face digital currency, the cybernetic transhumanism, erosion of language, election engineering, and the trampling of individual rights. This program offers us nothing, and it is of a piece.

• **Agree:** [MarkU](#)

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230. [Decoy](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 7:41 pm GMT • 1.6 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@roonaldo](#)

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• **Replies:** [@roonaldo](#)

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231. [Commentator Mike](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 7:43 pm GMT • 1.6 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@Fin of a Cobra](#)

Yes one more alternative site gone, although not because of censorship. There are very few alternative sites left and if USA goes to war there will be even less and a lot more censorship. Other than the UR there really isn’t anywhere else left to go for quality articles and free discussion. OK there’s still moonofalabama, zerohrdge and veteranstoday, dailystormer on and off, but the UR stands out. The Internet is almost dead, taken over by the MSM, although once, a long time ago, it promised to break the MSM and provide a genuine uncensored alternative.

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232. Anon[108] • [Disclaimer](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 7:43 pm GMT • 1.6 days ago](#) ↑



Ukrainian Elite Azov Forces training in the UK. Ukraine will win this war !

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233. Decoy says:

February 2, 2023 at 8:01 pm GMT • 1.6 days ago • 100 Words ↑

@roonaldo

Save face and to thereby say “Gee, we gave those Ukrainians all anyone could ask for, but they just didn’t have the resolve to beat the Russkies” .

Yes, this probably is a blame shifting tactic on the table for NATO and the EU. On the other hand, Zelensky and his crew will never stop requesting/demanding more equipment because when the Ukraine ship goes down he will want to be able to tell his remaining citizens that if only his last request/demand had been fulfilled the war could have been won. The blame shifting on this fiasco is going to be monumental and it’s going to be Zelensky vs hundreds.

• **Replies:** @mulga mumblebrain

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234. 1RW says:

February 2, 2023 at 8:03 pm GMT • 1.6 days ago • 100 Words ↑

@Wade

Actually the Chinese compromising our war fighting ability via a captured asset in the White House and then having said asset walk us into a war with China, weakened, like a lamb to the slaughter is how that plan would work.

You see, if they weakened the US and then left it alone, sooner or later the US would restore its combat power.

So while I think that we did it to ourselves, after all China was barely getting it self together when the long march through the institutions happened, a plan such as what you described would entail a war as the culminating act.

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235. YetAnotherAnon says:

February 2, 2023 at 8:05 pm GMT • 1.6 days ago • 100 Words ↑

@Brosi

*“much of that military equipment will have electronics by Lucas”*

Riders of 1960s British motorcycles used to call Joe Lucas “The Prince Of Darkness” because of our feeble headlights, but I’m not sure there’s that much Lucas stuff in our military kit any more.

Like so many British firms they never really invested and modernised.

PS – our “warm beer” aka “real ale” is fantastic stuff, you should try some if you ever get over here. Best beer in the world IMHO. Come to the Black Country and try this stuff.

<https://bathams.co.uk/>

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236. [PetrOldSack](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 8:19 pm GMT • 1.6 days ago](#) ↑

[@Kevin Barrett](#)

Pertinent remark. Macgregor is backed up by some faction of individuals in power circles that see their chance to prey on the nihilists, and being able to gain from it. The co-incidence is that he mostly believes in what he proposes. Quite unusual these times.

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237. [Pat Kittle](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 8:23 pm GMT • 1.6 days ago](#) ↑

To what palatial estate will (((Zelensky))) take his \$\$\$ BILLIONS \$\$\$ when the time comes?

Tel Aviv?

Miami?

London?

...??

• **Replies:** [@Z-man](#), [@Shamu](#), [@Miro23](#)

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238. [roonaldo](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 8:32 pm GMT • 1.6 days ago](#) ↑

[@Decoy](#)

You quote me as saying “Zelensky is never going to back down.”

That’s a complete fabrication. I never said that.

• **Replies:** [@roonaldo](#)

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239. [Decoy](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 8:37 pm GMT • 1.6 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@Mr Chow Mein](#)

I saw the interview with the Canadian medic and it was fascinating. Agree with your conclusion that he sees Bakhmut is gone and pretty much same for all of eastern Ukraine. What I haven’t figured out yet is should I admire the man for standing on (his) principles or consider him to be foolish for risking life and limb for the Zelensky cause. Probably some of both.

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240. Charles Pewitt says:

February 2, 2023 at 8:48 pm GMT • 1.6 days ago • 400 Words ↑

Private intelligence sources have informed me that Teddy Cruz and Rahm Emanuel were the team leaders for the demolition crew that blew up the natural gas pipelines in the Baltic Sea.

Both Teddy Cruz and Rahm Emanuel were reported to have had water-logged, squeaky shoes immediately after the pinpoint, planned demolition of the Baltic Sea natural gas pipelines.

Teddy Cruz and Rahm Emanuel are active international agents for the ruling class of the American Empire and for the various energy and financial organizations that operate globally.

Rahm Emanuel Makes The Nips An Offer They Can't Refuse in the WSJ(December 2022):

Another lesson from Europe is that countries should import natural gas from their friends, not their enemies. Last year Russia supplied about 9% of Japan's liquefied natural gas. Australia supplied the most, over 36%. The U.S. already supplies Japan with 10% of its LNG, and we are ready to do more. Planned expansions in states such as Alaska could, based on private-sector studies, supply Japan's current and future demand at a reasonable cost with much lower methane emissions than alternative LNG. Alaska LNG can travel to Japan in six days without any strategic chokepoints and can make Japan the energy export hub for the Indo-Pacific to reduce its coal dependency. If America, Australia and other friends can supply the majority of Japan's LNG needs, why would Japan need to rely on its adversaries?

<https://www.wsj.com/articles/japan-can-move-quickly-to-avoid-an-energy-crisis-europe-russia-nuclear-wind-solar-batteries-alaska-lng-11670169782>

Private intelligence sources have informed me that Gerhard Shroder has been busy on the bottom of the Baltic Sea repairing the damage to the natural gas pipelines from the explosions carried out by Cruz and Emanuel.

Gerhard Shroder has been seen in a watery wetsuit in Denmark at local restaurants where he dines on herring, German potato salad, bread, butter, roast beef and beer.

I'll say the American Empire's ruling class is giving up the ghost on the Ukraine proxy war against Russia when the Baltic Sea natural gas pipelines are completely repaired and operating close to full potential and when the Germans are once again getting their natural gas from the Russkies on the cheap.

#BREAKING German investigators admit that the explosions of the Nord Stream 1 and Nord Stream 2 gas pipelines could have been carried out by one of the Western states — The Times

— War Monitor (@WarMonitors) February 2, 2023

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241. Decoy says:

February 2, 2023 at 8:54 pm GMT • 1.6 days ago • 100 Words ↑

@Sheikh77

“Ukrainian leadership is young, energized and capable of total war.”. That is an astonishing statement to make about an army of conscripts whose choices are three:

1. Scratch a few thousand dollars together and find a border guard willing to let you out of the country for a bribe.
2. Stay in hiding in Ukraine once your number comes up.
3. Buy into the Zelensky tale of heroics and drudge down to the draft board office hoping to be the next heroic Ghost of Kiev.

This all assumes that you are aware that male citizens of Ukraine age 18 to 60 are not allowed to leave the country without permission.

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242. [Chris Cosmos](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 9:01 pm GMT • 1.6 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@Sheikh77](#)

You don't understand the fact that Russia was reluctant to fight from the beginning and has gone slow for very good reasons having to do with the whole international situation. Russia has always been outnumbered and Ukrainian troops have had eight years to dig in so the going could not possibly have been fast as the Russian, foolishly hoping for negotiations in the beginning, are finding out. NATO poured a lot of money and training into Ukraine and believed they could prevail against Russia because they believed what you believe. The situation will change this winter and spring as Ukraine will have few if any people to fight other than mercs and Poles.

• **Replies:** [@Shamu](#)

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243. [Z-man](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 9:13 pm GMT • 1.6 days ago](#) ↑

[@Pat Kittle](#)

Hopefully he won't make it out alive if some courageous Ukrainians could take matters in their own hands.

But if he escapes the natural place for him to go is Tel Aviv. Besides having a lot of Ukrainian Jews there, the weather is good.

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244. [Mr Chow Mein](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 9:23 pm GMT • 1.5 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

Not only is Ukraine sinking...so is the U.S and as an extension the West.

The U.S must stay number one otherwise they can no-longer keep the debt mountain growing, as the top dog no other country will dare ask for fair dealings in trade...the gangsters call the shots.

Soon as China and Russia become equals then the world has options...if you don't like the U.S terms then you deal elsewhere else...this is disaster for the U.S as its debt will have a real contracting on its military spending and public spending, austerity Greek style comes to mind.

The U.S is very dangerous...they are doubling down and a decision for WW3 has been made... that's why Americans must remove those behind the decisions.

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245. [mulga mumblebrain](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 9:25 pm GMT • 1.5 days ago](#) ↑

[@Decoy](#)

I'm sure that the Banderite Fuhrer will swear that he was 'stabbed in the back'.

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246. Joe Wong says:

February 2, 2023 at 9:25 pm GMT • 1.5 days ago • 100 Words ↑

@Socratesjr

Let's go Brandon or John Johnson, we are winning the war in Ukraine, and we are going to be at the gate of Moscow soon. Mr. Rambo, all it needs for the moment is for you to be at the front line facing the Russians and give the Russians a little push, and they will collapse and run home for mama.

• **Replies:** @Socratesjr

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247. mulga mumblebrain says:

February 2, 2023 at 9:32 pm GMT • 1.5 days ago ↑

@Fin of a Cobra

The USA is fulfilling its destiny to be the assassin of humanity.

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248. Shamu says:

February 2, 2023 at 9:33 pm GMT • 1.5 days ago ↑

@Z-man

I think more accurate is to label the Neocons as a 'Trotskyite cabal'

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249. Olivier1973 says:

February 2, 2023 at 9:34 pm GMT • 1.5 days ago ↑

@j2

What a collection of nonsense!

"Traditional calculation"... this is not a traditional operation, but you cannot understand it.

Obviously you do not know what is a war of attrition.

<https://www.studysmarter.us/explanations/history/world-wars/war-of-attrition/>

Only psychopaths do not have emotions.

• **Agree:** Truth Vigilante

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250. Shamu says:

February 2, 2023 at 9:37 pm GMT • 1.5 days ago • 100 Words ↑

@Chris Cosmos

NATO spent 8 years training what became the largest army located in nation that is exclusively in Europe. The Ukie military was larger, and better trained, than any in the rest of Europe. And the basic rule of thumb is that when attacking across a nation's border, you should have about 3 times as many troops if the nation you attack is well dug in and trained.

So only an idiot would have actually assume dthta Russians would destroy all of Ukraine within a few months. Add top that being civilized, the Russians want to avoid any destruction of Kiev if possible because Kiev was the first Russian city state to convert to Christianity.

• **Replies:** @John Johnson

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251. [mulga mumblebrain](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 9:38 pm GMT • 1.5 days ago](#) ↑

[@Complex Pseudonymic Handle](#)

What insects smearing windshields? We've wiped them out thanks to neonicotinoids. Get with the program. Life is so transient-give me money, every time.

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252. [Shamu](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 9:39 pm GMT • 1.5 days ago](#) ↑

[@Pat Kittle](#)

Any of those or NYC or Hollywood.

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253. [Rurik](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 9:41 pm GMT • 1.5 days ago • 200 Words](#) ↑  
[@Sheikh77](#)

| who are actively rooting against our ruling elite.

Who talks like that? Only some poor deluded fool who believes 'our ruling elites' have some shred of legitimacy.

| ALWAYS position themselves 180 degrees in direct opposition to mainstream narratives.

not always

just on every issue of consequence.

the illegal wars all based on lies

the open borders

the vaccine mandates

support for Israel

support for Zelinsky

the war on traditional Americans, now called 'domestic terrorists'

the Big Tech spying and Total data surveillance

the LGBTQ trans insanity

Big Pharma crimes against humanity

and on and on..

Perhaps the most glaring at the moment is your 'ruling elites' war on Russia, that is (happily) blowing up in your face, and hopefully, taking (((NATO))) down with it.

God save Vlad Putin!

Free Julian!

and let's pray for the kind of world where the 'ruling elites' will get everything that they so monumentally deserve. In spades. With gusto. And then some.



• **Agree:** [Ace](#), [gsjackson](#)

• **Replies:** [@Miro23](#)

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254. [Harold Smith](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 9:47 pm GMT](#) • [1.5 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

| [Are Western Elites Bailing Out?](#)

Apparently not. It seems that the U.S. “government” and its ACME corp. are cobbling together some long range rockets to be sent to the terrorist “government” in Ukraine. If this happens it may be the biggest provocation by the U.S. “government” so far.

<https://sputniknews.com/20230201/what-are-longer-range-glsdb-rockets-that-the-us-may-soon-send-to-ukraine-1106884314.html>

• **Replies:** [@meamjojo](#)

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255. [tyrone](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 9:50 pm GMT](#) • [1.5 days ago](#) ↑

[@Brosi](#)

Greece vs. Turkey a much more likely NATO intramural cage-match.

• **Agree:** [Brosi](#)

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256. [Irish Savant](#) says: • [Website](#)

[February 2, 2023 at 10:27 pm GMT](#) • [1.5 days ago](#) ↑

[@Ron Unz](#)

I admire Colonel McGregor but he’s been badly wrong in his assessments so far.

• **Agree:** [meamjojo](#)

• **Replies:** [@littlewing](#), [@Ron Unz](#), [@Mr Chow Mein](#)

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257. [Wokechoke](#) says:

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[@Ron Unz](#)

Ortho...yeah Nuland and Blinken is the orthodox position. O har har hardy har har.

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258. [Miro23](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 10:34 pm GMT • 1.5 days ago](#) • 200 Words ↑

[@Shamu](#)

Then most important thing for the Jewish 3-4ths of the American neocon group is the sacred Jew. If they feel that pushing any envelope could ignite a backlash against Jews, in Israel, Europe, or the Anglosphere, they will finally back away.

Probably right and accounting for the mixed messages.

Even controlling Western media and politics can't change the facts:

- Putin's preemptive strike wasn't anticipated.
- The Russian military out-equips and out-mans the Ukrainian military and is gradually breaking them.
- Despite being essential, NATO troops can't enter Ukraine. Too high risk (aircraft and long range missiles = WW3)

The US Jewish neo-cons have never had a problem like this. This is a "Regime Change" failure on a whole new scale. It's pulling down Europe and exposing the wires of US neo-puppetry as never before. The European traditionalist/nationalist backlash is something new and it's also running out of control while European leaders instinctively now choose to avoid Davos.

• **Agree:** [emerging majority](#)

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259. [Wokechoke](#) says:

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[@nokangaroos](#)

Goose Green is an excellent example because it shows in a Battalion v Regiment size bite the force ratios.

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260. [Wokechoke](#) says:

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[@Rogue](#)

It's an interesting comparison because you can get a rough estimate of KIA of battalion size battles with the same weaponry from Goose Green.

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261. [Miro23](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 11:05 pm GMT • 1.5 days ago](#) ↑

[@Rurik](#)

Stupid British Royal Family validating Ceaușescu.



• **Replies:** [@Rurik](#)

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262. [meamjojo](#) says:

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And now for a dose of REAL military analysis!

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## **No, Ukraine Isn't Losing and Stalemate Isn't Inevitable**

by Ian Rons

2 February 2023 1:00 PM

I was intrigued to see Eugyppius' recent piece on the war in Ukraine, in which he comments on an article in Die Welt which has the headline 'Why it is almost impossible that Ukraine will still win' (auto translation). Eugyppius takes this as a rare moment of candour from Die Welt – an admission of truth, hitherto concealed. I wouldn't be so sure... but since the author of the piece is Christoph B. Schiltz, a doctor of political science, perhaps we should take this seriously. I was reminded of the unfortunate demise of poor Bunbury:

Algernon: The doctors found out that Bunbury could not live, that is what I mean – so Bunbury died.

Lady Bracknell: He seems to have had great confidence in the opinion of his physicians. I am glad, however, that he made up his mind at the last to some definite course of action, and acted under proper medical advice.

Oscar Wilde

**However, the problems with Dr Schiltz's diagnosis are manifold. He starts with false (or at best disputed) claims and makes a military assessment based on flawed assumptions. His very first sentence contains four distinct errors. He writes:**

*Kiev's army is running out of men and matériel, the enemy is adapting better and has massive supplies. [Auto translation.]*

...

<https://dailysceptic.org/2023/02/02/no-ukraine-isnt-losing-and-stalemate-isnt-inevitable/>

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263. [meamjojo](#) says:

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And then there are the unknown unknowns.

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**The Militarization Of Russia's Economy, And The Demise Of The Oligarchs  
By putting the economy on a war footing, Putin risks returning Russia to the days  
of Stalinist totalitarianism, where there will be no oligarchs or businesses left,  
only loyal administrators.**

WORLD CRUNCH | Boris Grozovsky

January 28, 2023

MOSCOW — The war with Ukraine has not gone according to Vladimir Putin's plan. Eleven months have passed, but less than 17% of Ukrainian territory, including Crimea, is under Russian control.

Moreover, the war has been much longer and more expensive than Putin expected: Russia is under international sanctions, oil prices are frozen and oligarchs are trying to withdraw whatever shreds of their money they can from the country.

Under these conditions, the Russian president has been forced to roll back social support and squeeze everything out of the economy for the war budget. Russian economic observer Boris Grozovsky tells Vazhnyye Istorii what Putin's policies will mean for Russia.

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<https://worldcrunch.com/focus/russian-militarization-economy-oligarchs>

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264. [Odyssey](#) says:

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[@anon](#)

I already told you that you write (too extensively) about things and places you don't know. I said, it would be better to answer the meaning of 'rg' and 'veda' although I'm sure you don't know that either. But if you do know, you would gain world fame as I haven't seen the correct interpretation anywhere.

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265. [meamjojo](#) says:

[February 2, 2023 at 11:30 pm GMT • 1.5 days ago](#) ↑

[@Ron Unz](#)

“According to him, the Ukrainians have probably lost around 160,000 KIAs and the Russians more like 20,000. The entire Ukrainian front is on the verge of collapse, possibly taking NATO down with it.”

You CANNOT seriously believe that Russia has only lost 20k in cannon fodder! [ROFLOL]

• **Replies:** [@Truth Vigilante](#)

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266. [Haxo Angmark](#) says:

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[@Haxo Angmark](#)

I don't know....maybe.

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267. [Odyssey](#) says:

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[@Hold My Beer](#)

In fact, you may have already answered it. If you look at the comment #86 then we can see how the system works. A small group needs a stupid mass to do the work for them and enable them to rule the world. That is why it is necessary to master the US and through its military power to terrorize the whole world.

In order to master the US, 90% of morons must be created there through celebrity culture, reality shows, junk food and coke. Then they should convince these morons that they are exceptional. This part is easy. That system is maintained in perpetuity by blocking media and universities. In such a situation, 10% is helpless to do anything.

So, the world is ruled by that stupidity because it is armed with nuclear weapons.

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268. [mulga mumblebrain](#) says:

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[@Shitposter in Chief](#)

A jury of twelve found Pell guilty, unanimously, on ALL five charges, and two out of three appeals court judges concurred. Then the High Court, to protect a prized elite asset, found a legal technicality on which to overturn the verdict. Pell was as guilty as Hell, where, one hopes, he now resides. Another paedo priest apologist.

• **Replies:** [@Wizard of Oz](#)

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269. [fredyetagain aka superhonky](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 12:22 am GMT • 1.4 days ago](#) ↑

[@John Johnson](#)

I think there is one more possibility:  
(C) MacGregor is on Russian payroll and is just a paid cheerleader.

Hey Schmuely Shmuelson, got any evidence to back up your surmise, or is this just more of your worthless bloviating?

Sincerely,

superhonky

• **Replies:** [@John Johnson](#), [@Anon](#)

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270. [littlewing](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 12:22 am GMT • 1.4 days ago](#) ↑

[@Irish Savant](#)

He is old school and doesn't grasp how insane and destructive they are.

They want to destroy America.

Look at what they have done to the military.

Word out today 4069 excess deaths 2022 vs 124 in 2018.

Vax mandates on the troops

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271. [meamjojo](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 12:29 am GMT • 1.4 days ago](#) ↑

[@Harold Smith](#)

Wait for the F-16's or maybe F-22's to ship! Up yours Putin. Ukraine will be kicking Russia ass...

• **Replies:** [@Joe Wong](#), [@Decoy](#), [@nokangaroos](#)

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272. [Rurik](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 1:11 am GMT • 1.4 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@Miro23](#)

good riddance to them all

I confess I get a chuckle out of the ongoing scandal of the British 'royalty' being found out to be irredeemably racist. What a great karmic justice it is to see them squirm, after having presided over the defilement of England and beyond.

My only regret is that their punishment isn't near to as bad as their crimes.

I doubt the Ceaușescu did as much damage to Romania as that hag presided over in England.

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273. [Ron Unz](#) says:

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[@Irish Savant](#)

| I admire Colonel McGregor but he's been badly wrong in his assessments so far.

I admit I haven't been closely following the operational details of the Ukraine war over the last year, but I wonder if that's really correct.

For example, I think some of the harshest criticism against Macgregor during the last few months has been based upon his failed predictions that the Russians were about to launch a massive offensive. But one point he'd always stressed was that they'd need to wait until the ground froze, and it's been an unusually warm winter, so that has barely happened yet. For the same reason, all the mainstream geopolitical analysts had predicted that Germany's economy would be devastated by soaring energy prices, but the warm winter mitigated that.

And the front page of the *NYT* this morning claimed the Russians were on the verge of launching a major offensive, so perhaps Macgregor's timing was only off by a couple of months.

• **Replies:** [@John Johnson](#), [@Wokechoke](#), [@Truth Vigilante](#)

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274. [Folkvangr](#) says:

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[@Zachary Smith](#)

LOL. Didn't you know that during WW II the Soviet soldiers mixed Schnaps (32 percent alcohol) with gasoline? They became so addicted to the mix (due to its narcotic-like effect) that they put up with bowel pains and didn't want to switch back to vodka. Their superiors even complained there was not enough gas to fill trucks. So, yes, they were morons and still are, if they think they can "do it again in Berlin" lol

• **Replies:** [@Joe Wong](#)

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275. [Derer](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 1:42 am GMT • 1.4 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@saggy](#)

| The reality is that the Russians got quickly kicked out of Kiev,

If Russian wanted really Kiev they would have Kiev. The real objective was to liberate Donbas ethnic Russians from Ukinazis killings (for 8 years). They are fighting velvet war with minimal civilian carnage of their Slavic cousins. Change your sources...you are indoctrinated beyond repair.

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276. [Ummmpph!](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 1:42 am GMT • 1.4 days ago](#) • 200 Words ↑

[@Ron Unz](#)

This contrived war is designed for both Russia and the West/United States to destroy each other. If it doesn't work out, there is always the China vs the West scenario. Either way, our rulers have it designed where America is slotted to lose whether we're fighting Russia or China. I hate to feel so strongly about it, but I believe our Zionist rulers/psychopaths will most likely succeed in starting a war soon that will kill most of us. Consider their false flag track record in starting wars. It seems we're doomed. Any post war survivors will may have to learn to own nothing and be happy. There doesn't seem much any regular patriot can do to stop what is coming or what is going on. What can you do to stop our rulers from fucking up the world? You, like me, have no power and we can't do caca about it. Or, can we? How do we resist? How do we stop the madness?

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277. John Johnson says:

February 3, 2023 at 1:52 am GMT • 1.4 days ago • 100 Words ↑

@Shamu

*So only an idiot would have actually assume thta Russians would destroy all of Ukraine within a few months.*

The leaked plans revealed that Putin expected to take Ukraine in 2.5 weeks.

In 2014 he said he said he could take Kiev in 2 weeks

<https://www.ibtimes.com/ukraine-crisis-putin-says-he-could-capture-kiev-2-weeks-if-he-wanted-1675352>

*Add top that being civilized, the Russians want to avoid any destruction of Kiev if possible because Kiev was the first Russian city state to convert to Christianity.*

Do you not read the news? Putin has been launching daily attacks on Kiev with Iranian drones.

He was in fact criticized by his own military for wasting missile attacks on civilian areas.

Try to keep up.

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278. [John Johnson](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 1:56 am GMT • 1.4 days ago • 200 Words](#) ↑

[@Ron Unz](#)

*For example, I think some of the harshest criticism against Macgregor during the last few months has been based upon his failed predictions that the Russians were about to launch a massive offensive. But one point he'd always stressed was that they'd need to wait until the ground froze, and it's been an unusually warm winter, so that has barely happened yet.*

Well there was a period where the ground was frozen and Ukrainians were driving everywhere with tanks. The conditions required for modern tanks aren't the same as 1942. A massive offensive on Kherson wouldn't even have to involve tanks. It would be a river crossing like Stalingrad.

The bigger problem is that he didn't have evidence of such an offensive. You can't hide a massive offensive without it showing up on satellite. He never explained what the offensive would look like or where it was building. Large offensives normally have intelligence leaks. The original invasion was leaked to CIA intelligence back in December of 2021. A large offensive with conscripts will have thousands of leaks.

*And the front page of the NYT this morning claimed the Russians were on the verge of launching a major offensive, so perhaps Macgregor's timing was only off by a couple of months.*

Well if every month you claim an offensive is going to happen the following month then you will eventually be right. Everyone expects a Russian offensive at some point unless Putin is overthrown.

MacGregor said very clearly that a winter offensive would happen in November or December at the latest. We are now closer to a spring offensive.

I think you have been fair with him but his credibility is highly questionable. I would be more open to his opinion if he wasn't so heavily biased towards Russia. He never has anything positive to say about Ukraine and just gives a monthly doomsday report.

• **Replies:** [@Ron Unz](#)

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279. [Wizard of Oz](#) says:

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[@mulga mumblebrain](#)

I hardly agreed with George Pell on anything but, as a former judge on the same Court of Appeal that dismissed his appeal from the second jury's verdict said to me "thank G for Mark Weinberg". He had been federal Director of Prosecutions and was by far the most competent criminal lawyer involved. His very long and detailed dissenting judgement was, I believe, the basis of the High Court's 7-0 decision in favour of Pell. I would ask you how you think you know better about the High Court except that you spout without shame such total BS that it would be unprofitable.

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• **Replies:** [@mulga mumblebrain](#)

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280. [pyrrhus](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 2:00 am GMT • 1.4 days ago](#) ↑

[@Ron Unz](#)

StratFor says the Ukrainian KIAs are 300k...MacGregor is on the low side...And the Russians will pick Ukrainian leaders, if the Ukraine even survives as a country...

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281. [Wizard of Oz](#) says:

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[@Ron Unz](#)

Did Goebbels drop out when he had been observably discredited by events?

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282. [Henry's Cat](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 2:12 am GMT • 1.3 days ago](#) ↑

[@Ron Unz](#)

| Are you seriously arguing that someone like Col. Macgregor made a “business” decision to take the other side of that issue?

It's all about finding a niche in the market.

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283. [Joe Wong](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 2:12 am GMT • 1.3 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@meamjojo](#)

Everybody knows the American's insanity knows no bound, F-16's, F-35's or F-22's are expected to be shipped to Ukraine. It is puzzling why do the Americans wait to give time to Russians setting up traps to shoot the F-16's, F-35's or F-22's like clad ducks? Is it because Americans really mean it when they said to fight the Russians until the last Ukie is pushed through the Russian meat grinder?

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284. [Wizard of Oz](#) says:

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[@Athena](#)

No you don't agree with Ron's argument. Kissinger et al. don't drop out.

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285. Anon[176] • [Disclaimer](#) says:

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[@PetrOldSack](#)

“Remains to be seen who will co-opt Macgregor to power”

The colonel is a hero of truth-telling but professionally a has-been. The glory days of his career (Iraq raid, Pentagon reform crusade) are behind him. That's the reason he can tell the truth.

• **Replies:** [@PetrOldSack](#)

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286. [Wokechoke](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 2:25 am GMT • 1.3 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@Ron Unz](#)

The British MoD predicted that the Russians would grab Odessa and Lvov. Most sceptics scoffed at the idea that the Russians could even cross the Dneiper. I never rated the Russkies as Blitzkreigers with the popularity of the Wehrmacht in 1939-41 welcomed in by every right thinking European who encountered their glorious March.

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287. [John Johnson](#) says:

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[@fredyetagain aka superhonky](#)

| I think there is one more possibility:

| (C) MacGregor is on Russian payroll and is just a paid cheerleader.

*Hey Schmuely Shmuelson, got any evidence to back up your surmise, or is this just more of your worthless bloviating?*

Hey Dudel Duderson, got any evidence that DC is filled with corrupt politicians? Where is the paper trail? Oh I guess they must all be innocent.

If MacGregor is on the take he isn't going to publish his monthly bitcoin drops from an anonymous source.

Here is why MacGregor sets off my BS detector:

1. Most military analysts were wrong about Ukraine being able to fight back. Those analysts have since stated that they underestimated Ukraine. MacGregor never acknowledges that Ukraine has done anything right. It is always doom and gloom about how Ukraine is going to be crushed.
2. When someone like retired General Petraeus gives his analysis on the war he talks about what Ukraine has to do to win. He entirely allows for the possibility of Russia winning even if he supports Ukraine. He has no problem talking about Russia's manpower advantage or how it will take months before the tanks are on the battlefield. As a military analyst he gives the strengths of both sides even if he favors Ukraine on a personal level. He isn't asked to do analysis just to give one side.
3. MacGregor seems increasingly unhinged. He does these interviews with Napolitano where he isn't questioned and is allowed to just drone on about how Russia is about to crush them. His eyes keep getting darker and he has an unhealthy aura. I don't see someone that is free to give his honest opinion on the matter. I get a very dark vibe from him in the most recent videos. My guess is that he is on the take and the guilt from the corruption is eating away at whatever remains of his conscience.

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288. [Wokechoke](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 2:29 am GMT • 1.3 days ago](#) ↑

[@Kevin Barrett](#)

MacGregor might not understand the nambier pambier aspects of the politics of war. I'd guess he's the Pentagon's minority report. He's obviously an Anglophobe though.

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289. Anon[233] • [Disclaimer](#) says:

[@fredyetagain](#) aka superhonky

I finally know who “John Johnson” is.

Yes, I’m doxing the bastard, right here and now.

He is none other than Rachel Maddow.

Have you seen them in the same room together?

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290. [George Taylor](#) says:

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The Abrams tanks we will be sending to the Ukraine will likely be similar to the export versions Saudi Arabia bought. They do not have the most advanced armor possible. American media cheered the destruction of Russian armored vehicles via American and British portable anti-tank missiles however the Russians have their own effective versions.



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291. [Ron Unz](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 2:51 am GMT • 1.3 days ago • 200 Words](#) ↑

[@John Johnson](#)

MacGregor said very clearly that a winter offensive would happen in November or December at the latest. We are now closer to a spring offensive... He never has anything positive to say about Ukraine and just gives a monthly doomsday report.

Sure, like I said Macgregor got lots of criticism when that didn't happen. But I tend to be pretty forgiving on timing issues.

For example, back in 2005 lots of smart people said that the housing market was crazy and would collapse. They were wrong and it continued going even higher, so they doubled down and said it was even crazier. They were continually proven wrong until 2008 when it finally blew up and nearly took down the entire economy. But in 2009, nobody was ridiculing them for their premature predictions in 2005, 2006, and 2007.

Until very recently, 100% of the MSM has been claiming that the Ukrainians were winning while Macgregor has been saying the Russians were winning and would soon crush them. Victory in war is a very objective, factual matter, and if the Russians soon attack and destroy the Ukrainians, no one will criticize Macgregor for having been a couple of months premature in his predictions.

After all, it's not like he's sitting in on the Russian strategic planning sessions, so why would anyone expect him to know exactly when the Russians would finally decide to attack?

• **Replies:** [@Wokechoke](#), [@meamjojo](#), [@j2](#)

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292. [Joe Wong](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 3:02 am GMT • 1.3 days ago • 200 Words](#) ↑

[@Folkvangr](#)

Saying "during WW II the Soviet soldiers mixed Schnaps (32 percent alcohol) with gasoline" was one of the countless cold war propaganda trolls the West fabricated to smear Red Army which destroyed the Third Reich military single-handedly, so that the West could appropriate Red Army's hard work to gloss over their incompetence against the Nazi.

Flip-script is the foundation of Western propaganda, taking drug and doping before action is a standard practice of the Western military, intelligence agencies, etc. For example all HK rioters and their foreign directors (including neo-Nazi Ukie) were proven taking drug and doping during the American engineered Yellow Umbrella color revolution protests in HK.

Smearing Soviet soldiers took mixed Schnaps (32 percent alcohol) with gasoline was merely a typical flip-script handy work of the West's smearing campaign.

Both Schnaps and gasoline were hard to come by precious materials, and soldiers were more concern about food more than anything else during that time. Only people detached from reality would come out such detached from reality story, and only people have no clue will believe such lie.

• **Replies:** [@Folkvangr](#)

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293. [Wokechoke](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 3:03 am GMT • 1.3 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@Ron Unz](#)

“Moscow right now is a hub of corrupt tyranny, censorship, authoritarian repression, police violence, propaganda, government lies and disinformation, and planning for war crimes. It is a world center of antifeminist, antigay, anti-trans hatred, as well as the homeland of replacement theory for export. In supporting Ukraine, we are opposing these fascist views, and supporting the urgent principles of democratic pluralism.”—Rep. Jamie Raskin US Congress.

This is why I’m supportive of Russia’s stance. Some of what Raskin says is very true and that’s why Moscow ought to put Zelenskyy ‘s Ukraine in a box.

• **Replies:** [@PUTINFAN](#), [@Rogue](#), [@Ace](#)

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294. [emerging majority](#) says:

[@John Johnson](#)

Critical thinking is rarely (perhaps not never) present when a certain poster employs that terminological meme to maintain his “on message” ideology.

• **Replies:** [@John Johnson](#)

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295. [emerging majority](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 3:14 am GMT • 1.3 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@Charles Pewitt](#)

Charles: It would be rather amusing if a band of SoCars came up with a little humor campaign next time Ms. Lindsay campaigns in South Carolina. Artists and cartoonists along with photo-shoppers could readily depict Miss Priss in pumps, tutus, ball-gowns and similar attire depictive of his status as Queen Caroline.

Some of those Southern Baptist’s, Holy Rollers and assorted evangelicals...all quite common in that venue...would not be amused. Their accustomed voting preferences in the Republican primary might become rather skewed away from prior approval of that totally blackmailed monster.

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296. [Wizard of Oz](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 3:33 am GMT • 1.3 days ago](#) • 300 Words ↑

[@Ron Unz](#)

Why do you highly recommend that interview? Given his past record of informing listeners about alleged facts and his predictions it cannot be because of the probably very important consequences of his being right. After all we have to be able to trust what he says if that is to be useful to us.

As it happens I have paid particular attention to casualty rates as something we have little reliable information on but obviously, as per McGregor, important. Who says or hints at what and why? I don't know though it seems to me that there is reason to believe Ukrainian military casualties are considerably less than those of the various Russian forces which have so often been barely trained or equipped cannon fodder. And I spoke again yesterday to the 41 year old businessman who ran his businesses in Kyiv for 10 years before bringing his wife and young children back to Australia early last year after having taken an anticipatory holiday in Poland. He is still running his businesses, though scaled down, from Melbourne. I recalled him showing me a picture last year of his Chief Operating Officer (or some such) who had just donned a uniform as a volunteer. Now he told me the same chap had been rotated to a front line position in the East and just out again before 15 Ukrainians were killed there by the Russians. I raised the comparative casualties with him and he was insistent that anything like the McGregor version was rubbish. Indeed when I said that the obvious tactics for the Ukrainians seemed to me to be manoeuvring to use space to keep their own casualties down and the Russians high and he said that was what they were doing. We didn't go into detail but I presume that, as well as using space as largely valueless there would be prepared and urban improvised defences that would help justify the classic 3:1 calculation.

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297. [Avianthro](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 3:36 am GMT • 1.3 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

Great analysis Mike!

So, it's now "wait-n-see" if the elites who control the War and State depts are going to arrive at a consensus to let go of Ukraine? For sure though, if they do let go, they will not admit that their policies in Ukraine were failures, anymore than the NHS will admit that its covid policies failed. To do so for either is to expose their incompetence, lose face, and credibility. They have to find a way to let go, and still make themselves look good-useful, or is it enough just to rely as usual on the short memories and attention spans of the sheeple, most of whom are also so busy with personal life matters and/or "opiated" well enough anyway so as not to care?

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298. Wokechoke says:

I'm certain that John Johnson is...



...The Ghost of Norm Coleman. Or Carl Levin's Love Child. And Perhaps McGregor is another cantankerous Scotto-George Galloway like figure.

• **Thanks:** Notsofast

• **Replies:** @Truth Vigilante

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299. Mr Chow Mein says:

February 3, 2023 at 3:41 am GMT • 1.3 days ago • 200 Words ↑

@Irish Savant

I don't think Colonel McGregor is wrong in fundamentals, but is wrong with timing.

I think the mild weather in Europe this winter has made Russia change their timetable, a winter offensive was aborted.

There was also the Soledar front where Ukraine was dug so deep that it took a long time to uproot the Ukrainians, in fact the Eastern front was always the main theatre for "bleeding Russia" thats about to fall so the West are scrambling for tanks for the next phase.

Tanks are only any use West of the Dneipro because of their need for support close to rail heads.

I expect Ukraine to pull out of Bakhmut soon or sacrifice those inside to further "bleed" Russia.

What isn't spoken is Ukraine bleeds as well, I suspect that the aim of weakening Russia with Ukraine lives is to give NATO a chance when they enter the fray?

Lets hope I'm totally wrong.

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300. Rurik says:

@Charles Pewitt

just in case you haven't seen this

<https://rumble.com/v1neb8w-lindsey-graham-and-john-mccain-motivation-speech-for-the-azov-nazis-in-2016.html>

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301. [John Johnson](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 3:47 am GMT • 1.3 days ago](#) • 300 Words ↑

*For example, back in 2005 lots of smart people said that the housing market was crazy and would collapse.*

Yes I wish they had been right because my property taxes keep going up.

*Until very recently, 100% of the MSM has been claiming that the Ukrainians were winning while Macgregor has been saying the Russians were winning and would soon crush them.*

Well in March he said it was over and that the Ukrainians needed to surrender.

<https://www.newsweek.com/what-putin-wing-ex-colonel-douglas-macgregor-has-said-about-ukraine-war-1689802>

Scott Ritter said they were in mop up stage.

They were both very quick to claim a Ukrainian defeat in March while the more mainstream military analysts were trying give a depiction of what was actually happening on the ground instead of declaring a winner. So it is more than the winter offensive.

*After all, it's not like he's sitting in on the Russian strategic planning sessions, so why would anyone expect him to know exactly when the Russians would finally decide to attack?*

I think there would have been more signs if they were actually planning the offensive that MacGregor described. You can't hide a massive build up from the eye in the sky.

Look I hold your opinion in high regard along with the website you created. You attract a lot of quality posters that have opinions that are at least equal to what MacGregor provides. If you think I am being harsh on him then I can default to your authority here. I fully understand he is an often cited source to some of the main bloggers.

• **Thanks:** [Wizard of Oz](#)

• **Replies:** [@Ron Unz](#)

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302. [Rurik](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 3:49 am GMT • 1.3 days ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@Ron Unz](#)

on the Croatian president cited in your video

<https://www.globalresearch.ca/croatian-president-added-ukrainian-kill-list/5806940>

After criticizing the German Foreign Minister's irresponsible pro-war remarks and emphasizing the importance of peace with Russia for European stability, Croatian President Zoran Milanovich has been added to Myrotvorets, the Ukrainian government's public kill-list.

...it remains to be seen what the position of the EU and NATO will be in the face of the fact that the leader of a member country of both organizations is being threatened with death by a non-member state.

more

<https://balkaninsight.com/2023/02/01/ukraine-website-puts-croatian-president-on-black-list/>

• **Thanks:** [chris](#), [Joe Levantine](#), [Dieter Kief](#)

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303. [Ace](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 3:56 am GMT • 1.3 days ago](#) • 200 Words ↑

This a decent article but I'm surprised to see Mr. Whitney refer to "the far-right extremists" in Ukraine.

Reverence for liberty, consent of the governed, home, hearth, community, free markets, limited government, history, tradition, law, and a racially and ethnically homogeneous nation certainly are central to my right-wing political views but I have difficulty seeing that I have anything in common with the Azov/Galician nut cases, even if I really, really, really, *really* embrace the values listed.

The Azov/Galicians are all about using great violence and cruelty in pursuit of their goals, which are narrowly defined to totally exclude cooperation and coexistence with the Russians they despise. Thus, they pursue an ultra-*leftist* tyranny to advance a group that most closely resembles the Bandidos motorcycle social club or the Black Symbionese Army nature society.

Violence and oppression in pursuit of delusional or necessarily minority goals — quintessential leftism.

How can the insightful Mr. Whitney so casually embrace the dishonest vocabulary of the Western left?

• **Replies:** [@Ace](#)

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304. [Folkvangr](#) says:

[@Joe Wong](#)

How is the weather in Magadan, Russia now? Stay warm, comrade Wong, you country won't forget your service. lol

• **Replies:** [@Joe Wong](#)

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305. [John Johnson](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 3:57 am GMT • 1.3 days ago](#) • 200 Words ↑

[@emerging majority](#)

*Critical thinking is rarely (perhaps not never) present when a certain poster employs that terminological meme to maintain his “on message” ideology.*

I think the absence of critical thinking is apparent when no one questions their own side. You see this in Russian State TV where they only talk about how they are going to win. They don't ever talk about what they are doing wrong. It becomes an exchange of blame for outside sources. Nothing internal is questioned.

I openly support Ukraine but I have been critical of them numerous times. I think Zelensky made a mistake in trying to defend Bakhmut and needs to be more conservative of their men. They don't have the population of Russia and need to be wary of sacrificing men to gain ground that doesn't provide a strategic advantage. I also think a line needs to be drawn with weapons. I'd be fine with one more shipment of small arms but then the US needs to salute Zelensky and say.....good luck. Definitely no F16s or long range missiles. Thankfully Biden gave a flat out “no” which was the right answer.

I also think Zelensky needs to let Crimea go. Yes I think it belongs to Ukraine (Putin even said so in 2008) but if Ukraine gets back their Jan 2021 borders then that is enough of a win. Let's not make the mistake of 1918 where the defeated is completely humiliated.

• **Agree:** [Stephane](#)

• **Troll:** [Olivier1973](#)

• **Replies:** [@Olivier1973](#)

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306. [Wizard of Oz](#) says:

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[@mulga mumblebrain](#)

It is sadly true that being let down by America should come as no great surprise but the strength of your capitalised negation of America's trustworthiness suggests you have a little list. Would you please enumerate the occasions when the US has broken “the most solemn commitments”. I ask because I genuinely want to add examples to my armoury. It is indeed sad that John Howard felt he had to keep Australia up on the valued siblings list by slavishly supporting the Iraqi stupidity. I only forgive him because Australia only suffered one death by firearm or bomb and that was a chap who shot himself accidentally in his own bunk room!

• **Replies:** [@Truth Vigilante](#)

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307. [Ron Unz](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 4:09 am GMT • 1.3 days ago • 200 Words](#) ↑

[@John Johnson](#)

I think there would have been more signs if they were actually planning the offensive that MacGregor described. You can't hide a massive build up from the eye in the sky.

Well, that's exactly what Macgregor had suggested, claiming that something like a half-million Russian troops were positioned and preparing to attack in a few weeks. But they didn't attack, so maybe Macgregor was wrong or maybe the ground didn't freeze or maybe the Russian changed their minds.

If the Russians don't attack and the Ukrainians continue to hold their ground, Macgregor's credibility will take a huge hit. But if the Russians do attack and crush the Ukrainians, I'll regard Macgregor as having been proven totally correct and I certainly won't care about a few weeks one way or the other.

So nothing said by you or anyone else here matters in the least. It all depends on what happens between the Russians and the Ukrainians. Deciding who won or lost a war isn't subject to propaganda spin. Unfortunately, America is currently run by its Ministry of Propaganda, and they might not be aware of that fact.

• **Agree:** [Rogue](#), [Avery](#)

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308. [Ace](#) says:

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[@John Johnson](#)

I won't go so far as to say that the "MSM" are pushing insects, GMO grain, and artificial meat as an inevitable part of our diet but that is closer to the reality of our twisted times. That they would push vegetables — or anything intrinsically healthy — seems to me to be not consistent with their basic objectives. Same with the covid vaccine. So, in important areas, a knee jerk discounting of the MSM *will* serve one well as a going-in proposition.

Of course, skepticism is in order at all times but initial, tentative positions often serve us well as Jesse Jackson will attest given his statement about being relieved that the man behind him on the street was white.

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309. [Ace](#) says:

[@Ace](#)

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310. [PUTINFAN](#) says:

[@Wokechoke](#)

RASKIN is a Jew. HE SPEAKS 100% for the 13,000,000 Jews in the world. HE SPEAKS for Kushner and Ivanka, for Kudlow and Kramer, ad nauseum NO Jew is our friend.

Remember that and you will be pained much pain.

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311. [Badger Down](#) says:

[@JM](#)

He tried to have a one-on-one gang fight. Mathematics won 0-0.

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312. [meamjojo](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 4:52 am GMT • 1.2 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@Ron Unz](#)

“After all, it’s not like he’s sitting in on the Russian strategic planning sessions, so why would anyone expect him to know exactly when the Russians would finally decide to attack?”

Standard protocol is to feed/leak to your supporters the info you want them to promote. He/they do not have to be sitting in any “strategic planning sessions”.

This is done from every government and from multiple players within the governments. It’s done in Washington DC and it is most certainly done in Moscow.

When someone like MacGregor is wrong so often yet refuses to change his POV, then there can only be one logical conclusion: that he is a Russian asset and tool of its propaganda machine. As a tool, he MAY be receiving payment. Or he may just be a fool.

• **Replies:** [@John Johnson](#)

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313. [Badger Down](#) says:

[@j2](#)

How the hell do you plot 200,000 casualties? You must have a lot of crayons. And what did they cause?

• **Replies:** [@j2](#)

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314. [QCIC](#) says:

[@dogismyth](#)

51% chance this is true.

Sigh.

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315. [acementhead](#) says:

[@Rahan](#)

Maybe vitamin b12 supplements could help you. Might need to be injected if your diet is in fact OK but you are missing intrinsic factor.

• **Replies:** [@Rahan](#)

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316. [Joe Wong](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 5:02 am GMT • 1.2 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@Folkvangr](#)

After seeing the West's bombing and killing on the fabricated WMD allegations as humanitarian aid, and what they have lied about the past, about the present and about the future, anything the West said has to be taken with a bucket of salt.

For example, the West claimed WWII was a war for liberty, but in fact it was nothing but a dog-eat-dog play rough over the monopoly to plunder the rest of the world. Right after the war, all western powers rushed back to their colonies to enslave and to plunder with brutality. It took decades of armed struggle with tens of millions of lives for the colonies to gain their independence and freedom.

As Mike Pompeo said "we cheat, we lie and we steal" is American's as well as the West's national motto.

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317. [Badger Down](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 5:03 am GMT • 1.2 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@j2](#)

If you are correct that the attacker has higher losses than the defender, you need to change your mind. You think Russia is attacking Ukraine, but try this: Russia has formed a line on the Eastern edge of Ukraine and has waited there until the Ukes attack.

Some here want Russian forces to slog all the way to Lviv and beat the Ukes into Poland. But why not let the Ukes do the travelling and heavy lifting? Whether to bomb German tanks at the Polish border with Ukraine or wait until the Ukes have dragged them into Zabornia. Das ist die frage. The US really done a number on Saks. Time for my nap.

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318. [PUTINFAN](#) says:

[@j2](#)

Yes, well said, we hate Ukrankians and the West. By my estimate there are somewhere between 5,500,000,000 and 6,000,000,000 people in the world who hate the West. Not so many hate Ukraine as they don't know where or what is a Ukraine.

• **LOL:** [meamjojo](#)

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319. [QCIC](#) says:

[@James J. O'Meara](#)

US will be out of North America in fifty years. Not sure about Russia.

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320. [Communist activist](#) says:

imagine 25 million Russian soldiers backed up by 10 million Iranian soldiers backed up by 15 million CSTO soldiers backed up by tens of thousands of tanks, fighter jets, endless hypersonic missiles destroying 100 USA nuclear power plants on USA soil.....RAND knows a full-scale war is 100% suicide.

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321. [Odyssey](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 6:29 am GMT • 1.2 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

So, I'll put my 5 cents – In a little more than 20 days, the war in Ukraine could reach a major turning point.

Namely, on the first anniversary of the war, on February 24, Russia is expected to launch a large-scale offensive, all with the aim of capturing strategic cities around which exhaustive bloody battles have been fought for months.

It is assumed that the campaign will have two goals – the conquest of Bakhmut and the establishment of full control over Donetsk and Lugansk.

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322. [Mr Chow Mein](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 7:15 am GMT • 1.1 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@Ron Unz](#)

Exactly right...it doesn't matter what we say or think...just so we can say "we said it first and were right!"

I think a lot of speculation is now happening on such sites because of the lack of credible analysis from either side of the situation as is, every now and then either Russia or Ukraine admit to withdrawl...but that is because they cannot deny the opponents flag flying in the town.

This war now comes down to total exhaustion of material or men, for this to happen to Russia NATO must get involved with troops, if that happens then WW3.

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323. [roonaldo](#) says:

[@roonaldo](#)

Hey Decoy, I searched and found you misfired when you sent this reply to me—that you meant it for Sheik77 comment #7.

Sorry I got huffy rather than ponder why your comment seemed out of the blue.

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324. j2 says:

[February 3, 2023 at 7:37 am GMT • 1.1 days ago • 400 Words](#) ↑

[@Brás Cubas](#)

“In very succinct terms, the report states that a negotiated end is the only plausible solution. It proceeds to suggest means to stimulate the will to a negotiated end; achieving either of the following scenarios would probably be sufficient, but achieving both would be ideal: (1) to curtail Russia’s optimism through a unequivocal statement of continued support for Ukraine; (2) to curtail Ukraine’s optimism through a definite limiting of its aid to Ukraine.”

Yes, RAND means ending this war in a medium term (probably this year). Ukraine will not win in the military traditional sense of defeating Russia. That does not exclude that Ukraine may push Russia out of some of the occupied area (probably not all, but maybe from Crimea). There will be a negotiated peace, which is the only possible peace with Russia unless you march to Moscow and force Russia to surrender, but that is not going to happen. The USA is giving Ukraine weapons to stall Russians and so that Ukraine can take back area. And they made the statement that they will stand with Ukraine as long as it takes. This alone shows that the reading of what RAND recommends by the author (and probably by you) is wrong. RAND recommends standing with Ukraine, giving Ukraine weapons for taking back some land, the peace agreement necessarily is a negotiated peace as Ukraine cannot defeat Russia in the military sense (i.e, march to Russia and force surrender) and the USA will not allow Russia to win.

I think you should reread what you wrote and what I wrote and notice that you have misunderstood what I wrote. Then read what the article by Mike claims, and notice that RAND does not recommend that the USA loses interest in Ukraine. They want a negotiated peace which means: Russia will not win this war. (The case that Ukraine would defeat Russia in a military sense and cause Russia to surrender is clearly not possible, so Ukraine will not win in that sense. Ukraine can only get a defensive victory, i.e, stop the Russian invasion.) You and I are not in a different opinion, and that is the opinion of RAND. Mike is in a different opinion of reading RAND and he is wrong.

• **Troll:** [Olivier1973](#)

• **Replies:** [@Truth Vigilante](#), [@PUTINFAN](#)

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325. j2 says:

[February 3, 2023 at 7:39 am GMT • 1.1 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@Badger Down](#)

“How the hell do you plot 200,000 casualties? You must have a lot of crayons. And what did they cause?”

200,000 casualties for Russia is from the Pentagon estimate 188,000 total casualties for Russia, given some time ago. We are now at 200,000. What caused them? Mainly attacking against artillery and infantry fire. Much of these losses were taken by Wagner convicts.

I do have many crayons as I intended to return to my old hobby of drawing. But what does that have to do with the loss estimates? Do you have lot of charcoal and oil paint? I have also those.

• **Replies:** [@Notsofast](#), [@Joe Wong](#)

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326. [j2](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 7:58 am GMT • 1.1 days ago • 200 Words](#) ↑

[@Ron Unz](#)

“Until very recently, 100% of the MSM has been claiming that the Ukrainians were winning while Macgregor has been saying the Russians were winning and would soon crush them. Victory in war is a very objective, factual matter, and if the Russians soon attack and destroy the Ukrainians, no one will criticize Macgregor for having been a couple of months premature in his predictions.”

One side being winning does not mean that it will win the war. Being winning means that at that moment you are pushing the enemy backward. This was the case from the time Ukraine got HIMARs MLRS. They pushed Russia out of Kharkov area, then out of Kherson area. It is entirely correct to say that they were winning. However, I have not read a single Western analyst say that Ukraine will be able to push Russians out of areas Russia occupied before 2022 February. Only Ukraine has said so. I have not followed MSM, as I basically read military analyses if I want to know of a war, but I doubt MSM journalists have made such strong statements either. Maybe they simply referred to Ukraine being winning at that time? Russians were clearly not winning all the time in this war. They were forced to withdraw and that is a very objective, factual matter: you leave the ground.

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327. [Scot1and](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 8:09 am GMT • 1.1 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

Have you noticed lately the amount of pronukranian trolls deliberately posting rubbish. It's like they know they are loosing and have to react on here to make themselves feel better. Suggest heading back to your own forums which are all dying to death with no answer to the might of Russia.

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328. [Olivier1973](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 8:18 am GMT • 1.1 days ago](#) • 100 Words [↑](#)

[@John Johnson](#)

| Nothing internal is questioned.

- 1) You don't understand Russian.
- 2) You don't know Rybar.
- 3) You don't know Kadyrov.
- 4) You don't know Prigozhin.
- 5) etc.

| I openly support Ukraine

Sure, you are supporting the judeonazis and the ukronazis.

It is funny to see a supporter of the banderists agreeing with the bolcheviks decisions to include part of Russia to the SSR of Ukraine.

For people like, you people decisions about their own fate do not count. You spit on democracy. Like a true fascist.

Obviously it still did not come to your brain that Donetsk, Lugansk, Kherson and Zaporozhe are now part of the Russian Federation.

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329. [chris](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 8:18 am GMT • 1.1 days ago](#) • 100 Words [↑](#)

[@Ron Unz](#)

| Macgregor is basically correct or (B) Macgregor has gone totally insane.

Kind of an odd thing for Ron to say, because Macgregor isn't something irrational or far fetched.

Does Ron know something we don't?

But maybe that's a good point, that the RAND report and Macgregor's sources are deliberately setting him up to think the whole thing is over while nato is planning to invade Western Ukraine in order to create the boondoggle or quagmire they've always wanted to.

That scenario seems very likely to me given the amount of money the US has sunk in this venture so far and the fact that if they didn't attack, like Macgregor is saying, NATO's credibility would be sunk.

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330. [Olivier1973](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 8:29 am GMT • 1.1 days ago](#) • 100 Words [↑](#)

Ukraine is winning!

Example: yesterday a group of soldiers of Ukraine who received a military formation in UK after less than 20 minutes on the front line surrendered to the Russian army. It will be interesting to see what will happen when such soldiers will drive a Leopard tank. A reward is promised for the first capture of a fully functional tank.

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331. [Odyssey](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 8:36 am GMT • 1.1 days ago • 200 Words](#) ↑

Maybe things should be observed comprehensively and not myopically. Russian gas and oil revenues in 2022 are 28% higher than in 2021, and in 2023 it is estimated that they will be even higher than in 2022. Therefore, time is working for the Russians, there is no urgency. They are self-sufficient, Ukraine is on the verge of capitulation, the economy of Western Europe will decline, and its companies will move to America, which will not be able to sell those products to a weakened Europe, Russia, or China.

McGregor may not be looking at the economic aspects, which may be crucial. NATO will only weaken and will never be able to commit enough soldiers, artillery or tanks. At the same time, Russia can mobilize 25 million trained soldiers (not counting the potential millions of ‘volunteers’ from China, North Korea and Iran). How many soldiers and from which countries can NATO gather? What would be the motive of those soldiers to leave their Western comfort and embark on an inevitable defeat in Russia, to repeat Stalingrad with a high probability of dying there? Of the one million German soldiers under Stalingrad, only 6,000 returned to Germany.

• **Replies:** [@Johnny Rico](#)

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332. [Stephane](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 9:08 am GMT • 1.1 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@Levtraro](#)

It could be a language/wording problem, 30.000 KIA with a 1/3 ratio leads to about 100.000 casualties (KIA + too severely wounded to fight) – which seems plausible.

Similar to the Merkel/Hollande quotes. Reading the original, I understand them more as meaning “We didn’t expect Putin to honor his side of them for long, but hopefully they would buy enough time to buttress up Ukraine enough that hopefully Putin will leave them alone” that “We fooled the sucker”.

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333. [Truth Vigilante](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 9:27 am GMT • 1.0 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@meamjojo](#)

| You CANNOT seriously believe that Russia has only lost 20k in cannon fodder! [ROFLOL]

Obviously that’s an extreme upper limit for Russian KIA.

It’s much more likely to be in the 10K – 15K vicinity.

Meanwhile, the Ukrainian 160K KIA is an absolute baseline. I would put it closer to 250,000.

| SUMMARY: The Ukrainian proxy army has been thoroughly decimated. To the extent it has any combat capability remaining, is due to the influx of mercenaries from other nations.

| Only the Talmudic sympathisers and known disinformers here in UR are saying otherwise.

• **Agree:** [Olivier1973](#)

• **Replies:** [@PUTINFAN](#)

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334. Vidi says:

February 3, 2023 at 9:41 am GMT • 1.0 days ago • 100 Words ↑

@RobinG

| but very little in this world is objectively factual, and I'm weary of claims about truth. "Truth." No such animal, me thinks.

Propagandists love to gaslight people about truth. So why don't you fire a working bullet (not a blank) through your head? If as you claim that there's no truth to the bullet, that there is some reality in which you won't die, then go ahead and pull the trigger. I say good riddance to all propagandists.

Of course very few things are absolutely certain — but some things are VASTLY, overwhelmingly more likely than others.

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335. Truth Vigilante says:

February 3, 2023 at 9:48 am GMT • 1.0 days ago • 200 Words ↑

@Ron Unz

| all the mainstream geopolitical analysts had predicted that Germany's economy would be devastated by soaring energy prices, but the warm winter mitigated that

The fact is, unusually warm winter or not, Germany was in desperate straits after Nordstream was blown up and would have faced power outages were it not for this (refer to the article below titled 'Amid an energy crisis, Germany turns to the world's dirtiest fossil fuel'):

<https://www.npr.org/2022/09/27/1124448463/germany-coal-energy-crisis>

From the article:

| At least 20 coal-fired power plants nationwide are being resurrected or extended past their closing dates to ensure Germany has enough energy to get through the winter.

So, at the end of the day, as much as Germany pretends to be the vanguard of the Green/Renewable energy revolution, even they know that Anthropogenic Global Warming is a load of tripe and energy security is infinitely more important than continuing on with the charade.

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336. [Rogue](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 9:51 am GMT • 1.0 days ago • 300 Words](#) ↑

[@Wokechoke](#)

Much of what Raskin says could equally apply to the West, certainly to the USA, what with stuff about “propaganda” and “planning for war crimes”.

However, there are clear differences that he also highlights between the West and Russia such as “feminism” (I’d say batshit crazy militant feminism), “gay rights” and “trans rights” (the last of which only 15 years ago was not even an issue).

And this is why I fundamentally support Russia in this struggle and not the West.

The latter is increasingly degenerate and I don’t want their perverse principles to be championed in the outcome of this war. I’m not so naive as to think Russia is a beacon of freedom and goodness in this regard either – but at least the government there tries to thwart these obviously perverse and degenerate measures from taking hold in society.

I truly feel sorry for the Ukrainian people, but they have been very badly led and governed. Whether they liked it or not, they were always going to be under Russia’s sphere of influence. However, the Ukrainian government showed Russia the middle finger for several years, expecting the West to back them in any confrontation with Russia, and I strongly suspect this is only going to end badly for them.

As John Mearsheimer has said several years ago, the West has led Ukraine down the primson path.

And, of course, the West couldn’t give 2 cents worth of consideration for the lives of the Ukrainian people – this is about bringing down Putin and bleeding Russia. And hopefully installing a new, compliant, globohomo regime in Moscow.

That I believe is the West’s purpose in this war – but I think they will fail. Certainly I hope they will fail.

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337. [Truth Vigilante](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 10:27 am GMT • 1.0 days ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@Wokechoke](#)

What a masterclass that was of Galloway at that Senate hearing (your video in comment # 298).

I ask UR readers, has ANYONE ever shredded his interrogators at a Senate/Congressional hearing so comprehensively ?

Yes, Macgregor is in the same league as Galloway I believe, as far as fearless truth tellers are concerned.

• **Agree:** [Notsofast](#), [Rurik](#)

• **Replies:** [@Rogue](#)

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338. Miro23 says:

@Pat Kittle

To what palatial estate will (((Zelensky))) take his \$\$\$ BILLIONS \$\$\$ when the time comes?  
Tel Aviv?  
Miami?  
London?  
...??

I don't know where he'll go but I bet he wishes he could leave now. This wasn't what he signed up for.

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339. Truth Vigilante says:

February 3, 2023 at 10:43 am GMT • 23.8 hours ago • 100 Words ↑

@Wizard of Oz

I only forgive him [ex-Australian P.M John Howard] because Australia only suffered one death by firearm or bomb and that was a chap who shot himself accidentally in his own bunk room!

Do you forgive Howard for the hundreds of vets that have suicided since 9/11 that are mostly his handiwork ? (Refer to the article below titled 'Australia launches inquiry into military veteran suicides'):

<https://www.bbc.com/news/world-australia-51389461>

From the article :

The body, led by a permanent commissioner, will review more than 400 known cases of suicide since 2001.

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340. Biff says:

February 3, 2023 at 11:17 am GMT • 23.2 hours ago • 100 Words ↑

@Ron Unz

Well, that's exactly what Macgregor had suggested, claiming that something like a half-million Russian troops were positioned and preparing to attack in a few weeks. But they didn't attack,

Maybe Putin realized:

"Never interrupt your enemy when they are making mistakes"  
Sun Tzu

If Putin ends it quickly the West will surely stop pouring their wealth and resources into a losing battle.

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341. [Rogue](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 12:00 pm GMT • 22.5 hours ago](#) • 100 Words [↑](#)

[@Truth Vigilante](#)

I remember watching Galloway smiting the US congresscritters those many years ago – and what great entertainment it was. And him lighting up a Cuban cigar afterwards to, in his words “defy US sanctions against Cuba.”

And I say this as someone who’s hardly a fan of old lefty George.

But it was great stuff and definitely worth rewatching.

Ha ha.

• **Replies:** [@Notsofast](#)

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342. [Wokechoke](#) says:

[@Ron Unz](#)

There could be a broad front strategies like Eisenhower or Brosilov did back in the day and attempts at driving everything through a drinking straw, a la Manstein or Montgomery at Arnhem just like the Russians did last time.

Ukraine has a very long exposed frontier.

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343. [Truth Vigilante](#) says:

[@j2](#)

| and the USA will not allow Russia to win.

You mean like the USA didn’t allow a few thousand lightly armed Taliban to win in Afghanistan ?

• **Replies:** [@j2](#)

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344. [Ace](#) says:

[@Wokechoke](#)

What part is true?

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345. [Rahan](#) says:

[@acementhead](#)

Thanks, but the fisting thread is I believe two more turns of the colon and then go left.

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346. [Notsofast](#) says:

[@j2](#)

the crayons go with the coloring book the nice man from the pentagon gave you, try to stay within the lines.

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347. [Notsofast](#) says:

[@Rogue](#)

they shit their pants when he responded to their subpoena and actually showed up, talk about being hoist by one's own petard.

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348. [Twodees Partain](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 3:39 pm GMT • 18.8 hours ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@SafeNow](#)

You stated my exact thoughts while reading the article. I think that, when all is said and done, the RF authorities know by now that no negotiation or agreement with US officials is worth a pint of piss. At this point it appears to me that the RF is set to continue to achieve their goals while not even bothering to express their intentions to American officials.

The neocons act as sheepdogs for the internationally organized Jewish elite, and like sheepdogs, no reasoning is necessary for them once their masters have given them their signals. What they say and do is presented to the TV viewing American people as wise, reasonable and irrefutably right, while any sentient being can see that their actions and stated intentions are insane, unreasonable and obviously wrong.

• **Agree:** [acementhead](#)

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349. [boynkin](#) says:

Wait a minute, that title, is that breaking news? You say elites, I say genocidal criminals. It won't matter either way. Russia is winning, and will win. The "elites" are desperately trying to cover up their crimes.

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350. [PUTINFAN](#) says:

[@Quartermaster](#)

100% chance that just few years ago you said the Taliban couldn't win and that Assad couldn't win. The only real question here is whether when RU reaches the Polish border will they keep going? Many people here think the answer is yes.

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351. [boynkin](#) says:

[@Renoman](#)

Don't forget Obama, Nuland, and lets did up McCain's grave for good measure. It's a long, long, list.

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352. [boynkin](#) says:

[@Mark G.](#)

I'm not a fan of welfare or immigration, but what destroyed the tax base wasn't a bunch of lazy younger generations (not that they aren't), rather, NAFTA, CAFTA and pushing China into the WTO. Of course, this all leads back to the usual suspects.

• **Agree:** [jjonny](#)

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353. [Decoy](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 4:24 pm GMT • 18.1 hours ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@meamjojo](#)

“Ukraine will be kicking Russia ass” after the F-16’s arrive. Yada, yada, yada. I’ll give a hint about the future. In the very evening that the F-16’s arrive in Ukraine Zelensky will be demanding 3 battleships. Then in the evening that the battleships arrive he will be demanding 4 nuclear powered submarines. Then in the evening that the submarines arrive ..... You get the picture. Zelensky is going to use the first unfulfilled request for his excuse to the Ukrainian people that it was not him but was the EU/USA failed them and lost the war. The blame shifting in this fiasco will be epic.

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354. [Joe Wong](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 4:25 pm GMT • 18.1 hours ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@j2](#)

More precisely, the 200,000 casualties for Russia was given by the US Bureau of Census based on the “massive death toll” hypothesis to the Pentagon, as how the West came up with the number of death in the Great Leap Forward.

Frank Dikotter expanded that hypothetical number from 30 million to 45 million as a fact to win his Samuel Johnson prize for non-fiction, and Jon Halliday boosted that number to 70 million in his book “Mao: the Unknown Story” citing on secret sources in China. The last number is 100 million murdered in western political sites lately.

The number of casualties for Russia is a product of West’s big mouth cannons escalation, it will be in the millions as closer the Ukie getting to collapse.

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355. [nokangaroos](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 4:56 pm GMT • 17.6 hours ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@meamjojo](#)

Now that you mention it ...

<https://eurasianimes.com/raptor-salad-for-lunch-us-f-22-raptor-outgunned-outmaneuvered/?amp>

By the *Germans!!!* As it is with the Abrams and F-35, (((they))) will *never* allow their overpriced and overweight schnuckiputzis be put to the test for all the world’s comic relief (just think of the dollar exchange rate fer Chrissake). Note the copium “it will be done at long range anyway” – that’s where the MiG-31K with R-37 shines, and it’s a *lot* faster and longer-reach.

The F-16s are eminently useful against camel herders but offer nothing the MiG-29 couldn’t do (and they obviously couldn’t).

The A-10 is, apart from long-term pollution, no better than the Su-25 (both sides’ workhorse).

Next?!

• **Replies:** [@meamjojo](#)

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356. emerging majority says:

@Wizard of Oz

Woo, woo.

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357. PUTINFAN says:

February 3, 2023 at 5:21 pm GMT • 17.1 hours ago • 100 Words ↑

@Truth Vigilante

The RU Man on the street interviews believe the number of RU dead to be in the 15,000 range see the RU youtube channel 1420.

This 1420 channel is obviously anti-war with no hint of propaganda.

I don't believe the U.S. people would have believed a number of 15,000 for Vietnam, but the RU people obviously believe it's 15,000.

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358. PUTINFAN says:

@j2

RU isn't going to negotiate anything. FOUR years, 1941-45 Stalingrad to Berlin  
About the same this time Donetsk to Berlin 2022 to 2026.

• **Replies:** @j2

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359. Folkvangr says:

This is all you need to know about the current Russian Chief of Pulitburo/FSB/KGB:

[http://www.renegadetribe.com/russian-armed-forces-in-occupied-melitopol-ukraine-will-  
rename-85-streets-in-honor-of-jewish-marxists-and-bolsheviks/](http://www.renegadetribe.com/russian-armed-forces-in-occupied-melitopol-ukraine-will-rename-85-streets-in-honor-of-jewish-marxists-and-bolsheviks/)

Russian Armed Forces in Occupied Melitopol Ukraine Will Rename 85 Streets in Honor of Jewish Marxists and Bolsheviks

“First we take Ukraine, then we take Berlin!”

• **Replies:** @nokangaroos, @Wokechoke

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360. [Socratesjr](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 6:29 pm GMT • 16.0 hours ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@Joe Wong](#)

Edward Bernays, author of the book Propaganda, says that the human species is fundamentally irrational. No exceptions, everyone. This means that our irrational mind is a life long challenge.

Do you think that comedy, regardless whether in good or bad taste, is a form of therapy for those who feel trapped in an irrational situation or who have an awareness of their own irrational mind? Remember the TV series MASH?

Is it reasonable to suspect that comedians are usually bright people trying to cope with their irrational mind at a deeper level below their understanding?

Is this why we love comedians, because they can express their irrational mind in a way that the rest of us can safely participate?

Did Robin Williams reach a point where he could no longer find relief in comedy?

What is your take on comedy and the irrational mind?

• **Replies:** [@emerging majority](#)

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361. [PetrOldSack](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 6:59 pm GMT • 15.5 hours ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@Anon](#)

“has-been”

This could well be, as a matter of fact, when doing a search over my comments, this was my first impression as to him as well. He is out of the danger zone [short term career cajoling], and energetic enough to get back at his detractors. Money seems not to be his driver. There is no sign of that in the whole of his career.

Tremendous moral fabric he emanates, down to earth-ness, not an ersatz intellectual but that fine combination of a tool engineer with a zest for probing his own fabrics.

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362. [meamjojo](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 7:18 pm GMT • 15.2 hours ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@nokangaroos](#)

Sure. All of the USA's weapons are inferior to anything Russia has. [lol] Wait until we gift Ukraine our latest LASER weapons to use on Russian cannon fodder!

We are such a failed country, yet remain the world's ONLY true Superpower while Russia is a pipsqueak, former power trying to punch far above its weight.

Putin probably runs around shirtless in his bunker throwing muscle flex poses and delusionally repeating “I'm good enough, I'm smart enough and doggone It, people like me!”

• **Replies:** [@nokangaroos](#), [@PUTINFAN](#)

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363. [meamjojo](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 7:21 pm GMT](#) • 15.1 hours ago • 200 Words ↑

### **The realistic scenarios of Russian collapse we should be prepared for**

January 27, 2023, 05:45 AM

Let's try to consider the potential disintegration of Russia from a historical perspective

After the full-scale invasion of Russian troops into Ukraine on February 24, 2022, the topic of the possible collapse of the Russian Federation into several independent states gained popularity in Ukrainian and Western media. The amount of this speculation is increasing with the success of the Ukrainian Armed Forces at the front and the problems that have arisen in the Russian army.

In September 2022, when our military successfully managed to recapture the territory of Kharkiv Oblast from the Russians, General Ben Hodges said that the world must be ready for the collapse of the Russian Federation, comparing its potential collapse with the disintegration of the USSR, for which the West was not ready. **At the beginning of January 2023, several leading publications at once (Politico, Foreign Policy, The New York Sun, The Sunday Guardian) devoted articles and comments to the issue of Russian disintegration.** The main news-makers on this topic in Ukraine are the Secretary of the National Security and Defense Council Oleksii Danylov and head of military intelligence Kyrylo Budanov, who from time to time raise questions about the collapse of the Russian Federation in their speeches and comments.

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<https://english.nv.ua/opinion/the-realistic-scenarios-of-russian-collapse-we-should-be-prepared-for-50300393.html>

- **LOL:** [PUTINFAN](#)
- **Troll:** [Olivier1973](#)
- **Replies:** [@emerging majority](#)

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364. [PetrOldSack](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 7:30 pm GMT • 15.0 hours ago • 300 Words](#) ↑

| [A false note.](#)

At least to me, Fri. Feb. 3, and [if true, gleaned from RT], van der Leyen and her delegation is present in Kiiv, Francois Michel having been there [as a messenger?] a week ago [the critter is no hero]. This sounds as a false note to me. It is not Kiiv that can warrantee any safe proceedings, at that location. This leads me to [circumferential evidence as this] state plainly: yes there are open channels between NATO, EU, and US “bureaus and corridors of power”, and the trust in Putin to warrantee such ventures. Our current generation of administrative personnel, political personae have no balls. So part of this Ukraine public story, come mainstream, come alternative media is gamed. The public is being gamed. No surprise there, what is surprising is getting away with such a bland move openly. Secondly Putin’s Russia conceding to such guarantees [obvious], and equally bluntly creating such a give-away. Credibility is little on all sides.

To follow. There will be leaks as desirable each to every public that both sides won the conflict, then probably everything will turn into an insurgency but the heavy acting will retrench behind the screen of some imaginary line. Ukraine is a dead trunk, it’s population trimmed down, to make room for corporate interests on both “sides”. The political-economical-war refugees, [nine million on the EU side?!, –Macgregor] a bonus to bio-diversity, welfare seekers, prostitution, and above all a political tool to manipulate the same EU, and the left at home [inside all of earlier Ukraine] local population leashed as much [now camping in front of the Western Union “atm” life-line].

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365. [nokangaroos](#) says:

[@Folkvangr](#)

I got an overpowering hunch they are just giving “Chaplin”, “Churchill” and “MLK” roads their old names back

• **Replies:** [@Folkvangr](#)

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366. [nokangaroos](#) says:

[@meamjojo](#)

Ouch.

Ad #363, “realistic”

[evil scientist’s laughter]

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367. [Olivier1973](#) says:

The yankees are freaking out!

<https://www.newsweek.com/joe-biden-vladimir-putin-ukraine-territory-end-war-nzz-report-1778526>

German:

<https://www.berliner-zeitung.de/politik-gesellschaft/bericht-us-praesident-joe-biden-bot-wladimir-putin-20-prozent-der-ukraine-im-gegenzug-fuer-frieden-an-li.313482>

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368. [Avery](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 7:51 pm GMT • 14.6 hours ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@Ron Unz](#)

*{So nothing said by you or anyone else here matters in the least.}* [Ron Unz]

**The** Money Quote of all the comments in all Ukraine(NATO/US)-Russia related threads.

Some posters write as if what they write will make a lick of a difference in the outcome of the war.

To me the exchange of posts is entertainment.

Yeah, I lock horns every so often with certain posters to make a point (.....to my personal satisfaction) , but I don't delude myself that anything I write makes Russia's war effort any better or worse.

Even Putin & Co don't know 100% what tomorrow will bring.

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369. [Dave Bowman](#) says:

[@Not Important](#)

Therefore it should be so easy. Our only priority is to find the best way to start flavouring the trough with premium-brand Cyanide. They deserve only the best.

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370. [j2](#) says:

[@Truth Vigilante](#)

"You mean like the USA didn't allow a few thousand lightly armed Taliban to win in Afghanistan?"

No. Any more questions?

• **Replies:** [@GomezAddams](#)

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371. [Olivier1973](#) says:

The trolls are freaking out too.

<https://www.moonofalabama.org/2023/02/ukraine-sitrep-us-russia-talks-bakhmut-retreat-laughable-casualty-numbers.html#more>

Conclusion:

| Despite that we are to believe that Russia is losing many more men than the Ukraine? No one should be that stupid.

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372. [j2](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 8:26 pm GMT • 14.1 hours ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@PUTINFAN](#)

“RU isn’t going to negotiate anything. FOUR years, 1941-45 Stalingrad to Berlin  
About the same this time Donetsk to Berlin 2022 to 2026.”

Russians currently advance 100 m per day. That would make  $4 \times 365 \times 100\text{m} = 146 \text{ km}$  in four years. Maybe they reach Kramatorsk, or is it further than 146 km from the 2021 battle line? But very possibly their movement stalls before Kramatorsk.

As for now, Ukraine is waiting for Western weapons and planning a summer offensive. They should/will be giving some ground before they have weapons in order to save the troops, so Russia should/will be advancing slowly up to mid April. Then I expect Ukraine will keep fixed lines and try to go to a counteroffensive. We will see how it goes. I cannot predict it, too far in the future. You predict the outcome of a war. That is always risky. Predict at most 1-2 months, unless your prediction is strategic and not operational. That Russia is not allowed to win is a strategic prediction based on statements by the USA and EU.

• **Replies:** [@PUTINFAN](#), [@PUTINFAN](#)

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373. [Folkvangr](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 8:54 pm GMT • 13.6 hours ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@nokangaroos](#)

How is “Churchill” worse than “Dzerzhinsky”, “Lenin” or “Stalin”? Oh, wait, they’ve missed their GULAGS so bad, that’s why.

Speaking of the devil: a Russian female blogger living outside Russia has just been sentenced in absentia to 9 years in prison for disseminating defamatory information about the army”. Still wanna move there, Putin’s ass wiping aids? lolol

• **Replies:** [@mulga mumblebrain](#)

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374. [emerging majority](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 9:38 pm GMT • 12.9 hours ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

[@Socratesjr](#)

Excuse me, but “irrational mind” sounds terminologically a bit irrational to my perspectives on the subconscious, unconscious and inner minds. Consequently these 3 descriptive terms do not totally address the phenomenon. There is no doubt, however, that our minds are actually multipartite and cannot readily be accurately described by the pseudo-scientific rationalistic, materialistic mindsets of most academicists and the vast majority of ideologues.

We must first recognize, along with the likes of the late Teilhard de Chardin, that we are spirits, living in a 3rd Dimensional material realitätscape. As spirits, we at the deepest levels of our beingness, are something akin to a projection, a hologram (as per Rupert Sheldrake) of Creator.

That all said, humor is a creative means by which we can bridge that seeming gap between our “adjusted” selves and our inner connexions.

Recently, I developed a meme: “Sabotage Seriousness”. It helps me, anyway.

• **Replies:** [@Socratesjr](#)

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375. [emerging majority](#) says:

[@meamjojo](#)

Junior: You do have fascinating fantasies. Perhaps you might consider a career in screenwriting with the themes of cartooniverse views of the universe. In such a medium you can create your own reality. I think you would be comfortable with such a career.

• **Replies:** [@meamjojo](#)

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376. [Wokechoke](#) says:

[@Folkvangr](#)

At that point it's just designed to trigger Ukraine nationalists.

Y'all want A Jew King in Kiev? Okay die for him to prevent us from naming the street after Kaganovich.

• **Replies:** [@Folkvangr](#)

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377. [Johnny Rico](#) says:

[@Odyssey](#)

Stalingrad? What planet are you from?

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378. [Socratesjr](#) says:

[February 3, 2023 at 10:52 pm GMT](#) • 11.6 hours ago • 200 Words ↑

[@emerging majority](#)

Thank you Emerging Majority.

In general I don't have any problems with your very good comment. However, in trying to reach someone, it is best to start at a level that most can relate to and then work up. My target was reaching Joe Wong who got angry and made the wrong assumption about my comment. His humor was a product of the anger. Anger is a tool of the irrational mind, along with other emotions.

Since we are on this subject. the Mexican shaman Don Juan gives a memorable description of the split mind in the Active Side of Infinity by Carlos Castaneda. My interest is in the Observer and the bigger picture as stated by Don Juan and many others. There is wisdom in "Sabotage Seriousness" but not at the expense of a transition to the active/objective state of mind. Being human is a delicate balancing act made difficult by a moving target experience.

• **Replies:** [@emerging majority](#)

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379. [Folkvangr](#) says:

[@Wokechoke](#)

This is not about "Jew King in Kiev" anymore and, in fact, ever was. This is an oversimplistic view of the battleground called "Ukraine." But no one here seem to be able to get it.

• **Replies:** [@Wokechoke](#)

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380. [GomezAdddams](#) says:

[@j2](#)

USA—2 Trillion —20 years versus cavemen—still LOST —

• **LOL:** [Odyssey](#)

• **Replies:** [@Avery](#), [@j2](#)

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381. Avery says:

@GomezAdddams

USSR leaving Afghanistan:



US leaving Afghanistan:



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382. [John Johnson](#) says:

[February 4, 2023 at 12:59 am GMT • 9.5 hours ago • 200 Words](#) ↑

[@meamjojo](#)

*When someone like MacGregor is wrong so often yet refuses to change his POV, then there can only be one logical conclusion: that he is a Russian asset and tool of its propaganda machine. As a tool, he MAY be receiving payment. Or he may just be a fool.*

I think he is paid or has fallen into the trap of diminishing returns.

Like the gambler he keeps doubling down on the big win (the great offensive) in the hope that he can position himself as correct the entire time.

Well predicting an offensive every month doesn't make you a prophetic military analyst. Every military analyst has expected Putin to launch an offensive at some point. Putin is very egocentric and has been humiliated. That means he will try to redeem himself if the resources are available which makes an offensive likely.

But that's like predicting rain every day until you get it and then declaring yourself right the whole time.

My guess is that he is simply on the take. Fox News stopped taking him as a guest while he is often sourced in RT News. Russia is a totalitarian and corrupt state. They could easily throw him a bone to keep him around as "the US expert that believes we will crush Ukraine". It makes for very effective propaganda to have someone from the other side that believes in your total victory.

But unlike MacGregor I can admit to the possibility of being wrong. He could in fact just be plain nuts. I don't mind listening to him but I would like the judge to ask some real questions instead of just soft balling him.

• **Replies:** [@emerging majority](#)

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383. [mulga mumblebrain](#) says:

[@Folkvangr](#)

Excellent-I hope they issue a bounty for her safe return to Russia. Traitor scum deserve nothing less. Supporting a fascist Ukraine regime and NATO when the war aim is to destroy Russia is a very vicious form of treason.

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384. [mulga mumblebrain](#) says:

[February 4, 2023 at 1:41 am GMT](#) • 8.8 hours ago • 100 Words ↑

[@Wizard of Oz](#)

What a sad, sick, joke you are, Wizz. What makes you such a stalwart for the fascist, racist, putschist regime in Kiev? Total, groveling, obedience to US Imperial diktat, I'll warrant. Like all Austfailian elites, a tongue brown from decades of licking Yankee arses. Just what 'business' does your Ukie friend run from Melbourne? Brothels? Paedophile tourism? Drug-running? Human organ trafficking? Or some other activity that made Ukraine a centre for corruption and organised crime- I believe that much of the military aid delivered by the West has already hit the black market, as expected. The wheeze about Ukie 'manouvering' is truly stupid, even for a Ukie liar and a bootlicker like you.

• **Replies:** [@Poupon Marx](#)

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385. [emerging majority](#) says:

[February 4, 2023 at 1:50 am GMT](#) • 8.7 hours ago • 200 Words ↑

[@Socratesjr](#)

@ Socratesjr

Thank you for your studied response. The forebrain/frontal lobe is the locus of left-brain thinking...rational, highly organized, quite masculine according to Dr. Shlain, the late brain-surgeon and polymath who wrote a set of challenging books.

It would appear that you are considering those immersed in Western cultures with their organized religions and in the more recent centuries those religions called out by the Cartesians with their totally materialistic mindsets.

Thus I would agree that highly evolved perspectives may not reach the "Great Overwashed", to update Mencken. There is, I would posit, a class of individuals who are constantly searching, assiduously researching, frequently questing, who are aware that each of us is not exactly of "one mind" as those academicist types constantly propound.

Some would label this phenomenon as the "Creative Minority", the ten-percent or thereabouts. Deliberate miseducation has largely prevented this demographic from expanding its influences into the general population. However, once these individuals do discover their potential unities of understanding, along with eschewing those "Sitzfleisch Philosophs" as some Germans might depict them; there exists a strong possibility that that ten-percent factor would infuse the perspectives of a large proportion of that general population.

Though years ago I did read two or three of Castenada's works, encountering Don Juan in the process and his psychedelic based understandings; I have yet to read the volume you cited. It would appear that you and I could maintain an energizing dialogue.

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386. [1jonny](#) says:

[@Bro43rd](#)

| All government spending is a direct affront to liberty based on the fact that "tax" is euphemism for theft.

No, it isn't.

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387. [emerging majority](#) says:

[February 4, 2023 at 1:58 am GMT • 8.5 hours ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@John Johnson](#)

Your understanding of reality is quite open to question. “Totalitarian state”? Not quite hardly. The Russian people have often expressed themselves as needing a “good Tsar”. That is the role currently being undertaken by V.V. Putin...at this juncture of history the world’s #1 Statesman.

Many Westerners would consider him as “authoritarian”...fairly fair, that, but “totalitarian”...ridiculous on the face of it.

• **Agree:** [Poupon Marx](#)

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388. [PUTINFAN](#) says:

[February 4, 2023 at 2:38 am GMT • 7.9 hours ago • 100 Words](#) ↑

[@j2](#)

RU took 20,000 sq. miles of Ukraine in 4 months in 2014 and another 20,000sq. miles in 2022, an area the size of Kentucky. No reason with a million Russkies and 1,000,000 North Koreans they can't return to the 60,000 sq. mile a year rate of 2014. It takes a while to get those 2,000,000 up on the line.

• **Replies:** [@j2](#)

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389. Poupon Marx says:

February 4, 2023 at 2:43 am GMT • 7.8 hours ago • 400 Words ↑

@Ron Unz

No, Ron, Macgregor has combat, deep research, academic accumulation, administrative high experience in the White House and high positions held at the Pentagon. He is you equal in your fields of endeavor. I've watch almost all his videos, read about his scholarly books, noted his combat experience in Iraq I. Also, context: he is on many sites such as Judge Napolitano's, Redacted, Polish sites, Geman sites, and British.

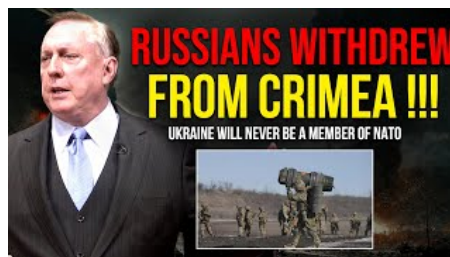
Of course I have compared and sifted through his opinions and analyses using the same from others of high achievement, battlefield experience and high accomplishment. I consider the opinion of Scott Ritter to be very closely comparable to Macgregor. Ritter is a former Marine, author of books, an assiduous student of military everything.

To have an opinion worth listening to regarding these two men and the Russian/Ukie war requires a lot of knowledge and background. I am talking about solid foundations in material science, machinery in general, historical background in military affairs, direct experience in the physical world, i.e., engineering. A general knowledge of world history, geography, and a large and wide view of integration of several disciplines and sciences.

One has to have judgement in evaluating opinions, data, reports and how to rank what you apprehend. This is not a theoretical undertaking, but a feedback loop of practicum from the real world.

Putin is a genius. He took over a country where large numbers were starving, the economy in tatters, the entire Federation imploded. He inherited a country that had been overrun by ZIO International plunderers at the invitation of totally incompetent predecessors. They had invited the CIA, Wall Street and the long list of predators to "assist" in prepping the Soviet Economy with integration with the West. The list of lies and deceptions from the ZIO International, Inc controlled West-yes total control-is endless, pitiless, Demonic, and evil. And yet here Russia is in an inversion of Ronald Reagan's Plan of outspending and bankrupting the Soviet Union. Now, an economically healthy Russia, with low social and economic pathologies will leave the West in destitution.

The Russians have every advantage now and in the future. Their leadership is masterful, careful, methodical, and formidable. 80% are strongly supportive of Putin, with a sizable percentage of the 20% wanting apocalypse and rapid destruction of Ukraine. IOW, total annihilation. And who can blame them?



"Russia's unprovoked invasion of Ukraine".

<https://rumble.com/v18eln6-putin-told-the-whole-truth-about-the-military-operation-in-ukraine-russia-u.html>

Sanctions "are having a huge effect on Russians"



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390. mulga mumblebrain says:

February 4, 2023 at 2:52 am GMT • 7.6 hours ago • 200 Words ↑

@Wizard of Oz

Pell was released on a technicality. Of course the 'most competent criminal lawyer' would find that tiny lacuna in 'The Law' that would set loose such a highly valuable elite asset. The twelve jurors, their unanimous decisions on all charges, and Weinberg's obviously incompetent Appeals Court colleagues all can go to Hell, like Pell's victims. Why are you defending a person who I believe was plainly a paedophile, and an enabler of paedophiles and, according to relatives of victims, a bullying thug?

Pell could have been charged on numerous instances, but the police chose ONE that they thought he might escape. The Four Corners programs outlined cases where there were adult witnesses of his behaviour, so brazen was he. But he was, as a Rightwing culture warrior, a militant homophobe, a crude climate destabilisation denier, a misogynist etc, and a valuable elite propaganda asset, so an exculpation, NOT on the evidence, but a mere 'legal' peccadillo, was found, as it always will be, and free he was. The victims and those of his colleagues that he protected, are STILL all dead.

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391. Poupon Marx says:

February 4, 2023 at 2:55 am GMT • 7.6 hours ago • 100 Words ↑

@j2

This is pathetic, shallow, and stammering from a wimpy bar, where the toilets do not flush regularly.

Either you are a dunce, who believes that such small amounts of info and evidence warrant statements contrary to the various sourced counts of MacGregor and Ritter, or a back bench hasbara sayonim/inferiority complex Ukrainian wannabe Russian.

Are you are drugs?

• **Replies:** @Brosi

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392. Poupon Marx says:

February 4, 2023 at 3:04 am GMT • 7.4 hours ago • 100 Words ↑

@mulga mumblebrain

LOL. These forums really bring out the flunkies and pant load crab gaits. The poverty in Ukraine in the last 20 years has been tragic, causing a brain drain, forcing women into prostitution to feed their families, and desperately seeking emigration of a failed state. New Israel. Herd those Goyim cattle. Git along little doagies, it's your misfortune and none of my own".

ZIO International, Inc has bled the country white. One of the most corrupt countries of the "First World".

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393. emerging majority says:

Well stated Sir.

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394. PUTINFAN says:

@j2

YOUR politeness is greatly appreciated, no seriously it is. My 4 year prediction will nullify AOC's 12 year climate disaster thing. When my prediction comes True nobody will give a damn about her prediction.

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395. PUTINFAN says:

@meamjojo

Reminds me of the 1940's when both Germany and Japan both thought they were the only World super-power. The fact that you even think or say that is a level of arrogance that will lead to your destruction.

• **Replies:** @meamjojo

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396. Mr Chow Mein says:

February 4, 2023 at 4:13 am GMT • 6.3 hours ago • 100 Words ↑

So Zalenski has answered my question on Bakhmut, they are going to sacrifice the defenders to keep bleeding Russia and to "buy time" for Ukraine to organise their next move.

Russian tactics should be encircle and contain as many "live" Ukrainian troops as possible in Bakhmut, knock out all artillery and rocket launches.

Let them eat themselves to submission, but cut water, maybe push all captives into Bakhmut as well.

Keep the pressure on Ukraine front increasing the circle around Bakhmut West.

Its amazing how these Jews sacrifice non-jews without a blink of the eye...if they were mostly Jews in Bakhmut then withdrawl would of happened long ago.

You think the dumb goy would wake up?

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397. [February 4, 2023 at 5:39 am GMT • 4.8 hours ago](#) • 100 Words ↑

I don't suppose anyone has noticed a certain plot synergy here with the prior Minsk gambit?

Let me spell it out, folks – any move to conciliation by NATO (ie, the USA) at this stage will just be a multi-year feint to buy time to secretly prepare for WWII against Russia (and China).

If in doubt, please consult Martin Armstrong for his view of what's in store for us in the next few years...

| <https://www.armstrongeconomics.com>

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398. [j2](#) says:

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“RU took 20,000 sq. miles of Ukraine in 4 months in 2014 and another 20,000 sq. miles in 2022, an area the size of Kentucky. No reason with a million Russkies and 1,000,000 North Koreans they can't return to the 60,000 sq. mile a year rate of 2014. It takes a while to get those 2,000,000 up on the line. ”

Let us discuss this war, not some other war. In the last nine months Russia has advanced only in a 40 km area around Popasna, Hirske. Nine months ago they were fighting in Hirske. Now the front is less than 40 km West from Hirske, and this includes the recent advances. This front that has advanced is 40 km wide. So, they have made essentially 1,600 km<sup>2</sup> advances in 9 months. Ukraine area is 600,000 km<sup>2</sup>. From that we can calculate that to occupy the size of Ukraine Russians would need 40 years. To go to Berlin would take much longer, it is 1400 km from Kiev to Berlin. In the first two weeks in the Ukraine war Russia took 119,000 km<sup>2</sup>, that is when Ukraine withdrew and had not performed mobilization. Then Ukraine took back 74,000 km<sup>2</sup>. Russian contract army had heavy losses and Russia has mobilized 315,000 men, and Wagner took some 30,000 convicts. Russia has men, but it is unlikely that it will mobilize millions for the reason that Russia does not have weapons, especially armored vehicles, for a million men army as it has not prepared this equipment and Soviet equipment is too old. This is why they do battles only in a narrow front, and a narrow front does not allow so large number of men (unless you use the men for human waves, but that tactic is not effective any more: it depends on the defender running out of ammunition, but this will not happen as Ukraine gets help and has started producing artillery ammunition for its old Soviet howitzers, so the human wave tactics worked in Soledar, but will not work much longer).

You can go on believing what you want. I do not try to convince anybody of anything. I do calculations and estimations that are based on observations, not on wishful thinking or an agenda.

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399. [Wokechoke](#) says:

[@Folkvangr](#)

It really is as simple as that.

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400. j2 says:

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[@GomezAdddams](#)

Gomez... wrote: "USA—2 Trillion —20 years versus cavemen—still LOST — ”

This is on Truth's comment

"You mean like the USA didn't allow a few thousand lightly armed Taliban to win in Afghanistan?"

and my reply to it:

No. Any more questions?

So, I will explain my reply to Gomez. The USA is currently so strong in a military sense that it cannot be defeated in a conventional war. But any occupier can be defeated by asymmetric war provided that the defender is willing to take the very heavy costs this strategy may imply. These costs are that once you start asymmetric war (guerilla war, terrorism, insurgencies etc.) the occupied usually starts killing your civilians. The USA, however against the USA you are on this site, is averse towards these customary methods to pacify a country. The USA does not make kill lists and cleanings, like Nazi Germany did and Putin's Russia does. But those are the ways to increase the cost for any asymmetric resistance against the occupier. Therefore the USA can be defeated by these means easier. They would not have defeated Nazi Germany, they did not defeat the Soviet Union (which suppressed resistance of Eastern Europeans). But they do work with the USA quite well. However, this has no relevance to winning or losing on the battle field. The USA did not lose Vietnam on the battlefield. It did not lose Afghanistan on the battlefield. It withdrew because already Machiavelli wrote that the occupier cannot stay very long in the occupied area because costs go up. Either you have to turn to hard methods (like one country occupying some Arab areas) or you have to finally leave. But as said, guerilla warfare is mostly very hard for civilians, it is not really a good option even though it has worked in the long run.

I referred to a conventional war, not to an asymmetric war. Ukraine is fighting a conventional war. If it gets weapons, and as it has a large enough population, it will not be defeated. This is why Russia will not win this war. Ukraine is not advancing to Russia, so Russia will not be forced to surrender, so Russia is not losing the war. But it will not win because Ukraine will not lose either. As neither side wins, there will be a negotiated peace. But this peace negotiation may give Ukraine area back to Ukraine, this may happen and will be seen. It still does not mean a Russian defeat, as Russia has not even been attacked. But it may mean Putin's defeat as Russians may not be happy with such a result.

Hope this explains. But my simple "no" should have explained it already, had you only thought about it carefully.

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401. [LeZ](#) says: • [Website](#)

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The Washington Masters of The Present Arrangements have flagged their despair of the loss of their Proxy War and are desperately seeking a Ukraine Exit Strategy – with Honour.

Meanwhile, they will break and destroy not just the principles on which their globalized economic order rested but also any foreign physical infrastructure and countries to retain their presumed leading position, always fraudulently pitched as a force for good in the world while simultaneously emphasizing American interest – their interests.

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402. [Brosi](#) says:

[@Poupon Marx](#)

| Are you are [on] drugs?

Yes j2 is on drugs, he is on Alzheimer medication. He can't remember anything that happened before Feb 24, 2022.

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403. [meamjojo](#) says:

[@emerging majority](#)

So sorry to stick a pin in your fat arse. I know the truth hurts...

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404. [meamjojo](#) says:

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No wonder you are an avowed Pooty fan. You're dumber than a log!

A superpower is a state with a dominant position characterized by its extensive ability to exert influence or project power on a global scale. This is done through the combined means of economic, military, technological, political and cultural strength as well as diplomatic and soft power influence. Traditionally, superpowers are preeminent among the great powers. While a great power state is capable of exerting its influence globally, superpowers are states so influential that no significant action can be taken by the global community without first considering the positions of the superpowers on the issue.[1]

The term was first applied in 1944 during World War II to the United States, the United Kingdom, and the Soviet Union.[2] During the Cold War, the British Empire dissolved, leaving the United States and the Soviet Union to dominate world affairs. **At the end of the Cold War and the dissolution of the Soviet Union in 1991, the United States became the world's sole superpower.**

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