

Framing Russia fulfills Perle manifesto

By Bo Filter

US Senate Bill S.2277 petitions President Obama to ignite an all-out preemptive nuclear strike on Russia, increasing the chance of annihilation like never before. The roots of S.2277 go back to the dawning of the atomic age in the 1940s. Since then, the discussion of creating and using weapons of mass destruction has only grown more aggressive.

Neo-conservative Richard Perle, referred to as the prince of darkness, has been pining for quite some time that the US should preemptively strike Russia. He claims that preemption is a no-brainer. His presumed logic goes like this: If you see that your neighbour has put up a missile in his yard, then you not only have the right to erect a missile yourself, you must strike him before he can strike you, as a matter of self-preservation.

Perle's simplistic nuclear brinkmanship has great popularity among Pentagon warlords and institutionalized warmongers, creating the atmosphere for S.2277. Twenty Republicans sponsor the bill, which is, in effect, a declaration of nuclear war. As context, no nuclear attacks are planned against the other nuclear powers of France, the UK, and Israel because they are already puppet colonies under US imperial control.

Russia is targeted because President Vladimir Putin refuses to take orders from Washington. A *casus belli* is required to justify crimes of aggression, and since the US has *successfully* invaded other countries on trumped up charges, why change the template of framing targets, which is so comfortable to psychopathic thinking.

As pretext, the target country must bear blame for a pre-arranged atrocity or tragic event, thus, the constant media throng, "Russian Aggression in Ukraine". The opposing reality of US aggression in Ukraine began immediately upon the dissolution of the Soviet Union in December, 1991.

By dissolving the USSR, President Mikhail Gorbachev thought that he could deal a decisive blow to US aspirations for global domination by depriving US warmongers of their enemy. With the enemy gone, excuses to invade other countries allegedly under Soviet control disappear. Not so fast, Mr. Gorbachev.



Victoria Nuland, US Assistant Secretary of State for European and Eurasian Affairs, pictured with US-sponsored Ukraine neo-Nazi putsch leaders.

By spring of 1992, Dick Cheney had already penned plans for colonizing all of greater Russia. Ukraine was no exception.

The Pentagon's entrenched destabilization program went to work immediately. Highly financed US NGOs, like the National Endowment for Democracy, invaded Ukraine. They set up propagandistic media outlets, typified by sensational inflammatory headlines, followed by un-researched stories lacking any credible legitimacy. They made a grab for political power. They infiltrated the military. They seized state-controlled companies and natural resources

as fast as they could.

In February 2014, coup leader Victoria Nuland, US Assistant Secretary of State for European and Eurasian Affairs, bragged to oil-company executives (while standing next to a Chevron sign) that the \$5 billion destabilization package set up in 1992 was now coming to fruition. Following the US-sponsored Nazi coup, Chevron was awarded a major contract.

Similarly, US Vice-President Joe Biden's son suddenly appeared on the board of directors of the largest privately owned oil-company in Ukraine. Such machinations fail to complement the putative Russian aggression scenario, so better left with little fanfare in the corporate mass media, rather than wave celebrative flags of colonial conquest.

Still, conquest is a process rather than an open and shut deal. There have been hiccups along the way. When George Bush hailed "mission accomplished" in his 2003 invasion of Iraq, acquisition of the oil fields was not quite so simple, and free access has still not been secured, as Iraqis continue to fight for their stolen oil fields.

The invasion of Ukraine is not going well either. Hubris blocks western hegemony from tuning into reality. For instance, why would Ukraine, a country that suffered enormously under Nazi occupation during WWII, be thrilled and accepting to host the resurrection of Nazism to statehood? Hitler almost destroyed Ukraine.

But blindness inherent in western arrogance and megalomania could not foresee the current backlash against their new Nazi junta in Kiev. Remaining ever blind and imperialistic, the US has imposed a war tax on Ukrainians to pay for their own slaughter by the neo-Nazis.

Now the Nazis are trying to conscript young men to kill their own. The response so far has been to pile up the conscription orders in front of the recruiting officer and set them on fire. Women are occupying recruiting stations and waving signs that tell the junta to conscript their own offspring and not the youth of the poor. They're sick and tired of being the fodder for rich men's wars and profit.

With the ground war failing, the US junta has taken to the skies, bombing every perceived stronghold of Ukraine loyalists trying to survive the US proxy invasion. Since the EU has been slow to endorse the big lie of Russian aggression, the US has had to up the pressure on EU countries with a new pretext, the merciless downing of an airliner by Russia.

Not unexpectedly, this false-flag operation is falling apart as well. So the US hegemony are coming down to their last and desperate hope—nuclear war. This brings us back to Richard Perle's manifesto—that nuclear war should be viewed as a natural posture of defence, as so readily prepared in S.2277.

Nuclear war and the possibility of annihilation are worth risking if you are compelled by the twisted logic of a psychopath. The rest of us must realize that inherent to psychopathic thinking is the feature that they cannot stop themselves. Psychopaths are, in real time, out of control. This fact means that you, you, and you—all of us—must march against Washington's war planners and remove them from positions of power.

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NDP youth speak out on Gaza: "It's time to call a spade a spade"

By New Democratic Youth of Canada

An ocean away from Palestine, Canadians have watched in absolute horror as the death toll continues to mount. In three short weeks, hundreds of people in Gaza, a majority of them civilians, have been wiped out at the discretion of the Israeli Defense Forces (IDF).

Anger, disbelief, outrage -- we've felt

to violence targeting civilians."

These resolutions include those that call for the withdrawal from occupied territories during the 1967 war [1], the legitimacy of the struggle for liberation from foreign domination by all available means [2], condemnation of governments that don't recognize the right to self determination and independence of peoples under foreign domination[3], and more recently, the upgrade of Palestine to a nonmember state of the United Nations [4].

We demand a fair approach be taken with the situation in Gaza, one that adheres to the above mentioned United Nations resolutions, among many others. As citizens of the world we owe it to each other to admit that no state can ever achieve security through force of arms. If terror groups are to be rendered irrelevant, and the growth of extremism stemmed, then we must address the root cause of the violence, not its symptoms.

It is time for Canadians to know where the NDP stands on this issue: as the only party that seeks a comprehensive and viable solution on agreed upon borders, that guarantees the security of both Israeli and Palestinian citizens to co-exist in peace.

That is why New Democrats should never shy away from condemning the slaughter of civilians, no matter where it happens, or who perpetrates the act. That is why we agree with independent groups like Jewish Voices for Peace, who have called for an end to the bombing of Gaza, and for Israel to be held accountable for its actions [5].

We must further acknowledge that in the almost 20 years since the Oslo Peace Accords, the situation on the ground in Palestine has deteriorated so badly that it is nearly impossible to imagine a contiguous two-state solution based on the 1967 borders- at least without serious land concessions from existing settlements.

Our government's inaction and paralysis on the world stage is our shame to wear. By providing unflinching political cover for the Israeli state, we enable a situation where it is likely that much of the West Bank [6] will be annexed, and the erosion of Palestinian lands that started so many years ago will be complete.

That is, unless we finally elect a government that believes that upholding human rights and working to create lasting peace should be primary goals of a just foreign policy.

Sources:

- [1] United Nations Security Council Resolution S/RES/242 22 Nov 1967
- [2] United Nations General Assembly Resolution A/RES/3246 (XXIX) 29 Nov 1974
- [3] United Nations General Assembly Resolution A/RES/33/24 29 Nov 1978
- [4] United Nations General Assembly Resolution A/RES/67/19 4 Dec 2012
- [5] Jewish Voices for Peace: End the Bombing. Hold Israel Accountable July 2014
- [6] The West Bank was divided into areas A, B, and C during the Oslo II accords. Area C has been under Israeli civil and military control. It accounts for a majority of the territory of the West Bank Map of Area C, Retrieved from NPR.org «Palestinians fear new Israeli moves in West Bank» 30 Jul 2012



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these emotions before. We watched in horror as the US dropped thousands of bombs on Iraq, we marched in the streets to protest NATO's brutal occupation of Afghanistan and we've reacted with vile disgust at Russia's cruel and bloody invasion of Ukraine. That is because as a nation we feel the pain of global conflict first hand: through the sacrifice of our own young women and men abroad, and through the incredible resilience of the many refugees fleeing these very conflicts, coming to Canada to seek a more just life.

If we are to live up to the standards of peace and tolerance that we've set for ourselves domestically, on a global scale, it is our responsibility to call for restraint and seek mediation whenever war rears its ugly head. In our short lifetime we've witnessed the same violent scene repeated time and time again, so we ask: *how is this situation any different?*

As the next generation, we are destined to inherit incredible political, environmental and logistical challenges. For us, the past 21 days have been deeply disheartening, as we now see that we are also destined to inherit a more violent world. And it isn't only because Stephen Harper has proven himself (yet again) to be incompetent at representing Canada on the world stage but rather, also due to the hesitation from our Official Opposition when it comes to standing up for New Democratic values on this issue.

With respect to the current situation in Gaza, there can be no question: the NDP has been open about its desire to see hostilities cease from both sides in this conflict. Hamas must stop firing rockets indiscriminately at civilians, and so must the IDF.

But on the question of Palestine, let's be clear:

Section 4.1 (f) of the 2013 NDP Policy Book states that the NDP supports "working with partners for peace in Israel and Palestine, respecting UN resolutions and international law, supporting peaceful co-existence in viable, independent states with agreed-upon borders, an end to Israeli occupation of Palestinian land, and an end

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