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The world would be better off without NATO



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If you believe the two central tenets of Western dogma and propaganda about the Ukraine war, namely that the Russian invasion was not provoked and that Moscow has imperial ambitions beyond Ukraine's borders, then you will naturally consider NATO as the best defense against such a threat.

However, if you pay attention to history, to what the Russian authorities actually say and have done, and to their deliberately limited performance in this war (at least initially), you will conclude that Russia was provoked to invade Ukraine by its imminent absorption into

NATO and by the ethnic cleansing carried out against Russian speakers in Donbas, an aggression that increased enormously at the beginning of 2022.

If you analyze the facts and not the fictions, you will observe that the narrative of Moscow's imperial ambitions was concocted with following the 2014 neo-Nazi coup in Kiev, which featured the U.S. backing. Before that time, as the professor has pointed out John Mearsheimer, Putin was not considered an imperialist. But once the NATO settled, replete with weapons, on Russia's front porch, rhetoric of imperialist Moscow proved very useful. NATO created a danger that required more NATO to solve it. Now that far-fetched imbroglio has massacred hundreds of thousands of Ukrainian soldiers and tens of thousands of Russians and, thanks to the NATO, the United States is about to declare war on Russia, while the Humanity is teetering over the nuclear abyss.

None of this would have happened without NATO and its relentless and insane eastern expansion into Russia, thereby breaking all promises Western officials of not doing so. Moscow had been clamoring for decades that if Kiev would join the Atlantic Alliance, Russia would destroy Ukraine. And that's what It's happening. Why? Why Moscow considers Ukraine's entry into NATO as an existential threat, and he's probably right. The truth is that the NATO should have died when the Cold War ended. This was expressed by many intellectuals. of U.S. defense and national security luminaries. But in Instead of driving a stake through this vampire's heart, the West allowed him to stay alive, draining the money of its members, fattening the wallets of War profiteers and gun magnates and wreaking havoc in places like Yugoslavia, Afghanistan, Libya, now Ukraine and soon, according to the vampire informs us, the China Sea. NATO even helped cripple the democracy, as it was, in the United States.

How? Recreating the threat of Russia after the fall of the Soviet Union. Settling in Kiev after the coup d'état backed by the CIA in 2014. Turning Putin into the bogeyman to the point that Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama were comfortable concocting *the Russiagate* garbage to explain the humiliating Democratic defeat in the 2016 presidential election. This frenzy of Russophobia, in turn, turned the gullible American public into a terrain. privileged to flourish the lie that Moscow intended to conquer Europe. It also allowed for more evasions – specifically, During the 2020 election campaign, the huge lie of former officials of U.S. intelligence that Hunter Biden's laptop was [part of a Russian disinformation campaign. It wasn't. Even Hunter Biden Says. But that falsehood handed the election to Joe Biden at a time when The contents of the laptop could have defeated

him. It also incited another whirlwind. of hysteria about Russia's cunning manipulation of gullible Americans, and Unsuspecting.

And it's even worse. Taking advantage of Russophobic delusions, the The White House and FBI censored social media. State security stifled in turn evidence of corruption by the Biden family in their dealings trade with Ukraine. So now we have what many Americans have. consider a possibly senile and very unpopular criminal as president, installed by the FBI and the CIA, with no end in sight. And the root of this evil, NATO, nests next to the rotten rot of a Government controlled by corporate donors while thirsting for blood NATO's fresh mandate requires an ostensible enemy, namely Moscow, which It happens to possess more nuclear weapons than anyone else on the planet.

This catastrophe afflicts us at the same time as the main one. Presidential alternative is the reckless and accused before the justice Trump, who He could even campaign from a cell, and that he clearly intends to impose martial law, becoming president for life and conducting rigged trials for their enemies. The only way out of this trap that has been laid by the Duopoly is a third-party candidate – and it turns out there's an excellent one. available, namely [Cornel West](#) – or for Biden to finally do the right thing, step up and step up and take it aside.

But Biden has not yet learned that he is crushing the that remains of American democracy. And this is particularly infuriating because he knew he was vulnerable to a bribery charge, specifically to an alleged payment of 5 million dollars, and yet its Presidential ambition and his narcissism led him to risk involving I give this club with which the extreme right now beats him and, for extension, to all who are on your left. Maybe he thought he could overcome this accusation, this morass of financial chicanery that stinks intensely, But now it's clear he can't. He should have decency, in the twilight of his life, to shed the sick opportunism that led him to encourage and Grease the wheels of Iraq's criminal war, to increase the gulag prison of the nation to two million miserable souls and to push us, from 2021 until today, to the precipice of nuclear holocaust with Russia. Should lead by example and step aside and, hopefully, Trump He would also fall by the wayside. The Republican Party is simply not an alternative. Any political conglomerate with a 1000-page plan to end all rules and laws that address climate breakdown, such as Trump's Republican party has done it, it's not a party. It is an enemy of humanity.

Meanwhile, having drained the blood of Yugoslavia, Afghanistan, Libya and now almost finished with the corpse of Ukraine, NATO turns his hungry gaze to Taiwan. Despite the well-known and scandalous history of the vampire, Taiwan has not noticed. It is also

intended for the cemetery. Incredibly, numerous political bigwigs The US has even considered the idea of bombing the industry. Taiwanese computer chips, rather than let it fall into Chinese hands. ¿Which one Is the island's response to these threats of chaos? "We will do what you do. Say, master. Send weapons." Really? If this is not suicidal, what is? Maybe, just maybe, with a ruler other than Biden or to a republican hawk, this foray into the Far East would not take place. Perhaps, once again, humanity would be freed from the nuclear trap. Maybe those Dr. Strangelove* of the Pentagon eager for naval warfare and willing to Bombing Chinese cities would be disappointed. Perhaps the United States could even reduce its empire and undo the damage of NATO. But maybe that's Expect too much. Maybe the NATO vampire hasn't finished drinking Our blood and it won't until the world bursts into nuclear flames.

Under Biden, Russia has invaded Ukraine twice: when he was in charge of Ukraine's portfolio as vice president, and again in 2022 as commander in chief. On both occasions, Moscow was provoked. Such It may be time for Biden to accept the verdict of history that he is a part of. of the problem, which contributed to these two appalling invasions and which, therefore, It cannot be the solution. It's time for Biden to do the right thing and the most Elegant: retreat. It would save lives in Ukraine, in Taiwan and maybe save us. to the rest of us from the nuclear winter. But, judging by the record of This president, when has he made you change that altruistic calculus?

N. of T.: Character in Stanley Kubrick's film "Dr. Strangelove or: How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love de Bomb", which in Spain was translated as "Red Phone? We flew to Moscow." El Dr. Strangelove (Peter Sellers) is a former Nazi scientist and advisor to the U.S. president who convinces him to drop an atomic bomb against Russia that will trigger the destruction of the world.

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