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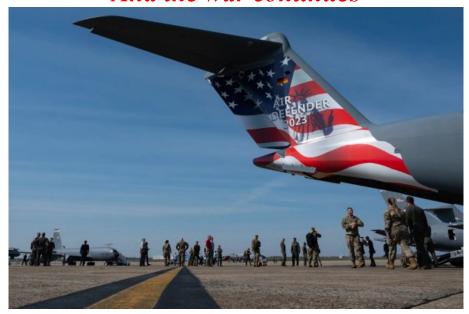
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And the war continues



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The United States and its allies decided to increase pressure on Russia.

In his speech on the occasion of the completion of the first year of the In war with Russia, President Volodymir Zelensky noted that "Ukraine has united the world." This assessment is, however, more than exaggerated. It can be safely said that Kiev has united the United States, the United States. most of the European NATO member countries and five of the six Black Sea tributary countries. Of these, four make up the NATO: Turkey, Romania, Bulgaria and Georgia. The fifth is Ukraine. And the sixth is precisely Russia, the enemy. Of course, I do not know can say that the countries that support Kiev are the world.

Perhaps Zelensky bases his definition on the fact that in the First UN General Assembly on this conflict was condemned Russia's advance towards Ukraine by 141 votes to 5, with 47 abstentions or absences. But these 141 countries are not the world either.

The British magazine The Economist – unimpeachable as pro-Russian – presented At the beginning of April 2022 a study in which he divided the Behaviour of the different countries in the face of the war in three positions: (a) those who support the Russian attitude; (b) those who maintain a neutral option; and c) those that accompany the pressures of the great northern power and NATO. The interesting thing is that in addition to States It counted, with special attention, people, that is, the inhabitants of those Countries. The results were as follows.

The first group covered 28 countries comprising almost a third of world population: among them are China, Belarus, Congo, Syria and Venezuela, among others who supported Russia. The The second group, which included 32 countries, is that of those that opted for the neutrality: Brazil, India, Bangladesh and others, representing almost another third of the world's population. These two groups total 60 countries. Finally, the third grouped 131 countries that support the West, the NATO and others, which reaches 36% of the world's population.

So if we go down the lane of the countries, a diversity of those led by Washington and NATO. But if it we do for the people, neutrals and supporters of Moscow They far outnumber Westerners and *Westerners*: they are just under two-thirds of the world's population.

In short, to say that "Ukraine has united the world" is too much that borders on the absurd.

Volodymir Zelensky, President of Ukraine.

The Course of the War

Joseph Biden, who took office on January 20, 2021, He changed the course of the wars that his country was leading at that time. The The withdrawal of U.S. troops from Afghanistan took place between on August 15 and 30, 2021, which practically closed the war centrality that until then had been maintained in Medio East and adjacencies. The American President, however, did not He wasted time. From February that year – that is, *before* that the withdrawal from Afghanistan was effected – began a systematic deployment of U.S. forces in the Black Sea, which left becoming more and more incisive. What was Biden's hurry? *Chi is*.

On February 2, two U.S. missile cruisers entered and toured the Black Sea: the USS Donald Cook and the USS Porter. And the 11 In April, the U.S. President had Turkey's consent to To carry out flights of warplanes over the aforementioned sea, very probably in order to monitor Russian activities there.

Between the end of June and the beginning of July 2021, the Sea Breeze exercises in the Black Sea, which had been taking place for a long time. The latter was the largest. 20 participants NATO countries: Canada, United States, France, Italy, Poland, United Kingdom and Sweden, among others. From the "basin" of the Black Sea made Bulgaria, Georgia, Romania and Turkey – all four in NATO – and Ukraine: five of the six countries bordering the Black Sea. The other –y The only one left out – it was Russia, oh coincidence! Between July and September continued the transit of American warships through the Black Sea.



Exercise Sea Breeze: 32 ships, 40 aircraft and 5,000 NATO troops in the Black Sea.

Thus: Who was implicitly indicated as the object of such exercises? It goes practically without saying: Moscow. And one of the The main objective of these manoeuvres was to exert pressure on Russia and to some extent, that of provoking it.

There were also naval air exercises of the *Western Entente* in the Baltic Sea, on which two very Russian cities are located. important: Kaliningrad and St. Petersburg. Among others, the maneuvers West 2021 and those that were made in common, in 2022, with Sweden and Finland, among other participating countries.

As is well known, on January 10, 2022 there was a meeting in Geneva between Biden and Vladimir Putin, who did not reach any agreement. And the The failure of the meeting was total. Moscow, in short, demanded respect. And Washington, which had shown its teeth in

the sea no less than Negro, spoke of third parties: of the sovereignty of States, of respect for borders and freedom for neighbouring countries.

Thus, the doors of war were left open. Under these conditions Russia chose the path of war but ruled out direct conflict with the great power of the north. And he advanced on Ukraine, which it had – since the outbreak of 2014 that was carried by in front of a pro-Russian President – between eyebrows and eyebrows.

It is clear that Russia was the aggressor. But could he do anything else? With difficulty. U.S. attitudes and behaviors and their NATO allies in the Black Sea went to excess and even threat. So if on the one hand there was an aggressive Russian decision, on the one hand there was an aggressive Russian decision, on the one hand the other there was provocative pressure, which led Moscow to a situation limit. Did the great northern power urge some specific reason? What Whether it is known or can be unraveled, no. That being the case, it gives the impression that that it was simply an incomprehensible but also hurried – as mentioned above – decision of the American President.

It is worth mentioning, moreover, that already with the war in full course and Washington has become the largest partner in the heavy war burden that Under Ukraine, the United States and its allies have decided to increase the pressure. In June of this year the military maneuvers will be carried out called Air Defender 2023. No less than 25 will participate in it countries: Germany, Belgium, Bulgaria, Slovenia, Spain. United States Finland, France, Hungary, United Kingdom and Turkey, among others. Herself estimates that approximately 220 military aircraft will be involved and that it will be the largest exercise in NATO's history. The command and control of operations will be in charge of Lieutenant General Ingo Gerhartz, head of the German Air Force, said: "Our Objectives for this important exercise are broad." Among others: "Improve our interoperability and enable credible deterrence to a potential aggressor." The maneuvers will be developed in the spaces air flights from Germany, Poland and the Czech Republic.

Anyway: is it necessary to mention who it could be, in that context and with Such a force deployed, the potential aggressor country that would have What to deter?

Final

Biden's bellicose behavior on Russia is astounding. It also extends to China – in a world beset by tribulations intense economic-financial conditions, in which the deterioration of

the once rampant globalization. And that, in addition, It is also moving towards a new scenario of geopolitical upheaval.

The American President gives continuity to mere wars – note the anticipation of the conflict with Russia that predates the cessation of those in the Middle East – as if they were the most important thing in the world. It gives the impression that for him the war continues or, perhaps, is merely continuous.

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