

UKRAINE ON ITS KNEES: US nuclear missiles pea shooter distance from Moscow?

By Bo Filter

The media is clamoring to get Russia for attacking Ukraine, as if the US has had no influence on events. Yet, the riot in Kiev has a striking resemblance to US-sponsored colour revolutions and Arab spring riots.

The template shows US mercenaries hiding behind peaceful protestors, then, igniting violence. The idea is sinister: to co-opt peaceful protestors' legitimate cause, granting some air of legitimacy, followed by a coup to super-impose western imperial demands.

In Kiev, it started, as usual, with peace protests, then, thugs soon joined in as heavily armed trained militia. Western private media, holding its usual bag of secrets, dodges calls to tell us their country of origin.

Turns out, Germany has tried to annex western Ukraine since World War I. Neo-Nazi troops from the Svoboda Party, Punch Party, and the Right Sector, totalling some 5,000, attacked the capital in Kiev. Why they were shipped to Ukraine is important.

Neoconservatives from Washington reunified East and West Germany, largely to go after the Soviet Union once again. USSR President Mikhail Gorbachev allowed the rejoining on the promise from George H.W. Bush that he would not send NATO troops eastward. Bush lied.

US-dominated NATO has broken dozens of international laws to get to the gates of Ukraine. Many people do not realize that the hunger to destroy Russia in WWII was just as acute in US elite circles as it was in the Nazi high command.

Neo-Nazis appreciate the opportunity to resurrect WWII with their western counterparts. Demonization of Russia is critical to their success, yet too few people realize that western media is rife with neoconservative/Neo-Nazis moles (planted agents) that hold the key positions on all of the major media editorial boards.

Master conspirator among the supra-governors Allen Dulles bragged about how few people are needed to control the masses. CIA media moles or assets put in key positions censor facts the public needs to make informed decisions.

The result is a barrage of half-truths that keep the public stringing along with

CIA/Pentagon war propaganda. The US Department of Psychological Warfare feeds the media the story lines it wants the public to believe. As pretext, media smear campaigns are war drums justifying an attack. Character assassination of Russia has been endless since WWII.

Western militarized media claims Putin "bribed"

Ukraine's leader, but says nothing of the \$5 billion tax dollars the neoconservative and Assistant Secretary of State Victoria Nuland spent to divide and conquer the Ukraine. Watch her explain live how this will transpire. Masked in democracy jargon, she refers to the plan to loot Ukraine using IMF austerity measures, the same mechanics that destroyed the economies of other countries like Argentina, Latvia, Italy, and Greece.

In the big picture grand chessboard scheme of things, as authored by Zbigniew Brzezinski, Ukraine is a key domino that must fall in order to checkmate, destroy, then partition Russia into dozens of vassal states. Since the beginning of the cold war media near-hysteria has proclaimed: "The commies are coming. The commies are coming."

This slogan derived from the US State Department domino theory, lasting for a good part of the 20th century. This headline, molded into the public mind, provided a near perfect political mask for the truth and opposite reality: the American's are coming. "That's impossible!" people say who have never suspected that western mass media would systematically lace the news with propaganda and misinformation. To gain a better understanding we need to look deeper into history.

The United States has a supra-secret coterie of men who have overpowered the originating Constitutional republic in favour of using the country's massive power to march themselves to world domination,



Protesters burn tires as they clash with riot police during an anti-government protest in downtown Kiev, Ukraine, January 22. At least two people died of gunshot wounds on January 22 during anti-government protests in Ukraine. (ROMAN PILIPEY/EPA)

and it all began shortly after the inception of the United States. This Supra-state has orchestrated the takeover of country after country, one by one, all falling as dominos to the will of these self-anointed masters of the world.

After an exhaustive study of US interference worldwide by this researcher, only six microstates out of

208 countries and territories have escaped coups and subordination, probably because they had no resources worth stealing. The 202 other countries have suffered destabilization and loss of national sovereignty through a plethora of Pentagon military operations like escalation dominance, war-theatre, and psychological warfare.

Countries have had to endure a wide range of grievous assaults, including: saboteurs that contaminate or blowup oil supplies; riots and protests; burning or poisoning of crops; forcing leaders to sign IMF and World Bank austerity agreements that contract these countries to interminable servitude; infiltration of business moles to wreck the economy; embargoes; sanctions; currency devaluation; bribery of politicians; undermining elections; making promises that won't be kept; assassinating leaders; kidnapping, torturing, and assassinating dissidents using paramilitary special forces who specialize in chaos and mayhem; sending in mercenary armies; infiltrating media moles to help cover-up committed crimes.

If all this fails, then US troops are deployed. A more popular ploy and face-saving device has been to attack a target country with "a coalition of the willing". This gives war an air of international approval and legitimacy. The public is seldom apprised of the fact that the "willing" are vassal countries already under the yoke of US power.

The birth of the drive for US Global domination was born, in a sense, with the birth of John D. Rockefeller in 1839. Some could say well, no, it came at least as early as 1813 with the Monroe Doctrine. President Monroe declared that any interference in any part of the Americas by any country other than the US would be considered as an act of war against the US. Public ignorance and compliance has allowed the expansion of this doctrine to include the entire world.

Having worked in a top-secret US war room in the 1960s, military plans to take over the world were not only complete, but were being constantly fine tuned on a daily basis. Global domination is easily masked as plans to free the world. People are shocked by hearing stories of what "freeing" the world looks like from the view of countries under attack, who have dared to choose their own government without the permission from the supra-oligarchy. One example should suffice.

In 1983, Salvadoran National Guard "freedom fighters", under the command of President Ronald Reagan, swooped down on a village in US-supplied helicopters. A peasant woman described the massacre. Her three children were killed and chopped to pieces and thrown to the pigs, while the soldiers laughed all the while. Men "gathered into a circle [were] set on fire after their legs had been broken." Reporter Elizabeth Hanly heard of "trees heavy with women hanging from their wrists, all with breasts cut off and facial skin peeled back, all slowly bleeding to death." Victims were the over-worked peasants who asked for food but instead received a visit from the National Guard. [Book: *TURNING THE TIDE*, by Noam Chomsky, p.22]

In other works, I have written and spoken of the sociopaths in society. Cruel questionably human beings are welcome soldiers in the numerous paramilitaries sponsored by the US supra-governors. We need to ask ourselves what this says about the governors themselves. We need to

wonder why public outrage is missing, and particularly what excuses we use to escape responsibility.

When I share information about atrocities, the most common response is to shun away: "No! Please don't tell me. I don't want to know. I just want to live in my own little world." Fear of what the US might really be doing around the world terrifies people into silence, exacting the great benefit of state-sponsored terrorism. Masses frozen by fear are incapable of addressing horrors unfolding. Mass incapacitation and immobilization by fear is necessary for the few to rule over billions. Terrorism, as such, becomes the zenith in both psychological and physical warfare.

Imagine our world split into thousands of subjugated precincts. Any village that dares to complain or ask for food gets a visit by the National Guard. This will be a dark age with no light for the billions, unless they rise to face their fears. One might ask if people would rather fight bravely to their death to create a genuine civil society, rather than risk hanging from a tree like the poor women in El Salvador. Time is not on our side.

The finish line of absolute global domination is in sight. To make a pro-active stand, we must understand the big picture. To rule the world requires a ruthless military that will perform any act of terror. A template must be perfected that works in all countries, first to destabilize them, then to overthrow them, and then to instill a puppet regime.

Since the fall of the USSR, Dick Cheney and associate neoconservatives have painted a clear picture of how they plan to finish installing their New World Order. Their words are memorialized in the publications of PNAC and its current successor, *Foreign Policy Initiative*. They billboard "freedom," "democracy," and "national interest" while their planned process is clearly fascist.

With a collapsed Soviet Union, the US has steadily marched eastward. Ukraine is one of the last dominos left to fall, which brings us back to Kiev. This is the second coup by the US, and some of the actors are familiar.

Playing a starring role in the Pentagon's war-theatre program is none other than world heavyweight boxing champion Vitali Klitschko. His act apparently wasn't well enough refined. When Klitschko tried to persuade Ukrainians to accept the EU-brokered deal, he was booed off the stage. Ex-prime minister Yulia Tymoshenko is being ushered in from backstage, hopefully to restore her status as the people's princess that she enjoyed during the US-driven Orange Revolution a decade ago.

Recall that Kiev has been the capitol of Russia for most of its 1,000-year history. This makes the geopolitical caldron hotter than any time in history. Imagine Russia or Germany sponsoring 5,000 Nazi demonstrators in the streets of Washington DC, ransacking Congress and promising to imprison any US troops who fired on them. Bedlam would ensue.

Neoconservatives are doing their best to put nuclear missiles within, figuratively speaking, pea-shooting distance of Moscow. If it happens, our militarized press will howl in support, citing the fact that the USSR put missiles on Cuban soil, so now it's our turn. The fact that Russia retreated will be a small footnote in their reporting. The USSR removed the missiles to avoid a nuclear war. What they will have to consider is that the US will likewise have to retreat in order to avoid a nuclear war.

On the other hand, if Russia folds as easily as Ukraine, then only China, the last major domino, might fall easily as well. This is the goal of the supra-governors, what they call "full spectrum dominance." Visits by the National Guard might well become the new normal anywhere in the world. The masses' strong desire not to know, not to care, will visit hell on their children's children and their children's children.

With Nazis posting their symbols around the parliament building alongside NATO country flags, including Canada, the US has managed to rekindle WWII. The dismemberment of Ukraine is happening at blitzkrieg speed. Neo-Nazis are loose in

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Can the world feed China?

By Lester R. Brown

Overnight, China has become a leading world grain importer, set to buy a staggering 22 million tons in the 2013–14 trade year, according to the latest US Department of Agriculture projections. As recently as 2006—just eight years ago—China had a grain surplus and was exporting 10 million tons. What caused this dramatic shift?

It wasn't until 20 years ago, after I wrote an article entitled "Who Will Feed China?", that I began to fully appreciate what a sensitive political issue food security was to the Chinese. The country's leaders were all survivors of the Great Famine of 1959–61, when some 36 million people starved to death. Yet while the Chinese government was publicly critical of my questioning the country's ability to feed itself, it began quietly reforming its agriculture. Among other things, Beijing adopted a policy of grain self-sufficiency, an initiative that is now faltering.

Since 2006, China's grain use has been climbing by 17 million tons per year. (See www.earth-policy.org/datacenter/xls/update121_all.xlsx.) For perspective, this compares with Australia's annual wheat harvest of 24 million tons. With population growth slowing, this rise in grain use is largely the result of China's huge popula-

tion moving up the food chain and consuming more grain-based meat, milk, and eggs.

In 2013, the world consumed an estimated 107 million tons of pork—half of which was eaten in China. China's 1.4 billion people now consume six times as much pork as the United States does. Even with its recent surge in pork, however, China's overall meat intake per person still totals only 120 pounds per year, scarcely half the 235 pounds in the United States.

But, the Chinese, like so many others around the globe, aspire to an American lifestyle. To consume meat like Americans do, China would need to roughly double its annual meat supply from 80 million tons to 160 million tons. Using the rule of thumb of three to four pounds of grain to produce one pound of pork, an additional 80 million tons of pork would require at least 240 million tons of feedgrain.

Where will this grain come from? Farmers in China are losing irrigation water as aquifers are depleted. The water table under the North China Plain, an area that produces half of the country's wheat and a third of its corn, is falling fast, by over 10 feet per year in some areas. Meanwhile, water supplies are being diverted to non-farm uses and cropland is being lost to urban and industrial construction. With China's grain yield already among the high-

est in the world, the potential for China to increase production within its own borders is limited.

The 2013 purchase by a Chinese conglomerate of the American firm Smithfield Foods Inc., the world's largest pig-growing and pork-processing company, was really a pork security move. So, too, is China's deal with Ukraine to provide \$3 billion in loans in exchange for corn, as well as negotiations with Ukrainian companies for access to land. Such moves by China exemplify the new geopolitics of food scarcity that affects us all.

China is not alone in the scramble for food. An estimated 2 billion people in other countries are also moving up the food chain, consuming more grain-intensive livestock products. The combination of population growth, rising affluence, and the conversion of one third of the US grain harvest into ethanol to fuel cars is expanding the world demand for grain by a record 43 million tons per year, double the annual growth of a decade ago.

The world's farmers are struggling to keep pace. When grain supplies tightened in times past, prices rose and farmers responded by producing more. Now the situation is far more complex. Water shortages, soil erosion, plateauing crop yields in agriculturally advanced countries, and climate

change pose mounting threats to production.

As China imports increasing quantities of grain, it is competing directly with scores of other grain-importing countries, such as Japan, Mexico, and Egypt. The result will be a worldwide rise in food prices. Those living on the lower rungs of the global economic ladder—people who are already struggling just to survive—will find it even more difficult to get by. Low-income families trapped by food price inflation will be unable to afford enough food to eat every day.

The world is transitioning from an era of abundance to one dominated by scarcity. China's turn to the outside world for massive quantities of grain is forcing us to recognize that we are in trouble on the food front. Can we reverse the trends that are tightening food supplies, or is the world moving toward a future of rising food prices and political unrest?

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Two years in, BC Jobs plan is failing to deliver

By Iglia Ivanova

It's traditional in many cultures to usher in the New Year with wishes for prosperity. But after a year of slow growth when the province actually lost jobs, fewer BC families can expect to see those wishes come true.

To see such weak job market performance four years into a post-recession recovery is unusual to say the least. It leaves British Columbians rightly wondering if the provincial government's flagship economic initiative, the BC Jobs Plan, is failing to deliver.

A new report I've published with the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives offers some answers. *BC Jobs Plan Reality Check* examines a number of indicators of labour market performance and compares the pace of recovery since the Jobs Plan was announced in late September 2011 with the two years of the recovery that preceded it.

The findings reveal a largely jobless recovery, which was not significantly boosted by the BC Jobs Plan. While the jobs recovery has been disappointing across Canada, BC's is weaker than the Canadian average. The persistently high unemployment rate, still over 2 percentage points above the pre-recession levels, is only the tip of the iceberg.

Jobs created since the Jobs Plan have been primarily temporary positions and have not kept up with BC's growing population. The employment rate (the proportion of working age British Columbians who have jobs) is virtually unchanged since the worst of the recession. In fact, the province would need 94,000 more jobs to reach the pre-recession benchmark of 74%. That's as many jobs as were created in 2010, 2011 and 2012 combined.

The Jobs Plan was supposed to stimulate private sector job creation, but the private sector actually lost 12,000 jobs in the first 10 months of 2013. It's very rare for the private sector to shed jobs outside of a recession. In the last 40 years in BC, it has happened only once, in 2001, and then only about 2,700 jobs were lost, much fewer than last year.

The resource focus of the BC Jobs Plan was supposed to breathe life into regions outside the Lower Mainland and Greater Victoria, which were hit particularly hard by the recession. But while a few towns like Prince George have seen a lot of activity over the last two years, when all the numbers are added up, only the Kootenay and Northeast economic region have experienced net job creation since the Jobs Plan was launched. Thompson-Okanagan, the Cariboo, and the North Coast and Nechako have fewer jobs than before the

plan, and have yet to recover the jobs lost during the recession.

While the government touts the role of the resource sector in job creation, the reality is that just 2% of British Columbians are directly employed in mining, oil and gas extraction and forestry and logging combined. This sector remains such a small share of the job market that even a doubling or tripling of employment would not place it among top employment sectors in BC.

Besides, the majority of jobs stemming from these resource projects will be generated during their construction stage, so any lift to the local economies is likely to be short-lived. And these jobs would come at a great environmental price, threatening northern communities with air and water pollution and endangering our climate.

On top of this, there is concern that many of these new resource jobs may be filled with temporary foreign workers or skilled workers coming from other parts of the country rather than by local unemployed workers.

While temporary foreign workers take up a small share of BC jobs (just over 3% as of December 2012), the increase in temporary foreign workers since the recession represents 29% of the net new jobs created in the province. This points to

serious gaps in our skills training programs that are putting youth and unemployed workers at a disadvantage.

One of the assumptions behind the Jobs Plan is that all governments can do is create favourable conditions for (mostly foreign) investors to step in and create jobs. This is not only false but also very limiting for our province.

The government itself can be a source of what Premier Clark calls "the first new dollar." Whether it's by hiring workers to enhance public services and make them more accessible, by purchasing goods and services from BC businesses or by initiating work on needed infrastructure projects, the provincial government can create jobs and leverage significant spin-off hiring and investment by the private sector.

As we enter the fifth year of a largely jobless recovery, it's becoming clear that BC's current economic strategy is failing to deliver. We need to shift to an economic strategy that is more diversified and less environmentally risky, and that puts more British Columbians to work in well-paying, family-supporting jobs.

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the country, beating, torturing, even burning people alive they suspect of resisting.

The democracy has been destroyed and elections are no longer part of the equation. One of Harper's ministers fabricated wild reasons why the scheduled election in Crimea should not be allowed. "They don't even have a voters list," he proclaimed, as if they are a pre-literate people.

Media hysteria to get Russia is out of control, precisely to hide in the fog of war the fact that it is us, NATO, committing a

war of aggression, what the UN calls the most heinous act of humankind.

World War III is on a slivers edge. Canadians need to stand up to Harper. A mass demonstration is in order. We can't expect a new Genghis Khan to rise up from the east and save us from the US/Neo-Nazi 1000 year Reich.

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